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THE CALGARY BONSPIEL.

Sandon's Team Meets the Calgary Heavy-Weights at the Outset.

"An Open Confession," etc.

Mr. W. Hood, who returned from the Calgary bonspiel Tuesday evening, hands us the full score of the Sandon rink in the different events of the "Spiel," in order to correct the idea that the Sandon rink "was not in it."

There were 17 rinks in all at the bonspiel, 11 visiting and 6 Calgary rinks.

In the first draw in all the events—baring Visitors' trophy—Sandon was drawn against Calgary players.

SANDON'S SCORES.

Grand Challenge Walkerville Trophy—		
Walker (Cal.)	18	Sandon 5
McNeil Trophy—		
Smart (Cal.)	12	Sandon 10
Calgary B. and M. Trophy—		
McNeil (Cal.)	9	Sandon 10
Cal. B. & M. 2nd draw—		
Aird (Visitor)	8	Sandon 11
3rd draw—		
Smith (Cal.)	9	Sandon 8
4th draw—		
Kinnestin (Cal.) defaulted to Sandon		
Bannerman Trophy—		
Smith (Cal.) defaulted to Sandon.		
2nd draw—		
Freeze (Cal.)	11	Sandon 10
Vistors' Trophy—		
McTavish	9	Sandon 8

The above shows all games taken part in by the Sandon rink to have been hard, close contests. Considering the recent organization of the club here, and the valiant stand made against Calgary veterans, on Calgary ice, who will say, "they were not in it?"

On the whole the bonspiel was a decided success, even though, save the Consolation to Golden, the trophies all remained in Calgary. If the Calgaryites, as curlers, made it hot for their visitors they, as citizens, made up for it by their best hospitality; the Sandon "boys" aver they were treated like princes.

Is it Legal?

A gentlemen in this city has consulted one of the best legal firms in the province as to the legality of the municipal elections in this city, and they say the proceedings were clearly irregular. They say that while clause "a" of sec. 32 of the Municipal Elections Act of 1896 provides that candidates for the mayoralty or aldermanic honors shall leave in writing a statement of the property on which they are qualifying with the returning officer on nomination day, that Act is wholly superceded by the 1897 Act which provides for the incorporation of cities in a speedy form. That Act requires different qualifications for these offices from the 1896 Act governing subsequent elections, and the qualifications are complete in themselves without reference to any other statute. So far as The REVIEW is concerned, we are in sympathy with no section of the community in this matter—we are only looking for the future welfare of the place; and it would be a serious matter latter on to find the entire superstructure of the city's business was founded on resolutions and by-laws passed by an illegally elected council. We would advise all interested to look carefully into this matter before any measures of moment are adopted.

NEW MINING REGULATIONS.

The Dominion Government Modifies its Stringent Rules on the Yukon.

The Dominion government has announced new regulations governing placer mining in the Northwest territories, of which the following is a summary:

Every miner and employer of a miner will require to take out a miner's certificate, the fee for which will be $10. In case of a company it will $50 or $100, according to the amount of the capital stock.

A miner's license will confer the right to the miner to fish, hunt and cut the timber necessary for mining.

Provision will be made for obtaining miners' certificates at a number of cities and towns, such as Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary, Vancouver and Victoria.

The general size of mining claims will be 250 feet, and discovers' claims 500 feet.

Every alternate ten claims shall be reserved by the government of Canada.

Sub-aqueous mining leases will be issued in five mile sections with a fee of $100 per annum and the usual royalty.

The fee for recording and renewing mining claims will be $15.

Any number of miners not less than five nor more than 100 miles from the office of a mining recorder, may appoint a recorder, who will record claims, and within three months transfer the record and fees to the nearest mining recorder.

A royalty of 10 per cent on the gold mined shall be levied and collected by the government officers appointed for the purpose, but provision is made for exemption on the annual product of any mining claim up to $2,500, so that claims that do not produce more than $2,500 a year will not be liable for royalty. Provisions are made to prevent speculation in claims by throwing a claim open to entry which has not been worked a certain number of days, unless reasonable cause is shown, and by providing that a record shall not be issued for more than one claim to any miner in the same locality.

There are other provisions regarding the public interest and revenue, and at the same time affording the most ample facilities for mining the enormous wealth of the Yukon.

Dividing the Spoils.

The government's contract with McKenzie and Mann for the construction of the Yukon Railway, is, to say the least of it, an alarming piece of business. Right on the eve of the opening of parliament the cabinet takes one of the most important measures of late days out of the hands of parliament and closes it themselves. There is sure ground for suspecting they have "a piece of the hog" themselves. If the country is as rich as the government appears to think it is, after McKenzie and Mann get their 25,000 acres per mile out of the heart of the gold bearing section, there cannot be much left for all who are now going into that country. It will, of course, be argued that parliament has the power to reject the deal if they like; but we all know the meaning of the party lash. To reject the bargain after the contract has been signed means to defeat the government in the House, and subject the country to heavy costs and damages in a suit by McKenzie and Mann, and the House is hardly likely to undertake these risks. But this is not all; we all know how the present government, and every member of it, berated the Macdonald government for giving the C. P. R. a monopoly in the construction of the road, that had subsequently to be bought out, and yet in the face of this they give a five-years' precise monopoly to McKenzie and Mann in the construction of this line. They are a consistent lot at any rate.

A Board of Trade.

We believe the idea of a Board of Trade for the city is generally approved of by the business people, and it should be. It would be of great service in view of the present stringency, if for no other purpose than to secure an interchange of opinions on all matters affecting the place commercially. There is not a man doing business in the place in any lines but has some ideas as to what would help the place in several channels, but without meetings these have no way of putting their ideas before the people.

The council has not yet passed its by-laws governing business' licenses, transient traders' licenses, travelling troup fees, peddlers' licenses, or any of these matters; and it is well that the entire business community who are effected by these, should have something to say to assist the council.

Then there are several ways of doing the same business in the place, and while one has no authority to dictate to another, a canvassing of opinions could not fail to result in service to all. The credit system could also be gone over and properly dealt with. In fact there are scores of matters affecting a place like this in which there are a hundred and one ways of doing business that might be reduced to uniformity of action and uniformity of rule. This would be serviceable to all and therefore a substantial benefit to to the place. If those who favor the move will leave their names with us we will see they are all brought together for proper organization.

DOES YOUR FOOD DO YOU GOOD.

If you have dyspepsia your food cannot do all the good it should. B. B. B. cures dyspepsia and regulates the stomach, so that every grain of nutriment is extracted from the food. Solid facts count. Miss Mary Rose Belliveau, Church Point, N. S. says: "Burdock Blood Bitters made a complete cure in my case after I had suffered for two years from dyspepsia. I believe it cannot fail to cure."

HOCKEY.

Rosslandites Not Having It All Their Own Way.

The Rossland club did even better in Kaslo than they did here, as they made 12 to 2, and some say actually 12 to 0.

They fared worse in Nelson, however, when full time was called the playing was a tie and Rossland refused to play off the tie.

A short while ago when the Sandon club was altogether they defeated Nelson, and all that Rossland could do later was tie the club they had just defeated. This does not present such a glowing showing for Rossland, when all the circumstances are consided.

The victory of the Rossland hockeyists here was a pretty hollow one after all, when all the facts are considered. It appears two or three of their best players were imported men. This kind of thing takes all the amusement and interest out of the game. The Sandon club having suffered much in the removal and absence of some of their best players, and having to play against the world in that condition is too much of the good thing for interest.

BATTLE FOR SILVER.

Its Adherents Won a Victory in the U. S. Senate Yesterday.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The Teller resolution passed the Senate to-day 47 to 32. The resolution provides that all bonds of the United States issued or authorized, are payable, principal and interest, at the option of the government of the United States in silver dollars of the coinage of the United States containing 412½ grains of standard silver, and to restore to coinage such silver coins as may be necessary for legal tender payments of said bonds.

The resolution is a practical re-affirmation of that of Senator Matthews. All efforts to amend the resolution were voted down by majorities ranging from 5 to 29. Upon the final passage of the resolution some Republicans who supported McKinley and the St. Louis platform in 1896, like Carter of Montana, Chandler of Hampshire, Clark of Wyoming, Pritchard of North Carolina, Shoup of Idaho, Warren of Wyoming and Walcott of Colorado voted for the resolution because, as Mr. Walcott announced, they did not believe the resolution committed those who supported it to the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

The British Columbia Boom.

The Empire, publis ed in London, says: Reports from British Columbia all tend to confirm the opinion so frequently expressed in the Empire that the mineral resources of that Province are enormous. It is an immense scope of country, with countless opulent veins of gold, silver, copper and the baser metals, its inexhaustible coal beds and limitless deposits of fluxing material for smelting purposes. So general has become the interest in these regions, that the British Columbian market may soon be expected to become one of the busiest sections on the London Stock Exchange. The dealings promise to be so extensive that the South African and West Australian markets are likely to be completely overshadowed. The latest advices state that some prospectors have solved the question of the mother lode of Klondyke. They assert that this lode is located on some claims which they have just staked out about 40 miles from Teslin Lake, and bordering on the great gold-bearing rivers, the Yukon, Mackenzie, Stickine. These authorities say "that the quartz ledge running from north west to south-east through the claims is more than 1,000 feet in width, and is carried between walls of porphyry and slate. The ledge matter is chiefly composed of free-milling quartz, though there is considerable concentrating ore and some grey copper. Assays may run from £40 to £140 per ton. It was in this vicinity that a £140 nugget was taken out in 1878. The claims are on the Yukon slope of Cassiar, and from the creek that runs through them much coarse gold was taken out in the days of the Cassiar boom. If it is finally proved that the mother lode is in this district, the future of Vancouver as assured, for the lode is really on the all-Canadian—the all-Empire—route to the Klondyke, and Vancouver is where all the gold-hunters will outfit and start from. A local company has been formed and will fully exploit the ledge. Work will be actively commenced in the early spring, and if everything happens as it is anticipated, many adventurers whose goal is now Klondyke, will halt by the way, and try to make their fortunes out of the mother lode near Teslin lake." Even the most prudent and cautious financiers and experts are being forced to the conclusion that British Columbia is destined to become one of the biggest and most profitable fields of mining enterprise in the world. Moreover, there is no doubt the country will be, in the main, properly and honestly developed, having attracted the attention of such rich and powerful financiers as Whitaker Wright, John W. Mockay, the Rothschilds, and President Van Horne, who controls the vast resources of the Canadain Pacific Railway.

THE FORESTERS' BALL.

A Successful Event—The Sandon Orchestra Furnish Excellent Music.

All who have been attending the various dances held this winter pronounce the one given by the above society on Friday night last one of the pleasantest of the season. Everything was done by the committee to ensure a good time for those attending. The Virginia hall, though spacious, was comfortably filled with a generous sprinkling of the fair sex and with the excellent music provided by the Sandon orchestra the night passed away, as it were, on "the fleet wings of the morning." A choice supper was served by Mine Host Furnival in the antechamber at midnight when dancing was again resumed until the programme of dances was rounded off. We understand the financial returns were not large, as no expense to make the dance a success and the revenue-producing part of the company were somewhat in the minority. However, as the society are satisfied and the dancers in spirits for another, the probabilities are it may be repeated with better financial results.

Hotel News.

On the first Mr. Black, who built and managed most satisfactorily to the public, vacated the Black hotel, and Mr. Harris the purchaser took possession. He is overhauling and refitting, and will doubtless place the management under some first-class man on re-opening. He is christening it the Reco so as to have the Reco and the Goodenough after these two celebrated mines.

Mr. Black has decided, though he has sold out his first hotel, not to leave the place, but has purchased the Bryan house and is moving in. As a caterer he is very popular, and will doubtless make money in his new venture. He may place the Bryan in the hands of a good man and take a trip North to see what there is in all this northern business.

CHURCH NOTES.

METHODIST.—Rev. A. M. Sanford will preach to-morrow at 11 a.m. on "The Necessity and Power of Prayer." His subject for the evening will be "The Waste of Ointment," Math. 26: 6-13.

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.

AT THE HOTELS.

Balmoral—G. Smith, J. Street, Kaslo; J. H. Hallam, Whitewater; A. A. Hall, Calgary; R. Wilson, Nelson; J. Marshall, Silverton.

Hotel Sandon—L. B. Jemison, V. F. Lade, J. A. Lade, Whitewater; A. McLeod, Strathallan; W. Bagart, Trout Lake City; M. Mayne, Silverton; M. E. Lee, Indianapolis; W. Murray, Slocan City; H. H. Cunning, W. Irwin, Beaver Valley; W. Ross, C. F. Nelson, W. L. Callahan, J. A. Lankin, F. Avison, New Denver; F. Ritchie, Kamloops.

Goodenough—P. Dickinson, Tacoma; J. Burridge, Winnipeg; J. Dromgale, London; F. T. Butler, Toronto; F. E. Stanley, W. H. McVay, C. Ottesshagen, Spokane; L. B. Keyser, K. E. Hall, Vancouver; H. Chapman, Victoria; P. Ross, Hamilton; H. W. Simpson and wife, Nakusp; G. W. Hughes, Alamo concentrator; F. J. Finnicune, H. R. Wagner, New Denver; H. Geigerich, Ainsworth.

UNDOUBTED EVIDENCE.

Gentlemen,—I am pleased to recommend your Laxa-Liver Pills for constipation, dyspepsia and sick headache. I have used them for those troubles, and find them a pleasant sure and quick cure, free from the annoying griping of other pills I have heretofore used.

Signed, H. James
St. Nicholas Hotel, Hamilton, Ont.

CITY COUNCIL.

The city council met Monday evening last, with all members present. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

A communication from Godfrey, Bowser and Christie applying for the city solicitorship was read; also one from Harris and Kelly re lease of hall.

Hunter—Broddy—That the offer of Harris and Kelly for lease of hall be accepted provided the council has exclusive use, and that the solicitor draw up lease in terms.—Carried.

The application of M. L. Grimmett for solicitor at $600 a year was accepted.

Hunter—Mighton—That there be two committees, Finance and Public works appointed.—Carried.

The mayor appointed Hunter, Cunning and Mighton on Finance and Broddy, Crawford, and Switzer, Public Works.

On motion of Cunning and Broddy the mayor was instructed to correspond with the Gold Commissioner re appropriation for jail.

Switzer—Crawford—That Finance Com. report at next meeting what course can be best pursued as a means of raising funds.—Carried.

Council adjourned to Monday next at 8 p. m.

Council Matters.

To the Editor of The Mining Review:

Dear Sir,—Did I read aright in reading in your last issue that a resolution without a seconder was entered in the books of the city council? If so, is this customary?

I am also advised that at the last meeting the mayor appointed two committees without defining the duties of either.

Did they also appoint a solicitor at $600 a year without defining his duties? Would it not be cheaper to pay him by fees?

Pease answer and oblige a future tax payer.

Alpha.

[To our correspondent's queries we have to say, we understand a resolution without a seconder was entered on the minutes. This is by no means the rule with any organization. A resolution without a seconder is only so much waste paper, as in that form it cannot be brought before the chair. In other provinces the council is moved into a committee of the whole to strike standing committees for the year. In this province it is the prerogative of the mayor to name the standing committees. They may be one or five or more; but the duties of each should be defined on appointment. There is nothing to show any duties have as yet been assigned to either of the committees appointed.

We believe Mr. Grimmett was appointed solicitor at $600 a year, and for the work he may have to do, as professional fees stand in this country, he may not get a cent too much for what he may have to do. In fact he may be underpaid. If however, the mayor and aldermen posted themselves well on the limits of the municipal law, and keep well within them, and the clerk draws up all the by-laws as he should, the drafting of contracts and giving explanation of legal points is all the solicitor should be called on to do, and this should not cost $600. However, we want it distinctly understood we have nothing to do with the opinions of others. Our duty is simply to guard as far as we can the interests of the tax payers of the place, and this we will do without fear of or favor to anyone.—ED. REVIEW.

Wanted a Mint.

The following petition has gone from Victoria to Ottawa:

The Right Honorable Sir Wilfred Laurier, Premier, and Members of the House of Commons of Canada.

Gentlemen,—In view of the large amount of gold now in sight—$20,000,000 for the Klondyke district alone—and likely to be continued to be produced in Canada; and with a view to conserving to the country some proportion of the value extracted by the miner, to the end that the country may not be impoverished, and that the miner in his old age may have some substantial measure of value in the money he has risked his life to gain,

As citizens of Canada, we, the undersigned, protest against this gold, or any gold product of Canada, being incorporated into the money system of the United States, especially under the ratio gold is to the paper in that country to-day, and now appeal to your honorable government for justice.

According to the report of the National Bank Association of the United States, at a meeting held in Detroit on August 18 last, there were (7) different currencies in the United States money system, while really not two cents in gold is held for the redemption of the current dollars in circulating money in the Union.

According to the reviser of the currency of the United Stated, $150,000,000 pension list is only another means or regularly watering the money system, or depreciating the purchasing power of every dollar of Canadian gold shipped to the United States. Such a money system must fail, and, as producers of gold, we object to it.

The rule that money is money only so far as it is supported by gold held in reserve for its redemption is one which we consider as much in justice to the poor man or producer as to the capitalist, and the only safe guard in establishing the value of money.

The present banking system of Canada being managed by chartered companies under supervision of the government, has handled our money system satisfactorily; and, if the Dominion government were to grant a charter to a mining company or a refining company, under either the Companies' or the Banking Act to define the exact value of the gold produced in Canada, we believe the result would be satisfactory and beneficial to our country.

Furthermore, gold being one of the most valuable products, the most possession of which carries with it an earning capacity; as in all other countries the exact value and weight of gold produced is always known, and sometimes used by such countries with mateirial benefit in the administration of its general business.

We, as citizens of Canada, again protest against the exploration of gold as raw material.

A THROBBING HEART.

A throbbing heart is caused by wrong action of the heart, and can only be cured by correcting and regulating its working. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills do this. Here is the proof: Mr. John Griffin, St. Lawrence Hotel Montreal says: "They cured me of nervousness, throbbing heart beat, dizziness and constant headache. My heart beats as steady as a clock now."

MINING BRIEFS.

With Scissors and Pen.

Boston capitalists have bought the Mediara, on Springer creek, for $5,000.

The Ledge on the U. S. and B. C. claim adjoining the Ruth mine is growing larger and looking better.

A payment of $20,000 on the bond of the Little Phil mine at Ainsworth is reported to have been made last Saturday.

The Queen Bess is putting on some 50 or 60 more miners, and is going to make a vigorous effort to rank high as a shipper henceforth.

The Nelson section has the third dividend paying mine. The Fern paying $10,000 and the Miner thinks it is great. It is one of 5 per cent. on the stock of $200,000.

Recent smelter returns of ore from the Le Roi mines show that the ore is going about 1·54 ounces in gold, 4 per cent, copper and 3 ounces in silver; its monetary value being $41.11

Mines between Three Forks and Kaslo have during the month of January this year shipped 5,263½ tons of ore against 2,170½ tons for January 1897. This does not look as if mining in the these parts was in any respect on the wane.

The McIntosh Co. have employed W. A. Carlyle, Provincial Mineralogist, to oversee their operations in the Rossland district. No better man could be got anywhere, but it is apparent if the compan do not shortly hold up on the salary business, they will find on hand more salary than gold.

The debts of the Noble Five mine are now being paid off rapidly, and as we said weeks ago, it is generally supposed the Dunsmuirs, of Victoria, have put up the funds. It is also understood a sufficient sum of money will be forthcoming in a few days to commence opperations again on a more extensive scale than ever. This is good news, and will do much to revive lagging business.

The latest issue of the British Columbia Review, published in London, contains the prospectus of the Okanogan and Kootenay development Syndicate which is being floated in London with a capital of £10,000. The syndicate announces its intention of operating especially in the Okanogan and Kootenay districts and says it is considering an option on six valuable claims in Fairview camp.

The Trail Creek News says, "The water-jacket furnaces for the silver-lead stack have arrived in Trail and the work of construction will soon commence. Mr. Heinze will in all probability, remain in Trail long enough to see the silver-lead works on the way to completion and to hasten the time when the Slocan ores as well as the Trail Creek ores can be treated in Canada."

It is reported that the Waverley group has been sold to a British syndicate for $15,000. This group is located on Sophie mountain and consists of the following claims: Melrose, Galt, Florence, Abbotsford and the Waverley Fraction. These claims were located by James Lawlor some two years since. It is understood that the group was owned by J. S. C. Fraser. It is said by some that the properties were bought by the Mackintosh syndicate.

Through a scarcety of water for operating the machinery a number of hands have been let off at the Payne mine. Full operations will resume again as soon as the snow commences to thaw in the mountains and snow water is available. For some time the machinery men have been melting snow, but they find this a very expensive operation. There was a report the mine had closed down, but there was no ground except what we have stated above for any report at any time.

The Spokesman-Review reports a recent sale of 40,000 shares of Dardanelles at 14 cents. The stock is quoted east at 16 cents, and is said to be the most active on the market. At the mine the outlook is most encouraging. Though no ore has yet been shipped, the mine has been steadily producing at the rate 45 tons of high grade ore per month, and under ground the mine looks exceptionally well. The shaft is being continued down, and will reach a depth of about 400 feet about February 15th.

One of the most promising properties on Springer creek is the Tail Holt which is situated near the well known Howard Fraction property. The character of the ore is much the same as that of the Howard Fraction, and a well defined ledge is in the face of the tunnel, which is now in a distance of about 50 feet. The property is owned by Wm. Ferguson of Brandon. Mr. Ferguson has had as much experience in mining as any other man in the camp and is confident he has a good thing in this claim. He has a splendid cabin and blacksmith shop on the property, and has everything in readiness to resume work in the spring. He will open up the property in another place, where he is confident a large body of ore lies.

Worthless Klondyke Claims.

Ottawa,—Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior, has received a letter from Major Walsh warning the public as to the worthless Klondyke claims offered for sale. The major says he is informed that fifteen or twenty brokers have come out from Dawson with hundreds of certificates for entries for mining property on all streams in the neighborhood on to the mountain tops, with the hope that they will be readily seized by the gullible public in the U. S. and Canada. They are trying to imitate the brokers of South Africa and Rossland.

Sandon Ore Shipments.

The following is a list of ore shipments over the K. & S. from Sandon for the week ending Jan. 27:

MINE.	TONS.
Payne	400
Ruth	100
Last Chance	80
Slocan Star	80
Reco	20
Queen Bess	15
Fountain Fraction	5
Total	700

MINING RECORDS.

Recorded at New Denver.

LOCATIONS.

Jan 26—Arena Fraction, Four Mile, Chas E Hope; Dominion, Carpenter, Duncan McCuaig.

Jan 27—Dividend, Slocan Lake, Wm H Brandon.

ASSESSMENTS.

Jan 25—Woodenspoon, Pay Rock, O K.
Jan 26—W H R.

TRANSFERS.

Jan 24—Apis, Kate W Terrill, by Sheriff, to John H Gray, Jan 15, $124.

Jan 25—Humptullips ½, Arthur H Whitcher to Chas K Burritt Dec 8.

Same, Chas K Burritt to A H Clements, Jan 12.

Paymaster ½, S L Goldberg to J H Douglas, Nov 26.

Texas Boy ½, D E Watson to John Nunn.

Jan 26—Silver Standard ½, Grant ½, Jas Bowes to M E Rammelmeyer, Dec 21.

Lmily Edith ½, W H R ½, Jas Bowes to Chas E Hope, Jan 36, $2,500.

Snowbird ½, M L Nicholson to Frank L Byron, Jan 25.

Jan 27—Mollie Hughes, Idea, Real Idea No 2, Elnathan, Kinkora, Pinto No 2, Tryon, H E McCarville and Felix Hughes to H Clever, M E Bragdon, Harry Sherran and Thos Avison, all interest, Jan 22, $2,530.

American Girl, Concord, First Extension, Young Dominion Fraction, Wm Glynn, Jas H Moran, John A Finch and Peter Larsen to Chas K Milbourne and Thos J Duncan, Oct 1, $10.

Jan 28—General Sheridan and Rushford, M R W Rathbourne to Geo Alexander, Jan 24.

Jan 31—Afternoon ½, Jas Campbell to W E Cropp, Jan 29.

May B, H H Pitts to Wm Stubbs, Jan 6.

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REMINDERS.

It is surprising how prone mankind is to go with crowds anywhere or to do anything, when a little reflection would often show anyone that a rush could only be a wave to destruction. There are some who meet the argument that the present rush to the Klondike is absurd with the history of South Africa, Australia, the Fraser River settlement and California, when in fact there is no ground for comparison in either instance. Those who rushed to any of these countries at the time of the gold fever, invariably found something else they could do there, if they could not pick gold, to make a living. In every case they found a hospitable climate and a country ready for settlement in agriculture, cattle raising, lumbering or mining in other channels, while every knows that if the Klondyke has not gold for the rush of people, it has nothing else to give them present and prospective employment. The crowd never appears to give this a thought. So far the most sanguine estimate of the output of gold for the coming year in that country is $15,000,000, and this is based on the calculation that all the country they consider gold-bearing is equally rich with the finds they have discovered. Supposing for a moment this is probable, which is only a supposition. At present there are 15,000 people in that country, and the rush of the spring will swell the number to at least 50,000. Supposing again there will be provisions available for that number, there is dwelling accommodation to be considered, and it is an insurmountable obstacle; but supposing by any means even this difficulty was over come, we have 50,000 people undergoing all the hardships of getting there, facing the grave proplem of food and shelter to secure a doubtful $300, or what the output will average if equally distributed—a fact patent on the face for consideration—for the history of mining shows that but few of their own efforts are fortunate wealth under other circumstances carries the discoveries. There is then before the crowd in bold relief the fact that seven-eights of the number must meet with privations that will end their days, and the remaining eighth will meet with varying success. The venture must end to many as did the trip to Moscow to Napoleon.

Let us now for a moment look at another picture that is not a painting, but a tangible, living reality. Two weeks ago we proved by the railway company's books here that 24,789 tons of ore were shipped from Sandon during the year 1897. This represents a cash value of $2,500,000. Now all told, calculating the miners employed on the output, the families of those of them who have the like, and the business and industrial population of the city of Sandon, it is a safe estimate to say there were not more than 5,000, people associated in all channels, with this output, or exactly $500 a piece in a comparative calculation, considering men, women and children. The comparison will be even more favorable to Sandon, when we consider the adult male representation of the local 5,000 the wage earners list is much smaller here than there. In addition to this privations here are nothing compared to what they are in the Klondyke section.

But says one there are but few mines around Sandon compared with the hundreds of chances out there, and it takes money to get possession of any properties at Sandon.

We believe, however, it is no exaggeration to say that enough capital is leaving the Sandon section with miners to purchase a dozen properties that would turn out as well as any of our older mines, and that if worked by the removing miners collectively would make them all wealthy. It is, of course, a difficult matter to get a large body of men, who have all their lives lived up to their earnings, to see things in this way, but none the less we have presented the facts in what to a reasoning mind will appear reasonable and practical from every sensible point of view.

CITY MATTERS.

The sage of our confrere does not agree with The MINING REVIEW in the contention that personal property ought to be taxed as well as real estate. In this he takes his cue from the late Henry George. Our confrere believes that the man who has $10,000 in general merchandise over and above his liabilities, and who owns his own business place, and pays no rent to a landlord, should only pay a license of $10 a year on that surplus in trade, while the man who owns $10,000 worth of real estate, mortgaged for $6,000, and has not two tenants on his real property, should pay two cents on the dollar taxes on the full $10,000 of non-productive and unoccupied property if that rate of taxation was required in the city. He also believes that the candy dealer in a 4 x 6 store should pay $10.00 a year license while the retail dealer that turns over $50,000 a year in general merchandise should pay no more. The law, as it stands at present in this province, allows this injustice in taxation, though no other province in Confederation allows it, and the Sandon sage says it is correct. Who else endorses the idea? That's the question.

The sage next has an estimate of the revenues for the present year, a something the Angel Gabriel could not make if he was again rehabilitated in the flesh. He says the amount is $7,500, and it is made up from trade and liquor licenses in this way:

Rebate from government on taxes collected	$3,000
Collectable before July	2,000
Collectable after July	2,500
Total	$7,500

The first item may possibly be correct but we cannot say, as we have no statement of what the government has collected this year in Sandon from licenses and otherwise; but time will show there is no means at present of making up the other two items.

As we read the law, a hotel in an incorporated city to be ranked as a hotel must have thirty rooms. This being the case, the commissioners, when they are appointed and do their duty, will probably limit the place to six or eight hotels instead of twenty as at present, the rest of the shops ranking as saloons and bottling houses. What the new council will place the licenses at in these respectively, no one at present knows. Until these license rates are fixed, no one knows what revenue the liquor business will bring in.

It is an absolute certainty that there are 150 dogs in the place that ought to bring in $300; there are 250 people in the city who ought to pay a road tax of $2 a year or $500 more; drays, liveries, auctioneers, billiard tables, transient dealers, police court, etc., etc., ought to make up $1,000 to $1,500 more. The smaller sources must be considered as well as the larger ones. If wholesale liquor licenses are placed at $150, retail at $250, saloons at $500, bottling concerns at $100 as they are in Nelson and Rossland, the present number of houses, classified, as the law compels classification, would bring in about $7,000 alone. It is, of course, safe to say that this limits hotels in the place that will take out licenses at that figure; but the rest of the present shops would not take out saloon licenses, so until classifications are made and licenses are fixed, estimating a revenue for Sandon is like hunting for a needle in the proverbial hay stack, but the Sandon sage has found it already.

The best thing the council can do is to take steps at once to get a refund from the government of monies collected; fix dog taxes, make a raid on the dogs and collect all available that way; regulate road taxes and realise as soon as possible; decide on livery, dray, billiard and transient traders licenses, and collect promptly; fix liquor licenses, let the commissioners as soon as appointed classify the applicants for licenses, and then, and not till then, can even a sage, to say nothing of a Sandon city council, make even an approximate estimate of the city's revenues.

DON'T CARE WHICH.

Some of the opposition papers of the country are in ecstacies of delight over the prospect of Mr. Bodwell, of Victoria, and Mr. Davis, of New Westminster, going into provincial politics, to take the leadership of the opposition. In the first place, it may not be out of place to say that their going into the House would not constitute them leaders; like Fanny Squeers they cannot make a match by their own proposals only. Mr. Semlin has been appointed leader of the opposition, and no power on earth can depose him but a vote of the opposition members of the House or his own voluntary resignation. As long as he chooses to hold that position and has a majority of the opposition members behind him, he will remain leader despite the ambition of these other two gentlemen, or the wish of the journals endorsing them to force Federal politics into the provincial arena. We believe the province, politically speaking, is Conservative, and an effort of Grit prints to depose Mr. Semlin and place Mr. Bodwell or Mr. Davis in his, shoes would only force party issues at once and leave the opposition in a hopeless minority at the outset.

Every one must admit that from an administrative point of view both sides of the House are lamentably weak. There may be little or no room to question the integrity of any of the leading members of either side personally; but this alone is not the point. The province has an annual revenue of about a million and a half of dollars from all sources, and with this the country is growing yearly into heavy debt, and with little permanent improvements. This is the circumstance that is condemding the government in the eyes of all considerate observers. At the last session of the House power was got to place another two and a half millions of debt on the country, and but little to show for it all. It is true we have new parliament buildings, away to one edge of the country, where a popular vote would by no means place them, at a cost of nearly a million dollars; $650,000 has been sunk in the Nakusp and Slocan railway; a half a million in irrigation and other minor schemes, and this is practically all that is to be seen for the $50 per caput of debt bearing 7 per cent. interest, on the people.

It appears to us that to command the confidence of the electors, the opposition have to come down with a radically new and progressive policy. They cannot do much to wipe out the present debt, but they should employ the most vigorous effort to reduce the rate of interest thereon; they should have ready an equitable redistribution measure; they should dismiss half the clerks in the government offices that are there through disgraceful nepotism; they should no longer confine the body of expenditures to the most advanced sections of the country, but spend all they can spare under the most rigid economy in remote parts, where there is known to be immense wealth, to checkmate the Klondyke craze and bring population there. These are the measures the country is calling for, and it matters but little to the people whether they get them from government or opposition, Grit or Tory.

Our confrere says, but whether under inspiration or not, we can not say, the city council are prepared to receive suggestions from any one, as to the best means of raising a revenue. They need not be thus like a rudderless vessel on the sea, as there is but one way of doing it. Let them at their next meeting with the statutes before them, pointing out their latitude, fix the rate of license on every institution, person or thing in the city they intend to license or tax, except real estate. Let them next set to work and collect these minor licenses and taxes, and when the commissioners classify the liquor dealers, who intend to take out licenses, collect from all who have not paid the government. Let them next ask the government for a refund of all the taxes and licenses they have collected in the city this year, and to which the city is entitled, and the council have all the available revenues for the year, excepting real estate taxes. Let the several committees then make up estimates of the monies they intend to expend, on running expenses, public works, schools, etc., during the year, and subtracting the revenues in hand from the total of proposed expenditures, they have at once the amount they must raise in realty tax. After the assessing is done, and the rolls are revised by the court of revision—a committee of the council—they see the value of realty in the city subject to taxation. It is then an easy matter to ascertain what rate per dollar on the value of the realty will meet the deficiency, if any, already ascertained. There is but the one way of doing this business, and any other will lead to a snarl of irregularities, if not illegality.

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CLOSE THE PASSES.

The Government Subsidizes a Railway from Stickine River to Teslin Lake.

The government at Ottawa is said to be inundated with telegrams asking that they close the passes into the Klondyke region. At a public meeting in Victoria early in the present week, strong resolutions were passed urging similar action upon the government, and the board of trade at Vancouver is entirely in sympathy with the movement. This action is said to be the result of the disinclination on the part of the Washington authorities to keep the agreement made with the Hon. Clifford Sifton whereby the difficulties in regard to transition across the narrow strip from Skaguay to White Pass might be obviated. Under these circumstances the government has decided to subsidize a company to construct a railway from Stickine river to Teslin Lake, by which it is expected that the Yukon trade will be reserved for Canada. A recent Associated Press telegram says:

"There have been many seekers for franchises for the construction of railways, but most of the proposals have no substantial backing. The only men who seem to have the financial strength necessary, and the experience, courage, and the ability and give the necessary guarantee of good faith were William McKenzie of Toronto and Donald C. Mann. No cash subsidy will be granted but 25,000 acres per mile of mineral lands will be given instead, while the company will put up a $250,000 guarantee. It is also provided that each alternate block shall be reserved for the government. If the contractors secure the rich gold bearing territory the government shares in its good fortune. Royalty of one per cent. will be laid on all precious metals produced from the lands alienated to the company.

The lands are to be selected from the Northwest territors, west of the Mackenzie river and north of the 60th parallel of latitude. For five years from the last of September, 1898, no railway will be authorized by parliament to be constructed from Lynn canal, or any point near the international boundary between Canada and Alaska, into the Yukon. The total land grant to the Stickine-Teslin Lake railway will aggregate 3,000,000 acres, and the cost of the road is estimated at $5,000,000.

Are Not Graceful.

An American writer has this unkindly, and probably uncalled for remark to say about Australians: Though pretty, tall, and well-formed, the Australian woman is not graceful. Her feet are seldom small, her hands rarely beautiful. Moreover, she does not dress well. Her toilet has none of the chic of the Parisienne's, and little of the sobriety of the English woman's. Overdressed or dowdy, she produces the impression not only of having little taste, but no artistic sense of the fitness of things. Stylish and elegant women are to be seen more frequently in Melbourne than elsewhere. Nevertheless dress is dear to the soul of an Australian, and much is spent upon it. Down in the lowest social grades dress plays a most important part. The Australian hugs the idea of equality, and believing in uniformity of dress as the visible sign thereof, often sacrifice actual comfort to obtain fashionable clothing. An Australian family makes a brave show on holidays. There may be bare feet and rags in the house, but there are cheap feathers and gloves in the street.

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"The present policy inflicts upon India, as well as the evils of an insufficient and steadily lessening currency, evils which the vicissitudes of that country during the past twelve months have served to emphasize. The world has heard much of the famine in India and of the great funds subscribed for its victims. It has not been, however, so generally known that the famine was one of money rather than food; that the contributions were chiefly forwarded to India in the form of money and not grain, and that during the whole period of famine, rice was abundant where men were starving, and its price was but a trifle over a cent a pound, less than the price of wheat in England."

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A Rossland paper says a church choir of that city gave a ball recently. Oh, my, what will the preacher say?

School Inspector Burns inspected the Sandon school on Friday last, and reports everthing in good form under Miss Skinner.

Our readers will all remember the carnival in the rink this evening. Every effort has been put forth to make this a most enjoyable entertainment.

Slocan City Post Office has now a savings department. This will be a good thing for the newspapers as they will have a safe place to deposit their surplus cash.

The West Kootenay Light & Power Company of Bonnington Falls are arranging a schedule of prices at which it will furnish power to the mines of West Kootenay.

Occasionally the railways do "get a move on." On Sunday last two shipments of goods arrived for Cliffe & Co. that were just 15 days in the clear on the way from Toronto.

The minister of mines has decided that the owners of mines that are being worked are entitled to all timber on timber on their claims, and no one else can interfere with it.

Mr. Mowat, who has been to Victoria says the government will spend $9,000 around Slocan this year; but, of course, nothing around Sandon, that gives the government so large a revenue.

The Electric Light Co. have got in a number of new incandescent and arc lights to meet the growing needs of the place. They have also arranged hose in their power house for fire protection that will render a fire next to impossible.

Last week the Star and the Ruth mines laid off a number of men while they proceed with development and other improvements; and we are advised a large percentage of the discharged have left, or are shortly to leave, for the Klondyke.

Scarcely a train leaves the Slocan that does not take from six to twenty or more miners on the way to Klondyke. It would be better if all who are going to their Waterloo would go at once, so that we would know just "where we are at."

Gold Commissioner O. G. Dennis is again at his post in Nelson, after a several weeks' vacation spent on the Hawaiian Islands. His trip was enforced by ill health, which his many friends are glad to know he has shaken off. O. G. is himself again.

A meeting of all interested in the City Fire department is called for Tuesday evening in the fire hall at 7 30 snarp. Matters of import including reinforcment of numbers will be taken up, so it is essential that all concerned or interested should promptly attend.—By order of Chief.

Rand & Wallbridge have given up business in Sandon, Mr. C. D. Rand having opened an office as a mining broker in Spokane. Mr. Wallbridge intends locating in Vancouver to practice law. Though removed Mr. Wallbridge has unbounded confidence in this section, and will always say a good word for it.

Many of our readers regret the news that Mr. Hellmers, late book-keeper at the Star mine, has become deranged. He left here badly used up physically from long continued servitude, but hoping to better his condition in travel and rest from work, but it has turned out otherwise. There is, however, room to hope his derangement will only be temporary, which all would be pleased to hear.

On Saturday, two weeks ago to-day, a fire damaged goods in the store of M. J. O'Hearn at Rossland to the value of $750. An investigating jury was appointed, and that jury declared the fire was incendiary and was caused by some one who had access to the premises by a key of the front door. The Insurance Companies are prosecuting investigation, and in the meantime Mr. O'Hearn has assigned. The assignment, of course, includes the store in this city.

We think we are but echoing the sentiments of all the stand-bys of the place, when we say it would be a God-send if all who are going to the Klondyke would go at once. It would have been folly to attempt to dissuade Jason, of Greece, when he went into Mediterranean sea in search of the Golden Fleece, and it would be equally useless to attempt to stem the Klondyke fever. The best thing then to be done is to wish all who are bound to go God-speed and done with it. The sooner will the bottom be reached here and the foolishness of the adventurers become forced upon their attention.

The Canadian Home Journal for February is especially interesting. The Canadian Club is again to fore with a description of how a retail store handles Canadian goods There are three competition stories to be voted upon, and Secnarf writes an interesting tale of "An Unwelcome guest." Music and poetry are present plenty, and the various departments of the Journal are so complete that it is no wonder that it is becoming popular. Every family should be a subscriber to this distinctively Canadian periodical. The Canadian Home Journal, McKinnon Building, Toronto.

Our neighbor should remember the story of the dirty bird defiling its own nest. Had it done so, it would not have made the comment it did on the Rossland-Sandon Hockey match here. It is true our boys were beaten, but it is not true our regular Sandon team were defeated by the regular Rossland team, and this makes all the difference in the world. It constitutes Sandon with its best players absent playing against the world, as the visitors were not all of the regular Rossland team. This was manifestly unfair at the outset, and our confrere should have said so instead of abusing the home team for not doing what could not under any circumstances have been expected of them. Fair play is bonny play, and foul play is no play at all. Even the Paystreak should see that far.

Nic. Paloricia is now pegging away at the old stand, and is not going to the Klondyke.

Two thousand five hundred and twenty-six free miners' licenses were issued out of the recording office at New Denver during 1897. At $5 a license this would make the amount collected for licenses alone $12,630, or a little over $1,000 per month. The number of locations recorded was 1,482 at $2.50 each, $3,706. Certificates of assessment work were issued on 1,170 claims, at $2.50 each, $2,900. These three items alone will bring the receipts of the office up to nearly $20,000 for the year. This, however, only gives a very incomplete idea of the revenue received by the government from the business done in this office. The receipts from licenses, liquor, company, traders and personal tax, together with those from recording transfers, bill of sales, etc., would swell the total receipts of the office to a tremendous figure.—Ledge.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Ald. Cunning leaves in a day or two for a three weeks' trip to coast points.

M. E. Hall, of C. M. Wilson's assay office, left for his home near Spokane on Thursday.

J. Burridge, of Winnipeg, and R. Wilson, of Nelson, were in town Tuesday attending a meeting of the creditors of Johnstone & Hanes

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Notice of Assignment.

Pursuant to the "Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1893" and amending Acts.

NOTICE is hereby given that Isaac Crawford and Duncan McMillan, heretofore doing business as Crawford and McMillan, Merchants, of Sandon, B. C., have by deed dated 1st February 1898 assigned all their personal estate and effects which may be seized and sold under execution and all their real estate, to Evelyn Montague Sandilands of Sandon, B. C., financial agent, in trust for the benefit of their creditors. The said deed was executed by the said Isaac Crawford and Duncan McMillan and the said Evelyn Montague Sandilands on the 1st day of February 1898.

All persons having claims against the said Crawford and McMillan are required on or before the 2nd day of March 1898 to send to the said trustee full particulars of the same duly verified together with particulars of any security held by them, after which date the said Evelyn Montague Sandilands will proceed to distribute the said estate having regard to those claims only of which he shall then have notice.

A meeting of the creditors of the said Crawford and McMillan will be held at the office of the said Evelyn Montague Sandilands, on Thursday the 10th day of February, 1898 at the hour of four o'clock p. m.

Dated 1st day of February 1898.

E. M. SANDILANDS,
Assignee.

TO THE PUBLIC.

We have this day leased the dining-room of our house, the Victoria Hotel, to Mrs. May Bertram, who is an experienced, pleasing and entertaining hostess. She has every facility for accommodating a large number of boarders, by the day or meal; and will spare no pains in making her guests comfortable and pleased with her attractive tables.

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Notice.

The Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act authorizing the company to construct, acquire and operate such branch railways as may from time to time be authorized by the Governor-in-Council not exceeding in any one case the length of thirty miles.

J. V. ARMSTRONG, Secretary.

Dated at Victoria, November 30th, 1897.

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JOHN V. ARMSTRONG,
Secretary Nakusp and Slocan Railway Co.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., Oct. 20th, 1897.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Lot 2287. Marion Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: Adjoining the "California," about two miles east of New Denver.

Take notice that I, Robert E. Palmer, as agent for George Alexander, F. M. C., No. 74-000; Florence L. McInnes, F. M. C., No. 81515; O. James Marino, F. M. C., No. 9469 a, and Alexander Sproat, F.M.C., No. 74697, intend 60 days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 18th day of December, 1897.

R. E. PALMER, P. L. S.

Notice.

This is to notify the public that my connection with the Thistle Hotel has ceased, and I will no longer be responsible for debts contracted for it in my name.

J. RIORDON.

M. L. Grimmett, L.L.B.

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Sandon B. C.

Provincial Secretary's Office.

HIS HONOR the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointment:—

15th November, 1897.

WILLIAM HENRY LILLY, of the Town of Sandon, Esquire, to be a Stipendiary Magistrate within and for the County of Kootenay.

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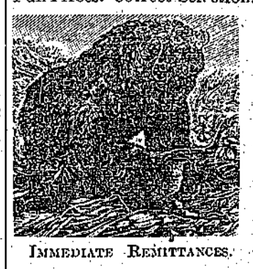

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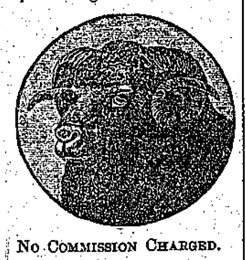

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