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A PIONEER SELLS HIS INTERESTS.

It is reported that A. D. Wheeler has disposed of all his interests in his mines and claims in Hot Springs district (except an interest in one of the Gallagher's) to his partners, J. W. McCune and Henry Giegerich. The amount of the consideration is not known, but is said to be $5000 cash and $30,000 in a year. The best-known of the properties are the Skyline and the Krao. The Skyline is developed by an incline shaft down 130 feet and a 20-foot prospecting shaft. A 2-compartment working shaft was started last summer and is now down 190 feet. There is a steam hoist and pump on the property. So far, the Skyline has yielded about 100 tons of shipping and 1000 tons of second-class ore. The ore shipped is said to have netted the owners about $30,000. The Krao is one of the oldest locations in Hot Springs district, and has produced some rich ore. It also has a steam hoist and pump in position. The other claims are not developed beyond the prospect stage. It is said that mr. Wheeler will now devote his time to opening up the Kootenay Chief, a claim adjoining the Blue Bell. The Kootenay Chief is owned by the Ainsworths. Mr. Giegerich, it is said, will manage the Hot Springs properties. Mr. Wheeler was one of the first prospectors in Hot Springs district, and has stuck to the camp through good and evil report for 5 years.

Twenty Men at Work on the Whitewater.

The owners of the Whitewater gold property on Rover creek already have 20 men on the payroll. Double shifts are now at work in the mine, and the force will be increased as soon as the new trail is completed. The Huntington mill on the Gold King will be taken down and packed to the Whitewater as soon as Wilson & Perdue's pack animals arrive from Kettle river. It is the intention of the Whitewater management to put in a platform and warehouse on the Columbia & Kootenay railway, at a point near Ward's crossing, so that supplies for the mine and mill can be easily and expeditiously handled.

The Number of Men Likely to be Employed.

A careful estimate of the men likely to be employed this year in the mines in Toad Mountain district places the number at 300. Within a month men will be steadily employed on the Silver King, Dandy, Iroquois, Grizzly Bear, Jim Crow, Poorman, Whitewater, and Wild Cat, to say nothing of the men at work on the placers on Hall creek and on the gold prospects on the south side of the river and the copper and galena prospects on the north side. Last year the number so employed was less than 75.

Shaft, Tunnel, and Crosscut in Solid Ore.

The shaft in the Silver King tunnel is down 10 feet, and in solid ore. The face of the tunnel is now 50 feet beyond the old crosscut and is still in solid ore, that assays up in the hundreds. The south crosscut was advanced 5 feet during the week and is also in solid ore. Every day's work done on the Silver King goes to prove that it is a world beater.

A Discovery Made on the Lardeaux.

Frank Fletcher, of the Canadian Pacific land department, returned to Nelson this week from surveying a 2-mile block on the Lardeaux. He reports making a find of meteoric iron that promises to be a big thing. He is having samples assayed, and if the returns are satisfactory men will be placed on the property to develop it.

A Slight Difference in Freight Rates.

The rate on mirrors from Toronto to Revelstoke by the Canadian Pacific is $8.38 per hundred; to Kootenay station by the Grand Trunk and Northern Pacific $4. Freight can now be billed through to Nelson by either route, and shippers should always keep their eyes "peeled," and ship by the route that gives the best rate. Sentiment should not have anything to do with the matter, as the Canadian Pacific is as much of an American as Canadian road.

A Good Field for Prospectors and Speculators.

The Kootenay Lake country has not yet reached a stage of development to assure steady employment to any large number of laboring men or mechanics. While quite a number of men at present find employment on construction work on the Columbia & Kootenay railway, that work will last scarcely a month longer. The majority of these men, owing to the high rate of wages prevailing, will remain in the country; and their number is sufficiently large to supply any demand likely to occur this summer. Except for carpenters, there is little work for mechanics. Until machinery is placed on the mines, miners who are not prospectors had better stick to their jobs. The Kootenay Lake country is a splendid field for the prospector and speculator, and THE MINER has no hesitancy in inviting them to come; but the invitation cannot be extended to laborers and mechanics.

Chinese Pronounced Worthless as Laborers.

The contractors who built the Columbia & Kootenay to a man say that they will never again undertake a contract if Chinese labor is forced upon them. This is because of their worthlessness as laborers at heavy, continuous work. Yet there are employers in the lake country whose palms are itching to employ this pronounced worthless labor, merely because it can be had for a less rate per day than white labor. There is one way to solve the question of the employment of the Chinese brought into the lake country by the Canadian Pacific, and that is, send them north to the main line, with the admonition that their presence will not again be tolerated in southern Kootenay.

Will Be Ready by May 28th.

On Monday dr. Hendryx and J. Fred Hume left Nelson for Little Dalles, to take a look at the new boat building at that place for the Columbia & Kootenay Steam Navigation Company. They were accompanied by F. G. Christie, the company's agent at Revelstoke. The new boat was commenced on April 7th. She is now planked, the caulking nearly finished, and the seams on her bottom pitched. The first house is on. The hull is of Puget Sound fir, and the cabins will be finished in California redwood. Twenty-seven men are reported at work, and the boat will make a trial trip on the 28th instant—so the contractor says.

The Price of Real Estate Advancing.

Outsiders who come to Nelson and Ainsworth are greatly disappointed because they cannot purchase inside property at the same prices paid for it 2 years ago. These people should never have ventured away from their homes. Nelson inside business property is worth money because no other mining town in America has a brighter future. Today lots are held at low figures compared with the prices ruling for lots in towns on Puget Sound that exist only on paper. Vernon and Baker street 30 and 50-foots rule firm at from $30 to $50 the front foot. Building-condition residence lots are held at $200 to $500.

Work to Be Recommenced at the Poorman.

A. L. Davenport, manager of the Poorman mine and mill, arrived at Nelson from Portland, Oregon, by the Galena on Tuesday. The mill will be started up as soon as everything is in readiness. A trial run will first be made on 30 tons of ore from the Wild Cat. After that the mill will be run continuously on ore from the Poorman, enough being in sight to keep the mill running for 2 years.

WITHDRAW THE REGULATIONS.

President Boyle and superintendent Campbell of the companies that own the smelter at Revelstoke and mines in Hot Springs district passed through Nelson on Tuesday on their return to Revelstoke. Mr. Boyle claims that the action of the Dominion government, in ordering the machinery on the United and other mines seized if the duty levied was not paid instanter, will have a bad effect among men with capital to invest in mines in British Columbia. He also claimed that the class of machinery placed on these mines is not manufactured in Canada, and that the customs department action is in direct violation of the published regulations. The duty on the United machinery was paid under protest, as was also the duty on the machinery on the Krao and Skyline. The regulations regarding the admission, free of duty, of mining machinery are a farce, and the sooner they are withdrawn the better, as evidently the Dominion government's customs department knows as little about mining machinery as its postoffice department does about adequate mail service for mining camps.

Within Three Miles of Nelson.

Tracklaying on the Columbia & Kootenay has made such progress that chief engineer Duchesnay has promised dr. Hendryx, manager of the Hendryx line of boats, that the end of the track will be at a point within 2 miles of Nelson by the 6th instant. A platform will be erected there, so that freight for Ainsworth and Nelson can be reshipped on the Galena. Today the end of the track is within 3 miles of Nelson, Bob Watmore and his gang laying a mile in one day. Pretty good work considering the size of the gang and the fact that tops had to be placed on several hundred feet of trestles.

The Route not Yet Definitely Located.

The chief engineer of the Great Northern railway is undecided as to which is the better route for his road: the one that leaves the Kootenay at Crossport and crosses the wagon road near the Halfway house, or the one that leaves the river near Deep creek. The latter is 2 miles the longer, but the grades are easier. If the latter route is selected the Great Northern will be in a position to handle a share of the trade of the Kootenay Lake country without building a spur line, as the point where the track will leave the river is about 3 miles below the present landing place of the Galena.

She Will Be a Beauty.

The hull of the new boat building below Nelson is planked, and caulkers are at work. The launching ways are in place. Her lines are pronounced the finest of any boat on the inland waters of the north Pacific coast. The machinery will be put in position during the month, and she will be ready for business sometime in June.

One Thousand Dollars Paid for an Extension.

On his recent trip to Hot Springs district, L. R. C. Boyle of the Revelstoke Mining Company purchased the Eureka claim from "Joe" Fletcher and others for $1000. The Eureka is the north extension of the Number One, a property owned by the same company.

Negotiating for the Jim Crow.

Negotiations are pending at Spokane Falls for the bonding of the Jim Crow, a Toad Mountain claim. The price stipulated in the bond is $15,000. The Jim Crow is owned by John Johnson, C. J. Lundberg, P. H. Grace, C. M. Townsend, and Ben Thomas.

Four Feet of Ore in the Face of a Tunnel.

The tunnel on the Royal Canadian, a gold claim a mile west of the Poorman mine, is in 185 feet, with 4 feet of ore reported in the face.

THE MINING LAW OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Below are the main sections of the law relating to quartz mining in this province. The prospector and miner will see that they differ but slightly from the provisions of the mining laws of the United States.

3. Every person over, but not under, 18 years of age, and every joint stock company, shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a free miner, and shall be considered a free miner, upon taking out a free miner's certificate. A minor who shall become a free miner shall, as regards his mining property and liabilities contracted in connection therewith, be treated as of full age. A free miner's certificate issued to a joint stock company shall be issued in its corporate name. A free miner's certificate shall not be transferable.

9. No person or joint stock company shall be recognized as having any right or interest in or to any mineral claim, or any minerals therein, or in or to any water right, mining ditch, drain, tunnel, or flume, unless he or it shall have a free miner's certificate unexpired. And on the expiration of a free miner's certificate, the owner thereof shall absolutely forfeit all his rights and interests in or to any mineral claim, and all and any minerals therein, and in or to any and every water right, mining ditch, drain, tunnel, or flume, which may be held or claimed by such owner of such expired free miner's certificate, unless such owner shall, on or before the day following the expiration of such certificate, obtain a new free miner's certificate: Provided, nevertheless, that a shareholder in a joint stock company need not be a free miner, and, though not a free miner, shall be entitled to buy, sell, hold, or dispose of any shares therein: And provided, also, that this section shall not apply to mineral claims for which a certificate of improvement or crown grant has been issued.

14. Any free miner desiring to locate a mineral claim shall, subject to the provisions of this act with respect to land which may be used for mining, enter upon the same and locate a plot of ground, where possible, 1500 feet long by 600 feet wide, and where possible, in rectangular form: Provided, however, that the end lines of every mineral claim shall be parallel. In defining the size of a mineral claim, it shall be measured horizontally, irrespective of inequalities on the surface of the ground.

15. A mineral claim shall be marked by 3 legal posts placed, as near as possible, at equal distances from each other along the center line. The posts shall be numbered 1, 2, 3. The center post shall always be numbered 2, and in determining the center line and length of the claim, a line shall be run from 1 through 2 and be continued in the same straight line to the required distance, without reference, as to direction, to post 3, but, as to distance, such line shall not exceed the distance in a straight line between posts 1 and 3, and shall not exceed 1500 feet. On each post there shall be placed a legible notice in writing, stating the name of the claim, its length in feet, and the direction of the center line, with the date of the notice and the name of the claimant of the ground. When a claim is located in a timbered country, where any one post cannot be seen from the next post, the locator shall blaze a line connecting all the posts. It shall be unlawful to remove or change the situation of any post unless the claim shall have been previously abandoned or forfeited.

16. Any location made upon Sunday or any public holiday shall not for that reason be invalid, any law or statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

19. Every free miner locating a mineral claim shall record the same with the mining recorder of the district within which the same is situate, within 15 days after the location thereof, if located within ten miles of the office of the said mining recorder. One additional day shall be allowed for such record for every additional ten miles, or fraction thereof. Such record shall be made in a book to be kept for the purpose in the office of the said mining recorder, in which shall be inserted the name of the claim, the name of each locator, the number of each locator's free miner's certificate, the locality of the mine, the direction of the center line, the length in feet, the date of location, and the date of the record.

24. Any free miner having duly located and recorded a mineral claim shall be entitled to hold the same for the period of one year from the recording of the same, and thence from year to year: Provided, however, that during each year and each succeeding year, such free miner shall do, or cause to be done, work on the claim itself to the value of one hundred dollars, and shall satisfy the gold commissioner or mining recorder that such work has been done, by an affidavit of the free miner or his agent, setting out a detailed statement of such work, and shall obtain from such gold commissioner or mining recorder, and shall record a certificate of such work having been done. If such work shall not be done, or if such certificate shall not be so obtained and recorded, in each and every year, the claim shall be deemed vacant and abandoned, any rule of law or equity to the contrary notwithstanding.

26. No free miner shall be entitled to, hold in his own name or in the name of any other person, more than one mineral claim on the same vein or lode except by purchase, but such free miner may hold by location a claim upon each separate vein or lode.

27. A free miner may at any time abandon any mineral claim by giving notice in writing of such intention to abandon to the mining recorder, and from the date of such notice all interest of such free miner in such claim shall cease.

28. When a free miner abandons a mineral claim he shall have the right to take from the same any machinery and any personal property which he may have placed on the claim, and any ore which he may have extracted therefrom within such time as shall be fixed by the gold commissioner or mining recorder.

29. No free miner shall be entitled to re-locate any mineral claim, or any portion thereof, which he shall have abandoned or forfeited, unless he shall have obtained the written permission of the gold commissioner to make such relocation; and he shall hold no interest in any portion of such mineral claim, by location, without such permission.

34. The interest of a free miner in his mineral claim shall, save as to claims held as real estate, be deemed to be a chattel interest, equivalent to a lease, for one year, and thence from year to year subject to the performance and observance of all the terms and conditions of this act.

35. Any lawful holder of a mineral claim shall be entitled to a crown grant thereof on payment to the government of British Columbia of the sum of $25 per acre in lieu of expenditure on the claim. The intending purchaser shall cause a notice of his intention to purchase to be inserted in the British Columbia Gazette, and in one newspaper circulating in the district in which the claim is situate, for 60 days prior to the issuance of the crown grant.

36. Whenever the lawful holder of a mineral claim shall have complied with the following requirements, he shall be entitled to receive from the gold commissioner a certificate of improvements in respect of such claim:—

(a) Done or caused to be done work on the claim itself in developing a mine to the value of $500, exclusive of all houses, buildings, and other like improvements:

(b) Found a vein or lode within the limits of such claim:

(c) Had the claim surveyed by an authorized provincial land surveyor, who shall have made 3 plats of the claim, and placed one such plat on the No. 2 or center post of the claim, or on a post as near thereto as possible, and who shall have accurately defined the boundaries of such claim by placing monuments or legal posts at the angles or corners of such claim, and who shall have also examined the work done on the mine itself for the development thereof, and made an affidavit setting out fully the particulars of such work, exclusive of houses, buildings, and other like improvements, and to the best of his belief the value of such work, and that a vein or lode has been found to exist on the claim.

37. Provided, nevertheless, that no certificate of improvements shall be granted in respect of a mineral claim the title to which is in litigation, and a certificate of improvements granted in respect of any such claim shall be null and void.

38. After the issuing and recording of such certificate of improvements, and while such certificate shall be in force, the claim shall not be deemed abandoned or forfeited on account of the holder thereof failing to take out a free miner's certificate, and it shall not be necessary to do any work thereon.

50. Every conveyance, bill of sale, mortgage, or other document of title relating to any mineral claim, mine held as real estate, or mining interest, shall be recorded within the time prescribed for recording mineral claims; Provided, always, that the failure to record any such document shall not invalidate the same as between the parties thereto, but such documents as to third parties shall take effect from the date of record, and not from the date of such document.

51. No transfer of any mineral claim, or of any interest therein, shall be enforceable unless the same shall be in writing, signed by the transferrer, or by his agent authorized in writing, and recorded by the mining recorder; and if signed by an agent, the authority of such agent shall be recorded before the record of such transfer.

89. Any partner making default in payment after receiving a notice specifying the amount due by him, shall, if such amount be correct, be personally liable therefor to the partnership, and his interest in the partnership property may be sold by the partnership for the payment of the debt, and any further assessment which may have accrued thereon up to the day of sale, together with all costs and charges occasioned by such default; and if the proceeds of the sale be insufficient to pay off the several sums mentioned, the court having jurisdiction in mining disputes upon being applied to, shall issue an order directed to the sheriff to seize and sell any other personal property to the debtor. Notices of sale shall, in either of the above cases, be conspicuously posted thirty clear days prior to the day of sale, in the vicinity of such mining or other property and on the court house or mining recorder's office nearest thereto. But if such partner be absent from the district such notices shall be posted as aforesaid sixty clear days before the day of sale, and a copy of such notice shall be published in some newspaper circulating in the district wherein such mining or other property is situate. Such sale shall be by public auction to the highest bidder. The purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property sold, and to a bill of sale therefor signed by the auctioneer; such bill of sale shall confer such title upon the purchaser as the owner had.

93. No partner shall after a bill of sale conveying his interest has been recorded, be liable for any indebtedness of the partnership incurred thereafter.

138. The gold commissioner shall have power to allow a free miner holding adjoining mineral claims to perform upon any one of such claims all the work required to entitle him to a certificate of work for each such claim, and upon being satisfied by an affidavit setting out fully the particulars of such work, he shall direct the mining recorder to issue a certificate of work for each such claim.

139. The gold commissioner may in his discretion permit a free miner to relocate a mineral claim, or any part thereof, which may have been abandoned or forfeited by such free miner; Provided that such relocations shall not prejudice or interfere with the rights or interests of others.

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THE STORY OF STANLEY'S REAR COLUMN.

THE MINER has impartially printed extracts from all the books that have been given the public on the Stanley expedition for the relief of Emin Pasha. The following are extracts from the diary of James S. Jameson, who was with the rear column:

Here is what he says, writing to his brother, from Yambuya, on August 7, 1887: "I have never been on any trip which was so much like a funeral; no fun, all dampness, and this is greatly owing to Stanley himself, for no matter how hard you work, or how well you do a thing, you get no thanks, no encouragement, no cheery words, nothing but blame and hard words from him. I know, to give the devil his due, that his anxiety and worry of mind, besides the immense amount of things he has to think about, are immense, but he ought not to be so single-minded and visit it upon us poor devils. One cannot help admiring the man for his tremendous strength of will, and power of overcoming all difficulties, also for his great pluck, but he is a man one could never make a friend of." By and by we may know how much importance should be attached to the lights and shadows of this picture respectively. It certainly gives evidence of an effort to be fair.

It would appear that there was an utter lack of congeniality between the two men. Of Jameson himself "one who knew and appreciated him" has testified: "His character was one which it was impossible to know without loving—unselfish and generous, pure-hearted and brave; a rare combination of manly strength and courage with the most tender sweetness and gentleness of spirit. Seldom, if ever, has such an instance been known to me of utter forgetfulness of self and thoughtfulness for others, at all times and under all circumstances." There is nothing in mr. Jameson's notes here published which would lead us to doubt the truth of this testimony.

A good deal of the volume is taken up with details which confirm the accounts in mr. Stanley's volumes, and there is a good deal about the natural history of the districts through which they passed; but there is no great variety of incident, whilst there is abundant evidence of the superhuman patience needed to wait in a condition almost passive, sometimes almost without food or clothes; and we ought, perhaps, to wonder not that errors were committed, but that they were not greater.

Referring to the death of major Barttelott, he says: "He was a straightforward, honest English gentleman; his only fault being a little too quick-tempered. He loved plain straightforward dealing far too much to get on well with the Arabs. * * * He was far too good a man to lose his life in a miserable way like this, and God knows what I shall do without him."

On the one terrible incident in Jameson's journey, his presence at a cannibal sacrifice, something must be said. Of course the whole story is not told in his journal, by which we do not mean that anything is wilfully kept back. Indeed we see no reason whatever to doubt the straightforwardness of the statements which he makes upon this subject. He tells us that after hearing some stories about the eating of their captives, he declared that he pronounced such narratives to be mere "travelers' tales." Tippu Tib "then said something to an Arab called Ali seated next him, who turned round to me and said: "Give me a bit of cloth and see." I sent my boy for six handkerchiefs, thinking it was all a joke, and that they were not in earnest, but presently a man appeared, leading a young girl of about ten years old by the hand, and I then witnessed the most terribly sickening sight I am ever likely to see in my life. * * * Until the last moment I could not believe they were in earnest. I have heard many stories of this kind since I have been in this country, but never could believe them, and I never would have been such a beast as to witness this, but I could not bring myself to believe that it was anything save a ruse to get money out of me, until the last moment." We have omitted the details, and we see no reason to doubt the writer's good faith.

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Two-thirds of one per cent on the assessed value of real estate;
One-half of one per cent on the assessed value of personal property;
Eight and one-half cents per acre on wild land.

T. H. GIFFIN, assessor and collector.
Nelson, February 10th, 1891.

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EDITORIAL REMARKS.

In maintaining that the Robson government did a wise act in repealing the law prohibiting the employment of Chinese in the coal mines of the province, the Victoria Colonist does not voice the opinions of the people of British Columbia, however near it may voice the opinions of the Dunsmuirs. The people of British Columbia are opposed to the presence of Chinese in their midst, and would exclude them from the province if they had the power. The Dunsmuirs, in late years, by their greed and stubbornness, have gained the ill-will, not only of their employees, but of the working men of the coast cities at which they market the product of their mines. They alone of all the coal operators on Vancouver Island require special legislation to enable them to compete successfully with their rivals. That the Robson government granted their request, and enacted the desired legislation, is proof that that government is only too subservient to the sons of a man who, before his death, was the power behind the Robson throne.

But then, little less could be expected from a government that would barter away the revenue of the province to a bastard railway corporation like the Columbia & Kootenay.

The Dominion government should either allow all machinery used in mining to be admitted free of duty, or collect a uniform duty on such machinery. The present regulations are a farce. Mining machinery is brought into this section, the owners making affidavit that like machinery is not manufactured in Canada. Months afterwards the collector of customs is ordered to collect the duties, on the ground that similar machinery is manufactured in Canada. THE MINER is opposed to the admission of machinery free of duty, for the simple reason that mine owners should contribute their share of the expenses of maintaining the federal government. At the same time, if all mining machinery was admitted free of duty for a period of three years, as was contemplated when the regulations went into effect, no doubt it would have a tendency to stimulate an industry that is at present almost dormant in this province. The uncertainty and disappointment brought about by the present regulations are doing more to retard the mining industry in British Columbia than would the collection of duty on every piece of machinery brought into the country.

Since the going into effect of the regulations admitting mining machinery free of duty, there has not been a dollar's worth brought into British Columbia over which there has not been disputes and vexatious delays. It is the vexation and worry that annoy business men, and if the regulations cannot be enforced without this vexatious worriment it would be better they were done away with altogether and the duty collected.

Under the provisions of "An Act Respecting Public Schools," a school district can be created where there are at least 15 children between 6 and 16 years of age; or if there be not 15 children, a school can be established where there are not less than 7 children of school age, upon the application of a majority of the parents resident in such community. At present there are 13 children of school age in Nelson or its immediate vicinity. It is the duty of the parents of these children to make application at once for a public school.

Brother Blaine seems to have got just a shade the best of it in the diplomatic contention with the Italian minister of foreign affairs over the lynching of Italians at New Orleans. It is now in order for the Canadian press, both Conservative and Liberal, to denounce mr. Blaine as nothing more than a scheming, second-rate politician.

In British Columbia the trades of doctors of medicine, doctors of dentistry, and doctors of law are protected by special legislation, and woe be unto the man who attempts to work at either of these trades without first obtaining permission from the officers of these "unions." But once the coal miners of Vancouver Island apply for legislation to protect them from the incompetence of free Chinese labor, the scene shifts, and the doctors and the dentists and the lawyers are seen standing on the legislative platform with hands upraised in holy horror. British Columbia is not the only province which has granted special privileges to these three trades. Says the Toronto Week: "Following "the example of other guilds, the undertakers "are seeking from the Ontario assembly the "legislation necessary to enable them to form "themselves into a close corporation. Logically "their claim is, so far as we can see, just as "good as that of the architects, while that of "the architects, as we admitted a year ago, is "in its turn just as good as that of the doctors "and lawyers. If there is any difference in the "force of the arguments for incorporation it is "certainly only in degree and not in kind. But "whereunto will this thing grow? Is it not "about time that a professedly Liberal govern-"ment and legislature should stop and ask "seriously whether this whole system of pro-"fessional close corporations, created and pro-"tected by special legislation, is not wrong in "principle, and unjust in practice? In one "respect, indeed, the powers asked by the "architects and the undertakers are less "objectionable than those already conferred "on the medical and legal practitioners, inas-"much as the former claim monopolies of their "respective names or titles only, while the latter "insist on forbidding all who do not learn to pro-"nounce their shibboleth, to practice their pro-"fession, even without the name. They are con-"tent with nothing less than the more complete "and absolute monopoly. Such a monopoly the "doctors, one would suppose, have already ob-"tained, though it appears that some of them, at "least, are not yet satisfied, and are demanding "powers still more extensive and arbitrary. A "recent communication in one of the Toronto "papers complains that the monopoly secured to "the members of the legal profession is less com-"plete, they being subject to competition in such "lines as conveyancing, drawing of wills, etc. "Now, no one can deny that it is perfectly proper "and commendable for members of any craft or "profession to band themselves together for the "purpose of elevating the standard of educa-"tion and skill in their respective callings. It "should not be very difficult, one would sup-"pose, for the doctors or the lawyers, through "the agency of such voluntary unions, to secure "for their certificates such respect and to con-"fer on their members such prestige as would "amply safeguard both their own interests and "those of the public. And the same thing is "true in regard to architects, undertakers, "plumbers, and in fact to workmen in any "and every occupation requiring special train-"ing and skill. Under such circumstances "every intelligent citizen would, for example, "be pretty sure to employ, in case of necessity, "the physician whose professional knowledge "and skill were thus guaranteed, rather "than the one who could give no "such certificate of professional standing. "But the case takes on a very different "aspect when these unions are so hedged about "by law that they can absolutely forbid every "one, no matter how well qualified, who has "not entered the ranks through their particu-"lar strait gate, to heal the sick or relieve the "suffering, on pain of fine or imprisonment. "Are not such cases as that in which a reputa-"ble physician of the sister province was re-"cently fined $100 for the crime of having pre-"scribed for some sick or injured person on this "side of the imaginary boundary line, a re-"proach to our legislation and a reflection on "our intelligence? Were the members of any "union of skilled workmen to ask that a law be "passed making it a punishable offense for any "one not a member of their union to work at "their trade their petition would be scouted. "We should be glad if any doctor or even "lawyer would show us just where the distinc-"tion in principle is to be seen."

The Revelstoke Star says it was not incensed at mr. Kellie because he withdrew his resolutions asking the Dominion government to place an export duty on ore, but that it was incensed at him for his action with regard to the specific appropriations asked for for Revelstoke. The Star probably does not know what it did say or meant, judging from the following sentence: "THE MINER says the Star's utterances were "inspired by one who carries the town of Kam-"loops in his breeches pocket. We had no idea "we carried such a load." The Star man's pocket is as empty as his head.

THE MINER opposed the creation of the county court district of Kootenay for the reason that there was not enough business in the old district of Yale-Kootenay to employ the time of judge Spinks 6 days a month during the year. The judge of the new district will have 10 days to go a fishing for every day employed at his judicial duties. The question of the place of residence of the judge is of minor importance, and it matters little whether he resides at Donald or at the Moberly House. It is merely a question of creating an office not needed, and the squandering of public moneys that could well be devoted to purposes of public benefit.

An English judge recently "beat the record" as to shortness of time covered by a penal sentence. A woman having been convicted in his court of marriage without obtaining a divorce from her former husband, was sentenced to five minutes' imprisonment. Short as the sentence, there are Yankee women who, as a matter of principle, would have appealed the case.

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AN HONEST ASSEMBLYMAN.

The men who supported mr. Kellie last spring need not be ashamed of their action, for if there was one member in the assembly who kept the pledges made before election, that member was the one from West Kootenay. He was elected as an independent, and his votes on all important measures proved that he was in thorough accord with his constituents. That the Columumbia & Kootenay Railway Aid Act was introduced and rushed through its passage only two days before the legislative assembly adjourned is ample proof that the present government of British Columbia is dominated by the Canadian Pacific railway, and merely registers the bidding of that corporation. Mr. Kellie's action in the matter is given below:

Mr. Robson rose to move the adjournment, when mr. Kellie rose to a question of privilege, and appealed to the government to withdraw the Columbia and Kootenay Railway subsidy bill that had been passed a couple of days before. The bill had been brought down in the last days of the session, and rushed through before he had had a chance to look it over, and before the house had time to understand it. The bill, if it went into effect, would be most disastrous to his district. It should be left over till the next session. He believed in dealing fairly by the railway, but he did not believe in sacrificing his constituents for it. If the government did not withdraw the bill he was sure they would live to regret it.

Mr. Robson said West Kootenay was an important district, and mr. Kellie, their member, was a very nice gentleman. He hoped, however, he would not lower himself in the esteem of the house by making remarks for which he would afterwards be sorry. The bill had been passed by a majority of 20 to 9. The business of Kootenoy must be carried on in a constitutional way by the whole house, and it was nonsense to ask the government to withdraw what had been passed by the house. The premier then announced that prorogation would take place on Monday at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Kellie again protested against the bill. He was not here to curry favor with anybody. He was here to represent his constituents and their interests, no matter what the premier thought.

Mr. Hall said mr. Kellie must understand he could not bulldoze the house.

Mr. Robson then congratulated the house on the large amount of work got through with during the session and thought British Columbia should be proud of such a house. He hoped all ill-feeling aroused by remarks in heated debate would be forgotten and hoped the members would, in the providence of God, be spared to meet again next session.

Mr. Kellie here again rose to his feet and said he had no intention of bulldozing the house. He had come down here with the most friendly feeling for the government, and further, to assist them, he had spent 2 months helping to frame a mineral bill, but he would repeat that the Columbia and Kootenay subsidy bill would be most disastrous to his district, and he would cast the responsibility of it on the shoulders of the government.

The Arrival and Departure of Mails.

From this time on mail matter destined for United States points will be dispatched from the Nelson office by way of Sproat and Little Dalles on Mondays and Thursdays. Canadian mails will arrive at Nelson on Tuesdays and Fridays, and oftener as soon as the steamer Kootenay is placed on the route between Revelstoke and Sproat.

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A cablegram from Berlin on the night of the 24th of April contained in the meagre words, "Von Moltke died this evening," the only news received of the removal from the stage of current events of the greatest military genius of modern times—one of the greatest strategists the world has ever seen. His death was a startling surprise. It came almost as sudden as if he had been shot on the field of battle. Not the slightest intimation had been given during the day. The general was about at a late hour in the afternoon, attending to his duties at the reichstag, engaged in consultation in committees, and seemed cheerful and hearty, conversing in a free and animated manner with his friends.

Field marshal von Moltke was loved and respected, not only by all who came in actual contact with him, but by the people of every class and rank in the German empire. Berlin and every part of the realm where the news of his death has reached is in deepest mourning over the sad event. The direction of his obsequies will undoubtedly be assumed by the government. In view of the fact that the emperor is known to have the highest regard for the deceased warrior, it is expected that the funeral will not be wanting in anything to make it a fitting close to the great strategist's career. The military display will probably rival any similar demonstration of modern times.

His death removes the greatest soldier of Europe. An imposing figure, an unforgettable character in that great continental combat which changed the map of Europe and realized the dream of a consolidated German empire. He was conceded by all the most illustrious military critics or the world to be the most perfect personification of the trained commander of vast bodies of troops. As a disciplinarian he was matchless. No single feat in military annals can equal his almost lightning-like mobilization of the 3 divisions of the German army on the French frontier in 1870, the first army under general Steinmetz, the second under prince Frederick Charles, and the third under the crown prince.

During the retirement of his later years, and especially since the death of his wife not long ago, the old soldier has shunned all public display. His wife's grave was his Mecca and to that his only pilgrimages were made. He was prevailed on on the 26th of last October, the 90th anniversary of his birth, to receive the affectionate greetings and homage of the German people. The young emperor called in person to pay his respects to the venerable warrior, whose services had done much to consolidate the empire, while all over the land demonstrations of some sort were held. Since that occasion the general has maintained the privacy he desired on his estate near Berlin.

Death of an Old Pioneer.

Revelstoke Star, April 25th: Another old pioneer has crossed the great divide, in the person of John Dunn, who died at Kamloops hospital on the 21st instant of consumption. The deceased was a native of Dumbarton, Scotland, was 53 years of age, and came to this country in 1862, by sailing vessel around cape Horn. He went to work in the Cariboo mines with varying success for 10 years. Then he tried Wild Horse Creek in East Kootenay for a season. In 1874 he went to Cassiar, and a year later to the gold fields of Alaska. In 1885 he went to Golden, where he engaged in packing, and the following year began packing into the Big Bend country from Revelstoke. He has been a well-known character in all the placer camps in the country and was highly respected. Although he made money, he died leaving nothing for his relations to quarrel over. He had no relatives in this country, but had hosts of friends. His remains were interred in the Revelstoke cemetery, a large number of our citizens following him to his last resting-place.

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Notice is hereby given that Richard A. Fry and A. C. Fry have filed the necessary papers, and made application for a crown grant in favor of the Grizzly Bear mineral claim, situated at Toad Mountain, West Kootenay district.

Adverse claimants, if any, are requested to forward their objections to me within 60 days from the date of this publication. G. C. TUNSTALL,

Revelstoke, January 29th, 1891. Gold commissioner.

Notice is hereby given that Richard A. Fry and A. C. Fry have filed the necessary papers and made application for a crown grant in favor of a mineral claim known as the Silver Queen, situated in the Toad Mountain subdivision, West Kootenay district.

Adverse claimants, if any, are requested to forward their objections to me within 60 days from the date of this publication. G. C. TUNSTALL,

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DURING MONTH OF APRIL.

Wednesday, April 1st.—Permission is hereby granted by gold commissioner G. C. Tunstall of an extension of 3 months time after the expiration of the 6 months from the date of the rerecord (October 3rd, 1890) wherein to complete the annual expenditure on the Pony mineral claim situate on Toad mountain on account of the time for doing said expenditure work being in the winter and the depth of snow lying on said claim.

Thursday, April 2nd.—Rerecord in favor of A. R. Case and A. J. Becker of the Phœnix mineral claim. Record in favor of John Tolson of the Glencly mineral claim situate on the south east slope of Toad mountain, commencing about quarter of a mile south west from Cottonwood Smith creek and running in a southerly direction; formerly the Wanderer.

Saturday, April 4th.—Record in favor of Herman Wirges of the Ura mineral claim situate on the ridge at the head of Giveout creek, about three-quarters of a mile from the Silver King.

Monday, April 6th.—Rerecord in favor of A. L. Fry and A. D. Coplen of the Helene mineral claim.

Wednesday, April 8th.—Record in favor of H. M. Keefer and Ole Lenrool of the Nita mineral claim, situate about 1 mile west from the town of Nelson and 100 yards south of the government trail; formerly the Bellevue. Rerecord in favor of Thomas Collins of the Lizzie C mineral claim.

Thursday April 9th.—Record in favor of Frederick Sutter of the Sutter mineral claim situate about half a mile above where the wagon road crosses Giveout creek, and running thence in an easterly direction.

Saturday, April 11th.—Record in favor of Charles Van Ness of the Dolly mineral claim situate on the east side of Giveout creek about half a mile above the wagon road, extending from the east end of the Sutter claim in an easterly direction. Rerecord in favor of John Loge and Michael Landrigan of the Total Wreck.

Monday, April 13th.—Record in favor of Bruce Craddock of the Yorkee Joke mineral claim, situate on Toad mountain and being the east extension of the Jim Crow. Record in favor of John Robertson of the Evergreen mineral claim, situate on Toad mountain, and lying parallel with, and joining the north side of the Ollie claim, and near the west end of the Royal Charter. Record in favor of John Robertson of the Mammoth claim, situate on Toad mountain lying on the north side of and parallel with the Evergreen and Royal Charter claims. Record in favor of George H. Keefer and George Sheppard of the Mount Pleasant mineral claim, situate on the north side of the Kootenay river and being the southeasterly extension of the U. S.

Tuesday, April 14th.—Permission is hereby given by mining recorder T. H. Giffin of an extension of 3 months time after the expiration of the 6 months from the date of record (October 15th, 1890) wherein to complete the annual expenditure on the Democrat claim, situate on Toad mountain on account of the time for doing said expenditure work being in the winter and the depth of snow on the ground. Record in favor of James Anderson, Charles Cole, and William Gibson of the Little Queen mineral claim, situate on the north side of the Kootenay river, and about half a mile from the said river, and running in an easterly direction from the east end of the Anaconda claim. Rerecord in favor of Joseph Michaud of the mineral claim Beaver.

Wednesday, April 15th.—Rerecord in favor of George Hoover of the mineral claim Navajo.

Thursday, April 16th.—Rerecord in favor of Martin Griffin, Michael Landrigan, and John Miles of the mineral claim Iron Hill. Record in favor of B. H. Lee of the mineral claim Kent, situate on Mineral mountain, about 3 miles from the town of Nelson and running in a southeasterly direction from the east end of the Lizzie C. Record in favor of Nelson Riopelle of the May Pyke claim, situate on the north side of and about half a mile from the Kootenay river, and about half a mile above the railway bridge, and being the north extension of the Alaska mineral claim and joining the Eagle Nest.

Friday, April 17th.—Record in favor of George Couillard and Joseph Ferron of the Wild Indian mineral claim about 5 miles east from the town of Nelson, near the head of the north fork of Cottonwood Smith creek.

Saturday, April 18th.—Rerecord in favor of E. Dempsie of the mineral claim Sunrise.

Monday, April 20th.—Record in favor of W. H. Schwardfeger of the Black Bear mineral claim on the north side of the Kootenay river, about one-quarter of a mile below the first falls above Ward's crossing. Record in favor of Frederick Sutter and Thomas Gordon of the Eagle mineral claim situate about 4 miles southeast from the town of Nelson, on the east slope of Toad mountain, about 100 yards below the line of the wagon road. Record in favor of M. S. Davys of the Wedding Present mineral claim, situate at the headwaters of Rover creek, and lying parallel with and joining the Snowwater claim. Record in favor of William Goepel of the Protector mineral claim, on the head of Rover creek, and being the east extension of the Wedding Present claim.

Wednesday, April 22nd.—Record in favor of Thomas Mulvey and John Case of the Fairview claim situate about one mile west of Rover creek and about 2½ miles from the government trail. Record in favor of William Graham of the Dundee mineral claim, situate about 2 miles west of Eagle creek, and about half a mile south of the government trail. Rerecord in favor of John J. Becker, Charles Brown, and James F. Burr of the mineral claim Anaconda. Rerecord in favor of the Kootenay Bonanza Company of the Koh-i-noor claim.

Thursday, April 23rd.—Record in favor of Harry H. Ward and John E. Walsh of the Rockfeller mineral claim, situate about 100 yards from Rover creek and 750 feet below the government trail.

Saturday, April 25th.—Record in favor of John Tolson of the mineral claim Port Uisker situate about half a mile south of the Davys & Tolson mill. Record in favor of William Brokaw of the Hopewell claim, on the north side of the Kootenay, and about half a mile east of Grohman creek. Record in favor of William Hunter of the Dominion claim, about 1½ miles south of Nelson and half a mile west of the Hall Trail.

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Shingles,	"	4 50

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SMALL NUGGETS OF NEWS.

A map, showing the position of the mineral claims in Trail Creek district, has been issued by E. S. Topping, the chief boomer of that district.

Among the arrivals on Tuesday were R. A. Kimpton, J. H. Matheson, John McGinty, G. C. Hunt, N. Sicotte, R. Sutherland, and James McQuaig of Donald. With the exception of messrs. Kimpton and Hunt, they will take up their residence at Nelson, and will no doubt in time be as prominent citizens here as they were at the most free and easy town in the mountains.

From the night that it housed the first political meeting ever held in Nelson to the present time the office of THE MINER has been a sort of "Castle Garden" for immigrants. First it sheltered a grocery man with teas from Japan, then a spot cash mine buyer from Vancouver, and now two "Jews" with jewelry from Jerusalem make it their headquarters. Even though so inflicted, the office woodshed will be set apart for the uses of a white laundry should a laundryman immigrant put in an appearance.

The only exeitement at Ainsworth during the week was a 50-yard foot-race between Andy Whalen and Adam McKay. Whalen won. It is not stated whether the course was an up-hill or a down-hill one.

At 7:30 A. M. on Tuesday, April 28th, there was received at Balfour, 20 miles from Nelson. mail matter postmarked "London, England, April 11th," and at 4:30 P. M. of the same day mail matter postmarked "Victoria, B. C., April 16th." Comment is unnecessary, as it might offend post-office inspector Fletcher.

The trail between Balfour and Ainsworth is being repaired at the sole expense of the owner of the Balfour townsite.

Men who follow gambling for a livelihood are of no benefit to a community. They do nothing to help develop the resources of a country, and they, like the Chinese, should be given the run.

By the number of 4-ace hands reported as held in poker games this week, Nelson has either a good-sized crop of suckers or a large number of short-card sharps; both, perhaps. The country needs the suckers, but it can get along without the sharps, and the sooner they are asked to move along the better.

New Businesses Started: Hunt & Dover, jewelers and watch repairers, have opened a store at Nelson. They are business men from the main line of the C. P. R., and it is their intention to carry full lines of jewelry and silverware. Until the Houston & Ink building on Josephine street is completed, they can be found at THE MINER office. Odell & Squire, merchant tailors, received their goods on Monday. They carry a good line of suitings, and already have taken a number of orders. They will also occupy a store in the Houston & Ink building. For the present they are located in the second story of R. E. Lemon's store.

Gold commissioner Tunstall has been instructed to call for tenders for the building of the Nelson and Toad mountain wagon road. The road will be completed sometime this year, as no responsible contractor can base a tender for work when such work is covered with 4 feet of snow.

Married at Nelson, on Wednesday, the 29th instant, by rev. mr. Turner, George H. Woods to miss Mary McDermitt. In the evening they were given a reception by mrs. Ed Corning, which was attended by a number of Nelson's society people.

R. E. Lemon will add a stove and tinware department to his business. He has an experienced tinsmith on the way in from Spokane.

Complaint is made that hotelkeepers are polluting the water in Ward creek with garbage. Until waterworks are built, it would be well to keep the water in Ward creek as free as possible from filth. By the expenditure of the money received from the sale of 8 drinks of "red-eye," the hotelkeepers could get their garbage hauled to a dumping ground beyond the limits of the town.

Personals: Dr. Hendryx, steamboat and mine manager, came in on the Galena on Tuesday. He reports 50 men at work on the wagon road between Kootenay station and Bonner's Ferry. A. L. Davenport, William Alperson, and W. W. Sprague were among the mine-owners that showed up in Nelson this week. Mr. Davenport is getting the Poorman mill and mine in shape; mr. Alperson is looking after his Hot Springs interests; and mr. Sprague will see to it that the Tenderfoot is on the list of ore producers this year. W. C. McLean and John Lane came over from Sproat to hunt up enough ground on which to build stables for their teams, now that they have finished up the railway grade between Sproat and Robson. A. H. Kelly, formerly owner of the Dandy, arrived from Spokane on Wednesday, coming in by way of Little Dalles. John T. Fee, the best-known traveling man in the province, took a look at the lake metropolis the fore part of the week. Before leaving he paid $38.33⅓ cents a foot for a few feet of Nelson real estate. Mr. Fee represents C. Strouss & Co., wholesale dry goods, Victoria. W. R. Will returned this week from a 6-month trip to his old home at Corinth, Ontario. F. G. Christie, agent of the Columbia & Kootenay Steam Navigation Company at Revelstoke, paid Nelson a first visit this week. He says the company of which he is agent will do everything within reason to give the people of the lake country good steamboat service. Sam McCaskill who with John Lodge discovered the Hall Creek placers last fall, returned to Nelson on Friday. He believes the creek is pay ground. M. S. Davys and bride arrived from the coast on Tuesday, coming by way of Revelstoke.

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Nelson Store, for the Present, in "Miner" Building.
Branch Store at Donald, B. C.

Tenders for Telephone Poles.

Tenders for the erection of poles for the lines of the Kootenay Lake Telephone Company will be received at the office of the company in Nelson up till noon of Monday, May 18th, 1891. Information as to number, size, and quality of poles, etc., can be had on application to the undersigned.

JOHN HOUSTON,
President Kootenay Lake Telephone
Nelson, B. C., May 2nd, 1891. Company, Limited.

GRAND OPENING

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A sumptuous free lunch will be served at 9 o'clock. Come one, come all! EDSON & SINDAR.

CHOICE PROPERTY

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WILL SELL

2 50-foot lots on West Baker street for $1750 each; half cash, balance in 6 and 12 months at 8 per cent.

1 50-foot lot on West Vernon street for $1250; half cash, balance in 6 and 12 months at 8 per cent.

1 30-foot lot on West Baker street for $1050; half cash, balance in 6 and 12 months at 8 per cent.

7 25-foot building condition lots in block 13 for $400 each: $320 cash, balance on October 15th.

1 25-foot building condition lot in block 15 for $275; $195 cash, balance on October 15th.

1 50-foot lot on East Vernon street for $2000.

2 25-foot building condition lots in block 14 (a corner) for $1000; $800 cash, balance on October 15th.

2 25-foot building condition lots in block 16 (a corner) for $800; $550 cash, balance on October 15th.

1 50-foot lot on West Vernon street for $1800; $1175 cash, balance in 6 and 12 months at 8 per cent.

2 25-foot building condition lots in block 5 at $700; $450 cash, balance on October 12th.

The most eligible corner lot in Ainsworth for $1200; $800 cash, balance in 4 months.

Prospectus of the Kootenay Lake Telephone Company, Limited.

The Kootenay Lake Telephone Company, Limited, a chartered corporation, will erect a main telephone line from Nelson to Ainsworth, via Buchanan's sawmill and Balfour, and branch lines from Nelson to the mines on Toad mountain and from Ainsworth to the mines in Hot Springs district, with central exchanges at Nelson and Ainsworth. The capital stock of the company is divided into 5000 shares of a par value of $10 each. Of these, 250 paid up shares have been apportioned to the promoters of the company for defraying the expenses incident to the procurement of the charter, which leaves 4750 shares to erect the company's line. The estimated cost of the proposed lines is $7000. To raise that amount 2500 shares are now offered subscribers, subscription books to be opened at Nelson and at Victoria, and payment to be made as follows: $1 per share on subscription; $1 per share on June 15th, 1891, and 50 cents per share on July 15th, 1891. If more shares are subscribed for than placed on the market, then the shares shall be allotted pro rata. The subscription books of the company are now open at the office of Houston, Ink & Allan, Nelson, and at the office of Bodwell & Irving, Victoria.

JOHN HOUSTON (president),
R. E. LEMON (vice-president),
J. E. WALSH (secretary),
CHARLES H. INK,
Nelson, B. C., April 29th. Provisional directors.