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HENDRYX ON SMELTERS

ESPECIALLY THAT ONE AT PILOT BAY AND ITS FUTURE.

The Doctor Furnishes an Interesting Little Version of Some Unpleasantness Among the Original Shareholders, and Explains that a Transfer has Been Effected.

Dr. Hendryx, of Pilot Bay fame, has been a visitor in town during the week, having arrived down on the Ainsworth on Tuesday. Being but a few days out from the far far east, it may be rightly inferred that his remarks while en route to Nelson on the steamer were exceedingly interesting to his auditors, who surrounded him in a mighty circle in the smoking room. The burthen of his remarks was chiefly upon the affairs of his company regarding the smelter property, as well as the opinions of eastern financial men upon the silver question and the wealth of the mineral deposits of the Slocan and adjacent countries.

As one result of the doctor's visit east, he announced that a transfer had been effected in the smelter stock. Franklin Farrell and himself being practically the sole owners of the concern. The retiring stockholders were given par value by an exchange of Blue Bell mine. The completion and operation of the smelter depended altogether, he said, on the solution of the transportation problem. The money for the completion of the smelter is forthcoming, but the work may not be done inside of one, or even three years. The property will not suffer. The \$250,000 expended at the Bay will not be lost, for once proper transportation facilities from the mines are assured we will be prepared to finish the smelter. The completion of the Kaslo-Slocan road would help us, and might be sufficient to make the work of completing the smelter a necessity.

The building of the B. C. Southern railroad would aid us materially in the way of fuel, but the supply of that article does not in any way interfere with the completion of the smelter. We have an abundance of fluxes at hand, especially iron and lime.

Before departing for the west, the doctor spent five days in Montreal as the guest of President Van Horne of the C. P. R. The railroad president was somewhat reticent respecting his company's purposes re the Kootenay, but Mr. Hendryx says he would not be surprised to see a C. P. R. line from Three Forks to Kaslo.

PARAGRAPHS.

R. E. Lemon is able to be around again.

A. S. Farwell went out on the Nelson on Wednesday.

Three business failures during the week was the record for Kaslo.

The dining room of the Phair hotel closed down on Tuesday evening.

Prof. Parkes and family came down on the Ainsworth from Pilot Bay on Tuesday.

Kaslo is about to indulge in a second masquerade ball, to be given in the Hotel Slocan during the coming week.

H. E. Crossdale, of the Hall Mines Company, left for Bonner's on Wednesday on business in connection with the company's ore shipments.

Supreme Court will probably be held here some time in January, and it is expected that Premier Davie will be in attendance. Half a dozen cases are cited from Kaslo.

Chas. E. Smitheringale left Nelson this week for Nakusp to take charge of the Ledge. R. T. Lowery who conducted the paper up to this stage proposes to go into business in New Denver.

John Tolson started for England on Wednesday. He has no end of commissions to execute, varying from acting as convoy for canary birds and poodles to paying the respects of Nelsonites to the crowned heads.

Mayor R. Green of Kaslo passed in this week from Winnipeg, where he had been for two weeks past purchasing supplies for his stores at Ainsworth and Kaslo. He reports times very quiet in the east just now.

Rev. D. M. Martin and wife of Kaslo passed through Nelson on Sunday en route home from Chicago and Toronto. Mr. Martin has been in Toronto for some weeks undergoing treatment at the hands of Dr. Aikens, the famous specialist, for a serious internal ailment from which he has been suffering for the past year.

Thanksgiving Concert.

The concert given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church on

Thursday evening in Hume's hall was a success in every way. The programme was contributed by Mesdames Troup and Goepel, Miss, Crickmay, Messrs. Hamber Chadbourn, Vallean, and Turner. The members of the band also contributed a number of selections.

More Teams are Required.

There is an insufficiency of stock on the Kaslo wagon road. An interested party was in town this week endeavoring to secure three four-horse teams to haul ore from Three Forks to Kaslo. It is understood that the price is \$17 per ton.

KASLO'S MASKED ROBBER

HOLDS UP A LONE PROSPECTOR AND TAKES HIS VALUABLES.

A Sneak Thief Gets In His Work at the Wharf by Snatching a Valuable Cloak and Making Off with it.—The Gossip of the Town During the Week.

Kaslo had a brace of robberies on Sunday, one being a genuine "hold-up," and the second a common "grab-all." About 8 o'clock Sunday evening, a prospector heading out for Bear Lake, with a comfortable jag aboard, and a few shekels in his jeans. Upon reaching the top of Nob Hill, he was brought to a sudden halt by the call "stand and deliver," the muzzle of a six-shooter being thrust into his face as a gentle reminder to baste. The victim immediately acceded and meekly submitted to being relieved of his valuables, which however did not aggregate much. The highway man stood about 5 ft. 10 in., and wore a mask. Who, and where is—forms the puzzle for the local police.

The second number occurred later in the evening when the steamer Nelson arrived from Nelson. Mrs. H. Geigerich on getting off the steamer, recalled the fact that she had left a valuable cloak on a chair in the cabin. On going in search of the cloak she saw a man making off with it. Mr. Geigerich attempted to catch up with the thief, but being encumbered with several parcels, he was not successful.

That Kaslo-Slocan Railway Bluff.

Work on the Kaslo-Slocan railway is proceeding steadily, about 80 men being employed clearing the right of way. Whether or not anything else will be done on the road this winter, it is somewhat difficult to say. The syndicate protests that much more will be done, but then the same company has protested in much the same line before, and nothing has been done. Meantime it is said Chief Engineer McMillan has sent in his resignation, intending to return to Oregon.

Another Railway Rumor.

Information has been received recently from the eastern part of the Dominion to the effect that the C. P. R. will build down to Kaslo in the early spring, from Three Forks, independent of the Goslow-Slocan railroad. This information is said to emanate from one of the C. P. R. in Toronto, who is said to be emphatic in his statement to this effect.

The Teamsters' Hearts are Glad.

The teamsters on the Kaslo wagon road are in high feather over the recent snowfalls. There is a uniform depth to Bear Lake of about five inches. The Nob hill, which has been corduroyed has now no terrors for the teamsters. There is considerable ore waiting to be teamed down to Kaslo, and already the merchants aver that business is picking up. The sampling works will commence running shortly. Manager Clymo states that he has 700 tons in one pile on the wagon road, and this together with what he has been promised, will keep his crushers abundantly supplied.

Little Local Chapters.

Buchanan's sawmill is now cutting timbers for the repairing of steamer State of Idaho.

A regular exodus of citizens from Kaslo to outside points has been going on for the past two weeks.

A slump in the price of edibles has taken place in Kaslo restaurants. Meals are now twenty-five cents.

Stages are again being run from Kaslo to the mines, and New Denver.

When your watch does not keep time or needs repairing, take it to Hunt & Dover who are fully equipped for this class of work and who guarantee every job turned out.

KOOTENAY'S DOOR IS OPEN

THE NELSON & FORT SHEPPARD IS NOW IN NELSON.

The Locomotives Which Have Been Waited for so Long Make Their Appearance on Sunday and Complete the Connection on the Following Day.

A car-load of supplies consigned to Contractor Larson, arrived over the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railroad this morning.

Thus the promise made by President Corbin, over a year ago has been fulfilled even in the face of a gigantic financial depression which could not be foreseen.

The first locomotive, with the track-laying machine and rail and tie cars, came around the side-hill into view of Nelson early Sunday morning.

Every three or four minutes the locomotive's whistle tooting, and train's advance of thirty-two feet, announced the laying of a set of rails. This was kept up all day Sunday. Nearly every one who could manage it, went out on the grade to see the track-laying machine work. Those who have seen the machine work will doubtless wonder why it has been termed labor-saving.

It assuredly does prevent many from securing work on the road, but what of the men working with the machine. If you have ever seen a man work real hard you should compare him with any of those who work on the machine.

The remaining three miles which yet remain to be laid will be completed within the next few days. The material trains can be heard coming and going at all hours of the night, and the whistle is sweet music to the ears of Nelsonites.

ALL IN TOGETHER.

Two Nelsonites who hold interests in the Reid & Robinson Accept the Bond.

Chas. E. Sealey this week received a draft on John A. Finch, in payment of ten per cent of the bond given by the former to Finch, covering his one-eighth interest in the Reid & Robinson group of mines. The bond on the group is for \$20,000, payable in one year, save the first ten per cent installment payable on the making of the bond. It is the intention of Finch to ascertain to a certainty the value of the property. Under the terms of the bond the profits from any shipments of ore, exclusive of the cost of mining, are to be applied in discharge of the payments due on the bond.

The only interest not at present covered by the Finch bond, is held by Edward Applewhite, one-eighth, and as similar to the one offered to him it is altogether probable that he will accept.

ANOTHER PROBATIONER BONDED

Mickey Landrigan and Mike Monaghan are Reported to be in Luck.

A mining transfer is said to have taken place in town, by which a claim located near, and said to be an extension of the Washington, held by Mickey Landrigan and Mike Monaghan, was bonded to a Spokane man for \$11,000. Ten per cent of the bond has been paid down and the second payment falls due in four months.

The Mixer was going to press when the news of transfer reached the office so that authentic information as to the property or the person who secured the bond cannot be given.

It was learned that work is to commence at once, arrangements being in train for winter supplies.

A Strange Rolling.

It is reported that the collector of customs on the American side at Bonner's is just now engaged in the charming occupation of making a large wild striped ass of himself. It has been customary to pass the ore through to the smelters and await the invoice returns upon which to estimate and collect the duty, as there is practically no other way to determine either the valuation or the percentage of lead. Both the railroad companies and the smelters are under bond to make correct returns and the collections being guaranteed no loss could occur. Despite this it is said that the deputy collector now insists on making collections in advance on a basis of 50 per cent lead. In the event of the returns going higher the owner must pay the full amount, but if it runs lower no rebate will be made. The report is in all probability what is technically known as a "stiff."

A BROKEN LEDGE

"Turns them to shape, and gives to airy nothing a local habitation and a name.—Shakespeare"

The same characteristic which impels the untutored savage to stake his last pony on the throw of a handful of pebbles, seems to run through the whole human race. It makes and mars men on stock-boards, and at church fairs. It drives men into the waste places of the earth, in face of hardships and dangers in a search after the precious metals. It is probably that as much as anything else which makes a man once a prospector, always a prospector. That nameless charm forever hanging around the idea that by some lucky turn the desired wealth may be wrested from the hand of fate, the "striking it rich some day," hope of all who delve in search of nature's hidden treasures.

The statement that it is always the unexpected that happens will apply to mining perhaps more aptly than to any other calling. The life of every man who has followed mining for any length of time, is filled with incidents, personal and otherwise, which would tend to throw light on the fact that mining men will undergo greater hardships for less profit than almost any other business in the world. Facing the stubborn wall of rock the miner smites his drill day after day. Who knows what the next shot may bring forth. The merchant with a known trade, and a fairly even demand for certain goods, can calculate with some degree of certainty; his season's gains. The miner, poor today, may tomorrow uncover a million.

Picturesque rather than romantic are the lives of these men. They toil hard, live and die hard very often. A night spent in the cabin of the lonely prospector would give you some idea of the reason why they seldom change their occupation. Or draw up your chair, and join the circle around some frontier hotel stove, when yarns are the order of the day. The reason will become more plain as each of the stories are told. Lost mines? No mining district would be complete without its "lost mine." That fabulously rich lead discovered years ago by some men who brought in the wonderful specimens, and died before he could return to take advantage of his luck.

What old-timer is there but can tell you of one or more times when he "just missed it." An example of this came out the other day in conversation with D. P. Porter, superintendent of the Mountain Chief mine, one of the best of the many splendid properties in the Slocan. "Have you visited the Lucky Jim mine, up by Bear Lake?" asked he. "Yes." "Then you know what a fine showing there is up there. Now do you know that I just missed being a half-owner in that property. My partner and I were camped down on the creek at the foot of a clearing made by a slide. The snow was just beginning to go in spots and we were studying the country close. I had helped to locate the Best, and knew that there must be mineral somewhere around where we were, judging by the bearing of that lead.

"Well we worked over the bare spots, but with no success, though we saw enough to convince us that we were on the right track. We even went so far as to build a temporary camp up at the head of the little stream that ran down the slide. Well time went on, and our grub ran low, as grub will whether there are fortunes to be made or not. One day it became a matter no longer to be put off, we must lay in another stock of provisions. We shut up camp, and made for Kaslo. A few days after our arrival, the thaw set in, and knowing that such weather would materially aid prospecting, we hasted back. The thaw had aided prospecting. The snow had gone off the slide, and we found stakes set on the Lucky Jim. They have three parallel showings, amounting to over 20 feet in width of good ore."

What old time mining man but has heard of the "Gunsight." That mysterious claim located somewhere on the border between southern California and Nevada. Across this section from north to south, extends the great Mohave desert, wilderness of low cactus-covered hills, and shifting sand. Across the upper end of this desert ran the old California trail. Many were those who

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carelessly ventured unprepared across this waste of burning alkali and sand, to find death beneath a blazing sun in a sky of burnished copper. So many were the piles of bleaching bones that marked the way, that the awful spot received the name of Death Valley. Somewhere into the broken spurs of the Sierra Nevadas which border this weird spot, wandered a prospector. No man may know the fierce agony of those lonely weeks of plodding with bloodshot eyes, and baked and swollen tongue, while ever danced before him the mirage of rippling and wind-swept water ways.

He succeeded in making his escape from that inferno, but the valley claimed its victim just the same. He was in a dying condition and expired shortly after. Not however until he had shown specimens of quartz seamed and crossed with gold, a mammoth ledge of which he said existed where that came from. The hazy directions, which were all he was able to give, were almost forgotten during the wild rush that followed the opening of one after another of California camps. Since then however, several parties have been made up to look for the lost ledge, and only a year or two ago the California papers announced the formation of another company which, by the aid of a chart supposed to have been made by the discoverer, were about to resume the search for the lost "Gunsight."

A "tenderfoot's luck" has become almost proverbial in nearly every one of the old camps: In Park City, Utah, is the famous Ontario mine, one of the greatest producers of silver in the United States. This claim was located by a man who did not know a piece of galena from a chunk of grindstone. The extension of the Ontario, known as the Daly, has a peculiar history. John was a warden in the penitentiary. A friend of his applied for a grub-stake to prospect. He knew of an abandoned claim over the hill from the Ontario. Why not locate it? They did, and the next spring Daley out of a job, went up to help do the assessment work. The snow was still deep on the mountain and it looked as if they would have to turn back. In looking over the ground they found one spot where a small ledge of rocks had gathered the heat and stood out bare of snow. Here they resolved to begin. The first day work brought the metal, subsequent work showed them that they had an extension of the Ontario. The two mines are now connected by a tunnel on the 600 foot level, and Daley is a millionaire.

Up in the Big Cottonwood, just over the divide from Park City, three men located a claim. The end of the summer found them with a barren tunnel into the side of the mountain. The winter was spent in working for wages, and in the spring two of them returned to the claim. The next season closed on two disgusted men, a long hole in the rock with only here and there, a trace of mineral. The third year but one man returned. For two years longer that lonely man labored, strong in the hope of striking it. Then came an expert from across the seas, sized up the situation and offered a few hundred dollars for the property. The deal was made. Within 20 feet of the end of the tunnel which represented so much toil and hardship, the new owners broke into a strong vein of rich ore, and the Emma mine subsequently sold for \$1,500,000.

The fireman's ball, given in the Hotel Slocan, Kaslo, this week, was attended by a number of Nelsonites.

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A company composed of residents of Wallace, Idaho, has been formed to develop a large area of placer ground near Warrens on the Clearwater. The company includes Superintendent Neal of the Campbell and Finch mines, Southerland & White, Howes & King and other well known Wallace citizens, 20 in number. A series of experiments have been conducted recently with results that have proved flattering, and the necessary ditch work will be done in the spring.

Nearly a hundred test pits were dug at different points, and a large quantity of the gravel was carefully measured and subjected to the washing process. As a result its value is estimated at \$1 per yard, which is exceptionally high. The gravel is five feet thick and many hundred acres have been staked out by the locators. The lay of the land is also exceptionally favorable to economical working by hydraulic process.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SIXTY days from date hereof I intend to apply for Crown grant to the "Etna" mineral claim situated on Toad Mountain, West Kootenay District. This application will be made under clause 35, "Mineral Act, 1891."

Copies of the field notes and plat can be seen at the office of the Government agent, Nelson.

CHARLES VAN NESS. Nelson, B.C., July 10th, 1893.

NOTICE
Notice of Application for Certificate of Improvements.
Wellington Mineral Claim.
TAKE NOTICE THAT I, as agent for the Kootenay & Co., respecting and Mining Company Limited, No. 43,293, intend sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.
And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Mining Recorder, and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.
EDWARD WATTS
Dated this first day of August, 1893. Aug 5

CROWN GRANT APPLICATION.
NOTICE.
MINERAL ACT, 1893.
Notice of application for Certificate of Improvements.
"Bobtail" Mineral Claim.
TAKE notice that I, as agent for the Shafer Gold and Silver Mining Company, free-miner's certificate No. 43,640, intend sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.
And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Mining Recorder, and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.
THOMAS JOHNSON
Dated this 18th day of August, 1893. Aug 26
Ainsworth, B. C.

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NOTICE.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT W. F. McCulloch, as agent for Edward Mahon, has filed the necessary papers, and made application for a Crown Grant in favor of the "Jim Crow," and "Last Chance," mineral claims, situated on Toad Mountain.
Adverse claimants will forward their objections within sixty days from the date of this publication.
N. FITZSTUBBS, Gold Commissioner. Nelson, B. C., Nov. 14, 1893.

NOTICE.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A. S. FARWELL, as agent for Oliver Durant and Alex. H. Tarbet, has filed the necessary papers, and made application for Crown grants in favor of the "Centre Star" and "Idaho" mineral claims, situated about five miles west from the Town of Trail. Adverse claimants will forward their objections within 60 days from the date of this publication.
N. FITZSTUBBS, Gold Commissioner. Nelson, B. C., Sept. 6th, 1893.

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Tuesday—Bonner's Ferry to Kaslo.
Wednesday—Kaslo to Nelson and return.
Thursday—Kaslo to Bonner's Ferry.
Friday—Bonner's Ferry to Nelson.
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CAUSES FOR THANKSGIVING.

ing the ores. Already some of the mine owners have begun to make a move in the matter. At the Mountain Chief an eight hundred pound specimen is awaiting the breaking of a sleigh road, to be sent out to the fair, and it is understood that a number of others are preparing to send representative exhibits.

The drawback to such action is the lack of concert. The value of such an exhibit quite largely depends upon its arrangement after arrival in San Francisco. What should be done first of all would be for those interested in the matter to combine sufficiently to form a fund to pay some reliable man to devote his entire time to the collection at some central point, of the specimens. These should then be shipped in his care to San Francisco, and arranged under his personal supervision.

With regard to the matter of space, that could be applied for by the Board of Trade, which body should act in concert with the mining men.

Two things should be noted by all interested in the move; First the importance of an independent Kootenay exhibit, run on a separate basis, and owing allegiance to no one. Second, the fact that there is but little time left, and whatever is done should be done quickly.

CURRENT COMMENT.

"A regiment of 200 men has been formed at Tacoma, and has offered its services to the Hawaiian provisional government in case of war."

After Grover has declared the dusky queen to be under his personal protection, this move is little short of high treason.

"The Hon. Sydney Parker, who left by the Empress for China, decided to raffle his hunting outfit which is now at Vernon. It consists of 21 riding and pack horses, saddles, etc."

As nothing is said about the arrangement necessarily required to provide game for so many pack horses, it is to be concluded that either the "etc." is far more deadly than most people imagine, or the honorable gentleman's band has escaped the usual fate of such "wild" outfits, and is left out from the "etc." for a more glorious resting place at the "etc."

Ben Kennedy, alias Jack Meyers, was sentenced to the penitentiary for life, at the recent Westminster Assize court for the slaying of John O'Connor, at Reed Island, in June. The jury returned a verdict of manslaughter.

As the impression first held by the public was that the killing of O'Connor was a brutal murder, it is gratifying to know that the jury discovered some mitigating circumstances in the lamentable outcome of a drunken row over a dog.

The idea has been suggested to the Spokane mid-winter fair committee by Architect Cutter, of erecting at the mid-winter fair, a typical miner's cabin, and is meeting with considerable favor.

No doubt many who visit the fair will be pleased to see a "typical miner's cabin," but in view of the present state of the metal market, there will be many more at the fair and elsewhere, who will emphatically wish they had never seen a miner's cabin.

Prendergast, the slayer of Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, is displeased at his counsel's action in entering a plea of insanity. He says, "I am not insane and was justified in the shooting."

It is to be hoped that the jury will agree with Prendergast regarding his sanity, and thus relieve the tax-payer of one more burden.

DREDGER DIGGINGS.

This Peculiar Method of Recovering Gold Succeeds at Elk City.

Some months ago it was announced that a Chicago company had been formed for the purpose of working some placer ground near Elk City by means of a floating dredge. E. L. Galvin, of Chicago, who is the superintendent of the company, lately reported progress. The dredge has been a complete success, handling the gravel in good shape, and showing excellent returns.

It was rather late in the fall when the machine began work, and some six acres of ground were handled. The gravel ran from five to seven feet deep, and gave an average return of about \$4,000 per acre.

The company is only stocked for \$50,000, so that the experimental working will make an excellent showing on the books as a dividend on three months work all told.

The Nelson school board will give a concert on the evening of Tuesday, December 5th. The particulars will be given later.

AN EVENTFUL LIFE.

Record of a Strange and Romantic Career Condensed to a Paragraph.

The close of one of the most eventful lives in Europe is briefly announced by the following cablegram:

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TIME TO DO SOMETHING.

To exhibit, or not to exhibit, that is the question. Last week the MINER called attention to the fact that the coming Midwinter Fair at San Francisco would afford the mine owners of this region a splendid opportunity to show the world some of the reasons which they have for the faith which is in them. The fact that the Spokane mining exchange had taken the matter up was also noted.

Now comes the information that the Exchange has voted \$500 for the purpose of gathering specimens from this section. The reasons stated are that this region is "directly tributary to the city of Spokane," and an exhibit of minerals from these mines would be in place among the other show things from this thriving village.

This is all very well, and if the citizens of Spokane see fit to spend their money in advertising this part of the world, it is difficult to see just why they may not be allowed to do so. Every opportunity to make a good collection should be given them. Each piece of ore that is placed in the fair labeled British Columbia, is one more rung in the ladder by which our mines are steadily climbing to fame.

At the same time it should not be forgotten that a very erroneous impression may be created by this Spokane collection if it alone is sent to the fair. Spokane is a long distance from Three Forks, the centre of the Slocan, and there is an international boundary line to be crossed in the journey from one to the other. If nothing but the Spokane exhibit is sent from this section, the natural inference would be that these mines depend entirely on that city as a base of supplies. Such is in fact far from being the case.

Surely the mines of Kootenay are worthy of a purely local effort to exhibit them at the fair. Not only should mine owners join in the move, but every business man who has permanent business interests in the country should contribute his individual unit toward gather-

