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VANCOUVER SMELTER

No Cessation in the Rush for Stocks and Mines.

ORDERS FROM NEW DENVER.

VANCOUVER, March 27.—Vancouver is to have a smelter and it is to be built by a company that means business and are not scheming for a cash bonus. H. Lymous, Q. C., Toronto, representing the Rothschild syndicate of London, Eng., arrived in the city this week and lost no time in getting things into shape. Yesterday afternoon a special meeting of the City Council was held and a resolution afterwards passed granting the privileges asked by the syndicate. The latter is bound by an agreement which is somewhat thusly: That the works shall be commenced within three months after the signing of the contract. The smelter shall be modern in every particular and capable of treating 500 tons of ore every 24 hours. A refinery for treating all ores shall be added. At least half of the plant, or 250 tons capacity, is to be working within a year. 2. That the total cost of the works shall not be less than $600,000. 3. That the necessary means shall be taken to control the obnoxious gases arising from the stacks. 4. That no Asiatics shall be employed 5. That the city shall grant the company free taxes and water, the latter not to exceed 50,000 gallons a day. The building site of the smelter has been secured by the company, and in a short time work will be commenced. This means a great deal for Vancouver, and property values will stiffen accordingly. What few houses are empty will soon fill up and a building boom will result. There is already a demand for modern dwellings, and though there are a score of modern residences in course of erection, the demand is in excess of the supply. The Terminal City will be the best town on the coast.

D. G. Macdonald, manager of the Currie group, on the Galena Farm, paid a flying visit to Vancouver this week. "Mac." reported a satisfactory condition of affairs on his property, of which he predicted great things. He put in a good word for the whole camp.

Dr. Bell-Irving has returned from New Denver after inspecting the Thompson group, on Four Mile, and the Nepawa, on Ten Mile, on both of which he holds a bond.

Slocan City realty has taken an upward move during the past few days, and the indications are that there will be a hotel or store to every family in the place.

Commercial circles here report a gentleman named Flummerfelt with the intention of opening up a general store at New Denver The inability to secure lumber may deter him as it has others. This famine is hurting your town greatly.

A million dollar company has been organized in Rossland to acquire the Maple Leaf claim, in the Slocan. Frank Watson, who is interested in the Fisher Maiden and Arlington is at the head of the scheme.

The Blake, a promising north fork property, and owned principally in New Denver, is to change hands at a figure well up in the thousands.

J. T. Tipping, T. L. Jenks, W. K. Leighton, D. C. McDonald and A. D. Williams are the trustees for a new Sandon company, known as the Kokanee Creek Mining and Milling Co. The capital is $250,000 in 25 cent shares.

A new tariff on ores has recently been issued by the Northern Pacific Railroad and connecting lines. On all ores, copper matte and concentrates in minimum car-load lots of 30,000 pounds the rate from Sandon and intermediate points to Denver is $17 per ton, and to Pueblo $18.25. From Rossland to the same points the rates are $14 and $15.25 respectively.

R. C. Campbell-Johnston, manager of the Bondholder group, on Ten Mile, under date of the 15th inst., writes as follows to the head office of the company here:—I beg to report progress since my last. On the 14th inst the crosscut tunnel on the Bondholder was in 280 feet with about 35 feet yet to go. A large body of water has come in from the face the last few days, a good indication of the proximity of the vein. Progress too has been more rapid. In the drift to the north, 172 feet from the mouth, we are in 46 feet. Large bunches of several inches across of clean ore are showing to-day. The ledge, however, is broken, but I am hopeful of being able to report a strike of ore here before long, though I cannot be sure of it. I could not put men on at the Pine-Log crosscut as I told you in my last. Another snowslide buried the Bondholder tunnel but we are on the top again.

Shannon & Clements, of New Denver, have placed an order with the Vancouver Sash and Door Factory, in this city, for the windows and front decorations for their building in the former place, which is being transformed into a hotel.

Skinner & Co., wholesale crockery dealers of Vancouver, are contemplating opening a branch in the Kootenay country, Nelson being probably the location.

M. Duke Walker, a resident of New Denver in years gone by, will return to that pretty burg next month to reside in future.

A. G. Ferguson, who is interested in the bond on the Dalhousie group, on Ten Mile, has received word that a big strike of clean ore had been made in the main tunnel. This is in 350 feet at a depth of 300 feet. The ore body is fully three feet in width.

Frank Granville, J. P., returns to Slocan City to-morrow, after two months' vacation on the coast to reopen his general store. He will also superintend work on the Townsend claim, Springer creek.

Delinquent property owners of Nakusp realty are being notified by the townsite company to pay up their indebtedness. This is taken to indicate that Nakusp is to be more than a mere transfer point.

The Vancouver Sugar Refinery Co. will open a large wholesale supply depot at Nakusp, sending a man from here to take charge next month.

The Full Court at Victoria has just handed down its decision in the Wells vs. Petty case, affecting the ownership of the Monitor group of claims, near Three Forks. The case hinged on the meaning of the expression used by Petty towards Wells—the latter having told the former where to look for a ledge—"If I find anything you will be in on it." Chief Justice Davies remarks have special import, and this excerpt will be interesting:—"A number of witnesses were called at the trial on both sides to give their opinions as miners or experts as to the meaning or measure of the expression, 'you will be in on it.' Some of these witnesses thought the expression could only be satisfied with an equal partnership, others again considered that the expression would be covered by a smaller interest, but all agreed that the words pointed to an interest to some extent in the mine. I think, however, that quite independently of the opinion of witnesses the Court is bound to place a construction on the words. It is not as if the expression were of technical significance or a term of art. In that case, of course, the evidence of experts would be requisite. It is clear, and it is admitted on all sides that to 'be in on it' means an interest of some measure or another, and it seems to me that the well-known maxim 'equality is equity' supplies that measure, when, as in this case, there is no evidence showing that less than an equal share was stipulated for or intended."

Mining stocks this week show decided improvement all round, more particularly Lillooet, Alberni and Fairview properties, increased in values and sales being reported. Several Lardeau schemes have been successfully floated lately and additional Slocan enterprises. Harrison and Pitt lake properties are in favorable demand. Enquiries from the east and foreign countries are showing up strong, and the Slocan will have many purchasers in the spring.

The Lily B.

At the bottom of the tunnel in the Lily B. and at a depth of 80 feet, an ore chute 70 feet long has been struck. It averages 6 inches in width and assays from a 40-pound sample, gave 130 ounces in silver and $2 in gold. The tunnel is still being driven east, and is now 75 feet from the big ore chute. A cross-cut tunnel to tap the lead 100 feet further down will be commenced next week.

Colville.

Colville, Wash., March 26.—William Hibbits, a well known mining man, who has been identified with the development of the mineral resources of Stevens county and adjacent camps for the past 12 years, died yesterday at San Francisco, the result of an attack of la grippe. The intelligence was received here to-day by a talegram to R. E. Lee, a prominent merchant of this city, with whom Mr. Hibbits was interested in a number of business enterprises. The deceased was about 40 years of age, had accumulated a considerable fortune, but leaves no family. It is not known where his relatives live.

It was reported last week that Di Michele, who lost his life in the mountains a few days ago had started from the Conundrum cabin on his fatal trip. This was not so as he had not been at the Conundrum for three days. The report of the inquest will be found in another column.

TUNNEL, SHAFT, DUMP

Latest Returns from the Mines and Prospects of the Silvery Slocan.

PREPARED FOR MINING MEN.

A four drill compressor is to be put in the Currie immediately.

Gibson and Gleason are working the Rupert, a claim near Three Forks.

A slide near the Antoine last week killed Singley Anderson and severely injured Jim Edwards.

Development work will be started on the Neglected next week, situated on the lake shore adjoining the property of R. C. Campbell-Sohnston.

The Le Roi declared another dividend last Saturday. This makes it and the Slocan Star even, each having paid $350,000 in dividends up to date.

A slide carried some animals going to the Bondholder off the trail one day last week. It was with difficulty that they were rescued from their perilous position.

W. L. O'Connell is giving notice of intention to lay suit against James Graham to compel him to transfer to him a ⅓ interest in the Toothpick Fraction, as per agreement.

W. Thomlinson has secured an option on the Bassett, Susan G., Susan S., Susan M., Wedge Fraction Kilo Fraction, Superior and Kilo properties lying between Dayton and Lemon creeks.

Action has been commenced in the Supreme Court by John Clunan against Geo. J. Atkins, Geo. Milligan and The American Development Co., to determine the title of the Idaho No. 2, a Carpenter creek property.

A GUELPH COMPANY.

Formed to Develop the Canadian Group.

The Ontario and Slocan Mining Development Company has recently been formed by Guelph, Ontario, people for the purpose of developing the Canadian Group. The incorporators are Geo. Sleeman, Prof. James Mills, G. B. Ryan, T. P. Coffee, James C. Keleher, John McCarty, D. I. Brandon, and W. H. Brandon. Alfred Stone, of Guelph, is secretary. The capital stock of the company is $450,000, with shares at a par value of 30 cents. It has not been decided yet to place any treasury stock on the market. If such stock is placed on the market it will all be taken by three or four eastern men. The claims of the company compose the Adams, Brandon, Hill Top, Sarah B. and Katie D. These well-known properties are situated above the Slocan Star and Ruth mines, and join the Elgin, Ivanhoe and Mt. Adams. As Carlyle has spoken of them it is not necessary to go into any details in reference to them. The Ledge is pleased to see companies of this kind doing business in the Slocan, and trusts that more Canadian companies of the same kind will come into the camp.

A carload of Sash, Doors, Mouldings, etc., at BOURNE BROS.

IKE WALTON'S PRAYER.

I crave dear Lord,
No boundless hoard
Of gold and gear,
Nor jewels fine,
Nor lands nor kine.
Nor treasure heaps of anything—
Let but a little hut be mine
Where at the hearthstone I may hear
The cricket sing
And have the shine
Of one glad woman's eyes to make,
For my poor sake,
Our simple home a place divine;
Just the wee cot—the crickets chirr—
Love and the smiling face of her.

I pray not for
Great riches, nor
For vast estates, and castle halls—
Give me to hear the bare footfalls
Of children o'er
An oaken floor,
New-rinsed with sunshine, or bespread
With but the tiny coverlet
And pillow for the baby's head;
And pray Thou, may
The door stand open and the day
Send ever in a gentle breeze
With fragrance from the locust tre s;
And drowsy moan of doves, a blur
Of robin's chirp and drone of bees,
With afterhushes of the stir
Of intermingling sounds, and then
The good wife and the smile of her
Filling the silence again—
The crickets call
And the wee cot,
Dear Lord of all
Deny me not.

I pray not that
Men tremble at
My power of place
And lordly sway—
I only pray for simple grace
To look my neighbor in the face
Full honestly from day to day—
Yield me horny palm to hold,
And I'll not pray
For gold—
The tanned face garlanded with mirth,
It hath the kingliest smile on earth—
The swarthy brow, diamonded with sweat
Hath never need of coronet
And so I reach,
Dear Lord to Thee,
And do beseech
Thou givest me
The wee cot, and the cricket's chirr,
Love, and the glad, sweet face of her!

—James Whitcomb Riley.

THE COAL FIELD ARE ENORMOUS.

The Canadian Pacific railway is going to get no bonus from the government towards the construction of the Crow's nest railway. That seems to be taken for granted. On the contrary, it seems to be taken for granted. On the contrary it seems to be taken for granted that some effort will be made to re-invest the people of with the valuable coal fields which the British Columbia politicians alienated to themselves and their friends. Just exactly what these coal fields amount to in extent or in value the World has hitherto been able to tell only in a general way. We have stated that they included every variety of coal—lignite, bitumnous and anthracite; that there were known to be 32 consecutive seams exposed to view, one of them being 30 feet wide 30 miles long; that the combined width of the seams was 180 feet. The Telegram last night produced evidence to show that the coal fields in question are even more valuable and more extensive than we had been informed. According to information furnished the late W. H. Howland in 1892, by an expert, the Crow's Nest property is said to be the finest coal property in North American. The yield of coal per square mile of territory is estimated at fifty million tons, while the whole amount of tons of coal embrbced in the coal lands now controlled by the Canadian Pacific railway is "almost inconceivable." The market for the Crow's Nest coal promises to be a very profitable and extensive one. The Great Northern railway will distribute large quantities of it throughout Montana, Idaho and Washington, while the Canadians Pacific railway will handle the coal thoughout the mining districts of British Columbia. The railways themselves will use immense quantities of it. All the smelters and steam plant within 500 or 600 miles of the coal fields will be supplied from this source. Not only will the Canadian Pacific railway soon possess all these valuable coal fields, but it will be subject to no regulation as to the price at which it shall be carried over the railway. By this deal, which Messrs. Jaffray and Cox engineered between the British Columbia Southern railway and the Canadia Pacific railway, the latter becomes much more monopolistic than ever. It owns all the coal fields and can dictate whatever freight rates it pleases. What is Mr. Laurier going to do about it? What course does the Globe intend to pursue? Will it advise the government to disallow the Act of 1896, which seems to be the only loophole left the people for freeing themselves from the bondage of the Canadian Pacific railway? Or will it continue its academic denunciation of monopolies until the time arrives when disallowance will be impossible? Let the Globe read its anti-coal-combine that we reproduced the other day—Toronto World.

A Gun Play.

Law and order seem to pretty well prevail in the mining camps of both Ontario and British Columbia, but already a lawless incident has occurred in connection with Manitoba's newly discovered gold fields.

Billy Raymond, a fisherman of Lake Winnipeg was in Winnipeg and told one of his friends an interesting story of a recent occurance there. Billy lives in a shanty near Hole river, and his next door neighbors are two mining prospectors, who left Winnipeg together on a gold hunt up the lake some months ago.

Raymond says these men have been brilliantly successful in their explorations for the yellow metal. Wednesday of last week they struck a simon pur "bonanza" in the shape of a vein of unusual ore. One man was ahead of the other in making the discovery. Friendship died out of his breast when his testing instruments showed a big find. He told his companion the claim was his exclusive property. The other thought he should have a share of the luck, and after discussing it a brief space they got mad. They were sitting in their cabin and both had their guns ready.

"Draw your pistol, and let's settle it with a bullet," growled one in a furious heat. The other man instantly leveled his revolver and fired. His friend was shot in the breast before he had time to discharge his own weapon.

Raymond the fisherman was summoned from his hut near by, and the wounded miner was given the best of attention available. When Billy left the camp to come to the city, the victim of the fight was improving slowly. His fellow miner had extracted the bullet in the absence of a surgeon, and was nursing him back to health again.

THE SHAMROCK.

The spreading rose is fair to view,
And rich the modest violet's hue,
Or queenly tulip filled with dew,
And sweet the lily's fragrance;
But there's a flower more dear to me,
That grows not on a branch or tree,
But in the grass plays merrily,
And of its leaves there are but three,
'Tis Ireland's native shamrock.

My country's flower, I love it well,
For every leaf a tale can tell,
And teach the minstrel's heart to swell,
In praise of Ireland's shamrock;
The emblem of our faith divine,
Which blessed St. Patrick made to shine,
To teach eternal truth sublime,
And which shall last as long as time,
As long as blooms the shamrock.

Oh, twine a wreath of shamrock leaves;
They decked the banners of our chiefs,
And calmed the Irish exile's griefs,
Our country's cherished shamrock;
The muse inspired with words of praise
The poets of our early days
To write in many a glowing phrase,
And sing in powerful thilling lays,
The virtues of the shamrock.

He who has left his island home
Beneath a foreign sky to roam,
And in a foreign clime unknown
How dear he loves the shamrock.
When on the feast of Patrick's day
He kneels within the church to pray
For holy Ireland far away,
He feels again youth's genial ray,
While gazing on the shamrock.

The brightest gems of the rarest flowers
That ever bloomed in Eastern bowers
Possess for him not half the powers
That dwell within the shamrock.
Sweet memories, like refreshing dew,
The past with all its charms renew,
The church, the spot where wild flowers grew,
The faithful friends, the cherished few,
He left to cull the shamrock.

Land of the West, my native isle,
May heaven's love upon you smile,
And banish foes that may beguile
The lovers of the shamrock;
May God forever cherish thee,
In peace and love and harmony,
And rank thee proud 'mid nations free,
Thus pray thy children fervently,
For Ireland and the shamrock.

—London Sun.

Will not Sell Silver.

NEW YORK—S. Uchida, the consul of Japan in this city, sent the following communication to the Associated Press to-day: "I am authorised to say that our country will not dispose of her silver even after she will have adopted the gold standard, as all our available stock of silver is to be coined into subsidiary coins."

For self-preservation— And you have the impudence to say that the jimmy found on you was not intended to be used for breaking in houses? said the judge.

Of course it ain't, said the wanderer. It is for breaking out of freight cars.

The Prospectors' Assay Office
Brandon, B. C,

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Gold, Silver, Copper and Lead	4 50
Gold and Copper	2 50
Silver and Copper	2 00
Gold, Silver and Copper	3 00
Platinum	5 00
Mercury	2 00
Iron or Manganese	2 00
Lime, Magnesium, Barium, Silica, Sulphur, each	2 00
Bismuth, Tin, Cobalt, Nickel, Antimony, Zinc, and Arsenic, each	4 00
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June 20th, 1895.

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Let's Dig a Hole.

When we were kids in kilt or skirt—
We loved to roll
Like saurians in the mud and dirt—
"Let's dig a hole!"

To follow down a groundhog—fox,
A crawfish—mole;
Thro' roots and clay and sand and rocks—
"Let's dig a hole!"

And when our manhood on us burst
Our daily dole
Was saved to build a house—but first—
"Let's dig a hole!"

There's gold beneath our yard—tis said,
Go fetch a crowbar, pick and spade,
"Let's dig a hole!"

When fame or fortune, fair or true,
Was made my goal,
The first thing that I had to do
Was dig a hole.

And thus I dig from day to day
To pay my toll,
"Root, hog, or die!" I hear you say
"Let's dig a hole!"

My poor old body's all worn out—
God save my soul!
I hear the graveyard artist shout—
"Let's dig a hole!"

—The Khan.

Mister, said the small boy to the druggist, gimme another bottle o' them patent pills you sold father the other day.

Are they doing him good? asked the clerk, looking pleased.

I d'no whether they're doin' father good or not, but they're doin' me good. They just fit my new slungshot.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its present session for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of supplying water, and generating electricity for the supply of light, power, and heat to the inhabitants of Silverton, B. C., and to mines, towns and residents within a radius of twenty miles from said towns, and for these purposes to take and divert at any point or points on Fourmile Creek or its tributaries so much of the water of the same as may be necessary or proper for supplying water, and for generating and supplying electricity to consumers; and to construct, maintain and operate a telephone system within the said radius; and for all such rights, powers, and privileges as may be necessary for carrying on the objects aforesaid.

Dated at New Denver, B C., the 18th day of March, A.D. 1897.

R. B. KERR,
mh25 97 Solicitor for the applicants

NOTICE.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned will in thirty days from date apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate of West Kootenay for a license to sell liquor at retail at their hotel on Cory's pre-emption, Slocan Lake district.

ALLEN & CORY.

New Denver, March 11, 1897.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days from the date hereof I will apply to the Stipendiary Magistrate of West Kootenay for a license to sell liquor at retail in my hotel at New Denver.

N. ANGRIGNON.

New Denver, March 11th, 1897.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Sandon, B. C., March 1, 1897.

The partnership heretofore existing between S. B. Hendee and M. W. Bruner, under the firm name of S. B. Hendee & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent, M. W. Bruner retiring. S.B. Hendee will pay all accounts and collect all monies, payable by or due to the above Company from the above date.

S. B. HENDEE.
M. W. BRUNER

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

TWO FRIENDS MINERAL CLAIMS.

Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located East of Arlington Basin.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg as agent for Richard Marpole, free miners certificate No. 63804, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements to be issued in his nand the names of Peter M. Schonberg, free miner's certificate No. 61559, Andrew Provost, free miner's certificate No. 65824, George T. Gormley, free miners certificate No, 74530, and Cornelius Murphy, free miner's certificate No 74220, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action under section 67 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvements.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1897. fb4 ap

RABBIT PAW MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located one mile south of Sandon, and south of the Silver Smith.

TAKE NOTICE that the Star Mining & Milling Company, Ltd. Lia., free miner's certificate No. 74509, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 18th day of February, 1897.

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NOTICE.

I S. T. WALKER, hereby give notice that I intend thirty days after date making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease the following described timbered lands:—

Commencing at a stake planted on the north limit of Ten Mile (10) creek, about 3 miles east of Slocan Lake, thence north 20 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 10 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 10 chains, thence east 10 chains, thence south 10 chains, thence east 10 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence east 10 chains, thence south 10 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence east 10 chains, thence south 10 chains, thence east 10 chains, thence south 40 chains to the s.e. corner, thence following the north boundary of Ten Mile creek north-westerly to point of commencement, and containing 500 acres more or less.

Dated February 16th, 1897. feb16 ap1

NOTICE.

I RICHARD ROBERTS, hereby give notice that I intend, 60 days after date, making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and works for permission to purchase 160 acres of unreserved crown land, situate near the mouth of Six Mile creek, Slocan Lake, West Kootenay District, commencing at initial post "A," thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains to point of commencement.

Dated, March 2d, 1897.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty (60) days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land commencing at a post marked "Wm. Glynn's N. E. Corner, running thence West forty chains, thence South forty chains, thence East forty chains, thence North following Lake to starting point, containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less, said post being 300 yards more or less from this notice in a Northerly direction, near mouth of Nemo Creek on West Shore of Slocan Lake.

Dated this fourth day of March, A. D., 1897.

WILLIAM GLYNN.

No. 339.

CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF A FOREIGN COMPANY.

"Companies Act," Part IV, and amending Acts
"IDLER MINING COMPANY" (Foreign.)

Registered the 5th day of Februpry, 1897.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day registered the "Idler Mining Company" (Foreign), under the "Companies' Act," Part IV., "Registration of Foreign Companies," and amending Acts.

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

The objects for which the Company is established are:—

1st. To locate, procure, hold, buy, sell, work and operate mines and mineral claims, in the Province of British Columbia, and in the State of Washington and other places.

2nd. To carry on the business of milling, smelting, reducing, working, buying and selling ores, in said Province of British Columbia and elsewhere.

3rd. To purchase, build, construct and maintain all such mills, concentrators, smelters and other works as shall be found necessary or convenient in carrying on said works, and to purchase, locate, acquire and hold all such water rights, ditches, flumes and other appliances as may be necessary in and about said premises.

4th. To borrow money for the purpose of establishing or carrying on said business, and to execute notes bonds or other securities therefore, and to execute such mortgages, debentures or deeds of trust upon the property of the Company; to secure the payment of the same and the interest thereon, as shall be necessary and proper.

The capital stock of the said company is one million dollars, divided into one million shares of the par value of one dollar each.

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

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THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1897.

STOCK companies have been known to declare false-dividends for the purpose of making their stock sell better in the future.

SANDON, New Denver, Silverton, Cody, Three Forks, Brandon, Nakusp, Rosebery, Slocan City and Burton City are the only towns in the world famous Slocan.

FOR the benefit of eastern newspaper men we would say that this paper is called THE LEDGE and not The Ledger as many of them persist in addressing it.

UP to date metallic tin has not been found any place on this earth in paying quantities. Reports of its discovery turn up quite frequently but result in nothing but newspaper items.

THE Slocan is full of scouts from the Iron Cap country around Rossland and the indications point to a grand attack on the general public this summer by the shoestring mining men of the golden city.

GRAFTERS looking for $100 wild cats are very numerous in the Slocan just now. They are no good in any country as their principal aim is to fatten upon the cupidity of people crazy for a diet of stock certificates.

THE name Slocan has been made famous by this paper and such mines as the Slocan Star. In order to take advantage of the name people owning claims and real estate within one to fifty miles from the boundaries of the Slocan tell tenderfeet that they are in it in order to to take advantage of its famous name.

IN a cow camp paper published just east of the Rockies we learn that Kaslo and Nelson are the leading towns in the Slocan. The cow camp editor when travelling in Kootenay the next time should get a guide or else keep sober. Wonder he did not include Revelstoke, Trail, and a few more towns on the outskirts of the great Slocan.

A Calgary paper has the following: Some of the so-called mining companies recently formed in British Columbia are making up in gall what they lack in capital and ability. One concern, launched by a photographer, a hotel man and a wood butcher, advertises itself in the B. C. Gazette as proposing to go in for building railways, telegraphs, telephones, gas works, smelters, mills, factories, steam and sailing vessels, canals, wharves, piers, and for carrying on "all kinds of commercial business, except banking and insurance." This company will evidently have its hands full, particularly if its respective promoters intend to carry on their present business on the side.

DURING the great real estate boom at Wichita, Kansas some years ago, a dealer took a customer to look at some lots 200 miles from that city and claimed that they were just in the suburbs. This is the way some people do when they want to sell silver prospects in Kootenay. They will tell strangers that their property is in the Slocan, and never even hint at the suburb part of it, which proves that they are nearer relatives of Ananias than the man from Wichita.

MANY Ontario papers are opposing the building of the Crow's Nest Pass railway upon the ground that that province would have to bear the heaviest part of the financial burden in connection with it. B. C. does not care very much about Ontario. Give us a line from the coast to tap the coal in the Crow's Nest and we want nothing more. If Ontario does not know a good thing when it is in sight they are to be pitied rather than abused by western people.

NEW DENVER, B. C.

Here is something from the Mining Stock Reporter of Spokane that is truthful and refreshing:

For a long time past the little town of New Denver in the heart of the Slocan country slumbered along peacefully, the only sign that the citizens really needed anything was the familiar quotation on the first page of the Ledge which ran, "Bank Wanted, inquire of the citizens of New Denver." Now everything is changed, signs of activity are not wanted to show that before many months New Denver will be to the front, if not one of the leading towns in the Slocan. Naturally the question comes, what has caused the change? Too much credit cannot be given to its local newspaper, The Ledge, which has laboured faithfully to let the outside world know of the rich resources of the Slocan, and incidentally of the scenic beauties of New Denver. But the fact is that New Denver is destined to be a leading town of this section. Not only on account of its situation on Slocan Lake being a beautiful one, but it has room to grow, and with the probable advent of a smelter to be built by C. P. R. officials and its proximity to a number of developing mines, and the necessity of mining men to go there to transact their business insures for it a substantial money circulation far in advance of other places of its size. Most of the important mining deals on Slocan Lake are terminated there and mining men in particular find the place handy to meet the prospectors, who as the winters come around make this their headquarters. Besides, New Denver is a lovely place, there is good boating and fishing and for those contemplating a trip to the Slocan, no better place within reach of the mines in all directions can there be found than this city.

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The Butte Inter-Mountain stated a short time ago that over $2,700,000 went to waste in smelter smoke each year in Butte. Now some chemists have under contemplation a plan to convert the fumes of the smelter into sulphur and begin the manufacture of chemicals in which sulphur forms the principal ingredient. All the sulphur used in the United States at the present time is imported, and during the present winter the price of this product has almost doubled.

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The Party Sent Out For The Body of Di Michele

HAS A MOST PERILOUS TRIP

By Friday evening's boat from down the lake Wm. Thomlinson, Patrick S. and Felix Hughes, Thos. Reid and Frank Hart came up from Ten Mile with the body of Francisco Di Michele, the unfortunate miner who lost his life in the mountains six miles up from the Enterprise mine, the finding of which was reported last week. The party had a most perilous trip and each of them was very much exhausted. They state that had their mission been anything but what it was, had the body been so much gold, they never would have risked what they did in getting it out of the mountains to the wagon road.

In the report circulated last week the facts were not accurately stated. At the coroner's inquest held Saturday morning, before a jury of John O. McKay, F. LoCasto, Henry Stege, Jas. Clark, H. H. Knox and Dougald McMillan, Patrick S. Hughes and Wm. Thomlinson gave the particulars of the finding of the body and the bringing of it to New Denver. Sunday morning between 10 and 11 o'clock Di Michele left camp Aylwin with a valise and sack weighing probably 75 pounds. He was not a man accustomed to liquor, but on leaving he took a glass of whiskey and put a pint flask of it in his pocket. To save a mile or two's travel, he was to avoid touching camp Conundrum and made straight for his own camp, a distance of six miles. P. S. Hughes of the Conundrum camp, had arranged with Di Michele to go Monday to the latter's cabin intending to go with him to hunt a mineral claim. Had such arrangements not been made Di Michele's body may never have been found and his whereabouts would have been a mystery. Hughes started Monday morning following the snow shoe trail made by deceased on previous visits to and from their camp, until he reached the main trail leading to Di Michele's cabin. He found, 100 feet from where he struck the main trail, indications that Di Michele had gone up the centre of the gulch instead of continuing on the trail. About 100 feet out into the gulch he noticed a bank of snow which he supposed had been shoveled by deceased in search of a discovery post, but on closer examination he found that Di Michele had tramped down a straight-face, three or four feet high, which he evidently did in his efforts to climb the obstruction. About 30 feet further he found where Di Michele had evidently become bewildered and madly struggled and floundered in the deep snow, sometimes on his hands and knees. He there picked up one of his snow shoes. Di Michele had struggled on, the snow showing handmarks where he had struggled and fallen from side to side. At a point where the trail was very steep, not more than 200 feet from Di Michele's cabin Hughes saw where the deceased had slid or fallen into a clump of timber, and thinking that he had possibly regained the trail and made the distance to his cabin he went and knocked at the door. Receiving no answer he tried it, and, it being a single slab without hinges, it fell in. There was no signs that Di Michele had been there, and fearing then that something had happened him, Hughes returned to the spot where he had fallen from the trail. There, 40 or 50 feet below, he saw the body of Di Michele. He went to it and found it cold and stiff. It smelled strongly of whiskey.

Hughes went to his camp and told his brother, then made his way to Ten Mile landing and came to this city to inform the authorities.

Mr. Thomlinson being Di Michele's attorney, was notified and engaged the others named to go with him and bring in the body. The task was a most difficult and dangerous one. Snow slides were met frequently. At the point where the body was found they were in peril of being swept thousands of feet below at any moment A rude toboggan was built and the body tied to it, then with three of the party pulling, pushing and lifting it over the snow, while one went below with a pole and another above with a rope, they managed to hold it from sliding down the mountain side, and got it, after a hard day's struggle, to the wagon road and out of immediate danger, finally bringing it safely to New Denver. There was but a slight mark on the body, the left eye and one side of the nose being bared to the bone, where some small animal had nibbled the flesh.

His valise and pack and the whiskey flask one-third full, were found by the party where they had been dropped by the unfortunate man in his mad struggle to save his life.

A letter was found in his effects from a brother in Massachusetts, and a card was found on the body showing he was a member of the miners Union No. 10 of Burke, Idaho. His brother and Union have been notified by Mr. Thomlinson of his death.

In clothes belonging to deceased hanging in his cabin was found $20 and 55 cents was the amount on the body. On the 18th of March he had deposited with Mr. Thomlinson $250. The body was buried Saturday afternoon.

The verdict of the coroner's jury was that Di Michele came to his death from cold and exposure while under the influence of liquor, on his way to his cabin on Ten Mile creek.

One night at a country theatre Mrs. Siddons was "taking the poison" in the last act of some gloomy tragedy, when a boor in the gallery called out. "That's right, Molly, soop it oop, ma lass."
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HONEST REPORTING.

It is impossible to doubt that the mining districts of the west have been rather injured than helped by the injudicious and indiscriminated booming in the local press. This applies especially to the lesser camps, and in them to individual mines of minor importance. The great camps and the big mines not only do not need, but do not seek, this sort of advertising; in fact, it is often difficult to get reliable news of them.

The case is altogether different from that of the systematically organized "whooping up" of some boom camps by means of paid advertisments and paid editorial space, as in the notorious example of the Southern "boom towns" of five and six years ago, when the central object of the scheme was rather to sell town lots than to invite capital for serious development, for the heavy capitalists are not so likey to be influenced by this sort of shouting as are people of small means and those at a distance unable to look into things for themselves, or obtain expert advice, before investing. On the contrary, in our western camps the efferts of the local newspapers are almost invariably inspired by the most commendable motives, and the habit of overstating everything has become so common that nobody considers it dishonest, since it is generally understood that a liberal discount is to be taken off all around. The trouble is that no definite standard has been as yet set up by which to measure the amount of allowance to be made. If there were some such rule one could get a fair approximation to fact by dividing every statement by, say, three, four, five, or whatever the co-efficient might be, and scaling down to one-third, one-fourth, etc., discarding the surplus as conventional embellishment. Nobody is deceived, yet the amount of information imparted is vaguely small.

This curious survival of the early misty days when "everything went" about mining is like the parallel one, on a larger scale, in which we occasionally find people who believe certain things because they saw them "in print." This latter order of beings is rapidly becoming extinct. So also are those who are likely to be taken in by distorted accounts of mines or mining districts, and those who are thus deceived are hardly the ones whose opinion or backing would be of any substantial assistance to the camps or the mines boomed. On the contrary, a repulsive effect is the usual outcome. The poor tenderfoot and the trusting British "small investor" have been slowly passing through a bitter educational course, and most of them are pretty far advanced, while a few have even graduated.

In the long run it pays to tell the truth. Misstatements at the outset, or in any particular at any time, are bound to be exposed, and then a prejudice is established, even against the most meritorious properties, which it is hard to overcome. A conservative, honest account of the actual facts, so far as it is possible to ascertain them, is of real value in placing matters before the outside world; and the only people who are likely to invest are quite able to "size up" unreliable printed descriptions.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

Very Queer

"A Great big boy like you to tease
To let you stay home and play,"
—That was after seven.
"A little boy like you would freeze,
Tobogganing this blustery day!"
—At half-past eleven.

"The stomach-ache most made me die,
I was too big a boy to cry
At three o'clock. Oh, dear!
And now, I am again at eight
A little boy, can't sit up late.
I think it very queer!
—Elizabeth R. Burns.

The Share Broker's Alphabet.

A was the artfullest game ever played,
B was the broker, a cunning old blade;
C was the cue, such a cue rious toy,
D was the duck used to quack and decoy;
E was the evergreen clerk, free of guile,
F was the fancy that guilded his smile;
G was the gull, with his mouth open wide,
H was the honey the broker applied;
I was the instant in which to invest,
J was the joy that illumined his breast;
K was the key of the share box so slick,
L was the lock the key caused to click;
M was the middle man, knowing, but "square;"
N was the noodle, who purchased the share;
O was the old man of experience to doubt it,
P was the prospector who knew all about it;
Q was the quarter he held in his fist,
R was the right reef which didn't exist;
S was the scheme set on paper so neatly,
T was the telegram, proved it completely;
U was the union 'twixt broker and buyer
V was the valient syndicate "tryer,"
W was the wise man who went out to see,
X was the "ex'e" he charged for the spree;
Y was the yellow boys spent in the cost,
Z was the zany, who staked all and lost.
—Lillian Beddard.

High Grade Properties.

The Silver Crown Consolidated Silver Mining Company will continue active operations on the claims recently acquired by them on Kootenay, about five miles above Sanca. The claims are the Silver Crown, Colorado, Violet and Mountain, The incorporators of the company are: M. R. Gulusha, John A. Finch, Charles Dougherty and Charles Benton. The last named has just returned from a visit to the property and when interviewed said; "The mines are located only one mile from the lake on the shore, and there is an excellent showing in all of them. While driving the tunnel recently we took out 380 sacks of high grade galena. One shot knocked down 70 sacks. The vein is six feet wide and assays have been taken running from 1000 ounces to 1400 ounces in silver and 50 per cent lead. The sacked ore is now being hauled to the lake and will be shipped to Everett or Tacoma. We are now building cabins, cutting a trail, and getting ready to continue the development of the property."

When in Vancouver stop at the Manor House. †

FUNNY FLOAT.

Tourist—This is a lovely spot, isn't it?
Native—A spot? Stranger, there's close to twelve hundred people in this town!—Puck.

"I'll bet that that man down there in the corner near the door eats his pie with a knife."
"Why?"
"You see he is using a finger to cut the pages of his magazine."—Cleveland Leader.

Probably not: "Is he happily married?"
"Well, his wife is the sort of woman who will stand up near the rear door of a street-car when there are vacant seats farther up front."—Puck.

"You mustn't expect him to propose so soon my dear. He has only been calling for six months."
"I know that, mamma; but he has kept me in the dark long enough."—Detroit Free Press.

Suitor—Miss Sprocket—Agnes—I wish to make a confession. I can no longer hide my thoughts. Your wheel is superior to mine."
Suited—Mr. Scortch—Arthur—this is so sudden.—Detroit Tribune.

Clerk—Excuse me, sir, but guests without baggage must pay in advance.
The Guest—All right! I'll be back in a moment.
Clerk—Where are you going?
The Guest—I am going to buy a trunk.—Life.

"Is it true that your father has made an assignment?" asked the agitated lover of his fiancee.
"All his vast fortune is swept away," she sighed; "but you are left, Algy."
"I should say I was left. Great Heavens!—Detroit Free Press.

Author—Mary, I've made a mistake in my calling; I'm not an author but a born chemist.
Author's Wife—What makes you think that, Horace?
Author—Well every book I write becomes a drug on the market.—Boston Globe.

The Fisher Maiden.

Frank Watson has returned from a visit to his Slocan property, the Fisher Maiden. He said to the Spokesman-Review:

"There is now eight inches of solid shipping ore in the mine. The appearance of the property was so encouraging that the directors have decided to offer no more stock for sale. I feel confident that we have a mine which will pay a dividend before long. Fifty tons of ore have already been shipped and there are 200 tons at the mine ready for shipment. Work on the new road up Four Mile will be commenced before long.

"There are a number of fine properties in the vicinity of the Fisher Maiden. The Thompson Group, on the same ledge, has a large body of ore, The owners have shipped over 100 tons of ore during the winter. The mine is developed nearly 1000 feet. This section is now attracting considerable attention and a number of transfers of claims have been recorded."

Mr. Watson will go up to examine the Arlington, on Springer creek, in the course of a few days.

Rumored Bonding of Cariboo.

The Toronto World announces that another great mining deal is about to be consummated. An English company, with Colonel North at its head, after failing in an endeavor to secure the famous War Eagle mine, turned their attention to the Cariboo gold quartz mine in Camp McKinney. Negotiations were opened and Colonel North has the Cariboo under bond for $560,000. This is equal to 70 cents per share for all the stock, which is a good price. The Cariboo is in the Kettle river district, some 60 miles due west of Rossland.

The foregoing was shown to George B. McAuley, who stated that there was not a word of truth in the statement. He says that the mine is not nor has not been under bond to Colonel North nor to any one else.

James Monoghan said: "If the property has been bonded I know nothing of it."

Mines of the Slocan.

D. C. Eddie, of Deadwood, S. D., who recently made a trip through the Slocan to purchase ore for the new smelter now being built at Edgemont, said, when asked his views regarding the Slocan; "I much question if anywhere in the world are there so many high-grada silver-lead mines in the same area. I was amazed at the showing of many of the properties. Those mines I visited were all well developed. The Rambler-Cariboo I regard as a fine property. I only regret that my time was limited and did not allow me to visit all of the mines. I hope to return next summer and see the country under more favorable conditions."

Excitement at Grand Forks.

Considerable excitement is caused at Grand Forks over the recent strike on the Star and Crescent claim on the La Fleur lead, some seven miles west, on the reservation. There have been six men employed for several weeks past on this claim, who are now in over 30 feet. The ore recently struck was rich in copper, several pounds of which have been sent to Spokane for assaying purposes. It is generally believed that the Star and Crescent is a distinct extension of the La Fleur, as the ores are similar in characaer.

An Oakland, California, bootblack deserves special mention as an honest man who would not deceive his patrons. When he first went into business, six years ago, he put up a sign which read:

"Joe Garibaldi, bootblack. Has two sinal children." Each succeeding year found him deserving of more sympathy, for he kept amending the sign until it read: "eight small children." A few days ago, Joe's bootblack stand was locked for a whole day, and when he returned he confided to the butcher's coy that his baby had died. His first work was to amend the sign so that it might not mislead the public, and it then read: "Joe Garibaldi, bootblack. Has seven small children." Then he added with his finger and blacking. "One he die."

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My name is Larry O'Sullivan,
I'm from the Green Old Sod.
For five and twenty long dreary years
I've worked upon the track.
I've made it a point to keep up the low joint,
With the force of the tamping bar,
Then joint ahead and center back,
Jerry go oil that car.

When Sunday morning early comes
To the section hands he would go,
Now boys prepare, be well aware,
My wife goes to church today;
I want every man to pump all he can,
For the distance it is far,
Joint ahead and center back,
Jerry go oil that car.

If you would see Larry in the winter time
When the hills were covered with snow,
He would take delight in a hand car ride
And over the section would go,
With his big overcoat muffled 'round his throat,
All dangers he would dare,
So joint ahead and center back.
Jerry go oil that car.

When my friends are all around me
There's one request I crave,
When I am dead let me be led on my handcar to my grave;
And on my breast let the spike maul rest,
The guage and the old claw bar,
And while those boys are laying me to rest,
Oh, Jerry you keep oiling the car.

Larry! Larry! he did cry,
Lift me up until I see that old hand car once more passing by,
He was so weak he could scarcely speak,
And in a moment he was dead,
But joint ahead and center back,
Were the very last words he said.

May the Lord have mercy on you Larry O'Sullivan,
It's you would make those section tarriers for me to go chop the wood,
To the well also for the water would go
And chop that kindling fine,
And if they would growl, upon my soul,
Poor Larry would give them their time.

PRIZE FIGHTING.

The committee on interstate commerce, of the national house of representatives, will report favorably a bill aimed at prize fighting and boxing matches in the United States. It provides in the first section that "no picture or account of prize fight or encounter of pugilists under any name, or any proposals or records of betting on the same, shall be transmitted in the mails of the United States or any interstate commerce, whether in a newspaper periodical, telegram or any other way;" and in the second section that "any person sending any such matter, or knowingly receiving any such matter by mail, or interstate commerce, shall be guilty of misdemeanor and shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than five years and by a fine not exceeding $1000." This is putting prize fighting and accounts of prize fights in the same list with lottery advertisements and indecent pictures and stories. It does not curtail the liberty of the press in the sense that the newspapers may not print accounts of prize fights, but the telegraph companies cannot carry the news to them and the mail service may not carry out the newspapers after the accounts are printed.

Whether this bill is ever adopted or not, the fact that the committee should make a favorable report upon a proposition of that kind is a significant indication of the growth of public sentiment against prize fighting in this country. It is not so very long since prize fighting was held in much less abhorrance than it is now, and in England even at the present day no special odium attaches to the patronage of the so-called "manly art." It is not so very long since it was the custom of all daily papers to give a prize fight the first place in point of prominence as the most valuable piece of news, and some of them do so still, but the majority of newspapers, influenced by regard for the opinion of the better elements of society, have learned to subordinate news of that kind, though they cannot entirely ignore it.

The significant thing, however, in this whole matter is that public sentiment with regard to the prize ring should have made such advance as to call for action by congress which would have such a telling effect upon the sport, for certainly if the telegraph companies may not handle messages with regard to it, and the mails will not carry news about it prize fighting is going to be seriously handicapped as an industry, and may be ruined altogether.

It might be in order to suggest, however, that this bill has not yet passed congress, and that this reform by law has not materialized.—Minnesota Journal.

GOLD IN THE NORTHWEST.

Saskatchewan Will Yield Up $5,000,000

The Edmonton Bulletin, in a two-column leader, makes the startling prediction that instead of $50,000 as heretofore, the Saskatchewan River will hereafter yield $5,000,000 in gold.

Gold has been mined, or perhaps more accurately, washed for many years. The metal is found in minute scales, so small as to be only noticeable by the naked eye from their sparkle. The dust is always found in connection with black sand—evidently magnetic iron—amongst the ordinary sand, gravel and boulders of the river bars, which are found on alternate sides of the river throughout its length for 100 miles above and below Edmonton.

By the use of the primitive "grizzly" and blanket the miners used to save $16 a day from the washings, but the bars have been worked over and over again until $1.50 has of late been an average day's pay.

In view of the small returns secured by the miners, it may be wondered why there should be such a rush for mining claims as there has been during the past few days. The explanation is found in the fact that it has been discovered that by the use of improved appliances much higher values could be saved from the sand. This was proven by an assay secured of the black sand tailings from a grizzly in which an assayer found $54 to the ton. But this was not all. Those experimenting examined the black sand, which it had always been the effort of the miner to get rid of, and came to the conclusion that the black sand, instead of being an enemy of the gold, so to speak, actually contained the gold in such a form that it was from time to time set free by natural causes, and that this accounted for the renewal of the gold dust deposited on the bar. In support of this idea an assay procured by Issac Cowie, president of the board of trade, showed $238 to the ton of gold and platinum in the black sand out of which all the free gold had been panned by the ordinary process.

UNCLE SAM, YOU ARE ROTTEN.

And by This Sort of Business You Bring Yourself Beneath the Contempt of the Nations of the Earth.

Masonry and stone-cutting is slack in Toronto just now. Hence when a number of members of the Stone-cutters' Union saw an advertisment in a paper recently that men were wanted in these trades they thought this was a snap. Mr. John Scully, the contractors' agent, of this city, informed the applicants that the work was at Philadelphia. Thither, as to the Land of Promise, these Toronto Masons hied themselves. They started to work, but when it leaked out that they were Canadians, the authorities stopped the men working, and got a warrant for the arrest of the employer, a Mr. Conley. This gentleman thought to evade arrest and skipped to New York, and then to Brooklyn, where warrants were also sworn out. He returned to Philadelphia, where he was arrested, and he is now held in bonds to appear at next month's Assizes. Five of the Toronto men have been held as witnesses against him. The sixth one remains idle in Philadelphia, practically stranded. The seventh, Mr. John Miles, of 208 Ossington avenue, in this city, called at The World office last evening, and told this plain unvarnished tale of the operation of the American alien labor law. He wished to obtain his railway fare back, but could receive no compensation from his employer for having his work taken from him. The names of the other three of the party that left Toronto, beguiled by this advertisment, are Joseph Frame, Peter Campbell and James Bain. These remain in Philadelphia as witnesses against Conley for breaking the alien law.—Toronto World.

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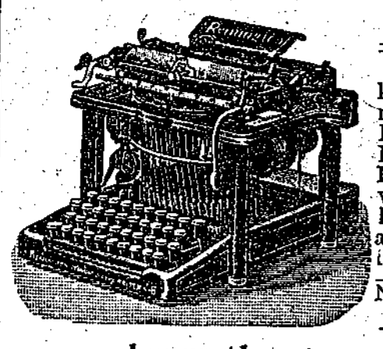

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MINING RECORDS.

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LOCATIONS.

March 26.

Martin—Slocan lake, near McKays mill, Martin Murchison

March 29.

Prscott Fraction—Four Mile, J G Millar

Alice V—Carpenter creek R H Munroe and F S Davis

Mch 30.

Iron Queen—Ten Mile, Chas Tunks

ASSESSMENTS.

March 22.

L H—Alexander Harrison

March 24.

Pride and Aggie—J R Cameron

Sunshine, Noonday, Oregon, Yakima, Noonday Fraction, Sunshine Fraction and Mine—Sunshine Mining Co

March 25.

Daniel—J M Donnelly

Gold Hill No 2—Reginald Straingeway

March 26.

Silver Lead No 3—G H Woodley

Wolverine—Angus P McDonald

March 29.

Enterprise and Slocan Queen—John A Finch.

Carnation—D D Mann

March 30.

Conundrum No 2, Conundrum and Pioneer—W Thomlinson et al

TRANSFERS.

March 23.

N F McNaught to Frank R Strohn—½ Kilo Fraction; March 15, $1

L W Hohensee to Wm Harris—½ Wedge Fraction; Mch 15, $1

Frank R Strohn and Wm Harris to Wm Thomlinson—$20,000 option on ⅜ Bassett, ½ each Susan G and Susan S, all of Susan M; also $50,000 option on ½ each Wedge Fraction and Kilo Fraction and ½ each Superior and Kilo; Mch 16, $300

Joseph Law to Chas E Anderson—¼ Bowling Green; Mch 13, $100

August Schueler to H B Fletcher—½ Isis; Mch 20, $1

Same—¼ Gentle Annie: Mch 20, $1

March 24.

Miles McGill to Jas Bowes—¼ Big Timber: Mch 15, $1

John D McLeod to Harvey W Bragg—½ Mary Mac; Mch 20, $500

Frank Hansen to Peter A McDougald—¼ Stanton Fraction and ¼ Rocky Mountain; March 3, $1

Oscar Sampson to S L Goldburg—¾ Norway; $1

J D Farrell to Frank Cox—2/5 Valleria; March 15, $1

March 25.

Duncan S Forbes to Hugh D McMillan—½ Nancy Lee; Nov 9, $1

E M Walton to John M Donnelly—½ Galt; June 2, $1

Peter Lindquist to Joseph Payne—White Swan Mch 24, $150

Same—1/6 Sunshine No 4; Mch 24, $150

Jas A Stewart to H D Cameron—The Liberal No 3; Mch 3, $1

W Davis to R Straingeway—⅜ Southern Bell; July 25, $10

Thos Shea to The Hinckley & Black Colt Mining Co—the Hinckley; Sept 7, $1000

Same—the Black Colt; Sept 7, $1

W F Mellick, C D Porter, Horace Thorne, Jos B McArthur to The Hinckly and Black Colt Mining Co—interest in the Hinckley and Black Colt; Sept 21, 1896

March 26.

J E Torney to Ratmus Malde—¼ Early Bird; Dec 12, 1892, $1

Edward Shannon to G H Woodley—⅜ Silver Leaf; Feb 20, $1

N F McNaught to W C McKinnon ⅜ and to Hugh Brady—⅛ Prescott Fraction Mch 13, $1

More Railroad Building.

It is said that F. Aug. Heinze will extend the Columbia and Western railway as far west as Penticton in the Okanogan country and thence, probably to tide water. It transpires that the Montana Ore Purchasing company, which is practically owned by Mr. Heinze and his brother, has filed in the county auditor's office at Butte, Montana, a mortgage for $1,500,000 on all its smelting and mining interests in that district. The mortgage was authorised at a meeting of the company held at its New York office March 8. The Nelson Miner claims on good authority that Mr. Heinse intends using the money raised by the mortgage for the Penticton extension and that work of construction from Robson westward will commence as soon as weather permits and the final surveys are made.

The proposed road will cross the Gold Range through Burnt Pass and follow the course of the Kettle river for a considerable distance. Branch lines will be constructed in the Boundary country sufficient to give the mines of that district adequate transportation facilities.

The Ebb of the London Mining Craze

London, the great financial center of the world, for some years past has had one of the wildest and most unreasoning of mining crazes that has ever visited that curiously gullible constituency, and it has offered such an exceptionally profitable occasion for the shrewd and conscienceless promoter that all kinds of people, high and low, became promoters or "tooters" of mining companies. So great, indeed, was the temptation to become rich by simply gathering in the money of fools that a great number of "eminently respectable" and "conservative" individuals easily allowed the use of their names in doubtful and sometimes in actually dishonest enterprises. While the boom was on and all were growing richer day by day by the simple process of mark-up the quotations of mining stocks everything was lovely, and reputations and morality of business ways, especially those that had brought fortunes, were unquestioned. Now for nearly a year there has been an ebb in the tide of the London mining craze, and the strand is found to be littered with wrecks, both moral and financial. The ebb of the tide has by no means ceased yet; indeed it has still a long way to fall, so that the wrecks exposed to view to-day are few in number compared with what will be found a little later on.

It requires no clairvoyant to see or prophet to fortell a hard and bitter time for many of the "eminently respectable" citizens of the great money center. So far has the disillusion process progressed and so familiar even now are the wrecks of reputations that the inevitable spirit of suspicion is aroused and knavery and dishonesty are assumed to exist in every case where a sudden or heavy decline has taken place in any mining stock. Presently no reputation will stand above the universal skepticism, and the fawning tools, the willing tooters, the venal newspapers, and even the sanctimonious brethern who closed their eyes to doubtful practices while filling their pockets with their proceeds, will now turn against the "eminently respectable" leaders. Already the newspapers are opening their broadsides on them, and more is to come. The criticisms will in many cases be just, though belated, but in such times criticism is not discerning and the innocent suffer with the guilty. We were going to say the "many innocent," but perhaps should we investigate we might find the numbers diminish as did those of the righteous men in Sodom when Lot began to count them.

After Corbin's Road.

It is reported that the C. P. R. has obtained an option on the Nelson & Ft. Shepard and Spokane Falls & Northern railway systems. The price is said to be $7,500,000. The purchase of the Corbin road would give the C.P.R. the exclusive control of all transportation lines in Kootenay until the Nelson and Beddington road is built to connect with the Great Northern at Bonner's Ferry.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

Jack Barnes left Saturday for Nakusp.

M. McDougal, of the Queen Bess, is able to be about again, and left the hospital last week.

Wm. Kerr, whose feet were so badly frozen that amputation was necessary, will soon be leaving, his feet having healed nicely since the operation.

All the inmates, nine, from the different mines, are improving.

Julius Wolff, who has been spending a holiday in Banff, returned Tuesday.

Schools and Jails.

Victoria, B. C., March 28.—Premier Turner presented estimates of income and expenditures of the province to the assembly yesterday afternoon. The estimated receipts are placed at $1,573,089, and the expenditures at $1,566,766. Under the education vote West Kootenay gets an increase of $6500, as compared with last year. Among the public works, provisions are made for schools in Rossland, Trail, Nelson, Kaslo, Sandon, New Denver and other mining towns. Appropriations are also made for lock-ups at Grand Forks, Trail, Slocan, Greenwood City and south-eastern Kootenay. He puts down the estimate for miner's certificates at $90,000, against $45,000; mineral taxes, $90,000, against $75,0000, and general mining receipts at $100,000, against $60,000.

The legislature had another go at the water clauses bill yesterday. It reached clause 134 before progress was reported.

Col. Ridpath of the Le Roi Mine, is reported as saying: "We expect very soon to build a smelter of our own to handle the output of the Le Roi, and it is likely that we will locate it at Northport."

NOTICE.

Dissolution of Partnership,

NOTICE is hereby given, that the partnership of Hunter & McKinnon, and Hunter, McKinnon & Co., hitherto doing business at Silverton, B. C., and Three Forks, B. C., have been dissolved. All debts due these firms are to be paid to William Hunter and Co., who will also pay all the debts of these firms.

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NEWS IN PLACE

David Bremner has returned from Scotland.

Alex Stewart has sold his lot on Sixth street to James Marino.

Ferland and Timons of Mattawa, will open a general store in the Slocan.

John R. Cook of Rossland, will spend half of his time in the Slocan this summer.

The Wild Horse claim at Deer Park has been sold to a New York syndicate for $180,000.

The electric light plant for New Denver has arrived and will be placed in position at once.

Frank Louis a prospector, was stabbed by Tom Burns, another prospector at Grand Forks last week.

A very good performance was given Tuesday evening in Aylwin's Hall, by the Albini Empire Specialty Co.

James Delaney has purchased Chas. Ink's interest in New Denver and will place the lots on the market at once.

Miss Reid has purchased a lot from Black & McLennan on Sixth street and will erect a building in a short time.

The Canadian Pacific, Northern Pacific and Great Northern have raised the passenger rates from the Coast $1.85.

A $20,000 dividend has been declared by the Cariboo and Rambler, payable April 15. This makes $40,000 in dividends up to date.

The warm weather has made travel over the Kootenay railways extremely dangerous, and makes almost impossible running on time.

There is talk of the property owners on Seventh street opening the street to El Dorado by cutting down the embankment. Remember, it is talked about.

The new machinery for Hill Bros'. saw mill arrived last week and is being placed in working order. When started the mill will turn out 20,000 feet per day.

The Mile Point, one of the oldest locations at Ainsworth, has become the property of the British Canadian Gold Fields Co. Twenty men will be put to work on the property.

Pile driving for the new wharves at New Denver an Rosebery will begin this week. At Rosebery the wharf will be 30 feet wide with a 10 foot platform, and in length about 700 feet, to allow for the railroad track and the taking on and off the barges the cars that will be transferred from Rosebery to Slocan City daily.

The new boat at Rosebery will receive the last thread of corking this week and will be ready for the painters and finishers next week. Her engines are on hand ready for placing when her boilers arrive. The shaft for the paddle-wheel is in position. The ways are being built and in another month will slide into the placid the handsomest of them all.

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