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MINERAL REPORT.

Annual Report of the Minister of Mines.

Shows a Gratifying Increase in the Mineral Output of British Columbia for the Year 1897.

The annual report of the Minister of Mines for the year ending December 31, 1897 being an account of mining operations in the Province of British Columbia has been received. The report was laid before the provincial legislature last week, and contains a large amount of interesting and valuable information regarding the development of the mining industries of the province. In the introduction to his report Mr. W. A. Carlyle, provincial mineralogist says: "In compiling the statistical statement for 1897, I have been greatly aided by the clauses in the 'Inspection of Metalliferous Act, 1897,' that make it now obligatory for mine owners to send in a detailed statement of the production for the year by 15th of January, as I am now able to present almost perfect returns for the year ending December 31."

The smelter returns for ore shipped in December are often not received until February or later, and as the departmental report has to be in press by then the method adopted in compiling statistics is to take the mill and smelter returns received during the year. The total production of gold, silver, lead and copper, coal and coke for all years up to 1898 amounted to $112,413,485. The production 1890 was $2,608,893; in 1897 it amounted to $10,455,268, an increase of 40 per cent. over 1896.

The production of metals per district and division is given as follows:

Cariboo.	1896.	1897.
Barkerville	$ 82,950	$ 65,000
Lightning Creek	23,000	25,000
Quesnelle mouth	51,100	35,000
Keithley Creek	197,050	200,000
Total for Cariboo	$ 354,050	$ 325,000
Cassiar	21,000	37,000
Kootenay, East	151,427	163,706
Kootenay, West.		
Ainsworth	345,926	440,545
Nelson	525,529	789,216
Slocan	1 854,011	3,280,685
Trail Creek	1,245,360	2,097,280
Other Parts	14,200	157,977
Total for West Kootenay	$4,002,735	$6,765,703
Lillooet	33,665	39,849
Yale.		
Osoyoos	131,220	142,932
Similkameen	9,000	25,000
Yale	65,193	58,680
Total, Yale	$ 200,078	$ 226,762
Other Districts	$ 15,000	$ 9,890
Grand Total	$4,816,955	$7,567,551

Another table gives the yearly production of placer gold to date as determined by the returns sent in by the banks and express companies of gold transmitted by them to the mints and from returns sent in by the gold commissioners and mining recorders. The placer gold output for 1897 shows a slight decrease from that of 1896, the figures for the two years being $544,620 and $513,520, respectively. The highest production from this source was in 1863, when it reached $3,913,563, in the time of the great Cariboo excitement.

The coal products for the year amounting to 2,648,562 and of coke to 296,980. The coke all comes from the coke ovens at Comox, Vancouver Island and the bulk was shipped to Kootenay smelters.

With regard to the progress of mining, Mr. Carlyle says: "Figures speak for themselves and the tables given show very clearly the steady and gratifying growth of the mining industry. The increase in the output of lode mines from $1,000,000 in 1892 to over $7,000,000 i 1897 demands attention. That 1898 will see a substantial increase is now assured from the amount of ore now in sight in the different districts."

SPRING HOUSECLEANING.

While people are particular about having their house cleaned of the winter's accumulation of dirt, they're not always so particular about their system. It needs cleansing too, and there's nothing will do it so thoroughly and effectually as Burdock's Blood Bitters. Alex. Miller, Ardoch, Ont., says:—"I have taken B. B. B. every spring for some years and as a blood purifier it is unequalled."

The "Truck Act" Bill.

The Rosslander thus sums up Mr Kellie's "Truck Act" bill:

"In accordance with his promise made to the Trades and Labor Council Mr. J. M. Kellie has introduced in the legislature a "Truck Act." Among other things it provides that any contract made with a workman as to where he shall lodge or board or with whom he shall spent all or part of his wages shall be null and void. It provides that wages will be paid in currency, and in case an employer supplies a workman with goods from a store or warehouse he cannot claim this as an offset for wages, nor can he maintain an action in respect of such goods. Medicines or medical attendance do not come under this head or material or tools used by the workman in his calling, but where such deductions are made an employer or his agent shall make out at least annually a correct statement of the receipts and expenditures in respect of such deductions, to be audited by two auditors appointed by the workmen, and to these auditors books and vouchers shall be produced. Gold or silver coin of the United States shall be considered lawful money for any payment made before July 1, 1900. No deductions are to be made as commission or poundage on money advanced on wages. Arrangements may be made for the men to board and lodge, but the contract regarding same must be in writing, signed by the workmen and the charges shall be real and true value. Offences under the act are to be tried under the Summary Convictions Act, but no appeal from any conviction shall be under this Act or the Truck Act of 1831".

Mines and Mining.

It is to be hoped that Mr McIntosh's purchases in the Rossland section will pan out well, though some who speak with authority have grave doubts as to the success of some of them at least. The English company for whom the purchases were made, are a very strong and influential corporation, and upon their satisfaction with Mr. McIntosh's investments will the future of this country to a considerable extent, in English estimation, at least, depend. Those old country people, who are not themselves miners, and who have not called in the best authorities, as in this case, to assist them in their investments, very seldom consider circumstances. They are too apt to conclude that their purchases, no matter through what channels made, are a fair illustration of the whole. As a consequence if their investments are not successful, they are apt to conclude that "nothing good can come out of Nazareth." Investors should learn that in this as well as other countries there are mines and mines; and it is not until considerable money is sunk on a property, that an estimate of its future, even by experts, can be made. Although this country is rich in minerals every piece of earth and rock are not loaded with wealth. As we said above, then, for the sake of the future of the country in the estimation of capitalists, it is to be hoped many of Mr. McIntosh's hap-hazzard purchases will turn out to the satisfaction of the owners.

WOULD REFUSE CORBIN'S CHARTER.

Provincial Revenue is Nearly a Million and a Half.

Victoria, B. C. March 31.—It was nearly midnight yesterday when the House finished up the debate on Helmcken's motion, asking the Dominion government to refuse Corbin a charter for a railroad into the Boundary creek country. The motion eventually carried by 20 to 10.

The year's estimates just presented show a revenue of $1,453,000, a gain of $165,000 over last year, and an expected expenditure of $1,992,000, as against $1,556,000 last year. For roads the North Riding of West Kootenay $50,000 and the South Riding $56,000. East Kootenay gets $24,000 for the same purposes. Among other items are $60,000 for the Rossland court house, $5,000 for a new school at Rossland, while for roads in the vicinity of Rossland and Trail there is an appropriation of $18,000. There is a general increase in the salaries of officials. Quite a number of new schools are provided for in Kootenay, including buildings at Nelson, Ymir and Revelstoke. There is an appropriation of $30,000 for a new bridge across the Thompson river at Kamloops.

To-day's proceedings were short. Macpherson's master and servant bill, which was to prevent contract laborers being brought into the province, was amended so that it applied only to outside countries and not to Canada. Premier Turner and the government took the stand that it was unpatriotic and against the spirit of confederation to discriminate against fellow Canadians

AT THE HOTELS.

Sandon—A. W. Owens, G. R. Owens, Nova Scotia; H McEachran, A. McPhee, Spokane; N. L. Callaman, T. R. Powers, New Denver; A. Pinchose, Nelson.

Goodenough—J. H. Truman, G. C. Shaw, T. Allen, Victoria; J. Tinling, E. J. Lloyd, Silverton; C. M. Livingstone, Chicago; F. A. Rees, Winnipeg; F. W. Clemens, Hamilton; H. E. Swift, Spokane.

TO TURN THE TIDE.

Now is the Time to Attract Attention to West Kootenay.

From appearances the present is an opportune time for the people of West Kootenay to get in good work in adding to our mining population, and Vancouver, Skagway, Victoria, Seattle and other Coast points are the fields in which they could profitably operate. No doubt the merchants and business men of these coast cities, who are filling their purses by selling merchandise to Klondykers who will leave their bones and empty pocket books as the only relics of eager gold hunters in the far north, would object to any attempt to interfere with their harvest; but what would be their loss would be a gain to the deluded north bound miners. What we wish to refer to is the advisability of the Kootenay country sending a good man to each of these points to interview Klondykers, and show them the real situation in this district.

The fact of the matter is that this country has never yet been fully advertised upon its merits, and were it, we are confident the Klondyke would not be getting the men and money it is getting to-day—many of the former and much of the latter would be diverted this way. The facts speak for themselves; and if many of those Klondyke bent had them properly placed before them by intelligent men, the tide to a sensible extent at least would turn this way.

The largest estimate we have seen of the output of the Klondyke for the coming year is from $15,000,000 to $18,000,000, and that to be distributed among well on to 100,000 people, in a country made up of the worst of natural disadvantages, while the output of the Kootenay last year was well up to the same figure, and distributed among less than one-third of the Klondyke population. That is, averaged up each resident of the Kootenay got last year three times as much as each Klondyker is likely to get this year, and with living but a fraction of what it is in the north country, and no comparison in the agreeableness of the climates and safety of life and property.

It appears to us that if these north bound men were shown it did not require any extensive capital to get possession of promising, undeveloped claims here; and that the labor of a few men who had means enough to carry themselves a year, much less then is required in the north country, would soon develop such prospects into good paying properties, many would be sensible enough to see the force of the arguments, and instead of going northward locate in some portion of this mining district.

This country has very many illustrations of the force of what we mean—of well paying mines that were a year or two ago bought for trifles, and under the labor of a few months brought to their present condition of profit to their owners.

It appears to us that if the cities, towns, boards of trade, mine owners, and others interested in the prosperity of this section, were to jointly take up this matter, and pay the expenses of five or six good men at these points operating in this way, the returns would show it was a well directed expenditure.

The conclusion forced on any one who calmnly looks at the facts is, that at best it can only be one in many hundreds who can make a strike in the Klondyke, while there is a certainty of a reasonable competency to every one who employs a little means and reasonable energy in the Kootenay; and this should turn the tide with many.

A Surprise Party.

A few of the ladies in connection with the "Ladies Aid Society" of the Presbyterian church in this city, at their meeting on Thursday last, mooted the idea of a "Pound party" by way of a little help and encouragement to their esteemed minister, the Rev. J. Clelland and his amiable and hard-working wife.

Everyone seemed to at once take the matter up in good earnest. Wood cutters were soon at work on the adjacent hillside "His Reverence" among them. Down town the mayor soon had this noble scheme transmographyed into a "Dollar party" and without delay had Mr. D McMillan harnessed in a subscription list which met with a very hearty and liberal respose.

On Saturday evening the surprise came off at the house of Mr. D. McMillan, on Society hill, where some forty ladies and gentlemen had assembled with a great quantity of articles of a very useful nature and a purse lined with $85 was secured. Then when all was in readiness, Lo! And Behold!! The Rev. Mr. Clelland could not be found!!! Scouts were at once sent out to different parts of the city, and after a very energetic hunt he was found, and along with Mrs. Clelland was decoyed into Mr. McMillan's house, where Mrs. McMillan, who had been chosen spokeswoman in a very neat speach, of well chosen words, presented them with the purse and $25 to $30 worth of goods, wood, etc.

The surprise was great indeed, but not undeserved. Then Mr. Clelland on behalf of himself and wife was not at all satisfied, but there and then turned the "Surprise party" into a "Thanksgiving party." Of course he was allowed to have his own way.

Afterwards games of various kinds were indulged in for some time, when refreshments were served in Mrs. McMillan's exceedingly nice style, after which songs and recitations were in order until near midnight, when the party broke up after a most enjoyable time by singing Auld Lang Syne.

G. L.

Sandon, March 23th 1898.

ROSEBERY NEWS.

The Ore Sampler's Capacity to be Increased.

Mr. Beatty of Rosebery was in Sandon on Wednesday and when seen by a REVIEW reporter seemed in good spirits about the prospects and outlook for Kootenay and Rosebery in particular, and said it was his opinion from enquires and information he could gather that the Yukon rush was subsiding and had to say if the different Boards of Trades throughout Kootenay would now take time by the forelock and send agents to the Coast cities as well as northern points and advertise strongly the Kootenay country, it would have a tendency to turn the tide Kootenay wards this summer, as we can clearly prove the output of the Kootenay mines one hundred fold better than the Klondyke, considering the population in the two places struggling for the mighey dollar. I think there is altogether too much lassitude in our not following them into the camp if necessary and proclaiming our permanency and mining wealth and output compared with only a small population as yet; and I am fully convinced this matter should be taken up at once and pushed determinedly. How is your townsite getting on at Rosebery was asked? "Exceedingly bright, the Ore Sampling company now are hard at work erecting the mill and office—they have decided to increase the capacity of the works from 100 tons daily to 250 tons. and are building accordingly. Rosebery will have the largest pay roll on the lake this summer without doubt, and together with the Townsite company, intend to expend considerable money on improvements. I look for quite a boom at that point. The C. P. R. are now preparing to handle the large freight traffic by putting the first and only track scales on its Kootenay branches here which is significant."

The Sick List.

Although our city is always regarded as a healthy place, sickness occasionally visits some of our citizens. Mrs. A. C. McArthur, who has not been very strong for years, is under the doctor's care with some lung trouble. Her condition is critical, but latest reports are favorable.

Mrs. A. P. Nichols took sick a few days ago, and, though dangerously low for a time, is now on a fair waw to recovery.

Mrs. McQueen, wife of druggist McQueen, has been sick for a length of time, but fortunately not dangerously so.

The manager of the B. C. Bank, Mr. Mytton, went to the Harrison Hot Springs some two weeks ago to recuperate, and while there has suffered very severely from a rheumatic attack.

Sandon Ore Shipments.

The following is a list of ore shipments over the K. & S. from Sandon for the week ending March, 24:

MINE.	TONS
Payne	200
Ruth	100
Last Chance	80
Reco	40
Slocan Star	97½
Wonderful Bird	24
Total	439 5-6

CATCH COLD.

It's an easy thing to do, but it's just as easy to get cured if you tak Nor-Pine Syrup. Costs only 25c, at all drug stores.

City Council.

The city council met on Monday evening last in council chamber, and all were present with the mayor in the chair.

A petition was presnted from McDonald Bros., H. McGee, Bennett and Wamsley, R. Cunning, J. Buckley, Switzer & McClusky, Thompson Bros., J. S. Richardson, B. O. Nelson, L. Portmann, Waterland, H. McDonell, R. Orando, Lowes & Harrington and W. Sudrow asking the council to grant no license to the Theatre Comique.

Alds. Cunning—Switzer—That no license be granted the Central Music hall, to carry on theatrical entertainments. Motion was lost—Yeas, Switzer, Cunning; nays, the balance of the aldermen.

A motion of Alds. Mighton and Broddy to the effect that the music hall get a license at $5 a night in advance was carried on the same divison as the above motion.

The Board of Works reported an estimate from B. C. Riblett, C. E., showing it would cost about $4.50 per foot to crib Cody and Carpenter creeks, the total probably $7,000.—Fyled.

Hunter—Mighton—That the provincial government be petitioned to pass an act to enable the corporation to borrow certain sums of money, and that the solicitor act in the matter.—Carried.

Switzer—Broddy—That the Finance Com. be instructed to find out what means can be adopted to raise funds for immediate improvements on the creek.—Carried.

Crawford—Switzer—That the bonds of the collector and treasurer be placed at $3,000 each.

Hunter—Crawford—That A. C. McArthur be appointed auditor at $100 a year.—Carried.

Hunter—Mighton—That Messrs. Harris and Kelly be notified the heating of the fire hall is imperfect.—Carried.

The C. P. R. Accident.

A bad accident occurred on the C. P. R. at English rivor near Port Arthur on Friday by a broken rail. A heavy passenger train became derailed; but fortunately on level ground so the cars simply run into heavy snow banks till they stopped of their own accord. One man only was killed and he stepping from one car to another at the time of the accident, fell under the train. His name was F. Mardin, of Detroit. The following were more or less injured;

C. W. Marks, of Detroit, Mich., is seriously injured.
Wm. Moult, Toronto.
M. Soffsky, New York.
J. F. Taylor, Sr., Halifax.
J. F. Taylor, Jr., Halifax.
D. Stosman, New York.
H. Sexl, New York.
Martha Nelson, St. Mary's, Ont.
J. P. McKeown, Fredericton, N. B.
C. A. Dawner, Detroit.
Duncan McLeod, River Dennis.
James Hogg, Montreal
James Burns, Montreal.
Hiram Slerserchcr, Montreal.
H. Howard, Jr., Windsor.
Mrs. Howard, Windsor.
H. S. Shackford, Windsor.
J. C. Clark, Windsor.
D. Johnson, Toronto.
Thomas James, Toronto.
E. A. Eagle, Tamworth.

Had the accident occurred on a steep grade or on a high elevation, the destruction of life would have been enormous, as the train was heavily laden with Klondykers and others.

SONGS OF THE OLD PLANTATION.

The Nashville Students Scoring Successes With Their Songs and Impersonations.

The fine old negro melodies and plantation songs will never lose their power to please and delight an audience. As given by the Nashville students last evening at the Grand they proved most enjoyable and entertaining. The entertainment was one of the best that has been here this season, and the singers certainly sustained the reputation which has made them so famous. The songs were delightful to listen to and carried the audience back to the old plantations of the South "befo de wah," where these stirring melodies originated. Aside from the chorus singing which was admirable for its melody, unison and harmony, the individual parts were well taken. The "Shouting Tenor," the "Lion Basso" and the "Nashville Mocking Bird," were all that has been claimed for them. Miss Ellen Watkins has a voice of wonderful sweetness and range, and it was shown to good advantage in the "Cuckoo" song given as an encore. She also sang "Way Down Upon the Swanee River" in a very characteristic and touching manner. Miss Leatha Liverpool, the contralto, also sang in good voice and was heartily encored. G. W. Walley, the celebrated basso profundo, has been here before. His impersonations were good, especially so in the song "We're Going to say Good-Bye," which was rendered with genuine feeling. The songs of G. W. Watkins were likewise good, and his feats as a ventriloquist were the hit of the evening. Mr. A. McKenzie was the fun-maker of the company, and kept the audience in a roar with his jokes and songs. He was re-called time after time. Lastly the male quartette deserves especial mention. The imitations of Barnum's calliope and the Chinese choir, as well as the other songs, were very entertaining. As a whole, the programme was dominated by a spirit of entertainment from start to finish, and delighted the audience.—Santa Ana, Cal., Evening Blade.

Will appear two evenings in Sandon, April 15 and 16, in Spencer's hall. Secure your seats before plan is filled.

Communication.

To the Editor of The Mining Review:

DEAR SIR,—I think the paragraph in the news columns of your last issue in reference to the wood thieves is very misleading, for there is no wood to be had in, or near, Sandon for "nothing." There are owners for it all, so it is stealing just the same. Let those lazy fellows buy their wood the same as honest men have to do, starve, or go to God. Please make the necessary correction before some poor fellow gets in o trouble. I am

Yours, etc.
STOP THIEF.

Sandon, March 28, '98.

With all due respect to the writer of the foregoing, we still think there are lots of wood and logs in the creeks that may be had for nothing, when the water is low; and standing timber at such a low price that it is next to nothing, certainly cheaper than the costs of the police court.—ED. REVIEW.

The Cameronian.

A meeting of the stock-holders of this company was held at the office of M. L. Grimmett on Friday last. The stock was well represented. President J. R. Cameron presided. Mr. Sanford the miner in charge presented an extensive report, which was very favorable. It went to show there was a very large body of gold-bearing quartz in sight, that work was progressing well, and that all that was required was more capital to purchase the necessary machinery to develop a well paying gold mine. From developments in the cross-cut recently put in, there was a large rich vein of quartz against the lower wall, and stoping on this to some extent was being prosecuted.

Voting on next year's directors followed and the following were chosen: J. R. Cameron, M. L. Grimmett, Aug. Cameron, C. M. Wilson, A. Dodds, J. F. Foly and W. C. Davis.

These will meet to-day to select officers for the following year.

Quarterly Review Service

Last Sunday was Review Sunday at the Union Sabbath school, when a very profitable time was spent by the large number present The reviewing of the lessons for the quarter was interspersed with choruses by the school, recitations of Psalms by some of the intermediate scholars and a solo by Mrs. McMartin. The attendance is on the increase, and as an encouraging report was read the superintendent asked us to publish it, which we give below:

SECRETARY'S REPORT OF FIRST QUARTER, 1896.

Attendance for January	278	aver.	55.6
" " Feb'ary	166	"	41.5
" " March	220	"	55
Total att. for Quarter	664	"	51
Attendance of teachers and officers for Jan.	37		
—for Feb.	26		
—for Mar.	26		
Total for Quarter	89	aver.	6.98
Collections for Jan.	$ 7.75		
" " Feb.	5.65		
" " Mar.	9.40		
Total for Quarter	22.80	aver.	$1.75
Verses recited in Jan.	251		
" " " Feb.	76		
" " " Mar.	99		
Total for Quarter	426	aver.	32.87

TO CURE COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take LaxativeBromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

MINING BRIEFS.

With Scissors and Pen.

The Isis, on the Lucky Jim lead, has been sold for $4,000.

It is said a deal is on for the Hootalinkwa claim at Whitewater.

The Antoine mine is shipping five cars of ore this month, out of which a dividend will be paid.

The Enterprise mine has 600 tons of ore at its landing on Slocan lake and is working a force of 30 men.

A big strike is reported on the Columbia mine, near Slocan City, running 433 oz. silver and $81 in gold.

At length it is announced that Mr. Eaton has transferred his interest in the Whitewater mine to the English company that had an option on it for some time. The transfer took place last week. S. S. Fowler is the new manager. All told the mine has earned $194,000 for the late owners.

The reports of rich placer ground on the Big Salmon are confirmed and hundreds are hurrying in there. It is said that in richness and extent, the Big Salmon diggings fully equal the Klondyke. Pans of $40 and even $50 being recorded, while from $1.50 to $3 is quite common.

ARE YOU TO LIVE IN ALASKA.

Some Requirements that will be Found Indispensable.

The universal article of diet in that country, depended upon and indispensable, is bread or biscuit. And to make the bread and biscuit, either in the camp or upon the trail, yeast cannot be used—it must be baking powder; and the powder manufactured by the processes of the Royal Baking Powder company, miners and prospectors have learned, is the only one which will stand in that peculiar climate of cold and dampness and raise the bread and biscuit satisfactorily.

These facts are very important for every one proposing to go to Alaska and the Yukon country to know, for should he be persuaded by some outfitter to take one of the cheap brands of baking powder, it will cost just as much to transport it, and then when he opens it for use, after all his labor in packing it over the long and difficult route, he will find a solid caked mass or a lot of spoiled powder, with no strength and useless. Such a mistake might lead to the most serious results. Alaska is no place in which to experiment in food, or try to economize with your stomach. For use in such a climate, and other the trying and fatiguing conditions of life and labor in that country, everything must be the best and most useful, and above all it is imperative that all food supplies shall have perfect keeping qualities. It is absurd to convey over such difficult and expensive routes an artiele that will deteriorate in transit, or that will be found when reqnired for use to have lost a great part of its value.

There is no better guide to follow in in these matters than the advice of those who have gone through similar experience. Mr. McQuesten, who is called "the father of Alaska," after an experience of years upon the trail, in the camp, and in the use of every kind of supply, says: "We find in Alaska that the importance of a proper kind of baking powder can not be overestimated. A miner with a can of bad baking powder is almost helpless in Alaska. We have tried all sorts, and have been obliged to settle down to use nothing but the Royal. It is stronger and carries further, but above all things; it is the only powder that will endure the severe climate changes of the Arctic region."

It is for the same reasons that the U. S. government in its relief expeditions, and Peary, the famous arctic traveller, have carried the Royal Baking Powder exclusively.

The Royal Baking Powder will not lose its strength either on board ship or in damp climates, and is the most highly concentrated and efficient of leavening agents. Hence it is indispensible to carry Alaskan outfits. It can be had of any of the trading companies in Alaska, but should the miner procure his supplies before leaving, he should resist every attempt of the outfitter to palm off upon him any of the other brands of baking powder, for they will spoil and prove the cause of great disappointment and trouble.

BRIGHT'S DISEASE BEATEN.

Mrs. John Hook, 3 Edward Street, St. Thomas, Ont., writes:—"Doan's Kidney Pills cured my son of incipient Bright's Disease. He had terrible backaches and night sweats, and always felt tired and worn. His nerves were unstrung, his sleep bad and appetite poor. He commenced taking Doan's Kidney Pills and is now completely cured.

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STRICTLY IN ADVNACE.

THE BLIND LEADING THE BLIND.

If British Columbia is not, as a mining country, making as much headway as some people think it ought to be making, the greatest impediments in the way of its progress are the representations abroad of many who assume to speak of it with the authority of the Book. According to the Mining Record, of Victoria, a Mr. Edgar P. Rathbone, whom that paper calls "the well-known mining engineer" delivered a lecture in the Royal Colonial Institute, London, recently to educate the people on the progress of mining in this country. The Mining Record says this "well-known mining engineer" was astonished at the lack of knowledge as to the advancement of mining in this country, as he found it was not known over there that there were more than the "Hall mines" and "possibly, perhaps, the Le Roi" dividend paying to the investing public. And he took them into his confidence, that is this "well-known mining engineer" did, and assured them there were, at least, twenty dividend payers in West Kootenay. As he mentioned of this twenty but the "Fidelity, near Silverton," this "well-known mining engineer" must have regarded that as the foremost of the twenty. We believe, the Fidelity is a promising property; but it is only justice to the rest of the country to say that out of the possible twenty known to "this well-known mining engineer," it does not rank higher than the twentieth.

From the first dawn of intelligence, the wisdom of selecting the blind to lead the blind was always open to question, and it is equally so to the present day.

Further on Mr. Rathbone said "it was a drawback to mining that engineers were not obliged to qualify in some way in their profession." We presume so, and he might have added that "apostles of light" should be at least compelled to fortify themselves with, at the least, a tallow candle before they set out to show the road to wealth in mining to others. Any one with the slighest smattering of knowledge of mining in this province ought to know that in rank after the LeRoi, as dividend payers, come the Payne, the Star, the Reco, the Ruth, the Whitewater, the Idaho, the Rambler, the Goodenough, the Last Chance, and several others whose names are familiar to the public. It is not to be expected that all men who are following mining in the country are thoroughly posted on the country's output; but it is a fact that any and all who take it upon themselves to advise capitalists, where capital is sought, on the prospects before them, should, in the country's interest, have an ordinary knowledge of the subject in hand. It is infinitely better that no lectures at all should be given then that they should be given by unintelligent, though sensible and interesting lecturers, as our confrere calls Mr. Rathbone.

Commenting on Mr. Rathbone's lecture referred to above, a gentleman in the audience said, "it would be well for investors to invest only on those veins which they had ascertained to offer satisfactory profits." This gentleman's idea was that the jackalls of British Columbia should become the providers for the lions of England. No doubt from his standpoint, his contention was a shrewd one, but his standpoint is as untenable as Mr. Rathbone's lecture was unreliable.

In the first place it may be remarked that the miners of this country are not all millionaires, and have not the capital to develop their properties to the condition of safety desired by that English commentator. If they were, they would have no need for English capital at all, and would be arrant fools to court it. If the miners of this country all had the means to develop their prospects until they became dividend-paying, like the Fidelity (Mr. Rathbone's ideal), they could "paddle their own canoes" without outside help, and would be very foolish to desire assistance for the prosecution of actual mining only. What all must be advised of is, there is always more or less risk in mining operations, and the idea is to get all interested in the operations to share that risk. No capitalist has the right to ask any owner to assume all the risk of development, and sell good properties at moderate prices, nor is any owner justified in asking any capitalist to put up immense sums of money for undeveloped properties. The idea is to get the owners and the capitalists to go hand in hand in the risk. If it turns out badly then neither party is badly treated; and if it turns out well, the owner gets a proper price for his property, and the capitalist is well enough paid for his investment.

It appears to us that the efforts of all interested ought to be directed in this channel, to secure a harmonizing of both interests. There are sharks, and many of them, lying in wait to bleed capitalists in the purchase of properties at extortionate prices, of which nothing is known, and legislation should step in and prevent this as far as possible, so that investors would have greater safety in making their investments. It may be impossible to prevent fleecing altogether but the force of legislation ought to be directed in reducing it to a minimum. If capitalists knew this was the case, they would be more disposed to take ordinary mining risks, and all interests would be much served thereby.

THE CAUSE OF THE DEPRESSION.

A great many are disposed to attribute the present dullness of business in the Slocan to the rush of miners from these parts to the Yukon. It was felt that early last fall, miners began to shut up their purses and to save every cent they could for the rush. This has had its effect, but the cause of the dullness cannot be traced to this alone. This is one depressing cause, and one that has had its serious consequences, but there are others of great gravity. Last year, 1897, was one of unexampled activity and prosperity, one in which a large amount of money was spent locally in prospecting, development and general preparation for extensive operations. This led to a local expenditure that is not continued after the necessary preparations for more extended work are made, and the more extended work is really begun. In a word, improvements in mining conditions do not improve the spending capabilities of the wage earners, they simply leave them as they were, while the mine owners alone profit by the altered condition. If at any time, per unit of labor, the profits to the owners are doubled the expenditures of the laborer remain the same. If, instead of $5.00 to the owner, the wage owner of a day, unimproved conditions raises that to $8.00, it in no way improves his expending capability—it does that of the mine owners, but unfortunately for the Slocan, most of them are non-residents. If all the owners of Sandon mines, for instance, were residents like those of the Reco, increased output would almost invariably be followed by increased prosperity; but they are not, and the circumstance will always be followed by its drawbacks. We have, however, very fortunately many young properties in our neighborhood owned largely by residents; and if, when the foolishness of the Klondyke craze becomes more apparent, as it soon will be, these owners are only successful in securing capital to develop their holdings, we will at once feel a measure of prosperity unprecedented.

Another drawback to this place, up to the present, lies in the fact that many of our mines are so far distant the miners cannot live in the town, and as a result have not brought their families here to spend their earnings. This will be, to a considerable, extent overcome when the projected wagon roads of the coming summer are completed. With good roads to the Reco group, and the Queen Bess, and branches to the smaller mines tributary, miners will be able to leave their families in town, and come down from the mines frequently, riding up in the empty wagons in the mornings. This will have a most beneficial influence on the future of the place; and if, with it, mine owners would only, as far as possible in employing miners, employ married men, residences would once again be seen going up in every direction and prosperity booming with them.

None of these conditions, however, operate against the value of our mining prospects. It matters not whether the owners of our properties are residents or foreigners, whether the local expenditures sustain a population of 2,000 or 20,000, their wealth is unaffected thereby. We believe we have the richest mineral surroundings in the world—those that will bring investors the handsomest profits for their investments, and it only requires the fact to be properly represented abroad to secure the necessary capital to properly handle our hidden resources.

The Provincial government is going to petition the Federal government for the establishment of a mint in this province. This is right. We have the raw material here, its manufacture would yield a revenue to Canada that is now going to the United States, and would employ many men besides, and no one argument can be brought against it.

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Compressed Flour.

The British admiralty and the war department are testing, under various climatic conditions, the new method for preserving flour. One objection to the establishment of national granaries has been the difficulty of storing grain for any length of time. The grain germinates and is ruined, and to keep large quantities in sound condition has been pronounced impracticable. Experiments are being made with a system of compression into bricks by hydraulic pressure. The trials show that the flour so treated is not affected by damp, even under unfavorable conditions, and is free from mold. The compression destroys all forms of larval life and the flour is thus rendered safe from the attacks of the insects. The saving in storage is enormous, as the cubic space occupied by 100 pounds of loose flour will hold more than 300 pounds of the compressed article.—Scientific American.

Astronomer.

An old astronomer there was
Who lived up in a tower
Named Ptolemy Copernicus
Flammarion McGower.
He said: "I can prognosticate
With estimates correct,
And when the skies I contemplate
I know what to expect.
When darkening clouds obscure my sight
I think perhaps 'twill rain,
And when the stars are shining bright
I know 'tis clear again."
And then abstractedly he scanned
The heavens hour by hour,
Old Ptolemy Copernicus
Flammarion McGower.
—Carolyn Wells in St. Nicholas.

THAT SEDAN CHAIR.

"I repeat it," said Jacques d'Ebligenac, with an emphasis so curious that all turned to look at him; "it gave me the fright of a lifetime."

"A sedan chair?"

"Yes. Listen, if you would know all about it." And he told us the following story:

"A love tale," said he, "of the city of Lille, of my twentieth year, and my pastry cook's daughter, a mere child, but so pretty, so sweet, so adorably coquettish; moreover, so admirably skilled in all pertaining to her father's business. Nowhere else could I buy such cake, such buns, such sugared almonds. And the stacks and stacks of rich confections that I devoured each day to prove my devotion!

"The fire of my love—which she returned between the smiles bestowed upon her father's customers—alone saved me from gastritis by consuming the heaviness of my stomach.

"This was the state of things, when, one day, I chanced to find the pass key of 'le pere,' who spent half his time in the wineshop across the way and the other half gossiping at his door with his equally idle neighbors.

"Determined to profit by this piece of luck, I managed to speak a word to Victoire, my little sweetheart, and to propose to her a visit to the theater that evening, if she could elude the vigilance of her mother and join me unseen. She could easily re-enter by means of the pass key.

"Victoire was charmed with my inspiration, and six hours after I had conceived the project we had carried it into execution. Although it was the middle of the winter the night was superb, a late rising moon, but thousands of brilliant stars shining from every quarter of the heavens. Victoire trembled like a leaf in the wind, but I was filled with such burning ardor that it mounted to my head like a drink of wine.

"We were young, you see; the theater for us a scene of enchantment, in love with each other and more than happy. Our hearts, like the strings of some delicately toned instrument, vibrated to the slightest touch. In fact, we forgot everything but each other and never thought of moving when at last the final curtain fell until the lampist appeared to turn out the lights.

"Hurrying then to the street, we found that the night had changed. The stars were gone, the moon hidden under a canopy of clouds, a cold, penetrating rain beginning to fall and all the sedan chairs gone with the stars.

"No, I was wrong; one was left standing by the roadside a little way below us. At sight of it a fatal idea popped into my brain. It was not yet very late, and I had still so many beautiful things to say to Victoire. Why not get into that chair, a refuge from the chilly rain, and talk everything all over again?

"The clock at the corner was just striking 12 as we slipped into our movable apartment, which stamped, to be sure, but left us very light and thin; so, drawing close and snug like birds in a nest, we awaited the passing of the shower—generally awaited it, too—when all at once something very strange occurred.

"The door of the house near which the chair was standing opened noiselessly, as if hung on velvet, and two men looked out, evidently desiring neither to be seen nor heard.

"Assured of solitude and a clear coast, they descended to the street, bearing in their arms a heavy burden. Just at that instant the moon slid from under the clouds, and we distinctly saw that this burden was a human being wrapped in a long cloak closely muffled about the face and shoulders.

"This was startling enough, but fancy our horror when the bearers of this strange load moved straight to the chair where we crouched in terror, and one of them already had his hand on the door when Victoire uttered a stifled shriek, answered by a frightful oath, and quick as a flash the men were gone as they had come, and the door reclosed as softly as it had opened.

"The whole thing had passed so quickly that we might have believed it some fearful vision, only doubt was not possible—we had seen it—both of us had distinctly seen the same thing, and without a spoken syllable were filled with the same blood freezing thought—murder—a murder doubtless committed in this very house, from which the murderers were now seeking to carry away and to conceal all traces of the crime with the victim's body.

"'Oh, let us go, let us go!' moaned Victoire tremblingly. 'Let us go at once, Jacques. I am so frightened!'

"'Go? Yes, I was willing enough, but how? For as Victoire spoke, two men emerged from the darkness around us—we could barely distinguish them, as the moon had gone behind a cloud again—caught up the chair and were bearing us away into the dismal night.

"It was a predicament. We were stupefied. What must we do? Cry out, and make a dreadful scandal? Betray Victoire, and expose myself to the risk of discovery? Never! It was not to be thought of! It was one of those times when trust in chance was the only resource, hoping by a bold confidence to propitiate her favor.

"Perhaps this was our case; perhaps, and I am inclined to think the latter, we were both so frightened that we had not the strength nor the courage to attempt anything. Victoire had unconsciously thrown herself into my arms. Her warm breath fanned my cheek. Her little hand held fast to mine. No matter what threatened us, it was something at least, to have gained this happiness: we would die together, her last sigh on my lips.

"For these men—we were sure of it—were accomplices of the first two, and by a previous arrangement they had been engaged for the carrying off and concealing of the dead body. Deceived by our joint weight, they believed the load it, and we, instead of the murdered victim, were hurrying away through the shadowy gloom.

"True, so we were, but where were we hurrying? Where were we heading as the men trotted on with swift, untiring steps, at times almost a run? What were they going to do with us—their sinister burden?

"Presently we saw that we were passing one of the city gates leading into the distant country. Again I was tempted to cry out, to call to the sentinel, but fear for Victoire deterred me. Victoire, whose mother believed her slumbering sweetly under her little white curtains.

"What should I do? What could I do? I was nearly distracted.

"By this time we were clear of the suburbs, but still swept onward. Another lightening of the sky, and I saw ahead of us a glistening sheet of water, the river Deule. I knew it well—a deep, rapid stream, the ramifications of whose current we even now could hear.

"Undoubtedly the wretches were going to fling us into this rushing vortex.

"This time I would have cried out, but Victoire, mad with fright, clung so tightly to my neck, clasping me with such force that my voice died in my throat, my eyes closed and the cry was strangled. * * *

"How long a time elapsed I never knew. I was brought back to consciousness by the chair striking the ground. They had set it down preparatory to—yes, but where, where? Decidedly not in the river. It was a room, on the contrary, the dirty, grimy chamber of a low country wineshop, where a crowd of rough, coarse men were drinking, swearing and rolling about a lot of boxes, barrels and packages, like merchandise.

"'Mme. Jervaise. Mme. Jervaise!' they shouted in chorus, as our bearers set us down. 'Have you brought us Mme. Jervaise?'

"'She is here,' the bearers replied.

"'To work; to work, then! We have no time to lose.'

"And the chair door was thrown open.

"But scarcely had they caught sight of Victoire and me, crouching half dead in the bottom of the chair, when a wild stampede took place, a helter skelter rush for the outside. The lights were extinguished, the thud of feet was heard pounding away into the night, and then a deep, bloodcurdling stillness.

"We were alone in black darkness.

"Luckily I had noticed the direction of the door. To leap from the chair, seize Victoire's hand and make my way to it was the work of a second. The clouds had not deepened, the rain had ceased, and by the purest miracle we found the road back to the city. By daylight we were safe at home.

"A fortnight later perhaps an article in a morning paper gave me the key to the mystery of that hideous night in which we (Victoire and I) had been so strangely involved. The article announced the capture by the police of a band of smugglers who had installed themselves in an old, abandoned wineshop in the outskirts of Lille—a regular magazine, as it turned out, of contraband goods, which they had smuggled in and out of the city by means of a manikin representing a sick old woman partly paralyzed, and which, muffled in wraps and placed in a sedan chair, they carried back and forth under the very nose of the gendarmes without the slightest fear of detection.

"'An invalid ordered by the doctor to take the steam baths,' they told the officers of the law, 'by name Mme. Jervaise.'

"'Mme. Jervaise!' The name told me all and explained everything that hitherto had seemed mysterious and inexplicable in our midnight adventure. Happily for us our nocturnal escapade had never been suspected, and Victoire and I escaped a summons to appear as witnesses before the court of assizes. All the same from that day to this the thought of a sedan chair gives me goose flesh down the spine."—From the French in Cincinnati Enquirer.

OLD AGE.

It may be, when this city of the nine gates
Is broken down by ruinous old age,
And no one upon any pilgrimage
Comes knocking, no one for an audience waits
And no bright, foraying troops of bandit moods
Ride out on the brave folly of any quest,
But weariness, the restless shadow of rest,
Hovers nigh upon the city broadest,
It may be, then, that those remembering
And sleepless watchers on the crumbling towers
Shall lose the count of the disastrous hours
And God may have grown tired of reckoning.
—Arthur Symons in Athenæum.

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SLOCAN DIVISION.

As Taken From the Provincial Mineralogist's Report for the Past Year.

During the past year this Division was sub-divided into three recording divisions, but in this report the term "Slocan" will refer to the territory within the old boundaries. Unwittingly, in Bulletin No. 3, several mines as the "Whitewater," "Washington," "Northern Belle," etc., were spoken of as being in the Slocan, instead of in the Ainsworth Division.

The average market values at New York have been taken, for silver for 1896, 67 cents, and for 1897, 59.8 cents per ounce. For lead for 1896, $2.98 per 100 lbs., for 1897, $3.58.

The actual amount paid in dividends cannot be stated, as some of the mines never make profits public, such as the now famous "Payne," but it is known that the total amount is at least $1,800,000, of which $960,000 were paid in 1897. The following mines have stated publicly their dividends,—"Slocan Star," $400,000; "Reco," $287,500; "Idaho," $220,000; "Rambler-Cariboo," $40,000; "Goodenough," $32,500; "Last Chance," $37,000.

In the autumn of 1896 and the winter of 1897, the silver mines of the Slocan attracted unusual attention, as the great money making possibilities of very high-grade silver-lead veins became apparent. A real boom was inaugurated, the different towns built up rapidly as many people crowded in, but in July the sudden drop in the price of silver checked all speculation and the boom was over.

The increased out-put of the Slocan for 1897 speaks for itself, while the record of some of its mines during the year attracts much attention. One significant feature during the year has been that despite the fact that gold is the favorite and silver has fewer friends, several of the larger and developed properties have passed under the control of British capital, and others are being examined with a view to purchase, the fact being realized that this high-grade Slocan silver-lead ore is exceedingly profitable, and yielding handsome dividends.

No new properties attained special prominence during the year, but several of the older claims forged ahead and became heavy shippers, such as the "Payne," "Ruth," "Reco" and "Whitewater," and several, such as the "Queen Bess," "Charleston," "Ivanhoe," "Last Chance," etc., are reported to have good ore chutes now in sight, but no mines were visited by the writer during the past season. First, but small shipments were made from quite a number of new claims, development work is progressing in many places, and remembering how every good property in the Slocan had very insignificant surface prospects, it is impossible to tell when a good ore-chute of this high-grade ore may be struck, and a mine hitherto little known suddenly springs into prominence.

Many prospectors and miners are preparing to join the great rush northward to the gold fields, and their unusual economy is being felt in all the towns, but this hegira will not be an unmixed evil as the prices asked for prospects are already falling rapidly, and in all probability in spite of quieter times, more and better development work will be done, as it will be done, as will be found that many if not more purchasers will be now in search of good properties.

Since last report the C. P. R. has built and opened its branch line from Slocan City to Slocan Crossing on the Nelson and Robson line, and a large new steamer runs twice daily from Slocan City to Roseberry, where it connects with the Nakusp and Sandon branch. The K. and S. R. is considering the extension of this line northward from Kaslo and up the Duncan river, to open up that large section of country.

Little or no reduction in freight and treatment charges has been obtained, the charges running from $20.50 o $22 per ton. The American smelters are eager to get this ore and those to the south, as in Colorado, charge $1.50 to $3 per ton smelting charges on the net weight (i. e. less moisture) and $19 a gross ton for freight. This is a flat rate, that is, no account is taken of silica or iron contents, only excess of zinc or over 10 per cent., and, in some contracts 12 per cent., being paid for at fifty cents per unit. Of course the smelters of shorter haul, as on Puget Sound, charge higher smelting rates to make up the difference in lower freights.

Silver is paid for at New York price at time of settlement for 95 per cent. of assay value, and lead also up to 90 per cent. of assay value.

The duty is 1.5 cents on every pound of lead in the ore as expected to the United States, although the smelter only pays the miner for ninety per cent. The ore is shipped in bond to the smelter, where the men pay the duty, after sampling, to the United States Government out of the value of the ore, or else they retain this duty charge, and ship refined lead to Europe when the prices there, always lower then in the United States, are such as to admit of a margin of profit by adding the amount of the duty to their selling price. Hence the mine-owner always pays this duty charge on lead.

The Province levies a tax of 1 per cent. on the value of the ore after deducting freight and treatment charges. Hence the average ore for 1897 yielding 108.5 ozs. silver and 45.7 per cent. lead, at the average prices for 1887, would be worth $97.70 per ton, from which have to be deducted:

Freight and treatment	$22.00
Duty on lead (100 per cent.)	15.25
Government tax	75
	$38.00

Besides the cost of mining, sacking and transport to point of shipment, so that the net value or profit on average Slocan ore will be about $50 to $55 per ton.

Sampling works are running at Kaslo, and it is proposed to put such a plant at Roseberry for ores going out on the C. P. R. Nearly all the larger mines ship direct to the smelter, some sending alternative lots to different smelters. The price of sampling is $1.50 per ton, and the sampler is prepared to buy the ore outright after sampler.

Transportation.—The ore is shipped in sacks to the cars, and at Five Mile Point, when loading from the steamer to the N. & F. S. R. R., the sacks are emptied, the ore going in bulk, so that the mine-holder gets far more use for his sacks. Facilities for the shipment of ore are constantly improving, but the railroads and boat lines prevent reduction in charges.

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Ymir has a population of 1,000 and a monthly pay roll of over $20,000.

The Whitewater mine is removing its head office from Kaslo to Nelson.

The Kaslo Board of Trade favors the Corbin road into the Boundary country.

Wm. Perdue, of Kaslo, is back from the Klondyke, and says he has enough of it.

The Rossland people are trying to divert the Crow's Nest railway from Nelson.

Why is a handsleigh on the trails like time and tide? Because it waits for no man.

Roman Catholic and Church of England prayers and hymnals in great variety at Cliffe's bookstore.

It is expected that the government will spend $100,000 in West Kootenay during the present year for waggon roads, trails, public buildings, etc.

The Payne people are finding better and larger quantities of ore in their lower tunnel than in their higher ones. This is the history of all Slocan mines.

The Chief of Police says the first man to pay him dog taxes was Mr. Melvin, who owns five of the canines. Ten dollars up at once for dogs is no small item.

Bad snow storms in Montana and other states, and in the territories near Moose Jaw have completely demoralised traffic on the railways for the past week or more.

Unusual activity is noted now at both ends of Kootenay lake—at the south end from railway building and at the upper end from commencing the Lardo-Duncan improvements.

Work has been stopped on some of the smaller mines including the Ajax for the past two or three weeks and may remain suspended a couple of weeks more to allow all the snow slides to roll by.

An editor in Kansas asks for the lowest tenders to supply him with a sack of flour, one pair of pants and a hat. He says that is the way merchants do business with him when they want a dollar's worth of job printing.

A fire in one of Mr. Lovatt's houses called out the Brigade on Satuday; but, as a spectator put it, the Ladies' Aid Society had it out before the firemen reached the scene. The ladies were quite an aid to the squire in that emergency.

Charleton's Sunday Observance bill has been killed at Ottawa, and very properly so. Charleton is a crank and what right a crank has to force the whole of Canada to do as he says, even on Sunday, is what many would like to know.

A large number of Nova Scotia miners have come to the city during the last few days. If they only have a little money to take up claims of their own, and prosecute work on their own account they cannot miss at least reasonable success.

Mr. Harris was up to the Reco on Wednesday and came down on a "flyer." He says No. 6 funnel is looking especially well, and that the ore in sight is 100 per cent. better than any before found in it, which means it is the best the earth can produce.

Mr. A. M. Beattie, townsite agent. Rosebery was a caller at The REVIEW office, Wednesday. He speaks very hopefully of that town, and says this spring there will be a great many people locate there. At present the snow is all off and the ground very dry.

Charitably disposed people of the city subscribed liberally the other day on a list presented by Chief Doolan, to assist a man named Quinn who lies in a dangerous condition in a shanty on the Three Forks road. When found, he was very sick and entirely destitute.

A miner named Kelly, who had been working at the Noble Five, died at the Balmoral hotel here of pneumonia on Tuesday. While at work he contracted the disease, and was brought down on a rawhide; but was past medical skill when he reached here and died shortly after. He at one time belonged to Kaslo where his body was taken for interment.

Mr. Harris has engaged Mr. Macdonald, of Trail, a hotel man of very wide experience to manage the new Reco, which will be completely over hauled and refitted in a very few days. The workmen on the refitting and renovating are winding up as rapidly as possible, and will leave the institution the best to be had in the country when they all move out.

The Reco people have bought the right of way of lower or No. 8 tunnel of the Goodenough mine, which we believe, in mining parlance means a half interest and includes management. There are now 10 men at work, and we may expect to hear of the past record of this mine, which was always good, being excelled in the future. Everything is looking well for a prosperous season.

The City Council had a special meeting Wednesday, at which they engaged Mr. Riblett—motion of Broddy and Switzer—to make surveys, etc., of the projected improvements on Cody and Carpenter creeks. The Finance com. reported they had arranged with a private party for considerable funds to meet expenses of repairs on the creeks. Motion of Hunter and Mighton the Com. on Public Works were instructed to make preliminary arrangements for the improvement of the creeks.

This is the gentlemanly language employed by the Kuskanook Searchlight in announcing marriages: A gallant knight by the name of Alla., swooped down on our city last week and carried off one of our blushing young maids. He took her to Nelson where they will be married. The young lady, Miss———, has been a resident here for a month. She will be greatly missed at our social hops, at which she always took a prominent part. Several of our local heart crushers were greatly surprised when they heard about it, as they have been laboring under the delusion that every heifer on this ranch was corralled.

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Some of the coast papers are howling because the Senate defeated the Yukon Railway Bill, and declare it is detrimental to the trade of the provinces. No doubt it dampens the boom of trade in the coast cities, but it would take a seer to say what other trade it has injured. It would have been millions in the provincial treasury from Kootenay revenues, and millions to the country in other respects if there never had been a Yukon, to say nothing of a Yukon railway Bill.

The special services have been carried on with good results this week. Rev Powell, New Denver, was present Tuesday and Wednesday evening, giving two profitable addresses. Services next week excepting Saturday evening and possibly Monday, when it is expected that Adjt. Hay, of the Salvation Army, will hold forth with magic lantern, subject "Orange Harriet"—a touching story of the Army slum work, in the interest of that work. Further announcement from the pulpit Sunday.

This is what the Financial Bulletin, published in London, England, has to say of Mr. McIntosh's purchases in the Rossland section: "We learn from Ottawa that Mr. Mackintosh, the resident director, left for England last Wednesday. We trust that, in the interest of the shareholders, he is bringing with him some more important properties than those we mentioned in our last week's issue as having been acquired. It is to be hoped that now the resident director is about to join his colleagues in Austin Friars we shall not be long before seeing the long-promised circular.

PERSONAL MENTION.

G. Boltcher, conductor on the K. & S. has gone to Dakota for a long lisit.

Mr. M. L. Grimmett went to Nelson Tuesday to attend County Court now in session there.

Mr. Geo. Lloyd, ex-policeman, and family have taken up their residence in Slocan City, permanently.

J. C. Eaton, late of the Whitewater, has gone on a visit to the Southern States but will soon be back to the Slocan again.

CHURCH NOTES.

METHODIST, Rev. A. M. Sanford, A.B., pastor.—Regular services will be held to-morrow at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. The pastor will preach in the morning on "The generous Christian," and in the evening on "The life of a great statesman." Everybody welcome.

The Rev. Mr. Yates, will hold English Church services in Spencer's hall on Sunday evening next at the regular hour.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Rev. J. Clelland will preach as usual in the Virginia hall, to-morrow at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.

Union Sabbath School at 2.30 p.m. in the Methodist church.

The Beak at New Denver.

Stipendiary Magistrate Lilly held court at New Denver on Tuesday, at which he committed J. A. McDonald and Duke Walker, two residents, for trial for breaking into Knox's jewellery store, some time ago, and stealing valuables. Some of the goods were found in Walker's possession. His story is that the night of the theft he saw a light in the store, went in and met McDonald who drew a revolver. The sight of the weapon forced some of the goods on him as they were found. McDonald never disputed a word of the story in court. The Beak committed both to give the higher court a chance to sift the matter. Meantime they were both sent to Nelson.

MINING RECORDS.

Recorded at New Denver

LOCATIONS.

March 22—Arab, Carpenter, Chas Newhans. Gray Fox, same. Olof Ringwood. North Comet, Eight Mile, John D Reid.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

March 21—Marion.
March 23—Silver Cord.
Blizzard.

ASSESSMENTS.

March 26—Mollie.
March 28—Echo, Hillside, J C R, Little Widdow Fraction, Kinkora, Tryon, Pinto No 2.

TRANSFERS.

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LOCATIONS.

March 19—Chester, W H Bemish.
March 21—Hremium, Neil McMillan.

ASSESSMENTS.

March 22—Madge, Black Prince, Dunmas No 2.

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Sandon, March 11th, 1898.

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