THE MINES IN KOOTENAY ARE AMONG THE RICHEST IN AMERICA

The Miner.

...ES ARE HIGH-GRADE IN SILVER, COPPER AND LEAD.

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METAL QUOTATION

NEW YORK.

Dec.—	13	14	15	16	17
SILVER	65⅝	65⅝	65¼	65⅜	65⅜
(Bar) LEAD	3.00	2.75	3.00	3.00	3.05

PRODUCE OF THE MINES.

RETURNS FOR 1896 UP TO DATE.

ORE TREATED IN KOOTENAY.

At Nelson	29,099
At Pilot Bay	19,119
At Trail*	18,903½
	67,121½

ORE EXPORTED.

From Slocan via Kaslo	9,823	
Slocan via Nakusp	8,090½	
Ainsworth	639½	
Trail Creek (gold ore)	6,365	
Rossland via Northport	11	24,932½
Tons		92,054

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

PRODUCE OF SMELTERS.

	TONS
Nelson (Hall Mines) Matte	2131½
Pilot Bay, silver lead bullion	1012½
Trail Smelter Matte	3055½
	6199½

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Returns Since Last Week.

VIA KASLO.

Ruth to Everett	45
Wellington to Everett	15
Surprise to Everett	17
Slocan Bay to Pueblo, Col.	16
Payne Mine "	162
Wonderful "	60
Last Chance "	17
Northern Belle to Everett	12½
	344½

VIA NAKUSP.

Slocan Star to Omaha	200
Idaho to Everett	20
	220

MATTE AND BULLION.
(Shipped.)

Trail Smelter (Matte)	228¼

SMELTER RETURNS.

HALL MINES, [Nelson] for week ending 12 Dec.; treated 530 tons of ore.

PHILIP LOWES' DEATH.

He was a Fireman on the Steamer Illecillewaet.

In last week's issue, the MINER inadvertently stated that Philip Lowes who was drowned at Robson, was a farmer on the Illecillewaet. This should have read fireman on the steamer Illecillewaet.

Deceased was an Englishman and has an aunt residing in Illinois. The C. & K. Company has been very diligent in the search for the remains but it has been wholly unsuccessful. It is one of the most complete disappearances ever recorded.

OBJECT TO THE RATES.

New Schedule for Electric Lights is Not Well Received.

There are breakers ahead for the Nelson Electric Company. A new schedule of rates goes into effect on January 1st and this is the cause of all the trouble.

Residents who have been using electric lights, were this week served with notices through the mails that after the first of the year the charges would be at the rate of three cents per candle power per month. This only figures up 48 cents per month for each 16 candle power lamp but the protest is probably just as great as if the charge was $1.00 per lamp. A rumor is current that upon the strength of the advanced rates, an effort will be made to form a new electric light company to be controlled by the consumers.

"I wont stand it," said one excited consumer to a MINER representative. "I was approached last May or June and importuned to establish electric lights in my house and was given to understand that it would cost me only a certain sum per month. I agreed to the proposition and at considerable expense had my house wired. The lights were not quite what I expected them to be and now they are attempting to force me to pay a new rate. One thing is sure and that is that I will have the lights taken out of the house and burn coal oil."

Western Gold Mining Co.

H. S. Crotty and H. H. Beck of the Western Gold Mining company will open an office in Rat Portage next month. Their company is controlled by some of the best known business men of Winnipeg, the promoters being Mayor Jameson, R. H. Agur, J. Plaxton, F. W. Drewry, G. H. Campbell, E. R. Whitehead, D. Wilson, H. G. Wilson, H. H. Beck and H. S. Crotty, the last named being secretary-treasurer. The fact that ten thousand shares were spoken for before the organization was completed speaks well for the promoters. The company owns one property near Rat Portage and controls options on many valuable locations. Charles A. Moore the well known mining man of Winnipeg is acting for the company in that city. He has always had great faith in the possibilities of the district. Whatever shares are sold for development purposes will be devoted to that and nothing else. This company also own good undeveloped mineral claims in the Nelson and Rossland districts of West Kootenay.

ENGLAND IS SHOCKED.

A General Earthquake Shakes up the Entire Island.

Dispatches state that the most violent earthquake ever experienced in England visited the island, the first occurring at 5.30 Thursday morning, two distinct shocks being felt. Buildings were shaken up, doors thrown open, furniture upset and the inhabitants becoming panic stricken and wild with terror, fled from their houses. Chimneys were thrown down and windows smashed, while steeples fell down and men were thrown to the ground. At Hereford one woman died of fright. Every shore was shaken from Durham to Surrey and from London to the Welsh coast. It was only slightly felt in London. Many strange atmospheric changes were noted at different points. At Windsor Castle the shock was distinctly felt.

A Measure for Prevention.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE MINER.

It is a notorious fact that a number of our citizens have been suffering from typhoid fever. If I am not misinformed this disease has claimed three victims this season, and a number of others have had a fierce struggle for life. I am satisfied that forty-five is not an exaggeration of the typhoid cases here this season and considering this fact I would suggest that steps be taken to ascertain the means by which the disease is propagated; to the best of my knowledge there is not any law at present requiring disinfection in typhoid fever which would be well to have. It is unquestionably an infectious disease, and such a law, if rightly enforced would do much in abating the disease.

Yours respectfully
GEO. A. B. HALL, M. D.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Coxey, the erstwhile famous Commonweal general has bolted the people's party and will start a party of his own.

Mr. Thompson, A. M., Inst. C. E., formerly government mineralogist of Queensland is paying British Columbia a brief visit.

The Hon. Thomas Maine Daly of the town of Rossland, Q. C., has been appointed a notary public in and for the county of Kootenay.

The new Fire Valley trail from Killarney, on Lower Arrow lake, to Vernon is completed being 65 miles in length and connecting with the Okanagan country.

Dennis Ryan, the St. Paul millionaire was quietly married in Spokane last Wednesday to Miss May Campbell. Mr. Ryan has acquired large interests in the Kootenay and is also interested in the Tacoma smelter.

Charles Butler, the famous mining engineer of Johannesburg is in Colorado and will visit various mining camps to make investigations with a view to introducing the Siemans-Halske electrical process for treating low grade ores.

Frank Burns, alias John McKinnen was arrested in Spokane last Wednesday for cattle stealing on a telegram from the authorities at Vernon, B. C. He broke jail at Vernon and escaped to the United States. He would say nothing when questioned.

The Great Northern and Northern Pacific have been granted permission to meet the keen competition of the C.P.R. and Soo line on excursions from the Northwest to New England, by the chairman of the Western Passenger Association.

Ex-queen Liliuokelani of Hawaii is on a pleasure trip through the United States and expects to go to Europe. The trip is taken with the full consent of her government at Honolulu. It is said that she will go to Washington City to plead with President Cleveland for American intervention looking to her restoration to the Hawaiian throne.

U. S. Ambassador Bayard has declined the offer of a "national" present from his many English friends, stating that the republican form of government required strict obedience to the written and unwritten laws which prohibit anyone holding an office of trust under the United States from accepting gifts from foreign kings or governments. The Telegraph in withdrawing the proposition says at any rate the sincere good will of the English nation toward Ambassador Bayard has been proven.

The St. Keverne Mining company, of Spokane, with a capital of one million dollars has been incorporated. The properties of the company consists of the St. Keverne, Dominion, O B.H., Exeter, Keystone, and Felix mineral claims, all situated on Payne Mountain, and near the Payne, Slocan Boy and Washington mines. S. Norman & Co. of Spokane are the brokers for the company, and are offering treasury stock for sale.

At a meeting of the Orphan Boy company, held in the Victoria hotel, Revelstoke, the following board of directors was elected, J. W. Haskins, president; H. N. Coursier, vice-president; F. C. Whitney, secretary-treasurer; H. A. Brown and Charles Carlyon. The company has $3000 cash in hand and 74,400 shares in the treasury.

New Mining Companies.

Two new companies just incorporated with headquarters at Spokane are the Globe Mining and Milling Co. Capital, $1,000,000, and the Boundary Gold Mining and Milling Co. Directors for the first are: W. P. Haskell, C. G. Brown, L. C. Dillman, G. T. Dolittle, M. Clinton, J. C. Ouerdank of Spokane and J. M. McPhee of Kaslo. For the second the directors are: T. B. Griffith, F. D. Gibbs, A. L. Davis, A. B. Jackson, R. F. McLean.

Meetings of Mining Companies.

On Monday December 28, the shareholders of the Island Mountain Quartz Mining and Milling Company will meet in the Board of Trade rooms, Victoria, for the purpose of conveying all their properties.

A meeting of the shareholders in the Prospecting Syndicate of B. C., Ld., was held in Vancouver, December 18, to consider the selling of their assets in whole or part.

Will Reside in Nelson.

Hon. J. A. Forin, of Rossland, the new judge appointed for this district will undoubtedly take up his residence in Nelson. It is reported that he has made arrangements to rent the residence of Mr. M. S. Davys on Victoria street. Judge Forin will probably hold a session of court early in January.

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.

Grand Forks.

Town lots have jumped from $150 to $500 in a week.

Bossburg is rapidly becoming a shipping point to this city.

The town has taken on a new activity since the visit of a number of the principal owners of the townsite. It has been decided to incorporate into a municipality at once. The townsite will put in electric lights, water plant, grade the streets and bridge the North Fork.

Rover Creek.

The Big Four also on the west fork of Rover creek took out a supply of winter supplies from Nelson this week. The mine is owned by a Toronto company.

Rover Creek is getting quite a camp established along its banks and work on a number of claims will be carried on all winter. The Leap Year on the west fork of the creek, under the management of Joseph Brown will work all the winter and during the past week Mr. Brown was in town buying a big bill of goods. There is a fine showing of ore which assays $12 in gold, $16 in silver and 11 per cent copper. The mine is operated by a company recently formed in Toronto.

Northport.

There has been a number of hold ups in town the past two weeks.

A contract for 50 feet of tunnel has been let to Mr. Jacobs by the Burton Mining Co.

The Off Wheeler group on Crown creek has been bonded for $35,000 to Toronto people who have already commenced work.

This week the Silver Crown began shipping ore. Since work was resumed a few weeks ago a large body of good ore was uncovered.

Last Saturday Seattle parties, interested in the Coyote property deposited money in the hands of Kendrick & Co., to pay up everything. Work will be pushed.

The Crow Creek Mining company stockholders will hold their annual meeting in this city on Monday, January 4 and will elect officers for the ensuing year.

Seattle capitalists have formed a corporation to work the Legal Tender, a gold and copper property five miles from town. A. S. Montgomery is president, E. J. Bush, vice-president and manager, G. W. Curtis, secretary-treasurer.

Kaslo.

This week the sampling works are to begin active operations, serveral carloads of ore being on hand now.

Mr. G. O. Buchanan will do considerable logging on the Lardeau this winter and has sent up a large number of men and stock of supplies.

Mr. Buchanan's mill is taking advantage of the fine weather and is now running. The machinery that is to be put in this winter has arrived.

The sampling works are running steadily and ore shipments are coming in regularly. Very favorable reports are made from the Whitewater and Wellington.

Wires are being strung for the electric lights and most of the pipe for the water main are on the streets. Work on the water main will be delayed some time longer on account of the cut on A avenue.

The contract for the construction of the skating and curling rink has been let to Mr. Miller. The lumber is on the ground and a large force is at work. The bottom has been finished and the rink will probably be ready for the new year.

It is reported that a rich strike has been made on a property on the South Fork of the Kaslo river by a man named Cronin. The Green brothers own a one-fourth interest in the claim. The report says that 18 inches of almost solid silver has been found.

The school trustees have engaged Mr. James Hislop of New Westminster to take charge of the public schools in place of Miss Kane who has resigned. Mr. Hislop was a tutor of New Westminster and is said to be a highly qualified instructor.

Slocan.

Hirschel Cohen has purchased the Jennie Fraction in the Best Basin of the Slocan. Work has already begun.

A. Dick has secured a working bond of three-quarters in the Ocean group at the head of Lemon and Ten Mile creeks. He paid $37,500.

The Cammille and Comal on Lemon creek have been sold to A. Dick and A. B. MacKenzie for $1500.

The Blue Bird has developed some very rich ore, assays showing 300 ounces. It has shipped some 300 tons so far.

The Mountain Scenery and Cuba on Eight Mile creek have been bonded to a Winnipeg firm for $35,000. Development work will be commenced early in the spring.

Three men are working on the Highland and have a shaft down 50 feet with a drift toward the lake in 15 feet. They expect to strike the lead this week.

A warehouse has been built on Slocan lake at the mouth of Ten Mile by the owners of the Enterprise mine who are now shipping ore from that point.

D. M. Hyman and three others from Colorado have bonded the Enterprise group of mines on Ten-Mile creek, east of Slocan Lake for $300,000. In the group is the Enterprise, Enterprise Fraction and Slocan Queen. They paid $50,000 down, $100,000 is to be paid May 1st '97 and the balance July 1st. A large amount of development work has been done. Two cars of ore shipped to the smelter have netted $3,417. They expect to ship ten tons daily soon.

The Omaha and Grant Smelting Company has closed a contract with the Slocan Star for its output for 1897. The ore will be hauled over the C. P. R. all rail to Omaha.

The Whitewater has made several shipments to the Kaslo sampling works. A rich specimen from the mine is composed of grey copper and galena and is worth a dollar a pound. It weighs 35 pounds.

A contract has been let by the Globe Mining and Milling Company to run a tunnel on the Lardo. The Victoria belongs to the company both being near Kootenay Lake. The ore assays from $35 to $70 in gold silver and galena.

The Greenhorn has had 150 feet of tunnelling done and in one place for a distance of 80 feet it shows up one foot of solid ore carrying 100 ounces in silver. It is a big, strong vein and outside of the 30 feet mentioned, it is concentrating ore.

The Idaho shipped last month 200 tons of concentrates and crude ore, although the mill whs shut down one week. The average was 230 ounces of silver to the ton. There is ore for ten months in sight now. The Idaho was to have paid a dividend the 15th which would amount to $20,000.

John McNeill and four men will work all winter on the Empire, running a 200 foot tunnel to tap the vein at a depth of 150 feet. In addition to this work, 100 feet of tunnelling has already been done. The showing from the surface is excellent assays giving from 100 to 200 ounces in silver and 70 per cent in lead. Shipping will be commenced in the spring.

HALL MINE DIRECTORS.

Majority of Old Board Selected.—No Change Expected.

A cablegram received in Nelson today from London states that the meeting of the shareholders of the Hall Mines, Ld., resulted in the re-election of the majority of the old board of directors and said further that there would be no change in the general management of the company.

THE HALL MINES.

Facilities Added that Will Increase the Output.

The machinery at the mine is now all in place and is sufficient to admit of the mining of over 200 tons of ore per day, the lower tunnel is in 600 feet and it is expected the first large body of ore will be reached in a few days, the tunnel (which is a double tracked 9x8 working tunnel) will be continued about 500 feet more when the main body of ore is expected to be reached, it is being pushed forward at the rate of four feet per day. At present between 70 and 80 miners are employed stoping and prospecting the mine and about the same number on the outside. The electric light plant is now being installed in the mine and is expected to be in full working order early next week.

A Smelter for Nelson.

Nelson is soon to have the biggest smelter in the Northwest. Because of the large amount of development work and the tons of ore that are ready to ship and the rich new camps which will be opened up in the Kootenay Lake district, capitalists have decided that there is a field here for a large smelter.

English representatives have looked over the situation and decided to build a smelter at this place and have selected a site on the flat below the town. It is reported the smelter will cost no less than a million of dollars. The capitalists who are interested have gone to London to float their bonds. All the arangements are practically completed.—Spokane Chronicle.

CHURCH NOTICES.

SUNDAY 19th December, 1896.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND. Matins 11 a.m. Even Song, 7.30 p. m. every Sunday. Holy Communion on 1st and 3rd Sundays in the mouth at 8 a. m; on 2nd and 4th Sundays, after Matins. Sunday School at 2.30 p. m.

Christmas Day: Friday Dec. 25th, Holy Communion at 8 a. m. Choral Matins and Communion at 11 a. m. Anthem: "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel." Simpers.

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. Epworth League C.E. Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Married.

On December 16, by the Rev. H. S. Akehurst, Charles Walcroft of Robson, to Ismay, youngest daughter of the late Thomas Onion. Mr. and Mrs. Walcroft have taken up their residence at Robson, where Mr. Walcroft is in the employ of the C.P.R.

An Insane Man Dies.

W. Walters, an insurance man formerly of Spokane died at the general hospital this morning and will probably be buried this afternoon. He was brought here in a demented condition from the Hot Springs, Upper Arrow Lake last Tuesday.

WERE CLOSE TO DEATH.

A WRECK AND NARROW ESCAPE ON THE C. & K. ROAD.

Coach Load of People Were Nearly Precipitated into the River From a Trestle Nine Miles From Nelson.

A wreck occurred on the C. & K. road about nine miles out of Nelson last Thursday afternoon and so narrowly was a serious and probably fatal accident averted, that some of the passengers on the train shivered in horror as they made their way out of the coach. The second car in front of the passenger coach sprung a rail just at the begining of the trestle which bridges the river at that point. The following car and the coach left the rails and after bumping over the ties of the trestle came to a standstill within a few inches of toppling over the edge into the river below. Mr. R. McDonald, one of the passengers in describing the accident said:

"The train was running at its ordinary speed from Robson to Nelson and when it got within about nine miles of its destination a freight car dislodged a rail and the baggage car and passenger coach which were following it, went on the ties of the trestle and gradually edged out toward the river. The freight car succeeded in getting across the trestle and after breaking the coupling of the baggage car, plunged into the earth on the brink of the declivity to the river. The freight car was badly damaged but the baggage and passenger cars were not hurt. We disembarked as best we could and with our hand baggage came into town in a box car. There were a number of passengers in the car at the time of the accident but no excitement of any kind was discernable, probably owing to the fact that there was hardly time to realize what had happened. When we came to a standstill and saw the car on the point of plunging into the abyss below we then realized how serious the accident might have been. They say a miss is as good as a mile but for my part I would prefer the mile. The fall at that place is considerable and had the car gone over it would probably have resulted fatally for more than one of us."

DANCE AT HALL MINES.

It is Largely Attended and Thoroughly Enjoyed by All.

The house warming in connection with the opening of the Hall Mines Ld., new boarding house took place on the invitation of the miners yesterday. The invitations were on the lavish scale usual to miners and sleighs were provided to take all guests to the mine and back. Between 70 and 80 persons from Nelson availed themselves of the privilege.

Mrs. Davys was a charming hostess and made everyone feel thoroughly at home. The ball opened with the grand march, Mrs. Paul Johnson and Mr. M. S. Davys leading, followed by Mrs. Davys and Mr. Croasdaile and dancing was kept up until about 4 a. m., when a most enjoyable time terminated with the singing of "God Save the Queen."

The proceedings were varied by songs, duets, etc. Mrs. Davys sang the old favorite "The song that reached my heart," with her usual good taste and was heartily applauded. Mr. Hardy sang a solo, and with Mr. Blowett sang the duet "Larboard Watch" in good style and had a hearty encore. An old carol or anthem sung by six of the men was well received, some of the voices being particularly good. Some very good step dancing by three of the men was highly appreciated.

Mr. Davys the mine superintendent assisted Mrs. Davys and with Mr. Croasdaile the commercial manager, Mr. Turner the foreman of the mine, and Mrs. Turner, B. C. R. Walby, Hinton, J. H. Gannon and other members of the committee of management did everything in their power to promote the comfort and pleasure of their guests who numbered altogether about 250.

A Great Northern Wreck.

A Great Northern special freight train on Monday, near Sand Point, ran into a land slide. The engine and ten cars fell into the Pend O'Reille river. The engineer and fireman jumped, sustaining severe injuries, none of which however, are expected to be fatal.

A Terrible Catastrophe.

The North German Steamship Company's liner Salier was wrecked on December 10 off the north coast of Spain and all passengers and the crew perished. The passengers consisted of 113 Russians, 36 Galicians, 61 Spaniards and one German. There were 65 men in the crew. It is believed that the steamer struck the Corrobdo rocks off the southwest coast of Coruna.

HIS RIBS WERE BROKEN.

A Log Crushes in the Side of Mr. Matthews Seriously Injuring Him.

Early in the week a man by the name of James Matthews had two or three ribs broken while working by a log chute above the N. & F. S. railway track, just beyond the town. His partner who was some distance higher than he was, accidentally rolled a log into the chute and as it neared the place where Matthews was standing, it jumped out of its track and swinging around, struck him heavily on the side. He was brought to town for treatment.

The Finishing Touches.

The finishing touches have been made on the Columbia and Red Mountain railroad. The last bridge has been made solid and the rails laid. It is stated tickets over it will be sold today. The ferry which is to be used for transporting cars across the Columbia at Northport will soon be supplanted by a modern railroad bridge.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

There were 22 locations filed for record in the Nelson office during the past week.

Dr. Hall has removed his office to the corner of Victoria and Josephine streets.

The B. C. Syndicate sent 250 pounds of ore samples to London this week.

Miss W. Blake of this city is visiting friends in Spokane.

C. E. Race and R. W. Bryan of Kaslo were in Nelson during the week.

Mr. L. Shaw of Ainsworth, manager of the No. 1 mine was in town Thursday.

A. H. Buchanan, manager of the bank of Montreal, paid a visit to Spokane last Thursday.

Rachel Cohn and Thomas B. May, both of Nelson, were married at Spokane this week.

The bank of British Columbia this week exported 12.55 ounces of gold dust valued at $250.

Mr. H. Hirschel Cohen asks us to say that he has no business connection with Barney Barnato as reported by the Rossland papers.

E. L. Douglas, of 46 Pacific Avenue, Chicago, Ill., desires to know the whereabouts of his brother who is known by the name of "Spuds."

Traffic over the C. & K. lines is steadily increasing. On an average 60 carloads are taken south from Arrowhead every week.

J. J. Malone of the Tremont, has left for Toronto and will be away about a month, during his absence he has arranged that J. Campbell will act as captain of the fire brigade.

Mr. W. S. Drewry of the photo-topographical department of the province left on Thursday for Victoria where he will be engaged some time in superintending the conclusion of his work in the Kootenay district.

The Christmas entertainment in connection with the Methodist Sabbath School will be held in the church Christmas night, Friday, December 25th. There will be a Christmas tree, for the children and a programme by the children.

A grand charity ball will take place on Wednesday evening December 23 at Clements & Hillyer block on Baker street in aid of the Kootenay Lake General Hospital. The best music in the country has been engaged and during the evening refreshments will be served. Dancing commences at 8.30 p.m. and a large attendance is expected.

Mr. R. M. McDonald returned last Thursday from a trip to Victoria where he went to pass the examination which is necessary to entitle him to practice law in the province. He passed with honors and argued his first case before the supreme court before starting homewards. The case was that of Webb vs. Montgomery involving the construction of a mining contract. Judgement was reserved. Mr. McDonald was a legal practitioner for seven years in Toronto.

As stated in last week's issue of THE MINER, the Hall Mines smelter started its fires on Sunday and have been working steadily ever since. About 130 tons of ore are being handled daily and as it is of a superior quality the production of matte is correspondingly greater. The roaster and reverberatory furnaces will be ready for use as soon as they are housed.

WILLIAM ASTOR.

A Colored Barber Held For Assault at Trail.

William Astor, a colored man is in jail for attempted assault on the 16 year old daughter of Mr. White, of the Columbia hotel at Trail. The girl was making the beds, and while passing through the corridor met Astor, who tried to force her into one of the rooms. Her screams brought her father up. Just as he got to the head of the stairs Astor knocked him down with a stick of wood, and ran. He was captured by constable Sweeney on the river bank just below the smelter. At a preliminary hearing yesterday he was committed for trial and is now locked up in Rossland.

An All Rail Route.

The Spokane Falls & Northern, Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway is now advertising an all rail route between Spokane and Rossland. The completion of the Red Mountain railway completes the line and cars leave Spokane daily except Sundays at 7 a. m. and returning arrive at 7 p.m. As passengers will not be required to change cars between the points named, the trip will be more pleasant than in the past.

THE WEATHER.

THERMOMETER.

Dec. 13—	Max. 39°	Min. 31°
" 14—	37°	30°
" 15—	36°	26°
" 16—	36°	19°
" 17—	32°	20°
" 18—	32°	23°
" 19—	35°	28°

These readings are taken at 9 a. m. and consequently represent the highest and lowest temperature during the preceding 24 hours.

New Steamboat Line.

The Spokane Chronicle says that the Columbia & Western railway will at once establish a steamboat line between Robson and the Upper Arrow lakes where close connection can be made with the Canadian Pacific. They will build at once two large and fast steamers and have them ready for use by the time the railroad is finished from Trail to Robson. Barges will be constructed to handle freight easily.

A MOUNTAIN MISSIONARY

BY ALFRED R. CALHOUN.

CHAPTER I.

WHY HE WENT TO KENTUCKY.

Mr. Robert Peters, or Father Peters, as he was called by the mountaineers, was born in Ohio. He was a Campbellite clergyman, and ten years before the war he, with his wife and daughter, moved into the Cumberland mountains in southeastern Kentucky. Only an intense religious spirit could have induced Father Peters to leave his home in the rich lands of the western reserve and to take up his abode among the hills of the Cumberland range. It would be difficult in the United States to find a place and a people in more violent contrast with his old associates. Wealth, or at least comfort, and intelligence were the rule in northern Ohio. There was hardly an exception to poverty and ignorance in the new home.

But Father Peters, without giving a thought to the sacrifice he was making, felt that he was coming as a missionary to the heathen quite as much as if he had gone out to the heart of darkest Africa. He built a large double log cabin that was quite palatial and a model of home comfort in contrast with the cabins of his neighbors, and as he knew that the people were too poor to contribute to his support he broke up a little farm and astonished his neighbors by introducing agricultural appliances and methods such as they had never before heard of or dreamed of.

Soon after his arrival, and with no assistance from those whom he had come to benefit, Father Peters built a log meeting house across the rough mountain road from his home and sent word through the hills that hereafter there would be preaching every Sunday morning at Bradley's Crossing, as the place was called.

At first the people did not take kindly to the missionary. These mountaineers, while hospitable to passing strangers, do not favor the coming in of outsiders. The man who may not own an acre of rocky hillside is strong in the belief that the mountains round about are the exclusive property of himself and his kin. Then, again, while there were no slaves in this part of Kentucky, the people had a bitter hatred of abolitionists—a hatred that grew more intense as the day of strife approached. They believed that every northern man was an abolitionist, and at first they were inclined to think that Father Peters had come into the mountains to spread his pernicious political principles rather than to preach the gospel.

Although young enough to be her husband's daughter, Mrs. Peters threw herself heart and soul into his work. She was a woman of much culture and force of character, and before she had been a year in the mountains she established a school in the meeting house. Excepting Bradley, the blacksmith's, and the children of a family named Burns, that lived near by, the school was not attended. Neither the mountaineers nor their fathers had had any "book l'arnin," and so they reasoned that their children could get along without it, and then they had a dim notion that schools and abolition were closely related.

Gradually the meeting house became a rendezvous for the mountaineers for ten miles round. It was particularly popular in the summer season. Then groups of lank men and women, often accompanied by troops of ragged, tow-headed children, would come down the mountain trails every Sunday morning. The women, for comfort rather than economy, would carry their rough shoes in their hands and wash their feet and put on their foot covering by the little stream that brawled behind the meeting house. The men often carried their rifles with them to church, and it was the exception to find one who had not a pistol strapped about his waist. It was not unusual for the young men to indulge in target practice while the seniors were listening to Father Peters' sermon, and more than once the services were suddenly ended by a fight between two men who had met by appointment for that purpose.

But Father Peters' farm, quite as much as his preaching, helped to break up the stupid monotony of the mountaineers' methods. Heretofore they never dreamed that anything but potatoes, oats and corn could be raised in the hills. But gradually the preacher's young orchard of apples, plums, pears and peaches began to bear, and his vegetable garden was at once a revelation and a show of which the congregation never wearied on Sunday.

During the ten years that Father Peters preached and Mrs. Peters taught they never received one dollar from the people. The subject of compensation was never even hinted at, nor did the idea of a donation party ever enter their dull minds. Indeed they felt that they had a claim on the proceeds of the clergyman's labor, for they helped themselves from his orchard and garden without permission in advance or thanks afterward.

So matters went on till the fall of 1861. Although his ministrations had not been as successful as he at first expected, yet Father Peters was comforted with the belief that he had done some good for these rude people. He certainly suffered no pricks of conscience from a sense of neglected duty. Since his coming his daughter Ella had grown to be a beautiful young woman. His life focused in her, and in regarding her he forgot that the heavy hand of time was bowing his own shoulders and bleaching his hair like snow.

Bradley, the blacksmith, who was Mr. Peters' nearest neighbor, was a man of unusual physical strength, and before the coming of the preacher he had been noted as a fighter. Indeed he was credited with having killed more than one man. He had been shockingly brutal and profane and was known far and near as strong Dick Bradley to distinguish him from a cousin of the same name, who was not quite so strong. If the only good done by the clergyman had been the conversion of the blacksmith, his work in the mountains might well be considered a success. Bradley no longer swore nor drank, nor had he had a fight for years. This remarkable change, added to the fact that he was a man of few words, gave the impression to many that "religion had took all the pluck and snap out of strong Dick Bradley."

As the men in the hills all voted the Democratic ticket, the most exciting elections never created a ruffle among them, but as soon as it became known that the southern states had seceded and that war had come the stagnation was broken up, and the mountaineers evinced for the first time in their lives an awful anxiety to learn what was going on in the outside world. Bradley's blacksmith shop became a headquarters at which the war was discussed and men speculated as to the time when the strife would come to the hills, for they knew it must come as the only relief to the strain between the Union and disunion elements.

I have tried to point out in the course of these sketches that a majority of southern mountaineers were Union men, yet there were places where, without any apparent reason, the secession element largely predominated. This was certainly the case in Father Peters' neighborhood. As in most places, the secessionists were here the loudest in their abuse and the most eager for the war.

The old clergyman noted with alarm the change that had come over his congregation. As he was a northern man, they took it for granted, and they were right in the surmise that he was devoted to the Union. But, knowing that a loud protestation of his loyalty could do no good and might do a great deal of harm, he kept his views to himself and by every means in his power tried to pour oil on the troubled waters.

But when everybody else was so outspoken the reticence of Father Peters told against him, and the stories of his being an abolitionist which were so rife on his first coming were again revived, and this time with more bitterness, for the people believed the charge was true.

One night as Father Peters was reading in the little log annex he had built for a study the door opened without any preliminary knock, and strong Dick Bradley came softly in, and with an air of great mystery noiselessly closed the door behind him.

"I am glad to see you, Brother Bradley," said the clergyman. "Sit down and tell me the news, for you are in a position to learn what is going on hereabout."

The blacksmith pulled his chair nearer, and with his big hands to the sides of his mouth to shield his voice he whispered:

"I'm sorry to tell yo', Father Peters, that there's trouble a-brewin harabout, and lots of hit."

"Trouble to whom, Brother Bradley?"

"Can't yo' guess?"

"I cannot."

"Waal, hit's to yo' and yours," said the blacksmith, with an emphatic shake of the head.

"But surely no one could wish to annoy me. I did not think I had an enemy in the world," said the alarmed clergyman.

"That's jest hit," responded Bradley. "Thar hain't no one ez doesn't allow yer the best preacher in the mountains, but the boys say they don't like yer politics, and so they'll make trouble."

Father Peters protested that he had not meddled in politics, and that since the breaking out of the war a few months before he had guarded his words that he might not give offense.

"That's hit. That's why they've got so doggone sespichis. Now, Father Peters, yo' know I've allus been a good friend of yer's, ez I should be a blamed dog not to be, seeing that you took me by the hand and led me up to the light, bless the Lor! But thar's dainjah all about we uns, mos' powaphul dainjah, ez me and the wife allowed this night. And we said that ef so be yo' could go no'th fo' awhile till the trouble kinder blows ovah that hit'd be bettah fo' yo' and fo' yer friends."

More than once Father Peters and his wife and daughter had discussed this very question, but the old man's strong sense of duty and his innate courage led him to draw back from the serious consideration of a course that meant the abandonment of his missionary work, for he knew that if he left in the circumstances he could never return with the hope of being useful. He pointed out these arguments to Bradley and added:

"If I were to fly north with my family at this time, I have no assurance that they would let me depart in peace. It is not six weeks since a teacher named White who was trying to make his way from Tennessee to Portsmouth, O., was murdered in these hills, and his body might be bleached up the mountain if you and I had not carried it down and given it Christian burial behind the meeting house."

"That's a fac', Father Peters, and hit was jest coz we uns buried that thar pore feller Christian ez we did that made some of the folks so doggone mad and sespichis. Of course they know I'm a Union man cl'ar through and through, but they remembahs the time whin I wasn't a Christian fo' shucks and could lay out a regoment of 'em two at a time. They kinder s'pects, and mebbe they're not so fur outen the way, that thar's a right smart of the old Adam about me yit. Now, ef yo' think that the good Lor would ruther yo'd stay right har and do yer plum', squar' jooty, I reckon yo'll find me on his side and yo'rn, let the wind blow high or the wind blow low. And, bless the God of Israel, Father Peters, thar's my hand on hit!"

The two men shook hands, and then they knelt down, and, to use Bradley's expression, "wrastled powahfully with the Lor in prayah."

This conversation was had on Friday, and the following Sunday being a pleasant Indian summer day the people began to swarm down from the hills earlier than usual, and the old clergyman noted with pain that nearly all the men carried their rifles, a habit that he had induced them to give up for some years before the war.

Heretofore these people, for whom he had toiled so long and so hard without any compensation, always saluted him with a boisterous heartiness, but this morning they met Father Peters' salutations with curt nods and clouded brows. Even the Union men held aloof, for they were in the minority and knew that the slightest indiscreet act might precipitate the trouble which was prophesied every day and expected at any moment.

Het Magoone was at meeting this morning. He was a great, hulking, brutal desperado. He had killed a number of men, and the more peaceful stood in awe of him, for at the best of times law was only a name in the mountains, but at this time it had not even a shadow of existence.

Het Magoone was the leader of the desperate element that had come to the conclusion that Father Peters was a

They wrestled powerfully in prayer.

black abolitionist, and as this, to their brutal and ignorant minds, was the greatest crime of which any man could be guilty they could not receive with respect the religious teachings of the old man. It was known that Het Magoone's hatred was due to the fact that Ella Peters had rejected his advances and that her father insisted that the ruffian should cease his visits. Despite the discouragement of these rebuffs the fellow would have kept on had not Strong Dick Bradley led him to one side one day and told him, with much of his old time vigor of speech, that if he did not keep away from Father Peters' house he, Dick Bradley, would consider it his duty to "lay him out," preliminary to which he would "break his neck like a pipe stem."

This particular Sunday morning Het Magoone swaggered about like a man who felt himself to be master of the situation and wanted others to acknowledge the fact. He stood in the meeting house door, and with much profanity shouted his salutations to the newcomers. When the clergyman and his wife approached, it was thought that Het Magoone would bar their entrance. This certainly was his purpose, as he afterward confessed, but the appearance of the blacksmith on the scene induced him to postpone action.

Father Peters walked back to the little platform at the farther end of the meeting house, and here, as was his custom, he knelt down for silent prayer, and a few of the congregation went through the form of following his example.

As but very few of the congregation could read, hymnbooks were not used. The clergyman read out a hymn two lines at a time, and the singing that followed, which Ella Peters and her mother tried to lead, was not a very high order of sacred music. Father Peters adjusted his glasses, cleared his throat and was about to announce the hymn when Het Magoone stood up near the door and called out:

"Hold on thar, Father Peters!"

"What is it?" asked the astonished pastor.

"Afoah yo' uns ken do any moah preachin in these yar hills we uns'd like fo' to know jist how yo' stand," and Het Magoone fondled his rifle as a mother fondles her child.

"This is certainly an extraordinary proceeding in the house of God," said the old man tremulously, but with dignity.

"So hit is," continued Het Magoone, "but these har is mos' stormy times, ez every one'll allow. Now, Father Peters, I want you to answer me some questions. Will yo' do hit?"

"Let me hear them."

"Hain't yo' a Yankee?" this with a wink to his friends.

"I was born north of the Ohio. If that makes me a Yankee," said the old man with spirit, "I suppose I am one."

"Waal, yo' couldn't 'a' denied hit without lyin. Now, some of wo uns hez been talkin this ovah, and we allows that yo' kem down here ten year or so ago to play the spy."

"That is false," said the old man, his eyes aglow and his form trembling with excitement. "As God is my judge, I came here with my wife and little one that I might be the humble instrument of saving the people. What, I ask you, could I spy out that is not known"—

"We uns know that yer a black Republican!" shouted Het Magoone, and he added an oath that shocked even his associates.

"I am not a black Republican. It is perhaps unnecessary for me to say that neither in the last election nor indeed in any election within my memory has a Republican vote been cast in Laurel county, Ky."

It was the case of the wolf and the lamb over again. Het Magoone had come prepared to worry and humiliate Father Peters, and the fact that he had not the slightest ground for his attack did not change him from his purpose.

"Yo'd 'a' voted the Republican ticket ef yo'd had a chance," shouted Magoone. Then, with the manner of a man

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about to play a card that could not be beaten, he asked, "Hain't yo' fo' the Union?"

Without a moment's hesitation Father Peters responded:

"I am a citizen of Kentucky, and as Kentucky is still in the Union I must be a Union man."

"But ef so be Kentucky was to secede, would yo' be a Union man then?"

"God giving me strength, I would," was the fervent response.

"Thar! Didn't I tell yo' uns he was fo' the Union, and a man that's fo' the Union is a black Republican and a abolitionist," shouted Het Magoone.

"And I say that's a d——d lie!"

That there might be no mistake as to the man who had given expression to this forcible opinion strong Dick Bradley got up, and with his right hand thrown back under his coat, a gesture which even the children present understood, he walked over and stood beside the preacher.

The women became very nervous, and many of the men turned ashy pale and moved toward the door.

"Dick Bradley, this ain't no sarcus o' yourn," said Het Magoone, but his brutal bearing was toned down, and there was that in the eyes and movements of the thick lips that told he was not pleased with the bearing of the blacksmith. But, gaining confidence as he remembered that two-thirds of the 60 men present were his partisans, he continued: "We uns who's fo' the south ken wait to git even with yo' uns who's fo' the Union. Thar's plenty of time to settle them things, but what we want now is to git rid of a man f'om the no'th who comes down har ez a spy and purtendin that hit's God Almighty's religin. Father Peters, yo've preached yo'r last sarmint in these har hills."

"Who says so?" demanded Bradley.

"We uns."

"And who's yo' uns?"

"Me and my friends."

"Neither yo' nor yer friends owns a splinter of this house. From foundation log to clapboard hit's owned by the man ez built hit—the man ez kem down heah to lead us to do right—but thar's some men so give ovah to sin, Het Magoone among 'em, that they're bound to be damned, and I'm mighty glad of hit. Now, yo' uns that don't want to heah Father Peters preach is free to leave. But, by G—, the next man ez tries to break up our worship will find himself needin a hull new top to his head!"

Strong Dick Bradley, although using this strong language, appeared to be the coolest man in the meeting house, but there was no one within the hearing of his voice who did not know that he was making no idle threat. Motioning to his friends to follow him, Magoone strode out of the house, and a meeting was held at the door. The preacher and his followers were denounced in language of unquestionable vigor, every word of which could be heard inside, and men who had through years received favors at the old man's hands threatened that if he did not leave the mountains at once they would hang him.

But even those who remained back with Father Peters were in no mood for devotion. They saw that the dreaded time had come and that from this day on till the end the old friends, neighbors and kinsmen must stand face to face in a life and death struggle.

At Mrs. Peters' suggestion her husband's friends left the church and gathered in the study, but even here they could hear the shouting and the swearing, punctuated now and then by the startling discharge of pistols.

Following the old man's example, all who could crowd into the little room knelt down, and those who could not knelt within hearing outside. As Father Peters called on heaven for help and light, the men and women, with eyes closed and bodies swaying, wrought themselves up to a state of camp meeting excitement till at length the appeals of the preacher were drowned in shouts of "Hallelujah," "Glory to God," "Send down the light, O Mastah," "Amen and Amen" and "Heah the prayahs of sinners."

At last the fervor died out from exhaustion, though still the kneeling women sobbed and the men groaned. Father Peters had just risen to his feet when he heard a cry outside—a cry that was taken up by the men, women and children. All rushed out to see a black pillar of smoke shooting up from the meeting house. It had been fired by Het Magoone and his friends, who now danced about the burning building and fired off their pistols and howled like so many drunken savages.

CHAPTER II.

THE FIRST UNION LEAGUE.

The war had come to Bradley's Crossing. The little Salem meeting house in which the Union men under Father Peters had so often and so fervently prayed for peace was a smoldering ruin. The men who had burned it down were as savagely jubilant over their work as if they had won a great battle against great odds, and the Union men were correspondingly despondent.

Strong Dick Bradley and the men who had been converted in the little meeting house were startled at the destruction. They had come to speak of the place as "the house of God," and this meant to them not simply a place for worship, but a structure sanctified by the divine presence and under the divine care, and as such as safe against fire as the hills themselves.

"Why did God let the house burn?" "Why did he permit his people, and particularly so good a man as Father Peters, to be persecuted?" "Why did he not smite hip and thigh the profane wretches who had done this thing?"

These were the questions that puzzled the Union men who belonged to the church, and failing to receive a satisfactory answer the most soundly converted felt that he was falling from grace, and that if the Lord did not afford miraculous help at once he must sever the connection, for the time being at least, and try to help himself after the old mountain methods.

A habit supposed to be dead invariably asserts itself with greater force after it is resurrected. This was certainly the case with strong Dick Bradley, the blacksmith. He had been noted for his profanity among a people where even the children lisp in oaths. He had been famed as a fighter in a community where the ability to fight is regarded as the highest and noblest attribute of manhood, and where the desperado who has killed his man or men is envied as the wild Indians envy the warrior who has taken the most scalps.

It was generally believed that the blacksmith's religion, while making him a safer and so a more desirable neighbor, had entirely unmanned him, and that even so arrant a braggart as Het Magoone could safely treat him with contempt and set him at defiance. But strong Dick Bradley's religion, or at least that part of it that had curbed his tongue and his arm, went up and vanished in the smoke of the meeting house, and for four terrible years both had full swing.

While Bradley's religion had received so severe a check, the effect of this attack was to turn his earnest mission feelings into a blind fanaticism that was to find delight in conflagrations and a soothing comfort in blood. Father Peters, who had just been praying by the blacksmith's side, and now stood holding his arm while they watched the play of the flames destroying the mission, forgot his own danger and his own loss as he noted the old, black scowl on the face and the devilish light flashing up in the deep gray eyes of strong Dick Bradley.

"If Jesus Christ won't pertect the place we uns hez fixed up snug fo' him, that's his look out. Hit'll be a d——d long time afoah he hez another so good a show in these hills. But, by the great Eternal, the men ez hez did this'll have to pay the insurance in blood! Hold thar! Het Magoone, God cuss yo' fo' a dog and a coward! I've got somethin to say afoah yo' uns ride off!"

The last sentence was addressed to Het Magoone, who was now about to mount the horse on which he had come.

The people who had been praying and the people who had been shouting about the fire and Het Magoone himself were startled by the blacksmith's voice and manner. All saw that the Christian blacksmith had gone, and that the strong and savage Dick Bradley of a few years before had come back. Magoone obeyed the summons, for he knew, as did all his supporters, that the first sign of disobedience would have been the signal for a bullet in his heart.

Het Magoone had 40 men with him. All were armed with rifles and pistols. The very fact that they carried these weapons showed that they were prepared for a fight and expected one. Physically it is safe to say there was not a downright coward in the lot. Well led, there was not a man of them, not even the brutal, swaggering Het Magoone, who could not have been held in line against overwhelming numbers till the last one fell in his tracks, and who could not have been carried on in an assault, though certain that not one could return, but at sight of strong Dick Bradley, and at the sound of his voice, the strongest trembled and became, for the time, more obedient than if not so weak as a child.

Ignoring the fact, if indeed he was aware of it, that Father Peters was clinging to his arm, the blacksmith strode right through the crowd about the church until he stood face to face with Het Magoone. The clergyman's daughter, to whom I am indebted for an account of what preceded this and what is to follow, followed her father, fearing for his safety. Although as true and brave a woman as ever lived and quite as self possessed as if she had spent all her life in the best society, Ella Peters was paralyzed with alarm when she saw the change that had come over the man who hitherto had been more gentle than a girl to her and hers.

"Het Magoone, yo' kem har today to raise h—ll! Don't lie, yo' dog, and say yo' didn't! Waal, yo've riz hit, and now, by the great Eternal, I'll send yo' thar!"

The blacksmith raised his arm, and giant though Magoone was he towered over him. The horse kept the now cowed desperado from retreating, and he did not dare to touch his rifle or one of the many pistols belted to his waist.

At this juncture Father Peters threw himself between the two men. His hat was off, and the wind blew his white hair about his bare, thin face. He was the one man who did not fear strong Dick—mad Dick Bradley.

"In God's name, Brother Bradley! In God's name, have patience! Oh, my prayers and my lessons, my son, have you forgotten them? Wait! Wait! Prayers and patience! Prayers and patience!" and he threw his thin arms about the raised arm of the giant and it fell—with a sob.

"I've obeyed yo' too long," groaned the blacksmith, "to brak' off all a-suddentlike. But, Father Peters, yo' mout's well have let me did today what I'll be 'bleeged fo' to do tomorrer or next day." Then, addressing Magoone:

"Het, way back when me and yo' wuz boys, yer father sneaked upon my father, way down at Loudon, and kilt him. Hit was a coward's deed, and I 'lowed when yo' and me growed up I'd have blood for blood, and yo' knowed hit, too, for you kep' outer my way and went to live down Tennessee way. Then Father Peters kim, and I got right smart of religin, and yo' felt hit safe to come back and hit wuz safe, so long's the religin lasted.

"But she's gone, gone a-flickerin in that fiah yo' uns made today. Father Peters staid my ahm too, not on account of religin, but c[illegible] I love him, and I'm a-goin to stand by him, and, by the great Eternal, I want yo' uns fah and neah to know hit! Go yer way with yer people and make ready. I'll stay back har with my kin and friends and prepah. And bear in mind, Het Magoone, when we uns meet agin, thar'll be blood, and I won't ax God to have mercy on the dead. Now go, d—n yo'!"

The desperado swung into the saddle, and then his followers sent up a gasp of relief. Not at all ashamed of their work, but with their feelings against Father Peter somewhat allayed, Magoone and his gang, on foot and on horseback, started into the hills.

Then the old clergyman assembled his friends before the ruin and addressed them. He counseled patience and peace. He implored them to avoid gatherings and not to talk, even with those they were sure of, on the subject now exciting the land. This done, he called on all to kneel and to join with him in prayer, and all did so excepting the blacksmith, who, with folded arms, watched the blue smoke pillar rising from the ruin.

"Brother Bradley," said the old clergyman when he had concluded, "will you lead us in prayer?"

Strong in everything he did, the blacksmith, during his years of grace, had developed a decided talent for prayer. There were a force and a rude eloquence about the man very effective with people of impressionable natures.

"Father Peters," he replied, "I can't pray. Hit don't seem jist the thing fo' me to pray to Jesus Christ when he stands by and sees a lot of cussed rebils burn down the house we uns built fo' him. He had the powah to strike 'em dead like lightnin, but did he do hit? Not much. Thar's a heap of coals and ash whar the church was, and thar's that d——d Het Magoone off safe with his gang, whin I should a smashed in his skull like the shell of a bird egg and then flung him into the fiah."

Father Peters tried to reason with his friend. He repeated all the wise and trite things about the mysterious ways of Providence, the power of prayer, the necessity of keeping alive the faith, and the certainty that truth would triumph; but, while still loving and respecting the noble old man, the blacksimth was in no mood to be comforted by words. In effect he replied in this way, and on the men it was evident that his words had a stronger influence than the prayers and exhortations of Father Peters:

"I've got so that I can spell out a few words in the good book, but my youngest boy's got moah downright l'arnin, fo' he's readin jography. Still I can think, and I do think right smart, and har's what I've been a-thinkin this blessed day, and I say hit without meanin no disrespect fo' Father Peters nor his kin, fo' I love 'em all, God bless 'em!

"But, after long months of waitin and prayin, the wah, ez we uns tried to pray off, hez come to the Cumberland hills, and hit do look powahful like to me ez ef she'd come fo' a mighty long visit. Wah means fightin and fiah and blood and death! Wah and religin can't nevah gee. Yo' can't yoke 'em. One pulls no'th, the other south. One means trustin in God, which is all mighty nice and comfortin in peace; the other means trustin to yerse'f and yer rifle, and that's the only thing to do in time of wah. I'll go home from har and mold bullets in the forge while the lead holds out, and I'll take the good book fo' waddin, to help kill the foes of the Lor, d—n 'em!

"Go to yer homes, folks, and think hit ovah. Tell yer wives and chillen, yo' uns ez ken tote rifles, that yo'll be 'bleeged to leave 'em mighty soon, fo' the ch'ice'll come to be shot down like dogs in these hills or to git together and fight our way to the old flag. The men that fired the meeting house today b'foah our eyes, tonight may burn our cabins ovah our heads. If so be they don't do hit, hit won't be coz they don't want to, but coz they're skeert. A man with a rifle will have moah powah to keep 'em low than fifty thousand million meetin houses full of folks a prayin.

"So that's why I think religin's all right in hits place, and hit may give a powah of comfort to the wimmin when we uns hez to light out, but ez fo' me I'm in fo' wah, and I feel that I'll be 'bleeged to give my religin a rest till we decide with our rifles whether a lot of d——d ribils or we Union men is a-gwine to hev the free run of the hills along the Cumberland. Thar, that's all I have to say, and hit's right smart moah than I 'tended to say when I sot out."

Father Peters saw that it would be folly to attempt to change the blacksmith or to try to hold to his own peaceful views the Union mountaineers that heard him. And then, as his daughter confessed in telling the story, he fully appreciated the force of the blacksmith's reasoning about the war, though the change in the man's religious views had on him a most discouraging effect.

Even the women and children present on this occasion seemed to realize that the war had come to the hills, but they made no outcry, gave no sign of nervousness. If anything indeed, they appeared to rejoice at the prospect of an excitement that would break in on the dull and brutalizing monotony of their lives.

Promising to keep to themselves and to come together at Bradley's Crossing when the danger became more threatening, the people went sadly to their cabins in the mountains, and that night the children greased patches, the women molded bullets, and, with the grim stolidity of Indians preparing for the warpath, the men made ready their arms. Father Peters went home with his wife and daughter with the feeling of a man who has tried to do his duty and will not be deterred by failure from continuance. He was at this time over 70 years of age, and although never physically vigorous he was active, and his mind was as clear and his hope as strong and his desire to save his fellow men as fervid as when he was 40. He did not come of a race that could be cowed or discouraged. He had the Puritanical temper that is slow to wrath unless that wrath is kindled by the divine spark, when it becomes a devouring fire for the glory of God.

After supper that night the old man said to his wife and daughter:

"I have been praying for the light,

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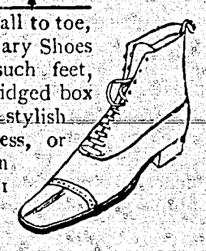

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Arrives Trail	4:00 p.m
No. 3 Leaves Trail	9:00 a.m
Arrives Rossland	10:00 a.m
No. 1 Leaves Trail	5:00 p.m
Arrives Rossland	5:45 p.m

All trains run daily on Pacific standard time. Connections: Columbia & Kootenay Steam Navigation Company's steamboats, Spokane Falls & Northern Railway via Northport, and Canadian Pacific Railway via Revelstoke.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act incorporating a Company for the purpose of supplying power, light and heat by electricity, to the inhabitants, cities, towns, villages, mines, smelters, and tramways in West Kootenay District; and also for the purpose of generating power, light and heat as aforesaid to appropriate, divert and use the water from the Pend O'Reille River and tributaries thereto, and for all other necessary rights, powers, privileges as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 13th day of Nov., 1896.

A. MAINWARING-JOHNSON, Solicitor for the applicants.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned as hotel keepers at the Royal Hotel, Nelson has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Tom Booth retiring.

All debts due by and owing to the late partnership will be received and discharged by Mr. Pidro Cherbo, who will continue the late business as formerly at the Royal Hotel, Stanley street, Nelson.

TOM BOOTH
PIDRO CHERBO

Witness: E. T. H. SIMPKINS.

468.28-11-6

Dissolution of Copartnership.

The partnership existing between Angus C. Buchanan and George W. Robinson, doing a grocery and general mercantile business at Nelson and North Fork, under the firm name of Buchanan & Robinson, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

ANGUS C. BUCHANAN
GEORGE W. ROBINSON

Nelson, B. C., November 14th, 1896.

NOTICE.

Angus C. Buchanan will continue the business as before, under the name of A. C. Buchanan & Co., who assumes all the liabilities of the said firm, and all debts due the said firm are to be paid to him.

ANGUS C. BUCHANAN.

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Panther's Tooth Brooch, gold mounted; initialled, C. E. P. Anyone finding it will be suitably rewarded by returning the same to Dr. Hall. 484-12-12-6.

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The compliments of the season to all.

The Baldwin Locomotive Works and the Westinghouse Electrical Company, working together have turned out a lightning express locomotive which it is said runs 120 miles an hour.

One good thing which the incorporation of Nelson would no doubt accomplish would be the taxing of travelling tailors, dressmakers, etc. Thousands of dollars are taken out of the town every year, money which should be spent in the stores at home.

The Salvation Army is having a great deal of trouble with drunken men who persist in annoying them while they are holding services. The army is composed of a band of devoted people who are trying to do good and even if people do not agree with their methods it is no reason why they should molest the members or interfere with the services.

Subscribers who fail to receive THE MINER regularly will confer a favor if they will report the matter to this office. The paper is regularly mailed to all subscribers, but there has been considerable complaint from the Slocan and other districts and unless a better postal service is given in the future, the matter will be called to the attention of the authorities.

In commenting on the burial of John Ingersol, the Tribune does so in words which might be thought to reflect on the ministers of Nelson. We have made enquiries and find that no minister was asked to officiate, and we are only doing them the barest justice when we say that whether Methodist, Presbyterian, Catholic or Church of England, they are at all times and under all circumstances ready and wishful to perform such duties.

We hope the minister in whose department the photo-topographical survey is, has not forgotten the fact that a map of Nelson district was finished about nine months ago, and we believe has been in the hands of the lithographers for nearly six months, it is surely about time that the people for whose benefit this map is supposed to be made, had a chance of looking at it. Mr. Carlyle's reports on Alberni and Trail were doubly valuable because issued quickly.

D. R. Ker, president of the Victoria Board of Trade, lately returned from Edmonton. The Vancouver World says: Mr. Ker states business in Alberta is good and the people in the best possible spirits. Prices are advancing, and the prospects for railway building in parts of Alberta and south east British Columbia give the people strongest hopes for better times. "But" said Mr. Ker, "we must have a direct line of railway from the coast into Kootenay and that at the earliest possible date." Bring on your railway Mr. Ker as soon as possible, the sooner the better for the people of West Kootenay.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Christmas! Merry, merry Christmas! How many times the past month has that day of all days been thought of in Nelson, how many anxious little ones, and those of larger growth as well, are counting the days till the happy 25th? Visions of toys, candies without limit and all the dear familiar, privileges accorded children on this day from time immemorial, flit through each childish brain and brighten their visions at night. God grant that there is not one little child in all Nelson who will waken on Christmas morning to learn that for them there is no Christmas joy and happiness; that while others are displaying gleefully the wonderful creations Santa Claus brought them in his pack of delights, always full for good children, for one at least no Christmas tree gleamed and twinkled with its myriads of lights, the little stockings hung empty and forlorn in the Christmas dawning. Out of our abundance let us remember the dear Christ child whose birth we celebrate on his natal day-Christmas!

No one in all the broad land is too old to enjoy Christmas. If the present is not to them as it was when they were young, what memories it brings to all, how it softens every heart, the coldest and hardest cannot remain so under the cheery good nature which beams from every countenance. Old wrongs on this day are forgotten; those who work unceasingly all the year, forget their cares and are happy this one day of the weary year. It is the day for Christmas greenery, for holly, and if possible a bit of mistletoe. The day for turkey, plum pudding, and all the attendant dainties.

Above all it is the day to not only be happy oneself but to try to make others so. Not by costly gifts, but by kindly actions, cheerful greetings, and generous hospitality for those who have no home, if your means will allow. Many a lonely heart, full of memories of happier days has been saved from despair by the word in season, a little friendly greeting. See that the stranger in our midst is at least given a hearty Christmas greeting and a friendly handclasp. Let us all feel and govern our actions so it will come to pass, that Tiny Tim's prayer, "God Bless Us Every One" will be answered.

WANTED, A GOLD COMMISSIONER.

The Province in its last issue commenting upon the Tribune's plea for squatters on Government lands to whom Captain Fitzstubbs has issued notice to quit, says: "The plea of poverty is manifestly absurd because the worst offenders happen to be among the most well-to-do folks of Nelson," and says further: "The Government should stand no nonsense on this matter but carry it through with a firm hand. It is just this firm hand that is unfortunately conspicuously absent from Governmental undertakings. Mr. Clive Phillips Wooley has given the people a taste of it and like a cold tub in the morning it made them shiver at first but they felt all the better for it afterwards."

What the people of this district want is certainly a man who has a firm hand, but what they do not want is a man who carries things with a high hand, who cannot be argued with, or spoken to, on any subject without giving the man who approaches him the feeling that his views are something to this effect, "Well my poor man I have to listen to you, but really you know nothing about the subject. I get my orders from Victoria and they have to be carried out, and if you do not know this you must be more or less idiotic." What Government officials want to understand is that they are the servants of the public, and not its masters, and for that reason we are against the appointment of any man to the position of Gold Commissioner who is not in touch with the ordinary every day people. We confidently expect that a Gold Commissioner will be appointed for West Kootenay before very long, and we must impress upon the Premier that a really good appointment will do more to strengthen the hands of the government than anything at the present moment. We understand that the names of Clive Phillips Wooley of Victoria, J. R. Marsden of Pilot Bay, W. M. Newton of Rossland, and others are mentioned in this connection in Victoria and when it is definitely understood that Capt. Fitzstubbs will be found a position more congenial to him, we have no doubt there will be found among those applying, a thoroughly suitable man.

WILDCATS AGAIN.

Mr. W. Hamilton Merritt, who lately visited East and West Kootenay to a Winnipeg Free Press reporter said, "The favorable development up to the present is but the commencement of an important and permanent mineral production that in the aggregate will rival any other in the world." He had however a somewhat more conservative view of the situation than the promoter and mining brokers who are our chief visitors from the west. "Every mining camp as a rule only produces a few mines out of innumerable prospects and, with inadequate capital and lack of reliable information he fears that the greater number of schemes now being offered to the public will prove but 'wildcats' chiefly reared in the United States territory. He thinks it a little short of madness to risk as much as the public appears to be doing merely on the vendor's reports and statements."

Mr. Hamilton Merritt need, we think, be under no further fear as to the public in the future satisfying itself as to the real merit of any property placed before it. At any rate the newspapers of this district have spoken with no uncertain sound on this subject.

A great many minds have been exercised as to the exact definition of "wildcats," some properties so-called when first put on the market having since developed into what may prove good properties. But if the public before investing will satisfy themselves, first as to the reliability of the promoters, second, that the mine is paid for, crown granted, or the title perfect as far as the vendors are concerned, third, that sufficient capital will be provided to put the mine on a shipping basis, then they may safely invest the small sums asked for with the hope that the further development of the property will bring them some sure returns. What the public has most cause to fear is its own friends, who, travelling through the country and hearing statements of certain properties which were bought for small sums, and are now worth hundreds of thousands of dollars, and who having claims offered to them which to their inexperienced eyes seem very similar, become excited, and without consulting practical mining men, invest their few hundred dollars, afterwards unloading on their friends.

BRITISH COLUMBIA IN LONDON.

The London Financial Times in a leading article in its issue of November 21, says, "We had to record the appearance of the Canadian Gold Mining company on the London market. We believe that this is the first time that public subscriptions have been asked here on behalf of the Canadian gold mines. Public interest in the prospects of British Columbia, particularly as a gold field are increasing here, and the report of the British Columbia Board of Trade covering the year ended July last, and covering chiefly mining will therefore be read with attention. Very encouraging are the facts and figures there set forth, so much so indeed that there appears small room for doubt that plenty of scope will be found in the district ere long for the profitable employment of British capital; though as elsewhere great care must be used in selection. The mining laws of the country are very favorable to prospectors, and a hardy young fellow who can command a little capital and possesses some knowledge of mining might do worse than take his chances in that magnificent region."

The Financial Times is quite right. Any man with capital can do well in this country if he is steady and will take ordinary business precautions. At the same time men without capital, unless thoroughly practical miners or skilled workmen, are not wanted here, hard times in other districts having already driven too many here who are probably practical book keepers or office men but not used to the hardships inseparable from a new country like this.

CANADIANS IN WASHINGTON.

Mr. C. H. Lugrin, of Seattle, formerly editor of the Times of that city, and a New Brunswicker has written a long letter to the St. John's Globe. He asserts that there are 60,000 native born Canadians in western Washington, more Canadians in fact in the State of Washington than there are in the adjoining province of British Columbia, and yet if the two were compared, the Canadian province far surpasses the neighboring state in natural resources and opportunities which capital, energy and courage can turn to good account. The province is nearly four times as large as the State and has more timber, more gold, more silver, more coal, more iron, more copper more extensive fisheries, more grazing lands, probably no less area of arable lands and better geographical position with respect to the growing commerce of the Pacific ocean than the state to the south of it. Yet Washington has six times at least the population of British Columbia. Can the Canadian government and parliament attempt a more patriotic task than to discover a means whereby the Canadian portion of the Pacific-Northwest can keep step with its neighbor to the south in the great march of progress which has now begun.

THEY SHOULD SEEK KNOWLEDGE.

The Alberta Plaindealer says: "Recent comments of the Toronto Sun have been unfavorable to the building of the Crow's Nest Pass railroad. It would seem as though the Sun was one of those hidebound eastern papers that cannot see the interests of the country that lies beyond its nose, but believes that the American lines between Spokane and Rossland furnish all the transportation facilities that Canadians should desire. Such twaddle makes us tired."

We have not seen the articles referred to, but the Toronto Sun has evidently no idea of the large amount of business that would be opened up by the line in question. Should Mr. Blair, minister of railways happen to pass through Toronto on his return an interview with him might possibly alter their views on the subject. Failing him, let them send their young man around to the various brokers' offices in Toronto where no doubt they will find people from West Kootenay capable of enlightening them on the subject.

Spokane citizens are agitating the question of establishing a home in that city for destitute men, making it a center for furnishing them with work and thus making them self sustaining.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain, either standard or narrow gauge railways, for the purpose of conveying passengers, freight and ore from a point at or near Revelstoke, on the Canadian Pacific railroad, thence northward following the valley of the Columbia river to a point at or near the junction of Canoe river; and with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary bridges, roads, ways, ferries, wharves, docks, and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railways and branches, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or other aids from any government, municipality or other persons or bodies corporate, and to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies; and with power to build wagon roads to be used in construction of such railways, and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the passage of the act hereby applied for, and with all other usual, necessary, or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, or any of them.

Dated at the city of Victoria this 14th day of November, A. D. 1896.

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Notice of Removal.

DR. HALL has removed his Office and Residence to the Corner of Victoria and Josephine Streets. 503-19-12-6

A SITTING OF THE COUNTY COURT of Kootenay will be holden at Nelson on Monday, the 14th day of January and at Rossland on Thursday, the 18th day of January, 1897.

T. H. GIFFIN.

Registrar of the Court.

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 14th, 1896. 504-19-12-6

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Ottawa, 18th September, 1896.

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And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 1896.

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A LEAP YEAR EPISODE.

If there was one thing in all her experience that Susanna Morton was heartily tired of, it was the evident and continuous purpose of mankind to permit her to remain a spinster.

True, she had been one so long it would seem that she should have become accustomed to it; but by some strange fatality, women, that is, the majority of women, never accept their lot in this Christian spirit which has won for them the endearing title of the gentler sex.

And Susanna Morton had put up with it just as long as she was going to.

Four leap-years had passed her by, and she had submitted gracefully, but each year less gracefully than she had done the year previously, and there were moments in the last of the four when she became almost desperate. Now that a fifth had come, her mind was made up. She would take the reins of Cupid in her own hands and drive that harum-scarum little rascal in a manner to suit herself. She knew her good points, one of which was that she was thirty-five years old or thereabouts, and possessed a poise and balance no man who was looking for a real sensible woman as a wife could afford to disregard. In addition to this she had—what men seldom disregard—a comfortable fortune.

It was this fortune that had been the real stumbling-block in the matrimonial path of Susanna, and not any lack of attractive qualities in her possession, for she was not homely, nor was she anything but charming. The fortune, however, which was hers from her sixteenth birthday, had developed in her a fear that men sought her for her money and not for herself, and, never having fallen in love with any of her courtiers, she did not find it difficult to resist advances, believing, as she did, that men were mercenary wretches as a rule, and that some day the one man in all the world for her would appear and claim her as his own.

However, he did not appear, and he continued not to appear, until Susanna had reached an age and a firmness of character, to put it mildly, when her fortune would have to be at least doubled to make her as attractive as she was at twenty.

This knowledge had come to her gradually, but was none the less forceful on that account, and she was determined not to let this leap-year pass without results of a lasting character.

Of the men in her train there were perhaps half a dozen who were eligible, and any one of whom would have made a husband any woman could be proud of. But they were merely friends; not a manjack of them had ever suggested such a thing as matrimony to her, and possibly this was why she liked them. So perverse is the nature of woman.

Among this half dozen was one who found the greatest favor in Susanna's eyes, the others taking their positions after him in regular gradation, and this one Susanna selected as her victim for leap-year, resolved to try all the others in case of failure in the first instance.

Truly, Susanna was a desperate spinster.

And no less spry, for in the course of his first call in the new year she began her operations. But it was a dreadful task, and the evening passed without a single step taken forward. The effort had been made, however, and courage always comes with effort.

When he came again, she was so wrought up over the work before her that her eyes sparkled and her cheeks glowed in rosy color.

"Why, bless your soul, Miss Susanna," he said, "how pretty you look this evening."

He was ten years older than she, and always assumed that bless-my-soul style affected by elderly men.

"Oh, thank you, Mr. Culver," she twittered, "I'm sure you only think so. I look just as I always look."

"Of course, Miss Susanna, only slightly more so." He smiled, but there was that in the tone which had the ring of insincerity, or at least superficial and society sincerity, which is very nearly the same thing, and which made Susanna despise the flattery of men that so far had meant to her no dissolution of the continuity of her spinsterhood.

She was good-natured about it, however, and let Mr. Culver go on with whatever he had to say, for if there was any man who could make flattery any more palatable to her than any other man, that man was Mr. Culver. But it was soon over, and when he had fixed himself comfortably in an easy chair with which he was familiar, he seemed to have forgotten whether Susanna looked a fright or a fairy, and began talking about all sorts of things, as people do who talk for the mere sake of talking.

At all events, that's the way it presented itself to Susanna, and she felt the spirit of desperation slowly creeping over her. She took a long breath for encouragement, and tentatively turned the subject of conversation upon the most recent wedding which had occurred in their circle.

"What a pair of fools they were and are," said Mr. Culver, sententiously, "to marry on nothing but his salary, and that not big enough for two."

"But they are happy," argued Susanna.

"I suppose so," Mr. Culver unwillingly admitted; "it takes fools to be happy; wise people know too much."

"Are you wise?" questioned Susanna nervously, for she felt that she was launching herself at this point upon an unknown sea.

"I'm old enough to be," Mr. Culver frankly responded, for Mr. Culver's age was too well known to be denied, and too great to be hid under a bushel.

"Isn't there something somewhere about the old fools being the biggest?" laughed Susanna.

"But I'm not so old as that, yet."

"Ah!" and her eyes twinkled. "Is yours

'Standing with reluctant feet,
Where the silly seasons meet?'"

Mr. Culver assumed a more serious air, and there was no smile on his face when he replied; there was rather a shadow of regret.

"Yes, Miss Susanna," he said, "I do not stand reluctant for I think if I had been more of a fool in one regard I would have been less of a fool in another. That is to say, a man is a fool to waste his life selfishly as I have done."

This was the auspicious moment Susanna had been seeking. She would now lead right up to the matter and find a listener to her proposal.

"Why don't you marry, Mr. Culver?" she asked with directness. "You are not too wise to consider the question, I hope."

"Certainly not, Miss Susanna," he smiled. "I've been considering it for twenty years."

"Then you ought to stop considering it and pop it." Susanna laughed, and Mr. Culver also.

"I hardly think I'll ever do that," he said, seriously. "I wouldn't know how to go about it, to make my case half presentable. I've given myself up, you know, as a bad job."

"Some of these new women will be charging down on you some of these days, teaching you the newer doctrine that women have the right to say whether you have the right to do so as you please with yourself. In other words, some one of them will capture you in spite of yourself."

"Not much, they won't," asserted Mr. Culver, with a great show of courage. "If there is anything I don't want to marry, it's a woman with foolish notions of that kind."

Susanna's heart went down to her shoes on the instant. Here was an insurmountable obstacle in her path, and with Mr. Culver holding to such an opinion, what good would a proposal be from her, even if she should muster up courage enough to make it. The thought made her mute for a minute, and in that minute a new scheme came, one that had been there before, too, but had gone wool-gathering while she was beating about the bush with the new woman idea.

"I think myself they are horrid," she said, with an effort to swallow something that would not go down very easily. "But there is the leap-year privilege. All women, new and old, can claim that, and you mustn't forget that this is a leap-year."

"I had forgotten it," he said, moving his chair over into the far corner of the fireplace, but still not so far away that he was out of the pleasant influence of Susanna's nearness. He sat there for an instant making himself shiver with terror, and then he moved back, possibly a little nearer than before.

"Forewarned is forearmed," she said; "and now that I have told you of the dangers ahead, I hope you will profit by my advice."

"Oh, I'm not afraid," he asserted in a good voice, "I'm just waiting for that sort of thing. The custom or tradition, or whatever you may call it, is an old-fashioned one, and only an old fashioned woman would think of it, and that is the kind I want. So none of them had better try it, unless she means business."

Surely no finer opening could be presented to a young woman in her mood than this, and Susanna gave herself a shake and took another long breath. The time had come, and she was not the woman to lose so glorious an opportunity.

"Mr. Culver," she began, in a firm voice and with great earnestness, "I have for a long time been thinking you ought to marry, and I have even gone as far as to select just such a woman as I think would suit you. I have had two or three consultations with her, and she is willing that I should present the matter to you, because I know you so well, and you will understand it better from me than if she should present it herself."

When she was about to proceed further with her remarks, Mr. Culver showed signs of real anxiety, and arose to his feet.

"Miss Susanna," he exclaimed, "don't say another word. Really, I cannot listen to it."

"But I must say it to you," she insisted, because, as it seemed to her, that was the proper way to conduct a successful courtship, and now that she had begun it, she most decidedly wished it to be successful.

"I tell you I won't hear it. This is entirely unexpected, and I am sure nothing in my conduct has ever warranted you in broaching this subject to me."

Mr. Culver was very evidently in earnest, and Susanna almost chuckled to herself, for this was the very way young women acted under the circumstances in which Mr. Culver was placed. All it needed now was a little more coaxing, and Susanna nerved herself for the final pop.

"Perhaps you have not thought so," she said in her softest voice, "but to me there has ever been a desire to say to you what I am now saying. Mr. Culver—John," and Susanna came very close to him, notwithstanding she was so nervous she hardly knew what to do.

"Hold on, Susanna, hold on," he exclaimed. "Confound it!" (that shocked her, for she knew no girl ever talked that way under such circumstances, however much she must have thought it) "I don't want you to be talking in any other woman's interest. There is only one woman in the world that I want, and—and—and—" Mr. Culver was getting nervous himself now, and Susanna gasped. "And—oh, Susanna," he said, desperately, "don't you know that woman is you? You, Susanna. Don't you know it is you?"

Mr. Culver caught Susanna's two hands in his, and looked into her two eyes with such a pleading, pathetic, intense sincerity that all her plans were consumed like straw in a fierce blaze, and she simply tumbled into his arms and let him finish the proposal she thought she had begun in such a masterly manner.

And Mr. Culver finished it with glittering success, much to the relief of Miss Susanna Morton, spinster.

No man can be provident of his time who is not prudent in the choice of his company.

GAZETTE NOTICES.

[From the B. C. Gazette of 3rd Dec., 1896]

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

British Columbia Development Association, Ld. (foreign) Capital £10,000 in 298 share; 198 shares at £50 each, 100 shares of £1 each. Head office in England.

The Bruce Gold Mining Co., Ld. Capital, $1,000,000 in $1 shares. Head office in Rossland. Directors, A. S. Goodeve, A. N. Patterson, W. H. Goodeve, of Rossland; E. Totham, Guelph; F. Hagen, of Trail.

The Cromwell Mining and Development Co., Ld. Capital, $1,200,000 in $1 shares. Head office, Rossland. Directors, A. S. Stein, Chicago, Ill., W. H. Fife, H. D. Cover, J. A. Seaman, W. J. Green, of Rossland.

Dardanelles Mining and Milling Co., Ld. Capital, $1,000,000 in $1 shares. Head office, Kaslo. Directors, J. B. McArthur, A. B. Irvine, of Rossland, A. L. McClaine, of Spokane.

Dundee Gold Mining Co., Ld. Capital, $1,000,000 in $1 shares. Head office in Rossland. Directors, Chas Dundee, J. L. Parker, W. A. Gallaher, R. Scott, E. Kennedy, all of Rossland.

Golden Wedge Mining Co., Ld. Capital, $1,500,000 in $1 shares. Head office in Rossland. Directors, W. J. Nelson, J. S. Clute, jr., E. Bowes, H. V. N. Stevenson, of Rossland, C. S. Warren, of Butte, Montana.

Peoria Mining and Milling Co., Ld. Capital, $1,000,000 in $1 shares. Head office, Rossland. Directors, W. W. Spinks, of Vernon, J. E. Crane, New Westminster, R. J. Bealey, A. S. Goodeve, of Rossland.

The Royal Five Gold Mining Co., Ld. Capital, $1,500,000 in $1 shares. Head office, Rossland. Directors, D. W. Higgins, of Victoria, Ross Thompson, J. Y. Cole, S. T. Langley, J. T. Repass of Rossland.

Sultana Gold Mining Co. of British Columbia, Ld. Capital, $1,000,000 in $1 shares. Head office, Rossland. Directors W. J. Nelson, J. S. Clute, jr., E. Bowes, H. V. Stevenson, of Rossland, C. S. Warren, of Butte, Montana.

THEY FAVOR IT.

The Residents of Delta Want a Straight Line to Kootenay.

Representatives of the promoters of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation company, with the engineers and surveyors of the company went to Ladner's Landing last week to address the electors with a view to gaining their support and endorsement. There was a good attendance of business men. Mr. McLean spoke at length of the enterprise and said the proposed road was to join the coast of British Columbia with mining districts by railway with a ferry to Victoria. It would go through Delta municipality, in which was Ladner's Landing, up through the Hope mountains to the Columbia river. Another line from Vancouver would join it south of the Fraser river. The distance was about 400 miles. When trade demanded it the line would be extended to the eastern boundary of British Columbia. If the trade of the mining districts once got diverted east it would be hard to bring it west. The company would proceed as soon as the necessary legislation and financial aid could be gained from the government. In a year and a half the road could be running.

The Delta people were heartily in favor of a direct railway to the Kootenay and a resolution was carried to request their representatives in both Dominion and Provincial parliaments to use their influence to that end.

MISSING LE ROI SHARES.

They Turning up in the Estate of the late V. M. Massy.

For some time the Le Roi management has been endeavoring to trace two blocks of stocks, in fact ever since the famous mine became a dividend payer. One block has come to light among the effects of V. M. Massey, of Spokane. He had given it to the Citizen's National Bank as collateral for a loan of $800. They put it up as security to the Chambersburg Bank of Pennsylvania. When the Citizen's bank went into the hands of a receiver the note was sent back to Spokane attorneys. The stock did not accompany it but came to light afterward and was forwarded.

The value is about $3250, with accrued dividends, placing the stock at $6.50 per share. The claim of the bank is $1,000 so $2,250 will be left for the children of Massey. The stock will be sold in Spokane at public auction on December 28th.

A Slocan Company.

Notice is published of application to be made for the incorporation of a company to supply light, heat and power at points in or near Slocan City and Brandon, with power to operate tramways in said cities and within a radius of 15 miles. Also to establish water works in said cities, by use of water from Lemon, Springer and other streams near by.

Died in Spokane.

On Saturday last Mrs. Adeline Bricke died at the Spokane hospital of pneumonia aged 45. She was en route from New Westminster to this city where she has relatives.

The Governor-General at Calgary.

Last week his excellency, Lord Aberdeen opened the new Protestant Industrial school erected on the bank of the Bow River, about four miles south of Calgary. The school is under the control of the Bishop of Sackatchewan, and the committee of the church of England Indian Missions. Declaring the school open Lord Aberdeen mentioned that he himself was the chief of the Six Nations, and welcomed his brother chiefs present. As an illustration of the fact of the success of Indian schools he mentioned that they provided the music at the last Regina exhibition and that the Indian boys at Regina and Elkhorn had earned $1000 harvesting and helping neighboring farmers the past year. He paid a well deserved compliment to Indian Commissioner Forget for the impartiality exercised by him in the discharge of the duties of his office. His excellency then declared the school formally opened for the reception of pupils.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act enabling the Noble Five Consolidated Mining and Milling Company (Foreign) to appropriate 500 inches of the waters of Cody Creek in the Slocan Mining Division, West Kootenay District, to erect flumes for the purpose of operating a concentrator, electric light plant, power drills and all other purposes usual, necessary or incidental to the mining or milling of ores, for the usual powers of expropriating lands for such purposes.

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NOTICE.

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Signed { F. Irvine, Fred. Richardson.

Witness: H. G. Irvine.

Nelson, November 10th. 1896.

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and it has come. I see God's hand in this war. His wrath must be quenched in blood. We are given over to our idols as a nation, and he will consume them in the furnaces of war. Brother Bradley is about right, and I shall pray that his lapse from grace may be brief."

For two weeks after this the crowds kept away from the blacksmith's shop, and there appeared to be quiet in the hills, but every one felt that it was the quiet that preceded the storm. News came that Het Magoone, who had formerly lived in the Tennessee mountains, had gone south with a band of his followers, and some people drew comfort from this, but Bradley would shake his head and say:

"They're a-comin. Zollicoffer is raisin a army down thar by the border, and they're a-comin." And the blacksmith was right.

In the latter part of November, 1861, the mountaineers of southeastern Kentucky were again in a state of great alarm. Rumors of a Confederate invasion along the line of the Cumberland river were rife, and wild and entirely baseless stories of the cruelties perpetrated by Zollicoffer's men, at Zollicoffer's order, were firmly believed. Now and then a ragged refugee from farther south found protection and a stopping place with Bradley, and these men told their stories of suffering and escape only to increase the horror and indignation of their brethren along the upper Cumberland.

One day a Union man, who lived about 15 miles south of the Crossing, came running down to the blacksmith's shop with the news that Het Magoone, with a company of men who called him "captain," was in Laurel county, and that he was either killing or forcing into his ranks every Union man he met. As Bradley had been expecting this, he could not be surprised. In anticipation of just such an occurrence, and the better to assemble the Union men within reach, he had caused piles of dry wood to be gathered on the highest hills for miles round, the smoke by day or the flame by night being the signal to the Union men that they must gather at the Crossing.

As soon as the sun had gone down that night Bradley and a few of his friends went up to the peaks and lighted the fires. On his way back he stopped at Father Peters' house and said in his blunt way:

"The time fo' fightin hez come, thank the Lor, fo' hit can't be moah killin than the worryin and waitin. Now, git together all the things we ken tote, and we'll fotch 'em down to my place. Thar'll be no use in lockin up what's left behind, ef the doggone curs ez is a-comin har wants to steal 'em. Now, let we uns hurry."

Father Peters and his family saw the necessity for action. There was no nervousness on his part, no groans or outcries from the women. They gathered up each a change of clothes and the few little things that are precious because of association rather than for their intrinsic value. The blacksmith prepared a great load of meal and bacon for himself to carry. Then the stock were turned out of the inclosure, so that they might be able to find water, if need be, for themselves. The doors were closed, but not locked, and then, with the great fires burning on the hills about them, the little party started down to the Crossing.

By 10 o'clock that night 31 men and half as many women, the latter wives or sweethearts, had assembled in the blacksmith's shop. Those from the farthest points south had seen the Confederates, and there could be no doubt as to their purpose or their destination.

Bradley sent out pickets—"spies," he called them—to give warning of the approach of the enemy. Then he started a fire in the forge, fastened a few tallow dips to the black walls, and, having commanded attention, he stood up on the anvil block and shouted:

"Boys, what shall we uns do, retreat fo' the no'th or stand and fight?"

This was followed by a few seconds of a silence so intense that every man could hear the beating of his own heart, and with frightened eyes the women looked from face to face. At length a strong, clear, familiar voice rang out.

"In the name of the great Jehovah, we will stand and fight!"

All eyes turned in the direction of the sound, but not to ascertain the speaker. Into the full light of the forge, which a

"In God's name, Brother Bradley!"

strong arm kept blowing, walked Father Peters, with the battle light in his eyes and a rifle in his hand. A moment of awed silence; then the blacksmith shouted:

"For Father Peters, boys! Cheer! D—n you, cheer!"

And they did cheer and swung their hats, and their eyes blazed till it seemed as if there were no further need of the tallow dips or the blue flames of the forge.

"My friends," said Father Peters, "God is watching and not listening now, and so a prayer must be an act. Tonight, perhaps within the hour, we shall be called on to strike a blow for the Union under the lead of Brother Bradley. Are you all ready to do it?"

"We uns are!" was the response, given as one man.

"And are you ready to swear to this?"

"Yes!" with thrilling emphasis.

The old clergyman drew from his breast a small United States flag that he had carried off among the precious things from his house. He always hung it over the meeting house door on Washington's birthday and the Fourth of July, so that the people knew it. Indeed it was the only flag of the Union a majority of them had ever seen, but its rarity seemed to intensify their devotion to it.

Standing in their midst, Father Peters called on every man who was willing to swear allegiance to the Union to uncover his head and take hold of a margin of the flag with his right hand. This was promptly done by every man in the smithy.

"Now, my friends, I want each man to repeat his name aloud when I repeat mine and to say my words after me. Are you ready?"

A hoarse, solemn "Yes" was the response.

"I, Robert Peters," every man shouted his name and raised his face to the black rafters of the smithy, "in the presence of Almighty God, do invoke his aid and pray that he may set against my name in the eternal records this the solemn oath which I herein take of my own free will and accord: That I, from this time on, devote my best efforts and strength, and if need be my life, to the maintenance of the Union of my fathers; that by night and by day, early and late, in summer's sun and winter's snow, I will work for the restoration of the seceded states to the Union and consider suffering and privation a pleasure in this effort. Goods and lands, hands and life I solemnly devote to this holy purpose. And if called on to battle I will battle as did the children of God of old till the flag of our fathers, of ourselves, and of our children, floats again in glory over every foot of our land. So help me, God, and give me strength to keep this my most solemn oath and obligation."

And this oath in that blacksmith's shop that night was the origin of the mighty Union league, which soon after numbered its secret adherents by the millions.

A few words and signs, to enable Union men to tell each other at night as well as in the daytime, were agreed on. Then the old clergyman asked if they would unite with him in prayer. Every man, including strong Dick Bradley, knelt down in the cinders and ashes, and even the man working the bellows knelt, though he did not cease his efforts.

And as Father Peters prayed shots were heard up the hill. This was followed by cries of alarm, and with white faces the pickets came running in, shouting as they ran:

"Het Magoone! Het Magoone and the gang!"

The men extinguished the lights in the smithy, seized their rifles and rushed out. The beacon fires had died out along the hills, but to the south there could be seen a newer fire. It came from the direction of the clergyman's house. A few minutes of watching and all doubts were at rest, for the flames broke out through the roof, and the humble home where Father Peters hoped to end his days was in flames.

CHAPTER III.

THE MISSIONARY'S END.

The gang under Het Magoone, who set fire to Father Peters' house and outbuildings, were more prudent than valorous, for while they well knew that they outnumbered three to one the Union men gathered at Bradley's Crossing, they did not care to risk a fight with the little force under the lead of the blacksmith.

During the years that strong Dick Bradley had "counted himself a Christian," and spoken in meeting of himself as "a brand snatched from the burning," and "the chief of sinners," because of his past, he found his sorest trials in his constant effort to subdue to the spirit the combative yearnings of the flesh. When, through the teachings of Mrs. Peters and Ella, he had learned to spell his way through a chapter in the Bible, he found his greatest delight in the records of Joshua's battles with the Canaanites, or the story that told how the shepherd boy, David, left his flocks on the hills to meet the champion of the Philistines, and subsequently rose by his skill and valor to be the king of a great nation. He liked to read of how Christ made a whip and drove the money changers from the temple far more than he did to ponder over the sermon on the mount.

"He would often say to me," said Miss Peters in telling the story of this remarkable man, "'I reckon the Bible's all right, Ella, and hit ain't fo' a pore, mis'able sinner like me to hanker to make any changes in hit. I'll allow hit couldn't be improved fo' them ez lives in cities whar thar's lots of churches and schools and them things, and whar folks isn't 'bleeged to tote ahms, but thar's some parts of hit that sticks in my craw and goes plum' agin the grain of my natur.'"

On being asked what parts these were he said:

"Waal, thar's that one that sez, 'Whoever smites yo' on the right cheek, turn the other, so's he kin get a whack at that.' Now, sense I've been a Christian I've put up with right smart of smitin from a doggone lot of curs that took advantage of my bein kinder helpless, fo' that's jest what religin does fo' a man in these mountains, but I don't think, ef I was to go to hell fo' hit, that I could bring myself to invite a feller to smote me on the left cheek after he'd knocked me on the right. I draw the line at one cheek. Ef any feller tried it on two, I'd forgit my religin, and he'd have coz fo' to grieve.

"Then there's that p'int 'bout lovin one's enemies. I've allus thought ez how that must have slipped into the good book by mistake, for hit ain't nat'ral. I'll allow Father Peters mout do hit, fo' he's so chuck full of religin he ain't got no room fo' nothin else, but pore sinners like me must go on a-gettin a heap of solid comfort from not lovin thar enemies, but a-hatin 'em like blazes."

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Last Chance No 4, Spokane—R Welch to J A McDonell.

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Spokane group—G O Foss to J A McDonell.

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Dec 5—

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Ida May—J F Ritchie to Jas Hunter.

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Wendal—Ole Johnson et al to W T McDonald.

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Gopher—Wm Perdue to D M Linnard, ⅓.

Gopher—J C Spellman to D M Linnard ⅓.

Gopher—J L Warner to Paul Gaston, 1-16.

Gopher—S W Cowan to Paul Gaston, all interest.

Gopher—Paul Gaston, trustee, to D M Linnard, 27-32.

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Red Eagle—John Corrigan to Red Eagle Gold Mining Co. Ld.

Ruby—L L Devoin to J Fyfe. $300.

Summit and Elgin—Victor Carr to J T Carney.

Dec 8—

Buena Vista and Sante Maria—F R Lautz to A H McKay, ⅓ in each.

Cumberland, Siroc, and Ontario—D S Fotheringham to Ontario Gold Mining Co. all interest.

Dip—Bruce Craddock to Chas Mills ½

Knight of the Forest—A White to C M Carpenter, ⅓.

Rustler—Frank McCoy to Algoma G M Co, all interest.

Black Rock—Fred M Wells to A W Anderson, trustee.

Potlatch—P Carr to J C Spellman, ½.

Jumbo—O M Hand to R J Cameron, $200.

Minnesota—Eli Levalley to R J Cameron, ⅓.

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Dec 9—

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But after that night in the blacksmith's shop strong Dick Bradley's views as to the nonresistance inculcated by religion underwent a radical change. He saw that when the hour for a brave resistance came Father Peters did not "fall back on prayer fo' his defense," but was willing to fight and ready to lead. That one act on the part of the old missionary did more to endear him to these rude mountaineers than the preaching and self denial of the ten years that preceded it.

The raiders who had come up from the Tennessee line under the lead of Het Magoone contented themselves with burning all the vacant cabins they could find, taking it for granted that they were the property of Union men. At Bradley's Crossing the number of refugees increased every day, principally mountaineers who had come up from Tennessee or from the lower border counties of Kentucky. These men were all armed with old fashioned hunting rifles, and they were not only willing to face south and fight, but they were eager for it, for each man had some personal wrong which he was more eager to avenge than he was to carry back the old flag to the hills.

All these men brought famished appetites, but no provisions.

A few days after Magoone's raid it became evident that in another week, if nothing were done, they would be called on to face a more relentless foe than the Confederates under Zollicoffer and Crittenden, and that was famine. While every man at the Crossing understood that if he had to fight it would be under the lead of strong Dick Bradley, all, including the blacksmith, looked up to Father Peters as the man on whom they must depend for counsel and as the Moses who was to lead the inevitable exodus from the mountains to that promised land where there were strong hands and keen bayonets to defend the old flag.

After carefully talking over the situation together the preacher and the blacksmith assembled their friends in the smithy, and the former mounted the anvil block, and after the customary prayer delivered himself after this manner:

"My friends, winter is on us. Our enemy, the rebels, swarm in the hills, and if the reports that come to us be true, and I believe that they are, a few more days will see us at the mercy of such minions of Zollicoffer as this Het Magoone. There are no doubt many honest and Christian but mistaken men in the secession army, but I do not think it would be prudent to assume that these are the kind of people who will be sent to Bradley's Crossing.

"Many of you have brought your wives and children here, and while this is natural I must believe it imprudent. If these had remained at home, or will return home now, or if their homes are destroyed will seek a haven among their friends in the mountains, the men will be freer to act. Brother Bradley and I have prayerfully talked over the situation, and we have come to the conclusion that every day we spend here is a day lost to the cause, while our little stock of provisions is being reduced. We have therefore decided to start for Camp Dick Robinson tonight. Once there, those who are able to bear arms can be regularly enrolled and mustered into the service of the Union, while if we fight here we are apt to be regarded as guerrillas, and for the present the government will be powerless to protect us.

"While my mission among you has been one of peace and I have passed the age when I might be of much use, even if I were skilled in the ways of war, yet, with God's help, I can and I will fight if we are not permitted to reach the Union lines in peace.

"I will say to my good sisters and to the children who must remain behind, as their coming with us would hamper the march, that it will not be long before the troops of the Union swarm in these mountains as the Confederates do now, and that their coming will insure protection to all. We must move with secrecy and rapidity, for there are spies all about us. And now I ask those who are willing to follow the lead of Brother Bradley to Camp Dick Robinson to take their stand at the back part of the smithy."

It was as Father Peters expected. Every man at the Crossing and every boy who could shoulder a rifle, and these mountaineers learn to shoot when very young, crowded to the back part of the building.

This meeting was held the day after Christmas, 1861, and about the middle of the afternoon. In order to keep their movements secret, it was decided to start north soon after dark that night. As Father Peters was even more hated than the blacksmith, and his wife and daughter would have been homeless and helpless if left behind, an exception was made in their case, it being the old clergyman's intention to take them back to the old home in the western reserve of northern Ohio as soon as they reached the Union lines.

There was little preparation to make. Two of the blacksmith's horses were set apart for Mrs. Peters and her daughter to ride on. The 40 men in the party were to carry their rations and ammunition, the former being necessarily light, first, because the supplies at the Crossing were limited, and in the next place because it was believed that Camp Dick Robinson, 75 miles to the northwest, could be reached in five days.

In order to keep up the impression that there were still men at the Crossing ready to resist an attack, it was arranged that the women should light the beacons on the hills as soon as Dick Bradley gave the order to march. This was done so promptly that for hours the fugitives could see the coppery glow of the fires on the clouds to the south, and this strengthened the hope that there would be no pursuit.

Although at the best the roads in this region were wretched and now almost impassable, it was to their advantage that the Cumberland river was at their back and no formidable stream in front.

"How we moved in the right direction that night must ever remain to me a mystery," says Miss Peters. "Before we had been on the way an hour we were all as wet as if we had been soused in a pond, and mother and I, being comparatively inactive, were chilled to the bone. I did not fear, because I did not care for myself. I tried, with chattering teeth, to whisper words of comfort to mother as the men who led our horses went splashing thigh deep through the ice water of some swollen stream, but I always found her more cheerful and hopeful than myself. Then I would picture father walking ahead with that giant, Bradley, through the darkness and mire, and I could not but picture the one so powerful and fierce and the other so weak and so mild, yet with a spirit as dauntless as the bravest.

"We had no means of telling the time, but though I tried to reason with myself that minutes must seem drawn into hours under such circumstances yet I came to feel that the sun would never rise again. It was about 2 o'clock in the morning that we came to a halt, whether in a valley or on a hill in a forest or a clearing, I could not tell. My father came back to us as cheery as ever, though I knew from my own condition how he must have felt. He told us that there was a vacant cabin at hand, and that Bradley thought it would be well to halt here and rest till daylight.

"Mother and I were so cold and stiff when we were lifted from our horses that we would have fallen had not the men held us up. Not the least mysteri-

"Fell at my feet—dead."

ous incident of that gloomy night to me was how our guide found this cabin in the intense darkness, for he spoke about it not as a place come on by chance, but one with which he was well acquainted.

"We were led into the cabin, and I supposed everything was so wet that it would be folly to think of a fire and impossible to start one, but in this I was mistaken. While mother and I sat on the saddles that had been carried in to furnish us with seats, Dick Bradley produced his flint and steel—every mountaineer carries these primitive appliances—and tearing off some dry splints and bark from the inner side of the logs he soon had a blaze, and following that a fire. Except the four log walls and the roof, which must have been the better part, for it kept the clay floor dry, there was absolutely nothing to this cabin. The pile of ashes on the big hearth showed that the place had once been inhabited; but, miserable though I was, I did not wonder that the builders had abandoned such a wretched place."

Dick Bradley threw a circle of pickets around the cabin, and although he was entirely ignorant of military methods he arranged to visit them every hour, gave them a countersign and detailed a relief. While this was being done the men not on picket carried in logs to be used as fuel or for seats and then sat down, and soon the cabin was filled with steam and the odor of toasting flannels. As soon as the saddle blankets were sufficiently dry a bed was made for Mrs. Peters and her daughter. They showed their appreciation of this thoughtfulness by removing their shoes and lying down, with their saddles for pillows.

"But," continued Miss Peters, "although thoroughly wearied, sleep was out of the question. The whistling of the wind through the surrounding trees, the ceaseless beating of the rain on the clapboards and the hoarse whispering of the men crouching beside the fire kept mother and myself awake, as the roar of battle might not have done.

"When my father's watch told that daylight was due, the men about the fire began to eat of the corn bread and cooked pork they had brought with them, and Dick Bradley and father went out to visit the pickets. With the dawn of day the rain ceased and the wind died out. Mother and I left the cabin to look about us. We saw the horses standing with lowered heads and drooping hips at the chimney end of the cabin. We were in the midst of a forest, seemingly on top of a considerable hill. Down through the trees and in a direction we took to be the north we saw the red rutted trail that looked like a fresh wound.

"While we stood looking about us we saw father and Bradley coming hurriedly back and evidently much excited. Father did not appear to be weary, but there was an anxious, pained look in his eyes, such as we had not noticed there since the day the meeting house was burned, though there was never an hour since then when there was not an occasion for worry."

The pickets had reported suspicious men seen in the distance since daylight. These men were gathering along the line of the trail over which the fugitives must pass on their way to the north. They were in considerable force, and that they were not friends was manifest from their actions.

The cabin might afford some shelter from a storm, but it was worse than useless as a place of defense. On a spur of the hill to the north and about a quarter of a mile from the cabin Bradley had either discovered that morning or knew in advance of a place that offered advantages for defense. Without any excitement he told the men in and about the cabin that there were strangers in sight, and that a fight might be looked for before they could resume their journey.

The men seized their rifles, the horses were resaddled, and as Mrs. Peters and her daughter preferred to walk the animals were led to the point indicated. This was a bare projection of the hill, where a mass of irregular rocks afforded a place of concealment for a larger force than required it now, but as it was some distance from wood and water it was not a desirable place in which to stand a protracted siege.

The fugitives were not kept long in doubt as to the character of the people who had aroused their suspicion. Bradley was disposing his men at the points where their rifles could best check an approach when Ella Peters, who was looking down the slope, called out:

"There is a man approaching with a white flag!"

The white flag proved to be a handkerchief fastened to the end of a sword. This was responded to by fastening Ella's handkerchief to the end of a rifle, which Dick Bradley carried, as he and Father Peters walked down to meet the two men in gray who were approaching. The fear that these people belonged to Het Magoone's gang was soon set at rest. They were dressed in gray uniforms, and the network of gold lace on the collar and sleeves of one of the men indicated that he was an officer. As Father Peters and Bradley went down to meet the truce it was decided that the former should do the talking. So, when the Confederate announced himself as belonging to General Zollicoffer's command and peremptorily demanded to know who the people up the hill were, he was answered:

"We are Union men making our way to the north, but we do not want a fight unless it is forced on us."

"Why are you going north?" was the next question.

"We deny your right to ask," replied Father Peters.

"I am here to prevent recruits going through to the enemy, and if you do not surrender you must take the consequences," said the Confederate.

"We are quite ready for that," said the old clergyman.

"And if nothing but a fight will suit yo' uns," broke in strong Dick Bradley, "come on, just as quick ez yo' uns doggone please. Now, go back and tell yer sibils that."

The Confederate became gentler after this, but beyond learning the purpose of each other the truce resulted in no good.

As soon as Father Peters and Bradley rejoined the party two young men, who declared that they could reach Camp Dick Robinson without food or sleep, were detailed to make their way to the north and to inform the first Union troops they reached of the condition of the fugitives whom they had left behind. This precaution proved the salvation of the mountaineers.

The Confederates numbered about 100 men, cavalry or mounted rifles, as could be seen when the clouds rolled away and the sun came out. The enemy were green and undrilled, as were most of the troops on both sides at that time, but the officer in command evidently understood his business. Leaving a guard with the horses grazing in the valley, he advanced his men in open order and evidently with orders to protect themselves as best they could they came within rifle reach.

"I recall," said Miss Peters, "that I saw all this without any increase of fear, nor was I at all shocked at seeing my father on his knees with his rifle protruding through an opening in the rocks. Indeed it appeared to me like an act of habitual devotion. I wanted to do something, and if there had been an unused rifle within reach I am sure I should have obeyed the impulse to use it.

"I never admired strong Dick Bradley so much before. I expected that he would rave and swear, but instead he went softly from man to man, uncaring for the exposure, and whispering: 'Low and stiddy, boys. Low and stiddy, and not too doggone high!'"

It was not till a dozen men had fallen that the Confederates began to get a true estimate of the enemy. This was the first conflict in which any of them had ever participated, and so the courage of the bravest began to cool at the sight of blood. They threw themselves on the ground and opened a mild fusillade at the rocks on the hill.

"One of our men got a shot through the fleshy part of his left arm," said Miss Peters. "The sight of the blood made me shudder when I came to tie the wound up in the handkerchief that had been used as a flag of truce, but confidence and hope returned when the young fellow said, with a laugh, as if he rather enjoyed it, 'Lor bless you, Ella, that ain't nothin to what I did fo' one of them sinners ez was fo' climbin up this hill.'

"The young man had just returned to his place, and I was about to rejoin mother, when I was startled by a low cry. Then I saw father reeling back, with an awful look in his eyes. I ran to him and reached out my arms to help him, but he fell—fell at my feet—dead."

And during that morning and well on into the afternoon the mountaineers fought without knowing that Father Peters was dead. It was evident to Bradley that the enemy had been re-enforced, and he began to fear for the coming night, when, to his great joy and surprise, he saw the Confederates hurrying down to their horses and galloping away.

Soon after this a bugle sounded the advance in the valley, and two squadrons of the First Kentucky cavalry came into view. The men sent out that morning had brought the re-enforcements.

Father Peters was buried on the hill where he fell, and there he lay till, through General Garfield, the body was taken to the western reserve after the war.

The subsequent record of Bradley was entirely characteristic, and some day when my data are fuller I will write them out. It is known that he killed Het Magoone after that desperado had offered to surrender. And it is also known that he tore the colors of the Third Middle Tennessee from the staff at Chickamauga and carried them in his breast till his escape from Andersonville, 18 months afterward.

THE END.

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J. E. W. MACFARLANE, MANAGER TELEPHONE 449

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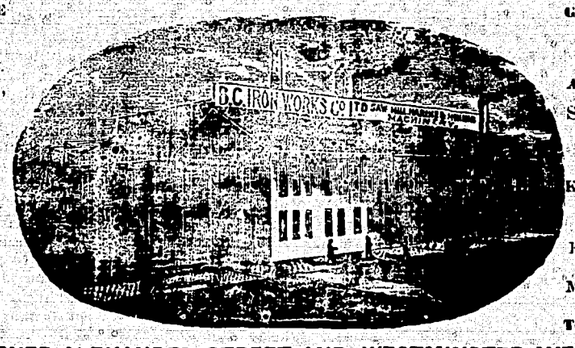

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Nelson B. C. August 14th 1896. (419)

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for a bill extending the time for the commencement and completion of the works contemplated by the Kootenay Power Company's Construction Act; and confirming and ratifying to the petitioners the powers of the company and authorizing the company and the petitioners to construct and operate tramways for freight and passenger traffic from Nelson, B. C., to any point or points within a radius of 25 miles thereof, and to take and use from the Kootenay river in the vicinity of the Falls of the said river, water and power for generating electricity, with the right to erect and make all necessary buildings, posts, flumes, and contrivances for using water power, generating and transmitting electricity to any points within the said radius.

Dated this 27th day of October, A. D. 1896.

BODWELL & IRVING,
147-7-11-6 Solicitors for the Applicants.

Notice of Application for Liquor License.

Take notice that the Hall Mines Limited (foreign) will apply to the Government Agent for West Kootenay, for a license to sell liquor by retail at or near the Silver King Mine in said District.

THE HALL MINES, LIMITED.

Dated at Nelson this 21st day of November, 1896.

MINING TRANSFERS.

Where no consideration is named in transfers the nominal sum of $1 is to be understood.)

Nelson.

Dec 11—
Smuggler Fraction—M M Heckmann to C Faas.
Nelson, Maggie, Mountain View—M B Bridgford to G Hering, 1-6.
Kentucky Belle—F Conright to W P Dockrill.
Yakima—C M Parker to J B Sargent.
Federation, American Boy—D W Skinner to Emma Gray, ½.
Inverness, Birdseye—A G Shaw to A J Jerrard. 1-3.
Blakie, Lookout, H G N—A G Shaw to A J Jerrard, 1-3, $5.
Esperanza—E H Stanley to A J Jerrard ½, $600.
Dec 12—
Ernestin—R F Perry to R McRae, 1-2.
Lakawana—J Faller and F Short to A Shaw.
Dec 14—
Cross Bar, Amphion, Forest Bell, Forest King—D M Clark to J R Simpson.
Ass Good—M Mehan to W Perkins.
Osiolo—E Gilchrist p p G N Gilchrist to J McAlman, 1-2.
W & P, Number 2, No 3, Big Four, No 5, No 6, Lucky Seven—J B Johnson and A N Paterson to J E Wise, 1-2.
Same claims—G H Campbell, notice of bond to Nov 13, 1896.
Eclipse—T M Beamish to T McKinnon and H McCandless.
Dec 15—
Bresbane—John Ryan to T Wilson, ¼, $150
A Lincoln—J Moore to W Rutledge, ½
Osiolo—E Gilchrist p p G N Gilchrist to W J Draper, ¼.
Armour Plate—H Brown to A L Anderson, ½.
Armour Plate—A L Anderson to R Darby Morkell jr.
Mountain Chief—M Sewell to W T Stewart, ½, $150.
Freda—P Bruhn to G A McDonald, $30.
Iron Rust—G W McKay to J Dawson.
P'ta, Ella, Minnehaha, Bella—J O'Neill and W Flannagan to J Dawson, $450.
Dec 16—
King of the West—M Kealey to H Selous, ½ $100.
Red Roy—A Coulter to J P Aitchison ½, $100 down and $300 July 1 '97.
Dec 17—
Copper Bell—A Walker to F Kaiser, 1-2 $500.
Red Cap—A E Gallispie to J A Taylor ¼, $150.
Black Horse—F Fessier to J A Bellefenille, ⅓, $20.
Dec 18—
Morien—D McKenzie to W Beattie 1-16 $25
Morien—D McKenzie to C E Anderson 1-16 $150
Union Jack—Margaret Durkin to J B Daly, ¾
Pearl—F Bosquet to M R McQuarrie, ¼
Imperial—A Walker to W J Noble, 1-2
Saint Hilda—T Hird and E Dycer to J Lough, 1-6

Rossland.

Dec 11—
Hattie Fraction—Robert E Palmer to Chas W Callahan.
Kathleen—O B N Wilkie to Chas W Callahan.
Triumvir—John E Crane to Old Flag Gold Mining Co Ld.
Old Flag and Eureka No 1—Robt Pollard to Old Flag G M Co Ld,
Omenica and Esmeralda—John B Henderson to Old Flag G M Co Ld.
St Thomas—Margaret Chantrell to Jno C Newberry, 1-25.
St Thomas—Margaret Chantrell to Ed. Avery, 1-25.
St Thomas—Margaret Chantrell to W Shaw, 1-25.
St Thomas—Margaret Chantrell to Hannah Tetley, 1-25.
St Thomas—Margaret Chantrell to Mary Rhodes, 1-25.
St Thomas—Margaret Chantrell to W Robinson, 2-25.
St Thomas—Margaret Chantrell to Mary A Ellison, 2-25.
St Thomas—Margaret Chantrell to Grimshaw Ellison, 2-25.
Cacherin Fraction—Allen Miller to Alex Gastin.
Ticonderoga—J J Rafferty to Chas W Callahan.
Last Chance—Geo R Killam to Alex Casimir, ⅓.
Last Chance—Wm Goodbrank to Alex Casimir, ⅓.
Last Chance—Alex McCarter to Alex Casimir, 1-3.
St Patrick—C F Hoffman to B H Moneypenny.
Multero, Monroe, Hazel and Ada May—George Dozios to M S Holland, ½ in each.
United—Chas Northridge to Al Sauvie
U S—L Christenson to John Kraft, ⅓.
Dec 12—
Orlanda—J Kraft to Hans Christenson, 1-3.
Kirshaw—John Holland to Albert Barrett, 1-6.
Elroy—Sid H Roach to S Neuman, ½.
Tenderfoot Fraction—Fred Halliday to M W McLeod, 1-3.
Maud S, Snow Flake—Clarence B Hepner to Bert A True, ⅙ in each.
U S—L Christenson to Hans Christenson, 1-3.
United—A L Sauvie to W Baker.
United—W Baker to M H McQuarrie, ½.
Dec 14—
Bain—Sidney N Johnson to Robert Hamilton.
Victory—George R Laden to T W Bungay.
Reardon—H L Williams to M Morerity trustee.
Iron Cloud, Little Joe—Robt Campbell to Chas Howson, ¼ in each.
Dec 15—
Macon—F M Barcus to Robt R Nacoud
Superior No 3—Robert Maitland to Superior Gold Mining Co.
Atwood—George Duswald to Louis Garnett, ½.
Mammoth—J Bigelow to F Steel.
Eastern King and Western King—Lyman L Workman to Angus McNish ½ in each, $1500.
Patience and Echo—Jacob Smith to J H Good ½.
W Fraction—J J Hand to George H Green, ½.
Stella, Hidden Treasure and Eclipse—C F Fitzsimmons and Robert Hindell to George H Green.
High Point—A Milton to George H Green, 1-2.
Shelly—Lee McKamey to E B Bushell
Copper Glance Fraction—William E Devereux to John Linehan and R F Dodd 1-2 in each.
Beaver No 3—John S Clute to Robert Hutchinson.
Dec 16—
Flagstaff, Ben Hur No 1, Bonny Doon and White Elephant No 3—J W Marshal to A W Smith, 1-2 in each.
Ethel No 1, Tenderfoot, Elk No 1 and Ada L—E L Clarke to Ethel Group G M Co, Ld.
Iron King No 4, Blue Bell No 1—John W Moore to Ethel Group Gold Mining Co, Ld,
Denmark—John Henderson to John Still, trustee of Queen Victoria G M Co, Ld.
Denmark and Beaver No 3—John S Clute to same Co.
Worcester and Abbotsford—Ben W Finnell to Chas R Hamilton, 1-6
Lurline—James Price to A J Long, 1-6 $190.
Bonny Doon and Daniel Webster—W A Sands to D W Maloney, ¼.
Empress and Kingston—W G Johnson to A D Provand, ½.
Opal—Arthur Lewin to S W Bauman, ½.
Dec 17—
Anaconda—Gilbert Pellent and Oliver Boyer to Chester Glass.
Iron Duke—Jacob Dover to John Conner, ½.
Iron Jaw—John Conner to Jacob Dover ½,
Iron Jaw and Iron Duke—John Conner to Augusta Lindberg, ¼ in each.
Same claims—Augusta Lindberg to Fred Richard, ¼ in each.
Tipton—John O Neill to Mrs Isabella H Ritchie.
Humbolt—Geo Atchison to J K Ritchie ½.

Our Advertisers.

During the past year THE MINER has had a large share of the advertising patronage from the merchants and business men of Nelson and the Kootenay district at large and desires to take this opportunity to thank them for favors past and present. Among those whose advertisements appear in this edition of THE MINER, are the following:

Jacob Dover, the enterprising jeweler, has largely increased his stock of goods particularly with diamonds and for their better accommodation and display will move into the Clements' block on or about the first of the year. His assortment is varied and complete and contains many articles that combine that happy medium of the useful and ornamental.

Everybody knows the firm of Gilker & Wells, the happy proprietors of the Post Office Store. It is a small edition of the famous Wanamaker and every thing can be found there from a pair of boots to a postage stamp.

The Hudson's Bay Company needs no introduction to the people of Nelson or British Columbia. Every thing in the line of groceries, provisions and general outfitting can be found in its store. The company is one of the pioneers in merchantile lines and is known all over the world.

The Nelson Soda Water company is one of the infant industries of the country and its sparkling product is always a welcome visitor in every home. The business has grown from a very small beginning, and is now assuming magnificient proportions.

Mrs. McLaughlin, has a well earned reputation as a stylish dress maker and milliner.

S. E. Ritchie, the "New York Tailor" is a new comer but his work is fast building up a good trade for him.

E. S. Topping of Trail, who has mining properties for sale, gives some whole some advice "Do not Monkey with Wild-Cats."

The mazes of fairyland or the home of old Santa Claus himself could not be more entrancing than the spacious store of Teetzel & Co. with its hundreds of toys for boys and girls. Dainty articles of all kinds for wife and sweetheart, husband and lover demand recognition as the gifts most likely to please the dear ones.

No matter how dyspeptic one is on Christmas everyone forgets but the one fact—that the holiday week from Christmas to New Years is the time for feasting and a fine display of standard and fancy groceries can be found at C. Kauffman's.

If you cannot afford to buy new clothing, just see Antoine Maurin and see what a vast differnce a little cleaning and repairing will make in your old clothes.

Who has not heard of Copp's Hot Air heaters. They can be seen at E. J. Ritchie's who has also a large stock of the Active Warrior cook stoves.

A. C. Buchanan makes a fine display of groceries, fruits and candies and carries some beautiful crockery and glassware. They add to the pleasure of holiday feasting and prove a welcome gift to the housewife. A branch store of this house has been established at North Forks.

Every resident of Nelson wants something to send to the dear ones and what could be more suitable than the Souvenir of West Kootenay to be seen in the Thomson Stationary company's fine stock of holiday novelties. Mrs. Morley, the accomplished music teacher, makes the store her headquarters.

Mr. W. D. Perkins is one of the oldest mining brokers in the district having followed that vocation for forty years.

The Vienna Bakery and Restauraunt may always be relied upon to furnish a good meal and the best bakery productions.

The Lawrence Hardware Company has largely increased its stock and is able to meet any demand for hardware, mining supplies, etc.

P. Burns & Co., have seven different meat markets in the country and do an immense volume of business. Their stock is always of the best and their importations are enormous. Their advertisement states some marvelous facts.

The Tremont House owned by J. J. Malone and A. Tregillus offers fine accommodations with all modern conveniences and comforts.

The Madden House is one of the well known hotels in the city and its proprietor is popular among all classes.

Mr. G. O. Buchanan, proprietor of the Kootenay Lake Saw Mill has in Nelson a large stock of lumber of all description and anticipates putting in a saw mill in the near future.

The Nelson Planing Mill, proprietor Mr. Thomas Gray, is one of the thoroughly equipped institutions of the town and in addition to finishing building material it constructs a vast amount of office fittings.

W. J. G. Dickson has sold many lots in Nelson and mining properties in the district and has a wide acquaintance with buyers of all kinds of property,

H. J. Evans & Co., the wholesale liquor merchants seem very well pleased with themselves and business is evidently very good.

First class accomodation can always be found at the Silver King Hotel, and proprietor John Johnson is always looking after the welfare of his guests.

If you own land or are thinking of purchasing any, don't forget Mr. John Hirsch is a Provincial Land Surveyor.

The West Kootenay Butcher Co., will come to the front on Christmas with a complete stock of chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese, etc. And manager Traves always carries the best of all kinds of fresh and salted meats.

The "Place where you can get a good cigar" has made great strides toward popularity and the store has a very large patronage.

H. R. Bellamy is a new comer but as he is an old mining man it will not take him long to become well acquainted.

A. Henderson, the jeweller and watchmaker can guarantee any one perfect work.

D. McArthur & Co., undertakers and furniture dealers, keep some of the finest of upholstered goods and are always ready to please their patrons.

Fred J. Squire has completed his splendid line of fall and winter goods and has tweeds, Serges, and worsteds galore. Call in before sending for tailoring to Toronto.

The Xmas goods of the Nelson Drug Store are so attractive they will soon be exhausted. Visit them early and avoid being disappointed. Many novelties for the children and valuable souvenirs for friends at prices to suit all customers.

John A. Turner & Co., successors to Turner & Kirkpatrick will on January 1st occupy new quarters in the Clements block where a better opportunity will be afforded them to display a superb assortment of groceries, provisions, hardware, etc. They are at present in the old stand on Vernon street where they are holding a discount sale before removing.

The firm of Turner Beeton & Co., is one of the commercial powers of this country and is known the length and breadth of the district, and under the management of Mr. Thomson it has become one of the most popular of wholesale houses.

Fred Irvine & Co., carry a magnificient stock and this fact is shown by the great business done in their store. At one time Mr. Irvine was voted the most popular man in town and he still carries that distinction.

F. J. Farley and F. Simpson & Co., grocers and provision merchants will join hands on the first of the year and occupy commodious quarters in the new store next to the Madden House. The stock in all lines will be complete.

Dr. Hall has removed his office from Stanley street to Victoria and Josephine streets.

Arthur R. Sherwood has lots to sell in various parts of the town and is agent for the Birkbeck Investment, Security and Savings Co.

W. A. Jowett,

MINING BROKER,

VICTORIA ST., NELSON

Mining properties wanted for development, send particulars of location, amount of work done and price.

CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF A FOREIGN COMPANY.

"COMPANIES' ACT," PART IV., AND AMENDING ACTS.

"The London and British Columbia Goldfields, Limited" (Foreign).

Registered the 20th day of October, 1896.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day registered "The London and British Columbia Goldfields, Limited," (Foreign) under the "Companies' Act," Part IV., "Registration of Foreign Companies," and amending Acts.

The head office of the Company is situate in England.

The objects for which the Company is established are:—

(1.) To prospect and explore for the purpose of obtaining information, and also to acquire and enter into treaties and contracts and engagements of any description, and either absolute or conditional, with respect to lands, forests, harbours, mines, mining rights, minerals, water rights, rivers, and property of every or any nature situate in any part of British Columbia, or elsewhere; and to negotiate for and acquire concessions, privileges and rights, absolute or conditional, from any Sovereign Powers, Rulers, Governments or States, or person or persons, or from any corporate or other body, and to enter into any arrangements with any Government, Ruler or authority, municipal or otherwise, for any purpose, or to any effect, and from time to time to alter and vary the same accordingly;

(2.) To carry on mercantile, commercial, trading and financial business of any and every description, either as principals or agents, or partly as principals and partly as agents, and to buy, sell and enter into contracts, either absolute or conditional, in respect of stocks, shares, debentures, debenture stock, bonds, obligations, options and securities of every or any description in any part of the world:

(3.) To purchase, take on lease, or acquire by exchange, licence, hire, or otherwise, lands, forests, buildings, harbours, mines, mining rights, water rights, patents or other rights or claims (whether absolute, exclusive, optional, conditional or limited), and any other kind of property in any part of the world;

(4.) To work, win, quarry, convert, manufacture, use, crush, wash, smelt, reduce refine, or otherwise treat and render marketable, and sell or otherwise dispose of, or deal in metalliferous quartz and ore and other mineral and metal substances and products and precious stones, and produce of every description:

(5.) To improve, manage, develop, or otherwise turn to account, or deal with all or any of the property and rights of the Company:

(6.) To carry on and transact the trades or businesses of merchants, contractors, carriers by land or water, farmers, graziers, traders in and manufacturers of all kinds of merchandise, goods, provisions and articles, and to carry on the businesses of bankers, capitalists, shipowners managers of estates, farms, mines, railways or other properties, and financial agents and brokers in all their respective branches, and the businesses of engineers, builders, miners, and any other businesses directly or indirectly connected with or capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with any of the businesses for the time being or objects of the Company:

(7.) To erect, construct, establish, or acquire by purchase, hire, or otherwise, and carry out, maintain, improve, develop, manage, work, control, and superintend any roads, ways, bridges, harbors, reservoirs, water works, gas works, electrical works, farms, canals, tramways, railways, quays, wharves, furnaces, mills, crushing and hydraulic works, factories, warehouses, ships, steamers, tugs, barges, machinery, locomotives, waggons, appliances, apparatus, and other plant and works, and to contribute to, subsidise, or otherwise aid and take part in any such constructions, works or operations:

(8.) To cultivate lands and property, whether belonging to the Company or not, and develop the resources thereof, by building, reclaiming, clearing, draining, damming ditching farming, and planting, upon such terms or system as may be considered advisable:

(9.) To stock, cultivate, and farm lands, and to breed, grow, and deal in all kinds of stock, cattle, sheep, horses and produce:

(10.) To establish, form and subsidise or otherwise assist in the establishment, promotion or formation of any other companies having for their objects, or some of them, any of the objects mentioned in this memorandum, or the prosecution of any other undertakings or enterprises of any description having objects which may advance directly or indirectly the objects of this Company, and to secure, by underwriting or otherwise, the subscription of all or any part of the share or loan capital of any such company, and to pay or receive any commission brokerages, or other remuneration in connection therewith;

(11.) To contract with or aid any Sovereign or other Power, Government or State, or any municipal or other body, politic or corporate, or company or persons for or in relation to capital, credit, means or resources, for the prosecution of any works, undertakings, projects or enterprises; also to contract for and act as agents or otherwise in relation to loans or securities issued or proposed to be issued by any Government or State, or municipal or other authority, or company or corporation, or persons or person:

(12.) To lend or advance money on the security of any kind of property, rights, stocks, shares, bonds, debenture stock, mortgages, debentures, obligations, bills, notes or other instruments or securities, or on the undertaking of any company or any part thereof:

(13.) To negotiate loans of all descriptions, either alone or jointly with any other company or person, to any state, country, municipality, railway company or any other company, or corporate or other body, or any person or persons;

(14.) To advance money for, or otherwise assist in making explorations and surveys of every kind, and in promoting immigration into any country, colony or state;

(15.) To guarantee the performance of any contracts or engagements, and to become liable or responsible for money, or for the fulfillment of contracts entered into by others:

(16.) To issue on commission, or receive brokerage, or other remuneration or consideration, upon the issue or re-issue, or for guaranteeing the issue of, or the payment of interest on any stock, shares, debentures, debenture stock, bonds, obligations or other securities of any company or public or local authority:

(17.) To borrow or raise money without security, or to secure the payment of money borrowed or raised, and in particular by the issue of debentures or debenture stock (perpetual or terminal), bonds, mortgages or any other security upon such terms as to priority or discount or otherwise as shall be thought fit, and to secure the same if thought fit by mortgage or charge upon the undertaking of the company and all or any of its real and personal property, present or future, and all or any of its uncalled capital, or in any other manner, and to purchase or redeem (at a premium if deemed expedient) any debentures, debenture stock or securities of the Company:

(18.) To sell, lease, charter or otherwise dispose of absolutely, conditionally, or for any limited interest, the whole or any part of the undertaking, property, rights, concessions or privileges of the Company for such consideration in cash, shares or otherwise as the Company may think fit, and to abandon any part of the business for the time being of the Company and to carry on any of the objects mentioned in this clause, to the exclusion of the others, and to acquire or institute any new business falling within the objects of the Company, or any of such objects:

(19.) To subscribe for, purchase, or otherwise acquire the shares of stock, whether ordinary, preferred or deferred, or the debentures, bonds, or other securities of any company, and to except the same in payment for any property sold, or business undertaken, or services rendered by this Company, and to hold, sell, or otherwise deal with the same:

(20.) To pay for any rights or property acquired by the Company, or any services rendered to the Company, in fully or partly paid shares or stock, debentures or other securities of the Company, and to make such payments or gifts by way of bonus or otherwise, and either in money or in any other value as may from time to time be deemed expedient for information or advice given or for services of any kind rendered to the Company, or in connection with which the Company may be directly or indirectly interested, and generally to make any payments or agree to pay any commissions, with or without any consideration moving to the Company, if it is considered by the Directors in the interests or directly or indirectly to the benefit of the Company to do so;

(21.) To promote any company for the purpose of acquiring all or any part of the undertaking, property and liabilities of the Company. Also to acquire the undertaking and assests, and undertake the liabilities, of any now existing or future company, and to conduct, liquidate or wind up the business of any such company;

(22.) To enter into partnership or into any arrangements for sharing profits, co-operation reciprocal concession, or otherwise, with any person or company, and to remunerate any person or persons, joint stock or other company by fixed salary or specified remuneration, or by a share of profits present, past or future, or part one way and part the other:

(23.) To make and carry into effect or determine arrangements with British or foreign manufacturers, railway and shipping companies, proprietors or charterers of shipping, carriers, proprietors of steam or other mechanical power, and other persons or company:

(24.) To carry on, work or develop any property or business of any kind, or to concur with others in so doing, or employ others to do so, as may be found expedient:

(25.) To pay any commission or brokerage for the purpose of securing the subscription of any part of the share or loan capital of this Company, or of any company promoted by this Company, or in which this Company is or intends to be interested, and generally to remunerate any persons for underwriting such capital, or for services rendered in placing, or assisting to place, or guaranteeing the placing, of any shares, debentures or other securities of the Company, or for promoting or guaranteeing the raising of capital for any other company, and to underwrite or otherwise guarantee the subscription for or placing of the share or other capital of any other company:

(26.) To procure this Company to be legalised, domiciled or recognised in any foreign country or colony, and to procure its incorporation in a like character, or as a Societe Anonyme in any foreign country, and to carry on the business of the Company, or any part thereof, in any foreign country or colony, or dependency of the United Kingdom or in any part of the world under any other style or name:

(27.) To draw, accept, make, indorse, discount and negotiate bills of exchange, promissory notes, warrants and other negotiable instruments other than bank notes:

(28.) To distribute among the members in specie any property of the Company, or any proceeds of sale or disposal of any property of the Company, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made except with the sanction (if any) for the time being required by law:

(29.) To exercise the powers given by "The Companies' Seals Act, 1864," and "The Companies' (Colonial Registers) Act, 1883":

(30.) To do all such acts and things as are incidental or conducive to the above objects:

(31.) It is expressly declared that the intention is that the objects set forth in each of the foregoing paragraphs of this clause shall be construed in the most liberal way, and shall be in nowise limited or restricted by reference to any other paragraph, or by any inference drawn from the terms of any other paragraph:

(32.) The word "Company" in this clause, when not applied to this Company, shall be deemed to include any partnership or other body of persons, whether incorporated or not incorporated, and whether domiciled in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, and whether now existing or hereafter to be formed.

The capital stock of the said Company is £200,000, divided into 197,500 ordinary shares of £1 each, and 2,500 deferred shares of £1 each.

Registered office—Nelson, B.C.

Resident Agent and Manager—J. Roderick Robertson.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 20th day of October, 1896.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
458-14.11.6 *Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.*

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

MOLLIE GIBSON MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Nelson Mining Division of the District of West Kootenay. Where located:—On the East slope and about 2 miles from the source of Kokanee creek

TAKE NOTICE that I, Charles Moore, acting as agent for Patrick W. George, Free Miners certificate No. C5895, intend, Sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1896.

474-5-12-6 CHAS. MOORE, Agent.

OAK LEAF MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Illecillewaet Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located—Above Maple Leaf Mineral Claim.

TAKE NOTICE, That I, N. P. Snowden, acting as agent for the Lillooet, Fraser River & Cariboo Gold Fields Ltd.; Free Miner's Certificate No. 69018, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 10th day of October, 1896.

442-24-10-6 N. P. SNOWDEN.

MAPLE LEAF MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Illecillewaet Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located—Opposite to Muir's tunnel on the north side of the Canadian Pacific railway, about three miles east of Illecillewaet station and nearly 1½ miles up the mountain.

TAKE NOTICE, That I, N. P. Snowden, acting as agent for the Lillooet, Fraser River & Cariboo Gold Fields Ltd.; Free Miner's Certificate No. 69018, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 10th day of October, 1896.

443-24-10-6 N. P. SNOWDEN.

RED FOX MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Illecillewaet Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located—On the north side of the Illecillewaet river, West Kootenay district and adjoining the Lanark Mineral claim on the north-west corner.

TAKE NOTICE, That I, N. P. Snowden, acting as agent for the Lanark Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company Ltd.; Free Miner's Certificate No. 58,216, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 10th day of October, 1896.

445-24-10-6 N. P. SNOWDEN.

DOROTHY MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Illecillewaet Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located—On the north side of the Illecillewaet river, West Kootenay district, and immediately adjoining the Lanark Mineral claim on the south side.

TAKE NOTICE, That I, N. P. Snowden, acting as agent for the Lanark Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company Ltd.; Free Miner's Certificate No. 58216, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 10th day of October, 1896.

444-24-10-6 N. P. SNOWDEN.

HORNE FRACTION MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Illecillewaet Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located—Bounded on three sides by the Lanark, Red Fox, Maple Leaf and Oak Leaf mineral Claims, situated about 3½ miles east of Illecillewaet, C. P. R.

TAKE NOTICE that I, N. P. Snowden acting as agent for the Lanark Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. 58216, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements,

Dated this 24th day of October, 1896.

446-31-10-6 N. P. SNOWDEN.

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