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THE WEEK'S MINING NEWS.

PRICES OF METALS.

January 14th, Silver 59⅝, Lead 3.10.

ORE SHIPMENTS.

		TONS.
Jan. 9,	War Eagle to Smelter, Montana	50
" 10,	" " "	50
" 10,	" " "	30
" 3,	Slocan Star to Omaha via Nakup	57
" 10,	Blue Bird to Smelter, via Kaslo	18½
" 1,	Le Roi to Tacoma	35
" 2,	" "	35
" 3,	" "	35
" 4,	" "	25
" 5,	" "	25
" 8,	" Everett	30
" 9,	" "	30
" 7,	" "	30
		450½

Total shipments to date from June, 1894:

	TONS.
Nelson	671
Trail Creek (gold ore)	1,867
Ainsworth	102½
Slocan via Kaslo	475½
Slocan via Nakusp	2,293
	5,407

MINING TRANSFERS.

NEW DENVER.

Dec. 29.—Lucky.—T. J. Roadley to J. L. Retallack, ¼ interest, $115.

Dec. 29.—Ivy Leaf No. 2.—R. McFerren to Alamo Mining Co., full interest, $1.

Dec. 29, Millsite,—N. D. Moore to Slocan Milling Co., transfer of lease, $1.

Dec. 29.—Twin Lakes,—N. D. Moore to Alamo Mining Co., 33-40 interest, $1.

Dec. 29.—Alamo,—N. D. Moore to Alamo Mining Co., full interest, $1.

Dec. 29.—Rambler,—R. Shea to J. W. Atkins, full interest, $1.

Jan. 3.—Deadman and Wild Goose,—J. M. Harris and F. J. Kelly to R. M. Sherman, ½ interest, $1,

Jan. 3, Deadman and Wild Goose,—E. Jones to R. M. Sherman, ½ interest, $1.

Jan. 3, Texas, Ephriam, New Denver, Clifton,—E. Jones to J. M. Harris and F. J. Kelly, 1-16 each, $1.

Jan. 3,—A. B.,—W. T. Chatterton to J. Knapp, ½ interest, $2.

Jan. 3,—Continental,—D. B. Bogle to E. Norquay, ½ interest, $1.

Jan. 3,—Continental,—J. T. Foley to E. Norquay, ½ interest, $300.

Jan. 4,—Fulluride,—P. Grant to A. McLean, ½ interest, $5.

POWERS OF ATTORNEY.

Dec. 29.—Idaho.—J. D. Farrell to N. D. Moore as to 1-9.

Dec. 29,—Idaho.—F. Cox to N. D. Moore as to ½.

Dec. 29,—Idaho,—W. C. Yawkey to N. D. Moore as to 2-9.

GOAT RIVER DISTRICT.

(From our own correspondent.)

The Alberta and British Columbia Exploration Company have completed their dyke as far as the Indian camp on west side of Kootenay River (below Goat River landing) a distance of over ten miles from the commencement at boundary line. The company have at present upwards of fifty men getting out cordwood for the dredges. Between two and three thousand cords will be got out before snow goes of. The price paid is in the neighborhood of $1.90 per cord delivered on right of way or bank of river. This gives quite a lot of work to people in the valley for hauling, as the wood is in some instances a long way from the river. The engineers and other employes of the company are expected in about the end of February, and after some alterations in machinery have been effected they will start right in to dig. The dredge "Calgary" has some especially deep digging to do along the international boundary line this coming season.

The company of Minneapolis capitalists who purchased the President group of claims on Duck Creek and the Lizard and Badger adjoining are busy with a small force of men erecting buildings and making ready generally for extensive development of the properties in the spring. It is believed they have a good thing. There is some talk of the company erecting a concentrator to treat the ore from the Lizard which has an exceptionally fine showing of galena.

Other properties in the Goat River camp will be considerably developed in the spring. Several claim owners in the Sutter district (copper, silver) are doing work this winter, some of the properties showing up well.

Married at Bonner's Ferry: Robert J. Long, fireman on Dyking Company's dredge "Alberta," to Miss Effie Huscroft, daughter of Mr. William R. Huscroft, of Fir Grove, B. C. The young couple have the good wishes of the community.

Snow lies in the valley to the depth of 2½ feet. Horses are still rustling out and notwithstandiug the amount of snow appear to be holding their own. Today there are indications of a chinook.

The river is frozen over sufficiently to allow teams and sleighs to cross.

The Indians' New Year celebration has come and gone and it was quite a spectacle in its way. They have their winter quarters this year about a mile from Rykert's so they had numerous bands of their United States brethren come across and help them with the festivities. It was quite a gathering. If you have seen a Siwash "spread" and dance at New Year's time you can imagine what a nice trying time the people in their immediate vicinity had. Drumming and yelling, yelling and singing ad lib. It was kept up for a few days but has now become part of the past and every Siwash will in duty bound "hunt his own hole."

Numerous deer have been killed, but Cariboo appear to be scarce although one Indian is reported to have killed six at the head of the lake some little time ago.

There was very little doing among the white population at Christmas and New Year's time. A few quite spreads here and there and a dance, at which all the youth and beauty of the valley assembled, constituted the sum total of the fun. Major Barnes continues to do a rushing trade. The saloons do not appear to be doing much. This is pre-eminently the country for flour, beef and bacon.

Considerable pork was raised in the valley this year, and is being cured for the lake market.

J. C. Rykert, jr., our esteemed customs officer, has imported a splendid cutter and mounted harness which is the envy of everyone here. Unfortunately in bringing it in the team, which is a very spirited one, ran away doing considerable damage to the rig and harness. Mr. Rykert escaped unhurt.

Collector C. P. Hill, U. S. Customs, has finished plastering his residence and is now busy selecting the wall paper.

Average temperature for month of December as per D. McLaughlan's government apparatus, 46 deg.

KASLO.

(From our own correspondent.)

For the past week it has done nothing but rain, and rain heavily too. Hardly ever before has such a steady downpour been know at this time of the year. As a consequence almost every known slide in the country is down. Seven snow slides came down on the waggon road Thursday between 10 and 15 mile houses, and three more between 15 mile and Gorman Wests. The stage from Three Forks Thursday had a narrow escape, having barely got through a place on the road when a slide covered it. Almost immediately afterwards they were brought to a sudden stop by another slide in front and so became, with several other teams, blockaded. Scott & Carscadden, the stage owners, have sent up ten men to dig through the slides and Capt. Fitzstubbs has hired as many more. The road will be clear in about five days, but not before.

The saddest event in connection with the coming down of the snow slides is the death of J. MacMillan of the Eureka. He and Jack Moore were crossing the slide which killed him on the way from the cabin to the tunnel of their property, when the slide gave with their weight. It was but a small slide only about three feet deep and rolling 60 feet, nevertheless it was large enough for its fatal work, which it did too well. When the slide started the part where the men were seemed to subside and instantly they were covered and carried along in the heart of the silent, snowy sepulchre. For three hours they lay in the snow. They would both have been killed but that Moore had one hand left uncovered which by dint of wriggling and loosening gave him sufficient air to come to himself and revive. Moore now began to dig himself out, succeeded, and looking round saw MacMillan's snowshoes above the snow. Mechanically, as Moore says, he commenced to dig MacMillan out, but when he got him he was dead.

Poor MacMillan, it is thought, was killed quickly as the snowshoes acted like buoys and kept him head down all the time. His body was brought in Saturday and has been embalmed for sending to fond and sorrowing friends in the East, who the poor fellow just dead intended to visit in the very near future.

The following slate was on Tuesday nominated, without opposition, for the new city council. John Keen, Mayor; J. L. Retallack, H. Byers, O. T. Stone, Josiah Fletcher, Aleck Chisholm. There will be no election. They were sworn in on Wednesday last by Mr. G. O. Buchanan.

The balance sheet published by the late council shows for the year 1894 receipts of about $4,300. Out bills to pay, including a balance carried over from 1893, of about $8,600. The chief assets are an an amount of some $3,000 of uncollected taxes and a claim against the provincial government of $1,900.

It is stated here that the government have apportioned $400 for the removal of Kaslo school. It is in great danger of being washed away next spring and the grant is a very useful one.

The Surprise mine is closed down, finishing raw hiding last week.

Lane Gilliam is back in town. He still carries his "portable office" in his hand.

J. B. McArthur of Kaslo returned from Rossland on Tuesday. We understand that he has been successful in arranging the sale of the Columbia and Kootenay claims in the Trail Creek camp.

We cut the following from an American paper;

Deadwood, S. D., Mining circles are in a flutter of excitement over the announcement of a rich strike made in the Lackawana mine, on Green mountain, a few miles south of Deadwood. A 12-foot vein has been uncovered, the ore from which, after many assays, gives returns averaging from $1,500 to $3,700 in gold per ton. The vein is well defined. The mine is owned by James Collins and Curley O'Leary, two poor miners, whom a chance "spot" in one moment has placed in affluance.

LOCAL NEWS.

W. A. Jowett and George Tunstall returned from the coast on Tuesday.

Mr. R. B. Kerr's letter arrived too late for insertion in this week's issue, but will appear next week.

Messrs. D. C. Corbin, Roberts, Charles Griffiths (of Helena) and D. A. Finch came to town by the train from Spokane on Wednesday evening.

Thomas Hatherley, who was for three years chief engineer in the employ of the C. & K. S. N. Co., has resigned his position in that company and is building a steamer for himself on the Shuswap Lakes. We wish him every success.

The heavy thaw which set in last week was suddenly arrested by a sharp frost which set in on Monday. The streets of the town were converted into sheets of glistening ice and where they were on the slope gave pedestrians many a fall. Matters were rendered still worse by a fall of snow on Thursday and falls became very numerous.

A man named King was brought to the hospital on Tuesday from Trail Creek. He has been injured by a falling tree which struck him on the head, and he is paralyzed from the waist down. The poor fellow was lying in the depot at Northport from Saturday morning until Monday waiting for the delayed train. He died shortly after reaching the hospital.

A bill of considerable importance to many of the inhabitants of this district has been introduced into the Provincial House by Mr. Braden. One of its provisions forbids the employment of Aliens on public works. Our American cousins therefore who dwell amongst us would not be eligible for employment on the roads, trails, and other works carried out by the government.

The train which should have arrived from Spokane last Saturday evening did not reach Nelson until Tuesday morning at one o'clock. The delay was owing to the heavy thaw then taking place. This thaw was taken advantage of by the Seven Devils to send down a slide in the way of the train. The Beaver Canyon hastened to follow suit, but being a little late had only time to delay the train for three or four hours before Jack Frost tied the hills up again. When the spring thaw does come there will probably be serious delays on this line.

The boats of the C. & K. Navigation Co. are now more than able to deal with the ore brought down from Rossland to Trail Landing. In fact the Lytton has not been kept busy. This was partly owing to the thaw of last week which spoilt the road for sleighing. The Illecillewaet delivers her load at Waneta and the Lytton at Northport. The former is now handling the Le Roi ore. The company has made a contract with the War Eagle Co to transport 3000 tons of ore by 1st of April next.

Nelson is likely to have some of its dull winter evenings enlivened, for a Philharmonic Society has been formed in the town and may be expected shortly to give its first entertainment. The society starts with a membership of 30 and with the following officers: President, George Johnstone; Vice-President, Mrs. W. J. Goepel; Secretary-Treasurer, A. M. Johnson; Musical Director, W. A. Jowett; Stage Manager, Charles St. Barbe, all of whom compose the committee together with Mrs. Day and Messrs. H. B. Perks and P. B. C. Turner. Further announcements will presently be made.

Messrs. McMillan & Co., fur dealers of Minneapolis, in their last circular say; "We are receiving a great many furs. The continued warm weather all over the country has interfered with the sale of manufactured goods, while on the other hand it has been very favorable for trapping, consequently the receipts of mink, muskrat, raccoon and skunk are very much in excess of the demand. We have reduced our prices somewhat on mink, raccoon, skunk and wolf, and heavily on muskrat. There is no use shipping them unless at present low prices. We are very anxious to increase our collection of bear, fisher, silver, cross and red fox and marten, and will at all times pay the outside market prices.

The lower front rooms of the Victoria Hotel have been rented and will be fitted up and opened to the public as the Nelson Public Reading and Amusement Rooms. The formal opening will be held on the evening of Tuesday, January 22nd, and from that date forward the rooms will be opened to the public between the hours of two and ten p. m. Every effort will be made to keep the reading room well supplied with literature, consisting of newspapers, magazines, books, etc., and in the amusement room will be found the usual games for such an institution. These rooms are thrown open to the public without regard to persons or sects and everybody is cordially invited to attend the opening and to make free use of the rooms at any time during the hours named. It will be a great convenience if those who have kindly subscribed for the support of the institution would come to the opening prepared to pay the amount of the first months's subscription. Anyone having books, papers, magazines, etc., that he is willing to donate will confer a great favor by bringing them to the rooms or leaving word where they may be obtained and they will be called for.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

A panther was run over by a train on the E. & N. Railway near Duncan's last week.

The Slocan Surprise Co., (foreign) of Chicago with a capital of $250,000 has been duly registered to transact business in this province.

A line of steamers is to be established between Victoria and Mexico. The s.s. Danube of the C. P. N. Co. will make the first voyage.

It is said that the man Ashford accused of murdering his wife and child at Vancouver will not live long enough for his trial to take place.

The catches of halibut are growing still larger. Over 50 tons were brought in one day. The fish are taken in the waters round the northern end of Vancouver Island.

Harry Thames, wife and family of six children left Nanaimo for Big Qualicum two weeks ago and have not since been heard from. Their open boat is said to have been found adrift.

Last year the New Vancouver Coal company shipped 280,018 tons; the Wellington mines 249,49 tons, and the Union mines 203,598, making a total of 741,765. The total shipments for 1893 were 718,823 tons.

Foul play is suspected in the case of Heinrich Zechow whose body was found floating in the Fraser River on December 31st. His uncle died in 1877 leaving a large estate to a minor and Zechow evidently intended to dispute the will.

Dugay, a tight rope walker, attempted to walk along a rope stretched between the masts of the s. s. Islander at Victoria. He had only proceeded a few steps when the rope gave way and Dugay fell to the deck, a distance of 25 feet, with such force as to break in the planks. The unfortunate man was taken to the Hospital, where according to latest reports he is not seriously injured and is doing well.

CANADIAN NEWS.

St. Anne's Episcopal Church below Dunville has been burnt down.

The Hon. L. Shannon, Judge of Probate of St. John, N. B., is dead.

The health of the Premier, Sir McKenzie Bowell, is rapidly improving.

The resignation of Major-General Herbert, Commandant of the Canadian militia, has been accepted.

Heavy shocks have been felt at Pembroke, Ont., and at Beechburg, Cobden Haley Station and Westmeath.

The name of Arthur Wilkins has been stricken off the solicitor's roll for Ontario for failure to refund his clients' money.

An Order-in-Council has been passed superannuating Dr. Selwyn and appointing Dr. G. M. Dawson his successor as director of the geological surveys of Canada.

Andrew Onderdonk has signed the contract for the Trent canal with the stipulation that only British subjects shall be employed on the works.

A summons has been issued against the Toronto World for publishing a Sunday edition containing an account of the great fire which occurred on Sunday.

Fifty clerks have been dismissed from the C. P. R. service in Montreal on account of light business and a necessity for reducing expenses. They have been assured that they will be taken on again in March.

Euston Williams, a clerk in the Education department, Toronto, has been suspended for purloining official documents that photographs might be taken of them for political purposes for the P.P.A., in June last. Williams has admitted his guilt.

Joe Wright, of the Toronto Electric Light Co., created a sensation in the police court at the trial of the boodle aldermen when he said the names Alderman Stewart had given as those who could likely be bought were Gowanlock, Murray, Bailey, Stewart and Hewett. Ex-Alderman Stewart has been committed for trial for alleged municipal boodling.

Affairs in Newfoundland are still in a terrible state. There is much destitution, amounting in some cases it is said to actual starvation. The usual panacea for all colonial ills, the Royal Commission, is loudly demanded, and will probably be granted. The bill providing for the winding up of the affairs of the Commercial Bank has been passed. One of its clauses gives the government partial control of the liquidation.

The globe building in Toronto has been destroyed by fire. The paper's total loss is $160,000, of which $100,000 is covered by insurance. The Toronto Lithograph Co., occupying the basement of the building, lost $150,000 worth of plant and Mr. McKinnon, dry goods man, lost everything. The other Toronto papers did everything in their power to help the Globe, which is now being issued from the office of the Empire.

Another fire broke out in Toronto close to the scene of the Globe fire. The flames spread west and southwest to Wellington street, and in less than an hour burnt out the following places: R. H. Gray & Co., furs; E. Boyssen & Co., clothing; and Robt. Darlington & Co., wholesale woollens. The fire then crossed Wellington street to Hunter, Rose and Co., printers and wholesale booksellers; Hart & Riddell, wholesale stationers, and Buntin, Reid & Co., paper manufacturers, where it was got under control. The loss is estimated at a million dollars.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

An army post is to be established at Spokane.

The Italian troops in the Soudan have defeated 15,000 Mahdists, though suffering severe loss themselves.

General Sir H. F. Ponsonby, Private Secretary to Her Majesty, has been stricken with paralysis.

W. W. Taylor, State Treasurer of South Dakota, absconded leaving defalcations amounting to over $300,000.

Ernest Carnot, son of the late president, has been elected a member of the French chamber of deputies, representing Beunont, in the department of Cote d'Or.

It is expected that the Orleans party will shortly make a demonstration on French soil where they believe that the public is growing tired of the corruption and inability of the Republic and would willingly welcome a monarchy.

In spite of the nonconformist outcries Lord Rosebery is adding to his racing stud. Mr. Gladstone at the same time is just about to publish a prayer book and concordance which he has been working on for twenty years.

Negotiations for the acquisition of Neckar Island, one of the Hawaiian group, by Great Britain, are proceeding. It is urged that it is only required as a landing place for the Pacific cable and for no warlike purpose, and that it would be of the greatest service to the United States to have a cable station there.

Ex-Police Captain John E. Stephenson, the first of the police officials tried and convicted as an outcome of the exposures brought about by the Lexow Committee, was sentenced by Judge Ingraham to three years nine months in Sing Sing and to pay a fine of $1.000. He was found guilty of bribery.

Big Jack Wallis, one of the Cœur d'Alene union miners who was tried at Rathdrum, Idaho, for murder two years ago, was found dead in bed last week in a Spokane lodging house. He had been shot once through the heart, once through the head. At first it was thought he committed suicide, but doctors say he could not have fired both shots.

The British barque "Osseo" of 1399 tons was totally wrecked by being driven on to Holy head breakwater while running for the harbour. A terrific gale was blowing in the Irish Sea and one huge billow lifted the fated vessel and sent her crashing like a toy against the masonry. In an instant she was smashed to matchwood and everyone of her crew, 21 in all, were drowned

A terrible accident, resulting in great loss of life, has occured in the bay of Rio Janerio. The boilers of the steamer Port Nictheroy, which had a large number of excursionists aboard, exploded, and the shock drove the redhot coals in the furnaces in every direction. The steamer caught fire, and a great number of those on board jumped overboard to escape the flames. Altogether 120 persons were drowned.

The steamer Mexico, from Alaska brings news of a big sensation caused at Juneau by a determined effort on the part of the United States authorities at that place to stamp out prostitution, which is flourishing, much to the detriment of the town. Arrests are not confined to inmates of the resorts, but also to persons renting buildings to them. Several well-known citizens who own land whereon dens are located have been taken into custody, and more arrests are promised.

Charles England, of Keslo, who is running a logging camp near Olequa, has a long chute just one mile long, and when a log is placed in it at the top of the mountain, it reaches the bottom, plunging into the Olequa creek, in just fourteen seconds. The chute is a perfect one, as there never has been a case where one jumped the chute. The water at the mouth of the chute is of sufficient depth that the logs are not injured in striking the bottom of the stream.

NEW RAILWAYS.

Though the mileage of railway line constructed during 1894 in this province was not great, yet the work done was of much importance in the development of the country. This is particularly true in regard to the Nakusp Slocan railway, which now gives a fresh outlet to the ore from the fabulously rich mining region of the Slocan. Although but recently completed, the line is already fully taxed to carry for shipment to the smelters, the silver ores now being taken out in large quantities from the mines of the district. Another important piece of railway completed in West Kootenay is the link on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard, which connects Five Mile Point with the Columbia & Kootenay railway at Nelson. The Revelstoke & Arrow Lake Railway is now in operation as far as Wigwam, on the Columbia river, where connection is made with the steamers running on Arrow lake. This gives a direct route by rail and water between Revelstoke, on the C. P. R., and Nakusp, the terminus of the Nakusp & Slocan. Trains have for the past six weeks been running as far as Wigwam. Coming nearer home, the Victoria & Sidney railway has been completed now for a number of months and trains have been running over it all summer. The roadbed is a model piece of work, smooth, even and splendily ballasted.

NEW APPLICATIONS.

Acting on the report of Inspector Constantine, of the Northwest Mounted Police, the Dominion government a few weeks ago sent Mr. William Ogilvie to survey a route into the Yukon country by way of the Taku river. The possibilites of the trade with the Yukon mining country have already led to application to the Dominion government for a charter to build a railway from the Taku river in this province to Lake Teslin in the Yukon.

There are at the present session of the provincial legislature a number of applications for power to build new lines. The Columbia & Kootenay Railway and Navigation Company are asking to revive the charter for a branch from their main line to run north through the Slocan country and connect with the Nakusp & Slocan—construction to commence in two years and to be completed in five.

Incorporation is also sought for a railway to run from the northeast arm up Arrow lake to Trout lake, West Kootenay, and for another to run from Kaslo to the head of Bear creek.

The Burrard Inlet & Fraser Valley railway is asking to extend the time for construction to five years.

The Red Mountain railway, which has a charter to build from the international boundary line at the right fork of Sheep creek to Red mountain and Trail creek mines, asks to be allowed to change the guage from standard to narrow and that the time to commence construction be extended till April, 1897, completion to be two years later.

LABOR COMMISSION REPORT.

A report of the "Commission of Labor Inquiry, Board of Conciliation and Arbitration," by Alex. B. Gray, chairman, has been presented to the legislature by Hon. Col. Baker. This contains some interesting passages, including the following:—

"The successful issue arising from the provincial board of conciliation in the case of the stone cutter's strike during the past summer gives the legislature cause for congratulation and arbitration act of last session; but fortuitous as was the outcome of the said strike, the intervention of the board of conciliation was well nigh frustrated through the difficulty experienced in persuading the disputants to name conciliators. And in the case of the recent strike of the employes of a sawmill at Vancouver, the proffered services of the board of conciliation and arbitration were not availed of on account of one of the parties to the dispute having refused to name conciliators.

"It is a noticeable feature in the experience of the commission, as showing the moderateness of the views of the employes reporting, and their accord with the views of the most careful students of the labor question, that only one per cent. of those represented by the reports submitted advocate arbitration with compulsory awards as the solution of strikes and lock-outs, while the almost unanimous expression is in favor of a compulsory bringing together, by councils of conciliation and arbitration, in order that questions in dispute may be ventilated, but without enforceable awards.

"It may perhaps be deemed advisable that the legislature should carry out into effect the very general suggestions made to the commission, and enact legislation in the direction of ensuring a compulsory bringing together for eliciting evidence, with the view of settlement of dispute, either by amicable arrangement or through force of public opinion.

"Concurrent with the inquiries of the provincial labor commission an exhaustive investigation arising from the recent strikes at Pullman and elsewhere (the most extensive in the annals of trade disputes) was instituted by the government of the United States; and as the matters treated upon by the United States commission report, which has recently been submitted:—

"The commission suggests the consideration by the States of the adoption of some system of conciliation and arbitration like that in use in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. That system might be enforced by additional provisions giving the board of abitration more power to investigate all strikes, whether requested to do so or not."

She—Is kissing proper?

He—Let's put our heads together and consider.—*Exchange.*

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NELSON, B. C.

Among all the mining machines and appliances shown at the World's Columbian Exposition there was nothing which excited more interest and favorable comment than the TREMAINE STEAM STAMP MILL in the Mining Building. It was a positive novelty to the great majority of mining men. It commanded attention by reason of its simplicity and evident practibility. Experienced mining engineers were astonished to learn that such a machine had been in successful operation for over two years in the extreme north-western part of the United States. (9)

CHURCH NOTICES.

SUNDAY, 18th JANUARY, 1895.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND. Morning service at 11 a. m. Vespers 7.30 p. m. Anthem in the evening, "Lord God of Abraham." Communion after morning service.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH. Mass at 10.30 a. m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Service tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., in the Church at the corner of Victoria and Mills street. Sunday School (union) 2.30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening 7.30 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH. Geo. H. Morden, Pastor. Services in Hume's Hall as follows: Sunday, at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Friday, Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. Sunday, January 18th, morning subject: "Burdens." Evening subject: "The Bible a Practical and a Useful Book."

All placer claims in this District legally held may be laid over from the 15th October, 1894, to the 1st June, 1895.

N. FITZSTUBBS.
Gold Commissioner.

Dated Nelson, B. C.
4th October 1894. (35)

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that John Elliot, as Agent for Joseph Moris and Joseph Bourgeois, has filed the necessary papers and made application for a Crown Grant in favor of the Mineral Claim "Virginia," situated in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay.

Adverse Claimants must forward their objections within 60 days from the date of this publication.

N. FITZSTUBBS,
Gov't Agent.

Dated Nelson, B. C.,
3rd December, 1894. 8dec 63

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that John Elliot, as Agent for Joseph Moris and Joseph Bourgeois, has filed the necessary papers and made application for a Crown Grant in favor of the Mineral Claim "War Eagle," situated in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay.

Adverse claimants must forward their objections within 60 days from the date of this publication.

N. FITZSTUBBS,
Gov't Agent.

Dated Nelson, B. C.,
3rd December, 1894. 8dec 64

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that John Elliot, as Agent for E. S. Topping and J. N. Peyton, has filed the necessary papers and made application for a Crown Grant in favor of the "Mountain View" Mineral Claim, situated in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay.

Adverse claimants must forward their objections within 60 days from the date of this publication.

N. FITZSTUBBS,
Gov't Agent.

Dated Nelson, B. C.
3rd December, 1884. 8dec 64

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JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
29th March, 1894. (2)

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned respective amounts will be paid as bounty for the head of every panther, wolf or coyote killed in a settled district of the Province on the certificate of a Justice of the Peace that such animal was killed in a settlement, and that the head was produced to and destroyed by him, namely:—

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next session of the Parliament of Canada application will be made on behalf of the Red Mountain Railway Company, a corporation created by an Act of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for an Act declaring the railway of the said Company to be a work for the general advantage of Canada and declaring the said Company to be a body corporate and politic under the legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada and to have all the franchises, rights, power, privileges and authorities conferred upon it by its present Act of incorporation and giving to the said Company the following additional powers:

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Dated the 3rd day of January, 1895.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Howland Stevenson, as agent for Andrew B. Hendryx, has filed the necessary papers and made application for a Crown Grant in favor of a mineral claim known as the "Arcade," situated on North Beach and joining the east side line of the "Comfort" mineral claim, in the Hendryx Camp, in the Ainsworth Mining Division of West Kootenay District.

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HOPE.

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The first thing to look forward to is when the frost leaves us, probably about the beginning of March, will be the commencement of work by the Nelson Hydraulic Mining Co. at Forty-nine Creek. It will be remembered that when the water failed them in the autumn they had just uncovered a very rich bank of cement gravel and this bank will be the first thing to go down through the sluice boxes, which have been altered and enlarged so as to take almost any boulder that may present itself and to avoid disaster from the floods that come later on. The public will then eagerly watch developments at Hall Creek, where the first part of the bond has been taken up on the Fern and Eureka claims, the quartz ledge having widened out to four feet. The doings of the Kootenay Hydraulic Mining Co. on the Pend d' Oreille will be narrowly scrutinized as well as the development of placer ground recently discovered on the south side of that river. But perhaps by Nelson itself the greatest interest of all will be taken in the Ray of Hope, a claim on Seven Mile Creek, where a reef of great size bearing a low grade free milling ore is reputed to have been discovered. If this ledge justifies its owners' description of it, and does not melt away with the snow by which it is at present covered, it will be one of the best known gold mines in the world. It is low down, near the river and is said to carry $12 in gold. That is fifteen pennyweights with gold at $16 an ounce. There is a celebrated mine working today in New Zealand, the shares of which are readily bought in London at a premium of 375 to 400 per cent. and which works ore giving only two and a half pennyweights or about $2 per ton. Nor is it likely that the Ray of Hope contains the only deposit of mineral in that quarter. So that it is possible that an entirely new field may be opened in that direction.

We have hitherto spoken of propositions which in the markets of the world rank only as prospects. What of Trail Creek? This camp has shipped 1,500 tons of ore since June last and the War Eagle mine has now contracted to deliver for transport 3,000 tons of ore by the first of April. That ore is netting to its owners something in the neighbourhood of $30 per ton. Besides the War Eagle, the Le Roi, the Josie, the O. K., the I. X. L and the Nickel Plate have practically arrived at the dignity of shipping propositions. The shipping facilities at present are clumsy and costly, but there is little doubt that this camp will shortly have the benefit of the best and cheapest transport. The enormous deposits of ore it contains are becoming every day better known and new ones are being found. The barber in the new townsite of Rossland digs a hole in the street opposite his door to erect his gaudy pole, and lo! he strikes gold. If there are any old timers here who remember Ballaarat in its palmy first days their minds must wander back and the snow of Kootenay for the time becomes the golden sand of the burning Australian desert.

"Hope springs eternal" in the human heart and we believe that we have shown that the hope we have for a prosperous future is a house builded partly up a (quartz) rock and partly on sand, but the grains of that sand are GOLD.

BARRED.

We regret to say that the anticipation of a speedy removal of the bar placed on the entry of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard line to the town of Nelson are premature. The position of affairs as they stand at present is this: The C. P. R. has a right of way along the entire water front of the town and at present they decline entirely to listen to any proposals from MR. CORBIN. That gentleman recently proposed to the C. P. R. to join lines in a central position and there erect a substantial depot that should be a credit to the town and arrange a yard for mutual traffic. The C. P. R. authorities refused to listen to this suggestion. MR. CORBIN will not make it again. Only last week MR. CORBIN had an interview in Victoria with the PREMIER, COL. BAKER and MR. ABBOTT, the representation of the C. P. R. in B. C. The PREMIER suggested that an arrangement should be come to then and there. MR. CORBIN asserted his willingness to agree to any reasonable proposition, if MR. ABBOTT was in a position to make final arrangements on behalf of his company. This, however, he could not do without referring to SIR WILLIAM VAN HORNE. That gentleman, however, at latest advices is enjoying his leisure in the south of France. There doubtless he hopes by means of his new title to worm himself into the charmed circle of aristocrats who haunt Nice, Mentone, Monte Carlo and other fashionable resorts at this time of year. When the fact finally asserts itself that though the questionable society of the gaming table welcomes him and his napoleons the real aristocrats will have none of him in spite of his new veneer and his grip on Canada, he may then return to attend to affairs on this side of the Atlantic. The fact remains therefore that we are under the grip of the great Octupus of Canada and there is no hope of our having our just wants satisfied until his high and mighty lordship deigns to turn his eyes in our direction, and possibly not then.

It is a hardship on the people of Nelson and also on MR. CORBIN, who has done all that he can in our behalf, The C. P. R. has no right to play the dog in the manger. If it does not use its rights itself it should resign them to others who will use them. At any rate the people of Nelson should not be barred of their just privileges by the selfish greed of the C. P. R.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It speaks well for the peace of the world when so much attention is paid to such a small and unimportant place as Hawaii. The islands certainly have somewhat more importance in affairs of the day than their size warrants, on account of their geographical position being directly in the line of trade between the British ports on the Pacific Coast of America and Australia. During the recent endeavors of a sugar monopolist to fill his pockets by working on the republican susceptibilities of his fellow citizens the various phases of the intrigue were watched with eager interest and received as much attention and as large "head lines" in the American and Canadian papers as could be given to the Armenian atrocities or any other event which is only too likely to result in a European war. The result of these intrigues was the deposition of the reigning sovereign and the establishment of a republic. There seems to be now a good deal of feeling in favor of the restoration of the monarchy. Why not go in and out like the parliamentary parties of other nations. It would be an interesting experiment and could hurt no one, not even the Hawaiians.

Nelson was very thankful to Mr. Corbin for building his railway to her doors. But the advantage is probably not wholly on the side of the town. Mr. Corbin builds roads neither for fun nor charity. He gets something out of it. He has his responsibilities therefore to the people who put him in the position to get that something, and of these people those who use the road have the right to the first consideration. To them it is due to make every possible endeavor to deliver them at their journeys end punctually. The delay to the train that ought to have arrived here this day week was not unavoidable. There was an engine on this side of the slide at Marcus and plenty of box cars in which the passengers would rather have finished their journey than been kept at Marcus. A transfer should have been made. Again when the obstruction at Marcus was removed there was no excuse for finding further slides on the Beaver. They had evidently been down some time as they were frozen solid and the idle engine on this side might well have been employed prospecting for these and clearing them away. No one blames the employes. No men could work harder or more willingly. Conductor, driver, trainmen, section men and all worked night and day with a will to get that train through. The fault is not theirs. It is the organization.

There is something not quite straight with the mails yet. A parcel from England posted on the 10th December reached us on the 16th January. Of course it is nice to have Christmas spread out all over the month of January and to have letters and packages from friends at a distance dropping in promiscuously well on into February. But the primary use of the mails is for the transaction of business, and delays that are of no importance in matters of pleasure become very serious indeed when they hamper the affairs of trade and commerce. And there is no excuse for it. All these vexatious delays are entirely owing to the rotten organization of the Canadian post office.

Mr. Keir Hardie, one of the "labour leaders" in England and a member of Parliament, in a letter to a paper says: "If fifty men each in Glascow, Liverpool, Manchester, Leeds and London entered the shop and helped themselves.....and kept this game going something would happen." We think he is right. Something would certainly happen. "Fifty men each" would find themselves speedily lodged in the gaols of those respective towns and all ther absolute necessities would be provided for them for some time to come. Mr. Hardie then adds: "If I were in their position I would do this and perhaps something worse." How Mr. Hardie reconciles this advice with the oath he took on entering parliament of loyalty to his queen and country and the laws we do not know. It is just as well perhaps that these reformers should sometimes speak out. Then we know that we have not to deal with well meaning but mistaken philanthropists, but with downright blackguards, who are ten times worse than the ordinary criminal because they make use of their influence over the uneducated classes to lead them on to crime for which they must eventually pay the penalty. The use of the lash certainly ought not to be confined only to those who commit bodily assaults.

A number of Americans returning from a trip to Europe arrived in New York Harbour on Thanksgiving day after 6 p. m. The customs officials had left and the unfortunate passengers were compelled to spend that night, of all nights, on board the ship. They made a strong protest to the Department and now in all probability the inconvenience from which thousands of passengers of all nations have suffered for years is about to be removed. In every part of the world, except New York, the customs officials attend at any time of night to pass passengers' baggage. But in the capital of the New World after six o'clock p. m. passengers become prisoners for the night. It is high time the absurd restriction was removed.

General Herbert has resigned the command of the Canadian militia. And no wonder. His unpopularity was entirely the fault of the government in appointing him. Among the Dominion forces there are some crack corps to whom a man of General Herbert's character is welcome. But there exists unfortunately in many corps a distinct dislike to the too severe restraints of real discipline. Of course without this discipline these bands of soldiers are useless. But it is a free country. Jack is as good as, or better than, his master and why should he pay that devoted duty to his superior officer, who out of his uniform is very likely his tailor. Why too should he not stand on parade, if he likes, with rounded shoulders, knock knees and his knapsack full of shavings? Of course if he wishes to become a soldier he must not do these things, but that is not his idea. He likes to wear a red coat and play at soldiering. The clank of his sword is imposing as long as it does not get between his legs and a five cent cigar has all the flavour of a real Havana if puffed out over the chain of his helmet. But when it comes to real drill and real hard work it is more than he bargained for. As long as our volunteer is allowed to strut as he pleases and show off his uniform soldiering is all very well, but when it comes to stern, hardworking duty it is quite another thing. Knowing this the government should never have selected a crack officer from one of the smartest regiments in the world to drill Tommy Snooks and his mates.

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An Associated Press telegram presents some encouraging facts relative to silver coinage. The silver using countries of the world are declared to be prosperous. Mexico, with hardly a tithe of the genius and industry and commerce that is inherent in our own people, is basking in the sunshine of good times. Her mints are kept busy coining silver dollars, and this silver money is exported in large quantities; that is to say, it is demanded by other silver using countries, who desire it for the settlement of their trade balance with Mexico.

The same story is told in the statistics of other silver using countries. Their export trade is increasing, while that of gold using countries is decreasing. It is this fact, and that alone, which maintains so strong a bimetallic sentiment in England. England has no silver mines, and she is a creditor nation. If she was situated as the United States is situated—had rich mines of silver and required all her gold to meet the interest requirements and sight demands—there is little doubt that she would at once go to the double standard.—*Spokesman Review.*

POPULAR SUPERSTITIONS.

Blue or light colored eyes are popularly supposed to most frequently carry the baleful influence and to counteract this blue beads are sometimes worn. Cases are cited of men able to overthrow a carriage merely by looking at it to, wither up a bean field and so on. It is said that the belief in the evil eye among Christians, Jews and Mohammedans is stronger even than their religious beliefs. The peasants try to read good and bad luck from the color and growth of a horse's hair. This habit they seem to have got from the Bedouin Arabs, but are not so expert in the signs. A chestnut horse for good luck, must have either both hind legs or else the near hind leg white. If only the off hind leg is white that is bad luck. Then, by the way, if the hair grows on the neck, it is augured whether the owner will be killed by a spear or a dagger, and if a horse begins to dig with its feet that means that the owner is soon to be buried.

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PARLIAMENT.

VICTORIA, 7 Jan.—Columbia & Kootenay Railway and Navigation Companies bill reported—preamble proved—Braden introduced bill to prohibit aliens from being employed on provincial or municipal works and to provide a legal eight hours working day. Loan Bill read first time.

RED MOUNTAIN RAILWAY.

Mr. Eberts moved the second reading of the Red Mountain railway bill, to extend the time for the commencement and completion of that enterprise. He explained that the promoters have not found it advisable up to the present to go on with the work, which, however, is one that must prove of great advantage to the Trail Creek mines.

Mr. Kellie asked that the bill be laid over for a few days, as he wished to receive certain information from the district in addition to that already in his possession. That is to the effect that it is quite feasible to build a railway to serve this purpose, within Canadian territory, at the average cost of a mountain railway, and a telegram to that effect has been received by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works. He therefore moved the adjournment of the debate until Monday next.

Mr. Eberts did not see why this bill should be held over, after passing the railway committee, simply because someone sent a telegram that another road could be built somewhere else.

Mr. Hume explained that it was contended before the committee that a railway to serve the purpose of this one, so far as the mines are concerned, cannot be built in Canadian territory. Mr. Kellie having since gone to considerable trouble and some expense to show that one can be built there, he thought the house should give an opportunity for this information to be produced.

Debates accordingly adjourned.

VICTORIA, Jan. 8.—Various petitions presented. one from W. M. Newton and others in favour of Red Mountain Railway. Turner moved second reading of Loan Bill. He said he thought there need be little said in explanation of it, the principle of the bill being so simple that he who runs may read. It authorizes the province to borrow £420,000 in the form of inscribed stock.

The necessity for raising this money being well known, he thought anyone who considers the situation dispassionately and fairly will feel that in asking for this sum the government is not in any way exceeding what the assets of the province can fairly stand. He might say that the assets of the province have never been fully estimated. In reality, our subsidies from the Dominion, which amount in all over $240,000 per year in perpetuity, are worth probably at least, taking them as if they were for 50 years only, $8,000,000, but as they are in perpetuity he considered them worth at least $18,000,000, which may fairly be added to all our other assets. The last balance sheet shows that the total liabilities of the province, including all debts, in excess of assets were then about $2,400,000, but in reality, as before stated, we have not fully valued our assets, though he did not know why this $29,000 a year should be valued as an asset whilst the $213,000 is not so valued. Were we to put down the value of all our subsidies we should have many million dollars to our credit over all liabilities.

The purpose of this loan is first of all to pay off the overdraft, but the remaining and main portion is for expenditure on further public works.

Semlin opposed the second reading, but congratulated the government upon the determination just expressed by the Minister of Finance to adopt the policy of economy so long advocated by the opposition. He thought that the statement just made that the revenue raised within the province has increased 150 per cent. within the past ten years is the possible argument against there being any necessity for going into the money markets for further loans. He would oppose this one as he had opposed those asked from the house on two former occasions. Had the finances of the province been controlled by frugal and wise men during the past ten years there would now be no necessity for borrowing the contemplated two millions. After short speeches from Baker and Semlin debate adjourned.

Davie introduced a new bill "to make better provision for securing the payment of money due to contracts and workmen and for other purposes." Bill read first time.

House went into Committee and reported Police and special Constables Bill, Companies Act amendments and government of Cities.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT.

Mr. Semlin—(a) Have the government any infomation as to the truth of reports current that employes of the contractors for the Nakusp and Slocan railway—company have large unsetteled claims against the company? (b) Have the Canadian Pacific Railway signed the lease for the said railway? (c) Have the Canadian Pacific Railway accepted the line as complete? (d) Have the government allowed the Nakusp & Slocan Railway Company to receive the full amount of the debentures guarantee? (e) Is there any possibility of the unpaid employes placing a lien upon the railway?

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 9.—On the motion of Kitchen a committee appointed to enquire into the Fraser Valley Relief, to consist of Booth, Walkem, Braden, Sword and the mover.

Nanaimo Waterworks Bill in Committee. Debate on Loan Bill continued by Sword followed by Prentice and Davie, and again adjourned.

Williams asked, has any person been appointed resident physician for the provincial asylum for the insane at New Westminster in place of Dr. Bently? If not, when will such appointment be made, and who will receive the same?

Thursday, Jan. 10.—In answer to Semlin's querie's upon the Nakusp & Slocan Railway the Premier replied: (a) Inquiry shows that there are some claims against the contractors for the Nakusp & Slocan railway, but there is no reason for believing that the persons having such claims are in any danger of losing them. (b) No lease has been signed beyond the agreement, laid before the legislative assembly at its last session. (c) The Canadian Pacific Railway Company on the 31st December ultimo accepted the road as complete, subject to some trifling deficiencies which cannot be remedied until the spring, but the responsibility of which the government has agreed to assume to the extent of $3,000. The government will either deduct such amount from the final estimate, coming to the company, or else take satisfactory security from them therefor. (d) The Nakusp & Slocan Railway Company have not yet received the full amount of the debenture guarantee, but are about to do so. (e) I do not think that a lien could be successfully placed upon the railway.

On the division for the second reading of the Provincial ballot bill there was a tie, there being 13 ayes and 13 noes. The speaker accordingly gave his casting vote with the ayes, according to precedent permitting further discussion.

Provincial voters bill and Life Insurance bill read a second time. Discussion on government of Cities bill in Committee occupied all rest of the day.

FRIDAY, 11th.—Semlin moved adjournment of House to call attention to Nakusp & Slocan Railway affairs. As there are claims against the company which cannot be enforced by a lien on the road, he thought that house should instruct government to see that the employes are paid before the money is handed to Company. A long discussion arose as to whether motion was in order.

Finally after assurance by the Premier that government was looking after claims of workman and also other creditors Semlin withdrew his motion. Rest of the day occupied by Premier's speech on second reading of Loan Bill which was again adjourned.

Game Warden Webber of Washington State is in receipt of a letter from down the straits in which the writer narrates having one day seen over 500 elk. He was hunting with a party at the head of the Elwa river and during the return trip saw a band of elk, which counted 160. None were shot, as the packhorses were already overloaded with game. Before Sunday four other bands, averaging sixty each, were passed by the party.

THE CHINESE AND TELEGRAPHY.

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

Nelson, B. C., ANDREW B. HENDRYX.
December 20th, 1894. 22dec 70

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that John Elliot, as agent for Edward Mahon, has filed the necessary papers and made application for a Crown Grant in favor of the Mineral Claim "Jessie," situated in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay. Adverse claimants, if any, must file their objections with me within 60 days from the date of this publication.

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