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PAID THE PENALTY.

JAMES WOOD THE MURDERER OF PADDY WOODS HANGED.

His Indentity Still Shrouded in Mystery. He Was Sullen and Non-Communicative to the Last.

James Wood, who was convicted of the murder of Samuel M. Woods by the last court of assize at Nelson, was hanged in this city on Wednesday morning last.

Wood passed a restless night preceding the day of his execution, but from the sullen character of the man, who, from the time of his arrest has manifested no concern regarding his future, this restlessness can better be accounted for by the hardness of his pallet, than from the pangs of conscience, an element in the makeup of the man, of which he seemed utterly void.

A HEARTY BREAKFAST.

Wood ate a hearty breakfast on Wednesday morning, after which he smoked a cigar. He was perfectly cool and collected when the death warrant was read to him, his only remark being, "Well, I hope my carcass is heavy enough to break my neck and do a good job." He was as docile as a child being pinioned by the officers, preparatory to the walk to the scaffold, and seemed disposed to assist them in their grusome duty.

THE PROCESSION TO THE GALLOWS

was led by the provincial official hangman from Calgary; he was followed by Wood who was guarded on either side by Sheriff Redgrave and Deputy Sheriff Robinson. Sheriff Armstrong, of New Westminster, and Superintendent Hussey, of the provincial police, followed in the rear. Wood ascended the steps leading to the scaffold with a firm step, and during the short interval that elapsed before the cap, which would forever shut out the light of day from his eyes, was drawn down, his face wore a continual smile, which as an officer spoke to him, broadened almost into a laugh. With the same pleasant smile he bade good-bye to the officers, stating to them that he had nothing to say in regard to himself or his affairs, and at 8:02 o'clock the noose was adjusted. The trap was then sprung by the hangman and the soul of James Wood went out into eternity.

A QUICK DEATH.

After the fall there was not a struggle, death being instantaneous. As soon as the trap was sprung the black flag was furled to the breeze, a signal to the world that once more British law and justice had been satisfied. In nine minutes after the drop the pulse in the body ceased to beat. The body was permitted to remain hanging for thirty minutes, after which it was lowered and placed on a board for inspection by the coroner's jury, and for the post-mortem examination.

The postmortem examination divulged the fact that the neck had been broken, the vertebrae being completely separated. The windpipe was also severed. The coroner's jury was composed of J. H. Matheson, foreman, A. J. Marks, A. G. Shaw, W. C. McLean, T. B. May and Tom Booth. Dr. Symonds was the official physician present.

BURIED IN THE JAIL YARD.

The body of the murderer was buried in the jail yard, the rude pine coffin being first filled with quicklime, in order to rapidly dispose of the remains.

The execution was witnessed by about forty persons including the officers of the law, the representatives of the press and a few visitors. The hanging was conducted without the slightest hitch. It was the first execution in the history of Nelson. The scaffold was brought to this place from Kamloops, and will be returned at once.

THE MURDERER'S INDIFFERENCE.

From the time when the law first entwined its strong arms about Wood, charging him with the murder of Paddy Woods, he maintained a stolid and silent indifference to the fate that was in store for him. Yet, not for a moment has he spoken of himself, his family, or his connection with the crime. He appeared also, utterly devoid of feeling. Even the sounds of the hammers as the carpenters erected the gallows, did not effect him, though the fatal instrument was set up within thirty feet of his cell.

It was Sunday morning when he was informed that a new trial had been denied. His only reply was, "It's all right, go on with the job. I suppose you'll jerk me up in an hour or so." At the same time he was asked by the officer if he desired to see a minister. To this question as though he were annoyed he answered, "No! What in h—l do I want with a sky pilot?" When given a last opportunity, on Tuesday evening, to protest his innocence or to leave a written statement that might soften public opinion against him, he sullenly refused the paper and pencil kindly offered to him by the officer, remarking, "I am dead quits with the world and I have nothing to say."

WOOD'S INDENTITY.

The true indentity of the man will probably never be known. That he was educated is evident from the vast amount of reading he did. His sole ambition on Tuesday night preceding his execution seemed to be to finish a novel that he had started to read during the day.

THE STORY OF THE CRIME.

The crime for which James Wood was hanged, was the murder of a Nelson blacksmith, Paddy Woods, on the night of October 2d, 1896. Wood had entered the blacksmith shop, it is presumed, to get some tools with which to perform a burglary. His presence attracted Woods who slept upstairs. The blacksmith came down, only to find Wood on the sidewalk. He brought the intruder into the shop again, and as Woods turned on the electric light the assassin drew a revolver and shot him through the left lung with fatal result.

The murderer started to walk out of town on the C. P. R. track, but was arrested at Robson. He was returned to Nelson and was indicted for the crime.

A few hours before his death Woods positively identified James Wood as his assailant, and on this evidence, together with other, he was convicted in the court of assize June 30, 1897, and on the same day was sentenced by Mr. Justice Walkem, to be hanged on the 11th of August.

On motion of his attorneys, Messrs, Macdonald & Johnson, he was allowed an application to appeal to the full court at Victoria for a new trial, and to admit of this Wood was granted a respite of two weeks. The court denied the appeal.

A few days previous to the time set for his trial Wood made an escape from the provincial lockup in Nelson, but after a severe struggle, in which he attempted to take the life of Officer McKinnon, he was recaptured and returned to jail.

Messrs. Macdonald & Johnson telegraphed to the minister of justice to interfere if possible, but received a reply that the sentence of the court would have to be carried out.

THE SLOCAN MINES.

Editor King, of Kaslo, Says That There is no Business Depression in that District.

David W. King, editor of the Kaslo Kootenaian, paid Nelson a visit during the week. He states that the Slocan mines are now producing and shipping as much ore as at any time in the history of that district. The building of wagon roads and tramways between the railways and the mines has been so extensively carried on lately that the cost of transporting ore has been reduced sufficiently to fully equalize matters in the drop in the price of silver. None of the Slocan mines are shut down or expect to shut down on account of the condition of the silver market. Mr. King claims that as much silver ore was shipped via Kaslo during the month of August as in any previous month. Last Saturday the steamer Alberta carried and towed the largest single shipment of ore over made from Kaslo. The consignment consisted of 588 tons valued at $30,800.

Slocan Railway News.

Engineer C. E. Perry of the C.P.R. states that the management is soon expected to be on the ground to look over the work on the Slocan river branch from the Crossing to Slocan City.

The passenger and transfer dock at Slocan City is 900 feet in length, 30 feet wide and all planked. Steamer passengers may step from the platform to the cars. The wharf is all on piles and the end of it is in 40 feet of water. A track is being laid parallel to the wharf to the station, waiting rooms, etc. All along the front of the wharf cribbing is being put in and the inside filled in for station grounds. It will be available at all stages of water. The freight shed is 30x60 feet.

New Denver Wagon Road.

Shots have been rattling continuously in New Denver every day of the past week, as if the encampment near Carpenter creek bridge was that of a military brigade out for gunning practice. Many people walked on the completed portion of the road last Sunday, and were well pleased with its appearance. It is a stiff grade the first mile, but after that will be an easy one all the way to Three Forks. Mr. Foss, who is giving personal supervision to the work, believes he will have it completed before the next month is out.—The Ledge.

C. P. R. EXTENSION.

MR. SHAUGHNESSY OUTLINES THE COMPANY'S POLICY.

Will Give Rossland Transportation Facilities and Assist the Smelting Industry of Kootenay.

The party of C. P. R. officials, including Vice-President and General Manager T. G. Shaughnessy, spent last Thursday in Nelson. Mr. Shaughnessy is in the west for the purpose of inspecting the condition of the railway and make investigations that will result in the extension of the C. P. R. in this district.

He informed THE MINER that his company intends to run cars into the Trail Creek camp in the near future, and as soon as he returns to Montreal will complete arrangements to that end with as little delay as possible. When asked for details concerning this extension, Mr. Shaughnessy replied:

"At present I am not prepared to say how much time will elapse before our trains will be running into Rossland, nor am I in a position to state by what route we shall reach that point. However, the Canadian Pacific railway is fully alive to the situation and the people of this district may rely upon the company to fully meet all requirements so far as transportation facilities are concerned. Rossland will very shortly have a service from our road that I feel certain will be satisfactory in every respect to the mine owners and merchants.

"So far as the smelting industry in Kootenay is concerned, we intend making arrangements that will cause all the ores of this district to be smelted on this side of the international boundary. Upon the completion of the Crow's Nest Pass road we shall be in a position to deliver coke at Robson for $5.00 per ton. The C. P. R. system in Kootenay will be perfected and rates arranged so that the various ores may be reduced at a cost which will make it almost impossible for United States smelters to compete in freight and treatment rates."

Subsequently, Mr. Shaughnessy stated that he believed the Le Roi company will find it necessary to reduce their ores in Kootenay.

In reply to a question concerning the Columbia & Western railway, Mr. Shaughnessy said a portion of that system might be used by the C.P.R. in obtaining rail connection with Rossland, but refused to give further information in the matter.

Mr. Shaughnessy expects to see the Penticton railway built, and declared that the development of the country is seriously retarded owing to the lack of railway facilities in the Boundary district. He is well satisfied with the progress that is being made on the Crow's Nest Pass railway construction.

In the afternoon, the party took passage on the Kokanee with the intention of visiting the Slocan district.

The Condition of the Squatters.

The Provincial authorities here have not yet received any word in regard to the sale of government property within the limits of the city of Nelson, and there is no immediate prospect of relief for the squatters as promised by the chief commissioner of lands and works when he was last here. The delay means serious loss to those who relied on Mr. Martin's promises. As the matter rests entirely with the department of lands and works there is no telling when that mis-managed branch of the public service will attend to the matter.

John Scoley, one of the employees of the Hall Mines smelter, was brought before Magistrate Crease Friday morning on a charge of damaging and removing a chain attached to a valve on the pipe line of the Nelson Electric Light Co. The complaining witness is John Houston. The case was twice continued and will be heard on Tuesday next at 2 p. m. It appears that the valve was put in so as to give the smelter only a limited supply of water from the dam, the balance being required for the electric plant. The smelter was not getting sufficient water for its purposes so Scoley, presumably under orders, opened up the valve.

A pocket book containing $21 has been lost on Victoria street, between Josephine and Kootenay streets. It is the property of a lady who can ill afford the loss. The finder will be doing something more than an act of honesty if the money is returned to the rightful owner. The lady's address may be obtained at THE MINER office.

From this time on the Nelson kindergarten will be held on Kootenay street between Baker and Victoria streets.

It is rumored that the Imperial Bank of Canada will shortly open a branch in Nelson.

THE MINISTER OF MINES

THE POOH BAH OF B. C. PAYS NELSON A VISIT.

Thinks Kootenay "Has no Kick Coming" Against the Provincial Government in Any Respect.

Colonel Baker, the minister of mines and education, is touring Kootenay, and was in Nelson last Thursday.

It is not often that the trail blazers of this district have an opportunity to bend the knee to this remarkable personage, and it is simply disgraceful that the common rascals who pay more than one-eighth of the entire Provincial revenue should fail to give him a royal reception. Where were the brass bands, carpeted platforms, public addresses, banquets and speeches of praise for the man who presides over a department that is to the people of Kootenay the most important branch of the public service? Where was the delegation of horny-handed miners shouting a welcome until they were hoarse? Is not Kootenay the mainstay of British Columbia; is not our mineral wealth the talk of the civilized world? Pray, who brought about this prosperity?

If the truth must be told, there was no public welcome. Instead of a merchants' reception committee, our business men were figuring how they might best maintain their credit with the wholesalers of Victoria and Vancouver, and at the same time carry the indebtedness of the struggling claim owners. If those who are not familiar with Kootenay want to know where were the undaunted prospectors, they have only to climb the mountain sides and penetrate the dense tangle of the forests in this vicinity to find them building trails and hewing out paths at their own expense and cursing the minister of mines and his miserably incompetent colleagues.

It might be asked, why did not the little school children exhibit some evidence of esteem toward the mighty minister of education? There is absolutely no reason why they should. While the illustrious Colonel stalked about the city or lounged on the veranda of the Hotel Phair, basking the while in the smile of Mr. T. G. Shaughnessy, the little tots were waiting idly for educational facilities that have been so long denied them.

When a representative of THE MINER met Colonel Baker, the member for East Kootenay acknowledged that he had much to say regarding the political situation. A conversation followed and the Colonel kept his word. He talked a whole lot, but his remarks were of no particular interest, and, for the most part, they were so stamped with "ambiguities," that for a while, his auditor was in doubts as to whether the speaker was dealing with the shortcomings of the government, or giving a brief outline of his B. C. Southern railway charter. Evidently Colonel Baker is not much of a hand at extemporizing. Before certain pointed questions were asked, he talked in exactly the same strain that he had adopted to gull the Rossland Miner on the previous day. He seemed to have little speeches committed to memory in just such a way as he learned to deliver his extremely trying oration on bimetallism, and endeavored to show that "Kootenay had no kick coming," as Mr. G. B. Martin would say.

Col. Baker commenced by saying that he thought the financial condition of the Province is in a thoroughly satisfactory condition, and referred to the present price of British Columbia securities as proof of the correctness of the assertion. Asked if he considered the mortgage land tax should be repealed, he said he was not prepared to discuss the question and would rather leave it for the next session of the legislature. Asked if he upheld the $5 tax on those who simply worked for wages in precious metal mines, he commenced to talk about the mining committee of the local parliament, and refused to say whether or not he favored its repeal. Questioned as to the probability of the present administration making the coal barons of Vancouver Island pay their quota to taxes, he said no single class should be subjected to special legislation, and did not deal with the matter further. The Colonel thinks that Kootenay has been very well treated by the government. He said, in effect, that in the early days of this district the amount of the government expenditure in Kootenay had exceeded the receipts, and if the receipts now far exceeded the expenditure it was only fair in the long run.

Colonel Baker said he considered the Cassiar land and railway act a piece of excellent legislation. He believes that a prospector who is thereby compelled, to have Mr. Cohen's syndicate as a partner to the extent of a one-half interest has all that should be desired by any man. It was suggested that all prospectors are not poor and that most of them desired to chose their partners, but the Colonel pooh poohed the idea.

Colonel Baker said he had no intention of resigning, and believed that Messrs. Turner and Martin were his friends.

He disclaimed all intention of moving the government offices from Fort Steele to his new town of Cranbrook.

The Colonel defended Attorney-General Eberts. He thinks Mr. Eberts is a hard-working servant of the people, whose office hours are entirely consumed in attending to the duties of his department. He commenced to explain why Mr. Eberts fails to plead cases for the crown, and why the deputy attorney-general has to employ an assistant when prosecuting criminals, but did not finish.

Colonel Baker had to depart before he could find time to defend the government's railway policy, or discuss redistribution, the condition of the civil service, the failure to appoint a mining inspector, Oriental immigration, land grants and the numerous other little things that the people would like to have his opinion about. He said he was sorry this could not be done for the present, but he had to catch the boat for Kaslo.

THE NEW LOCKUP.

Is a Fine Piece of Work and Is Practically Completed.

The city jail is practically completed and will be ready for occupancy within a few days. Although small, it is one of the finest pieces of stone work in the city and reflects creditably upon the contractors. The lower floor has been fitted up with six strong cells, three on each side and the rest of the space will be devoted to the use of the jailer and police. On the second floor the main room will be occupied by the city clerk and two smaller rooms have been built for the accommodation of the police. The top floor or attic consists of a large room and its use will be determined in the future. Each window in the building has been fitted with strong bars and the general feeling is that the lockup will answer all purposes for the city for many years to come.

A CANYON CREEK FIND.

Five Claims Which are Said to Run High in Value.

News of a find, which appears to be of considerable importance, comes from Canyon creek, one of the tributaries of Crawford creek. There are five claims in the group recorded under the names of Silver Hill, Simcoe, North Fork, Green Crown, and S. & N. Fraction. The main lead, running though the Silver Hill is said to show a width of 26 inches and a pay streak of 16 inches. An assay from it gave a result of 410 ounces in silver; $1.10 in gold; 30 per cent lead and 11½ per cent copper. The ledge is in slate, dips to the west, and is said to be uncovered for a distance of 1900 feet. The claims were located on June 19 by E. Todd, Mike Johnson, G. C. Sprig, L. L. Workman and Rand MacDonald.

A Law Library.

In conformity with the presentment of the grand jury, a room is being partitioned off in the court house for a law library. The books for it are at present in the room used by juries and will be placed in position as soon as the new room is completed. The library is extensive and contains the best authorities. It will be a valuable acquisition to the legal fraternity of Nelson and will probably be largely patronized.

Slocan City's Epidemic.

Slocan City has an epidemic of fever classed as typhoid by some and termed gastric by the local press. Three deaths occurred there last week and many cases of critical illness are reported. The newspapers claim however that only nine cases exist and all patients are out of danger. The provincial health officers who recently visited the place ordered the closing of several wells and instructed the officials to see that the town be cleaned immediately.

The English Church.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services will be held in the English Church tomorrow at 8, 11 and 7:30. The collections at all the services will be for the building of the new church, which, it is hoped, will be commenced immediately. A fund for this purpose has been opened, and all gifts and promises, whether through tomorrow's collections, or addressed to the Rev. H. S. Akehurst, will be very thankfully received.

The Public School.

After repeated efforts on the part of the school trustees, the minister of education has at last decided that the Stanley street school house shall be enlarged. A water connection will be made with the school and a heating apparatus is to be added. The improvement is, however, made at so late a date that many of the pupils are greatly inconvenienced.

GENERAL LOCAL NEWS.

EVENTS OF INTEREST IN AND AROUND NELSON.

Brief Mention of Happenings in the District During the Past Seven Days.

The public school will be opened Monday next.

E. D. Cowan has sold out his interest in the Slocan Pioneer to J. C. McFadden.

Rev. J. W. Robins, of Slocan City will occupy the pulpit in the Methodist church on Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Brougham will furnish some excellent instrumental and vocal music at the Roman Catholic church tomorrow at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Mrs. J. L. Barrett arrived from New Paynesville, Minn., last Thursday. She is a sister-in-law of Miles Barrett, foreman of the Hall Mines smelter.

Constable Hamilton, of Sandon, has been transferred to Silverton. His place will be occupied by Constable Mountain, formerly of Three Forks.

Thomson's Stationery company is making still another addition to its already commodious quarters. It will be one of the largest, if not the largest store in the city.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Hospital Aid will be held in the Presbyterian church at 3 p.m. on Monday, September 6. Ladies of Nelson are cordially invited to attend.

J. R. Martin has been appointed deputy provincial lumber inspector with headquarters at Nelson. His district will embrace all the south eastern portion of British Columbia.

The board of license commissioners met at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon but as one of the members had a case on before Judge Forin, an adjournment was taken until today at 2 p.m.

Senator Van Houghton of Spokane, and A. J. Marks of this city, have gone to the Slocan to see the California mine. A force of twenty-four men will shortly be working on the property.

The Nelson Beauty Parlors is the name of the new firm that will occupy the upstairs of the new building at No. 114 Baker street as soon as finished. The business will be devoted to ladies hairdressing, manicuring and dressmaking.

Walter E. Dawson of Nelson, and Miss Mary E. Morgan of Springdale, Wash., were married at the Methodist parsonage on Wednesday evening, August 25, Rev. George H. Morden, officiating. The bride is a sister of Mrs. F. K. Hurry, of this city.

The marriage of Ross Thompson and Miss Katherine Alta Watson was solemnized at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. The ceremony took place in the parlors of the Pacific hotel, Rossland, and was performed by the Rev. H. Irwin of the Episcopal church.

It is said that Mr. Maxwell, M.P., Mr. Macdonell and Mayor Templeton of Vancouver will shortly visit Kootenay on a political mission that is antagonistic to the Turner government. For that reason they will receive a cordial reception all along the line from Vancouver to Nelson.

J. Roderick Robertson, manager of the London and B. C. Gold Fields, limited, has returned from Skagaway, Alaska, where he went with the party his company is sending to Klondike. The representatives of the company will stay in Klondike and do systematic prospecting.

The case of the C. & K. railway vs. C. A. Bishop was heard in Judge Forin's court yesterday morning and judgment for $729 rendered for the plaintiff. The suit was for money alleged to be due for freight charges. The defendant put in a counter claim for wages, which was allowed.

W. J. Walker, editor of the Freemen's Labor Journal, of Spokane, and organizer for the Knights of Labor was in the city this week en route to the Albion mine at Ainsworth in which he is interested. Last week Mr. Walker organized a Knights of Labor lodge in Rossland and on his return from Ainsworth may organize a lodge in Nelson.

H. W. C. Jackson, the managing editor of the Rossland Miner, has resigned his position. His successor is Fred C. Moffat, formerly the Rossland correspondent of Toronto Globe. It is said that Messrs. John R. Cook and J. B. McArthur have disposed of their interests in the Rossland Miner. Under Mr. Jackson's management Rossland's morning paper did much to boom the Trail creek district.

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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.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 1897.

CONCERNING MR. BOSTOCK.

The last issue of the Victoria Province states that Mr. Hewitt Bostock, M. P., has no intention of resigning his seat in the Dominion parliament to participate in local politics. When we stop to consider that the Province newspaper is controlled by Mr. Bostock, we cannot fail to realize that the statement is authoritative and reflects the present views of the member for Yale-Cariboo-Kootenay. But it does not necessarily follow that the stand now taken by him must be accepted as final.

Although Hewitt Bostock's advent in British Columbia politics is of comparatively recent date, he has so identified himself with the body politic of this Province that he must consider his duty to the people as well as his private inclinations. He is in a position to do so.

Since this man first entered the arena of public life in western Canada, he has gained a glorious distinction for honest, patriotic and disinterested motives. Subjected without previous political experience to the base, sordid rivalry of a pack of hungry office-seekers whose only aim is to loot the public treasury, he occupies today a position of the highest esteem in the minds of the electors. This sentiment is manifested to such an extent that from Cassiar to Kootenay, from Donald to Duncans, the cry has gone up that he is the one man who will lead us out of an Egypt of intolerable misrule to a condition overflowing with the milk and honey of good, honest government. During his career in the Dominion House he has had an excellent opportunity to become familiar with a system of statesmanship that, in its broad and national character, has educated him far beyond the narrow, town-council politics of the ringsters who fear him as an adversary as the criminal dreads the convicting sentence of a conscientious judge. And no Knight of the Cross ever fought more valiantly in the cause of Christendom than has he for the advancement of his constituency,

Reading between the lines of the Victoria Province, we are unhesitatingly convinced that Mr. Bostock is satisfied to remain in the Ottawa parliament as one of the rank and file of his party, asking no preference, demanding no portfolio. His modesty and conscientiousness do not admit of him scheming for a cabinet position that would necessitate the political undoing of the gentleman who now act as advisors to Lord Aberdeen, Besides, how could he hope to supercede men like Sir Oliver Mowat and Messrs. Fielding, Blair, Sexton and others who were provincial ministers before they graduated to the high offices they now occupy?

We believe that the statement of the Victoria Province is prompted solely by the idea that Mr. Bostock desires to remain in the Dominion field because he has inaugurated a plan for the advancement of Yale-Cariboo-Kootenay and considers that he is in duty bound to see that it is carried out.

Owing to his sessional duties and the vast area of the Province, Mr. Bostock possibly does not fully realize how vitally necessary for the future prosperity of British Columbia is a well directed reform movement that will succeed in freeing the country of the Turner-Rithet-Dunsmuir vampire. A long-suffering people are clamoring for a leader who is not only competent to head such a movement, but who also has the qualifications that insure a sound administration of affairs after the election. All the electors require from Mr. Bostock is his consent to act as the standard-bearer of the Reform Party, to rally around him to such an extent that it is safe to say five-sixths of the voting population will gladly give him and his lieutenants their most enthusiastic support. THE MINER is now in a position to say that there are leading citizens in the Interior and at the Coast, Conservatives and Liberals, many of whom never before troubled themselves in matters of this kind, who have expressed a willingness and desire to do all in their power to assist in organizing, and preaching if need be, the crusade against the politicians who now have the Province by the throat.

For months past a plan for the coming campaign has been progressing in the interior districts of the Province. It is now perfected in all its details, and only requires the approval of Mr. Bostock to be put into effect at once. Suffice it to say for the present that the plan is in no way sectional or narrow. It gives due recognition to the loyal Opposition and the disaffected Ministerialists, and in its scope is to some extent Federal as well as Provincial. It is backed by provincial men of the highest integrity and patriotism.

In publishing this statement THE MINER has no intention to arrogate to itself any undue importance. It simply happens that circumstances necessitate the immediate publication of this information. This journal is content to act as an humble worker in the vineyard of good government, and, as time will show, will be only one of a score of British Columbia newspapers that think more of the advancement of the country's prosperity than the corruption fund of the Victoria ringsters.

Mr. Bostock is not a man of selfish motives, and knows that the sea of politics is best navigated by drifting with the tide. By accepting the leadership of the Reform Party of British Columbia he will encounter no rocks and shoals, and will find a sphere that is eminently suited to him and worthy of the consideration of any man.

GOLD PRODUCTION.

The world's production of gold for the year 1896 is estimated by the director of the U.S. mint to have been $205,000,000, of which the United States contributed nearly one-quarter. For the year 1897 the probable gold product is estimated at $240,000,000. Increases are expected from all the principal producing countries, that from South Africa being regarded as the most important in point of quantity and value. The increase from Canada is ranked next, and then comes that expected from the United States. Other countries counted upon as supplying increases are Australia, Russia, Mexico and British India. The director of the mint expects that the world's product of gold will continue to increase for a number of years to come, that new mines will be opened in all parts of the world, and that with the improved methods for extracting the ores containing the gold the world's gold product by the close of the present century will amount to over $300,000,000 yearly.

The forthcoming annual report of the United States bureau of statistics will show the total valuation of the imports and domestic exports of that country for the year ending June 30th 1897. The largest trade was done with Great Britain, the imports aggregating $166,947,820, and the exports $478,458,592. Germany is second and France is third. The imports from the Dominion of Canada during the year amounted to $40,309,387, and the exports to $58,465,048.

CONSISTENCY, THOU ART A JEWEL.

Today the Rossland Miner is working tooth and nail for the establishment of the Le Roi smelter at Northport, and is filling its columns with any slush that will belittle the Kootenay smelting industry and blind the public to the advantages to be derived by this district from the reduction of ores on this side of the international boundary. Yet as late as July 24th it printed an editorial which in every way agrees with the contentions of THE MINER. Everyone who has read four consecutive issues of the Rossland Miner, knows that that journal contradicts itself with greater frequency than any other newspaper on the American continent, and there is seldom an issue that does not contain an apology for libelous remarks, or a change of opinion. It has made itself the laughing stock of Canadian journalism. Its condition today is truly pitiful. That the public are sick of its monumental stupidity is best evidenced by the fact that it cannot hold its own in a thriving city like Rossland, and a populous district like Kootenay, where, with the exception of the Rossland Record, it has had the field for daily newspapers entirely to itself. In the last few weeks it has become reduced in size by nearly one-half, and there are well founded rumors that it will shortly become a weekly.

The Rossland Miner is the only paper in Canada that has fought THE MINER in its efforts to keep the Le Roi smelter on this side of the international boundary. We are naturally forced to believe that its unprosperous condition at the present time is largely attributable to its policy in this respect.

The last few issues of the Rossland Miner have been so hostile to Kootenay smelters, Kootenay merchants and Kootenay labor, that we are determined if possible to stop it, and print the following editorial of the Rossland Miner, of July 24:

"The smelter question as regards Kootenay is settled. It is useless for the Le Roi company to talk any longer of a site for its proposed smelter plant at Northport or any other place across the boundary line. If it cannot build a plant in Kootenay to compete with the Trail or Pilot Bay smelters we very much fear it will have to keep out of the business. These two smelting companies are backed entirely by American capital. They have come to Kootenay, invested their money in reduction works, lowered the cost of smelting and promise to still further reduce it. The Omaha and Grant people, the new owners of the Pilot Bay smelter, say they will smelt all the ores in the Kootenay that they can get and they will secure these ores by paying more for them than the mine owners can obtain from any American smelter. They will take Rossland as well as Nelson, Ainsworth and Slocan ores and they will settle for these ores as soon as received at their smelter, which will be in from 24 to 72 hours after shipment, thus saving much interest and greatly facilitating the business of the country.

"The establishment of such an industry in Kootenay is worth a little sacrifice and we have no doubt therefore that if it should be found necessary the government will extend a reasonable protection to it in the shape of an export duty on ore. We do not, however, believe such a course will be necessary as the Omaha and Grant people declare that under existing conditions and with equitable freight rates they can compete successfuly at Pilot Bay with any smelter in the world for the ores of the entire Kootenay district including, of course, Rossland.

"Our first impression on reading the letter from our Northport correspondent regarding Northport's advantages as a smelter site was one of surprise that Governor Grant, of the Omaha & Grant Smelting company, who last month made a tour of observation through the country, should have selected Pilot Bay instead of Northport as the site for his British Columbia reduction works. A careful perusal of the letter, however, convinced us that Governor Grant knew what he was about. In the first place it was apparent that the ores to be treated were to come from Rossland, Slocan, Salmon river and Boundary creek—all British Columbia mining camps. In the next place it became apparent that Northport's chief claim to excellence was based on its proximity to a deposit of lime. Seeing that the tonnage of ore which a smelter will use is just five times the tonnage of lime it will require for flux we are forced to the conclusion that Governor Grant knew what he was doing in figuring on the supply of flux as an entirely secondary consideration,

"As our correspondent admits, fuel can be laid down as cheaply under the present condition at Trail, Sayward and Robson as at Northport. All are common points and the freight rates to each are therefore the same. In addition to that Canada permits the free importation of coke, so that British Columbia smelters can buy in the cheapest market while American smelters must buy the home product.

"As to the C. P. R. connections with the north, our Northport correspondent need have no uneasiness about them. The railroads built this summer by Mr. Heinze and the C. P. R. have assured Kootenay of an entirely reliable northern service during the winter months.

"The Heinze smelter has not been a failure. It has trebled its capacity and added a refinery since it started. It has enabled the Le Roi compay to pay $475,000 in dividends. It reduced the cost of smelting greatly at the time of its construction and we shall be greatly surprised if it does not continue to reduce the price in the future.

"We are free to admit that if Northport were in British Columbia it would present many advantages as a site for a smelter to treat Kootenay and Boundary creek ores. We have no doubt that with the development of the mines in its immediate vicinity and on the Colville reservation it will become an important smelting center, but we do not think there is the remotest chance of its building up a smelting industry on the ores of Canada until all such legislation as the Dingley bill is swept from the statute books of the United States."

THE BIMETALLIC COMMISSION.

The U. S. bimetallic commissioners who have been sounding the European ministries in reference to an arrangement looking to the establishment of a ratio between gold and silver have had little to report in the way of definite information. They have communicated to the British government the proposals with which they were charged and have been informed that the administration will probably reply to those proposals in October next. The answer of the British government to the proposals of the commissioners will be, of course, the crucial point in the negotiations which they are conducting, because until that government has signified its intention to proceed upon the lines laid down in the proposals of the commissioners it will be of no possible use to open up negotiations with other governments. The Chancellor of the British Exchequer, in a noncommittal reply to the suggestions of the United States envoys, says that it is due both to the importance of the subject and the manner in which it has been brought before the English ministry by the representatives of the United States and France, that the proposals made should be carefully examined and considered, and that this process must be somewhat prolonged owing to the time necessarily occupied in communicating with the government of India. The answer of the Chancellor, it will be seen, postpones any definite arrangement in reference to the ratio until next autumn.

The New Westminster Columbian says: "The Vernon News, which is one of the very few and far between journals of the province that is favorably disposed toward the government at Victoria, essays, in its last issue, a very mild defence of of Hon. G. B. Martin against the somewhat unique interviews with the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works which were published recently by several of the Kootenay papers. Incidentally, the News observes: 'We do not feel called upon to pose as an apologist for Mr. Martin. We have not always seen eye to eye with the government of which he is a member, and we have always maintained that their railway policy, as instanced last session, was, to use the mildest term, a huge mistake. Neither do we intend to uphold Mr. Martin as a model minister; but we belive in fair play,' etc. It seems Geo. Bohun, a la "Shirtsleeves" Sherman, has been repudiating his interviews since they came out, being shocked himself by their appearance in cold type, and the News assumes that the bold bad Kootenay newspaper man has, so to speak, "taken a rise out of the old man."

Mayor Houston has informed THE MINER that in future he will refuse to divulge any information regarding civic matters, consequently any detail of business that is not in the city records will have to be obtained by tedious research. The mayor also objects to THE MINER'S full reports of the council proceedings. He is of the opinion that the public are given more information about municipal affairs than is necessary. This journal entertains a firm belief to the contrary. Notwithstanding the desires of the mayor, the council reports will be as complete in future as they have been in the past and more attention than ever will be devoted to the manner in which Nelson is governed.

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THE SILVER KING MINE.

HOW IT WAS DISCOVERED BY OLD MAN HALL.

Two Attempts Were Made to Freeze Him Out But He Made Money Just the Same.

The presence of Winslow Hall in Nelson last week recalled to many old-timers in Kootenny the early history of the Silver King mines, now owned by the Hall Mines, Ltd.

A KOOTENAY PIONEER.

Less than twelve years ago, Winslow Hall, now a wealthy and widely known man, was a poor, obscure rancher, living upon a patch of land in the Salmon river valley. It was the habit of "Bill" Hall, as he was popularly known at that time, to set out every spring with his two sons for a prospecting trip through the hills in the neighborhood of his clearing, and search for placer diggings. Neither the old man or his sons had much knowledge of quartz mining, and he was equally ignorant of mineral formations and the character of rocks. In the summer of '86 they discovered "float" and "colors" on Hall creek, a tributary of the Salmon, and panned out enough of the precious metal to carry them through the year. In the following spring they returned to these diggings with horses and supplies, and prepared to sluice the ground on an extensive scale.

Shortly after their arrival, some of the ponies strayed from camp. While tracking the animals at the head of Hall creek, one of the sons noticed a deposit of curiously colored metalliferous rock cropping from the mountain side. With a vague idea that a valuable discovery had been made, the party knocked off several large pieces and some time afterwards forwarded them to an assayer named Lindsey, of Spokane.

FREEZE-OUT GAME NO. 1.

Lindsay reported the rock as valueless, although, as a matter of fact, it was remarkably rich in silver, copper and gold. Then the assayer started out to locate the property. Hall learned in some way of Lindsey's intentions, became convinced that he had been duped, and proceeded to locate three claims in the vicinity of the discovery.

FREEZE-OUT GAME NO. 2.

The Halls performed the assessment work in 1888 and 1889. Then C. D. Atkins and his partner, a man named Ramsey, came along and offered to buy the property. Atkins had for years represented the Baring Bros. of London, but also had considerable funds of his own. The Halls refused to sell for a nominal sum, demanding one million dollars for their three claims, the Silver King, Kootenay Bonanza and American Flag.

M. S. Davys, the present superintendent of the Hall Mines, Ltd., then offered the Halls $350,000 for the property. This proposition was also refused, although the Halls had no capital with which to work the mine.

When Atkins, after several efforts to buy the mine, became convinced that the Halls would not sell at a reasonable figure, he resolved upon another method to acquire the mine, or at least a portion of it. He offered to loan the Halls $20,000 for development purposes. The money was accepted and a mortgage on the three claims given as security. But little of the money was expended on the property, the mortgagees devoting it to their personal use. They also failed to pay the interest. Atkins advanced more money, and in a comparatively short time the Halls were hopelessly involved, with the mine practically undeveloped.

In the summer of 1890, Atkins secured the services of three Victoria men, who agreed to "jump" the property on the claim that the locations were not made according to the Mineral Act. Atkins explained to and finally convinced the Halls that the law suit by which they were threatened would ruin them if commenced, and succeeded in obtaining a one-half interest in the group in consideration for the money loaned and for stopping all legal proceedings. In July, 1890, Atkins died suddenly of pneumonia, at the Nelson hotel.

A COMPANY ORGANIZED.

In the summer of 1893, the Hall Mines, Ltd., was formed in London, H. E. Croasdaile, the present general manager of the company, being largely instrumental in putting the deal through. The concern was capitalized for £250,000. The Halls received considerable cash and a large block of stock for their interest.

The Hall Mines, Ltd., have yet to declare dividend, but they expect to—in the sweet by and by.

NEW BUILDINGS.

Many Business Blocks and Residences Under Construction.

The Elliott block, at the corner of Baker and Stanley streets, is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy by September 1st. The structure, a two-story brick with plate glass front, is a striking improvement to Baker street. The corner store has been leased to the Canada Book and Drug company.

The two-story building at the northwest corner of Baker and Ward streets, for the Broken Hill Mining and Development company, will be finished by October 1st. The corner store will be occupied by Messrs. McArthur & McDonald, furniture dealers and undertakers.

The Turner & Boeckh building, at the northeast corner of Baker and Ward streets, will be completed by October 1st. The Nelson and Fort Sheppard railroad company will occupy the corner store as a general city ticket and telegraph office. The adjoining store on Baker street will be fitted up by J. F. Weil, dry goods and haberdashery.

Architect Ewart has drawn plans and specifications for a handsome residence of stone and brick for Judge Forin, at the east end of Baker street, at the foot of the bluff. It will be two and one-half stories in height and contain every modern convenience. Mr. Ewart is also asking for tenders for the erection of a modern residence for Edward Applewhaite, on the corner of Ward and Observatory streets.

AN INFLUENTIAL COMPANY.

Its Operations in British Columbia Will be Closely Watched.

The British Columbia and New Find Gold Fields Corporation, limited, has been organized in London, England. The company is capitalized for £500,000. The local directors are Hon. J. H. Turner, Messrs. R. P. Rithet, T. B. Hall and Col. Prior, all of Victoria. Premier Turner is secretary. The company will work in harmony with the B. C. Gold Fields, limited, which owns the Ymir, on Wild Horse creek, a large interest in the Ruth near London. This corporation has been formed to carry on the usual business of an exploration, finance, and rgency corporation in British Columbia or elsewhere. It will devote its attention to acting as the London agent for local companies, and introducing the shares of approved mines on the London and Continental markets. By this means the shares of the important British Columbian mines may be dealt in in London in the same manner as are those of the principal South African mines. It is confidently anticipated that there will accrue to this corporation a large and profitable business in financing and raising working capital for the best local mines.

We do not know if the corporation is going into the "concession" business in this Province, but take occassion to remark that the electors do not forget and will not forgive the Cassair job at the last session of the legislative assembly and will not tolerate any more legislation of a similar nature.

Provincial Appointments.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments:

R. T. Wilson Herald, of the 150-Mile House, M. D., to be a justice of the peace within and for the county of Cariboo.

William John Trythall, of the city of Vancouver, to be a reviser of the Municipal Voters' List for the city of Vancouver, for the year 1897.

Josiah Stirrett, mining recorder, at Donald, to be recorder of marks and brands under the Cattle Act, for the East Kootenay Electoral district, and deputy clerk of the peace for the northern division of the said district.

Charles Massey Edwards, mining recorder, at Fort Steele, to be deputy clerk of the peace, and registrar of the County Court of Kootenay holden at Fort Steele.

Lewis Charles Smith, of Nelson, to be a notary public within and for the Province of British Columbia; Frederick Elliot, of Nelson, within and for the Province of British Columbia; Robert Wetmore Hannington, of Vancouver, within and for the Mainland of British Columbia,

McLeod a Divisional Point.

The question of the location of the Macleod station on the Nelson & Lethbridge branch of the C. P. R. has at length been settled. It is to be presumed that the location is satisfactory to the town, as the town council was authorized to agree to it by a large majority of property owners at a public meeting last week.

It may be stated here that there is every reason to believe that Macleod will be an important point on the new line. The company has purchased the old Haymes and Knuth land, aggregating some 480 acres, a very large proportion of which would be taken up by yards, machine shops, engine sheds, etc., if Macleod is made a divisional point. There is also some reason to believe that Mr. Haney is strongly in favor of such a plan, and that he will probably use his influence to that end.

New Mining Companies.

The Charleston Mining company, limited, has been incorporoted with a capital stock of $150,000, divided into 150,000 shares of the par value of $1. The head office of the company is in Kaslo. The company is organized to purchase the Charleston mine near Whitewater.

The Western Canadian Gold Fields, limited, has been registered at Victoria. The capital stock of the company is $250,000 divided into 250,000 shares of the par value of $1. The head office of the company is in this city.

The Fairview Consolidated Gold Mines company has been reorganized with a capital stock of $975,000 divided into 975,000 shares of a par value of $1. The head office of the company is at Victoria.

PROVINCIAL COMMENT.

PERTINENT EDITORIAL REMARKS OF THE LOCAL PRESS.

Opinions of the Various Newspapers on Matters Affecting British Columbia and Western Canada.

REVELSTOKE AS A MUNICIPALITY.

In discussing the advisibility of Revelstoke becoming a municipality the Herald says: As a corporation the town could make itself heard better in its dealings with the government and other bodies. The question of freight rates for instance could be handled by the town council with an influence, which no other local body could hope to bring to bear on the C.P.R., and there would be machinery existing in the municipal officials for the collection of statistics on such points which is at present wholly lacking. Against the scheme the chief argument is undoubtedly the scattered nature of the population of the town, which will render the expenditure on improvements a very delicate matter to handle. The fear of trouble on this score is very likely to keep business men from accepting municipal office, from purely business considerations.

MUNICIPAL ECONOMY.

Nelson's city council has voted a salary of $2000 per year to the chief executive, who this year happens to be John Houston. Luxuries come high but there is nothing like it when one has money to fling at the birds. Kaslo, in her modest way is trying to struggle along and be content with a mayor and council who are public spirited enough to serve the people gratuitously. It is bad to be thus out of the fashionable swim, but we have consolation in the happy thought that comes from municipal freedom from towering and threatening debt.—Kaslo Kootenaian.

OUR NEIGHBORS' ENVY.

Washington State, which, with a little incidental assistance from San Francisco is raising most of the protests against Canada's attempt to divert the Yukon trade to the Canadian cities of Victoria and Vancouver, is an ungrateful community. Washington is the southerly fringe of British Columbia, noted mainly for the cheek of its people and the extent of its boom towns. These Three Graces, Spokane, Tacoma and Seattle, were dying by slow starvation when the development of British Columbia restored prosperity to Spokane.—Toronto Telegram.

THE FUTURE OF B. C.

In discussing the future of this Province and the circumstances leading up to the development of our resources the Victoria Times says: Now, what does this mean? It means in the first place that British Columbia is being advertised as no country has ever been advertised before; it means, inasmuch as this province is the most splendid field for investment in the known world, the immediate development of our vast resources on a stupendous scale. It means more. The impetus which will be given to every branch of industry consequent upon the inpouring of capital and people can be regarded as equal in value to the natural progress that would be made by the province in five or ten years under ordinary conditions. For one who has the opportunity, as has a newspaper man, of seeing publications from many quarters of the world, these views regarding British Columbia's future are in no wise extravagant or over-sanguine. No one who properly appreciates the situation can fail to be impressed with the conviction that at last the clouds have lifted, and that we are about to enjoy a season of unexampled prosperity.

PROVINCIAL PRODUCTS.

The outlook in British Columbia is, on the whole, satisfactory and encouraging. The agricultural interest—which, after all, is far more important than many persons suppose—is in a better condition than for the past three or four years. Both in the Coast districts and in the Interior, the reports, both of the yield and of the condition of the crops, are favorable. There has been practically no damage from floods in the Fraser Valley this year, while the weather has been good throughout the Province for harvest operations The demand for all kinds of produce is large, while prices are much higher than they were. The demand from all the mining districts is greater than ever before and it may be expected to steadily increase. Indeed, it looks as though the demand, would, for some years to come, increase more rapidly than the domestic supply, while by the extension of railways, roads and other circumstances, the agriculturists of this province can reach the markets easier and at considerably less cost in regard to freight.

ALAS! TOO TRUE.

The editor of the Golden Era has just been through a tour of the principal mining camps of the district, and claims to be in a position to write authoritively on the state in which he found the trails. As a rule these are in a neglected state. The policy of the government appears to be to open the more important trails at the beginning of each spring season and then to leave them in a happy-go-lucky sort of condition for prospectors and horses to waddle over as best they can. The condition of the bridges is particularly bad. * * * The government now draws an immense revenue from the mining industry, and the whole of that revenue should be devoted to furthering the interests of the miner and prospector by opening up the country by good trails, and by keeping these trails in good shape for traffic.

HOME SMELTERS.

Build home smelters and find a home or at least a friendly market for their product, thereby saving to silver-lead miners $18 per ton—the duty on 60 per cent. lead ore, and silver may go down to 40 cents if it likes and stay there. Canada has a large and growing manufacturing industry. She should be able to work up all the silver and lead produced within her borders. The home smelter then is the missing link, the path which leads around Uncle Sam's high tariff wall.

POOR CIVIL SERVICE.

The Sandon police case demonstrates the necessity of having a reconstruction of the service resulting in the making of a police system with central staff, districts, merit promotion and strict discipline, entirely independent of politics or influence. The improvement might with advantage be effected on the whole civil service system of the province.—Revelstoke Mail,

CROW'S NEST PASS COAL.

THE ENORMOUS BEDS OF FUEL NEAR ELK RIVER.

The Seams Contain Anthracite Bituminous and Cannel Coal in Almost Limitless Quantities.

The coal fields in the East Kootenay district, in what is known as the Crow's Nest Pass, lie in a southeasterly direction from Fort Steele, the distance to the nearest available coal being about sixty miles. These coal fields in the near future will have a world-wide reputation, both on account of the quality and quantity to be extracted, and are without doubt the best coal fields in America undeveloped. The western outcrop of the field is on the side of a mountain in the valley of Elk River, one of the largest contributaries of the Kootenay river. On the eastern side the coal seams have been traced a distance of forty miles, with surface cross-cuts made at intervals, showing the seams and walls. The lowest known seam is some 1,500 feet above the drainage level of the valley, and is thirty feet in thickness. One hundred feet higher there is another seam thirty feet thick. Then comes a seam fifteen feet thick. Then a small three-foot one; then a seven-foot one; then another thirty-foot seam. And above these are five more workable seams from four to ten feet in thickness. Eleven seams in all, making a total of 148 feet in thickness of coal exposed. These seams dip with the mountain easterly, at an angle of thirty to thirty-five degrees, the upper seams having the least dip. There are three large creeks cutting this coal field, and the seams are exposed on the banks of these creeks, and openings can be made to mine the coal without much preliminary expense. The cuts made by the creek are more valuable than so many tunnels to prospect the coal, because there is room to operate the mines on both sides of the creek, and the mines are proved to be permanent without any cost—in fact, nature did the prospecting. In addition to the coal on Elk river, further east on Martin's creek and other tributaries on Mitchell creek, which is the fork of Elk river, there is another large body of coal above the Elk river field, but of smaller area, a great amount of the field having been carried away by natural causes through the different ages since the coal was formed. The aggregate of the depth of the seams of coal in the upper basin is somewhat more than on Elk river, so that if a shaft be sunk through the whole field there would be found 200 feet of coal in workable seams. It would be hard to find another field of coal with as much coal to the acre and so easy and cheap to work. The eastern outcrop of this field is near the summit of the Rocky Mountains, the average distance from the western crop being ten miles, showing a coal field forty miles north and south by ten miles east and west, and an area exceeding 250,000 acres. The coals in this field differ, owing no doubt to the different ages of the coal, there being three different qualities. The lowest seams are anthracitic in their nature, while the upper seams are the bituminous coals. In between, both above and below the bituminous coals, are a number of seams of coal different from anything heretofore known. These coals have been analyzed and treated by different parties, among them being Prof. Holfman, government assayer at Ottawa for the geological department, and the results as shown in the department reports prove that these coals would loose nothing by comparing them with the best coals of the same variety in Pennsylvania.

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E. F. COBB.

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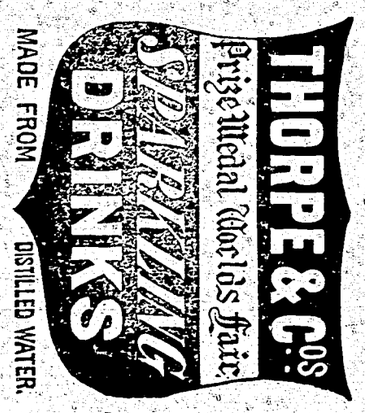

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James Orr, of Vancouver, who is one of Cariboo's old timers, gives an interesting account of his experiences in northern British Columbia gold fields. Landing at Williams creek in 1862, when the famous creek was in its glory as a producer, Mr. Orr became one of the owners in the Caledonia, and was bookkeeper for that company. In 15 months they took out over half a million dollars. They took out $6,500 from five pans of gravel, the prize pan being $1680. This was in 1863. Out of the Caledonia, which was 67 feet to bedrock, the best paying dirt was about two feet on bedrock and the run was often 150 feet wide. The Never Sweat was adjoining and washed up every day from 60 to 200 ounces; Beauregard, as high as 800 ounces a day; New York, from 150 to 200 ounces; Moffatt's, over $300,000 taken out of 100 feet square, which was the size of the Cariboo claims. The McLean claim was next, but not so rich. The Tinker, with 300 feet of ground, paid in dividends over $700,000. The Watty, a small claim, next paid $80,000. The Cameron claims cleaned up over $1,000,000; the Rabby, $900,000; Dead Broke, $70,000. Below were some short but rich claims. Prince of Wales paid eight interests half a million. Above the Caledonia the Lillooet and Cariboo were very rich. The Aurora, with its fourteen interests, paid in dividends, after all expenses were paid, about $39,000 per interest. On the Diller, two men working on the windlass and two underground took out in ten hours 102 pounds of gold. In all over $300,000 was paid in dividends to the three interests in this claim. Above the Black Jack, which was rich, the Windup was a rich fraction. From Canyon to Prince of Wales, on up to the saw mill, the Ericson, Nigger and others paid from $25,000 to $50,000 to the interest.

Dozens of other claims along old Williams creek paid enormously and the creek never received, says Mr. Orr, credit for nearly all of its enormous output, it being generally said that the sum of $25,000 was taken out of one and a half miles. Mr. Orr says it was twice that amount. In any case, it was such a creek as was never before struck, and so far the Klondyke is not in the race for record output. Other creeks in the neighborhood, Mr. Orr says, will yet prove as rich perhaps as Williams creek was. Lightning creek, Swift river, Slough creek, Willow river and dozens of other creeks, which have never been bottomed, will yet give up their hoard of gold.

Of Omineca, Mr. Orr, who spent two years there, says it was barely scratched, and the whole of the Cassiar country is yet comparatively virgin ground. The enormous cost of provisions, difficulty of access and cost of labor all combined to make the gold hunters drop work that would not quickly and enormously repay. Today there is no better gold country to prospect than from Cariboo through to Klondyke. From Ashcroft through it is only a little over 1000 miles, of which the first 220 miles is by a first-class wagon road, the next 460 by trail, and the ballance by a splendid water course down Teslin lake and the Hootalinqua river. But within one year the excitement will very likely be centered in the Cassiar range of mountains, from which watersheds the sources of the Yukon largely spring.

For the prospectors who wish to go in cheap we say: Start from Ashcroft in April, leave Quesnelle in early May and you can spend the season most profitably in prospecting through to Telegraph creek. If you should wish you can then sell your pack animals, for which there is always a demand at that point, and build a boat, and in a week from the time you leave Lake Teslin you can be at that now most talked-of spot on earth—Klondyke.

Free Silver Ore.

Some specimens from the Basin claim exhibited in Nelson this week have attracted considerable attention. They seem to carry a large per centage of native silver, in fact so much that it is hard to believe that it is silver. No assays have yet been made. The claim is situated at the head of the east fork of Five-mile creek, 12 miles from Nelson and the owners are G. W. Aldous, L. R. Blewett and J. H. Jackson. These gentlemen state that there is a three-foot lead and a 12-inch paystreak. The depth at which the specimens were taken was five feet.

CHINESE MINERS.

Will They be Allowed to Work in the Union Collieries?

The Nanaimo miners' union have engaged counsel to represent them before the Supreme Court of Canada in the appeal of the Union Colliery company re the decision of the full court as to the constitutionality of the act prohibiting the employment of Chinese underground. As the act on a technicality, has been declared inoperative, it can hardly be necessary to appeal until the coal mines regulation act is amended to make its provisions apply. It was stated in the Colonist some time since that it was the intention to appeal from the decision of Mr. Justice Drake quashing the conviction of Superintendent Little, of Union, for employing Chinese underground, but so far nothing has been done. The actions of the government are being closely watched at Nanaimo in their conduct of the administration of justice.

CHOSEN BY ACCLAMATION.

Robert Woods Will Be Greenwood's First Mayor.—Election for Councillors.

The nomination for the first election of a mayor and council for the newly incorporated city of Greenwood took place last Saturday, when the nominations were received as follows: For mayor—Robert Wood, landholder. For aldermen—Leonard S. Moulton Barrett, broker; Cyril J. Eales, hotel keeper; C. Scott Galloway, engineer; John Hammil, miner; Archie C. McKenzie, merchant; Michael J. Phelan, merchant; J. W. Powell, miner; Arthur Rendell, merchant. Returning Officer A. S. Black declared Mr. Wood duly elected mayor by acclamation, but as there are eight candidates and only six alderman required, further proceedings were adjourned until Saturday, 28th inst., when a poll will be taken. A considerable amount of interest is being manifested in the election.

Buried With Masonic Honors.

The funeral of C. E. Ferguson, who died on Saturday afternoon last, took place from the Masonic hall in this city on Monday afternoon, with all the honors to which a Mason is entitled. Mr. Ferguson came to this city from Philadelphia, Pa., to assume the duties of manager of the telegraph department of the C.P.R. He arrived here on the 17th of July, and on the 24th he met with an accident in which his left leg was broken at the thigh. He was taken to Dr. LaBau's hospital, where he finally succumbed to a complication of diseases arising from the fracture of the limb. When he died, Mr. Ferguson was 47 years of age, and a widower. The funeral was attended by over fifty mourners. The floral tributes were handsome and appropriate. The figures 73, in pansies, the telegraphic emblem for "Our love to you," presented by Mrs. Tyson were placed at the foot of the casket. A cross and several boquets completed the floral offerings.

Railway Construction.

Construction work on the Nelson & Lethbridge railway is progressing rapidly and the ties and rails are laid out pretty near to the Six Mile Coulee, the culverts between Lethbridge and there being all in. A gang of men are at work on the trestle across the coulee, which will take quite a time as it is something like 100 feet high in the centre. As soon as it is across the coulee the track-laying will be more rapid, as it is almost straight sailing from there to Ross' hill. There are 2,060 men at work on the construction. Considerable material, such as bolts, spikes and other iron work, has been shipped from C.P.R. shops at Calgary to Lethbridge and Macleod, to be in readiness for construction work on the railway.

Low Grade Ores.

Apparently the LeRoi company intends to utilize the low grade ores, of which it has about 50,000 tons on the dump. A construction car has arrived from Spokane and will be used to extend the Red Mountain track to the dump of the Le Roi, which is 400 feet higher than the present track of the Red Mountain railway at the point where the high grade ore is received. Engineer Tabor has been surveying the line for the extension for some time past, and the work will be pushed to completion. The low grade ore is estimated to be worth $12 per ton and as there is about half a million dollars' worth of it, the stockholders will obtain dividends from the dump. It will be worked by the company's smelter.

CHURCH NOTICES.

SUNDAY Aug. 22, 1897.

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

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

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

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH. Mass at Nelson every Sunday at 8 and 10.30 a. m. Benediction at 7.30 to 8.00 p. m.

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Companies.	No. of Shares	Par Value	Price.
NELSON.			
Hall Mines	300,000	£ 1	£ 1 12s
Exchequer	1,000,000	$ 1 00	$ 0 10
ROSSLAND.			
Alberta	1,000,000	1 00	0 17
Beaver	750,000	1 00	0 17
Big Three	3,500,000	1 00	0 09
Butte	1,000,000	1 00	0 01½
Brit. Can. Goldfields	2,500,000	1 00	0 40
B. C. Gold King	1,000,000	1 00	0 10
Bluebird	600,000	1 00	0 10
Bruce	1,000,000	1 00	0 10
Caledonia Con	500,000	1 00	0 05
California	2,500,000	1 00	0 05½
C. & C.	500,000	1 00	
Celtic Queen	700,000	1 00	0 05
Centre Star	500,000	1 00	
Colonna	1,000,000	1 00	0 22
Commander	500,000	1 00	0 15
Crown Point	1,000,000	1 00	0 46
Deer Park	1,000,000	1 00	0 16½
Delacola	1,000,000	1 00	0 01½
Delaware	1,500,000	1 00	0 12
Eastern Star	500,000	1 00	0 09½
Enterprise	1,000,000	1 00	0 20
Erie	1,000,000	1 00	0 03
Evening Star	1,000,000	1 00	0 9½
Georgia	1,000,000	1 00	0 16
Gertrude	500,000	1 00	0 8
Giant	2,500,000	1 00	0 15
Golden Drip	500,000	1 00	0 15
Golden Queen	1,000,000	1 00	0 16
Great Western	1,000,000	1 00	0 20
Hattie Brown	1,000,000	1 00	0 14
Helen	600,000	1 00	0 7
High Ore	500,000	1 00	0 4
Homestake	1,000,000	1 00	0 01
Idaho	500,000	1 00	
Imperial	1,000,000	1 00	0 07½
Iron Horse	1,000,000	1 00	0 15½
Iron Mask	500,000	1 00	0 30
I X L	1,000,000	1 00	12½
Independent	1,000,000	1 00	0 06
Josie	700,000	1 00	0 25
Jumbo	500,000	1 00	0 50
Knight Templar	500,000	5 00	0 5½
Kootenay-London	1,000,000	1 00	0 10
Le Roi†	500,000	1 00	8 00
Lily May	500,000	1 00	0 12
Mayflower	1,000,000	1 00	0 13½
Monita	750,000	1 00	0 19
Monte Cristo	1,000,000	1 00	12½
Morning Star	1,000,000	1 00	0 05½
Nest Egg	500,000	1 00	0 08
Northern Belle	1,000,000	1 00	0 10
Novelty	1,000,000	1 00	0 2
O. K.	1,000,000	1 00	0 04
Palo Alto	1,000,000	1 00	0 09
Phœnix	500,000	1 00	0 16
Poorman	500,000	1 00	0 08
Red Mountain-view	1,000,000	1 00	0 10
R. E. Lee	2,000,000	1 00	0 12½
Red Point	1,000,000	1 00	0 10
Rochester	500,000	1 00	
Rossland, Red Mt	1,000,000	1 00	0 26
Rossland Star	1,000,000	1 00	0 15
St. Elmo	1,000,000	1 00	0 05½
St Paul	1,000,000	1 00	0 10
Silverine	500,000	1 00	0 05
Sou'n Cross & W con	500,000	1 00	0 20
Sultana	1,000,000	1 00	0 10
Trail Mining Co	2,500	100 00	
Union	600,000	1 00	0 06
Virginia	500,000	1 00	0 11
War Eagle†	500,000	1 00	
West Le Roi	500,000	1 00	0 20
White Bear	2,000,000	1 00	0 16
Young British Am'n	1,000,000	1 00	0 06½
AINSWORTH.			
Dellie	750,000	1 00	0 11
Ellen	1,000,000	1 00	0 7½
BOUNDARY.			
Old Ironsides	1,000,000	1 00	0 06½
CAMP MCKINNEY.			
Caribou†	800,000	1 00	0 47
REVELSTOKE.			
Orphan Boy	700,000	1 00	0 08
SLOCAN.			
Alamo	500,000	1 00	
Cumberland	50,000	1 00	0 75
Dardanelles	1,000,000	1 00	0 16
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 33
Rambler Con	1,000,000	1 00	0 40
Reco	1,000,000	1 00	1 75
Slocan Star	1,000,000	50	2 75
Sunshine	50,000	1 00	
Wonderful	1,000,000	1 00	0 05½
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, $525,000; 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.

August 18—
Tin Cup, Morria—H J Williams, S Stride to T A Gossett, release, $60.
Aug 19—
Darkey—E A Story to W Asken, ½.
Aug 20—
Westside, Noonday—E C Traves and A Bunker to J T Nelson, ½.
Aug 21—
Copper Calf—E G Foot to T McKinon.
Aug 23—
Spokane, Morning Star, Snowstorm, Silver Queen, Iron King, Noontide—W H Sherrod to J A Dix, ½.
Queen of the Hills—A H McKay and W Gleeson to J A Smith.
Chichonia—J Purdy to H D Mack, ½.
Florence M, Chichoria—H D Mack to H Guisberg, ½, $250.
Mollie Lee—W N Mack to same, ½, $25).
August 26—
Alice, Daisy—D Booth to Mrs G G Mackay, ½.
Evolution—B F Hall to C K Milbourne, ½.
Ozark—D McKinary to J A Smith, ½.

Rossland.

Aug 20—
Old Joe—A Modigh to James B Stowe, ½, $250.
West Virginia—Alex Sharp to W G Graves, $100.
August 21—
Queen, Duke, Princess—Seized by sheriff.
J T Fraction—J F Travers to Louis W Travers.
New Chicago—August Jackson to Charles J Johnson, ½.
Vanderbilt—J M Miller and M F Chestnut to M Ashton.
City of Frankfort—H H Cheatham to J M Ashton, ½, $300.
Pilgrim—W Austin to J S C Fraser, 2-15.
Dominion—W Dow to Albert Jefferson.
Pearl—T Seeley, W L Launy, E Haney Thos Kermeen to C R Hamilton, ½.
Aug 23—
Maple Leaf, ½, North Pole, ½—R S McGill to Donald Campbell.
Aug 24—
Grouse, Benas—G W Bennett to George H Campbell.

Kaslo.

Aug 20—
Congress, ½, E D Baker, ½—W E Ellis to J O Ellis.
Black Bear—Alex Leggett to James Malloy.
Black Knight and Black Prince—Ed Malloy to James Malloy.
Kootenay Queen, 1-16, Slocan Chief No. 10, ½—Eli Carpenter to Alexander Sproat, $1000.
Same—Alexander Sproat to John Harris, ½.
Emperor—Jerimie Robillard to James Nicholson, ½, $120.
Golden King—Ed Nelson to H P Johnson.
Paradise—Robert Scheill to W J Twiss, $500.
Umpire and Ormand—John Coleman to Thos Wall, power of attorney.
August 21—
Jackson Basin—J S Peters to William Meadows, ½.
Florida Fraction, Jackson Basin—J S Peters to Wm Meadows, ½.

NEW LOCATIONS.

Nelson.

August 21—
Nellie—D McEachsen, Whiskey ck, 2½ mi fm Erie, formerly located as Kattie S.
Carolina—J H Foster, on a small ck running into Hall ck.
Akola—J E Read, head n fork Salmon river.
Aug 23—
W T—J T Fails, hd McPhee ck.
Kirkwall—T Rendell, Morning mt, ex Juno.
Blue Grouse—J B Tuttle, Toad mt, 2 mi e Pilot Knob group.
Xenia—G W Dawson, bet hd Porcupine and s fk Cultus ck.
Mountain View—M S Davys, Toad mt, 2 mi s e Silver King.
Minto—Same, Rd mt, 3 mi s e Silver King.
Aug 24—
Lizzie—M A Mahoney, 7 mi up sheep ck.
Clairreins—W Lacasse, Wild Horse ck, ½ mi e Blackcock.
Little Rattler—J S C Chenoweth, Bald mt, e of McPhee ck.
Chester—F E W Smith, Morning mt, bet Queenelle and Rob Rob claims, formerly located as Edgbaston.
Yale—C Berry, 4 mi up Middle ck, on Arrow lake.
August 25—
Alpine—S Brown, C M Adams, 4 mi up n fk of 6 mi ck.
Trout Lake—W G Sivyer, 7 mi up Clearwater ck, adj Vermont.
Fissure—F Smith, n fk Salmon river, 4 mi fm N & F S ry.
O K No 2—J J Driscoll, A McDonald, divide, bet 6 mi and Kokanee cks.
Evolution—B F Hall, hd 49 ck.
August 26—
Brian Born—W Baker, Salmon river, 3½ mi s of Ymir.
Shiloh—H O'Donnell, Bear ck, 1 mi e of Ymir formerly Banner claim.
King Midas—Same, same, formerly Iron Cap.
Pathfinder—F Unfried, sheep ck, 1 mi above mouth of Wolf ck.
Silver Bell—W R Cox, same.
S J M—S J Mighton, n fk Wild Horse ck, adj Oronoga.
Ozark—D McKinary, hd 49 ck, adj Carrie R.
Queen Kate—M McLachlan, E S Grasford, 1 mi n Hall ck and 2 mi fm N & F S ry.
George L—T Bennett, Barrett ck, 1 mi w of N & F S ry.
Crown—Same, same.
Annex—H M Billings, same.
Josephine—Same, same.

Trouble Over Stray Cattle.

Two interesting assault cases came up before Magistrate Crease on Monday morning. They were docketed for last week, but owing to the sickness of important witnesses for the defence they were postponed. The case against Frederick Hurry, charged with assault upon Brusa Fiorini, otherwise known as "Dago Bill," by striking him in the face and by biting his fingers, was heard first. Fiorini is the poundmaster, and in the course of his duties a few days ago, as related by him, he took up four stray cattle, the property of Mr. Hurry, and placed them in the corral. Fiorini says that Hurry came along at four o'clock in the morning, released his cattle by taking down the bars, and took them away. When riding down the street at nine o'clock the same morning, he saw Hurry on the sidewalk, dismounted from his horse and approaching told him he wanted to speak to him, whereupon Hurry immediately struck him in the face. A scuffle then took place in which Fiorini says Hurry got one of his fingers in his mouth, badly lacerating it, while he proceeded to strike him. Hurry claims that Fiorini was the aggressor, striking him as soon as he approached him on the street.

Magistrate Crease dismissed both cases.

The Vancouver Smelter.

The Prescott-Rothschild Syndicate of London, England, promises to send a representative to Vancouver next month, as the agent of a company formed to set up and work an ore smelter and refinery at Vancouver and immediately thereafter arrange for construction to begin. The Rothschild interested is not one of the world's famous financiers and the syndicate has hung fire so long that Vancouver is a little skeptical as to so early a commencement of an urgently needed development of the nature contemplated. The site would be on the harbor front beyond the city limits.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

RETAIL LIQUOR BUSINESS WILL BE REGULATED.

The Fire Hall to be Painted but no Action Taken to Build a Sewerage System.

At the meeting of the city council last Monday night all members were present except Alderman Dow and Fletcher.

Communications were received from John Watson in regard to the Stanley street sidewalk; from John Boyd & Co. in regard to the tender for lead for the waterworks and from Joshua Davis complaining of a nuisance caused by scavengers dumping refuse matter on lot 58 A.

On motion of Alderman Hillyer it was resolved that John Houston be paid salary as mayor for four months at the rate of $2000 per year and amounting to $666.66.

The following accounts were ordered paid: Bank of Montreal, interest overdraft for July, $53.60; Alex. Chisholm, foreman, $55; M. A. McKinley, carpenter, $38.25; John Stinson, carpenter, $15; J. H. Cowan, conveying prisoner to Kamloops, $69.60; Rolph, Smith & Co., engraving debentures, $112.50; stamps, $3.00.

The mayor was authorized to wire the city lockup for electric lights.

A bylaw limiting the number of retail liquor licenses was passed on its first, second and third readings. A synopsis of it will be found in another column.

John Blaney was appointed pound keeper and will be allowed 25 cents on each dog license collected.

Adjourned to Wednesday at 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY SESSION.

Aldermen Fletcher and Teetzel were absent when the council convened on Wednesday afternoon. There was a general discussion in relation to the sewer system and although no definite action was taken, the order for the work will probably be given in the near future.

Bills to the amount of $269.25 were audited and ordered paid. The amount includes $116.40 for pipe for water works.

The by-law limiting liquor licenses was finally adopted.

The Mayor was authorized to purchase sufficient pipe to lay in the rock cut on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway.

It was ordered that the road to the N. & F. S. railway station, near the brick yard, be repaired.

A letter from minister of finance, J. H. Turner, was received and the writer stated that he failed to see wherein the city of Nelson could claim any portion of the money received for licenses which were issued by the government prior to the date of incorporation. He says that the act implies that in consequence of the passing of the act for the speedy incorporation of cities the provisions made good the right of the government to retain all moneys received from licenses issued until date of entry.

On motion of Alderman Gilker, A. L. McCullough was appointed city engineer.

The city clerk was instructed to call for tenders for painting the fire hall and city lockup to be in by 8 o'clock p. m. on Monday, August 30.

Adjourned until Monday.

MINING NEWS.

R. C. Campbell-Johnson has a force of men on the I. C. claim near Whitewater.

William Darlington, an assayer of Slocan City, died there last week of typhoid fever.

Pete McNicoll is said to have made a big find of free milling gold on the north fork of Lemon creek.

The Monitor, near Three Forks, expects to resume operations in a short time with a large force of men.

The force at the Currie, near Silverton, has been laid off for two weeks to allow the placing of their new machinery.

The Great Western is building a wagon road to the Washington. It is the intention to handle a large amount of concentrating ore through the Washington mill.

The Northern Belle No. 2, in the McGuigan basin, has eight men sinking two shafts on the vein. The force is to be increased and work on a crosscut started in the near future.

The Braden Bros. Co. has been negotiating for some time for copper properties in the White Grouse district and have made offers for the T. Harris group and other valuable claims.

The assessment work on the Michigan claim, owned by Jasper Phair is showing considerable gray and peacock copper in the vein. The claim adjoins the Starlight and North Star on Toad mountain.

The Sullivan Group company, owning valuable mining property near Fort Steele, has suspended work temporarily, with a view to changing to contract work, which is considered a more economical method of developing the property. A shaft has been sunk for 50 feet, and a fine body of silver-lead shows in the bottom. This is on the Hamlet claim. Recent surface work on the Shylock has developed a fine showing of silver-lead ore.

Good progress is being made on the Highlander concentrator at Ainsworth. The force was increased this week and a boarding house is being built to accommodate the men.

Chas. Scheel and his brother, while doing some work on the Porcupine claim, situated below the Whitewater, opened up some very rich shipping ore in a surface cut. The width of the ledge has not yet been determined.

The Reed and Tenderfoot, Slocan lake, upon which an English syndicate with headquarters at Vancouver has spent $25,000, was closed down Sunday by the company's expert. It is not likely to resume operations for some time.

An important strike has been made by Swan and Wright on the divide between Slocan lake and Cariboo creek, the vein being about ten feet in width with three feet of solid clean ore worth $150 per ton and four feet of splendid concentrating ore.

All the timbers for the Montezuma mine have been framed and are awaiting the completion of the wagon road to the mine. Everything is ready for the superstruction at the mill site. The machinery is now en route from the east, and Superintendent Mitchell expects to be able to carry out his plan to start the mine on November 1.

W. T. Howard as representative of some Minneapolis capitalists, has been negotiating for the Sanca townsite, and has made offers for an interest in the same, to build a wagon up to White Grouse mountain. This road is an absolute necessity in opening this section and would undoubtedly make Sanca a very busy town.

There is much excitement in East Kootenay over the strike reported by Fletcher brothers and McMillian who have discovered a contact vein from 40 to 100 feet wide, carrying high values in copper, silver and gold. The claims are located on the divide between Bull river and Wild Horse creek. The ledge is said to be plainly defined for a distance of three or four miles.

"It was reported that the Thompson group at Silverton had changed hands, the consideration being $35,000. This property is situated on Rennel creek, six miles east of Silverton, and was under bond to Dr. H. Bell-Irving, of Vancouver. It has been looked upon as one of the best of the many good mines around Silverton for some time."

The above paragraph appeared in the Rossland Miner and several other newspapers. It is not a new sale, however, but, as the mining records show, merely the completion of payments by Dr. Bell-Irving on the bond.

The Le Roi company is adopting Ingersoll-Sergeant drills for its mine, having placed an order with J. D. Sword, agent of the Ingersoll-Sergeent Drill Co., for six E24 Sergeant drills, which will be delivered immediately, making nine ordered in the last six weeks. This will make a complement of 30 drills, and as an evidence of the large amount of mining development and ore stoping going on in this mine, it may be stated that of all the large mines in Butte, Montana, there are not more than four using more drills than the Le Roi.

The Scottish company, of Edinburgh, who purchased the Slocan Milling company's concentrator and tramway, and the Idaho, Alamo, Cumberland and other properties amounting to 18 in all, made the last payment on the deal this week, although it was not due until the middle of next month. The total amount of the deal could not be learned, although it has been reported as high as $400,000. It does not quite reach those figures. Work is being pushed on the Idaho and during the last month 20 carloads of its ore has been run through the mill. The ore gives 270 ounces of silver and 40 per cent. lead.

Since last March the Slocan Boy has shipped 11 cars of ore and has now more ore in sight on the 100-foot level than ever before. The ore body is two feet wide and the ore averages 125 ounces in silver and 67 per cent. in lead. About 300 feet southeast of the main vien some development has been done lately on a small parallel vein. Two carloads of ore have been shipped from this ledge and another carload is just about made up. The ore is very high grade, the last car shipped having netted over $7,000. Assays from ore now on the dump run as high as 700 ounces in silver per ton. The owners anticipate working the property by tunnels run in on the small vein.

Last spring James McK. Anderson representing an eastern syndicate built and outfitted at Kaslo, a large boat designed to carry a summer's supply of provisions and ten men to the upper waters of the Duncan river, where the plan was to engage in prospecting on a large scale. Mr. Anderson went with the party. The men were paid so much per month and given a certain interest in what might be found. Mr. Anderson is now in Kaslo. He has discontinued prospecting, and with a few men is engaged in examining the forty claims located by his men. They are all on the upper Duncan. Mr. A. says he has some fine prospects in the lot, and believes he will have upon investigation a number that will develop into mines.

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THE HALL MINES.

The Directors Have Not Decided Who Shall Succeed Paul Johnson.

The Hall Mines directors have spent the past week in an investigation of the smelter and mining properties belonging to the company. For the past two days they have been at the Silver King and are expected to return to the city today. They have been in almost daily conference with Manager Croasdaile but so far have not appointed anyone to succeed Paul Johnson as superintendent of the smelter. When approached upon the subject, Mr. Croasdaile stated as much but refused to discuss the matter in any way. Mr. Nichol of Swansea, Eng., is in Nelson and is a man of extensive smelter experience. Some think that he is to be named to succeed Mr. Johnson but this is all conjecture. Superintendent Johnson will leave for Mexico in a few days.

WRESTLING MATCH.

Schumacher and Dunn Will Hold a Contest in Nelson.

Peter Schumacher and Harry Dunn have signed articles of agreement for a wrestling match to be held at the Skating Rink, in this city, some time in September. The contestants have agreed upon a stake of $250 a side, seventy-five per cent of the gate receipts to the winner and the balance to the loser. Both men have deposited a forfeit of $50 with C. F. Goodwin who is temporary stakeholder. The referee and final stakeholder will be chosen on the night of the match. The agreement calls for one throw each in catch-as-catch-can, cornish, backhold and greco-roman styles. Should it be necessary to wrestle five bouts to decide who is the winner, the man winning his falls in the shortest time shall have the choice in the deciding bout.

SALOON REGULATIONS.

The Municipal Bylaw Which Will Regulate the Sale of Liquor.

The bylaw limiting the number of liquor licenses, which was finally adopted in council this week, contains the following provisions.

Hotel licenses, 15, until the population shall have reached 5000 and then only one license for full 1000 population in excess of 5000, on the basis of the yearly census by the city assessor.

Saloon licenses five, and if this number should be reduced through revokation or other cause, no other licenses shall be issued in lieu of them.

Shop or bottle business, two.

Restaurants or places where beer, porter or wines are served at meals, three.

A Particularly Sad Death.

The numerous friends of Mr. Ernest Miller of Rossland, will be deeply grieved to hear of the death of Mrs. Miller. The couple had been married but little more than a week and had only been on their honeymoon in Nelson a few days when she was suddenly stricken down with typhoid fever. The end came last Tuesday. On Thursday the body was taken to Toronto by Mr. Miller.

A Fodder Contract.

Sub-contractor Thompson of the Crow's Nest railway construction has arranged with the C. P. R. for cutting a large crop of wild hay in the Moyie pass. The fodder will be stacked and used when the railway construction reaches that point. Mr. Thompson has taken in a large force of men, horses and machinery and is now haymaking on a large scale.

Upper Kootenay Traffic.

The steamers plying on the upper Kootenay river from Jennings to Fort Steele will receive no more freight from the general public until the supplies for the Nelson & Lethbridge railway have been shipped to there destination in East Kootenay. There is said to be now at Jennings, forty-four cars of freight awaiting transportation.

For Violating the Bylaw.

Upon complaint of J. H. Matthews, Messrs. J. J. Malone and A. Tregillus, appeared before Magistrate Crease last Tuesday upon a charge of violating the fire limit bylaw by erecting a frame building on the south side of Baker street adjoining the Tremont hotel. The case, by consent of both parties to the suit was postponed until Monday next.

Forest Fires.

Forest fires are raging in numerous localities throughout the district and much valuable timber is being destroyed. The divide between Kootenay lake and Salmon river, the country at the headwaters of Woodbury creek and the south fork of the Kaslo has lately been ablaze, but the fires have died out considerably during the last few days.

Rossland Ore Shipments.

Ore shipments from Rossland mines last week were: Le Roi, 1,550 tons; Columbia and Kootenay, 150 tons; Centre Star, 150 tons; Iron Mask, 45 tons; Cliff 40 tons; total, 1,890 tons. The total since January 1st is 47,028.

Call for Tenders.

Sealed tenders for position of care taker of school-house will be received until 6 p. m. Tuesday, August 31st. Rooms to be swept every day after school is dismissed and dusted every morning before school is opened, and scrubbed once each month. Fires are to be lighted at 8 o'clock in the morning from October 1st to April 30th. Address Dr. Arthur, Secretary Board of Trustees. (738)

PRODUCE OF THE MINES.

RETURNS FOR 1897 UP TO DATE.

ORE EXPORTED.

From Slocan via Kaslo	19,482½
Slocan via Nakusp	4090
Rossland via Northport	9,264½
Rossland via Nelson	52
Tons	32,889½

Total Value:	
Through Nelson Custom House	$ 1,887,854.25
" Re. elstoke (Nakusp)	424,836.65
	2,312,690.90

Average value per ton, $70.314

PRODUCE OF SMELTERS.
(Shipped)

	TONS
Nelson (Hall Mines) Matte	1306½
Trail Smelter Matte	3825½
	5132

Total value, $2,543,746.64
" " of ore and matte exported, $4,856,437.54

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Returns Since Last Week.
VIA KASLO.

Ruth to Everett	120
Payne Mine to Pueblo, Col	450
Black Diamond to "	76
Washington to Omaha	32
Wellington "	16
Ruth to Pueblo, Col	150
Noble Five "	32
Whitewater to Everett	105
Rambler to Tacoma	15
Surprise to Everett	17
Slocan Boy to Pueblo	15
Little Phil "	20
	1048

Total value, $73,660.
Average value per ton, $70.286

MATTE AND BULLION.
(Shipped.)

Trail Smelter [Matte]	593
Hall Mines (Matte)	118½
	178½

Total Value $92,439.73

METAL QUOTATIONS.

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Notice of Application For Liquor License.

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A. H. CLEMENTS.
Dated August 16th, 1897. 732

NOTICE.

In the County Court of Kootenay. Holden at Nelson. Between:
Joseph Wagner, F. J. George, C. W. Smith, E. L. Page and Lewis Henry Allison, plaintiffs.
and
The Elise Gold Mining Company, Limited, defendants.

NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of an order made herein the third day of August instant, by His Honor Judge Forin to enforce a mechanics lien herein, the Elise mineral claim, situate on Wild Horse creek, Nelson Mining Division West Kootenay District, will be offered for sale by public auction at the Court House, Nelson, B. C., on Wednesday the eighth day of September, 1897, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Above sale will be subject to conditions in writing, produced at time of sale.

Terms of sale, 5 per cent. of purchase price to be paid at close of sale and balance within ten days. Purchasers to satisfy themselves as to title of said claim.

Dated August 18th, 1897.
(Seal of C. C. K.) E. T. H. SIMPKINS,
730 Actg Regr C. C. K.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that in accordance with section 3 of the sanitary regulations of 1896, a resolution has been passed by the Provincial Board of Health declaring the sanitary regulations of 1896 to be in force in the city of Nelson, B. C.
GEO. H. DUNCAN,
724 Secretary Provincial Board of Health.

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)

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

CALIFORNIA MINERAL CLAIM.

SITUATE IN THE NELSON MINING DIVISION OF WEST KOOTENAAY DISTRICT. WHERE LOCATED—ON THE NORTH SLOPE OF TOAD MOUNTAIN, ADJOINING THE EXCHEQUER MINERAL CLAIM.

TAKE NOTICE that I, J. M. McGregor, acting as agent for P. Cherbo, Free Miners Certificate No. 78130, intend, sixty days from the day hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.
J. M. McGREGOR.
Dated this 26th day of July, 1897 709

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.
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