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The Mines in Kootenay are Among the Richest in America.

THE MINER

The Ores are High-Grade in Gold, Silver, Copper, and Lead.

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ANOTHER OLD-TIMER GONE.

This afternoon T. B. Lewis of Nelson, died in his house on Baker St. Dr. LeBau was called in this morning, but the apoplectic fit proved fatal at 3.30.

LEFT NELSON FOR GOOD.

G. E. R. Ellis died on Monday morning the 16th instant. He has been sick for the past 2 months of typhoid fever. He rallied somewhat towards the end of last week, but on Saturday he became much worse, and died at 3 a.m. Monday of pneumonia.

Mr. Ellis was born at Caermathen, Wales, Feb. 29, 1860. After spending a few years at a private school he entered Caermathen grammar school at the age of 8 and remained there for 4 or 5 years. He then went to Bedford grammar school and at the entrance examination gained a scholarship of the value of £75 with free board, tuition, tenable for 2 years. When the 2 years had expired he went to University college school, London, and at the annual examination, which was held at the end of the first term after he had entered, he carried off 6 first-class prizes in competition against the whole school. After spending a year at University college school he went to University college, where he remained for a little more than a year and then his health giving way he was compelled to leave. After this he was science master at Reading, Haversham and Scarborough grammar schools and at the Herefordshire county science school. Becoming tired of teaching he entered the office of W. Edgar Jackson (Royal school of mines) as a private pupil for the study of the higher branches of assaying and analysis, and after completing his course there he practiced as an analyst and assayer in several towns in England, but finding that the field was very limited in that country he went to the United States and spent 3 years in the mining districts of North and South Carolina, Virginia and Alabama and also visited the chief mining camps of Colorado. In the early part of 1888 he set up as mining engineer and assayer in Butte city, Montana, and soon obtained a good practice as assayer and was made superintendent of the Marine, Snowflake and Minnesota mining claims. He was the only Butte engineer employed as an expert by the plaintiffs in the Bluebird mining suit, involving $2,000,000, and he made all the assays necessary to establish the plaintiff's claim. In the fall of 1889 he was employed by a Butte capitalist to make a report on the mining interests of West Kootenay, and he was so favorably impressed with what he saw here that he sold his practice in Butte the following spring and came to Nelson in April, 1890. Mr. Ellis was a Bachelor of Science, London; Fellow of the Chemical Society, London; Member of the Society of Chemical Industry, London; author of Practical Organic Analysis, (Longman's); of papers on Organic Chemistry, (Rivington's); and of The Iron Ores of the World, (Iron.) Since June, 1890, he has been special correspondent in British Columbia for the Engineering and Mining Journal of New York, and was an occasional correspondent of several other scientific journals.

Our most sincere sympathy is with mrs. Ellis, and it is hoped that it will not be necessary for her to leave Nelson.

What Nelson Can Do.

At a meeting held in Nelson this week John Houston, Bert Crane and Dr. LeBau were appointed a committee of management to consider the details of the celebrations to be held on the 1st of July. Over twelvehundred dollars for prize money has already been subscribed and contributions are coming to hand daily. There will be no difficulty it is thought in raising two thousand dollars, which, together with the entrance fees, will enable the committee to offer numerous and very handsome prizes.

Invitations have been given to Bonner's Ferry, Vancouver, Victoria, Spokane and all neighboring towns to take part in the entertainment.

The committee are in correspondence with the Great Northern, the Canadian Pacific railway and all transport and navigation companies with a view to securing reduced rates for all wishing to visit Nelson on the First.

John Houston is now in Spokane arranging for several novelties which will form part of the show. Owing to his absence the committee have not as yet submitted any definite programme, but on his return a meeting will be held at which it will be decided what shall go to form the greatest celebration that has, up to the present, been held in the Kootenay country.

MINERAL CLAIMS RECORDED AND TRANSFERRED

AT AINSWORTH, HOT SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Iron Duke—Situated on Kaslo creek, about 17 miles from Kaslo city. Located by W. F. Kennedy.

Eliza Jane—Situated in Hot Springs, and being a northerly extension of the Neosho mineral claim. Located by Robert Jackson.

Volunteer—Situated in Hot Springs camp, about 2 miles south of Coffee creek and one mile west of Kootenay lake. Located by G. W. Hall.

TRANSFERS.

Angus McGillivray to J. C. Hooker—All of the mineral claim Maxville, situated near Balfour. Consideration, $300.

Angus McGillivray to J. C. Hooker—One third interest in the mineral claim Park Hill, situated near Balfour. Consideration, $300.

Constantine Von Moerkerke to T. G. Procter—One-half interest in the mineral claim Pilot, situated near Balfour. Consideration, $250.

Richard S. Gallop to T. G. Procter—All his right title and interests in the Pioneer, Park Hill, and Tom & Gerry, situated near Balfour. Consideration, $500.

TRANSFERS AT NELSON, TOAD MOUNTAIN DISTRICT.

May 12—W. Brokaw to W. E. Hazleton 5-12 interest in the William Wallace, consideration $250.

May 19—J. F. Hume to H. Selous ⅓ interest in the Sundown.

May 19—W. Lewis & A. McIntyre to H. Selous the mineral claims Try Me, True Love & Queensbury.

Slocan to the Front.

W. H. Smith has struck what promises to be a bonanza within 3 miles of Eldorado city. The ledge has been traced for over 3000 feet and mineral found on 3 locations. There are from 15 to 30 inches of solid ore, but the mineralised rock is much wider. Specimens brought to Nelson this week and taken from spots 500 feet apart assayed 150 and 103 ounces silver to the ton respectively. The percentage of lead is high. The following locations have been made in the neighborhood of the new strike.

The Mammoth, by B. A. Anderson; The Farmer's Boy, by J. D. McDonald; The Mountain Chief, by W. H. Smith; The Dixie, by E. M. Walter; The Belle, by James Hayes; The Egypt, by Sam. Brown; The Aylwin, by Charles Aylwin; The Belle Isle, by Chas. J. Sinclair, Evan Jones & J. M. Harris.

Will Advertise Us in England.

Mr. J. C. Steen, editor of the Winnipeg Commercial and president of the Board of Trade in Winnipeg, is in Nelson this week. Mr. Steen is to represent the Winnipeg board at the conference of the Boards of Trade of the empire to be held in London on June the 25th. Mr. Steen wished to take in West Kootenay before going to the old country. He expects to meet many inquiries about it.

The First in Ainsworth.

The citizens of Ainsworth held a meeting last night to discuss the holding of a celebration on Dominion day. A committee of 7 was appointed to make the necessary arrangements. The authorities who run the steamer Nelson have agreed to bring persons from Nelson and return at reduced rates, and the steamer Spokane will do the same for passengers from Bonner's Ferry. The Miners' union will offer prizes for a drilling contest. The usual games will follow.

CREAM OF THE WORLD'S NEWS.

Another great dock strike is threatened in London.

Lieutenant Eilers reports that Emin Pasha is totally blind.

The village of Fairville, N. S., was burned down on May 9.

The United States means to annex Hawaii, if it can get it.

Canadian cattle can now enter freely into the United Kingdom.

The Anaconda mine, near Butte, on May 15, buried 11 men, 10 of whom are believed to be dead.

A syndicate of British capitalists is preparing to send an expedition to explore the coast of Patagonia for minerals.

The ratifications of Behring Sea arbitration agreement and modus vivendi convention were exchanged between Great Britain and the United States.

The forces of the British East Africa Company fought with the Maburities, near Teita; the natives were defeated. The British forces captured a number of slave caravans.

Balfour.

C. W. Busk is putting up a windmill to pump water to his fruit trees.

A 33 lb. trout was caught; 1000 fruit trees planted; several bears killed.

Bishop Sillitoe chose a site for a church, which will be started at once.

R. S. Gallop has sold his interest in a group of claims south of Balfour for $500 cash.

A wharf is to be built at the foot of Westley St., by residents and property owners.

Lots have been changing hands, to a considerable extent lately, and at increased prices.

J. W. Gallop & Son have rented the lower portion of their new building, which is nearly completed, to the Balfour Trading Co.

Run out of Town.

Tom Smith came up from Bonner's Ferry to Ainsworth, the beginning of this week, and brought his wife along. On Thursday she was confined, and on Friday Smith assaulted her violently; this became known and some twenty of Ainsworth's best men waited on Smith—conducted him out of town, showed him the trail, and told him that if he was seen in Ainsworth again that he would most certainly be hanged. Should Tom Smith show up in Nelson we can promise him an equally warm reception, In this country we have no use for such brutes. Two hundrad dollars have been already subscribed in Ainsworth for the benefit of Mrs. Smith, and in case any more is needed, it would please Nelson to chip in,

Kaslo-Slocan Railroad.

The Directors of this company have decided to make an immediate start on the location survey of this line as far as the Montezuma camp and Kaslo Forks; when this has been cleared the engineer will proceed with the location survey to the Slocan mines. John Hendy (—president of the company) and D. F. Munn (secretary) have been up the proposed line, have arranged for right of way and are well satisfied with what they have seen.

Goat River.

Letters received from Jack O'Neil and John Fritch, who are working at Goat river, give very encouraging reports of that locality. Seveeral very fair looking galena prospects have been located, and 2 or 3 copper ledges. The development done has proved that the ore is permanent and increases in quantity as depth is gained. On the Big 9, the shaft in which messrs. Fritch and O'Neil are working is all in ore, which runs from 60 to 80 ounces in silver.

WANTED, AN UNDERTAKER.

I rang the bell and was admitted by a servant to the room where the corpse lay. As yet nothing had been disturbed. The body was covered by a sheet, and when I uncovered the face I found it was that of a beautiful girl about 17 years of age. To all appearances life was extinct, as the body was cold and rigid. I lifted her on my cooling board, and it was then that I discovered, when the features where plainly visible, that her eyes were bright and not covered by a film, as is usual, and that her lips were remarkably red for a dead person. At first I was about to call the old gentleman and tell him that his daughter was not dead; but I thought better of it, as I was sure I was mistaken. Nevertheless I determined to make the usual tests, and was about to prick her with my lance when I thought I noticed a slight movement of the eye. Nor was I mistaken.

I bared the neck so as to get near the artery we used in arterial embalming, and when I made a slight indentation with the knife a small drop of blood dropped on my finger. This blood was warm and I then knew that life was not extinct. I called a servant and asked her what form of disease her mistress had died of. She told me the doctor said it was 'typhoid malaria.' I then asked her for the death certificate, and found that the servant was right.

I said nothing to anyone in the house, and, after wrapping the body in several blankets, placed it on the bed.

I had often read of people being in trances and taken for dead, and was sure this was a similar case. Not knowing whether she was conscious, I spoke to her and told her that I knew she was in a hypnotic state and not dead, and that I would return in a few moments with a physician. I passed quietly out of the house, telling the servant to allow no one in the room till I returned, and found a medical friend who accompanied me back to the house. He was not long in determining the facts, as his diagnosis proved beyond all doubt that the lady was not dead, but in a deep trance. He also thought she was conscious, and spoke kindly to her, telling her not to fear as she would be all right in a little while.

He injected a drug into her arm, and in a short time was rewarded by hearing a slight flutter of the heart, which gradually grew stronger.

When I went down stairs the old gentleman was pacing up and down the parlor floor, and when he saw me he started for his hat and coat, saying he would go back to the store with me and pick out a casket. I told him to be seated, as there was some mistake, as his daughter did not need a coffin at present, and I hoped it would be a long time before she did. At first I could not make him comprehend that his daughter was still alive, but finally convinced him that it was a fact, and introduced him to the doctor, who in the meantime had come into the room.

The old man was partly stunned and acted more like a crazy man than the sensible person that he was. Well, both the doctor and I sat at the bedside of the girl all night, but it was not until the following afternoot that she recovered consciousness. She knew absolutely nothing of what had taken place, and it was not until some weeks after, when she had fully recovered, that her father told her all. Three years later she was married, and is today as happy a wife and mother as lives.

China the Power of the Future.

"The Chinese," says General Lord Wolseley, "are the coming nation. The Chinese will, I think, overrun the world. The battle of Armagedden will take place between the Chinese and the English speaking races. There will be, I assume, another war between France and Germany, and it will be about the bloodiest war or series of wars which we have seen in Europe. But some day a great general or lawgiver will arise in China, and the Chinese, who have been motionless for three centuries, will begin to progress. They will take to the profession of arms and then they will hurl themselves upon the Russian empire. Before the Chinese armies—as they possess every military virtue, are stolidly indifferent to death and capable of inexhaustible endurance—the Russians will go down. Then the Chinese armies will march westward. They will overrun India sweeping us into the sea. Asia will belong to them, and then at last British, Americans, Australians will have to rally for a last desperate conflict. So certain do I regard this that I think one fixed point of our policy should be to strain every nerve and make every sacrifice to keep on good terms with China. China is the coming power."

The Australian Rabbit Pest.

Some of the principal officers of New South Wales have just returned to Sydney after a visit of inspection to the western division of the colony, where the rabbit pest exists in its worst form. In one small district it is estimated that they have increased by 3,000,000 in three years. The departmental experts say that 89,000,000 acres, nearly half the total area of the colony, are now infested. In the dry country the rabbits, in the absence of softer food, are eating wood, particularly the tender bark of the scrub vegetation. By eating this as far as they can reach it, they effectually "ringbark" and kill the scrubs and thus, in the case of the edible varieties, destroy one of the chief means of keeping sheep alive in long periods of drought. Traps at the tanks and water holes in a dry season, when water is unobtainable elsewhere, are said to be the most successful method of destroying the rabbits.

Notice is hereby given that assessed and provincial revenue taxes, for 1892, are now due and payable at my office, Nelson.

L. H. GIFFIN,
Assessor and collector.

Nelson, February 13th, 1892.

FOR SALE.

A half interest in th bar of the Ainsworth house at Ainsworth and the whole of the furniture, etc., of that hotel is for sale, including 50 cords of wood, 15 tons of ice, and 100 chickens. The hotel has 16 bed-rooms and is doing a business of $75 a day; the bar is doing a business of $30 a day. Price, $2100 cash. Apply to Thomas Trenery on the premises, or to Houston & Ink, Nelson.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

The copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the firm name of Johnson & Mahoney, as proprietors of the Silver King hotel, at Nelson, British Columbia, is dissolved from and after this date. All accounts due the firm are payable to John Johnson, who will pay all debts.

M. L. MAHONEY,
JOHN JOHNSON.

Witness: JOHN HOUSTON.
Dated at Nelson, B. C., April 6th, 1892.

NOTICE TO WATER CONSUMERS.

Section 38 of the bill chartering the Consumers' Waterworks Company, Limited, reads: "If any person being occupant, tenant or inmate of any house, or otherwise supplied with water from the said waterworks by the company, sells or disposes of the water thereof, or gives it away, or permits it to be taken or carried away, or uses it, or applies it to the benefit of others, or to any other than his or her own use or benefit, or wrongfully neglects or improperly wastes the water, every such person shall on conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace, be by such Justice adjudged and condemned to pay a penalty for every such offence not exceeding $25," etc. From and after this date the above section will be strictly enforced,

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CLEVER DETECTIVE WORK.

Several aldermen of the city of Chicago have been indicted for accepting bribes, and the matter from its similarity to the celebrated New York "boodle" cases is attracting universal attention. The evidence against the aldermen was very skillfully worked up by detective John Bonfield, whose device for overhearing the consultations of the conspirators is related by the Chicago News as follows:

When alderman John Powers read that certain detectives had been watching "boodling" operations through a hole in the ceiling, he went into the business department of his saloon on Madison street and looked carefully at the wall-paper overhead. He could not see any hole. After gazing at the wall paper long and earnestly without finding a break or tatter he became convinced of his own innocence and said the story was a lie. Powers is not a specialist in optical illusions. Detective John Bonfield is.

When the saloon was opened on Madison street by alderman Powers and alderman O'Brien it was the understanding that the place was to be the headquarters for the "gang." Those who were watching the operations of the crowd soon became convinced that much business was being transacted in the private office of Powers & O'Brien. Detectives made an examination of the premises. The saloon, fronting north on Madison street, had a cigar stand and screen near the front door. The bar extended down the east of the room to the tall ice chest. Behind the ice chest and shut off by partitions 8 feet high were 2 private rooms, apparently intended for wine closets. The room in front was kept locked. Alderman Powers and Alderman O'Brien each carried a key. Behind these 2 private rooms was the partition separating the bar-room from the "stock exchange" bucket shop in the rear. An offset in the west wall of the barroom narrowed the passage leading to the back room. The private office had a safe in the northeast corner and a table in the center.

The detectives gained temporary possession of the vacant room over the saloon. Election commissioner Hutchings held the lease. They found that the offset in the west wall continued up through the second floor. By estimating the distances from the angle of the offset they were able to locate a point in the floor immediately above the private office. This was not done, however, until frequent visits had been made to the saloon and all the distances had been "stepped off" by the sleuths. Then the next thing was to get a hole through the ceiling and watch the transaction of business in the clearing house.

It was no easy task to make a hole in the ceiling large enough to see what was going on underneath and small enough to escape attention. The new wall paper in the barroom was of a light shade and a black hole, even if half an inch in diameter, would have been at once noticed.

The boards were sawed off between the joists, which were 16 inches apart. Then the laths were cut out for a space about 6 inches in diameter. A solution of glue and water was used to moisten it, and it was picked out a little at a time. The detectives were expecting to come to the wall paper, but they were surprised to find a layer of boards under the plaster. When a hole was cautiously chiseled through the boards the workers came to a layer of muslin, to which the wall paper had been plastered. This was a piece of good fortune. The stiff muslin allowed a 6-inch hole to be put in the wood. The only things to be penetrated were the cloth and paper.

Detective Bonfield then decided to prick a large number of very small holes through the muslin and paper. Experiments were made, and it was found that a sheet of paper could be made as porous as a mosquito bar without marking it up. It was feared, however, that in trying to put in so many of the little apertures the paper might be torn by the holes "running into each other." So the needles were fastened together in a comb and the work was done with the holes very close to each other. It was found that the whole interior of the office could be seen and the talk could be plainly heard. In order for the observer to lie down and keep his eye over the seive, a neat little shelf was placed between the joists. All of this tedious work was done in the few hours of the night during which the place below was closed.

As to what the man on the shelf saw and heard and what was taken down in short-hand the grand jury will inquire in good time. After sufficient observation had satisfied the detectives, the hole was closed up and the floor relaid.

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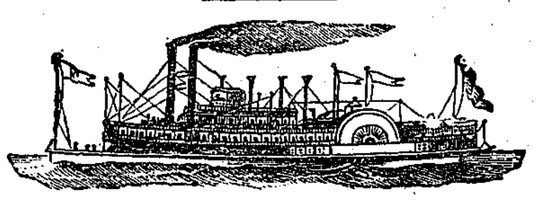

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ADDRESS ALL LETTERS: THE MINER, NELSON, B. C.

EDITORIAL REMARKS.

That Nelson and Ainsworth should have held nearly simultaneous meetings to discuss the question of celebrating Dominion day is a misfortune. To celebrate at the two towns, on the same day, would be a misfortune still greater. That Nelson has the prior right to the choice of days—being the larger town and the centre of district government—that she has better opportunities of making the thing a success—owing to her having a certain amount of space on which horse-racing and such sports could be held—that she is the better known town of the two, are facts about which there can be no discussion.

On Tuesday, when nearly everyone from Nelson and everyone from Ainsworth will be at Kaslo it would, surely, be an easy matter for the committees to meet and talk the matter over. The Nelson committee would be glad to make some concessions in order that the celebration may be a universal concern, and not confined to any one town, or divided between 2.

Of late a large number of lots in Nelson have changed hands, and it is expected that all summer there will be a considerable amount of buying and selling—there must be—5 new townsites at least will be on the market, and all so placed as to ensure large portions being sold. As things at present stand, every deed that requires to be registered has to be sent to Victoria, which, owing to our excessively bad mail service, causes delay which might easily, and at no expense to the government, be obviated by the establishment, in Nelson, of a registry office. The volume of business done would at once justify such a step being taken.

The Kootenay Herald has been hauling us over the coals for running down Bonner's Ferry. To the best of our knowledge THE MINER has never said a single word against the town; the statement, that our principal business men are leaving Nelson to settle in Bonner's Ferry, is not, however, strictly true. That one or two individuals, who have been in business here, have not been as successful as they wished, is no fault of Nelson's. They have been more successful than they deserved, and have made more money here than they will in Bonner's Ferry—that is, unless the people across the line are bigger fools than we take them for.

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DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

The copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the firm name of Henry & Adams, conducting business as druggists at Ainsworth, B. C., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All accounts due the firm are payable to dr. J. Henry, who assumes liabilities.

Witness: ALFRED STALBERG.

DR. J. HENRY,
E. J. ADAMS.

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Kaslo City, B. C., December 10th, 1891.

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JIM WARDNER'S LUCK.

The luck of Jim Wardner is the talk of thousands of people up and down the Pacific Coast. A mule found a mine and made a fortune for him, and now comes another story, apparently somewhat gauzy, that a dog has found another one for him. Wardner has been a wanderer in many lands. He has tried farming, freighting, raising oranges at San Bernardino, buying stocks in Pine street, and enough other things to make one's head swim to remember them. He is known as a good deal of a plunger, and has been rich and poor many times.

It was the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mine, superintended by John Hayes Hammond, that the mule found. Wardner had wandered with the first adventurous prospectors to the Cœur d'Alene country. For many months the snow lay deep upon the ground. He and his partners were camped in a deep gorge in the mountains, prospecting as best they could. They had a big brown mule named Jack to freight their bacon and beans and picks around. One day, after the mule had extracted all the food that could be found in the tomato cans and other rubbish, he wandered off to browse on some vagrant sagebrush just peeping up from the snow.

In getting at the sagebrush he slipped on the hillside and displaced a stone and some loose dirt under it, and there lay the ore of the outcropping of the great vein of the famous Bunker Hill and Sullivan mine, worth millions of dollars. A town sprang up—the well-known town of Wardner, Idaho, where a number of other rich mines have since been discovered—and lucky Jim Wardner, as he is now known, was transformed in a day from a moneyless prospector to a millionaire. "We were drinking beer in the camp," said he, "and were well satisfied to get it, but when we had struck it we quarreled about the quality of the champagne. It was strange what epicures we became right away." The aged mule who had made the fortune was feted as mule never was before. He was taken to Corvallis, in the Willamette valley, and put in luxuriant grass up to his thighs. A man was hired to take care of him and supply his smallest want. A luxurious barn was fitted up and a regular allowance made for him by Wardner and others he had benefited. Jack is now whiling his last hours away in luxury. Many people call to see him. He has the strangest history, perhaps, of any mule that ever lived. Wardner has for some time being a bank president and is now known as the hon. James F. Wardner, but to a myriad of people he will always be known as plain, unostentious and lucky Jim Wardner.

He Wilted.

"You ask me how I felt when I first smelled powder, so to speak. Well, even after the lapse of all these years I'm almost ashamed to tell you. I was panic stricken, scared out of my senses, my courage oozed out of me in an instant, and a small boy could have captured me without trouble. This awful experience came after I had been about a year in the army. The regiment of infantry in which I was was preparing to go into camp. We were a few miles outside of Yorktown, which was in the possession of the confederates, but none of us, not even our officers, realized the proximity of the enemy. There were some cattle with the army, and somehow or other some of my comrades and I were part of the crowd that drove the beeves to the place where they were to be slaughtered.

"We formed a circle, a sort of bull ring, and fell to skylarking and firing our pistols at the cattle as they ran hither and thither. It was all slaughter and shouting. Suddenly, without the slightest warning, a sound that we had never heard before rose above the clamor. It was a sort of whirring howl, lasting a few seconds only, but long enough to strike terror into our hearts. The men who had been as gay and noisy as school-boys the second before were dumb. I don't remember how they behaved. My own affairs kept me busy. I felt as if my boots were nailed to the ground. They wouldn't move, neither would my legs—in fact I had lost control of my body. I was perfectly limp and my knees sagged out.

"That was the first strange sound, as of some hideous, deadly bird flying overhead. I hardly realized, mind you, that the enemy was shelling us. All I knew for sure was that somehow my life, which I had enjoyed so much a minute before, was in danger. I wanted to run, but my legs wouldn't obey me. 2 shells passed over me before I could shake off the paralysis. Then I ran as I never ran before or since, with a professional sprinter's speed, to the shelter of the woods from which our regiment had only just emerged. A second terror seized me as I reached the first scattering trees. I had selected one, a big fellow, as my refuge, and when I reached it 3 other men who were crouched behind it pushed me violently away, saying there wasn't room for more. Shells were still in the air, and with terror I pursued my flight. When at last I fell exhausted upon the ground beyond the range of the enemy's artillery, I almost lost consciousness for a while.

"Nobody was killed by those shells, but the 'rebs' must have laughed to see us run, and laughed louder yet when our cattle ran into their lines as they did. I felt more or less uncomfortable always in going into battle afterward, but never again lost my nerve as I did at my fire baptism before Yorktown."

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Fifty men to chop cord wood at Kootenay Lake, 8 miles above Pilot Bay. Apply at Balfour Trading Company's store, or on the work. C. N. LA FRANCE.

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NOTICE.

W. H. Kronon, Great Northern Restaurant, Main Street, Spokane, Washington, wishes to know the whereabouts of Pat Nolan, an old Nevada miner.

NOTICE.

For the present the undersigned will have desk room in the office of G. A. Bigelow. W. A. Crane is authorized to give receipts for money paid on accounts due to them as former owners of THE MINER. HOUSTON & INK.
Nelson, April 50th, 1892.

NOTICE.

By the terms of the sale, all accounts due THE MINER for advertising and job work, prior to May 1st, are payable to Houston & Ink. All amounts due for subscription are payable to Bogle & Whalley.
HOUSTON & INK.
Nelson, April 25th, 1892. BOGLE & WHALLEY.

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Slocan Lake at mouth of Carpenter Creek.

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STRUCK A SNAG.

The tramp, hardened though he was by an unhappy struggle for life, was really touched by the sight of the sweet young girl who opened the door in response to his knock. There was a dreamy look in her big blue eyes, as if her thoughts were yet centered in the book in her hand, between whose leaves was thrust a dainty forefinger to keep the place. And she blushed confusedly to see a stranger.

"Kind lady," whined the man, "can you give a poor wanderer something to eat?"

She stared in innocent indecision.

"I don't know," she faltered after a moment. "Papa and mamma are both away and ——"

"Aha."

The tramp instantly discarded his air of humility and advanced boldly towards the slight young woman.

"Gimme a dollar," he growled.

She gasped and turned pale with fright.

"Oh, good sir, don't——"

His horrid, leering face was so near that she could feel his breath upon her cheek.

"Ow, wow. Help Tige. Oh, come Tige."

There was a rushing sound from the direction of the woodshed, with a clicking as of claws upon the floor, and a body of some sort was precipitated against the closed door behind the slender girlish figure.

"Here, Tige."

Trembling and hysterical she placed her hand upon the latch.

"D-don't open the door," the rough heartless man was crying again. "Pardon me, I beg of you. I—I really meant nothing. I was only trying to scare you. Would you kindly oblige me with the time of day?"

Weak with horror the girl leaned against the wall like a stricken flower. She could not speak.

"Yip, yip. yip."

It was an exceedingly small dog that was barking in the woodshed. The sound was so extremely attenuated as to preclude any other supposition.

"Aha," the tramp scowled malignantly.

"You, gwoman," he hissed, "gimme $5 this—"

With nerveless touch she raised the latch.

"Minute or——"

"Sick'em, Tige."

In after years the man was unable to tell clearly how it all happened. He merely retained a shadowy recollection of a large, brown mastiff and an excited, barking poodle bursting through a door simultaneously, with a limp, frightened girl in the back ground, but the details of his escape left absolutely no impression on his memory.

Greatness Thrust Upon Him.

He was acting as major in a certain battle, when the brigade was ordered to carry by storm a position in which the enemy was strongly fortified. The regiment went forward, but when it came under fire the center wavered, while the wings made a dash to reach a stone wall in front, bending the regimental line like a rainbow. He was in the rear of the center urging the men to push forward, when his horse which was new in the business, took the bit in his teeth and dashed at a gollop ahead of the men and up to the stone wall. He made the best of an awkward situation, rose in his stirrups, waved his sword, and called upon the men to push forward. Believing he had gone willingly into danger they dashed forward to his rescue, and after a furious fight they drove the enemy from their position, went over the wall, and were soon in full possession of the ground they had been directed to occupy. He was credited, of course, with extreme bravery; and in the end was promoted to colonel in one jump.

KOOTENAY LODGE, No. 16, I. O. O. F.

Meets every Monday night at 20 o'clock in Hume's Hall. Officers: J. H. Matheson, N. G., G. W. Aldous, V. G., W. Hodson, Secretary, J. Fred. Hume, Treasurer. Visiting members cordially invited to attend.

FOR SALE.

The undersigned offers for sale an undivided one-half interest in the Nelson brick yard, with or without the brick now manufactured. N. HOOVER.

Nelson, B. C., April 22nd, 1892.

NOTICE.

Until further notice Steamer Galena will make regular trips between Ainsworth, Galena, Balfour, Buchanan's, and Nelson daily. Will run through to Kaslo Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following additional mining recording division in the West Kootenay electoral district has been established, namely:—

6. Slocan—Alexander Sproat, recorder—to comprise all the country on Slocan lake and Slocan river above its main fork, including the west branch of the Slocan river and all streams and tributaries flowing into any of the said waters.

Notice is also given that the limits of the Nelson mining recording division, as defined on the 9th day of December, 1891, are altered by excluding that portion of country contained within the aforesaid Slocan division.

JOHN ROBSON,
Provincial secretary and minister of mines.

Provincial secretary's office, April 25th, 1892.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to make application to the licensing board at its next sitting for a license for a concert hall at Nelson, B. C. A. A. LEWIS.

May 14th, 1892.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given that we intend to make application to the licensing board at its next sitting for a license for a hotel on the Kaslo-Slocan trail near the lakes.

May 7th, 1892. BREMNER & WATSON.

NOTICE.

Until a permanent office can be secured, the Nelson central exchange of the Kootenay Lake Telephone Company will be in G. A. Bigelow's store.

W. A. CRANE, secretary.

Nelson, April 30th, 1892.

APPLICATION FOR TIMBER LEASE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply for a special license to cut timber on the following described tract of land, Commencing at a post on the south shore of the west arm of Kootenay lake, opposite the Balfour house, thence south 60 chains, thence east 100 chains more or less to the shore of Kootenay lake, thence northerly and westerly along the shore line of the lake and west arm to the point of commencement; containing 600 acres more or less. ED RAUCH.

Balfour, April 2nd, 1892.

AINSWORTH LAND & IMPROVEMENT CO.

All purchasers of lots in Ainsworth, who have not yet received their deeds, can get the same by applying to the undersigned. Any payments which are still due on contracts for lots can be made to G. B. WRIGHT,

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THE HELL TRAPS OF WAR.

We have a line of breastworks strong enough to stand artillery, and we have crowned it with "head logs." By that is meant a log so placed that a soldier can fire under it while it protects his head. Where there are head logs men kneel and fire at a dead rest, and 4 bullets out of 5 strike a human target. A regiment thus sheltered will check and drive back three times its strength. It was done time and again on both sides during the war.

But bloodthirsty war was not satisfied with the almost perfect immunity offered by earthwork and breastwork and head log. It sought for still further advantage, and found it in that hell trap, the abatis. If there is a forest in front the trees are cut down, tops to the enemy, and the limbs are sharpened and interlaced until a fox could hardly make his way through the tangle. When the trees are not convenient fence rails, boards, limbs and brush are used. The object is to check and hold the enemy under fire. See what a hell trap we have set in front of our 500 men! There are stakes driven into the ground at an angle and then sharpened. They are bound together with telegraph wire, and two strong men cannot pull one out of place. For "chinking" we have used the branches of wild plum trees and the blackberry bushes from along the fence. You could not drive wild horses over such an abatis. A stampeding herd of buffalo would break it down, but there would be a winrow of dead and wounded piled up before it.

The hell trap has been ready for two hours when the prey appears. Our line has been strung out to the left until there are weak spots. This looks like one of them to the enemy who is searching. The lay of the ground hides the abatis from his view and he can see only that part of the breastwork running over the hill. We have no artillery here. We can see the men plainly as they form for a charge. The intervals between the bodies as they swing into position proves that there are four regiments. They leave the cover of the woods as steadily as if on parade, and it is a handsome sight to see them advance. The order runs along our line to hold our fire until they are checked by the hell trap. They know that our battle line is here, but they cannot see a man of us. They are within easy musket range when the order is given to charge, and they advance with yells and hurrahs. Had we been in double line without protection that living wedge would have driven its way through us to the rear of the army. Not a shot was fired until they had recoiled from the abatis. It broke their formation and they were a mob after that. Some flung down their muskets and sought to pull up the stakes; others fired standing there exposed; some there were who broke back to the rear, but these were few in number.

We called it war then, and next day our skeleton regiment was complimented in general orders for having saved the left wing. As one remembers it now he half fears to be charged with murder. They were brave men, but they had no show. The jaws of the hell trap held officer and private fast while the muskets under the head log flamed and crackled and sent death into the confused and helpless crowd. They ought to have had the order to fall back at our first volley, but it was not given. Again and again the red flames leaped almost into their faces, and by and by, when the lifting smoke disclosed them scattered back, we rose up and cheered. They believed it was for the victory we had won, but it was not so. It was a tribute to their bravery and endurance—a shout of rejoicing that the jaws of the hell trap had opened to spare some of them a little longer.

And when the smoke had entirely cleared and we looked down over the abatis the sight was something to make the oldest veteran shudder. The dead and wounded—10 dead to 1 wounded—were lying in heaps, 3 or 4 upon each other. There were rivulets of blood running over the short, green grass; there were stains and spatters of blood over stake and limb and bush—blood and horrible wounds and dead faces until we who had created the spectacle turned away in horror.

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its guests thus obtaining splendid views of both mountain and river.

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THE TABLE is acknowledged the best in the mountains.

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The Table is not Surpassed by that of any Hotel in the Kootenay Lake country.

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Good Table; Good Beds; Hyas-Close Liquors.

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Telephone 27. 7, 9, and 11 East Vernon Street, NELSON, B. C.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Judge Sproat is on his way in from the coast.

The machinery for mr. Yate's sawmill will be on Slocan lake to-day.

Mr. Hodgins has returned from laying off town lots at Nakusp creek.

John Houston is in Spokane on business; he will return to Nelson on Monday.

Mr. W. T. Hireen has gone to Eldorado city to do a general store business there.

Cottonwood-Smith creek is threatening to make short work of the bridge at the depot.

The Grand Prairie dairy has now 12 cows in Nelson. The dairy is to be located near Hoover's brick-yard.

Brown & Yates of the Tecumseh hotel, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Brown will carry on the business.

Dr. Hendryx has a Burley drill at work on the excavations for the foundation of his smelter at Pilot bay.

Superintendent Robertson reports a good showing on the Silver Queen as the shaft increases in depth.

A run-away on Wednesday evening carried away one of the posts supporting the balcony of the Merchants' hotel.

Frank Fletcher, Canadian Pacific railway land agent for West Kootenay, left Nelson for the coast on Tuesday.

Mr. Macdonald made a trip to the Silver King this week. 20 men are at work. The tunnel is in 900 feet and is being crosscut in 2 places.

Mr. Perry is making good progress with the townsite survey at Eldorado city. He reports very favorably on the situation of the town.

The Kootenay river is said to have risen 4 feet in a single night this week. The Nelson encounters hundreds of logs and floating trees on her way down.

The Lytton was delayed on the upper Columbia and did not arrive in Robson till Wednesday morning. She had too heavy a cargo for the state of the river and was hung up on a sand bar.

There are about 5 feet of snow on Toad mountain, and it is melting very rapidly. M. Landrigan reports 3 feet of snow on the Slocan divide.

The Cockle brothers and Randall Kemp have been developing 2 prospects in which they are interested at the head of Crawford's bay. The properties are looking good.

L. D. Savier, representing a Spokane company, has put a force of men at work on a nickel property at the head of Crawford's bay. Specimens sample 44 per cent. nickel.

J. Walsh has returned from Nakusp creek. He reports the pass to Slocan lake an easy grade, and shorter than the Slocan river trail. Should the name of the new town be Nakusp or Napusk? Those who have located there claim the latter is correct.

Fishing Tackle

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Five-Room Cottages to rent on Vernon Street. Apply R. F. Perry.

NOTICE.

The copies of William's Directory ordered in Nelson are now at the Bank of B. C. awaiting claimants.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to make application to the licensing board at its next sitting for a license for a hotel at the junction of Carpenter creek and Sandon creek, about 9 miles from Eldorado city.

May 21. M. D. MAHONEY.

NOTICE.

W. Moore begs to notify W. McKinnon, Burton and Peter Gesner, locators of the "Jim Slick" mining claim, situate in Goat River district, 2½ miles north of Duck creek, that their property having been incorrectly located and being about to be jumped, he relocated it on the 9th of May, 1892, in his own name, and is desirous of coming to fair arrangement with them regarding the above claim.

APPLICATION FOR TIMBER LEASE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the chief commissioner of lands and works for a license to cut timber upon the following tract of land, described as follows: Beginning at a post on the west shore of Slocan lake about 1½ miles from the inlet, thence west 120 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 120 chains more or less to the lake shore, thence following the lake shore to the place of beginning; containing 950 acres more or less.

WILSON HILL,
Carpenter Creek, May 9, 1892. Per G. O. B.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned Michael J. Brown and John M. Yates, carrying on business as hotelkeepers at Nelson, in the district of West Kootenay, province of British Columbia, under the name style and firm of Brown & Yates, has been dissolved by mutual consent as and from the 17th day of May, A. D. 1892. All debts owing the said partnership are to be paid to Michael J. Brown at Nelson aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are also to be presented to said Brown by whom the same will be settled.

Dated the 18th day of May, A. D. 1892.

Witness: MICHAE J. BROWN,
C. W. GREENLEN. JOHN M. YATES.

SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Whereas the Council of Public Instruction is empowered, under the "Public School Act," to create school districts in addition to those already existing, and to define the boundaries thereof, and from time to time to alter the boundaries of existing districts; it is hereby notified that the council has been pleased to create the following tract of land to be a school district, under the title of "Nelson School District:" Commencing at the northeast corner of lot 97, group 1, Kootenay district, thence due south 4 miles, thence true west 3 miles, thence in a direct line north to the west arm of Kootenay lake, thence easterly following the shore line to the point of commencement.

S. D. POPE,
Secretary, Council of Public Instruction.
Education Office, Victoria, 26th April, 1892.

G. A. BIGELOW & CO.

WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

WHOLESALE.

EAST BAKER STREET, NELSON

TELEPHONE 8.