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THE CITY COUNCIL.

ALD. FLETCHER RETURNS TO THE CHARGE.

The Question of the Mayor's Authority Again Causes a Lively Discussion.

All members of the city council were present at a meeting held at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Early in the session the mayor's ire was aroused by a report from the committee on public works which he interpreted as a personal affront.

The report was signed by the entire committee with Alderman Fletcher as chairman. It recommended that the sidewalk on Stanley street be laid to grade. It also advised that a system of checking for material used in public works be employed and suggested that all foremen be required to report to the city engineer and that the latter make his report to the council.

"The report is a direct slap at the mayor," said the mayor.

"No sir. It"———commenced Alderman Fletcher, when the the mayor interrupted.

"It brings up the resolution which gives the mayor power to purchase all the material. He knows what he orders and is competent to check it up."

"I do not see why you should check up the material," said Alderman Fletcher. "It is not to be expected and I cannot see why you want to run around and take the place of the city engineer or foremen whom we expect to pay for these services."

"As long as I am mayor, I will see that the city gets all the material it pays for," was the response. "I will not have the city engineer order it or check it."

"There is no other business that can be run in that shape," said Alderman Fletcher.

"I move that the report be received and adopted," said Alderman Hillyer.

"It will be in variance with previous orders," said the mayor.

"Well, who will check the material?" asked Alderman Hillyer.

"The city engineer won't while I am mayor," was the reply. "We had better suspend the city engineer anyhow. I will take the trouble to check the lumber anyway."

"You acknowledged that you did not know the ins and outs of Gray's bill and it puts us in the position of paying bills without knowing what they are," said Alderman Fletcher.

"I know it now," said the mayor.

"They are making a toboggon slide of Stanley street," remarked Alderman Fletcher.

"No more than Hall street," said the mayor.

"The sidewalk is as high as the house tops."

"No it is not."

"It is too high anyway," said Alderman Fletcher.

"That's a matter of opinion," said the mayor.

"It strikes me that it is more of a matter of caprice on the part of those who built it," said Alderman Fletcher.

"Any other reports," asked the mayor. There was no response and the mayor continued. "I am not going to sit here and be snubbed by the city engineer."

"I want to say," remarked Alderman Fletcher, "in reply to your insinuation that the city engineer assisted in that report that he did not know a thing about it and does not now know of it."

Almost before he concluded speaking, the mayor was reading a remonstrance from A. M. Johnson, representing the Kootenay Lake hospital, whose water supply had been cut off. A 900-foot 2-inch pipe will be laid on Vernon street.

Chief of police Wolverton asked for instructions regarding the Salvation army, which he said was being complained of as a nuisance. He was instructed to enforce the street and sidewalk by-law and to keep people moving.

C. Harrington asked for permission to erect a frame building within the fire limits. He was notified to comply with the fire by-law.

Alderman Fletcher moved that the Stanley street sidewalk be lowered to standard grade and that steps be put in when necessary.

The mayor said that he had been over that street as often as anyone and he would prefer a steep grade to steps, as the latter were dangerous in winter.

Alderman Fletcher said that many people had complained to him about the grade and the foreman had told him that it would have been laid to grade if the mayor had not instructed him to lay otherwise.

The mayor thought the complaint a reflection upon his actions and asked Alderman Fletcher if he supposed he (the speaker) was going to sit there and be damned by these people. He said he was not going to let them slap him on one side of the face and then turn the other side to them. He said he was not built that way although Alderman Fletcher might be.

Mr. Davies was present and offered to sell the city a reservoir site for $1,500 but was told that the price was too high. It was agreed to submit him a proposition.

A bid from Houston and McMannus to alter and seal the Fire Hall for $144 was accepted and the mayor was authorized to have a new chimney built.

The mayor was authorized to purchase pistols, etc., for the police force.

Adjourned until next Monday night.

COMMISSIONERS MEET.

Liquor Licenses Granted.—The Equipment of the Police Force.

The licensing board met at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon and granted licenses to sell liquor to Margaret M. Duffy, R. Hurry and Mary Malette of the Kootenay hotel on Vernon street. An application for a saloon license from S. F. Calkin and James Smart to sell liquor on lot 4, block 1, Vernon street, was laid over for one week and the clerk was instructed to notify them to comply with the act. The petition was signed by the majority of property and lease holders but the petitioners had failed to get the signatures of the wives.

When the licensing board adjourned, the police board met and the recommendation of the city council that a chain gang be established, was concurred in. The chief of police was instructed to detail one of the patrolmen to guard the prisoners while working on the streets.

A communication from chief of police Wolverton asking that handcuffs, badges, batons, revolvers, shackles, and police whistles be purchased was sent to council with the recommendation that the request be complied with.

Adjourned until Thursday, July 29 at 2 p.m.

OFFICERS ARRESTED.

The President and Secretary of the Orphan Boy Co. Taken in Charge.

H. A. Brown, secretary of the Orphan Boy Mining company has been arrested. It is also said that J. W. Haskins the president of the same company was arrested at Victoria last Saturday.

For some time past the affairs of the Orphan Boy Co. have been in many mouths the subject of conversation and the theme of much press comment. Recently, too, an influential deputation waited on the Provincial government asking for an inquiry into its affairs. These arrests would, therefore, make it appear that the Crown has made up its mind to probe the matter in the nature of a criminal prosecution. Indeed, reports have been heard that Charles Wilson, Q.C., the eminent lawyer, has been assigned charge of the matter for the Crown, and W. J. Bowser may assist him. The trial, though no report has yet been obtained, cannot in the nature of things be now very far off and will be anxiously looked for by many interested in this case.

TRANSPORTATION NEWS.

Steamer Service on the Columbia River to Northport.

The steamer Trail has been laid off for repairs at Nakusp. After she has been overhauled she will take the run to Northport. The Lytton will then be repaired and refurnished and be put on the Northport run, making the trip daily. Only three trips a week are now being made. Next month, one of the C. P. R. steamers will make a trip up to La Porte from Revelstoke and will take up a load of hydraulic machinery for George J. Atkins. The machinery is now at Revelstoke.

It is expected that Mr. Heinze will have his road between Trail and Robson running at the expiration of thirty days, and then there will be no necessity for the boat to run between Trail and Robson.

A MILL CONTRACTED FOR.

The Montezuma Mine Will go on the List as a Shipper.

A contract was entered into at Spokane last Saturday for the machinery for a 100-ton concentrator and a double tramway 8500 feet long for the Montezuma Mining company, whose property is located on the south fork of Kaslo creek. The cost of the tramway and concentrator complete will be about $15,000. The mill will be erected under the supervision of T. L. Mitchell and will be running by the latter part of November, turning out about thirty tons of concentrates a day. The average value of the Montezuma ore is 80 ounces of silver and 65 per cent lead.

Rails For the Pass.

The first shipment of new 70-pound steel rails for the Nelson & Lethbridge railway have been forwarded from the Carnegie mills near Pittsburg, Pa. The consignment consists of fourteen carloads.

MR. MARTIN TALKS.

DIPLOMATIC UTTERANCES OF A VICTORIA SOLON.

Some Interesting Statements For the Consideration of Kootenay Electors.

"In an argument he couldn't talk;
If he ever went out he'd go in agin;
If you told him that houses could walk,
Why hang it you're right says McFinnigin."

Hon. George Bohun Martin, M. P. P. for the electoral division of East Yale, and chief commissioner of lands and works, visited Nelson during the week. He remained here several days.

Mr. Martin has resided in British Columbia for thirty-two years and has been a member of the legislative assembly for half that length of time. The tour that he is now making through Kootenay is his first since the district became prominently known for its mineral wealth.

The hon. chief commissioner says he does not mind being interviewed by the public press, and readily entered into conversation with a representative of the MINER concerning British Columbia politics and the policy of the Turner government.

Not the least interesting statement that he made was to the effect that he was prepared, if need be, to mortgage his ranch near Kamloops, and spend $10,000 at the next election to retain his seat in local parliament. He claims that he worked for sixteen years for the cabinet position he now occupies, and that he does not intend to quit politics for farming if he can possibly prevent such a catastrophe. When asked if his fellow cabinet ministers had decided for themselves in a similar respect, he replied that he could not answer definitely, but felt pretty confident that the ministry as a whole were a unit on almost every question.

Mr. Martin is of the opinion that the $5 tax extorted from the hard-working miners of this district is just and proper, as is also the impost levied on the product of our mines. He thinks that the fact that the Dunsmuirs and the Dunsmuir miners are not called upon to pay taxes on the same basis is all right. He declared emphatically that the government is determined to make all it can out of Kootenay.

The fact was pointed out to him that this district pays one-eighth of the entire Provincial revenue. He replied:

"It makes no difference. I can't see where any kick comes in."

Mr. Martin was informed that this district suffers from lack of appropriations for roads, streets, trails, bridges and wharves; that Gold Commissioner Goepel had urgent applications in his office at the present time for the expenditure of upwards of $80,000 in this respect, and that there is only $16,000 for that purpose.

The chief commissioner replied:

"What right have the people of this district to kick? Because four or five prospects are discovered back in the mountains, is that any reason why the government should expend thousands of dollars? The fact of the matter is, Kootenay has been treated too well."

Mr. Martin voluntarily declared that the premier was an honest man. Asked if he considered Col. Baker was also, he refused to reply.

The chief commissioner said he was opposed to the British Pacific deal and the construction of the new parliament buildings, but stated that he would "support the present administration through thick and thin."

Mr. Martin was asked for his opinion as to the drawing of party lines. He said:

"We don't want party lines. There is no need for such a method in Provincial politics. If the Liberals organize against us we shall certainly oppose them as Conservatives. But there is no need for a change of government. We are doing what is best for the Province; much better than Semlin or Sword or Williams or Cotton could do if they were in power. You know what kind of men they are!

Mr. Martin says the Cassiar Central railway job was a wise and generally excellent piece of legislation.

The chief commissioner refused to discuss the site chosen for the Provincial jail in this city, further than to say that the government would do what it thought best.

Concerning the donation of government land to the city of Nelson for recreation grounds, Mr. Martin promised on behalf of the government that any government lots in the townsite needed for such purposes will be given with as little delay as possible. He said he had forgotten for the moment just what the city had asked for, but it would be all right anyway.

Mr. Martin's attention was drawn to the fact that Nelson was an incorporated municipality three months and a half during the last fiscal year, and that the city expected a pro rata share of last year's taxes. He replied that he was afraid nothing could be done in the matter as the present government did not make a practice of refunding monies in such cases.

Concerning the recent political attitude of Speaker Higgins, Mr. Martin said:

"If Mr. Higgins is a gentleman he will resign the speakership of the legislature."

NEAR LEMON CREEK.

Silver Ore of Good Grade Discovered in the Monument Group.

A silver strike of considerable extent is reported at the head of Lemon creek. Three surface assays are said to have given results of 84, 59 and 84 ounces in silver. The find was made during the progress of assessment work on the Monument group which is in the same locality as the well known Alpine group. The width of the vein has not yet been determined but it is said to be continuous through eight or nine locations. The Monument group was staked last summer by Stephen Hawkins, Joseph and Henry Duhamel, H. S. Sinkard and Louis Strand of Nelson, and Mr. Stubbs of Slocan City. Messrs. Duhamel and Sinkard are now on the claims finishing the assessment work. The owners of the Monument group and others in the in the immediate vicinity have just completed a good trail leading from the one the government is building from Kootenay river up Six Mile creek to connect with the trail that leads up Lemon creek.

POLICE COURT.

Cases of Drunkenness and Vagrancy Disposed of—A Water Dispute.

During the week Police Magistrate Crease disposed of nine cases of vagrancy and drunkenness. G. Williams was fined $5 or 7 days for being drunk. A. Rousseau paid a fine of $2 for being drunk. J. McInnis, Matthew Shaw, James Kelly, Frederick Wart and Joe Wilson were found guilty of vagrancy and were given two hours to leave town. James Knight and Alfred Wylie were found guilty of the same offense and were given 24 hours to leave town.

The case of the city vs. George Stevenson of the Kootenay Lake General hospital was continued until Monday. In this case it appears that three connections were made with the water commissioner's permission with the pipe supplying the hospital. Mr. Stevenson caused these connections to be cut out. The commissioner retaliated by cutting off the water supply from the main entirely. The prosecution is under the by-law which prohibits any one from tampering or interfering with water mains.

ANOTHER POWER COMPANY.

Application for More Water Rights on the Kootenay River.

The South Kootenay Water Power company has posted in the courthouse a notice of application for water rights. It is signed by P. C. Stoess and A. H. Boulton. The water applied for is 50,000 inches taken at a height of 60 feet from St. Agnes falls on the Kootenay river; 20,000 inches taken at a heighth of 18 feet at the C. & K. crossing on Kooteny river and 3,000 inches taken at a heighth of 500 feet from Murphy creek, 3 miles back from the river. The purpose is to generate electric power for mining, milling, lighting, tramway, manufacturing and other purposes.

THE CITY BONDS.

One Bid for the $50,000 Debentures of the Municipality.

The only tender for the $50,000 bonds for the Nelson water and sewer systems was from the Canada Peninsular Loan and Savings society and was 96 per cent of their face value or $48,000 net. This bid was accepted and the money will be in the hands of the city as soon as the bonds have been printed and signed by the mayor. The society asked that the city pay the expenses of their solicitor in examining into the legality of the debentures but Mayor Houston refused to entertain the idea, saying that the bid was net and could not be discounted.

SURVEYING NEAR CRANBROOK.

The Nelson & Lethbridge Railway Being Rapidly Located.

Locating Engineer W. Z. Earle, of the Crow's Nest Pass railway survey, has arrived in the Moyie district, East Kootenay, from Lethbridge with a large pack train of supplies. Engineers have been at Cranbrook for two weeks past, surveying the line of the railway through the townsite and laying out yards and roundhouses.

The positiveness of this news, together with the activity along the route, has given the people in the vicinity of Fort Steele new life, as it were, and there is a great deal of speculation in lands and mining properties.

A Daily Mail Service.

Postmaster J. A. Gilker has received a telegram from the postmaster-general to the effect that on and after next Monday, July 26, a daily mail service will be put on between Nelson and Revelstoke. This will effect all that district lying east of Vancouver and west of Winnipeg. The mails will arrive at 12 a. m. and depart at 6 p. m.

Mayor Scott of Rossland was a visitor to Nelson last Wednesday.

PILOT BAY SMELTER.

THE BRADEN SYNDICATE BUYS THE PLANT.

They Also Acquire the Famous Blue Bell Mine and Will Do Custom Smelting.

The Braden syndicate has arranged for the purchase of the property of the Kootenay Mining & Smelting Company, which includes the Pilot Bay reduction works and the famous Blue Bell mine. The owners took possession last Wednesday. They will do custom smelting on an extensive scale and will considerably extend their operations as ore buyers in this district. The Blue Bell will be worked, although in a different manner than formerly, and the product of that mine will be smelted with Slocan, Ainsworth and Trail Creek ores.

The present capacity of the smelter is 100 tons per day, but it can easily be doubled by the simple addition of another furnace. This will probably be done at an early date.

Until the completion of the Nelson & Lethbridge railway, Messrs. Braden will obtain their fuel supply from the Vancouver Island collieries. Shipments will be made via the C. P. R.

The mine owners of Kootenay will be materially benefitted by the new order of things. They may safely count upon a more active competition among ore buyers; consequently, better treatment rates and much quicker returns than formerly. Partially developed properties and small mines will find this arrangement particularly useful. The Bradens are known in Kootenay and throughout the West as shrewd, conservative and very successful business men. For a number of years past they have operated very extensively in this Province and the Pacific North-West as ore buyers for the Omaha-Grant smelting company. They are also the owners of a number of valuable mines in Kootenay and Montana.

The Kootenay Mining & Smelting company was organized by A. B. Hendryx, a millionaire of New Haven, Conn. With the exception of $50,000 worth held by the Davies-Sayward syndicate, the balance of the stock was owned by Hendryx, who consequently controlled and directed the operations of the company. Hendryx wos the first man to invest heavily in Kootenay mining interests. The investments were made when silver was worth $1 per ounce. It is estimated that the man from New Haven dropped $400,000 before he decided to quit a game he knew so little about.

The Pilot Bay smelter was built in the winter of 1891. It is the best plant of its kind in the West; but cost two prices, owing to the lack of transportation facilities at that time. The machinery is out of repair, but a small expenditure of money is all that is required to make it as good as new.

The metallurgist who is to have charge of the works will arrive here tonight. He will at once proceed to Pilot Bay and commence to put the concentrator and smelter in working order.

The property of the Kootenay Mining & Smelting company was heavily mortgaged to the Bank of Montreal. It is said the company will save little or nothing out of the wreck.

THE GOODERHAM POLICY.

Will Continue Extensive Development Until Smelter Question Is Solved.

Messrs. George Gooderham and T. G. Blackstock were in Nelson several days during the week and left this morning for Rossland.

Both gentlemen are of the opinion that the efforts of the Le Roi company to establish a smelter at Northport is as much for the political advancement of certain stockholders as for any other reason. They believe in Kootenay smelters for Kootenay ores and prophesy that the time is not far distant when no ore will be shipped out of the district.

Mr. Blackstock informed the MINER that the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate is well satisfied with its holdings in Kootenay, and has decided to continue development on a very extensive scale and does not consider smelting the product of its properties advisable until the cost of reduction has reached the lowest possible point. The syndicate does not intend to build a smelter for some time to come.

The Four-oared Crews.

The following will compose the two crews of the 4-oared boats which will participate in the Nelson Boat Club regatta:

Donogh or Povah, bow; Hale, 2; Chambers 3; Day, stroke; Clarence Goepel, coxswain.

Winter, bow; Smith, 2; Beer, 3; Perks, stroke; Fred Blaney, coxswain.

A. E. Hodgins has sent in his resignation as engineer for the city of Nelson.

LOCAL NEWS.

The Happenings of the Week in Nelson and the Immediate Vicinity.

J. Fred Hume and J. A. Gibson have returned from a trip to the White Grouse mountain district. They report great activity there. Much prospecting and development work is being done. There are between 200 and 300 men in the district. Considerable prospecting is being done near the route of the Nelson & Lethbridge railway. The various properties are improving under development.

A gang of men are at work on the grade of the Canadian Pacific railway along the water front. It is believed that the only significence of this movement is to take possession at once so that there may be no disputes at the last moment when the company makes its connection with the Crow's Nest Pass railway.

The Richardson block, a three story frame building with stone foundation, now being erected on the north side of Baker street east of Josephine, will be used as an hotel. The business will be conducted by the owner of the building.

There are many inquiries as to when the next sale of government lots will be held. If the government would arrange a sale at an early date intending purchasers would be much convenienced.

A well known railway contractor who recently visited Nelson is the authority for the statement that 10,000,000 feet of bridge timber will be required for the Nelson and Lethbridge railway between the summit of the Crow's Nest Pass and the eastern terminus.

Chief of Police Wolverton has warned the owners of the slaughter house near the C. P. R. depot that unless the nuisance at that place is abated they will be prosecuted.

It is understood that the C. P. R. will probably have some 600 miles of subsidiary lines in addition to the main Crow's Nest Pass line constructed by the close of 1898.

Large rafts of lumber are being brought down the Columbia river for bridge work on the Slocan river road. Twenty-one carloads came down last week.

Mr. Follensby, of Strathroy, has started in the work of developing the Free Gold and Waverly claims on Forty Nine creek.

Harry White, of Wallace, Idaho, a brother of Steve White of the Nelson hotel, was a visiter to Nelson this week.

J. Johnson has gone to the Halcyon hot springs to spent a well merited vacation.

The action brought by Finlay, Durham and Brodie, of Victoria, against H. E. Croasdaile has been settled and all proceedings stopped.

The kindergarten conducted by Mrs. Anderson and Miss Donahue has proved a great success. There are twenty pupils already.

The time of holding services at the Roman Catholic church has been changed from 7:30 to 8 p.m.

George McL. Brown, executive agent for the Canadian Pacific railway arrived in Nelson last night.

A special sitting of the county court will be held on August 3. The regular sitting will take place on August 26.

Editor O'Brien of the Vancouver World was in Nelson during the week. He is making a tour of the district.

Mr. N. F. Hagel has identified himself with the law business of Mr. E. A. Crease.

Mr. L. D. Scott, a well known Nova Scotia journalist, was in the city yesterday.

A school trustee will be elected to-day at the school house.

President Cooper of the Dominion Wire Rope company of Montreal is in the city.

DASHED TO DEATH.

A Prospector Fell 150 Feet and was Instantly Killed.

The body of William Burritt was brought here yesterday morning from Sanca and the funeral took place in the afternoon.

A week ago last Thursday, Burritt fell from a cliff 150 feet and was instantly killed. With his partner, W. Muir of Nelson, he was prospecting about twelve miles from Sanca. The day the accident occurred, Muir had gone to Sanca to have a prospecting pick repaired. When he returned to camp Burritt was missing. The following day Muir commenced a search. Last Saturday he organized a large party and explored the mountains in the vicinity of Sanca. On Thursday the body was found partly submerged in a creek.

Burritt was about twenty five years old and was well known in Nelson. He was a carpenter and worked last winter at Gray's saw mill and at the smelter. His home is at Burritt's Rapids, near Mattawa, Ontario. The deceased had considerable money deposited in one of the banks here, besides a life insurance policy for $2,000.

The body was terribly mangled.

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LODGE MEETINGS.

NELSON LODGE, No. 23. A. F. & A. M. meets second Wednesday in each month. Sojourning brethern invited.
W. B. SHAW, Secretary.

I. O. O. F. Kootenay Lodge, No. 16, meets every Monday night, at their Hall, Kootenay street. Sojourning Odd Fellows cordially invited.
WM. HODSON, Secretary.

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CONCERNING SMELTERS.

The news that Messrs. Braden et al have purchased the Pilot Bay smelter with the intention of using the plant for custom smelting will be joyfully received throughout the length and breadth of Kootenay.

The MINER learns on good authority that the smelter will be operated upon a basis by which the mine owners of this district will be quoted cheaper treatment rates than can be given by United States ore buyers. The pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite ores of the Rossland camp will be utilized for fluxing the argentiferous product of the Nelson and Slocan mines. Messrs. Braden will experience no difficulty in the matter of freight rates from Slocan and Kootenay lake points, but in their efforts to compete for Trail Creek ores they are at the present time confronted by disadvantages that should not exist. The Spokane Falls & Northern Railway company refuses to quote a rate of less than $3 per ton from Rossland to Five Mile point. The rate is unnecessarily high; it is exhorbitant. If the railway company can afford to haul Le Roi ore to Northport for 75 cents, it can surely afford to quote a $1.50 rate to Five Mile point. By reducing its present tariff to Kootenay lake to the extent of 50 per cent., the railway company would be assured of an extensive and profitable business; but if it continues to charge $3, the Rossland mines and the Kootenay smelting industry will materially suffer.

It would seem that Mr. D. C Corbin is determined to make Northport a center for smelting British Columbia ores. He refuses to consider the welfare and the advancement of this country in any degree. If he continues to persue this policy he may expect similar treatment in return. The people of this district appreciate the enterprise of Mr. Corbin in the construction of his railway to Nelson at a time when the richness of the Kootenay mines was largely problematical, but they also remember that he received a princely land grant and many other valuable considerations as a reward. If the Great Northern railway can afford to haul ore from Butte to Great Falls, Montana, a distance of about 150 miles and across the main range of the Rocky mountains for 70 cents per ton, Mr. Corbin would not be doing what is right by this district if he makes the rate for hauling ore from Rossland to Kootenay lake more than would prevent the economic operation of smelters in this locality.

The United States interstate commerce commission has decided that certain American railways may be permitted temporarily to ignore the conditions of what is known as the long and short haul clauses of the interstate commerce law, as regards traffic to Kootenay. The new regulation is aimed at the Canadian Pacific railway. So far the regulation has made no change in the traffic between the East and this district.

The Colorado mine inspector, after spending two weeks looking over the ground, notified the owners of 120 shafts in Cripple Creek that certain repairs were necessary for the safety of the men, and the owners have made them.

OUR POPULATION.

Figures obtained from the recently compiled Williams directory show that the white population of British Columbia is 117,350, of which 78,500 are credited to the Mainland and 38,500 to Vancouver Island. This is an increase of 100 per cent. in four years. It is, however, very questionable if full justice has been done the new districts on the Mainland, especially to Kootenay. We do not hesitate to assert that 95 per cent. of the hundreds of prospectors now exploring the mountains in this vicinity received no mention in the directory. Nevertheless, the figures are not without value. They are excellent support to the contention of the MINER and many other newspapers that a redistribution of Provincial electoral districts is greatly needed. The Islands with less than half the population have fourteen representatives in the legislative assembly. The disproportion is so great that no further comment is needed. West Kootenay has at least a population equal to four-sevenths of the Islands, and we may reasonably expect that, within the next two years, it will amount to double what it is now. The Revelstoke Heard is of the opinion that Kootenay should have seven members. Without doubt the influx of people to this section of the Province will fully justify that number of representatives in five years's time. The Herald, very probably, realizes that the Turner government will hold on to its pocket boroughs as the chief means by which that party will remain in power, and consequently presents the case forcibly. The MINER, however, still adheres to the plan of redistribution which it has persistently advocated, viz., that West Kootenay shall have five electoral divisions as follows:

1. Nelson electoral district, to include what are now known as the Nelson and Goat River mining divisions.
2. Rossland electoral district, to include the towns of Rossland and Trail and what is known as the Trail Creek mining division.
3. Kaslo electoral district, to include the city of Kaslo, the towns of Ainsworth and Pilot Bay and what is known as the Ainsworth mining division.
4. The Slocan electoral district, to include what is known as the Slocan mining division.
5. The Revelstoke electoral district, to include what are known as the Revelstoke, Illicilliwaet and Trout Lake mining divisions.

THE PASSING OF MR. MARTIN

A Provincial cabinet minister is a rara avis in Kootenay; neverthless, the people of this district extend the glad hand to Hon. George B. Martin.

The taxpayers will not begrudge the expense of Mr. Martin's trip. His admissions to the MINER, published in another column of this issue, alone are worth the money. The sense of his remarks is in no way distorted; the language used in his answers is reproduced as literally as coherency and decorum permit. Persual of the interview can only leave in the minds of thoughtful, intelligent men, wonderment as to how one so absurdly impolitic, so appallingly inconsistent, so void of the true conception of political economy could possibly rise to the eminent position he now occupies. Mr. Martin presides over an office of public affairs, the importance of which can scarcely be over-estimated. In a new and growing country like this, the department of lands and works requires, at its head a man of decided executive ability, and it is essential that he should be so thoroughly familiar with the resources and development of all districts that every encouragement and facility may be accorded to enterprise and capital. This man has been a member of the legislative assembly for sixteen years, and a cabinet minister for nearly three years. For half a decade the mines of Kootenay have been the talk of the civilized world, and the district's need of adequate appropriations for roads, trails, bridges, etc., has been the chief topic discussed by the local press. Yet, during all that time, the chief commissioner failed to come within 200 miles of Nelson.

The department of lands and works has not enjoyed the best of reputations for many years; but under the alleged administration of Mr. Martin it has arrived at a condition worse than a farce.

KLONDYKE.

Recent reports from Klondyke, in the territory of Athabasca, tell of placer discoveries of almost fabulous richness. Seventy-five lucky miners have returned to civilization from that far off district with from $25,000 to $175,000 each, the result of a season's washing. The news has caused extraordinary excitement and thousands of people are preparing to journey to the new Eldorado. Steamers going north are laden with men of every profession and calling.

It will soon be fifty years since Marshall discovered gold in Sutter's mill-race at Coloma, California. Since that time the Pacific coast has witnessed many remarkable placer excitements. The rush to California in the early fifties was quickly followed by a stampede to the Fraser river which for a time was the scene of a wonderful gold production. This was followed by phenomenal finds in Cariboo, East Kootenay, Omenica and Cassiar. Then occurred an interval of more than twenty years before placer gold was discovered in Forty Mile creek, Alaska. Hundreds of hardy prospectors were attracted to that distant country and the search for the precious metal was continued with varying success until Klondyke was struck a year ago.

The difficulties that beset the gold seeker in the land of the Midnight Sun must not be lightly considered. They are numerous and in many respects truely terrible. So far the percentage of success there has been very small. Mingled with reports of suddenly acquired wealth come tales of great privation and suffering. As a field for mineral prospecting Klondyke does not offer one-tenth the advantages existing in Kootenay.

Our forcible—feeble Vernon street contemporary has quit making cowardly insinuations concerning the private life of Nelson's mayor, and devotes most of its limited space to abusing the MINER. It is cut to the quick because the MINER administered a well-deserved repremand instead of praising its very questionable conduct. Such billingsgate can do this journal no harm, although the city's reputation for respectability will suffer to some extent. We are reluctantly lead to believe that Nelson has become afflicted with a publication of the Rossland Record class—a style of journalism that mistakes vindictiveness and vituperation for news and intelligent editorial expression. This is a serious matter. A newspaper with low motives like the Vernon street sheet, with a very small circulation and less influence can, nevertheless, do a community much harm. For this reason the MINER will make no further mention of the matter. We would be the last to proclaim to the outside world that such a disgraceful condition of things exists here. It might be the means of keeping people away who would otherwise help build up the city. If the nuisance continues, the city council, the police commissioners, the sanitary board or some other authorities, it is to be hoped, will find means to abate the nuisance as privately as possible.

A dispatch has been received from Fort Steele to the effect that an attempt is being made to remove the government offices from Fort Steele to Cranbrook, the new townsite on the line of the Nelson & Lethbridge railway. The two towns are only 12 miles apart. So far as can be learned, the public would in no way be benefitted by the change; on the other hand, the Province will be put to an extra expense if the attempt is successful. Indignation meetings have been held in regard to the matter.

It is said that Col. Baker, the minister of mines, provincial secretary, minister of education and member for East Kootenay in the legislative assembly, is largely responsible for this scandal. Col. Baker is the principal owner of the Cranbrook townsite, which form as a part of his magnificent estate of the same name. The MINER considers further comment is unnecessary. The public is familiar with the B. C. Southern railway charter and Col. Baker's connection with it. The incident now referred to is but another example of how the doughty colonel unhesitatingly uses his position as a public official to advance his private affairs.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the MINER.

SIR:—In consideration of the fact that all transportation companies here are making their money out of prospectors and miners, it is only right that the convenience and safety of these men be respected.

The one against which most complaint is heard, and which is justly blamed, is the International Trading & Navigation company, owning the steamers International and Alberta.

To quote a personal experience, our party of five and seven horses arrived at the mouth of Seven Mile creek on Kootenay lake from Lemon creek in the afternoon. When the Alberta was on its way to Nelson, a man was sent out in a boat to hail it, and a beacon lighted on shore. The steamer deliberately steamed round the boat and passed on, leaving the party stranded at nine o'clock at night in a drenching rain. Next morning the International refused to answer all signals.

Authenicated cases of constant neglect can be given. In one case an injured man carried down, waited twenty-four hours to be taken off. There is considerable travel between Slocan and Kootenay lakes, now the through trail is completed. The neglect of the steamers will necessitate the mines along the divide, being opened up from Slocan City instead of Nelson.

This letter is written on behalf of the deserving mining fraternity.

RONALD C. CAMPBELL-JOHNSTON

Concentrator for the Black Fox.

Another concentrator is soon to go into the Kaslo camp. While in Spokane a few days ago Henry Croft, the owner of the Black Fox, on the south fork of Kaslo creek, announced that he had decided to put in a concentrator for that mine.

Another Toad Mountain Strike.

A strike of free gold is reported in the Irene, a Toad mountain property owned by Kelly and Driscoll. The claim is located near the Athabasca and Exchequer mines. The find was made while assessment work was being done. A force of men are sacking the ore for shipment to the smelter. Some of the rock is very rich.

Soda Works.

Thorp & Co., of Vancouver and Victoria, have established an extensive soda water plant on Vernon street under the management of W. R. McLain, and will be ready for business next week. A large building has been especially constructed for the business and the machinery is nearly all in place.

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Notice of Application for Liquor License.

TAKE notice that I, A. McGregor, will apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate of West Kootenay, thirty days after date, for a license to sell liquor by retail, at Hall's Siding in said district. A. McGREGOR.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 11th day of June, 1897. 665.

Application For Liquor License.

Take notice that I, Eli Cox, will apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate of West Kootenay, B. C., thirty days after date for a license to sell liquor by retail at Hall's siding, in said district. ELI COX.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., Thursday, June 10, 1897. (668)

Application For Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the city of Nelson, at their next sitting, for a license to sell liquor at wholesale at their premises situate on lot 22, block 6, Nelson, B. C.. CALIFORNIA WINE CO.

672 Per J. J. CHAMBERS.

Notice of Application for Liquor License

TAKE notice that I, Hermann Knorr, will apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate of West Kootenay, thirty days after date, for a license to sell liquor by retail at Deer Park, in said district. HERMANN KNORR.

Dated at Deer Park, B. C., this 28th day of June, 1897. 682

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I, George H. Woods, will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, Isabella Woods, on or after July 1st, 1897. GEORGE H. WOODS.

(689)

TRANSFER OF BUSINESS.

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Every person having in possession effects belonging to the said deceased is required forthwith to notify the undersigned.

Every creditor or other person having any claim or interest in the distribution of the personal estate of the said deceased, is required within thirty days from this date, to send by registered letter addressed to the undersigned, his name and address, and the full particulars of his claim or interest, or a statement of his account, and the nature of the security (if any) held by him. After the expiration of the said thirty days the administrator will proceed with the distribution of the estate, having regard to those claims only of which he shall have had notice.

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

CHARLES MOORE, Agent.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1897. (633)

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described property situate in West Kootenay District namely commencing at a post planted at high water-mark on the east shore of Kootenay Lake about 3½ miles north of Pilot Bay on said east shore and marked "John Lynch, W. T. McDonald and George W. Orchard's, N. W. Corner" thence 40 chains east, thence 40 chains south, thence west to the high water mark of said Kootenay Lake, thence along said high water mark to the place of beginning, containing 160 acres more or less.

JOHN LYNCH,
W. T. McDONALD,
GEORGE W. ORCHARD.

Dated at Nelson, B. C., this 29th day of June, 1897. (680)

NOTICE.

IS HEREBY given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described property:—Commencing at a post planted alongside the N. E. stake of the Columbia and Kootenay Railway Co's. grant situate on the West Arm of Kootenay Lake opposite Balfour and called L. J. Tolmie's N.W. corner post thence running south 80 chains along the eastern boundary line of the said railway company's grant thence east 80 chains, thence north and west along the shore of Kootenay lake to the point of commencement and containing 640 acres more or less. L. J. TOLMIE.

Dated June 14th, 1897. (655)

NOTICE.

SIXTY DAYS after date I, Charles Hayward, will make application to purchase two hundred (200) acres of land situate on the south bank of the Columbia river, near Robson, as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of Lot 181, thence westerly along Columbia river bank to the east boundary of Lot 301; thence south forty chains; thence east to the west boundary of Lot 181; thence north along west boundary of Lot 181 to its northwest corner; thence east to point of commencement.

CHAS. HAYWARD.

Victoria, B. C., June 14th, 1897. 673

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

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VICTORIA HOTEL

Notice of Application For Liquor License.

TAKE NOTICE that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Government Agent at Nelson for license to sell liquor by retail at Slocan Junction. H. LAMBERT.

Dated Nelson, B.C., 26th June, 1897. (688)

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MISS HOLLIDAY'S AFTERNOON NAP.

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CHAPTER I.

Gen. Frederick Holliday, my uncle, served his country in the field from the opening of the civil war to its close. He entered the army as a first lieutenant and rose to the rank which I have coupled with his name. Few soldiers of that war participated in so many battles; and his tremendous energy urged him ever to the front. It is therefore the more remarkable that not a drop of blood was exacted from him as the price of his devotion to the cause. Horses were shot under him; comrades fell dead at his side; but neither steel nor lead could touch him. Yet his name was written on a bullet; and it was ordained that, when scenes of violence had become mere dreams, in the home of his peaceful old age, and in an hour of absolute tranquility, the death he had so often gone to meet should come to him.

It was a drowsy summer afternoon. I lay in a hammock under the trees before my uncle's home, called Sunnyside, on the banks of the Hudson, some miles below West Point. Some one passed along the concrete walk near me, but I was so near to sleep that I had not the energy to turn my head to see who it was. I supposed, however, that it was Capt. Charles Marshall, an officer of the United States army, and the accepted suitor of my uncle's daughter.

My feeling for Marshall was not cordial. I would have much preferred to see Margaret engaged to Horace Preble, whom I liked exceedingly. Two years before, I had believed that they would make a match; but my uncle's influence had turned the scale in favor of Marshall. I say this on my own authority, and as an expression of my belief at the time. The accepted theory, however, was that Preble's loss of his small fortune, through the dishonesty of a trustee, had caused him to withdraw from the contest. I had seen comparatively little of him since, though recently I had begun to meet him in society, where, being of good family, and remarkably attractive appearance, he was a favorite despite his utter lack of interest in the gayeties of that world.

Marshall was forty years old, and a typical soldier. The idea of Margaret's marriage to him suggested an incarceration in a military prison.

A few minutes after the steps which I took to be Marshall's passed me, I suddenly remembered that the general had asked me to confer with him upon a matter of business that afternoon. I knew that I should find him at that hour in the "Long Room," as it was called, an apartment extending the full length of one side of the house. This somewhat unusu-

I FOUND HER THERE WHEN I ENTERED.

al feature had been added to the house, considerably to the detriment of its external appearance, by the general's orders. He made it his parade ground in bad weather; and there he used to march up and down, attended by many a soldier's wraith, summoned by his old commander from a grave in the south. The furnishings of the room were as peculiar as its dimensions. At one end was the general's desk where he wrote his letters. There was also an easy chair for reading, and some small, revolving bookcases. The other end had somewhat the appearance of a conservatory; and midway was a couch with cushions, a work basket with colored wools, and other indications that Margaret often kept her father company in the Long Room.

I found her there seated. She lay on the couch fast asleep. I stood by her side, looking down upon her beautiful face, and she did not know. The general, at his desk, had not moved at the sound of my coming. The somnolency of the summer's day seemed to hold them both.

I put my hand on Margaret's forehead and waked her. She did not start, but only opened her brown eyes and looked up at me with instant recognition. Before either of us spoke, Mrs. Holliday appeared in a doorway, and said:

"Capt. Marshall is here."

I was looking straight into Margaret's face when the man's name was mentioned; and somehow I got the impression that there might be hope for Preble yet.

The girl followed her mother to another part of the house, and I walked to the general's side. He was bent over his desk, and his head rested upon his hands. I spoke, and he did not move. I laid my hand upon his shoulder. My touch disturbed the equipoise of his body. It slowly, heavily slid from the chair, and fell to the floor where it lay face upward.

A single glance at that face showed me that Gen. Holliday was dead.

I am not one of those who tremble in the presence of death. The dominant sentiment of my heart, as I knelt beside this lifeless form, was poignant grief for the loss of one whom I had loved and reverenced many years.

But when, after a moment, I saw blood upon him and upon the floor where he had fallen, and much more beneath the desk, I was alarmed and cried out for help. Stephen Hanley, my uncle's butler, ran into the room by a door close to where I stood beside the corpse. He was the only person who heard my cry. It is notable about the Long Room that sound does not readily pass out of it. The butler was so terror-stricken as to be of no use to me. He dared not touch the body. The sight of the blood, which had startled me, seemed utterly to have unmanned him.

"Find Dr. Hilton," I cried, "and send him here instantly. Tell no one else."

Hanley obeyed with alacrity, and in scarcely more than a minute Dr. Hilton came. He was a young physician resident in the family, with whom he had a distant relationship. Gen. Holliday had paid for his education, and had supported him since he had taken his degree. Hilton was not a money-maker, and would have fared badly but for the general's charity, disguised in the form of a salary to a "family physician;" but, with so generous a helper the young man might have been an object of envy. He was assured of a luxurious home during the general's life, and of competency after his death, under the will.

I have never thought well of Dr. Hilton's professional attainments, but the foremost practitioner of the world could have done no more in this instance. Gen. Holliday had been shot through the body. The bullet had shattered the spine, and death had resulted instantly from shock. So much Dr. Hilton was able to say with perfect certainty. He added that the murderer must have stood directly behind his victim and aimed well, for the bullet, if it had not been deflected slightly by the spine, would have pierced the heart. Gen. Holliday had been dead a very short time—certainly less than an hour.

Considering his medical training, Hilton was extraordinarily affected by this terrible event. He was far less calm than

A GLANCE AT THE FACE SHOWED ME GEN. HOLLIDAY WAS DEAD.

I was, and for that reason I decided that it would be best for me to do what must be done about informing Mrs. Holliday and her daughter. Hilton begged me to do it, speaking with pallid and trembling lips. It even seemed to me, as I turned away, that he dreaded to be left alone with the body.

We speak in the most ordinary way of breaking such news as that, to those who will be heart-broken when they hear it. I did my best, speaking to Margaret first, because she was stronger than her mother; but I doubt if either could have suffered greater pain at the most brutally sudden announcement. Mrs. Holliday was utterly prostrated; and I believe that nothing but her mother's dire need saved Margaret.

I have already confessed my prejudice against Capt. Marshall, and it is therefore with the greater pleasure that I admit him to have proven himself a serviceable man in such an emergency. If it is in him to face the perils of battle with an equal calmness, he must be a good soldier.

It was under his direction that we at last began to make an investigation of the tragedy. We had already telephoned to the police of West Point.

Evidently the extraordinary circumstance—the seemingly impossible detail which distinguished the case from all other mysteries—was the presence of Margaret when the shot was fired. Of that fact there could be no doubt. She told us that she had come to the Long Room immediately after luncheon. Her father had come in, very soon afterwards, and had gone at once to his desk. She must have fallen asleep immediately; and she remembered nothing more till the moment when she saw me standing beside her.

"This is beyond belief," said Hilton. "It is utterly incredible that Margaret should not have been awakened by the report of the weapon; but it is even more preposterous to suppose that any human creature would have the hardihood to commit this crime right before the girl's face, even though she slept."

"He might have felt sure that she wouldn't wake," said Marshall; and I noticed that his cold gray eyes scanned Hilton's face narrowly.

The suggestion seemed to escape the physician, but it came like a blow to me. Margaret's sudden and deep sleep might furnish the explanation of the entire mystery. Hilton sat next to Margaret at the table. He might have drugged her food. This necessitated the supposition that he knew that she and her father would be together in the Long Room after luncheon. It was not impossible that he should have known it. But if that seemed an obstacle to the theory, another and more reasonable one suggested itself immediately. Margaret's sleep might have been natural in the beginning. Then some one might have come noiselessly to her side, as I had done, without disturbing her slumbers. He might have caused her to inhale some soporiferous vapor which would have dulled her senses while the murderous deed was done, passing away afterwards without leaving a trace upon her.

We three were silent while these thoughts were passing through my brain. Hilton sat in a chair and his head had fallen upon his hands. Before him stood Marshall, stern and soldierly. I stood at one side observing them.

If Margaret was drugged, I thought, who but this doctor could have done it? Is there some secret passion in the man's heart for Margaret? Did she favor him, and did he hope to win her when his rival should lack a father's influence in his favor? Then there was the will; and Hilton knew its contents.

"They make powders nowadays," said Marshall, "which develop extraordinary energy but very little noise. I think it possible that a weapon so charged might have been fired in this end of the room and not have been heard by anybody but the murderer. It is extremely improbable, but we must not forget the fact. A shot was certainly fired in this room. It must be explained somehow."

"Where were you?" I asked, with unintentional rudeness. He turned upon me with a sort of military wheel.

"I was in the parlor with Mrs. Holliday," he said. "And your question reminds me of one that may be pertinent. Dr. Hilton, from your examination of the body, should you think it likely that Gen. Holliday was shot after Margaret left this room?"

I flushed hotly and was on the point of uttering a sharp retort. And then suddenly the thought of the true-hearted, kindly man, the friend whom all of us had lost, came over me and grief conquered resentment.

"Gentlemen," I said, "we waste time with idle suspicions. Let us confine ourselves to the facts of the case."

CHAPTER II.

There is a police officer in West Point who has a considerable reputation as a detective. His name is Bernard Kelly. Within an hour after the message was sent out from Sunnyside Kelly arrived.

Meanwhile we had made several important discoveries. First we questioned the servants. There were six. Three of them believed that they had heard a sound like a pistol shot, about the time when the crime must have been committed. The other three were sure that they had not. Of the latter, Hanley, the butler, was the most important witness. He was nearer to the Long Room during the critical period than any other person not actually within it. He had heard nothing, but he had seen something of consequence—namely, a man whom he did not know, walking hurriedly away from the house. This person the butler had seen from a window. He attached no importance to the circumstance at the time; indeed, he did not mention it until I had sharply questioned him. This was just before Kelly arrived.

My first vague suspicions had centered upon Hanley. They were founded upon his demeanor at the time when he and I were together in the Long Room immediately after my discovery of the crime. Certainly there could not have been a more perfect picture of guilty terror than he furnished then. His horror of the body, and especially of the blood; his eagerness to escape from the room; his dread of questioning, were all suggestive.

But I could not at first supply a motive for him. That came later, when, with Kelly's assistance, we examined more closely my uncle's desk. Our first examination of it had but one object; we wished to trace the course of the bullet. This was not difficult. After passing entirely through my uncle's body it had penetrated the back of the desk, and the wall also. I was amazed at the power of the projectile; but Capt. Marshall was not. It supported his theory that the new explosive for small arms figured in this case. He was an expert upon this point; indeed, he was at that time conducting experiments with a rifle intended for the army. This dreadful weapon when fired on a level from the height of a man's shoulder would send a bullet nearly two miles, and at two thousand yards would drive it through the bodies of seven men.

He stated these facts to me with professional calmness; he even offered to exhibit them to me if I would go some day to his laboratory and proving ground, which was on the outskirts of West Point. His knowledge of the subject was undoubtedly great, and the more I thought upon it the more important, in my mind, became the coincidence of the presence of such a man in that house at a time when a mysterious and terribly powerful weapon had been murderously employed.

My interest became horror when I found soon afterward that this circumstance impressed itself more strongly than any other upon the mind of Bernard Kelly. Through Margaret he learned from Mrs. Holliday that she had left Marshall alone in the parlor for fully ten minutes. He seemed not to have moved when she returned, but he had had time to go to the Long Room and return.

Margaret told me of Kelly's questions, despite his warning to her to keep absolute silence about them. She said, frankly, that they indicated to her his suspicion that Marshall had committed the crime.

"That is not to be thought of," said the girl. "He, of all others, had most reason to wish my father to live."

Perhaps; yet it is true that a living father may change his mind about a

CONSPICUOUSLY SHUNNING ME.

daughter's marriage, but the expressed desire cannot be recalled when death has sealed the lips.

Then came that other discovery relative to the desk, and it threw all my theories into confusion.

On the forenoon of that day I had seen a pile of bank notes in a drawer of the desk, and the topmost had been of the denomination of one hundred dollars. How much was in the pile I did not know. My uncle had closed the drawer immediately. I had seen only one of the bills. When we searched the desk under Kelly's direction there was no money at all in it. My uncle had only a few dollars and a gold watch in his pockets.

If robbery was the motive, whom should we suspect? I thought of Hanley instantly; and, in private, I described to Kelly the demeanor of the man at the first alarm. The detective received my communication without any comment whatever. Indeed, he did not speak ten words, except in questions, while he was in the house.

About an hour after he had gone away, I received a telephone message from him saying that the case would soon be cleared up. He spoke as if he already had his hand on the murderer's shoulder. I begged him to name the guilty man, but his only reply was that he would be at Sunnyside early the next morning.

The night in that house was one which I shudder to remember. Suspicion was rampant. In my own mind Hanley, Marshall and Hilton figured in turn as the murderer. Then the absence of the weapon suggested the mysterious stranger whom the butler had seen. My thoughts were in a whirl, and their confusion became more so as I perceived that both Hilton and Marshall were coming more and more closely into conference and conspicuously shunning me.

I heard one of the servants say to another that Capt. Marshall had done it, and the reply was that, whoever had fired the shot, Margaret Holliday was certainly a party to the crime. Another servant in response to my questioning said that he had seen Hanley enter the Long Room from the dining room which adjoined it, not ten minutes before my discovery of the murder. Hanley, with white lips, denied that he had been in that room since the morning.

Marshall and Hilton divided between them the care of the body and did not consult me. I passed the night in tor-

ment, relieved only by an occasional sight of Margaret, who twice or thrice came from her mother's room to speak with me. She would not see Marshall. I think that she believed him guilty.

At eight o'clock I was standing on the verandah in front of the house when the sound of wheels startled me, and I saw a carriage containing Bernard Kelly and a man who leaned far back with his face in the shadow. It flashed across me in a second that Kelly had solved the riddle, arrested the murderer, and was bringing him to the house. If that was so, the prisoner could be no other than the man whom Hanley had seen. And then I thought of the steps that I heard, and had supposed to be Marshall's, as I lay in the hammock. Had the murderer passed me then?

The carriage rapidly approached. In a few seconds it was near enough for me to see the face of the shadow. Kelly's companion was Horace Preble.

I hope to get through this mortal life without suffering such a shock as that again.

Preble got out of the carriage with Kelly close behind him.

"In heaven's name what is this?" I demanded.

The young man looked disconsolately down upon the ground. He had first extended his hand toward me and had withdrawn it.

"This thing had to come out," he said. "I've tried to cover it up as much as I could, but it was no use. You might as well know the truth."

"Speak!" I cried.

"Why, you see, about two years ago, when I lost all my money, I was in a desperate fix. I had hoped to live without work and that hope failed me. I got into sad straits, and at last—of course you'll regard this as confidential?"

"Confidential!"

"Well, it's known to a few. Every time a thing of this kind happens to me somebody has to be let in."

"Look here, Preble," I exclaimed, "I'm altogether too nervous to stand this strain

THE SEARCH FOR THE BULLET.

any longer. Since yesterday I've been suspected of murder by half a dozen people, and have convicted, in my own mind, half a dozen others in town. I convicted you, when I saw you with Detective Kelly. But of course when I stand here face to face with you, I know it can't be true. Yet you have some part in the shameful secret, as you have confessed to me. What is it? Don't keep me in suspense!"

A sickly smile distorted Preble's handsome face.

"I am a detective in the pay of the New York police department," he said. "I'm here professionally."

He shuddered at the thought.

"It's a little different from the old times," he continued. "I'm heartily ashamed of it, my boy, but it can't be helped now. There's little to choose between detective and criminal in my opinion. The criminal inflicts an injury on society, and the detective inflicts an injury on the criminal; and the best defence that the detective can make is the old school-boy claim: 'The other fellow began it.' Why can't we all let one another alone?"

I was leaning upon the railing of the verandah and laughing weakly, almost hysterically. To see Preble out of that scrape was too much happiness for me. Little I cared about his profession. I thought it as good as most others and much better than the law. But I knew him well enough to be sure that whatever profession he had chosen would immediately seem to him the most disgraceful and unbecoming that men's needs had ever produced.

"We wired to New York for a man," said Kelly, "and Byrnes sent up Mr. Preble. Between us I guess we can sift this matter down. Would you like to look at the body, Mr. Preble?"

"Not yet," he replied. "Let us have a look at the room."

Capt. Marshall joined us while we were busy there. Preble was examining the bullet hole in the desk and in the wall. He enlarged the latter until he could see through it, and then he looked out, following with his eye as nearly as possible the direction of the ball.

"There's a chance that we can find it," he said, and led the way to the grounds at the rear of the house.

Fifty yards back we came to a large tree, and in its rough bark, near the ground, after most careful searching, Preble found a bullet hole. Five minutes later he held in his hand the leaden missile that had killed Gen. Holliday.

"Capt. Marshall," he said, "you, as an expert, will be able to tell us what sort of weapon carries such a bullet."

"You know already," replied the captain, with a sort of gasp. "I can see that in your face. It is the bullet which the rifle I am testing carries. There is no other like it."

I looked anxiously at Preble, and saw, to my surprise, that he was not regarding Marshall. He was looking over the captain's head.

I turned and saw a man running through the grounds. He was bent double, and seemed to fancy himself to be shielded by some low shrubbery. I recognized Hanley, the butler.

"You'd better go after him, Kelly," said Preble, and Kelly obeyed, exhibiting a surprising swiftness of foot.

He overtook Hanley before he had reached the road which bounds the estate upon the south; and in a few minutes the trembling servant stood before Preble. The detective nodded to Kelly, who instantly began to search Hanley. In one of his pockets was a package of twelve one-hundred-dollar bills.

"Now, let's have your story without a moment's delay," said Preble, sternly.

"I swear to you, sir," replied the butler, solemnly, "that I had no hand in the death. I robbed him, but I did not kill him. It was this way: I went in to the Long Room to speak to him. Miss Margaret was asleep on the couch. The general also seemed to be asleep with his head on his desk. And right there in plain sight was all that money.

"I've been hard pressed, sir, of late. There's been some as bad as me at a disadvantage and have used their power. It's their fault, sir, that I took the money. I'm no thief at heart. I did it in sheer nervousness, at the sight of what I needed so much.

"The general never stirred. He was dead then, sir, I've no doubt, but I didn't know it. I got away with the money and hid it in my room. Then when the murder was discovered I was near frozen with horror. I would have restored the money, but there's been no chance. Somebody has been in that room all the time. So this morning, when I learned that one of the servants had seen me go into that room, and had told on me, I resolved to run for it. That's the whole truth, sir, and I'm glad to have it off my mind."

"I believe you, my man," said Preble. "It's never a good thing in this world to be too smart, and it's your good fortune that you're not nearly smart enough to have committed this crime, supposing that it is a crime at all."

He directed Kelly to keep an eye on Hanley and then we all went into the Long Room. We found Margaret and Dr. Hilton there. Margaret greeted Preble with great cordiality. She said that she felt much relieved at having his advice and aid, for she had always thought him to be gifted with an exceptionally clear mind.

"If my present theory of this terrible mystery proves to be correct," said Preble, "I think we shall all feel greatly relieved. It is only a theory at present, and the basis is no more than this."

He opened his hand and showed a splinter of wood about an inch and a half long. For my part I had no idea of its bearing upon the case. The others seemed equally at a loss.

"I found this on the floor at that end of the room," he said, pointing away from the general's desk. "It was knocked off the inside of the wall by the bullet which killed your father. It surprises me, gentlemen, that when you had found where the bullet went out you should not have looked for the place where it came in."

"But, Preble," I exclaimed, "you are not going to tell us that the murderer fired through that wall and across the whole length of this room?"

"And a mile of open country besides," said Preble, calmly, "if my theory is true. Capt. Marshall, will you tell me whether I am correct in saying that a line drawn from the spot where Gen. Holliday was struck down and extended through the wall one foot to the left of that window would pass close to your laboratory on the other side of the valley?"

Marshall's forehead was wet with perspiration.

"It is true," he said, in a low voice. "I am afraid that your theory is right."

"You mean," I cried, "that the accidental discharge of a rifle which was being tested is responsible for this terrible calamity?"

"You have seen the bullet," said Preble, "and I have proven the direction in which it came. The weapon could not have been fired near the house or you would have heard the report. The shot must have been accidental, for the distance and the impossibility of seeing into this room preclude the possibility of intent. I can see no other explanation. However, we need not be long in doubt. If Capt. Marshall will accompany me to the spot we can learn whether there was an accidental discharge of a rifle at the hour named.

"I may add," he continued, "that the whole aspect of this case indicates the work of chance. It had not from the first the appearance of human device. The absolutely impartial bearing of the facts, which implicated equally every person who could have been physically present, showed a broader grasp of detail than any man can claim. The minor crime of Hanley strikes in discordantly with the rest. You can readily see the difference between design and fate which can have no purpose. This terrible event is the forerunner of many which will follow upon this new development of modern arms. And the tragedies will not all be accidents. If a murderer can by repeated trials at last strike down his victim at the distance of more than a mile, he will be less often restrained by mere cowardice."

He bade us good-by and went away with Marshall and Kelly. In an hour we received a telephone message from the last named, that Preble's theory had been confirmed.

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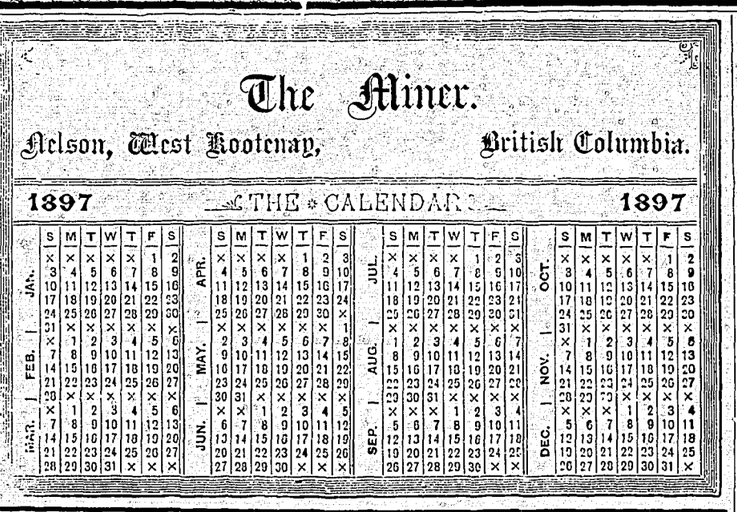

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Delaware	1,500,000	1 00	0 12
Eastern Star	500,000	1 00	0 09½
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Eric	1,000,000	1 00	0 03
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Alamo	500,000	1 00	
Cumberland	50,000	10 00	
Dardanelles	1,000,000	1 00	0 19
Grey Eagle	750,000	1 00	
Idler	1,000,000	1 00	0 15
Kootenay-Columbia	400	100 00	
Minnesota	1,000,000	1 00	
Noble Five Con	1,200,000	1 00	0 51
Rambler Con	1,000,000	1 00	0 47
Reco	1,000,000	1 00	1 75
Slocan Star	1,000,000	50	2 75
Sunshine	50,000	10 00	
Wonderful	1,000,000	1 00	0 03
Washington	1,000,000	1 00	0 27
NORTHPORT.			
Red Top	1,000,000	1 00	0 10

†Dividends paid to date are as follows: Le Roi, $175,000; War Eagle, $187,000; Cariboo, $150,000; Idaho $152,000; Slocan Star, $350,000; Reco $150,000; Rambler $40,000. Alamo, Cumberland, Goodenough and Noble Five have also paid dividends.

MINING TRANSFERS.

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

Nelson.

July 16—
Republic—W J Maxwell, G G Day and J Rankin to W H Corbould.
Sunshine—E Chape and C French to same.
Barbara—E Chape to same.
Deadwood No 1—G Gurd to A Cairns transfer of option.
Golden Alaska—Same to same.

July 17—
Anacortes—C Peterson to P La Plant, ½, $50.
Irish Queen—F Pollock to J Stundeen, ½.
Black Chief—A Macdonald to H W Chapman, ½.
Sunnyside—H Pfeifer to W Letcher, ½, $50.
Grey Bird, Spokane Boy—H Douglas claims ½

July 19—
I X L—A H McKay to F W Rolt, ½.
Star West—J Stierle to J L Parker and J B Dabney, ½.
Fitzpatrick, Hunter—R Hunter, B J Fitzpatrick to J Brewster, ½.
Willamette—W F Morrison, claim ½.
Gold Standard—G W B Heathcote to Ada M Scarlett, ½.

July 20—
Phoebus ½, Venus 2-5, Jupiter 2-5—T A Lassley to W H Hutchinson and P Paulson.
Gold Standard—G W B Heathcote to A H Kelly, ½.
Sylvia—G R G O'Driscoll to G A Bigelow and Mrs Margaret Smith, ½.
Uncle Tom—F Perkins to J Dallas.
Waneta—W Stephens to same.
Golden Rule, Summit Prince, Every, Murtal—S L Goldberg to J H Douglas, ½, $1.

July 21—
Gold Bar—J A Netterfield, E Harkness to J D McSweyn, 5-12.
New York—D McLennan to W G Sivyer.
Swanhilda—T Higgerty to C Meacham, ½.
Salmon Star, Paymaster, Perseverence, Treasurer, Great Commonwealth—A B Buckworth to Ellen Powell.
Hiddin Treysur, Diamond Dust, Red Rose—J and F H Dunnigan to Ogle Carss, $3000.

New Denver.

July 7—
Bermuda ½, Cuba ½, Swanee ½, Adirondack 1-9, Convention Fraction ½, Great Divide ½—Jas Gilhooly to Herman Clever, $1600.
Silverine—C J Moore to Laurance Peters, ½.
Sydney—Same to same, ½.
The Silver Hill—John McNeil to Wm Callahan.
The Viking No 2—C M Gething to Geo H Aylard.
Jupiter ½, Grace H ½, Joseph B ½, Blentine ½, Trump ½—Joseph B Thompson to Chase Burke.

July 8—
Phœnix—R G Henderson to Geo H Aylard, ½.
Viking—Nels Nelson to same, ½.
Madre ½, Ravori ½—E C Lander to A E Whitmore.

July 9—
Sandon Chief—T G Johnson to H A Barton, ½.
Bertie—A Monroe, 6 mi up 5 Mile ck.
Gold Dust—Same, same.
Victoria—F A McIntosh, J Doherty, 4 mi w Halls siding.

July 21—
Wellington—T G Thomas, H Noll, FP Martin, 1½ mi w n fk Salmon riv, 2½ mi n N & F S ry.
Iron Duke—Same, same.
McKinley—Same, same.
Sun Set—Same, same.
Mary B—J Edgren, ½ mi fm Salmon riv and s Treadwell mine.
Marie No 2—D H Morin, Donaldson mt e slope Elizabeth No 2—Same, same.
Maple Leaf—J T McKinzie, 1 mi s head Hall creek.
King Soloman Mine—H Grinsberg, 2½ mi w Ymir.
Lucky Bob—W O'Connor, ½ mi s Hidden ck, 2 mi e N & F S ry.
Alamado—T F Sullivan, J Purdy, Wild Horse mt, 1½ mi n and 3 mi up Wild Horse ck.
Whail—J Ryan, J S McMullan, Copper mt, 2 mi e N & F S ry.
Swanhilda—T Higgerty, 1 mi fm 3rd w fork Grohman ck.
Glenlivate No 1—A Grant, ½ mi e 49 ck, ¾ mi s Kootenay riv.
Wild Horse Fraction—C H Burrett, A C Buchannan, Wild Horse ck, 6 mi fm N & F S ry.
Dominion—D J Steele, 6 mi up 49 ck.
King No 49—Same, same.

July 21—
Baltimore—E Morin, w fork Clearwater ck.
Empress—D Cameron, s fork Porcupine ck, 6½ mi e N & F S ry.
Climax—Same, same.
Horseshoe—J Goodlad, same.
Monarch—J C Huff, head Proctor ck.
Rawdon—J McLaren, 2 mi below head w fork 9 mi ck.
Bell View—J Kidihough, Little Deer Park.
Wild Flower—P Cullen, same.
Garfield—J Ridihough, same.
Seattle—R Luxton, 4¾ mi n Deer Park.
Lady Ore—J C McFarland, e fk Clearwater ck, 1½ mi fm fks.
King—F Nibling, ½ mi e Salmon riv, 6 mi n Pend d'Oreille riv.
Gem—G Crawford, head Kokanee ck.
Maple Leaf—J Hepburn, A Fraser, s fk Hall crock.
Dosoto—E Coy, head Cayuse ck.
Galveston, J M Harris, same.
Moscow—F Chapin, same.
Jesmond—W H Houghton, same.
Jubilee—T V Bell, same.
Fairmont—E Baxter, same.

July 23—
Elephant—J M Bailey, divide at head Bear creek.
Oxford—G House, 8 mi up s fk Salmon riv.
Weedie—J D Mifflin, same.
Fortune—E Peters, A R Peters, G F Metion, head Hall ck.
Montick—J C Tuttle, Craig mt ½ mi w Craigtown.
Excelsior—C J Smith, head Cayuse ck.
Eureka—P Marcoux, Fawn ck 16 mi from Salmo.
Golden Alex—J O Gagnon, same.

July 10—
Semminder—T W Taylor to Joseph Payne, ½, $170.
Smuggler—Jno Garraher to Lewis J Lebert, ½, $75.
Ensign ½, and all interest in Dolly and Dolly Varden—John H Ashfield to James M Martin, $500.

July 11—
Viadna—Mike Shalka to Antonio Distasio, ½.

July 13
New Columbia and Felix—J S Laurance to J S Smith, 1-12.
New Columbia and Felix—Same to S McPhaden, ½.
Frederick—Stephen Powers to J G Rollins, ½.
Tuti Fruiti—Jas A McDonald to D H Kirk, ½.

Kaslo.

July 10—
Madge—W J Elliot to Slocan Gold and Silver M Co, ½.
Charleston—W Mathesen, R Shell and H Cody to J E Mitchell, $15,000.
Opportunity—J A Harvey to G Hambly, ½.

July 12—
Last Chance—E C Ward to Hillside Silver Mining Co.

July 13—
Cuba No 2—C S Allmew to H Croft.
T C—R C Campbell-Johnson to C K Milbourne, option to purchase 51,100 shares.

July 14—
Hamme, Bismarck and Mountain Goat—C Sampson, J Casezza, J Sampson to F P Sherwood, $35,000.
Dungeness—J E Robins to H Stege, ½.

July 15—
Black Prince, Pole Star and Phœnix—John Edmunds to Joseph Blanchard, ½ in each.
Johanna—G A Eastman to Frank Bernedt, ½, $225.
Johanna—Murdock McKenzie to G A Eastman, ½, $112.50.
Volney—Elmer E Coy to John F Wilson, 2-5.

July 16—
Sophia—Andrew Nelson to Uno Olson and Dolph Johnson, $200.
Nancy Hanks, Fresno, Last Link, Maude S and Hazel E—W J Tretheway to R E Brown, $200.

July 17—
Kootenay Star—John P Redding to Henry Eummelen, ½.
Garnet Fraction—Geo Stowe to E J Matthews, $50.

Rossland.

July 12—
St Ternan—G R Yates to Wm Jensen, ½, $150.
Emu Fraction—Neville F Townsend to F M McIvor Campbell.

July 13—
Rocky Mountain, Lucky Seven, Rocky Point, Naguanee—Murphy Creek G M Co to John Rankin.
Lenna, Nonpareil—Deb Roop to John G Sullivan, A L McHugh and D D Britt, ½, $50.
Big Bend, Snowdon—Wm Pugh to W F Tye and S M Johnson, ½.

July 14—
Camden—Dan P Bagnell to Edward D Finch, $1,500.
Paymaster—S F Griswold to W Moriarty, ½.
Paymaster—S F Griswold to E W Kinnan, ½.
C J M—Olaf Everson to C J McGrath, ½.
Black Bird—Hugh McQuade to Michael Healey, $600.
Elgin—Wm Brown to Allan Francis McMillan.
Humboldt—John Harris to Mrs. M Escalet.

July 16—
Cabbar F—W M Johnson and Saml L Long to Harry Brown, ½.
Maude S—Same to same, ½.
Jubilee, Last Chance—John Carter to J B Goss, ½, $100.
X-10-U-8—J W Boyd to Archibald Cameron, ½.

July 17—
Albany—M W Sullivan to Wm Brown.

July 19—
Butte and Sunnyside—Thomas Bradshaw to H E Robertson, ¼ each.
Typhoon—Maria Kitchin to Kathleen Kitchin, 5-6.
Bengal Tiger and ½ of the Silver Eagle—Kit Carson and Dan McDermid to John H White.
Wide Awake—Arthur Whittier to G P Magann and James Gunn.
Billy—John McLaren to G P Magann and James Gunn.
Chapin, Mountain Chief—Oscar H Burden to C W McKay, 1-18 each.

July 20—
Yellow Jacket No 2—Alex Domke to P H Bornholdt, ½.
Little Floe—A D Fraser, Ernest Miller, Hector McPherson, J J Hand and Geo Lamontagne to Anaconda Con G M Co.
Victoria, Prospector—George Funk and J J Hand to Anaconda Con G M Co.

NEW LOCATIONS.

Nelson.

July 16—
Waneta—W A Stephens, Toad mt, 1½ mi s Silver King.
Uncle Tom—F Perkins, same.
Gold and Copper—O Skattabo, s fk 49 ck 4 mi fm Kootenay riv.
Witch—Same, Whitewater ck 1 mi above Whitewater mine.
Valkyrie—S A Nartman, 2 mi s e Slocan Crossing on C & K ry.
Skjoldmo—O M Borgen, same.
Cardiff—C F Stoll, 2 mi s e Hall's Siding adj Nelson claim.

July 17—
Mohawk—C H Macaulay, n fk Salmon riv, 2 mi s w Salmo.
Birds Eye—H Lefkovits 7 mi up Sheep ck.
Galore—C Cameron, w slope Red mt adj Red Eagle.
Gold Coin—J M Beaton, R M Macdonald, Wild Horse ck, 1½ mi fm N & F S ry.
Mohawk—F W Stack, Wild Horse ck, 2 mi fm Ymir.
Exchange—J McRae, middle fk of and 10 mi up 9 Mile ck.
Burney—R M Mudgett, 7 mi n Deer Park
Olga—G Meister, same.
Lydia E—A J Werner, same.
Zulo—Same, same.
Jubilee Star—H P Hanson, head middle fk Dog ck, L A lake.
Pacific Fraction—G F Motion, head Hall ck.
Morning Star—T Kirby, 3 mi up e fk of n fk Salmon riv.
Rob Roy Fraction—J Henderson, 2 mi e Deer Park.

July 19—
Big B—B T Foote, 3 mi up Porcupine ck.
Emin Bey—B Fitzpatrick, 2 mi up n fk Clear ck.
Blue Jay—J H Dobie, H H Moore, ½ mi fm fks Hall creek.
Rainbow—Same, same.
Adirondack—J T Irvine, 1 mi n head 6 Mile creek.
Surprise—F W Jarvis, Toad mt 1 mi e Silver King.
White Lilly—N Ranger, head 49 ck.
Basin—R O Nelson, G W Aldons, head e fork 5 Mile ck.

July 20—
Bright Prospects—H M Vincent, ½ mi n Wild Horse ck, 3 mi e N & F S ry.
Kaffir King—J Mean, n side Hall ck, ½ mi fm Fern mine.
Bullion—Same, same.
Anne—A Christ, 3 mi up Bear ck.
St Domingo—N Burgess, ½ mi up s fk Porcupine ck.
Plomentary—W I Hughes, head Copper ck.
Robbins—J S Robbins, 1½ mi s Halls siding.
Emma—C F Stoll, same.
Echo—J Wilson, 9 mi up 9 Mile ck.
Laconia—Wm Kellem, 5 mi up Barrett ck.
Mountain View—J W Maxwell, near fk Barrett ck.

IN REGULAR SESSION.

The Monday Evening Meeting of the City Council.

The mayor was asked if he had seen the Hon. G. B. Martin in relation to the protest of the council against the establishment of the Provincial jail in the residential district. The mayor replied he had met the gentleman but had more of a social than an official interview. Mr. Martin had told the mayor that block 49 had been selected as a jail-site and the jail was going to be built there. He seemed to be opposed to Nelson as the town had opposed the government, of which he was a member. He said he was not to be bulldozed by the city of Nelson. Nelson, he said, had made great improvements since he was here in 1864.

The committee on fire apparatus recommended the purchase of 500 feet of 2½ inch hose; four Babcock extinguishers; one ariel hook and ladder and one hand hose cart, the cost of all to be about $1700. The report was adopted.

George Woods petitioned the council for permission to erect a frame office building on Victoria street on lots 19, 20, and 21 in block 10. After some discussion it was decided to notify him that if he commenced the erection of the building before the fire ordinance took effect the council could not interfere.

Bids to the amount of $146.50 were audited and ordered paid.

Malone & Tregellis presented an account of receipts and expenditures for the Fire Hall, showing a balance of $528.31 still due them. Referred to the finance committee.

Alderman Fletcher registered a vigorous protest against the slaughter house and urged that the nuisance be abated. He could cancel the lease at a moment's notice but he desired to find some other way independent of the railway company. He intended to lay an information on the morrow and would see what could be done in the matter.

Owing to the fact that the plans and specifications of the water and sewer systems are not complete, it was decided to extend the date for receiving tenders for construction to July 31.

Upon motion of Alderman Teetzel a resolution passed recommending that the police commissioners put all prisoners serving jail sentence, on the chain gang to repair streets and to instruct one of the constables to act as guard.

Adjourned until Thursday at 3 p.m.

Death of a Veteran.

Thomas McEwen, a native of Scotland, aged 75 years, died at the Kootenay Lake Hospital last Monday. The deceased was at one time a soldier in the famous Black Watch and served throughout the Crimea war. He witnessed the battle of Balaklava and fought in most of the infantry engagements during the war.

THORPE & Co'S Prize Medal Macdonald Fair SPARKLING DRINKS MADE FROM DISTILLED WATER.

Mineral City

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A FEW FACTS

Concerning Mineral City.

The mines on Cariboo Creek in the famous Slocan District are tributary to Mineral City. Tenders are being invited by the Provincial Government for a wagon road from Arrow Lake to Mineral City.

Mineral City will be to the Cariboo District what Rossland is to the Trail Creek District. See key plan at any agent's office.

A sample shipment of 60 tons of ore was sent to the Trail smelter which assayed $60 in gold to the ton.

The conditions in Mineral City are the same as in Rossland when it started.

Like Rossland it is in the middle of the mines.

Apply to the following Agents, Nelson:

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No. 397.

CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF A FOREIGN COMPANY.

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

"Maude S. and Ben Hassen Mining Company." (Foreign.)

Registered the 5th day of March, 1897.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day registered the "Maude S and Ben Hassen Mining Company" (Foreign), under the "Companies' Act," Part IV., and Amending Acts.

The head office of the said Company is situated at the City of Spokane, in the State of Washington, U. S. A.

The objects for which the Company is established are:—To work, operate, buy, sell, lease, locate, acquire, procure, hold, and deal in mines, metals, and mineral claims of every kind and description within the United States of America, and the Province of British Columbia, Canada; to carry on and conduct a general mining, smelting, milling and reduction business; to purchase, acquire, hold, erect, and operate electric light and power plants for the purpose of mining and treating ores, and for the purpose of furnishing lights and creating power for all purposes; to bond, buy, lease, locate, and hold ditches, flumes and water rights; to construct, lease, buy, sell, build or operate railroads, ferries, tramways, or other means of transportation, for transporting ores, mining and other materials; to own, bond, buy, sell, lease, and locate timber and timber claims; and finally to do everything consistant, proper and convenient, and requisite for the carrying out of the objects and purposes aforesaid, in their fullest and broadest sense, within the territory aforesaid.

The capital stock of the said Company is eight hundred thousand dollars, divided into eight hundred thousand shares of the par value of one dollar each.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, the 5th day of March, 1897.

[L. S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
(694) *Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.*

G. D. CURTIS

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Nelson, B.C., May, 1897. (611)

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GOING WEST.		Daily	GOING EAST.	
Leave	8.00 a. m.	Kaslo	Arrive	3.50 p.m.
"	8.36 a. m.	South Fork	"	3.15 p.m.
"	9.36 a. m.	Sproule's	"	2.15 p.m.
"	9.51 a. m.	Whitewater	"	2.00 p.m
"	10.03 a. m.	Bear Lake	"	1.48 p.m
"	10.18 a. m.	McGuigan	"	1.3 p m.
"	10.30 a. m.	Bailey's	"	1.21 p m
"	10.39 a. m.	Junction	"	1.12p.m.
Arr.	10.50 a. m.	Sandon	Leave	1.00 p.m

Subject to change without notice.

For rates and information apply at the Company's offices.

ROBT. IRVING, Traffic Manager. R. W. BRYAN, Superintendent.
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PRODUCE OF THE MINES.

RETURNS FOR 1897 UP TO DATE.

ORE EXPORTED.

From Slocan via Kaslo	14,917
Slocan via Nakusp	4090
Rossland via Northport	9,201¾
Rossland via Nelson	52
Tons	28,260¾
Total Value:	
Through Nelson Custom House	$ 1,570,774.05
" Revelstoke (Nakusp)	424,836.65
	1,995,610.70

Average value per ton, $70.613

PRODUCE OF SMELTERS.
(Shipped)

	TONS
Nelson (Hall Mines) Matte	950¼
Trail Smelter Matte	3526¼
	4476½

Total value, $2,174,916.29
" " of ore and matte exported, $4,170,526.99

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Returns Since Last Week.

VIA KASLO.

Ruth to Everett	180
Ruth to Pueblo, Col	75
Whitewater to Everett	15
Washington to Omaha	32
Payne Mine to Pueblo, Col	250
Noble Five "	18
Slocan Star to Omaha	120
No 1 to Everett	19½
Antoine to Spokane	1
Black Diamond to Pueblo	40
Great Western to Aurora	25
Wellington "	7½
Goodenough "	8
Argo "	10
Ibex "	7½
	807¾

VIA NORTHPORT.

Cliff to U.S.A.	15

MATTE AND BULLION.
(Shipped.)

Trail Smelter [Matte]	100
Hall Mines Smelter	20
	120

Total value, $93,875.04.

METAL QUOTATIONS.

NEW YORK.

July —	19	20	21	22	23
SILVER	60¼	60¼	60¼	59½	58¾
(Bar) LEAD	3.35	3.35	3.35	3.50	3.50

MINING NEWS.

Seven properties on Twelve Mile creek, Slocan lake, owned by G. A. Farini, were bonded Tuesday by Charles L. Hoffman for $35,000. They are the Get There Eli and Batchelor groups, located at the well known Farini camp, and comprise the Get There Eli, Occidental, Reno, V. and M., F. L. C., Batchelor and Batchelor Fraction. The claims were sold on the strength of reports on the mine made by H. S. Sherard, the well known expert, and by Mr. Farini himself, who is a mining operator of wide experience.

The Dardannelles will soon have a steam plant air compressor in place, the location having been selected one-half mile below the shaft in order to have it convenient to water. Eighty men are now working on the road to the mine, connecting it with the road to McGuigan siding, and it will be completed in a few days, when the machinery will be brought in.

On Thursday the Athabasca mine, on Toad mountain, made a shipment of twenty tons to the Hall Mines smelter. Another shipment will come down next week and bring the total for the month up to eighty tons.

G. W. Aldous has made a strike at the head of Five Mile creek, having located an apparently rich galena ledge three feet in width. No assays have yet been secured. The galena is in white quartz. The property will be developed without delay.

District freight Agent Peters of the C. P. R. yesterday received information from W. E. Ostrander of the Colorado Ore Sampling works to the effect that the construction of an ore sampler at Nakusp will be commenced without further delay.

The Lucky Jim people have six men at work on their tram, which will be a three-rail gravity. The first bent for the lower end was set Sunday the 18th. They are working only four men at the mine, and are running prospect tunnels only.

The shipments for last week from Rossland were: Le Roi 1440, War Eagle 265, Iron Mask 90, Columbia and Kootenay 180, Centre Star 56, Cliff 60. Total, 2,001 tons. The Le Roi's shipment was about 500 tons less than the previous week.

J. E. Griffiths, resident engineer of the C. P. R. at Donald and a brother-in-law of Superintendent Beasley of this city, has been appointed gold commissioner of East Kootenay.

J. E. Mitchell has taken up the bond on the Charleston. The figure was $15,000 and the money was paid on the 15th. Two cars of ore were shipped during last spring.

A meeting of the Le Roi Mining company was held at Spokane last Tuesday and another dividend of $25,000 was declared. The profits of this company now amount to $475,000.

A boiler, engine, hoist and three Burleigh drills have arrived at the Rambler-Cariboo mine and will shortly be placed in position.

The new 200-ton blast furnace of the Hall Mines smelter will be blown in within the next ten days. There is plenty of ore on hand to keep it busy.

The development of the mines on the south fork of Kaslo creek is seriously retarded because the government refuses to build a wagon road.

John M. Burke is working the Dibble group, near Fort Steele, with satisfactory results.

Copper has been discovered in the Rocky mountains near Banff.

Hume = Addition

The lots in this Splendid Addition are now on sale at my office on Baker Street.
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Ticket sold and baggage checked to U. S. points
Leave Kaslo for Nelson and way points, daily except Sundays, 5:45 a. m. Arrive Northport 12:15 p. m.; Rossland 3:40 p. m.; Spokane 6 p. m.
Leave Nelson for Kaslo and way points, daily except Sundays, 5:30 p. m. Leaving Spokane 8 a. m; Rossland 10:30 a. m.; Northport 1:50 p. m.

New Service on Kootenay Lake.

Leave Nelson for Kaslo, etc., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8:30 a. m. Arrive Kaslo 12:30 p. m. Leave Kaslo for Nelson, etc., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 5:00 p. m. Arrive Nelson 9.00 p. m.

Bonner's Ferry and Kootenay River Service.

*Leave Kaslo, Saturday	9:30 p. m.
Arrive Boundary, Sunday	6:00 a. m.
Arrive Bonner's Ferry, Sunday	10:30 a. m.
Leave Bonner's Ferry, Sunday	1:00 p. m.
Arrive Boundary, Sunday	5:00 p. m.
Arrive Kaslo, Sunday	10:00 p. m.

Close connection at Bonner's Ferry with trains East bound, leaving Spokane 7:40 a. m. and West bound, arriving Spokane 7:00 p. m.
*The Alberta awaits the arrival of the International before leaving for Bonner's Ferry.
Kaslo, B. C., 12th July, 1897.
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed Tenders will be received for the construction of a Provincial Goal by the undersigned until Saturday, 31st July, 1897.
Plans and Specifications may be seen at the office of the Architect, Mr. A. E. Hodgins, Baker street, Nelson.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
W. J. GOEPEL,
701 Acting Asst. Com. L. & W.

NOTICE.

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