

The Miner.

THE MINES IN KOOTENAY ARE
AMONG THE RICHEST IN
AMERICA

THE ORES ARE HIGH-GRADE IN
GOLD, SILVER, COPPER
AND LEAD.

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Nelson, British Columbia, Saturday, October 31, 1896.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

METAL QUOTATIONS.

NEW YORK.					
Oct. 21	25	27	28	29	30
Silver, 651	651	651	651	651	651
Bar	191	191	191	191	191
Lead, 2.60	2.60	2.75	2.75	2.70	2.70

PRODUCE OF THE MINES.

RETURNS FOR 1896 UP TO DATE

ONE TREATED IN KOOTENAY.

At Nelson	23,067
At Pilot Bay	19,119
At Trail	15,954

ORE EXPORTED.

From Slocan via Kaslo	8,505
Slocan via Nakusp	6,819
Trail Creek gold ore	6,365

Tons, 80,665

In addition 505 tons of imported ore have been treated at Trail.

PRODUCE OF SMELTERS.

Nelson (Hall Mines) Matte	19,791
Pilot Bay, silver lead bullion	10,124
Trail Smelter Matte	25,161

5508

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Returns Since Last Week.

VIA NORTHPORT.

Le Roi to Tacoma	241
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VIA NAKUSP.

Slocan Star to Okanogan	80
Idaho to Everett	20
Ruth to Tacoma	20
Mountain Chief to Everett	40

160

Trail Creek ore to Nelson	108
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MATTE AND BULLION.

(Shipped.)

From Nelson Smelter (Matte)	383
Trail Smelter (Matte)	149

SMELTER RETURNS.

HALL MINES (Nelson) for week ending 24 Oct.; produced 46 tons of Matte.

MAKES GRAVE CHARGES.

A Rossland Man's Letter to the Victoria Colonist.

The Victoria Colonist in its issue of October 28th, publishes a two column letter from Charles T. Lang, dated at Rossland, October 20th in which the writer makes grave charges against some of the mining companies there. He accuses some with selling the stock of several mines and diverting the proceeds for the development of one mine. "This mine was boomed at the expense of the others. Ore was taken from at least one of the others to swell the output of the boomed mine."

The showing was splendid and it is said the capitalists "bit." The writer accuses other mining companies of direct swindling and the whole tenor of the letter is to reflect discredit on the mining interests of Rossland. He speaks of the filthy sanitary condition and the inadequate fire department. His article makes serious charges that should not be made unless they can be substantiated. If they are true and can be substantiated then the writer should fearlessly name the companies and the mines referred to and not reflect discredit upon nearly every mining property in Rossland.

NOT SUPPORTED BY FACT.

Expenditure of Present Government Does Not Exceed Its Predecessor.

The charge that the annual expenditure of the present government exceeds that of its predecessor is not borne out by facts. The estimates and supplemental estimates of Mr. Foster amounted to \$45,890,681 for the current fiscal year. The total estimates, main or supplemental, of Mr. Fielding amount to \$44,530,778, with a reduction of \$1,350,000 on Mr. Foster's. Mr. Fielding's estimate contains items of expenditure chargeable to consolidated fund amounting to over half a million more, making a balance in favor of the Laurier government of \$1,852,900.

A CHARGE OF CONTEMPT.

Editor A. H. Seale of the "Province" Will Have to Answer.

On Tuesday of this week, Messrs. McPhillips, Wootton and Barnard, solicitors for the Consolidated Railway Co. at Victoria gave notice of motion to commit Mr. A. H. Seale, editor of the "Province" to jail for contempt of court. The motion was to have been made yesterday and the charge is that on October 24th 1896, the Province published certain comments and statements in regard to the collapse of the Point Ellice bridge calculated to prejudice or interfere with the fair trial of the suits then pending in court.

Sanderson-Waite.

Capt. Robert Sanderson and Miss Mary Waite, both of Halcyon Hot Springs were married at 10 o'clock last Sunday morning in the Church of England, Rev. Akhurst officiating. Miss Rachael Lay of Halcyon Hot Springs acted as bridesmaid. Only a few intimate friends of the contracting couple were present. Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson on their homeward journey will visit all places of interest in the Slocan country.

A Good Demand.

Mr. Thomas Gray of the Nelson planing mill says that the lumber trade is good and that this town is using a large part of the mill's output although considerable is shipped to Cody. A vast amount of building is being done in Nelson and nearly all the houses under construction are of a very good class. The mill is making much office fittings and Mr. Gray says that work in the mill will probably continue throughout the winter.

NEWS FROM THE CAMPS.

BRIEF PARAGRAPHS RELATING TO PROSPECTS AND MINES.

What is Being Done or About to Be Done in and Around the Treasure Vaults of the Rich Kootenay.

Rossland.

The Toronto World has got out a fine special Rossland edition.

Montgomery Smith of Toronto has purchased the Hattie for \$9000 from Lauree, Bosquet and Fountain.

The Monitor machinery has arrived and is being put in place, the hoist being one of the best ever brought to the camp.

Very rich copper ore has been discovered on Enns Group in the South Belt. It is under bond to an English syndicate.

The Park Mine shaft is down 100 feet and the ore taken out is full of quartz, the assays taken from the bottom the past week, averaging \$30 in gold per ton.

A fine body of ore 4 1/2 feet wide has been discovered on the Mascot. An assay showed \$12 in gold. The ore looks very much like that taken from the Kootenay and the Iron Colt.

A lot of new machinery has been ordered by the British Columbia Smelting & Refinery company from the E. P. Ellis company of Milwaukee, Wis., which will more than double the present capacity of the smelter.

Additional plant has been ordered for the Trail smelter, and when it is installed its capacity will run up to about 600 tons per day. Mr. Heinze intends to add a lead stack so that he may be enabled to reach out for the Slocan ores.

Superintendent Haskins of the Jumbo Gold Mining Co. has telegraphed the officers at Spokane that he has struck a rich pay chute of ore in the upper cross cut. Four or five assays were made and the ore ran in value from \$32 to \$36.

The West Le Roi and Josie shaft is down 10 feet, with solid ore over half the bottom and running into the hanging wall. A general sample assay showed \$40 in gold. The ledge is now opened from the Le Roi west end line about 500 feet.

The O K mine has opened up No. 13 level and a fine body of ore has been uncovered. The last of the fittings required in connection with the new stamp mill at this mine arrived on Saturday, and in a few days the works will start again with one of the finest plants in the province.

A new parallel ledge showing four feet of free milling quartz has been uncovered on the Norway, on O K mountain, south of the main vein. A. W. Moore & Co., of Victoria, recently purchased the property of the C. F. Clough & Co. syndicate.

Rumors are afloat from fairly well authenticated sources that a serious hitch has occurred in connection with the sale of the War Eagle. It is stated that the payment now almost due will not be made. P. Clark and J. F. Finch have left for London and until they return the sale of the War Eagle is not off.

It is reported that Jim Wardner secured an option on the entire capital stock of the Columbia company with the exception of the treasury shares, at 12 1/2 cents a share. The first payment on the option was made just before Mr. Wardner left for Montreal.

A mass of ore 30 feet wide has been uncovered on the Cliff exposing 500 tons of shipping ore on the surface. No striking or exploring was done until recently when Colonel Wharton determined to open up the new showing. An offer of \$300,000 made in writing by a strong English company has just been refused.

The Crown Point has developed into one of the most valuable mines in the Trail Creek district. The recent explorations on the ground of the Crown Point have disclosed an immense body of ore that comes to the surface. This ore body is regarded as the second largest in the camp to show on the surface, it being more than ten feet wide.

It is said that in addition to the dividend which Le Roi recently paid, another will be payable on November 7th and with the new compressor plant, Le Roi will be shipping 335 tons per day in a few weeks, which will probably mean dividends of \$50,000 per month after Jan. 1st.

Slocan.

The Washington mill, which was placed 1500 feet below the mine in the Great Western slide, has been obliged to close down on account of the lack of water.

The Antoine is being equipped with pumping machinery. This mine is owned by Messrs. Green, Lumbertine of Minnesota, and is under the management of Jack Ryan.

The R. E. Lee, which has been under bond for \$25,000 to Stewart & Welch, has reverted to the original owner, Lorenzo Alexander, owing to the fact that the bonders threw up their option. The property is now being worked by Mr. Alexander and his cousin, H. B. Alexander of Calgary.

It is rumored that the Sapphire claim in the McGuigan basin, Slocan country, has been bonded to Nelson people for \$15,000. The property is owned by M. Monaghan and William Heirington. The first bond on this property was taken by R. M. Sherman, J. F. Cutter and Stanley Miller, who, after doing some work, threw up the bond.

The Two Friends Mining Co., owning a claim in the Slocan district, have received returns from the Tacoma smelter of the first car load of ore shipped. It gives a net of \$164.20 per ton. Deducting the cost of mining and hauling to water, the

net returns will be about \$131 per ton. The mine will now be a regular shipper, about 750 tons of ore being already blocked out or on the dump.

The Ontario is located above the timber line. The company have recently bought the Tom Moore from Blandy brothers and M. Monaghan for timber purposes.

Two cases from the Washington circuit involving the bonding of mines in the Kaslo-Slocan mining district, were passed upon by the United States circuit court of appeals, Judge Knowles, of the Montana circuit, rendering opinions, both of which affirmed the decision of the lower court. The case turned principally upon a question of fact, and bond was released from his bargain, both by the lower and upper courts.

Salmon River.

The Morgove and Marie a quartz claim gives a \$9 assay.

The Spokane Belle assays run from \$4 to \$25. The owners are D. C. Corbin and M. Roberts.

The Mayflower capping is 100 feet wide and assays of \$5 in gold have been made from the surface.

The Whitehouse, owned by Craig and others, runs 25 1/2 per cent. copper, a tunnel being in 25 feet on a 3 foot ledge.

The Gospel Group, consisting of the Willie B. Idaho and Ruth gave a \$9 assay at the surface, being copper propositions.

An assay from the Ruby Quartz owned by J. A. Jones and Mr. Reid show \$7. The vein of ore is 16 feet wide.

The Whitehouse group of three claims owned by John Empey shows ore running 25 per cent in copper, \$7 gold and 480 ounces silver to the ton.

The average assay of the American Eagle at a depth of 12 feet is \$38. The mine is owned by Messrs. Jones, Reid and McDonald.

Assays of \$124 have been made on ore from the Arlington, there now being 75 tons of ore on the dump and horses are packing it to the railway.

The Victoria has been sold by R. W. Craig for \$7,000 cash, practically no work having been done on it but men have now commenced sinking.

Average assays from the Ben Hassan, go \$80 per ton, a tunnel being in 85 feet and ore will be shipped this winter. The mine was discovered by John Empey and sold to a company.

Samples of ore from Tamarack, Diner-Bucket, Gold Pan, and Racamat claims on the Salmon river assayed on 75 pound average samples \$25 in gold, three samples going \$23, \$74 \$511 in gold. Men have been sent up with horses to pack out ore for shipping. In the winter it can be run, a good part of the way in chutes. Work has been done on the Tamarack only.

Kaslo.

H. Geigerich states that recent development on the Trade Dollar near the Blue Bird has made it a \$25,000 mine.

The sampling works of the K. & S. have been completed and the cars now stand at the mill. They will receive their burdens in a few weeks.

Six men are at work on the Gibson, cross-cutting, to top No. 2 lead. This tunnel is now in 109 feet.

The Slocan Star is putting in a flume two feet square and nearly two miles long, to supply the concentrator with wash water. In anticipation of the old source failing, two large boilers have been put in.

The "International Navigation and Trading Co's" new steamer has been given a trial trip and the owners are well pleased with her. She is the heaviest tonnage boat on Kootenay lake.

The Kootenay has moved into new and commodious quarters on Front street and is now well equipped as a newspaper and job office. It is publishing a bright, newsy, up-to-date seven column paper that reflects credit upon the management and upon the community.

HE WANTED IT ALL.

Ex-Constable O'Loane Thought he only held Trumps.

Ex-constable O'Loane was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Recorder G. H. Rashdall this week but after spending three or four hours in jail was released. Mr. Rashdall withdrawing the charge. It appears that during his last month of service as constable, O'Loane at different times got money advanced to him by the Recorder and when settling up time came, it was shown that he had drawn \$60 in all. His check was for \$62.50 and it was agreed that the Recorder should take the check and pay the difference. O'Loane was inside the office counter when the check was handed to him and he was requested to endorse it. He took the check, put it in his pocket and tried to jump over the counter but was prevented. He said the check belonged to him and he would not give it up. Arguments were of no avail and as no one had authority to stop him he left the court house and took the check with him. Mr. Rashdall then swore out a warrant for his arrest charging him with the theft of the check and at about 5 p.m. constable Miles had him landed in prison. At about 9 p.m. the prisoner, who had consulted an attorney, concluded to give up the check and as soon as he did so, the charge against him was withdrawn.

The Poorman's Claim.

A. L. Davenport of the Poorman mine was in the MINER office yesterday and stated that 20 tons of concentrates had been shipped this week from that mine to the Hall Mines smelter. There are about 170 tons of ore on the dump and as soon as that is milled work will be resumed on the lower tunnel which is in about 120 feet.

IT WAS A TEA FIGHT.

THE LADIES HOSPITAL AID HAVE A SUCCESSFUL EVENING.

One Hundred and Fifty Guests Partake of Some Delicious Viands—The Affair a Success Socially and Financially.

"Everybody's Tea," given at the fire hall last Wednesday evening under the auspices of the Ladies Hospital Aid, was a grand success both financially and socially. Those who expected tea and a light lunch were disappointed most pleasantly for "Everybody's Tea" is a decided misnomer, "Everybody's Dinner" would have been a little nearer for the menu was an extended and delicious one, containing all that a person could wish for. Meats, salads, entrees, and desserts of all kinds were served by the ladies and made many wish that "Everybody's Tea" was a daily occurrence. The tables were lavishly and artistically decorated with beautiful flowers that added much to the general attractiveness of the scene. The viands served were donated by the ladies of Nelson and about 150 persons were served at the tables. During the progress of the dinner, which lasted from 6 to 8 o'clock, Messrs. McDonald and Day, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Day and Mrs. Whitney, favored the assemblage with very pleasing songs which were heartily applauded.

The ladies who officiated at the tables were: Mrs. Painter, Mrs. Hodson, Mrs. Apperson, Mrs. Seaman, Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Currie, Mrs. Goepel, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Farley, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Akhurst, Miss Scarlett, Miss Caldwell, Miss Hamilton, Miss Pinkie Sansom, Miss Frankie Sansom, Miss Mary McDonald, Miss Heathcote, Miss Donahue, Miss Madden, Miss Currie, Mr. Blaney assisted at the carving table.

When the entertainment was drawing to a close Mr. G. O. Buchanan, president of the hospital board, made a short address. He thanked the ladies of the Hospital Aid for their earnest efforts in behalf of the hospital and paid a glowing tribute to them for their successful management of the entertainment. He thanked those in attendance for their patronage and support and also those ladies and gentlemen who had made donations of food for the tables. He said that the hospital was doing a good work and deserved the support of the community at large.

THE NEW CONSTABLE.

He Holds His Position for Only a Few Hours.

Mr. Elkins, formerly jailer at Rossland, arrived in Nelson last Saturday night as the new constable appointed by Superintendent of Provincial Police, Capt. Fitzstubs. To take the place of special constable Olone who was released. Mr. Elkins reported to Capt. Fitzstubs and was at once put on duty, but on Monday morning, it appears, he had a misunderstanding with the Captain. The latter asked him to sweep out and clean up the office and Elkins flatly refused to do so, saying that it was not a part of a constable's duty to clean out offices. He said however that he would cause a prisoner, the only one in the jail, to do so. Capt. Fitzstubs ordered Elkins to do the work himself and the latter again refused to comply with the order, saying that he had not been employed as a servant. The Captain then told him that his services as constable would no longer be required and Elkins telegraphed Chief Hussey for instructions. Since that date Mr. Elkins has been awaiting a reply but as Superintendent Hussey has been looking up police matters in Slocan it is probable that he has not yet received Mr. Elkins' telegram.

CHURCH NOTICES.

SUNDAY 1st November, 1896.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND. Holy Communion 8 a.m. Matins 11 and Even Song, 7.30.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Services at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Sunday School at 2.30. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 p.m. Christian Endeavor Society meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH. Mass at Nelson on first and last Sundays in the month. Sandon second Sunday, and Kaslo third Sunday.

METHODIST CHURCH. Corner Silica and Josephine Streets. Services at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Sabbath School 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

ONE HUNDRED FOR DEFENSE.

That was the Amount Mr. Justice Walkem Allowed Talliard.

A number of legal complications are likely to arise out of the interesting Talliard case, in regard to the \$1,496.25 found upon the accused when he was arrested. Mr. H. G. Hall, acting for Mr. E. A. Coates, the prosecutor in the criminal case and plaintiff in the civil case against Talliard, garnished \$710 of the money in the hands of Chief of Police Sheppard. The defense took the ground that the money could not be garnished, Chief Sheppard for his own protection paid the money into the County court.

Mr. S. Perry Mills, counsel for Talliard then made application to Mr. Justice Walkem that all the money found in the possession of Talliard at the time of his arrest, less the \$710 garnished by Mr. Coates, should be returned to the prisoner, or at least \$500, virtually a home-stead exemption, to provide for the expenses of defense. Mr. Justice Walkem allowed \$100 for the purposes of the defense.

THE SMALL DEBTS ACT.

ITS CONSTITUTIONALITY HAS BEEN CONTESTED IN VICTORIA.

Justice McCreight, Walkem and Drake Hold That the Law is Constitutional. Outline of the Argument.

The constitutionality of the Small Debts court act was argued before the full court at Victoria last week, Justice McCreight, Walkem and Drake presiding. At the conclusion of the argument judgment was reserved.

Mr. Robert Cassidy who had been appointed by the Provincial Government to contest the constitutionality of the Act, argued that in so far as the Small Debts court act gives jurisdiction to magistrates in a judicial position as distinguished from their executive authority as police magistrates, the act was unconstitutional. The act practically made a magistrate a judge to exactly the same extent in civil cases, except in amount, as a County court judge, or even a Superior judge. The question, therefore, was whether the Province had a right to appoint a judge, and this he submitted it had not, as the right to appoint judges belonged to the Dominion, section 96 of the B. N. A. act providing that the Governor-General shall appoint the judges of the Superior district and county courts, except those of the courts of probate in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Mr. A. G. Smith, deputy attorney general, for the provincial government maintained that the act was constitutional, arguing that under section 92 subsection 14 of the B. N. A. act if nothing more had been said the province would have had full power to appoint judges as required for the regular administration of justice.

The full court rendered its decision in the case early this week and unanimously agreed that the Small Debts act is constitutional and its establishment quite within the power of the province. The decision was verbal and the reasons were not given but will be embodied in a written judgement to be delivered in a few days.

THE BIG STACK IN USE.

Smoke Went Through It for the First Time on Wednesday.

Smoke was sent through the new stack of the Hall Mines Smelter for the first time on Wednesday last. The top of the new stack is 223 feet above the level and makes an imposing appearance. The stack and the new furnace now under construction, were designed by Superintendent Paul Johnson and people who are eminently qualified to judge pronounce them the neatest they have seen. The stack of the new roaster and reverberator furnace was finished last Wednesday and the scaffolding, used during its construction, was taken down. Work on this furnace is progressing rapidly and will soon be completed. The big furnace, which will increase the capacity of the plant from 130 to 329 tons per day, is well under way and is being hurried to completion. The dimensions of this furnace will be 4x12 feet.

A BIG BOARDING HOUSE.

Will Accommodate 200 or 300 Silver King Miners.

The company's boarding-house which is close to the entrance of the main tunnel of the Silver King mine is nearly completed, about the only thing lacking being the work of the plasterers. The building is a large one and will accommodate between 200 and 300 men and for the most part will be occupied by the unmarried men working in the mine. It is a three story frame building with stone basement and will be made thoroughly comfortable for the winter. All the old buildings will be turned over to the married men and three new cottages have been built for them. Superintendent Daves and Foreman Turner have had separate houses furnished for themselves and families.

E. A. POWYS STILL MISSING.

Searching Parties Fail to Find Any Trace of Him.

Although many men have assisted in the search for E. A. Powys, who mysteriously disappeared a week ago last Wednesday, no clew to his whereabouts has yet been obtained. It was reported yesterday that a man answering to his description had been seen going towards the summit over the Nelson & Port Sheppard railroad. Mr. Powys was sent out by the brother of the missing man, Mr. A. Powys, but no trace was found. The country in the immediate vicinity of Nelson has been thoroughly searched by men who have used dogs to assist them and yet not the slightest trace has been found. The prevailing idea now is that the missing man is not dead but in a fit of temporary aberration of the mind has wandered to some neighboring town or camp. Among the gentlemen who have assisted in the search were Dr. Symonds, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Bell, Mr. Senkler, Mr. Newling and Mr. Sansom. Constable John Miles had nine men out one day.

With the aid of an Ingersoll drill in the Laird mine on Willow river, Cariboo, the shaft which is in rock, is being sunk rapidly. When a depth of 220 feet is reached a drive of over 600 feet will be run to tap the channel of the Willow river, where at a depth of 100 feet from the surface, gold in great quantities is expected to be found. Last week one man was killed and another disabled by the caving in of the walls of an excavation for the foundation of an engine bed.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

Robert A. Hedley has returned from his trip to Boundary.

There were 130 mining locations recorded in Nelson during the past week.

A. Dick, well known in mining circles in this district is in town. He registers from Halifax, N. S.

D. W. Cummings is rapidly recovering from his recent illness. He left for Winnipeg Thursday.

Messrs. French and Erickson have struck a three foot ledge on the Binango and the ore is pronounced to be excellent.

J. E. Mitchell who has some mining interests in the Whitewater, was in the city during the week and left for home last Thursday.

Clement & Hilliard's brick building is assuming magnificent proportions, the workmen now being engaged in completing the second story.

F. R. Mendenhall of Spokane, representing the Canadian Land Drill Co., and Jackson Machine Co. of Sherbrooke, Quebec is in town.

E. V. Brown, teller of the Bank of Montreal, is convalescing from a serious attack of sickness, and this week left for his home and expects to be absent for some time.

J. Neelands on Wednesday went on top of the new stack of the Hall Mines smelter, just before the fire was started and secured some fine views of Nelson and the surrounding country.

The Alhambra Mining Company has sunk a 50 foot shaft on the Francis J and are now working 8 or 9 men steadily. A boarding house and sleeping apartments for the foreman are being constructed.

Professor Lawlor, of Spokane, will start a dancing class in Nelson this winter. He is a well known dancing master and there is no question but that his entertainments which will be given in the fire hall will be first class.

Work on the foundation of the Nelson Club house on Silica street has been started and before the expiration of many weeks the members will have comfortable accommodations. The site is a fine one and commands an excellent view of the town and lake.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Hospital Aid will take place at the Church of England Mission Room at three o'clock next Monday afternoon and it is desired that persons having lost articles at last Wednesday's tea, call at the room at the time mentioned and claim them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. MacArthur, of Rossland, passed through Nelson last Tuesday for Slocan. Mr. MacArthur has just returned from a several months trip east and is very much surprised at the progress made by Nelson, Kaslo and Rossland during his absence. It is Mrs. MacArthur's first visit to this country and she is very much pleased with the scenery and with the people with whom she has come in contact.

The October number of the Miner and Electrician, published at Spokane, is devoted chiefly to the Trail mining district and Rossland and is a most creditable issue. C. N. Whitley, the publisher, has caused brief reviews to be made of the better known mineral claims and mines and has devoted considerable space to the town and district in general. The issue contains 34 pages. Pigotts Birds Eye View of Rossland is given as a supplement.

Ritchie-Adams.

At Rossland, last Saturday evening, the 24th, J. Fred Ritchie, who has a host of friends in this city, was united in marriage to Miss Jane Adams, in the presence of a few of their most intimate friends and relatives. The officiating minister was Rev. Mr. Ladner. The groom is a well known civil engineer and a member of the Rossland Townsite company, while the bride is a daughter of the widely known cattle dealer, David Adams of Campbellford. A reception was held at the conclusion of the ceremony.

A handsome residence is being erected for Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie on Le Roi Ave., which they will occupy when completed. The MINER together with his other Nelson friends, extends its hearty congratulations to the bride and groom.

Eight Were Killed.

A terrible explosion of gas occurred at Wilkesbarre, Pa., in the No. 3 mine about 1.30 Thursday morning. Six men are known to be dead and three injured. It is not yet known how many men were in the mine at the time of the explosion, but 12 are reported missing, and it is believed that all of these have perished. The dead who have been brought to the surface are:

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The achievement of the new steamship Canada, in making the voyage across the ocean in eight days was a noteworthy one.

A petition praying that Japanese immigration be restricted in New Denver. Perhaps the Free Press will have something to say in regard to this matter.

The merchants of Nelson should see that their places of business are properly equipped with signs. It is one thing that is quickly noticed by newcomers. Advertising always pays, even though it be but a sign in front of the store.

The death of a Chinese boy from an overdose of Chinese wine excited much attention in Vancouver last week. It shows the difference between Chinese and white men's goods. Many people take overdoses of the latter and are usually eager to repeat the dose next day.

The British Columbia Mining Record says "everything points to British Columbia being within the next year or so the great treasure house of the Dominion." If the various projects and developments now contemplated, are successfully carried out, British Columbia may be the great treasure house of the world.

"Tis an ill wind that blows nobody good. Activity in United States political circles has favored wood pulp grinders and newspaper mills. Pamphlets by the carloads have been forwarded by both parties; the daily and weekly newspapers are printing more pages and handbills, ballots, posters and books have consumed thousands of tons of wood pulp paper.

The Government has called for tenders for the conveyance of Her Majesty's mails between Kaslo, Sandon and New Denver, the service to begin January 1st, 1897. The fact that the contract is for four years, six times per week would seem to indicate that the government apprehends no check to the country's progress.

The people of the United States on Wednesday, November 4 will vote for a president to succeed Grover Cleveland and although other candidates are in the field the issue will be between William McKinley, of Ohio, the regular nominee of the national republican convention and William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska, the regular nominee of the democratic national convention. Well posted and intelligent men who stand high in their parties differ in opinion as to the probable result and the outlook is that there will be surprises all along the line. The situation, viewed from this distance would seem to suggest that the republican nominee has a little the best of the race.

SOME JUGGLING FIGURES.

The Rossland Miner in a recent issue does some very clever juggling with figures, supposed to represent the customs collections of Kaslo, Rossland, Waneta, Trail, Rykerts and Nelson. The writer would have it appear that Rossland is the greatest commercial center in the Kootenay district because, forsooth, its custom house receipts are larger than in any of the other towns and this little conceit might be good naturally passed were it not for the fact that every one of the amounts he quotes are wrong. If he had spent one tenth of the time in writing to the customs house here, that he spent in writing his article, he would have

been enabled to quote the correct figures and not have done the grave injustice he did to Nelson. The Nelson Miner is always eager to see all parts of this district prosper and is not jealous of the success of a neighboring town. The Rossland paper, however, in figuring out commercial importance, apparently loses sight of the fact that in Nelson there are six carloads of Canadian goods and supplies used where one is used in Rossland and the proportion between Kaslo and Rossland is fully as great. It is true that Rossland imports much from the United States but we fail to understand why that should cause Rossland to lay claim to any particular greatness or why it should cause her newspaper to cast a most unseemly slur upon sister city. The customs house receipts for the month of September, 1896, as kindly furnished by Collector Johnstone, are as follows: Nelson, \$3,493.54; Rossland, \$6,592.41; Kaslo, \$4,650.69; Trail, \$6,137.54; Waneta, \$372.81; Rykerts, \$125.77; total, \$21,372.76. There are two of the largest importing houses in this country located in Nelson—the Hudson's Bay Company and the Turner, Beeton Co., and the former, last month, paid in Victoria, over \$10,000 customs duties on a single invoice of goods that were sold in Nelson.

KOOTENAY RAIL CONNECTIONS.

The people of British Columbia have an interest in common with those in Eastern Canada in seeing the Crow's Nest Pass road built from a connection with the Canadian Pacific, east of the Rocky Mountains, and tapping the Kootenay country and diverting from the United States the trade that so properly belongs to our own country. The statements of Sir William Van Horne on the subject are clear and concise and go to prove, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that the Canadian Pacific intends to build to this section of the country as soon as possible. In connection with this Crow's Nest Pass, the C.P.R. is contemplating the extension of the line from Kootenay directly westward to re-connect with its main line at Hope. Sir William Van Horne estimates the cost of the extension from Kootenay to Hope at any where from \$15,000,000 to \$25,000,000 and very properly says it will certainly follow the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass line. It would be a grand, good thing for both Vancouver and the Kootenay if the whole of the contemplated line could be built simultaneously, but the most important part of the work at present, at least to the Kootenay and to the railroad, considered from a financial point of view, would be the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass road to Nelson and to Rossland and the extension of the present C. & K. to Slokan City and New Denver. As Sir William Van Horne says, the further westward construction of the line would "follow" as a natural consequence.

The Vancouver people naturally desire the construction of the coast line at once and there is no question but that the general benefit would be proportionately greater, but if the project is one that cannot be undertaken at once, as a whole, then the best thing will be the building of the Crow's Nest Pass road. If coal is as plentiful in the Crow's Nest country as is reported, there will be sufficient traffic in that commodity alone to pay the operating expenses. The smelters of Nelson, Rossland and Pilot Bay will consume vast quantities of this coal or coke to say nothing of the local consumption by this and other towns. The Northern Pacific and Great Northern have expressed a desire for this coal and the Spokane and Northern, the C. & K. and the K. & S. would without doubt use it in preference to wood. The road would open up a district known to be teeming with mineral wealth and the ore traffic would probably not be the smallest part of the business. Rail connection between Nelson and Rossland would be a paying investment from the start and it is fair to assume that traffic would greatly increase every season. The mining interests of this district are constantly being augmented by new finds and it would not be long before the road would be taxed to its utmost capacity.

We are inclined to take issue with Sir William Van Horne in the statement that "nobody else could or would" build local lines as feeders, if the government should construct the main line. If it were apparent that the construction of local lines would prove to be paying investments (there is no doubt but that individuals or corporations could be found to establish them). It was said that nobody could or would establish the K. & S. from Kaslo to Cody or the line from Trail to Rossland, and yet this was done and today both are successful lines. Kootenay needs the Crow's Nest road and the feeders to it as suggested by Sir William Van Horne and there is little doubt that the government will grant all reasonable aid and that it would prefer to deal with the Canadian Pacific instead of outside parties.

The Tribune says that Capt. Bob Sanderson was married to Miss Mary E. Waite a week ago last, Wednesday evening. Good news generally travels fast but this is beating the record for the event did not take place until last Sunday. The marriage was to have taken place on Wednesday but when the minister asked for the license, the

worthy captain calmly produced a miners' license. The wedding had to be postponed and Captain Sanderson was informed that he could not have his claim to Miss Waite's hand recorded until he had secured a different kind of a license.

GAZETTE NOTICES.

[From the B. C. Gazette of 22nd Oct., 1896]

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

Agnes Hydraulic Mining and Milling Co., Ltd. Capital, \$200,000 in \$1 shares. Head office, North Bend, B.C. Directors: M. Neilin Garland, John Lyons and John H. Lyons, all of North Bend, B.C.

Boundary Creek Mining and Milling Co., Ltd. Capital, \$1,500,000 in \$1 shares. Head office, Greenwood City, B.C. Directors: G. Arthur Rendell, D. A. Holbrook and C. H. Sanson, all of Greenwood City.

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The English Canadian Gold Mining Co. (Foreign). Capital, \$1,000,000 in \$1 shares. Head office, Spokane.

International Gold and Copper Mining Co., Ltd. Capital, \$1,000,000 in \$1 shares. Head office, Rossland, B.C. Directors: Archibald C. Sinclair, Robert C. Macdonald and John S. Paterson, all of Rossland.

London and British Columbia Gold Fields, Ltd. (Foreign). Capital, \$200,000 in 197,500 ordinary shares and 2,500 deferred shares of £1 each. Head office in England.

Orphan Boy Gold Mining Co., Ltd. Capital, \$700,000 in \$1 shares. Head office, Revelstoke, B.C. Directors: B. H. Wedekind, of Trail, B.C., J. W. Haskins and Fred C. Whitney both of Revelstoke, B.C.

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Primate of all England.

The Right Rev. Frederick Temple, bishop of London has been appointed archbishop of Canterbury and primate of all England, in succession to the late most Rev. Edward White Benson.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

GEO. A. B. HALL, PHYSICIAN AND Surgeon, Office C. & K. Building, up stairs. [330]

A. WHEELER, BARRISTER AND Solicitor, Kaslo, B. C. [344]

M. L. GRIMMETT, LL. B., BARRISTER, B. C. Solicitor, Notary Public, Etc., Sandon, B. C. [434]

ASSAYING. ROBBINS & LANG, ASSAYERS to War Eagle and Associated Companies, Rossland. [351]

S. NORMAN & CO., MINING AND STOCK Brokers, Hotel Spokane, Spokane, Wash. Telephone 627. [405]

MAHON, McFARLAND & MAHON, LTD., Mining and Share Brokers, Vancouver, B. C. Members Stock Exchange. [330]

SIBBALD AND PEASE, GENERAL Commission and Forwarding Agents, Wholesale Jobbers in Groceries and Provision, Revelstoke Station. [302]

L. JONEL C. BARRE, Mining Broker of the Victoria Stock Exchange of British Columbia, Ltd. (Lbty). Office, 32 Langley street, Victoria, B. C. [374]

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A VAST UNDERTAKING.

CANADIAN PACIFIC TO BUILD THE CROW'S NEST PASS ROAD.

President Sir William Van Horne Expresses Himself Freely Upon the Subject.—He Says It Will be Done.

Sir William Van Horne, president of the Canadian Pacific railway, while in Vancouver last week expressed himself at length to a News-Advertiser representative upon the question of building a line of road from the main line east of the mountains by way of the Crow's Nest Pass and Kootenay Lake to the Pacific coast. In reply to a statement that a Winnipeg paper had quoted him as favoring the construction of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company's railway from the Kootenay country to the coast, he said in substance:

"That is a misinterpretation of what I said on the subject. I was asked if the Canadian Pacific company would oppose a charter to the company referred to, covering that territory, and I replied that it was not the policy of the Canadian Pacific company to oppose any charters, and I did not think it likely that our Directors would oppose this one. My views were also asked as to the desirability of a line from the Coast to the Kootenay country, and I replied that I looked upon it as a coming necessity, but that there was not yet anything like enough traffic in sight to support such an expensive line. But I said nothing that could or should have been construed as an approval of the project of the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway & Navigation Company, for I know very little about the plans and aims of those concerned in it. I may say in this connection that the Canadian Pacific Company has had in mind for half a dozen years past the construction of a line from its main line east of the mountains, by way of the Crow's Nest Pass and Kootenay Lake, to the Pacific coast, or to a connection with its main line near Hope, and the tying together of this line and the main line by a series of north and south lines, one following the Columbia river up from Golden, another from Revelstoke to Nelson and another by way of Vernon to the Okanagan Valley. You will readily see the advantage of this general system in developing all parts of Southern British Columbia. The company has already expended a large amount of money, about \$2,000,000, towards carrying out this plan, in the purchase of the Galt railway between Lethbridge and Dunmore and its conversion into a standard gauge road; in the construction of the Columbia & Kootenay railway which will be a link in this system; in a considerable amount of grading between Fort Macleod and the Crow's Nest Pass, and in very extensive surveys which have been carried on for a number of years with a view to ascertaining the possibilities in the way of construction on the lines indicated.

"The Crow's Nest Pass line is without question of the first importance in railroad building. That is the cheapest and quickest way to provide the necessary facilities for the development of the Kootenay country, and at the same time to secure Canadian interests in the trade already developed and to be developed, and if that is long delayed, the trade will become permanently established southwards and will be permanently lost to British Columbia and to the whole Dominion. Aside from local lines to reach the different mining camps, the next important move would be to complete the rail connection between Nelson and Revelstoke, so as to afford the earliest possible all-rail route between the Kootenay district and the Pacific coast. I think it probable that this link will be completed nearly as soon as the Crow's Nest Pass line, and with this in view, we have just now been surveying a line along Slocan lake southward to connect the Nakusp and Slocan with the Columbia and Kootenay Railway.

"The direct line from the Kootenay district to the Fraser valley will follow the completion of the Crow's Nest Pass line as certainly as one sunrise follows another, for the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass line and the connection to Revelstoke will result in such a development of traffic as will justify the extension of the Crow's Nest Pass line to the Fraser. I have no doubt whatever about that. I am quite sure that these things will be done by the Canadian Pacific, if done at all. It is easy enough to organize independent companies and to get charters, but when it comes to raising the money, these independent companies might as well try to reach the moon."

"But it is understood that the Canadian Pacific is asking the Government to loan the money for the Crow's Nest Pass line," was asked.

"Something very like that. But you must not overlook the fact that the simple construction of the line from Lethbridge to the Kootenay Lake will not come anywhere near reaching the object in view. In order that it may be effective, it must be supplemented by a large number of local lines to reach the different mining camps, and it is pretty safe to say that these in their aggregate mileage, will amount to as much as the main line of the proposed Crow's Nest Pass railway, and somebody has got to build these, or the Crow's Nest Pass railway will not accomplish its object, and will be a miserable failure from a financial point of view. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company does not feel able at the present time to finance the Crow's Nest Pass railway, and for all of the local lines in addition.

"The Government has tried its hand at railway building a number of times, and you know the result. But even if the Government were able to build the Crow's Nest Pass line as well and as cheaply as the Canadian Pacific Company could do it, the Government would have to build all of the local lines to which I have referred, in addition to the Crow's Nest Pass line, for nobody else could or would do it. It would be folly for the Canadian Pacific Company to build a lot of local lines as branches from a leased line, and besides it would be impossible to finance for the local lines in such a situation."

"How much money would be required for building a line from the mouth of the

Fraser river to the Columbia river in the vicinity of Roseland?" was asked.
"According to our survey, and they are the only surveys that have been made, it would cost not less than fifteen million dollars, and probably twenty or twenty-five millions. As compared with the Crow's Nest Pass line it would be exceedingly heavy work."

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

The British Parliament will re-assemble on January 25th, '97.

The Spokane river flow is at last to be accurately measured by the Haskell electrical current meter.

The wheat crop in Western Montana, especially hard wheat, is better than ever before.

The Montana and Kalispell divisions of the Great Northern have been consolidated and P. Ryan, of Kalispell, been made superintendent.

Sir Wilfred Laurier is postponing his visit to England until next summer owing to the stress of work; consequently upon the proposed revision of the tariff.

King Humbert is the only monarch in Europe that can show a scar received in actual battle and he received his at the battle of Custoza.

A dispatch from Ottawa states that Senator McInnes is still there and that it is generally conceded that he will succeed Hon. Mr. Dewdney as Lieutenant-Governor of the Province next year.

Latest advices from Singapore state that the revolt in the Philippine islands was more serious than at first supposed, and that in a short time it will assume the proportions of the Cuban revolt.

In Jersey Island a law has been passed legalizing marriage with a deceased wife's sister and anyone who can live there the time required may obtain the desired qualification.

The Governor of Victoria in a speech on Imperial Federation said: "It would be wise if possible to bring America into a grand defensive league of the Anglo-Saxon race, which would effectively secure the peace of the world."

Twenty years ago Britain held sway over but 330,000 miles. Today her power extends over 2,750,000 miles. Four hundred European officers are engaged in Western Africa, 200 in Eastern Africa, and in South-eastern Africa there are as many more. They have flotillas of steamers on the lakes now; even railways are running towards the spot where Stanley found Livingston.

A London dispatch says that the Marquis of Salisbury has demanded the immediate release of Sun Yat Sen, the Chinese physician said to be a British subject, who was, according to the statement of friends, kidnapped while passing the Chinese legation and is held a prisoner in the legation on the charge of having been engaged in a conspiracy to overthrow the Manchuria dynasty.

The latest important addition to the British navy is the Caesar, which has just been launched. Its principal dimensions are: Length between perpendiculars, 300 feet; extreme breadth, 75 feet; mean draught of water, 27 feet 6 inches; displacement when fully equipped, about 15,000 tons. She will be fitted with twin screws, each driven by an independent set of vertical triple expansion engines, capable of working up a total of 12,000 horse power for the two sets of engines. With this horse power a speed of about 18 knots will be realized.

THE STEAMSHIP CANADA.

Is Considered a Triumph in the Building of Ships.

The new steamship Canada, of the Dominion line left Liverpool on Thursday evening, Oct. 1st, calling at London, derry for mails and passengers. She left the north coast of Ireland on the 2nd, and entered the St. Lawrence at daylight on the 8th inst., passing Cape Magdalen at 10 a.m., this being the quickest passage between the British Islands and Canada.

The Canada, which is the largest trans-Atlantic mail steamer that has ever entered the St. Lawrence, is a twin screw ship, propelled by two engines of the latest description, and has a carrying capacity of 9,000 tons. In the provision for the comfort of passengers, she is unequalled, and what has in the past been considered luxuries are on the Canada reckoned as being the necessities.

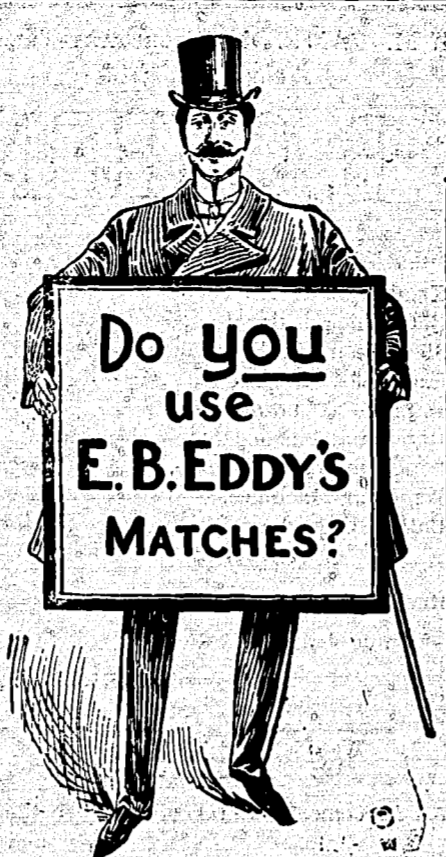
Special attention has also been given to the accommodation for the second cabin passengers, that saloon being on the main deck, a part of the ship which, on many of the first class liners, is usually reserved for first class passengers. In her arrangements for steerage passengers, she is well provided, the rooms being closed in, while there is very large deck accommodation for this class of travel. If the Canada realizes the expectations of her builders, Messrs. Harland & Wolff, Belfast, who constructed the famous "Mauretania" and "Pauzanoe," the passage between Quebec and the Old Country should be made within six days.

Oil in East Kootenay.

Much is expected of the oil fields in East Kootenay which were discovered several years ago, but which have been waiting capital to develop them. The Stony Indians have always used the oil for medicinal purposes, gathering it during their annual hunt in the Flathead valley. They were induced to show where they obtained their crude oil to some miners, who found there were two kinds of oil obtainable; a black oil at Kishnec creek, and but eight miles north on Sage creek, a nearly pure light yellow oil as found which will burn in a lamp just as taken from the ground. Natural gas escapes freely from the bedrock and ignites easily. When the oil was sent to the geological museum at Ottawa it was pronounced a fraud it was so pure, and Dr. Selwyn, head of the department, made a trip to the district finding it as represented, and also that it was found in the Cambrian formation. Over a large area of ground indications of oil were found, showing that immense oil fields only await the touch of capital to make known to the world their almost fabulous value.

New Store for Kaslo.

D. J. Young, who has been traveling through the Kootenay for the Calgary Herald, was in Nelson this week. Mr. Young will open a book and news store in Kaslo.



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