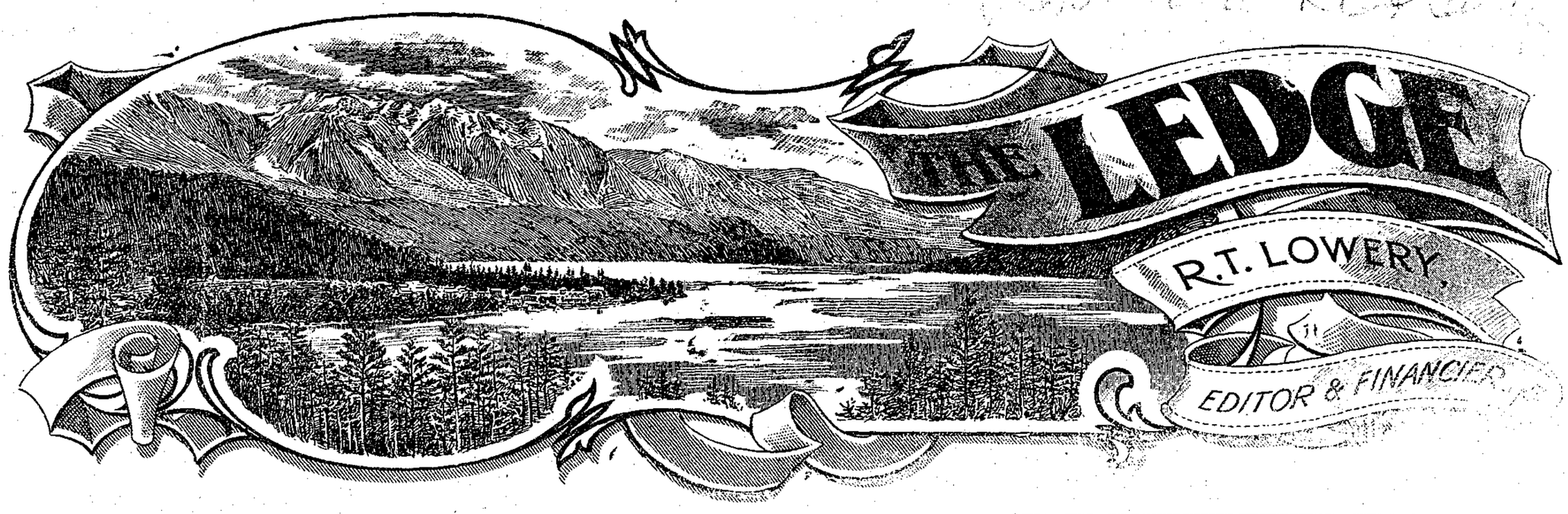

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SLOGAN NEWS

Camp Gossip Concentrated for the Benefit of the Paid-Up Subscriber.

LOGAL GONGENTRATES

Harry Bourne, of Revelstoke, was a visitor to the Lucerne last week.

Colin English is now running on the road between Nelson and Robson.

Nelson's new jeweler is wide awake, as is evidenced by his "ad" in this issue.

Quebec capital is behind the new smelter that it is proposed Greenwood is to have

Service will be held in the Presbyterian church on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. All cordially invited.

Services will be held in Stephen's church next Sunday, both morning and evening. Rev. C. F. Yates, pastor.

John Williams is again wearing a mellow smile. The warm weather has the right effect upon his ice cream freezer.

Recorder McInnes started last week on a six-weeks' trip to his eastern home. Julius Wolffe is acting recorder in his absence.

Bourne Bros. are preparing a big cut price sale in ladies' dress goods for Saturday, Aug. 25th. Watch for their "ad" next week.

The Clara Mathes company will play again in New Denver on Sept. 14 and 15. The lovers of fun and drama should mark this in their hats.

The Miners' Union of Sandon will at once erect a building in that burg, at a cost of $6,000, with hall above and office rooms and library below.

J. K. Reid was in town this week. In September he goes to New Mexico to examine the celebrated dry placers of that part of the south-west.

A dollar subscription paper is in circulation to raise funds for the purpose of painting and otherwise repairing the Methodist church and parsonage.

D. S. Walker, district superintendent of repairs for the Sunset Telephone Co., of San Francisco, is visiting his father and brothers of America's Lucerne.

Our readers who use celluloid combs or eye-shades and do not want to lose their hair or eyes, must be careful not to bring their faces too near a light. Celluloid is almost as dangerous as gunpowder.

Last week the citizens of Silverton tendered to Mr. Patterson, late superintendent of the Wakefield Mines, a most flattering banquet. It was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the kind ever held in the Slocan. Several New Denverites were in attendance.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church has been re-organized with the following officers: Hon. President, Mrs. Harris; President, Mrs. McDonald; Vice-President, Mrs. J. Taylor; Secretary, Mrs. Ferguson; Treasurer, Mrs. Gillis; Music (convenor) Mrs. Clark. Other ladies have consented to be members, or to help in any work undertaken by the society. The first meeting will be held shortly.

In our western towns many sights are often seen which would bring a blush of shame to the cheek of an easterner, but the sight of one of Her Majesty's "honored" justices of the peace being met on a public highway in broad daylight by a common prostitute, picking her up in his arms and carrying her into a bawdy house, is a novel one even in the west. How long, oh Lord, how long!—Fernie Free Press.

The children of the Sunday school will contribute their mite to the India relief fund. Next Sunday's collection will be appropriated and forwarded to the proper committee. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are being sent monthly from America to aid in the good work, and thousands of the starving unfortunates are being fed and given medical care. It costs but three cents a day to keep one of the natives. Orphans' homes are being established throughout the famine stricken country to care for the children rescued by the committees. It costs 30 cents a week to keep one of these orphans, including tuition, clothing, etc.

SLOCAN MINERAL FLOAT.

The Silver Bell was closed down last week.

Operations will be resumed on the St. Keverne shortly.

Eighty tons of ore was shipped last week by the Wakefield.

A crown grant is being applied for by the owners of the Big Timber, Payne Mountain.

The Wonderful, Sandon, has been taken on a lease by E. A Brown and L. B. Barker, and work will be started at once.

Vancouver people have bonded the Prescott group, situated near the Emily Edith mine, and will put a force of men to work at once.

Some time ago J. A. McKinnon and N. F. McNaught shipped 4,200 pounds of ore from the Hampton claim, near Slocan City, which netted them $790.18.

H. A Hicks and Chas. Barber, owners of the Transfer group, on Springer creek, are reported to have made a strike of 10 feet of ore in a 30-foot ledge on their property.

Returns on ore shipped by the Enterprise, since operations began under the new company, amount to £9,900. A monthly shipment of 600 tons is shortly expected, which should give a profit of £3,700, or 27 per cent. per annum. The profit on the ore in sight is valued at over £80,000.

"BOB" COVINGTON'S DEATH.

Further particulars of the death of R. M. Covington last week are told by the Drill: "Sunday morning Tom Benton and Covington left Slocan City to do assessment work on a claim owned by Oscar White, of Sandon, and arrived at the property on the Monday, after packing in their supplies. It was a hard and exhausting trip. On Sunday evening Bob felt unwell, but ate a hearty meal before retiring. He slept none that night, and the next day ate little. Monday night he made no complaint, and early next morning Benton got up to get breakfast. Coming in to rouse him, Benton was astounded to see him gasping for breath. He did what he could to relieve him, but it was no avail, and in a few moments poor Bob's lamp of life went out. Benton at once hurried to town with the news and a number of friends went out for the body, arriving back on Wednesday evening. Here the Oddfellows assumed full charge of the funeral arrangements. The remains were taken to Undertaker Robertson's place and laid out. Thursday morning Coroner Lilly, of Sandon, who had been telegraphed for, held an inquest, the verdict being that deceased came to his death through natural causes."

PARROTS THAT CAN TALK.

The story is told of an Idaho preacher who once owned a talkative parrot, and, like most things about a preacher's home, it could swear. To break the bird of the habit the preacher had striven for months, but all his efforts had proven of no avail. Finally he adopted the "sure remedy" proposed by one of his laymen. He was told to have a tub of water ready and when he caught the bird swearing again to take the bird, cage and all and swing them around his head swiftly for a few moments then souse the whole business into the tub of water. This appeared to be the pure article—just what the preacher was looking for. He hurried home and got the tub of water in readiness, then awaited polly's criticism. It came in a hurry. "Hello, Polly! Ha! ha! ha! Damme, Damme! Polly wants a cracker! Damme!—" The preacher waited for no more. He desperately grabbed the cage and with mighty effort swung it about his head, and, after making several sharp twists and turns, brought it full force into the water. When he regained his wind he carefully took the cage out and placed it beside the tub, then in his kindest and most gentle voice asked: "How does Polly feel now?" The parrot looked crestfallen. She winked and blinked and shook herself, but said nothing. When she had regained her perch and straightened out her tail feathers she let out several of the most unearthly war whoops the preacher had ever heard. But the divine was undaunted and repeated his kind words of a few moments before. "How does Polly feel now?" "Bur-r-r-up! Haw! Haw! Oh-I'm-all-right,-but-where-in-hell-were-you-when-the-cyclone-struck-us!" said polly.

Another parrot that could talk belonged to Mr. Cardinal, late of the Bosun boarding house. It was not a swearing parrot, though, and afforded great amusement for the boys about the mine. Last week Mr. Cardinal removed to Moyie and took the parrot with him. He carried the bird through New Denver, and sat the cage on the walk near THE LEDGE office while he attended to some business elsewhere. The bird was just becoming accustomed to her surroundings and feeling in the talkative mood when a dog came along, and, like most dogs afflicted that way, wanted closer acquaintanceship. He moved threateningly about the cage several times, all the while Polly looking at him out of the corner of her eye. Then the inevitable came. Polly gave a piercing screech and looked the picture of disgust. She was hopping mad, and said many things that would not appear well in print, closing her argument with words that sounded like "I'm not as green as I look," while the dog went up the street like a whirlwind. When Mr. Cardinal returned to the cage the parrot had assumed her customary cheerfulness, and went down the street saying something about "Sweet showers of blessing."

A PLEASING SUCCESS.

Dedication of the Catholic Church, Silverton, on Sunday.

The beautiful little church just erected in Silverton, by the Catholics of that place and vicinity, was formally opened and dedicated last Sunday morning. The exercises were conducted by Father Cote, of Nelson, assisted by Father Galler, S. J., of Spokane, the latter gentleman kindly making a special trip to this part of the country for the occasion

The church was very tastefully decorated, the alter, with its banks of choice flowers, being a beautiful sight, and great credit is due the ladies of Silverton, who so liberally donated flowers. The management of the church are to be congratulated on the very successful issue of the exercises which celebrated the completion of their work.

When the choir began to render the inspiring music of Peter's Mass, in D, there was scarcely standing room left in the church, and the service was most enjoyable throughout. Father Cote made an earnest and eloquent address and was visibly affected as he recounted the kindness and help of both friends and members of the church which had made possible the erection of the church. Father Galler, S. J., is an able orator and his address was much enjoyed.

The singing of the choir was excellent and much praise is due Mrs Gardiner, Mrs Patrickan, Mrs. Delaney and Miss Brandon, who labored so faithfully to make the music a success. In the evening Father Galler preached a masterly sermon to a large congregation, which closed the day's service.

THINKER'S THOUGHTS.

No one can possess knowledge of every kind, but everyone ought to learn what pertains to his duty.—Confucius

Men (as all philosophers of antiquity have said) made God in their own image; which is the reason why the first Anaxagoras, as ancient as Orpheus, expresses himself thus in his verses: "If the birds figured to themselves a god, he would have wings: that of horses would run with four legs."—Voltaire.

With reference to some remarks of mine on missionaries a pious correspondent asks if I do not know who was the author of a certain command to go forth into all the earth and preach the gospel—the Christian gospel. No, I do not, nor does he, but I know that it has cost more hundreds of thousands of human lives than it contains words.—Ambrose Pierce.

The peculiar evil of silencing an expression of an opinion is that it is robbing the human race, posterity as well as the existing generation, those who dissent from the opinion still more than those who hold it. If the opinion is right, they are deprived of the opportunity of changing error for truth; if wrong, they lose, what is almost as great a benefit, the clearer perception and livelier impression of truth, produced by its collision with error.—John Stuart Mill.

Why should it be taken for granted that the men who devoted their lives to the liberation of their fellowmen should have been hissed at in the hour of death by the snakes of conscience, while men who defended slavery—practiced polygamy—justified the stealing of babes from the breasts of mothers, and lashed the naked back of unpaid labor, are supposed to have passed smilingly from earth to the embraces of the angels? Why should we think that the brave thinkers, the investigators, the honest men, must have left the crumbling shore of time in dread and fear, while the instigators of the massacre of St. Bartholomew; the inventors and users of thumb-screws, of iron boots and racks; the burners and tearers of human flesh; the stealers, the whippers, and the enslavers of men; the buyers and beaters of maidens, mothers and babes; the founders of the Inquisition; the makers of chains; the builders of dungeons; the calumniators of the living, the slanderers of the dead, and even the murderers of Jesus Christ, all died in the odor of sanctity, with white hands folded upon breasts of peace, while the destroyers of prejudice, the apostles of humanity, the soldiers of liberty, the breakers of fetters, the creators of light, died surrounded by the fierce fiends of God?—Ingersoll.

A Strict Sabbatarian.

The strictness with which the Sabbath is kept in Scotland is illustrated by a story told by a devout Scottish minister.

He once stopped at a country inn in the northern part of his native land to pass the Sunday. The day was rainy and close, and toward night, as he sat in the little parlor of the inn, he suggested to his landlady that it would be desirable to have one of the windows raised so that they might have some fresh air in the room.

"Mon," said the old woman, with stern disapproval written plainly on her rugged face, "dinna ye ken that ye can hae no fresh air in this house on the Sawbeth?"

Raided the Bank.

A cow from Silverton wandered into New Denver last week. Seeing the green hills through the window of the bank she went around to the back door and attempted to reach them with her lawn crusher. She had got well into the woodshed when one of the brave officers of the bank made such a fierce onslaught on cobossy that she was almost scared into making a deposit before she retired. Grass must be scarce in Silverton when bovines cannot tell it from bank notes.

Phonetic English.

A gentleman living in the provinces received one morning the following account from a phonetic creditor, who demanded immediate payment:

Osvorada
Avordeos
Vuchinovimone } 10s.

The translation from phonetic to the more normal form of orthography is:

Horse for a day
Hay for the horse
Fetching of him home } 10s.

—London Globe.

38 = THOUSAND

The Slocan Fares Well in the Estimates—Silver Mountain Road.

Victoria, B.C., Aug. 14—[Special to THE LEDGE.]—The estimates were handed down to-day. The Slocan mining division gets $38,000 as follows: For general repairs, $10,500; road from Black Fox to Excelsior mine, $8,000; Silver Mountain road to New Denver, $3,000; Crawford creek road, $6,000; Red Mountain road, $3,000; Lavina Butte, $3,000; Duncan River road, $3,000; Leonard-Mollie Gibson road, $1,865.

[Now that the Government has made the grant for the Silver Mountain wagon road let the work be pushed with all possible haste, and the road completed before snow flies. Evidently Mr. Green knew what he was talking about when he was here some weeks ago.—THE LEDGE.]

LEGISLATURE DOINGS.

Victoria, Aug. 11.—The final sitting of the legislature for this week was marked by the most important announcement yet vouchsafed by the government. Intimation was made by the attorney general that on the 17th inst. Mr. Justice Martin would be dispatched to the newly acquired Porcupine district as special commissioner to inquire into the disputes which have arisen incident to the transfer from the United States to British control. His Honor will be clothed with similar powers to those exercised by Mr. Justice Irving in the Atlin district last year and the hope was expressed on both sides of the House that the outcome of the mission will be equally happy. His authority will be practically absolute, and of course more largely discretionary than is the case in the ordinary administration of justice. Most of the claims in the district mentioned were staked under the provisions of the Alaskan law and this will further complicate the disputes ordinarily arising through claim jumping. The government was fortified in its course by a letter from Gold Commissioner J. D. Graham, who was dispatched to the district upon a modus vivendi being reached between the Canadian and United States commissioners. Under the impression that the new commissioner was destined for Atlin the leader of the Opposition entered a strong protest, affirming that the conditions in the Atlin district were no longer such as to warrant the delegation of such extraordinary powers to any man. The decisions of such a commissioner, although sometimes involving immense interests, were final and irrevocable, and deprived the litigants utterly of the right of appeal. He did not consider that the conditions warranted this, Judge Irving having disposed of all matters arising out of boundary disputes and defective records, and the present disputes being exclusively such as could be disposed of through the medium of the common mining laws. The real nature of the mission, however, being explained there was ready acquiescence in the government's course on both sides of the House.

Capt. Tatlow, representing Vancouver, is the latest legislator to grapple with the question of the exclusion of Mongolians. Today he introduced a measure for the regulation of immigration which, it is fondly hoped, will not only exclude the offending Oriental, but what is more important, will evade the disallowance prerogative. It revives the old educational test in a new form. Under its provisions the immigration to British Columbia of any person who is unable to write out and sign an application to the provincial secretary in some European language is declared to be unlawful. The author of the bill by means of a number of riders has made provision to safeguard the interests of those of Caucasian race, on whom otherwise the measure would work a hardship. Very heavy penalties attend the violation of any of the provisions of this bill. The introduction of similar measures from the Opposition side of the House has been met by such ingenious arguments from the occupants of the treasury benches that curiosity is expressed to see how the government will receive such a suggestion emanating from one of their own supporters. It is probable that the necessity for a short session will again be made the basis of another request for the temporary consignment of this vexed and troublesome question to political limbo.

The same problem in another form was before the House the previous day and arose from a fair wage resolution introduced by Mr. Helmcken. Mr. McInnes at once seized the opportunity of adding an amendment excluding Chinese and Japs from employment in connection with all contracts, leases or concessions entered into by the government. The House, of course, refused to accept this, though the principle in a modified form was unanimously endorsed when the main amendment failed. The House went the length of approving the principle in connection with enterprises receiving aid in lands or funds from the provincial exchequer. The father of this proposition was Mr. McPhilips, who has become a sort of a constitutional Pooh Bah, and who probably monopolizes more time than any other two members in the House. On the principle that a half loaf was better than no bread, as Mr. Brown expressed it, the Opposition snatched a partial victory from defeat.

The Government members are still unmollified in the matter of appropriations, and although the estimates are promised for Tuesday, it is doubtful if the various claims will be reconciled by that date. Three weeks is now set as the limit in which the order board can be cleared and the weary legislators relieved of their task.

A Private Cinch.

The Regiment.

A colonial volunteer officer, Captain Brown—in times of peace, Butcher Brown—ordered a sentry found smoking to consider himself a prisoner.

"What!" exclaimed the volunteer soldier, "not smoke on sentry? Then where the——am I to smoke?" The dignified captain reiterated his first remark.

Then did the sentry take his pipe from his mouth, and confidentially tap his officer on the shoulder. "Now look here Brown," said he, "don't go and make a——fool of yourself. If you do I'll go elsewhere for me meat."

Yellow Journalism.

"After all your talk about sensational journalism," exclaimed the fly on the edge of the sugar-bowl. "I'm surprised at you!"

"What about?" gasped the captured fly, vainly endeavoring to extricate itself from the sticky trap.

"Well, I notice that paper you're stuck on now is decidedly yellow."—Philadelphia Press

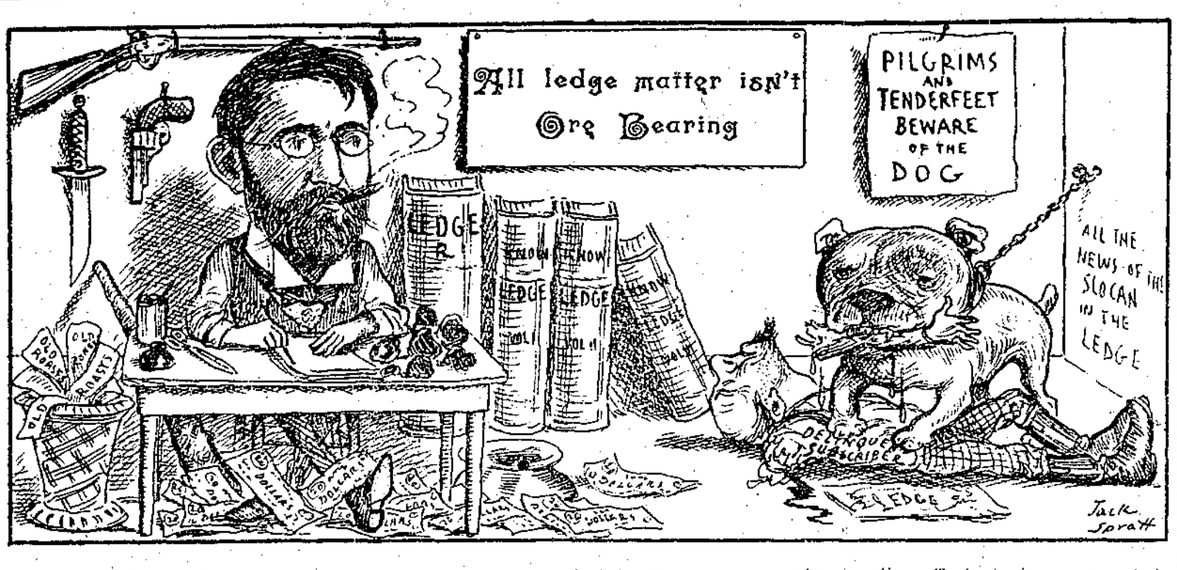
Worth Remembering.

Avoid as far as possible drinking any water which has been contaminated by lead pipes or lead lined tanks.

Avoid drinking water which has been run through galvanized iron pipes.

Avoid using anything acid which has been kept in a tin can.

Williams has a line of fruit that cannot be surpassed in the Slocan.



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R. T. LOWERY, Editor and Financier.

THE LEDGE.

A pencil cross in this square indicates that your subscription is due, and that the editor wishes once again to look at your collateral.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 1900.

About Birds and Animals

Birds and animals do strange things and are sometimes the victims of misplaced confidence. I have known female dogs to furnish natural food for kittens. A dog has been known to drive a team when his master was too drunk to hold the lines. Hens, as a rule, are short on teeth and brains, although they seldom need a tonic for their appetite. They have a great passion for eating, and I have often wondered how they escaped dyspepsia. A hen can be easily misled, and her best laid plans often go astray. They will set on duck eggs just as quick as their own, in which case it is a wise duck that can tell its own father. A New Denver hen once raised a brood of ducks, and when they got close to the lake every duckling took a bath, while the old hen ran up and down the bank, her face the picture of despair and her heart filled with conflicting emotions, while ever and anon she rent the air with a shrill squawk. She never forgot this first great trial of her maternal career, and the next time she had an accouchment, although the brood were real chickens, she took them down to the lake and when they refused to jump in she shoved them all in with her bill.

Cats are hard to kill, which is a fact well-known in history. A New Denver man was once bothered with a brigade of cats that made his nightly life a hollow misery. So he planned their death. Mixing up several pounds of meat and broken glass he put the mess in a large pan and placed it where the cats could easily reach it. In the morning the pan was found licked to a bright finish, and the next evening they came back for more. The light diet agreed well with them, none of them having experienced the slightest pane. Cats sometimes give signs of intellectual progress. This same gentleman who set out the light repast for the cats was in the habit of feeding his chickens at different times during the day. He would always have some pieces of meat to throw to a cat that would run up with the chickens. After a time the cat would often round up the chickens and drive them up to the house so that she could get in on the handout.

Although bears are ugly enough to gag a Parisian sewer, they are rather playful in their youth. Before the Slocan hotel in this camp jarred itself loose by the fire route, George and Neal had two bear cubs which they had probably taken in exchange for a whiskey bill. Being fond of animals, I often played with the cubs. After a time I could hardly keep them away from me. If I sat down in the hotel to play muggins with the boys the cubs would climb up my back, jump on the table and rubber the game with almost human intelligence. When I left the hotel they would follow me to the office and spend hour after hour watching me write editorials. That was before I had a bull-dog. I have often thought that these cubs might easily have become jackleg scribes. Bears in many cases have shown more sense than many men. I remember a cub that used to hang around a saloon in Cayuse City. He was in the habit of drinking out of the slop bucket behind the bar. The bucket usually contained a little beer and plenty of water. A josher one day filled it with whiskey and the cub got a jag that was high grade, but it was the last. He would never drink out of the bucket again, and ever afterwards led a sober life. Unlike men he was satisfied with one experience.

Animals and birds have always been fond of me and like to hang around where I am. I have often at the break of day stepped out to my lawn and found a band of horses holding up the gasoline house, chickens roosting on the wood pile, dogs asleep on my rustic benches, cows in the water barrel, and robins saying high mass on the tin roof of my tall palace. When I lived in Kaslo a band of mules nightly camped around my residence. Late at night I sometimes fell over them when returning to my chaste bunk, and in time they became so fond of the beautiful language I used toward them that they would come around at all hours of the night and kick the building in order to wake me up so that they could listen to the sweet words that would meet the atmosphere.

FROM THE EDITOR'S UPPER STOPE.

John Houston is not atallmi ideal of a pugilist. He should have lasted more than one round.

A few bridge disasters and a few more collisions will make people walk to Spokane instead of traveling over the Spokane Falls and Northern Railway.

A Slocan man stepped into the Montreal Mining Exchange the other day and said: "Why don't you fellows buy a deck of cards and a stack of chips and play poker? It would be more elevating than your present business." "We would," they nearly all cried, "but we have no money to buy the chips."

School opened Monday after the summer holidays with an attendance of 45. This will probably be increased to 50 or more within a week. The seating capacity of the school is for 40 only, thus it can be readily seen how vitally important it is that the Government should at once make the necessary addition to the New Denver school building.

"Sixteen faces," sililoquised The Victoria Colonist the other day, "that were present in the last House are absent from the present one. Among the absentees are all the members of the Semlin Cabinet. This fact contains a lesson for politicians. It shows what will happen to members when the people get tired of them. There probably never was anything like this before. A session in January followed by a session in July, and not a member of the Ministry in existence at the January session in the House at the July session."

A SOFT SNAP.

"I-gol, maw," ejaculated Lab Juckett, a gap-mouthed, peaked-headed Arkansaw youth, upon his return from an afternoon stay in the county seat, "I'm a-goin' to be an editor whin I git a little older."

"Why, pshaw, Labby," returned his mother. "How do you know you'll ever be smart enough?"

"Hoh! Don't you ever worry about that!" confidently replied the ambitious young man. "While pap was talkin' hoss-swap with a feller I sawter dropped into the office of the Weekly Banner and see how the whole thing was done. The place was a dirty front room upstairs, with a dirty back room behind it, that had a greasy durned machine in it that looked right smartly like a cider press, and a lazy man a-pickin' little hunks of lead out of a flat box with cubby-holes in it. The editor was in the front room a-editin; he was settin' and smokin' and cuttin' pieces of printin' out of a newspaper with a pair of shears, and cussin' the hard times and the opposition party. Bime-bye some feller across the street shot one of the front windows out with a load of slugs and the editor cussed some more; and directly a man came in and the editor told him blankety-blank p'intedly that he wouldn't donate no more printer's ink to be used in tar and featherin' persons that wasn't subscribers to the paper. Pretty soon another fellow came up and give the editor a jug of licker which he proceeded to taste, and then taste some more, and so on, every now and then; and directly he quit cussin' and began to grin. Then a farmer came in and handed him three dollars and didn't take anything away and the editor took another drink. Next thing a plug hat man came up and gave him a whole lot of circus tickets for nothin', and they took a drink together, and the plug hat man whacked him on the shoulder and told him he ought to move to the city. After the plug hat man was gone the editor took another drink, and directly he said that times 'peared to be gettin' easier, and he didn't care who shot his front windows out if they enjoyed the performance, and if he didn't feel so tired he would go out and hunt up the tar and feather man that wanted the ink and give him all he could carry away. Then he took a few more drinks and directly rolled off from his chair and went to snorin' under the table. Shucks! I guess I am smart enough to be an editor myself, right now.'

THE COMSTOCK LODE.

Bozeman, Mont. — The Comstock lode has produced more gold and silver than any other group of mines in the United States, and for that reason is known to the greater part of the people of America, and especially to every western man who has ever had anything to do with mining, either directly or indirectly.

Comstock was buried in the cemetery of Bozeman in September, 1870, without any of the usual mourning, pomp or display which is usually accorded to a great discoverer or a great man, for who in those early frontier days of thirty years ago cared what became of a broken down miner, without a cent of money and no hopes or prospects, and who had disobeyed the laws of his Maker and taken his life with his own hand?

Comstock came to Bozeman with a remnant of the "Big Horn Expedition" in the fall of 1870 from Cheyenne, Wyo. He was a big, strong, dark complexioned pioneer, but when he arrived in Bozeman was broke both in spirits and finances. His mind was deranged by the loss of the Comstock lode, which he had been swindled out of, and he could be induced to talk only when some one mentioned mines or mining. Even to those friends with whom he came to the little frontier settlement, he would not speak except on rare occasions. One day he stepped out of the little log cabin he was living in, which some years ago could be found at the rear of Osborne's drug store, and which, at that time, was next to the county jail, and walking to a hole made by the builders of the jail to get dirt to cover the roof of the county's first lock-up, he got down into it and shot himself just above the right temple with a revolver. Judge A. D. McPherson was passing by at the time and turned when he heard the pistol shot in time to see Comstock fall over. The hole being only about three feet deep part of the body was exposed. The judge and occupants of the cabin ran to the hole and found Comstock breathing, but life was soon extinct. Having no friends or money the county of Gallatin provided the necessary coffin and he was buried in September, 1870, in a little plot on the hill. Some years later distant relatives wrote concerning his demise, but on learning he had left no effects or fortune, no further inquiries as to how or where he was interred were made.

Rather than let the name and last resting place of Comstock be lost forever, there is a movement on foot to erect a suitable monument over his grave, to take the place of the little mound of earth now covered with weeds and grass.—The Minneapolis Journal.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

On the irresistible momentum of these two inevitable and ever-growing forces—the concentration of industry and the growth of the new democracy—socialism depends for the realization of its schemes of transformation.—Encyclopedia Britannica.

For my part, I imagine that if the Eternal in his severity were to send me to hell, I should succeed in escaping from it. I would send up to my creator a supplication that would make him smile. The course of reasoning by which I would prove to him that it was through his fault that I was damned would be so subtle that he would find some difficulty in replying. The fate which would suit me best is Purgatory—a charming place, where many delightful romances begun on earth must be continued.—Ernest Renan

Visitors always welcome.

Interesting Room

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POINTS TO BE CONSIDERED

KNOWLEDGE isn't wisdom, but without knowledge it would be difficult to make a man wise. If we would act wisely in anything we must first gain the knowledge to know how to act and then with wisdom put our knowledge into practical use. When a man is casting about, looking for a location where he can make his home with the assurance that, if he "attends to his knitting" and honestly strives to make the best of his opportunities, his efforts will be crowned with success, he wants to know the merits and demerits of the locality and the conditions existing, so as to act with wisdom.

It is because men act without wisdom, on very little knowledge that so many make failures of life. They are led by impulse and flirt with Dame Fortune like a giddy school girl. The result is always the same. They fail; and when they go down they take some body with them, and the community at large suffers in some measure with every failure. It is not failures, but successes, that go to build up a community. One strong, energetic, successful man in a town, who has won through sheer "stick-to-itiveness" and merit, is worth a dozen hangers on, who, without wisdom or worth, attempt to win by pot luck.

It is the former class they are wanted in this part of British Columbia. If any such are seeking an opening, they can come this way. There are openings for every one. Success will be their's as sure as they work for it. New Denver makes the first bid for this class of men. We have some here but there is room for more. The inducements offered are many. We will state a few, as briefly as possible:

New Denver's location, on a plateau sloping to the shore of Slocan lake, makes it an ideal spot for a residential centre, which it is fast being made. Its homes are far above the average found in most mining camps, and its public halls and buildings and business blocks are commodious, substantial, and built with a view to permanency. There is nothing shoddy about them. Like the men who built them, they are here to stay.

It is but natural that this feeling of confidence in New Denver's stability should prevail. Aside from the advantages that the town has as a residential centre, it is fast becoming the headquarters for some of the strongest mining companies operating in the Slocan. The Silver mountain, Goat mountain and Fidelity-Bosun mines, carrying big gold, silver and lead values, are rapidly developing into heavy shippers. Their payrolls at present will not aggregate more than 100 men, but this number will be more than tripled in a short time.

New Denver is the banking and commercial centre, as well as the residential town on the beautiful Slocan lake. The business done by the Bank of Montreal is surprisingly large and ever increasing. All the local mines and those of Four Mile, Ten Mile and Springer and Lemon creeks pay through the local bank.

New Denver's school facilities are good; its churches are neat, well-constructed and well attended. Its streets are sidewalked in all directions. The town is not laid out with one street and a back yard, but covers fully a mile square and is without doubt the prettiest spot for a home in the mining section of British Columbia.

New Denver's citizens are the pioneers of the Slocan. They have made money in the camp and re-invested it. They own their homes and are continually improving them, confident that they will be amply repaid for the expenditure in the comfort and enjoyment of them.

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(From the report—Killed: White, Oliver, Company H, Thirty-Sixth Infantry, in action at Calamba, May —.)

Out in the Philippines (can't tell where,
Jes' exactly, tho' Pa has read
All it gives in the atlis there)
Ollie—but, mebbe, you've heard?—is dead.
Pa, he says that it mayn't be so;
Things in the papers ain't always right,
Specially names—but I know, I know!
(Killed, in action, Oliver White.)

Mus' be Ollie—for it's the same
Regiment—company, even, too.
Pa insists: "It's a common name;
We'll jes' hope that the news ain't true."
Yet why, when the paper come to day,
Was I of a sudden took with fright
Ere ever I saw what it had to say?
(Killed, in action, Oliver White.)

Few, I reckon, will think it's him:
"Oliver" sounds so stiff and queer;
To all the people he's "Spike" and "Slim"—
No one spoke of him different, here.
Wasn't the steadiest kind of lad:
Loafed—a little; and drank—a mite:
But, then, he wasn't precisely bad.
(Killed, in action, Oliver White.)

And p'raps we ought to be glad he went
I was willin'—I cried a bit,
But thought if soldierin' was his bent
'Twas wrong to keep him away from it.
And now the people who called him wild
And good-for-nothing, will see they mistk
Hev all misjudged him—my child! my child!
(Killed, in action, Oliver White.)

THE POWER OF THE BANKS.

The recent absorption of the Bank of British Columbia by the Canadian Bank of Commerce directs attention to the centralization of capital now going on in Canada. It is announced that when the purchase is completed the capital of the Bank of Commerce will be $8,000,000, and its reserve $2,000,000, making its total working capital $10,000,000. It will have sixty-nine branches in Canada and the United States.

It is idle to say that this amalgamation is called for by the growing needs of the Dominion. The number of commercial transactions in Canada is small compared with those of the United States, yet there are only two banking institutions in the United States that will now outrank the Bank of Commerce. The fact that banking institutions are proportionately larger here than in the United States is because our laws afford opportunities for centralization, while the people of the United States have for the past 60 years viewed with suspicion any move tending to centralize "the money power," and have steadily opposed any attemp directed to that end. Here, a bank may establish any number of branches, while in the United States no bank is permitted to have more than one office. The Bank of Commerce has taken over the Bank of British Columbia, not because the business interests of the Dominion require it, but because it desires to increase the volume of its business and the profits of its shareholders.

Not only do our laws offer facilities for the concentration of capital to an extent known in few, if any, other lands, but the configuration of the Dominion and the sparseness of our population afford opportunities to use that power to an extent that it can be used in no other country. In the United States population is comparatively compact, and an attempt of the moneyed interests to exert an undue influence in public affairs at once arouses the people who can take united action to circumvent them. But a bank magnate at Montreal or Toronto can bring his whole tremendous power to bear at any point in Canada, while population is so scattered and the interests of the various provinces so diverse, that it is next to impossible to secure united public action against his encroachments.

When we incorporated the Canadian Pacific Railway Company we created a body which now dominates the Parliament to which it owes its existence. Our course in connection with the banks seems likely to lead to similar results. If the banks and railways join forces, as now seems quite likely, we might as well throw up our hands.—Toronto Sun.

JUST LIKE THEIR ELDERS.

The Episcopal Bishop Anderson has a daughter of four. The other day the family entertained some friends from Denver. In the visiting family there was a little girl of the same age as the Anderson child. Her family were Presbyterians. It was proposed that the two little girls share the same bed, which was assented to by the children. When bedtime came they both knelt down to say their prayers in unison.

When little Miss Anderson was saying, "Forgive us our trespasses," she heard her companion say, "Forgive us our debts," and she said, sharply:

"It's 'trespasses!'"

"No it ain't," said the Denver Calvinist. "It's 'debts.'"

"Trespasses!"

"Debts!"

"Trespasses!"

"Debts!"

Out flew a chubby Anderson fist which struck a Presbyterian eye. There was a mixup immediately.

"Now it's 'trespasses,' ain't it?"

"No," said she, stoutly. "It's 'debts.'"

Peace was restored, and the two consented to go on with the prayer. When they came to the end the little Presbyterian said "Amen," giving the flat "a" of the dissenters, while the little Episcopalian intoned "Ah-men," with the broad sound to the first vowel.

"Amen," repeated the Presbyterian.

"Ah-men," said Miss Anderson, with conviction.

They were only saved from another encounter by being bundled into bed. As the door was closed upon them each was still maintaining her idea of pronunciation.—Chicago Chronicle

NOTED BOOK AGENTS.

Napoleon Bonaparte, when a poor lieutenant, took the agency for a work entitled "L'Histoire de la Revolution." In the foyer of the great Palace of the Louvre can be seen to-day the great emperor's canvassing outfit, with the long list of subscribers he secured.

George Washington, when young, canvassed around Alexandria, Va., and sold over 200 copies of a work entitled "Bydell's American Savage."

Mark Twain was a book agent.

Longfellow sold books by subscription

Jay Gould, when starting in life, was a canvasser.

Daniel Webster paid his second term's tuition at Dartmouth by handling "De Tocqueville's America" in Merrimac county, New Hampshire.

General U. S Grant canvassed for Irving's "Columbus."

James G. Blaine began life as a canvasser for a "Life of Henry Clay."

Bismarck, when at Heidelberg, spent a vacation in canvassing for one of Blumenbach's hardbooks.

Evidently True.

Seven years ago a western farmer hung his vest in the barn yard; a calf chewed the pocket of the garment in which was his gold watch. One day, the animal, a staid old cow, was butchered for beef, and the watch was found in such a position between the lungs of the cow that the process of respiration—the closing in and filling of the lungs—kept the stemwinder wound up, and the watch had lost but four minutes in the seven years. The watch can be seen by any who may be sceptical.

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NO FLAG.

Nay; I am no patriot; not for me
This prejudice, so proud, of one's own country.
Always right, chiefest cause of enmity.

Atween the nations. Were it not for this,
All peoples had a million years, I wis,
Ago, exchanged of brotherhood the kiss!

And, were it not for this, how great a flood
Had never flowed of warmest, reddest blood,
From hearts of murdered heroes, brave and good!

How many women hearts unbroke had been,
Had "patriots" not forgotten they were men,
And murdered that their land might "glory" win.

O folly, this, to die to wear a rag!
O crime, to kill because one's country's flag
Is different from some other piebald rag!

For noble hearts find one land scant of room,
All men their brothers, and the world their home,
From highest mountain peak to ocean foam.

Their love holds all, their boast is every clime,
Their sympathy with every race in every time,
All patriot songs with equal voice they chime.

They lift no flag, and sound no party cry,
And leave to fools to run in herds to die,
Insane at hearing, "Foreign foes are nigh!"

For them there are no foreigners at all,
No prejudice of birth, no Chinese wall,
The Briton but the fellow of the Gaul.

They hold all roads are open, earth and sea,
No rightful duty, tax, or passport, we,
All travelers welcome, and all commerce free.

They would all bounds were blotted, bars were down,
All nation-lines and States were overthrown,
Naught left but honest neighborhoods alone.

For honest men no laws, no government,
No interference, howsoe'er well-meant,
Each man's life, fortune, as he pleases spent.

O when shall men be tall enough to see
That pride of country makes for slavery,
That he alone who has no flag is free!

The man without the country, habits all:
Without a flag all banners drape his wall:
His patriot heart hears but the wide world's call.

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MOUNTAIN CHIEF NO. 3, and SARNIA Mineral Claims.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: About four miles up Four Mile creek, and adjoining the Essex and Ottawa.

TAKE NOTICE That I, D. A. McDonell, F. M. C. 39878 acting for myself and as agent for Alfred Hill, F. M. C. 38572; Joseph Sturgon, F. M. C. 39282, and Florence Lawrence McInnes, F. M. C 38916, 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 each of the above claims

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

Dated this 2nd day of August, 1900. 8-9

SUNRISE Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On West side of Climax Mineral Claim, north of Carpenter Creek.

TAKE NOTICE That I, F. S. Clements of Nelson, B. C., acting as agent for Johanna Erp. Brockhausen, F. M. C. No. B. 27296, and Sidney H. Nichols, F. M. C. No. B 38296, 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 22nd day of June, A. D., 1900. 7-5

SANDOW and LONE STAR, No. 3, Mineral Claims.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Silver Mountain, 1½ miles southwest of New Denver, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Charles S. Rashdall, of New Denver, B. C., acting as agent for Robert B. Skinner, F. M. C. No. B 15073, and Dalziel Gordon Smith, F. M. C. No. B 15072, 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 each of the above claims.

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

Dated this 28th day of June, A. D. 1900.

7-5 CHARLES S. RASHDALL

BUCK FRACTION Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: About two miles east of Silverton, adjoining the Silverton Boy.

TAKE NOTICE That I, E. Rammelmeyer, free miner's certificate No. B 38861, acting as agent for Mary E. Rammelmeyer, free miner's certificate No. B 38858, 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 5th day of July, A. D., 1900.

STORMOUNT Mineral Claim

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: Ten miles east of Slocan Lake and about one and one-half miles east of Seaton Creek, and being a northerly extension of the Washington.

TAKE NOTICE That I Chas. Moore, acting as agent for S. K. Green, F. M. C. No. B.27826 and W. A. Jowett, F. M. C. No. 779 (special) 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 15th day of June, 1900.

6-21 CHAS. MOORE.

ROSE MARIE Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: South of Mowich claim, Carpenter Creek.

TAKE NOTICE That I, Herbert T. Twigg, agent for James H. Moran, Free Miner's Certificate No. 57037, and Charles W. Greenlee, F. M. C. No. 38960, 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 Sec. 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 7th day of June, 1900.

HERBERT T. TWIGG.

DAYTON NO. 2, ALTOONA, BON KNOT, REUBEN, and TAWANDA Mineral Claims

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Payne Mountain, about 1½ miles from the town of Sandon, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE That I, Alexander Sproat, agent for the Sandon Mining and Milling Company, Limited Free Miner's Certificate No. 1868, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of each of the above claims.

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MINING RECORDS

The following is a complete list of the mining transactions recorded during the week in the several mining divisions of the Slocan. Those of New Denver were as follows:—

LOCATIONS.

Aug 1—Gabriel, n fk Carpenter ck, J Bassett.
3—Fredericson, Silver mt, W Murry.
Union Jack, Cody cr, C Haller.
4—Snowshoe, n fk Carpenter ck, H Johnson.
Coyer, nr Silverton, W V Smith.
G L fr, nr R E Lee, T B May.
Johnstown, Carpenter cr, K J Morrison.
6—Primeleva, n fk Carpenter, J T Kelly.
16 to 1, Four Mile ck, L M Knowles.
8—Drake, Seaton cr, F Johnson.
Franklin, same, F Johnson, C Peterson.
Lena, and Solo, Wilson ck, G S Vanstone.
10—Delegate fr, Cody ck, J Dockstader, A H Langill.
11—Castle Town, Eight Mile cr, R Thompson.
Mammoth, Trout ck, T N Neish. Butte, same, N E Holenjrene. Wanderer, same, R A Bradshaw. Treasurer, same, I Loughead.
Aug 13—Yorkshire Boy, Granite ck, J Tinling jr. Alie Lincalu, and Beaidwood, same, J R Roberts.
Butler, Fennell ck, B F McNaught.
South Water, Granite ck, A S Roberts.
Eve, nr Cody, A W Grierson.

ASSESSMENTS.

July 31—Oregon, Main, Deadweight, Argenta. Aug 1—Tremont, Nicole, Osborn, Snowflake, Andy, Hardscrabble. 2—G O P. 3—Gopher fr, Butcher, Nancy Lee, Stanley No 2, Kelvin, Furlong fr, Cody fr, Eric. 6—Ethel fr, Red Fox, Red Fox fr, Central, Ella B, Black Bess, Minnie, Little Estella fr, Hone Joy. 6—St Paul No 4, Minneapolis, Wren, Daylight, Hovedo, Maple Leaf, Cutlas No 2, Patter & Me fr, Ava fr. 8—Lucky Swede, Swede Boy, Eclipse, Glencoe. 9—Victoria No 6. 10—Veandory, Maud M, Veandor, Ellise, Ella, Silver Band, Croydon fr, Islington, Iveybird, Rodney, Winton. 11—Imperial, Snowdon. 13—Silver Cord, America, Lord Roberts, Great Britain.

CERTIFICATES OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Aug 2—Mowich, Opatunka, Fairy, Chetopa. 9—Daylight, Hoodo. 14—Mary S fr, Currant, Ensign.

TRANSFERS.

Aug 4—Butcher, ½, Jas Wiggington to H Clever, July 31.
Aug 5—Hoodo, ½, W F Dickson to H B Alexander, May 8, '97. Same to same, 9-16 Hoodo.
Aug 7—Turris, Dewery, Sligo fr, Capella and Wallace, 1-12 each, A Thompson, Russell Thompson and W D Mitchell to N F McNaught.
Aug 9—Power of attorney re Noonday-Curly Mines, Hugh Stewart and Andy Stewart to Jos Brandon.
Aug 11—Bristol fr, Ben Kneebone to John Carolan and Lawrence Doolan.

SLOCAN CITY DIVISION.

LOCATIONS.

July 28—Westside, n f Springer, A Tanks.
Empire, same, R J Kirkwood.
Clyde, divide Springer and Lemon, C H Loenson.
Warwick, 1st n f Lemon, J Cross.
Chapleau Extension fr, same, R A Abbott.
24—Pinto, near Summit creek, J A Foley.
Commissary, same, D McLeod.
Regina fr, s f Springer, J E Tattersall.
Toronto, Springer creek, W Clement.
Loretta Mine, divide Springer and Dayton, H Cameron.
25—Alabama, Twelve Mile, F Anderson.
Francis A, 2nd n f Lemon, G Miller.
27—Maple Leaf, Slocan Lake, R D McVicar.
Butler, 1st n f Lemon, H D Curtis.
New Apex, Lemon creek, J D Reid.
28—Auntie Lala, Caldwell creek, P Hauck.
My Norway Queen, between Tobin and Caldwell creeks, J E Horrie.
30—Columbus, 1st n f Lemon, H D Curtis.
Waterloo, same, J A Shupe.
31—Richmond, Tobin creek, T Gray and Paul Hauck.
Aug 1—Transvaal, Ten Mile, J Kelsen.
Rescue, same, B V Risdon.
Mountain Goat, Goat creek, J P Driscoll and T J Baty.
Douni, Lemon creek, M Radcliffe
Wess, same, J Radcliffe.
Rockwin, near Two Friends, W Clough.
Carnarvon, Ten Mile, T Davies.
Three Friends, Brindle creek, T J Lloyd.
3—Monument No 3 fr, 5th s f Lemon, J Wafer and J W Blanch.
Ivey, Twelve Mile, J E Tattersall.
Myrtle, same, F A Tattersall.
4—N G, 2nd n f Lemon, J Benedum.
Sand Bank, same, same.

ASSESSMENTS.

July 23—Middlesex, Hyderabad, Speculator, Lone Dutchman, Hinton. 24—Colby, Forty Nine, Sidelight, Willeth, Sunbeam, Free Gold fr, King Billy, Manxman. 25—Wasa, Monton, Clipper, Black Prince, Bonnie Doon. 26—Garibaldi for two years Rome for two years. 27—Balsam, Graphic fr, Mary Alice, Emma E. 28—Triple Cedar, Tilley, Marionette, Little Dorritt. 30—Great Western, Grand Trunk, Northern Pacific, Great Northern, Lone Pine, Exchange, Silver Plate, Hettie, Quo Vadis, Soldier Boy for three years, Jose for three years, Baby Royal, Lexington fr. 31—Silver Leaf, Home Run, St Lawrence, Copper Queen, Copper King, Aquila for two years. Aug 1—Happy Jerry, Arlington No 1 fr, Stephenite fr. 2—Highland Light, Silver Cliff, Sunrise. 4—Kingston, Sunrise fr, Katie.

TRANSFERS.

July 23—Middlesex, J Foley to M Madigan.
Same 1-6, M Madigan to S J Curry
25—Blue Coat, J Anderson to M Isaacson.
Silver Bear, same to same.
27—Two Friends ¾, A York, J W Clarke, R E Allen, D Sloan and J Sloan to T Lake, lease for one year and option to purchase for $30,000.
31—Exchange ½, Silver Plate 1-6, H Fife to G E Robinson.
Aug 1—Eva ½, M Heckman to W Harris.
2—Native Silver ½, C A Heller to M Manley, $5,000.

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

July 28—D Sutherland to R A Bradshaw.

ONTARIO MINING NOTES.

A prospector named Wilson, of Perth, has just unearthed a large deposit of iron ore near Crow lake, north of Frontenac. It is the largest deposit of ore yet discovered in Frontenac county, and active operations have begun to sink a shaft.

A Belleville exchange says that the output of arsenic in North Hastings promises to be greater than in any country in the world and that the owners of arsenical properties will probably realize handsome profits from this important mineral.

Work was commenced this week on the foundation of a large addition to the works in connection with the Belmont gold mine in Marmora and Belmont townships, owned by the Cordova Exploration Company. The milling plant is to be increased by the addition of forty stamps. This will make the Belmont mill the largest in Ontario.

Mr. D. E. K. Stewart and three other gentlemen a few days ago purchased the Kenefic mine in the township of Anglesea, Addington county. The ore from this property is mispickle, resembling very much that from the Deloro mine, and there is a large well-defined quartz vein, from which very fair assays in gold and arsenic have been obtained.

The Cordova Exploration Company are preparing to develop their water power on Deer River falls, lately secured from the Gilmour Company. This will supply power for the mine much more cheaply than by steam. The company will also increase the number of stamps in their mill. The Belmont gold mine is being thoroughly developed and will be one of the finest mines in Canada within the near future.

There is a much brighter outlook at the Malone mine, says the Herald. A well-defined vein of mispickle has been struck. Mr. J. W. Lindsay has returned from Nova Scotia and is taking charge of the mill. Mr Lindsay is an experienced mill man. He was foreman at the Deloro mill last year and, needless to say, the results at Malone have been a great deal different under his management. The mill is now running steadily night and day. A large force of hands has been added.

A meeting of the shareholders of the Atlas Arsenic Company was held at Deloro last week. The company have expended over $30,000 during the last year in development work, and have one of the most complete plants in Ontario, with a ten-stamp mill, compressor and everything required for the reduction of their ores. Their output during the month of June was $9,860. They intend to put in some of the latest machinery at once for the reduction of arsenic and concentrates, and expect that the monthly output will be greatly increased.

At Port Arthur there has been much development in the iron district. Several American capitalists have invested extensively, and are sinking shafts at intervals on the properties. The Mikado mine at Rat Portage has doubled its capacity, and other mines are adding to their machinery. Several gold discoveries have been made at Rat Portage within the past few weeks, and further iron discoveries have been made along the north shore. Thirty-two miles of the Algoma Central railway have been completed at the Soo.

Mr Wilson, of Kingston, who was last week on a visit to the Sovereign gold mine, of which he is manager, returned home Saturday. He took with him a gold brick weighing forty-two ounces, valued at nearly $900, which has been deposited at the Standard Bank. This brick was taken from 202 tons of ore and was crushed in 196 hours. Besides the above there are eight tons of concentrates that have to be treated by a different process, valued at $14.50 a ton. The true "fissure vein" has been discovered and it is three feet six inches wide and can be traced for over two miles. The mill is now washing a test run on the ore taken from this vein, the results of which will be known in two weeks.

Since operations were resumed about twelve days ago in Mr. Harrison's talc mine, work has been steadily pushed ahead. A carload of thirty-three tons of the material has been shipped to Belleville and about 225 tons more have been taken up to the G. T. R. station to be in readiness for shipment as soon as boats and cars are available. Four men are now employed about the mine taking out ore and three teams draw the stuff to the station. The talc now being taken out is clean and white and an idea of its purity may be had from the fact that in culling what is now at the station hardly fifty pounds was thrown out. Over the shaft a rough but durable building has been erected, and in it has been placed a strong hoist, which is operated with an ordinary horse power. The shaft has been sunk between 30 and 40 feet and is 20 or 25 feet wide. This, however, is not the full width of the vein, as that has not yet been ascertained. The staff have commenced work in a drift in a northwesterly direction, and nothing but the pure white talc is being taken out. There is a great amount of grey talc also, but this is not being worked, as it is of an inferior grade. A tramp over the property shows the quantity to be almost inexhaustible.—Madoc Review.

To me the success of Mormonism is no evidence of its truth, because it has succeeded only with the superstitious. It has been recruited from communities brutalized by other forms of superstition. To me, the success of Mohammed does not tend to show that he was right—for the reason that he triumphed only over the ignorant, over the superstitious. The same is true of the Catholic church. Its seeds were planted in darkness. It was accepted by the credulous, by men incapable of reasoning upon such questions.—Ingersoll to Cardinal Manning.

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"Do you feel better?" asked the giver.

"I do," said he who had groaned.

"What ailed you, anyway?"

"Ailed me?"

"Yes; what made you groan so?"

"Groan! Great Scott, man, I was singing!"

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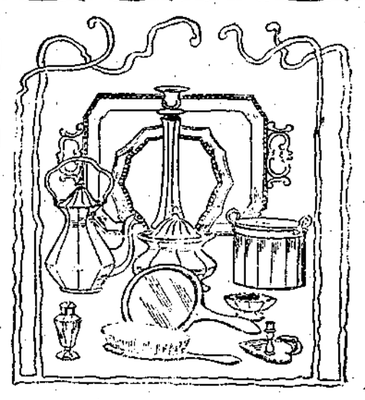

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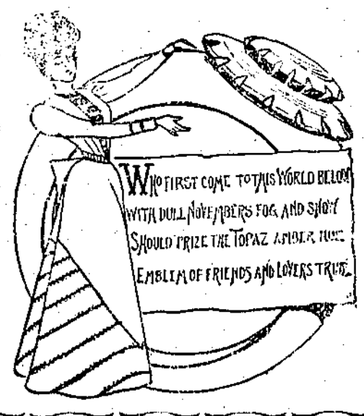

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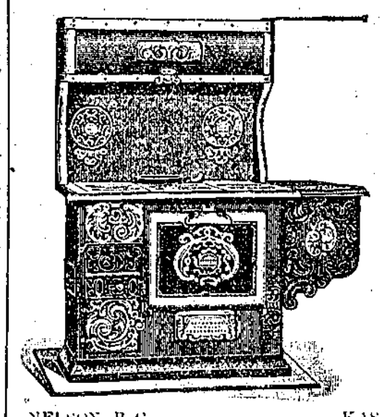

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