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THE LAST SPIKE DRIVEN.

The last spike was driven in the Columbia & Kootenay railway at Nelson on Thursday during a rain-storm, with not a resident of the town present to witness the event—an event, too, that will mark an epoch in the history of the lake country. While THE MINER printed many paragraphs regarding the faulty construction of the road, yet it recognizes the fact that the road will do much to develop the resources of this section of British Columbia, and to that end its completion should have been celebrated in a befitting manner. But although no one was present to make a speech of congratulation, or even open a bottle of good cheer with Robert Watmore, the superintendent, of tracklayers, THE MINER will hand Bob's name down to posterity as the man who laid track on the crookedest grade in America, and in doing so overcame difficulties that would have baffled an ordinary man. The track is now being ballasted, and mr. Watmore expects to have it in pretty good shape within 30 days. Trains now covering the distance (28 miles) in 2 hours. Hereafter a train will leave Robson for Nelson on Mondays and Thursdays on the arrival of the boat from Revelstoke, which will enable passengers to make the run through from Revelstoke in one day. Until the new boat at Little Dalles is completed, a train will leave Nelson on Tuesdays and Fridays in time for passengers to make connection with the boat for Revelstoke. The Nelson office will be opened next week, mr. Hutchins, the agent, being on the ground. As soon as arrangements can be perfected an express office will also be opened.

The Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway.

Provided the Dominion government does not disallow the bill granting a charter to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, engineers will be in the field making preliminary surveys within 60 days. The distance from Nelson to Fort Sheppard is 66 miles, and the estimated cost of the surveys is $15,000. The promoters of the company have asked the provincial government for right-of-way and grounds for terminal facilities at Nelson. It is understood that the right-of-way has already been granted and that the grounds for terminal facilities will be. The grounds wanted are located immediately in front of the town, these together with foreshore rights extending east from the foot of Hendryx street are considered ample for the requirements of the company. The people of Nelson have petitioned the provincial government to reserve for the uses of the town the foreshore between the foot of Hendryx and the foot of Stanley streets—a distance of about 1500 feet, the remainder to go to the railway companies.

Building Wagon Roads.

Work was commenced on Monday on wagon roads in both Toad Mountain and Hot Springs districts. The road in the latter district is under the superintendence of A. M. Wilson. It commences at the United mine and will run to the Number One, thence toward the Skyline. This route gives general satisfaction. In Toad Mountain district, work was resumed where it was left off last fall. Winslow Hall is superintendent, with "Bob" Yuill and "Dan" Dunn as foremen. Over 60 men are already employed, and the number will be increased from time to time. Cutting the right-of-way has reached a point about 4 miles from Nelson. Mr. Hall claims that by the middle of July the road will be in shape to permit machinery being hauled over it.

Will Be Shipping Gold Within Sixty Days.

The building for the Whitewater Mining Company's mill will be completed by Tuesday of next week, and is pronounced a first-class structure of the kind. The machinery for the mill was placed on the cars at Nelson and run down this afternoon to the Whitewater company's platform, opposite Ward's crossing. It will be packed thence to the mill-site by Wilson & Perdue's train. The mine is said to be looking well, and mr. Goepel of Victoria, who is an owner in the property, says he hopes to see the Whitewater sending out gold bullion within 60 days. The company have put in a platform and chute opposite Ward's hotel and have acquired that property along with the ferry from the Wards.

Mineral Claims Recorded at Nelson.

Saturday, May 16th.—The Wild Cat, rerecorded by Hugh McRae, the estate of John T. Pettus, (deceased), R. C. Ferguson, and R. G. Tatlow. The Pioneer, rerecorded by John Loge and George H. Keefer. The Chestnut, situate on Morning mountain, lying parallel with and joining the north side line of the Morning; Thomas A. Carter and Frank Goldsmith, locators. The Catamount, rerecorded by Edwin R. Atherton. The Sidney, situate about 6 miles below the railway bridge on the north side of the Kootenay; John McKinnon, locator.

Monday, May 18th.—The Nabob, situate on Toad mountain, about 1 mile west from the Hall camp, and being the western extension of the Irish Nell; E. J. Kelly, locator. The Little Jem, situate on Toad mountain, about one mile west from the Hall camp, and being the western extension of the Jim Crow; E. S. Kelly, locator. The Mabel, lying parallel with and joining the west side line of the Wild Cat; R. C. Ferguson, R. G. Tatlow, H. F. Keefer, and Hugh McRae, locators. The John A., situate on the north side of the Kootenay river, opposite the mouth of 49 creek, and about 1¼ miles from the river; Edwin R. Atherton, locator.

Tuesday, May 19th.—The Forest, rerecorded by John Loge and D. B. Campbell.

Wednesday, May 20th.—The Homestead, situate 2 miles below the railway bridge on the north side of the Kootenay river; Dougald Carmichael and Joseph Pownder, locators. The Sunnol, being the south extension of the Mabel claim, between 49 and Eagle creeks; J. W. McFarland, locator.

Thursday, May 21st.—The Rothschild, situate on Rover creek, about 800 feet above the government trail, and being the south extension of the Rockefeller; Charles Nicholson, locator. The Lake State, situate on the left bank of Sandy creek, abandoned by C. M. Gething and William Springer.

Friday, May 22nd.—The Maggie, rerecorded by A. J. Marks and Alfred Bunker. The Nelson, situate between Sandy and Eagle creeks, about 2 miles above the government trail; Daniel Taylor, locator.

Saturday, May 23rd.—The Pine, situate on the west slope of Morning mountain, about half a mile north from the Morning claim near the west end of the Maringo; C. M. Gething and William Springer, locators. The Mabel, situate on the west slope of Morning mountain, and parallel with the north side line of the Pine; C. M. Gething and William Springer, locators.

Monday, May 25th.—The Early, situate on the west slope of Morning mountain, and lying parallel with and joining the north side line of the Maringo; C. M. Gething and W. Springer, locators. The Arlington, being the easterly extension of the Early; George Tunstall junior, locator. The Nelson, situate 3 miles south-east from the town of Nelson, about 100 feet above the wagon road; Dan McDonald and Thomas Gordon, locators. The Humphrey, on the west side of and about 2 miles above where the government trail crosses 49 creek; Joseph H. Chapman and Alfred Bunker, locators.

Tuesday, May 26th.—The Plutocrat, situate near the headwaters of Rover creek, lying parallel with and joining the north side line of the Midas; John E. Walsh, locator. The Annie, situate on Rover creek, near the Minnie claim; William J. Goepel, locator. The Indicator, situate at the head of Rover creek, parallel with and joining the Whitewater; W. D. Harris, locator.

Thursday, May 29th.—The Royal Charter, rercorded by A. H. Kelly. The Irondale, situate about 1 mile below the railway bridge, on the south side of the Kootenay river; Joseph Pownder and Dougald Carmichael, locators. The Blue Bird, situate about half a mile north of the Poorman mill; Dougald Carmichael and Joseph Pownder, locators. The Annie May, situate half a mile from the Poorman mill, 300 feet west of the Blue Bird claim; Dougald Carmichael and Joseph Pownder, locators. The Blue Jacket, situate on the north side of the Kootenay river, near the Marble Edge; Dougald Carmichael and Joseph Pownder, locators. The Tinker, situate on Bird creek, about 2 miles from the Kootenay; Dougald Carmichael and Joseph Pownder, locators.

Operations to be Commenced in Earnest.

Now that the snow has disappeared, mining operations are about to be resumed in earnest in Hot Springs district. Ten men are work stoping ore on the Number One, and a force will be placed on the Skyline on Monday, Scott McDonald, superintendent for the McCune company, arriving on the ground today. Mr. McDonald brought part of the working force with him, and expects to be able to run the crosscut to the Skyline ledge with the machinery on the ground. Considerable prospecting is being done and a number of good finds are reported. A few sales have also been made.

NOT LIKELY TO BE ADOPTED.

The party of Canadian Pacific engineers who were ordered to make an exploration trip from Bear Creek station on the main line to the head of Kootenay lake passed through Nelson this week, on their way to report to the chief engineer at Vancouver. While the following information was not obtained from either of the engineers, it may be considered reliable. Beaver River valley was followed to the summit of the pass between that river and the headwaters of Duncan river. The ascent of the valley is gradual, but the altitude of the pass was found to be 4500 feet, only about 200 feet lower than that of Rogers pass on the main line. Five feet of snow was encountered on the 8th instant, and in descending the valley of the Duncan snow-slides were encountered for a distance of 5 miles. The summit of the pass is 25 miles from Bear Creek station, and the head of Upper Kootenay lake 65 miles from the summit. The trip from the summit to the head of the lake was made in 10 days. The streams were high, and a day was lost in making the crossing of Duncan river. They ran across a miner named Hall working on a bar on the Duncan. He claimed that he was doing well and that he had taken out good pay last fall. McMurdo district is less than 3 miles to the east of the route taken, but inaccessible because of the height and steepness of the mountains. The result of the trip may be summed up as: the route, while practicable for a railway, has no special advantages over the present one across the Selkirks.

Surprised at What he Has Seen.

On his return from Hot Springs district this week, superintendent Cronin of the Poorman, on being asked for an opinion of the lake country, remarked: "I am surprised at what I have seen, taking into consideration the reports I have heard. I would have been here 3 years ago had I not been misinformed by men in whom I placed confidence." This, coming from a man whose reputation as a thoroughly practical mining man is second to none in the country from whence he comes—the Cœur d'Alenes—is pretty good evidence that the theory that the international boundary line is the north end-line of all the mineral veins in North America is exploded. The Poorman mine and mill will probably start up next week, on the return of A. L. Davenport, one of the owners, from Spokane.

Luckier than Their Neighbors.

The machinery for the boat recently launched at Bonner's Ferry arrived at Nelson this morning, and will be forwarded by the Galena on Tuesday. The boat will be used in transporting supplies for the Great Northern railway, and will be run from Bonner's Ferry to the falls of the Kootenay—a distance of 45 miles. The owners of the boat are in better luck than the owners of the boat recently launched at Little Dalles, whose machinery is somewhere back in Iowa in a busted up machine shop.

$27.50 in Free Gold to the Ton.

The trial run at the Poorman mill of ore from the Royal Canadian resulted in a surprise to the people who have all along claimed that the ore from that property was too low-grade to be a working proposition. While the figures are not positively stated to outsiders, they are placed at $27.50 free gold per ton.

Native Silver on Rover Creek.

The boys over on Rover creek say they can show up just as fine-looking carbonate and galena ore as is produced in Hot Springs district, and, more, that they have found equally as rich specimens of ore carrying native silver. From specimens exhibited, their assertions are based on something tangible.

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A MINERAL DISPLAY AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

OF INTEREST TO MINING MEN.

THE MINER is in receipt of a letter from Almarin B. Paul of San Francisco, in which he states that he, and not James Delavan, should be credited with the authorship of the article headed "The Best Methods to Treat Gold Ores," which appeared in THE MINER of April 25th. The correction is made with pleasure, as mr. Paul has done and is doing much to advance the mining industry on the Pacific coast. In a communication to the Mining and Scientific Press of San Francisco, mr. Paul gives the result of some recent observations in Colorado, which should be studied by British Columbians, for they are as applicable to this province as to California. The mineral exhibit from British Columbia, and not the one from Colorado, should take first rank, for from the Kootenay Lake country alone can be sent a richer and more varied exhibit of minerals and building stones than can be sent from any state in the union. The following are extracts from mr. Paul's communication:

"The mining interest of Colorado is advancing steadily. Her gold and silver output for 1890 was many millions in excess of California, and the prospects are that 1891 will over-reach 1890. While here I have not only inspected the large smelters, by courtesy of proprietors, who gave me unusual advantages, but gave some attention to the McArthur-Forrest process for treating gold ores by cyanide. This process was first brought out in Scotland, large works being operated there; also in New Zealand, and in South Africa. The company in Denver hold the right for the United States. This company has erected a 10-stamp mill with all the necessary appliances for treating from 15 to 20 tons per day, and as far as I have investigated the process, it is not too much to say that there is enough reality in it to present it very favorably to my mind. From what I have been shown as to the percentage obtainable in a very simple way, it is a system that Californians may regard as worthy of their consideration and as having passed the experimental stage. There is general interest in Colorado in the mineral exhibit for the World's fair, and now, while I think of it, what is California proposing to do? Of the $300,000 appropriated by the state how much is going to be set aside for the mineral exhibit? The miners of California should demand their share of the state's appropriation, or let the making of an exhibit have the go-by.

"The mining interest has been imposed upon by the granger and railroad landed interests long enough, and unless they see to it, all of the "grand display" will be more largely in the interest of land manipulators. The mining bureau is the proper institution, in connection with a few representative mining men from every mining county in the state, to have charge of collecting and making the mineral exhibit of the state. Not less than $50,000 of the state's appropriation should be devoted to the mineral exhibit, and what there is lacking over that the mining counties would appropriate. It is advisable to have this question of how much is to be set aside for the mining department settled as soon as possible, for then mining men can see if there is to be any encouragement for them to go ahead for a grand display. The mining element is in no very especial good mood for booming the general landed interest, and unless there is a spirit of liberality shown, there will be no effort made to display the vast wealth stored in our mountains.

"These sentiments are simply the echo of what I pick up on the wayside. Colorado is going to lead off in the mineral display, and, to equal her California has got to do her best. The fact is, if California really tries, she can have the most attractive display if not the largest, and this will be so from the fact that more gold would glitter in her display along with her variety of baser metals, building stones, etc., etc. As I view it (from past experience) there is no time to fool away in getting to work for the fair, so let the powers that be say how much of the $300,000 appropriation is to be set aside for the mineral display. Taking the new discoveries, the output of silver in Colorado and Utah, which latter will exceed her last year's product in silver largely, there is going to be too much silver for the gold product of the country unless some big gold find comes to the rescue."

The Gambler's Soliloquy.

To play or not to play—that is the question,
Whether 'tis better at this time to suffer
The stings and arrows of outrageous fortune,
Or take up arms against a sea of troubles,
And by opposing end them? To bet, to lose
No more; and by one deal to say we end
The hard luck that so reluctantly pursues
And leaves us dead broke—'tis a consummation
Devoutly to be wished. To bet—to win;
To win a stack of blues; aye, there's the rub.
For in one run of luck, what dreams may come
When we have whipsawed every turn
For one good deal; there's the prospect
That makes misfortune slink away;
For who would bear the risks of faro,
The dealer's splits, the lookout's contumely,
The pangs of despised luck, the bank's per cent,
That swiftly follows every streak of luck,
When he himself might all his money save
By letting bank alone? Who would burdens bear,
And grunt and sweat under a constant strain,
Did not the hope of winning in the end
A goodly portion of the banker's roll
Urge him on, to bet and bet again,
And then to madly try to call the turn?
How conscience does make cowards of us all
When in despair we knock the coppers off
Of ev'ry bet we played to lose, and when
We switch, and copper ev'ry bet we played to win
And thus the native hue of resolution
Is sicklied o'er with dread uncertainty
And enterprises of great pith and moment
That we had planned, their currents turn away.
And, when too late, we realize
That luck comes not to them that bet at bank,
And they alone can winnings make who faro let alone.

Kitty, the Apple Woman of Piccadilly.

One of the best known characters in London died this week after a career which, though simple, as the annals of the poor usually are, was in many ways extraordinary. This was Kitty, the famous old apple woman of Piccadilly. Kitty was a little old maid, the oldest maid in the world without doubt, as the age marked on her burial certificate was 104 years. She had sold apples on Piccadilly, in almost the same spot, for half a century, and before that time had sold apples somewhere else. Thousands of visitors to London in the last half century well remember the little bright-eyed bright-faced mannikin, always ready with apples or oranges and always grateful for a penny. Kitty long since ceased to be a fruit merchant and proudly occupied the position as a public curiosity. About her one hundredth year her eyes began to give out, and since then she has been failing. Two months ago she ceased to appear in her customary seat, and this week she died in a little room at Clare street, off Leicester square. Kitty is missed in Piccadilly. In perhaps the hottest corner of this 19th-century Babylon, surrounded nightly by the ebb and flow of a mad world's feverish tide of wickedness, Kitty's face was a spot of brightness and goodness that always made one stare.

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FAVORS POLITICAL UNION WITH THE STATES.

A London, England, paper, in reviewing Goldwin Smith's "Canada and the Canadian Question," says the method of government in Canada is a curious hybrid, a cross between Washington and Westminster. There is a phantom of monarchy in Canada—8 or 9 phantoms, in fact, for every province has its atom of refracted loyalty, its phantom of a phantom, its figure-head of a lieutenant-governor, its speech from the throne to open and close every session of every little parliament. Politically, there are 4 paths open to the Dominion, each with its eloquent guides beseeching her to walk therein. Some want her to enter an "Imperial Federation," which is sometime or other to be brought into being; others would have her set up business on her own account as an independent republic; a third party advise her to merge her political existence in that of the United States; and the fourth road is the one on which she has been travelling for 24 years, under the jurisdiction—generally nominal, but real enough on occasion—of a parliament representing only the people of two little islands 3000 miles away. Goldwin Smith himself is for political union with the states.

He says: "There is no reason why the union of the 2 sections of the English-speaking people on this continent should not be as free, as equal, and as honorable as the union of England and Scotland. We should rather say their reunion than their union, for before their unhappy schism they were one people. * * * That a union of Canada with the American commonwealth, like that into which Scotland entered with England, would in itself be attended with great advantages cannot be questioned, whatever may be the considerations on the other side or the reasons for delay. * * * The case is the same as that of Scotland or Wales in relation to the rest of the island of which they are parts, and on their union with which their commercial prosperity depends. The Americans, on the other hand, would gain in full proportion as England gains by her commercial union with Wales and Scotland. * * * Besides, those who scan the future without prejudice must see that the political fortunes of the continent are embarked in the great republic, and that Canada will best promote her own ultimate interests by contributing without unnecessary delay all that she has in the way of political character and force towards the saving of the main chance and the fulfilment of the common hope. The native American element in which the tradition of self-government resides is hard pressed by the foreign element untrained to self-government, and stands in need of the reinforcement which the entrance of Canada into the Union would bring it. * * * If negotiations for a union were set on foot, the party out of power [in the United States] would of course do its best to make them miscarry, and a patriotic press would not fail to lend its aid. Every sort of susceptibility and jealousy on such occasions is wide awake. The great English statesmen, trained in the highest school of diplomacy, who negotiated the union with Scotland found their task hard, though they operated under far easier conditions. However, if the primary forces are working towards an event, sooner or later the crisis arrives; the man appears and the bidding of destiny is done."

How Jews Are Treated in Russia.

Let us suppose a part of our own community subjected to the legal restrictions which now obtain in Russia with regard to the Jew. Our laws on the subject would then read somewhat as follows: "All Jews born in the Dominion of Canada shall be regarded as aliens. No Jews shall dwell in any part of the Dominion except the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Quebec, unless they are graduates of some university, members of a learned profession, skilled artisans holding certificates from a technical school, or members of a chamber of commerce who pay $500 a year for that privilege. No Jew shall hold any government or municipal office. No Jew shall buy or rent landed property. All Jews shall pay special taxes in connection with religious services. No synagogue may be opened without the permission of the governor-general of Canada, and no public prayers may be held in any other place than a synagogue. When more than 10 Jews wish to meet together for consultation or discussion, they must obtain permission from the municipal authorities. Married Jews who become converted to Christianity are ipso facto divorced on conversion; but the wife, if she remains a Jewess, may not marry again. All Jews attaining the age of 20 years shall serve 5 years in the active army and 13 years in the militia, but no Jew may become an officer or even an officer's servant. No Jew shall serve in the navy." Such a condition of affairs as is implied in this paraphrase of the Russian laws affecting Jews is so impossible, so inconceivable, in this country and to us, that we can scarcely imagine it to exist anywhere else. And yet there is no exaggeration in such a paraphrase. The Jew in Russia today is hedged around by a set of restrictions as whimsical and as offensive as anything devised by the fanatics of the middle ages, carried out with a brutality that is possible only in a half-civilized country. Jews are both heretics and aliens in Russian eyes.

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EDITORIAL REMARKS.

The people of Toad Mountain district have been trying for 3 years to get the government to build a wharf at Nelson. Last year, colonel Baker very generously had $1500 set aside for the purpose, but the exigencies of a campaign for re-election caused the amount to be used in building trails, by men who had votes, in East Kootenay. This spring, surveyor-general Gore, so it is said, ordered that the sum of $2000 be set aside for the wharf; but, again, somebody's exigencies have caused the amount to be diverted to other uses. Possibly it has been turned over to the Canadian Pacific to help pay for the wharf that that company has built at Nelson. It is in order for surveyor-general Gore to explain what has been, or is to be, done with the money. Has it gone into a jack-pot, along with the $1500 set aside for improving the streets of Nelson, to be disbursed under the direction of the Canadian Pacific officials who own the "Hoover" addition to Nelson? Of course, the common people do not expect to realize any benefit from these appropriations, yet they always like to know who the beneficiaries are.

A special dispatch from Ottawa to the Colonist of Victoria, under date of the 22nd instant, reads: "All the British Columbia and North-"west Territory members interviewed pre-"mier Macdonald today to ask aid for the Brit-"ish Columbia Southern and Nicola Valley rail-"ways. Colonel Baker made an able presenta-"tion of the claims of the former company, "which is thoroughly in earnest. He said "arrangements had been made with Eng-"lish capitalists to build the road, provided "a subsidy was obtained from the Dominion, as "the construction of the road would open up a "valuable mining section. Sir John was deeply "impressed with the representations of the del-"egation, and promised an earnest considera-"tion of the requests." The British Columbia Southern, if built, will merely be an extension of the branch of the Canadian Pacific that is to be built this year south from Calgary, colonel Baker acting as a sort of stool-pigeon for the C. P. R. The Nicola Valley road is also another feeder for the C. P. R., and, if built, will be owned by that company. Of course, subsidies will be granted each road, for did not the Canadian Pacific Railway Company do noble service at the late election in returning sir John's henchmen to the house of commons—not a few of the said henchmen being from British Columbia and the Northwest Territory.

The question of Chinese labor is coming to the front in Germany. Some few years ago Bismarck suggested that the Chinese might be used to beat the German labor agitation. Now that process is reported to be in actual operation. The Chinese are said to come in under 10-year contracts. It will be strange if this does not produce a graver question in Germany than anything that has preceded it. We are accustomed to look upon German labor conditions as very hard, but this matter shows, what British Columbians well understand, that Chinese will underbid any white labor.

There would be no more fitting time for mr. Robson and his cabinet to pay a first visit to this section of the province, with which they are apparently unacquainted, than on Dominion Day (July 1st). No doubt, they would be given a cordial reception. With that end in view, THE MINER suggests that the citizens of Nelson assemble in mass meeting on Monday night next to take action in the matter of celebrating the natal days of the people who are upbuilding the lake country.

A rumor was current this morning that the Chilean insurgent ironclad Esmeralda had sunk the United States armored cruiser Charleston off the coast of Central America. If the rumor proves true, God help the Chilean insurgents, for Uncle Sam is no slouch when he gets his blood up, even if he has no navy.

Sir John Macdonald's health is said to be such as to render his retirement advisable. It is hard to believe that there is another man in Canada that could take his place as leader of the Conservatives and play a winning hand.

Some time ago THE MINER called the attention of the authorities to the presence in our midst of hobos, pimps, and tinhorn gamblers. It would be well for the authorities to look that paragraph up, and then look around and see how many men there are in Nelson who are trying hard to swell the ranks of these thieving, despicable, and worthless classes.

It is reported that the money ($4500) set apart for a trail from Bear Creek station to the head of Kootenay lake will not be so expended—a sensible conclusion, many think.

The Columbian of New Westminster takes exception to a line that appears in a poster which was circulated to advertise the Kootenay Lake country. The line to which exception is taken reads: "The Kootenay Lake country is "a land where men are not compelled to wor-"ship God." Would the Columbian compel people to worship God after the New Westminster fashion?

A question that remains unanswered: "Has "the bond given by the Canadian Pacific Rail-"way Company for operating ferries at the "Slocan and Kootenay crossings been forfeited, "because of the failure to operate the ferries "according to contract?" Surveyor-general Gore could answer the question if he would, but his "boss" mr. Vernon, of Yale, will not allow him to.

The people of Great Britain are always proud of the statesman who is above all else a defender of Great Britain's interests, but they cannot see any good in James G. Blaine, the present secretary of state in mr. Harrison s cabinet, who is sleepless when the interests of the United States are in danger. In the controversy with the Italian government over the lynching of the Italians at New Orleans mr. Blaine, even though not backed up by a navy, talked straight from the shoulder, as the following addressed to the Italian minister at Washington proves: "I "do not recognize the right of any government "to tell the United States what it should do. "We have never received orders from any for-"eign power, and will not begin now. Please "inform marquis di Rudini that the federal "government cannot give the assurances he "requires, and that it is a matter of total indif-"ference what persons in Italy may think of "our institutions. I cannot change them, still "less violate them. The fact is that marquis di "Rudini does not give us sufficient time. You "assure me that 4 Italian subjects have been "massacred, but I have my doubts on that "point, as I am informed they were mixed up "in some scandalous electoral transactions. "Still, I do not contest their nationality, but "while I ask for time, you want an official de-"claration on the spot. Well, I will not make "anything of the kind, and you may do as you "please." The Italian minister left Washington the next day and his successor has not yet been appointed.

The Canadian Pacific is already pulling wires to have the Dominion government disallow the provincial act chartering the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway Company. It is not satisfied with receiving from the Dominion a cash subsidy that equals one-fourth the cost of its Nelson branch, but it would bulldoze the Macdonald government into allowing it to have this section of country as a sort of preserve, closed to the outside world for 6 months in the year. The people of the Kootenay Lake country, like those of Manitoba, want competitive freight routes, and will have them, even if they have to fight in the courts for the right to build railways. At a meeting held at Nelson on the evening of the 28th instant the following resolutions were passed, as expressions of the wishes of the people of the Toad Mountain division of West Kootenay:

Whereas, it is currently reported that interested parties are exerting their influence with the Dominion government to procure the disallowance of the "Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway Act, 1891"; and

Whereas, the southern portion of Kootenay district—one of the most promising mineral regions in the entire Dominion—is retarded in its development by lack of a transportation route that can be operated during the winter as well as during the summer; and

Whereas, for want of all-the-year transportation facilities the owners of our mines are compelled not only to pay exorbitant, if not prohibitive, freight rates on the output of their mines, but are unable to get their output to a market for 6 months in the year; and

Whereas, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is either unable to discover a practicable route for a railway from the Kootenay Lake country to its main line or unwilling to build a railway if a route has been found; and

Whereas, the people of the western portion of the province have been allowed to contruct railways that give them competitive transportation facilities, as well as connection with the railway systems of the United States, as have also the people of Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, and the maratime provinces; and

Whereas, the bill chartering the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway Company was passed by the legislative assembly by a vote of 23 yeas to 4 nays, notwithstanding the active opposition of the Canadian Pacific company, who appeared by counsel before the railway committee of the assembly; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the people of southern Kootenay earnestly protest against the disallowance of the "Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway Act, 1891," by the Dominion government, deeming such action, if it occurs, to be not only an injustice to the people of the district and an interference with provincial rights, but a monstrously unfair proposition to make an entire section of country a preserve for the benefit of a single railway corporation; and further,

Resolved, that we assert the right of the people of the district to construct railways in any direction which their interests may require, and that we declare our fixed determination to maintain such right at any and all cost; and further,

Resolved, that the provincial government be requested to make an earnest protest against any such disallowance, and to make the most strenuous efforts to urge upon the Dominion government the great injustice and the bad financial policy of such action; and further,

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to honorable John Robson, premier of the province, and a copy also sent to mr. Mara, our member in the Dominion house of commons, with the request that he use his influence against the disallowance of the act and lay these resolutions before sir John A. Macdonald, premier of Canada and minister of railways and canals.

Surely the time has passed when the people of any section of Canada can be held as vassals of a corporation—although, at times, if appears as if the interests of the Canadian Pacific were alone considered, not only by the Dominion government but by the government of this province.

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NEITHER MAN WON.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21st.—The Corbett-Jackson fight tonight ended most unsatisfactorily. Referee Cook's decision of a "no contest," which was given at the end of the 61st round, after the men had been in the ring 4 hours and 5 minutes, is generally accepted as equivalent to a "draw" decision. Both men were then so weak that it was plain to everyone that they could not be expected to strike an effective blow if they remained in the ring till daylight. The first half of the fight was the most scientific contest ever seen on the Pacific coast, but the last 30 rounds were simply a walk-around. After fighting for 2 hours the honors were almost evenly divided, though if there was any advantage it was in Jackson's favor. Then Corbett rallied, and for 2 rounds he pounded Jackson and had him greatly distressed, but the San Francisco man played himself out in that effort, and with the exception of occasional rallies there was nothing done by either man during the next 2 hours. In the last few rounds Jackson staggered around the ring and Corbett was in but little better condition. Both men were heartily cheered at the conclusion of the fight.

The purse was a large one, a total of $10,000, $1500 of which went to the loser. The wonderful degree of interest in the match was due not only to the merit and prominence of the principals, but also to the fact that the contest would open the way to settle the question of the championship of the world, for it was generally understood that the winner would eventually meet Frank Slavin or any other man who might come forward for championship honors. The condition of the men was all that could be desired. They had trained hard and carefully, and it was the opinion of all who saw them that neither man had ever before been in better condition. Jackson was the heavier, but in every other respect it was generally admitted that one man possessed little or no advantage over the other. Both were recognized as game fighters, possessing wonderful ability and wonderful quickness. Neither belongs to the "slugger" type of pugilists. The colored man's ring experience was far greater than Corbett's, and it was probably this fact as much as any other that made Jackson the favorite in the betting during the week before the fight, at odds ranging from 6 to 10 to 8 to 10. Some comment was elicited by the fact that Jackson sprained his ankle some weeks ago, and it was slightly swollen tonight, but as it had caused him no inconvenience at all during his training, there was no real fear expressed that it would give him any trouble during the fight. A large amount of money was wagered on the contest during the last two days. Pool rooms and other sporting resorts were crowded, and there seemed to be no end of either Corbett or Jackson money. The contestants were required to be in the club rooms this evening at 8 o'clock, though the fight was set for an hour later. The California club last night appointed Hiram Cook referee. Jackson was seconded by Sam Fitzpatrick and Billy Smith. Corbett's seconds were John Donaldson, Billy Delaney, and Harry Corbett. It was some minutes after 9 o'clock when Jackson and Corbett, with their seconds, entered the ring. Both principals were received with cheering. During the few minutes that followed, while the gloves of the men were being adjusted, every eye in the building was turned on the men, and there was a general expression of commendation at the excellent form they presented. The weights, as near as could be obtained, were: Jackson 197, Corbett 185, though it was claimed by some that the difference was even greater than that. After the gloves were adjusted the men advanced and shook hands. Time was called for the first round at 9:28 P. M.

At the end of the 61st round referee Cook declared the men could fight no longer and declared the fight no contest. It was 1:33 when the referee declared the fight finished. His decision met with but little opposition. Both men were extremely weak, and it was plain that neither could strike an effective blow. No decision was given as to the purse.

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CURIOSITIES OF THE NEWS.

A farmer's wife of Lower Peen's Neck, New Jersey, has 4 little chickens whose feathers grow toward the head instead of toward the tail.

The remains of William Jones, which were buried at Corunna, Indiana, 2 years ago, have been found to have become petrified and weigh 500 pounds instead of 175.

A horse at Alexandria, Louisiana, which was run over by a train and had one of its legs broken, "hobbled to a store near by, knocked at the door, and by signs and brute language appealed for relief."

It is said that the blackest man in Glynn county, Georgia, is named White, the whitest man is named Brown, the tallest man is named Lowe, and the largest man Small.

The Brooklyn Times says that a lightning bolt which struck a building at Montauk, in a twinkling turned into a molten mass a pile of old cannon balls lying in one of the rooms.

A Chicago pug dog arouses the family every morning, fetches kindling to start the fire, routs the servant girl by scratching on her door and then goes out after the morning paper.

Moccasin snakes are so numerous at night in the streets of Columbus, Georgia, that there is little use for the police, since thieves and roysterers are afraid to venture abroad after dark.

Two strange animals, white in color, excepting a black streak under the neck, and resembling a lion in size and shape, are said to have been killed lately in St. Landry parish, Louisiana.

J. W. Helms, a butcher at Seymour, Indiana, the other day killed a cow, in the stomach of which he found "a silver half dollar, several small bones, a lot of needles and pins, and a quarter of a pound of iron nails."

A Kansas paper tells an interesting cow story. The cow recently lost her calf. After it died she transferred her affections to the 14-year-old son of her owner. She licks him just as she would a calf, and no one but the boy can do anything with her.

Ramon Ortega was out looking for some lost sheep in a canyon near Sespe, Ventura county, California, the other day, when he ran against a large brown bear. He had no fire-arms, but he lassoed the bear and dragged it to death. It weighed 600 pounds.

A sick woman in Huntingdon county, Indiana, expressed a strong desire for quails, but was told by her husband that it was unlawful to kill the birds. Soon afterwards there was a sound of something in collision with the house, and, on investigation, 6 lifeless quails were found.

The Atlanta, Georgia, Constitution has the hardihood to publish this item: Captain A. C. Bell of Americus says he has a turnip in his garden measuring 7 feet across and with a top so high and strong that the small boys climb it. A pair of mules will have to be used to pull it up.

Even so timid and characterless a thing as the rabbit seems not to be destitute of generosity. A rabbit fled from a dog at Rich Hill, Missouri, and took shelter under a hen with a brood of chickens. When the dog strove to get at the frightened rabbit the hen scared him off by picking at his eyes. Now the rabbit and the hen are warm companions.

Florida has some able fish-story-tellers. Here is a yarn from Plunta Gorda: As the steamer Clara was coming up the bay Wednesday a 125-pound tarpon jumped aboard with such force as to break in the cabin door and knock down one of the crew, seriously injuring him. The fish was overpowered and the passengers treated to a feast of tarpon steak.

A West Virginia paper has this hard one: J. K. Curry of Buckhannon has a mule that when thirsty unties his halter, pulls out a pin to open the barn door, goes to the pump and, taking the handle in his teeth, works it until he fills the trough, quenches his thirst and returns to the barn, shutting the door after him. He then enters his stall and brays until his owner comes to fasten the halter. This performance has been witnessed by a number of the neighbors.

The Review of Litchfield, Minnesota, tells the following story: "Mr. and msr. Lewis A. Pier's little baby has an eye for figures, or rather has figures on its eye. When the baby was about 2 months old a figure 1 was discovered just above and at the left of the pupil of the baby's left eye. A short time afterward a figure 2 appeared just below the figure 1, and a few days ago figure 3 became visible just below the figure 2. We saw the figures for the first time last night and were surprised at the plainness of them. The little boy will probably make a great mathematician."

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Nelson, May 12th, 1891.

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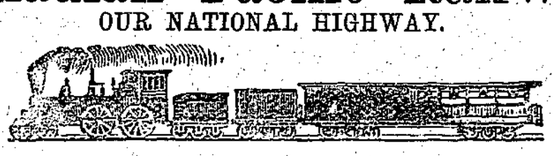

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Nelson, B. C., April 29th.

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Registered the 22nd day of April, 1891.

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3. To take contracts, British, colonial, or foreign, and execute them either itself or by sub-contractors.

4. To undertake the labilities of any company, association, partnership, or person.

5. To aid any body politic or corporate, or company or association or individuals with capital, credit, means, or resources for the prosecution of any railways, works, undertakings, projects, or enterprises.

6. To prosecute and execute, directly or by contributions or other assistance, any such or any other railways, works, undertakings, projects, or enterprises in which, or for the prosecution whereof, or on the security whereof, or of any profits derivable therefrom, the company shall have invested money or embarked capital.

7. To buy or otherwise acquire and sell on its own account or for a commission all kinds of property, real and personal, moveable and immovable, and to manage, develop, mortgage, sell, dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property of the company as may seem expedient.

8. To take or otherwise acquire and dispose of shares, stock, debentures, bonds, or other securities in any other company, British, colonial, or foreign, and to pay or agree to pay under any contract to be entered into by the company, or for services rendered to such company or this company, in cash or in such stock, shares, or debentures or any part thereof.

9. To re-issue any stock, shares, debentures, bonds, or other securities with or without the guarantee of the company.

10. To purchase or otherwise acquire, settle, improve, and cultivate lands and hereditaments, British, colonial, or foreign.

11. To purchase, hire, construct, or manufacture any rolling stock, machinery, or plant.

12. To develop the resources of any land and hereditaments by building, planting, clearing, mining, or otherwise dealing with the same, and to subscribe out of the funds of the company towards any purpose calculated to improve or benefit such property.

13. To stock lands and to breed and deal in cattle of all kinds, and produce and to colonise the same, and to aid and encourage emigration.

14. To make, provide, maintain, and carry on, use and work, or contribute towards the making, providing, maintaining, carrying on, using, and working any such railway or railways as aforesaid, and also tramways, telegraph lines, canals, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, roads, streets, piers, wharves, and other works which may de deemed expedient for the purposes of the company, or contract with others to do the same.

15. To promote or concur in promoting any company or corporation, whether British, colonial, or foreign, and to acquire, hold, and dispose of shares, stocks, or securities of any such company or corporation, and to pay the expenses of the promotion and underwriting the capital of any company or corporation so promoted.

16. To mortgage, with or without a power of sale, and otherwise deal with all or any of the property and rights of the company, and to raise money in any manner which may be thought advisable, and partly by the issue of debentures or debenture stock, charged either in themselves or by a covering deed upon all or any part of the company's property, and to lend money and to negotiate loans of every description.

17. To procure the capital for any company in any country, but particularly in England or Canada, for the purpose of carrying into effect any objects of any company formed for the purpose of agriculture, or for acquiring or working mines or colleries or other purposes, and to issue the capital of such companies and to subscribe for, purchase, dispose of and otherwise deal in the shares, bonds, and securities of such companies.

18. To sell the undertaking of the company, or any part or parts thereof for such consideration as may be thought proper, whether payable wholly or partially in cash or in shares, stock, or debentures or other securities of any other company, British, colonial, or foreign, now formed or hereafter to be formed, and to distribute any of the property of the company among the members in specie.

19. To make, endorse, accept, and execute promissory notes, bills of exchange, and other negotiable instruments.

20. To exercise all or any of the powers given by the "Companies Seals Act, 1864" and the "Companies' (colonial) Registers Act, 1883."

21. To do all or any of the above things in any part of the world, either as principals or agents, contractors or otherwise, and to procure if thought necessary, the company to be constituted or incorporated as a corporation, or its nearest equivalent, in any country or colony whatever.

22. To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the above objects.

The capital of the company is £20,000, divided into 200 shares of £100 each.

The place of business of the said company in the province of British Columbia is situated at 21 Bastion street, Victoria, in the said province of British Columbia.

L. S.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this 22nd day of April, 1891, at the city of Victoria in the province of British Columbia. (Signed) C. J. LEGGATT.
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

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NELSON, B. C.

SMALL NUGGETS OF NEWS.

On Monday a free public school was opened at Nelson, not by direction of the provincial superintendent of education, but by a public-spirited Presbyterian clergyman, rev. Thomas H. Rogers, who gives his services free, dr. Arthur kindly allowing a portion of his office building to be used for a schoolroom. The following-named bright little boys and girls were in attendance: Robert McLeod, Thomas Lewis, Edna Lewis, Julia Corning, Lida Corning, John Duhamel, Raymond May, Mabel Holden, Dora Taylor, and May Perry.

Charles Westly Busk of Balfour writes THE MINER under date of May 26th: "The first pole of the Kootenay Lake telephone line was planted today with appropriate ceremonies at a point about 80 feet west of my house. W. J. Sanders has received notification of his appointment as postmaster at Balfour. As soon as the necessary swearing has been done, and the papers sent to Victoria, we shall have a postoffice in full swing. A very promising quartz claim—a new find—was recorded today. It is located less than a mile distant from Balfour, messrs. McBain and Jackson being the discoverers."

Real estate sales during the week comprised several acre lots in the Hume addition and business lots in Nelson. H. Selous has the handling of the acre lots and reports 32 sold of the 41 placed on the market. A. S. Farwell sold a 30-foot lot on the corner of East Baker and Josephine streets for $1500, and John McLeod a 30-foot (lot 6 block 12) on West Baker street at the same figure. James Fox sold a 50-foot on West Vernon street at $1250 and mrs. Colwell 25 feet frontage on East Vernon at $950. About a dozen new buildings were commenced during the week.

The Week's Marine Arrivals: British steamer Galena, captain Hayward, from Bonner's Ferry; cargo, Tenderfeet. American steamer Idaho, captain Flager, from lake points; in ballast. British steamer Surprise, captain Bushby, from Pilot Bay; cargo, a hot saw-mill manager. British steamer Midge, commodore Davies, from Kootenay river; cargo, ranch products.

The Silver King hotel was formally opened to the public on Saturday night by a dance, which was attended by a large number of Nelson's society people. From this time on the Silver King will take rank as one of the best hotels in the lake country. The "Bellevue" with W. T. Atherton as proprietor, is the name of Nelson's newest hotel.

A month ago all the matrons and maids in Nelson could be counted on the fingers of one's hand, now they number half a hundred.

The most distinguished arrival in Nelson this week was M. Driscoll of the boundary line Palace hotel.

After putting in about 7 months as mining recorder and constable at Ainsworth, G. B. Nagle resigns the office to follow the more congenial pursuit of prospecting for the precious metals. Mr. Nagle leaves the record books of the office in good shape for his successor (T. J. Lendrum), and leaves the district carrying with him the good will of every honest resident claim owner.

REMOVAL.

Odell & Squire expect to move into their new store, No. 2 Houston & Ink block, on Tuesday, June 2nd, when they expect to open another consignment of Scotch and Irish tweed and serge suitings.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of Joseph Wilson, deceased, intestate.

Persons having claims against the above estate are requested to present them to the undersigned, at Nelson, B. C., for settlement; to whom, also, persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment of all moneys due. W. J. WILSON, administrator.

Nelson, B. C., May 23rd, 1891.

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NOW IS THE TIME TO INVEST!

Nelson and Ainsworth property is rapidly increasing in value, now that the snow has disappeared from the mining claims in Toad Mountain and Hot Springs district so as to permit investors in mines to look at the immense deposits of ore. Merely to allow investors a chance to get in and make a few honest dollars, Houston, Ink & Allan of Nelson offer the following—all lots in Nelson are inside property, no one of them 1000 feet from the business center of the town:

50×120 FEET.

Lot 4 Block 3, $1000.

Lot 7 Block 4, $800; half cash, balance in 6 and 12 months at 8 per cent.

Lot 2 Block 11, $1800; $1275 cash, balance in 5 and 11 months at 8 per cent.

Lot 5 Block 11, $1800; $1275 cash, balance in 5 and 11 months at 8 per cent.

30×120 FEET.

Lot 4 Block 5, $1800; $1000 cash, balance in 6 months at 8 per cent. This lot is next the postoffice and one of the best locations in the town.

Lots 9 and 10, Block 5, $4000; half cash, balance in 4, 8, and 12 months at 8 per cent. These lots are on the corner of Josephine street, and are a bargain.

Lot 1 Block 6, $2000; half cash, balance in 4, 8, and 12 months at 8 per cent. This lot is also a Josephine street corner.

Lot 8 Block 8, $400.

Lot 10 Block 8, $450; half cash, balance in 6 and 12 months at 8 per cent. A corner.

25×120 FEET.

Lots 5, 6, 7, 17, 18, 19, and 20 in Block 13, $400; $320 cash, balance on October 15th.

25×120-FOOT BUILDING CONDITIONS.

Lots 13 and 14, Block 14, $700; $500 cash, balance on October 15th, a corner.

Lot 19, Block 15, $200; $120 cash, balance on October 15th.

Lots 23 and 24, Block 16, $600; $352 cash, balance on October 15th. A nicely situated corner on Josephine street.

Lots 13 and 14, Block 16, $325; $165 cash, balance on October 15th. A corner.

Lots 11, 12, and 13, Block 7, $500; $250 cash, balance on October 15th.

AINSWORTH.

The best corner in Ainsworth, 50×105 feet, $2500; $1500 cash, balance in 5 months at 8 per cent.

NOTICE.

The RAILWAY HOTEL at ROBSON will be opened on or about the 15th of June. The hotel is advantageously situated near the railway station and steamboat landing and will afford all the desirable comforts. The kitchen will be superintended by one of its owners, N. Sicotte, who is a caterer of long experience. Mr. Sicotte will be aided by messrs. Levesque and Provost, who are also equally interested in the hotel. The table will always be supplied with the best of everything obtainable. The bar will be stocked with choice liquors and cigars. The whole will be strictly first-class in every respect.

Robson, May 29th.

WM. H. WHITTAKER,

Barrister at Law, Solicitor, Notary Public, Etc.

Office, Victoria street, Kamloops, B. C.

LAY-OVER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that in consequence of the prevailing high water all alluvial mining claims situate on Hall creek, in the District of West Kootenay, will be laid over until the 1st day of July. G. C. TUNSTALL, Gold commissioner.

Nelson, May 21st, 1891.

H. SELOUS, J. P.

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NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of Patrick McNamee, deceased, intestate.

Persons having claims against the above estate are requested to forward them to the undersigned for settlement; to whom also persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment of all moneys due.

G. C. TUNSTALL, gold commissioner.

Nelson, May 4th, 1891.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate of Thomas Higstrom, deceased, intestate.

Persons having claims against the above estate are requested to forward them to the undersigned for settlement; to whom also parties indebted to said estate are notified to make payment of all moneys due.

G. C. TUNSTALL, gold commissioner.

Nelson, May 4th, 1891.