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SLOGAN GAMP NEWS

LOCAL CHIT-CHAT.

Thanksgiving day passed off quietly, all places of business being closed.

There was a knife-pulling fracas in town Wednesday night. No one was hurt much.

The band gave evidence of its existence by a short open-air concert on Thanksgiving day.

Pat Burns' bond on J. Marino's three-eighths interest in the California falls due to-day (Thursday).

Services will be held in the Methodist church next Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. Everybody welcome. R.N.Powell.

Ham & Crawford have moved into their new quarters in the Wallace building. They have one of the best stores in town.

C. F. Nicholson, one of the owners of the Anglo-Saxon group, left for Rossland, on Saturday, where he will spend the winter.

W. H. Brandon and wife, of Silverton, left on Monday for a winter's visit among friends in Chicago, New York and Guelph, Ont.

A. E. Fauquier won R. Alexander's canoe at the raffle at the Newmarket on Wednesday evening. P. Lindquist secured the turkey.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen are organizing in Sandon, being assisted by Rev. J. Irvine, of Vancouver, provincial organizer.

Three new cases have been admitted to the Slocan Hospital during the week. One patient was discharged Monday, leaving five cots occupied.

Harry Williams, one of the unfortunates mixed up in the Sandon anti-Chinese agitation, was sentenced to a week's imprisonment by Judge Forin at Nelson.

Rev. J. Irvine, of St. Michael's church, Vancouver, conducted the Anglican services here on Sunday, in the stead of Rev. C. F. Yates, who was indisposed.

W. McLeod, one of the miners at the Payne, had his leg badly bruised and a small bone broken, on Wednesday, by a fall of rock. He is at present in the hospital here.

McGillivray & McLachlan have had the bar room of the Windsor Hotel renovated and generally fixed up, making as neat and attractive premises as are found anywhere.

The first car of through freight over the Crow's Nest road from the east arrived in Nelson on Sunday. It was loaded with flour, and was consigned to Trail from Portage la Prairie.

Married—By the Rev. C. F. Yates, at Nakusp, on Thursday evening November 24th, William Sutherland, formerly of Wick, Scotland, to Annie, widow of the late Captain Vanderburg.

The insurance carried in this town in the companies represented by Thompson & Mitchell amounts to between $60,000 and $70,000. New Denver is considered one of the best risks in the country.

David W. King, late of the Kaslo Kootenaian but now ore-buyer for the Great Falls smelter, is in this section looking up purchases for his company. He was in New Denver and Silverton on Tuesday.

F. Shook, dispenser at the hospital, was so unfortunate a few days ago as to lose his pocket-book, containing $35 in cash and a number of papers. The finder will receive a reward by leaving it at the hospital.

The Uniform Rank of the Knights of Pythias will be inaugurated in Sandon in a few days, Rev. J. Irvine, lieutenant of the Vancouver brigade, and C. L. Behnsen, past captain of the same, conducting the ceremonies.

G. H. Dawson, of this town, manager of the Essex, says he has but two men working at present, and will close down at Christmas, as there are no permanent quarters on the property. He is abundantly satisfied with the season's developments.

Increasing Their Stock.

At a recent meeting of the stockholders in the Ruth No. 2 Mining Co. it was decided to increase the capital stock from $6,000 to $10,000. Stockholders are to be given to December 15 to take up their porportion of the increase. The Dorothy, close by the Ruth, is owned by this company and the proceeds are to be used in pushing the tunnel into the hill to crosscut the ledge, when a good chute of ore is expected to come into place.

SLOCAN MINERAL FLOAT.

Carl Hand, of Butte, is now manager of the Payne.

The Last Chance tramway will be completed in a few days.

R. M. Covington has a $3,000 contract at the head of Kaslo creek.

W. J. Goepel is acting Gold Commissioner in place of O. G. Dennis.

The Rambler-Cariboo is making preparations for its winter's shipments.

Three hundred and seven tons of ore was shipped from Sandon last week.

The Idaho still keeps up its export trade, sending out 60 tons during the week.

At the Vancouver 200 tons of high grade galena is sacked and ready for the sleighs.

A concentrator is to built at Sandon by the Ruth. The mine and mill will be connected by tramway.

A. W. McCune, one of the owners of the Payne, is conducting an energetic campaign as United States senator for Utah.

From the Whitewater 45 tons were shipped last week, 35 tons from the Jackson, and 19 from the Whitewater Deep.

The Reco has made arrangements to ship the winter's output by way of the K. & S., rawhiding it down to the Cody branch.

Scott McDonald has quit the Payne and has gone to Southern California for the benefit of his health, which is somewhat precarious.

Close to 600 tons of ore has been sacked at the Wakefield ready for shipment so soon as the snow on the lower levels permits of hauling.

A contract has been let for 100 feet of tunneling on the Wonderful, continuing the lower workings. It is expected the ledge will be tapped.

Four men are at work on the Convention, on Silver mountain, putting up a cabin and getting things into shape for general development.

Superintendent Fraser, of the Galena Farm mine, has resigned his position and departed for South Africa, where he has secured a lucrative position.

Bruce White, manager of the Slocan Star, was married on Nov. 16, at Skawkegan, Maine, to Miss Mary Elise Fellows. They will reside at Nelson.

An English company, with E. Mansfield as manager, is working the Joker group, on South Kaslo. There is a three-foot paystreak, giving returns of $75 in gold.

Another tunnel is to be run on the Miller Creek, 120 feet below the present workings. It is to crosscut the ledge to the hanging wall. There are 120 tons of concentrates on the dump.

Three men are working on the Ma Mere, adjoining the Neglected and near the Bosun. The shaft is now down 20 feet in good mineral-bearing quartz and it is to be continued till the showing improves.

P. Lindquist and partners went down to Ten Mile on Saturday, to commence the winter's work on the Young Dominion. They will erect a cabin and blacksmith shop, and endeavor to get out enough ore to make a shipment.

G. H. Dawson will continue the development of the Essex till Christmas. Over 300 feet of tunnel has been driven, and ore, assaying 200 oz., is showing in each of three drifts. The Essex has the continuation of the Wakefield lead.

EMILY EDITH DOING WELL.

According to the report at the home office of the New British Columbia Development Corporation, at London, Eng., developments at the Emily Edith mine on Four Mile are proceeding satisfactorily. The vein is getting more defined and the ore more compact, the dip being now almost vertical. There is a 20-in. stringer in the vein of almost solid ore, composed of galena and some zinc blend in face of upper tunnel. It is intended to start a raise to the surface in about two weeks if developments continue as at present. Work on the lower tunnel has been discontinued temporarily until the exact dip and direction of the ore chute in the upper tunnel has been definitely determined.

Work to be Resumed.

Secretary Daggett, of the Ruth No. 2, announces that work will be resumed at once on the Dorothy, and the crosscut tunnel will be pushed to completion, tapping the lead 200 feet deep. The Dorothy is a most promising property and is owned by the Ruth No. 2 company.

LEDGE CROPPINGS.

Several parties are placer mining on Bull river, East Kootenay.

A tramway is to be built from the St. Eugene mine to their concentrator.

Ainsworth is agitating for a wagon road at the northern part of the camp.

A concentrator is to be built at the New Jerusalem, Ainsworth, in the spring.

The C.P.R. is making a strong bid to handle the Moyie City ores at the Trail smelter.

Placer mining is being followed with varying success on Perry creek, East Kootenay.

The French Creek Co. has discontinued operations in the Big Bend country for the winter.

Thirty-five men are working in No. 1 mine at Ainsworth, and are taking out considerable ore.

Ore, assaying $1,000 in gold per ton, has been struck on the Great Republic mine, on the Colville reservation.

A four-drill compressor and other machinery have been ordered for the Sullivan group, in the Fort Steele camp.

Assays as high as $12,869 in free milling gold have been obtained from the Big Chief claim, six miles from Fort Steele.

A contract has been let to sink the shaft on the Skyline, at Ainsworth, to a depth of 300 feet. Fifteen men are employed.

The big hoist at the War Eagle has been completed. It took four months to place in position and was the largest in Canada.

Twelve feet of solid ore has been struck on the Elmore mine, near Cascade City, and owned by the Belcher Gold Mining Co.

Two hundred tons of high grade ore is on the dump of the Silver Glance, at Ainsworth, ready for shipment. It is owned by Tacoma parties.

Work on the first section of the Goat river trail, 12 miles, has been completed. This trail will be pushed on to White Grouse mountain, tapping a rich country.

The bond on the Moyie and Queen of the Hills group, near Moyie City, has been thrown up. It was for $125,000 and was held by the Fort Steele Development Co. of London.

The Le Roi is to be systematically developed by the B. A. C., who will keep 250 men employed. Two hundred and fifty tons of ore will be shipped daily to the smelter at Northport

A compressor plant is to be put in on the Black Diamond, Ainsworth, to be run by water power. The long tunnel, of 2,100 feet, will tap the Black Diamond, Little Donald and Highlander properties.

The annual meeting of the North-East Kootenay Miner's Association was held at Golden on Tuesday. The past year was successful, and the balance on hand is $34.12. Hon. F. W. Aylmer was elected president.

A mammoth strike has just been made on the Golden Eagle property, on Volcanic mountain, in the Boundary camp. In a shaft at a depth of about 45 feet a ledge of ore about 12 feet in width has been struck, the ore assaying $100 in gold. This property has recently been bonded by a London syndicate.

SLOCAN VEGETABLES.

An idea of the productiveness of the soil round New Denver may be judged from the variety, size, quality and quantity of the vegetables grown upon the Bosun ranch, owned by J. C. Harris. Most of the soil cultivated has been improved from the virgin forest within the past year or so. Beets have been grown weighing 9 pounds each; carrots, 6 lbs.; red cabbage, 22 lbs.; green cabbage, 18 lbs. and pumpkins, 50 lbs. Potatoes, onions, melons of all kinds, tomatoes, citrons and cucumbers were a great success and the early ones ripened well. Small fruits bore exceedingly large crops, and, in fact, everything planted so far has returned a rich harvest. Mineral is not the only wealth of the Slocan.

OHIO DEVELOPMENT.

R. I. Kirkwood and Frank Wells are pushing development on the Ohio, on Ten Mile creek. They will have their tunnel, which is being driven in on the Arlington lead, timbered this week, and then will drift ahead for the Enterprise lead, which cuts the big lead about 50 feet farther on. They purpose crosscutting again to either wall, the ledge being over 12 feet in width. At present they have a combination of mineral that would puzzle a Philadelphia lawyer, but hope to be in shipping ore by January. There is four feet of snow on the summit and more falling daily. A second outfit of buyers has been making overtures for the purchase of the Ohio.

ROUND THE HUB.

Cranbrook has now a public school.

Typhoid fever is prevalent in Nelson.

Nelson has $1,300 available for its free library.

Building operations are brisk at Cranbrook.

The C. P. R are building a new passenger wharf at Robson.

The Knights of Pythias are organizing a lodge in Revelstoke.

There is an average daily attendance of 215 at the Nelson school.

A. J. Slee is managing the Kaslo Kootenaian, vice D. W. King.

Kaslo proposes to pay its Mayor $600 per year and the alderman $150.

Editor Simpson, of the Cranbrook Herald has taken unto himself a wife.

Harry Lindley is to open the new opera house at Revelstoke on the 5th.

Nelson expects to have $1,000,000 expended in new buildings next summer.

Gold Commissioner Dennis, of Nelson, has retired from the Government service.

A branch of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax has been opened at Grand Forks.

Golden is to have a fire engine, to cost $4,000, with a 500-gallon per minute capacity.

H. Stafore, employed at the concentrator at Ainsworth, had his leg broken last week.

D. Bongard's hotel at Cody has been closed and the family removed to Greenwood.

Thirteen hotels are doing business in Cascade City. Other lines are well represented.

D. W. King, of Kaslo, has left journalism, and is now buying ore for the Great Falls smelter.

E. C. Smith, of the Rossland Record, has been arrested for criminal libelling C. E. Race, of the Miner.

R. H. Trueman, of Vancouver, will open a photograph gallery in Sandon, in the Sandilands building.

Prizes, to the value of $1,500, are to be awarded for rock drilling at the Rossland midwinter carnival.

The engine and several cars of the No. 1 train on the C. P. R. jumped the track at Revelstoke on Sunday.

The townsite of Grand Forks has passed into the hands of an eastern syndicate, who paid $94,000 cash for it.

G. Lewis, employed by Hull & Co., Revelstoke, had his foot badly crushed on Friday, by the fall of a horse he was riding.

The Rossland Board of Trade are issuing a handsomely gotten-up history of their city for 1898. It is lavishly illustrated.

P. G. Hennesy and C. Jacobs, of Rossland, narrowly escaped death on Tuesday by the explosion of an acetylene gas plant.

H. F. Mytton, who was manager of the Bank of British Columbia at Sandon, has been appointed to a similar position at Rossland.

P. Haven, employed at McDonald's camp on the R. & P. R., was killed last week by a rock from a blast, having been struck just over the heart.

E. C. Pease, formerly a well-known C. P. R telegraph operator at Whitewater, has died at Spokane, as the result of a surgical operation.

A. Clausen, a workman at the Trail smelter, was almost smothered by falling into a coke bin one day last week. He was under the coke an hour.

Peter Jackson, a prospector, who was working on same claims on Barrett creek, had his right hand blown off Sunday with a shotgun while out hunting. Jackson was brought to Ymir and the wound was dressed by Dr. Keller. He was taken to the hospital at Nelson.

JOTTINGS FROM WHITEWATER.

The Charleston has closed down. Rumor has it that the owners will resume operations in the spring.

A report is in circulation that a rich strike has been made on the Lucky Ed. one of the Jackson basin mines.

The Whitewater mill is expected to begin operations the first of the month. A large number of men expect to go to work for the company immediately.

About 20 men are employed now at the Whitewater Deep. It is generally understood that the management will largely increase the force at an early date.

Weeks, the McGuigan suicide, was well-known in the town, having been for a time foreman at the Deep. He was a genial whole-souled fellow and much sorrow is expressed at his untimely end.

AMBITIOUS DENVER

P. A. O'Farrell, in a recent issue of the Toronto Globe, has the following article which speaks for itself:

New Denver is not devoid of lofty ambitions. Its founders believed it would be to the Kootenays what Geneva is to Switzerland, that is, the city par excellence of beautiful lake and mountain scenery. The European who has not seen Geneva and its enchanting beauty is considered untravelled, and the American who has not seen the lakes and mountains of the Kootenay has missed the most beautiful and sublime scenery on this or any other continent. In my mind's eye I can see the time when New Denver will become a veritable Mecca for tourists, poets and artists. In a recent letter I described the Slocan lake as the most exquisitely beautiful lake in all the world, and New Denver is located just at the spot where all the glorious beauty of this lovely lake is most perfectly manifested. It is situated on a low-lying tract of land where Carpenter creek enters the lake, and standing on the wharves one beholds a glorious prospect up and down the lake. Slocan lake is about 30 miles long, and about three miles wide, and is deep enough to float the ships of all the navies that sail the ocean. In places it is thousands of feet deep, and great ocean steamers could sail over any and every part of it. It is less than a decade since the first white man floated on its tide, and even still its loneliness is its chief characteristic, for only one steamboat and a few skiffs are to be seen upon its waters.

The steamboat bears the same name as the lake, and she is worthy of the lake whose waters she ploughs. The steamer "Slocan" is owned by the Canadian Pacific Railroad Company, and a better appointed and better equipped tourist steamboat I have never sailed on. The management provides as good a table and as excellent a service as is furnished on the Majestic or Campania, and I found the captain and officers so obliging and so painstaking in caring for tourists that I take this opportunity to commend them most highly. Mr. Ewing, a prominent member of the Montreal Board of Trade, told me a few days ago that nothing astonished him so much in his travels through the Kootenay as the fine accommodations and the excellent table and most efficient service that he enjoyed on the Canadian Pacific steamboats on Arrow lakes and also on Slocan lake. And he merely echoed the sentiments of all the tourists and travellers that I meet. Mr. Ewing's chief regret was that he could not induce all members of the Montreal Board of Trade to come and visit the Kootenay and see the wonders of this land. He has gone back an enthusiastic admirer of the country, and with a genuine appreciation of the excellent travelling accommodations furnished, especially by the steamboats.

A few hours' railroad ride brings the traveller from Nakusp on Arrow lake to Rosebery on Slocan lake. The traveller for Nelson takes the steamer at Rosebery for Slocan City, a distance of about 25 miles. The boat calls at New Denver, at Silverton, at Enterprise Landing, and arrives at Slocan City in about two hours, and at Slocan City the train for Nelson or Robson is boarded. It is in this sail from Rosebery to Slocan City that one beholds the scenery of Slocan lake and mountains in all their glorious magnificence. I have never seen it to greater advantage than during this week of grand October weather. The forests that carpet the mountains were aglow with autumn's choicest tints, and the blue sky above, where shone a glorious sun, had its counterpart in the dark waters of the lake. From the lonely strand where deer and cariboo are wont to be reflected in the waters of the placid lake, the mountains lift themselves aloft to the limits of everlasting snow. High above you behold snowdrifts and glaciers that defy the ardors of the fiercest midsummer suns, and there, too, are rugged mountain tops where the footsteps of man have never trod, and which for all time must continue sacred to the elk and cariboo. The forests of fir and tamarack that grow upon the shelving and rugged slopes of these stupendous mountains are of marvellous beauty in themselves, and only the most infamous kind of vandalism would ever seek to destroy them. The lake and mountains would be shorn of fully half their splendor should these forests ever be destroyed, and yet but little effort is being out forth to save them from destruction.

It is at New Denver that the most picturesque personality of the Kootenays lives. I refer to Manager Finucane of the Bank of Montreal. There is a something in the banking business that dries up the kindliest well-springs of the human heart. The successful money-loaner must grow cold and hard in time, and if there are no antidotes the Shylock will sooner or later be developed. But here is a most successful banker full of the milk of human kindness, whose generosity and high spirits and personal magnetism make him the most popular man in the Slocan. A Swede prospector once described him, in a dialect which it is impossible to reproduce, as the "jolly, jovial, genial gentleman of the Bank of Montreal." His laugh, loud and resonant, full of heart and good-fellowship, would have made the fortune of a comedian, and his anecdotes of western life, in the hands of a Dickens, could easily be immortalized. I do not know of any other man whose good judgment and sound business sense have done so much to promote the development of the Slocan as Mr. Finucane's and fortunate, indeed, is the great institution to which he belongs to have such a representative.

Another picturesque personality is R. T. Lowery, editor of the New Denver LEDGE. Lowery also edits a local paper at Sandon, and his pen, his time and his talent have been devoted for the past seven years to heralding the golden promise, the vast advantages and the fabulous possibilities of this glorious country.

I should need a wizard's power to adequately convey a full idea of the extent and value of the treasures stored in these Slocan mountains for the benefit of mankind. On the east side of the lake there is not a mountain which is not honeycombed with veins of precious ore. A few years ago an Englishman arrived at New Denver, and taking a fancy to the country, he resolved to clear some land beside the lake and turn it into a farm. New Denver is only about 1,800 feet above sea-level, and flowers and vegetation and apples and peaches and berries of all kinds will grow here. The arable land is exceedingly limited, and the tenderfoot Englishman perceived that a small farm in a mining country with a rapidly growing population must prove a gold mine in itself, and he therefore proceeded to cut the tamarack and fir, the cedar and the cottonwood, and to grub the soil preparatory to the meadow, the orchard and the grain field. While thus engaged he uncovered a ledge of galena ore. But, being a farmer, he knew nothing about its value, and he sold his mineral rights for $7,500 some time last spring. Some Scotchman bought it, formed it into a company, and began to develop it. In a few months they took sufficient ore out of the property to reimburse themselves for cost and development, and the Boatswain, as it is called, is likely to make another Payne. When I saw it they had three feet of the finest galena in the bottom of the shaft, and every ton of the ore must net them at least $100; and thus it has come to pass that the Englishman sold for a comparatively small sum a mine that will probably realize millions in course of time; while with the money that it brought he will clear the forest and transform the land into a garden; he will build himself a home in this enchanting region, and in the years to come, as he watches the corn grow and the fruit trees bud and the flowers bloom, as he gazes on the sunkissed mountains or watches the moonbeams on the waters of the lovely lake, he can take comfort in the thought that not all the wealth that will flow from the Boatswain can purchase greater happiness than the contented mind can enjoy in the home and on the farm that he will have created on the shores of the beautiful Slocan.

MINERS' ASSOCIATION.

Wednesday evening a meeting was held at the Arlington Hotel, Slocan City, for the purpose of organizing an association for assisting the mining industry of the lake district. The meeting was well attended and marked interest evinced. It was pointed out that the exhibit of ores sent to Spokane and Omaha had attracted much attention and were certain to result in much good. The association will be known as the Slocan City Miners' Exchange, with C. M. Gething as president and G. Nicholl as secretary. A cabinet of ores representative of the district is to be gathered and placed on public view at the depot

THE GREAT BOSUN.

Monday morning the showing in the breast of the No. 1 tunnel was a magnificent sight, the chute struck last week having widened to a five-foot ledge, with 26 inches of sold shipping galena. In the stope, in the No. 2 tunnel, there is 18 inches of clean mineral, and it is holding its own well. Tuesday another car load of ore, taken from tunnel and shaft, was shipped, making six during November, or an aggregate of 120 tons. New Denver's big mine is proving a stayer.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1. 1898.

SCRAPS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK.

THE Victoria Colonist is in trouble with the law, at the instance of Mr. Prentice, M.P.P. for Lillooet, it having published a series of articles dealing with the contest for the latter's seat now waging in the courts. It ought to effect a saw-off with the Province man, whom Hon. Mr. Turner is seeking to squelch.

DEBARRY, the notorious American alien labor agent at Buffalo, has been squelched by his superiors as being too officious. T. V. Powderley, the newly appointed labor agent, says a Canadian is as good as an American and he will see that the former is not molested. Men like DeBarry should be domiciled in Siberia.

TUBERCULOSIS is making enormous strides in Ontario, as the official statistics of the province show. During the months of August and September last, the victims of this dread disease numbered slightly more than half the total deaths of the entire province. This is an alarming situation, and it no doubt accounts for the astonishingly low birth rate.

A. W. NEILL, M.P.P. for Alberni, has resigned his seat, and a new election has been called. Mr. Neill ignorantly, but nevertheless illegally, accepted money from the Government for road work. No member is supposed to personally receive money for performing any work, hence Mr. Neill's resignation. He will probably be returned by acclamation.

AN indication of the wave of prosperity that is rapidly approaching British Columbia may be seen in the marvelous rapidity with which the chartered banks of Canada are opening branches throughout the various districts. No town of any present or future importance is overlooked. The banker is supposed to have full grasp of the situation, consequently the belief and hope approaches a certainty that capital is coming in. The present is a great contrast to what obtained three years ago.

NEW DENVER ought to take much solid comfort out of the railway situation in the Slocan. The Kaslo & Slocan holds a whip over the C.P.R. and Jim Hill will not scruple to use it. However, the moment the K. & S. commences the extension from Sandon, just so soon will the C.P.R. build along the lakeshore to Silverton, which place their officials aver shall be first reached by them. This town will then get service from three roads, as the K. & S. must pay attention to the business offering. Another year will make decided changes round this vicinity.

THOSE who are most directly interested, particularly the business men of the town, should lose no time in having the New Denver-Three Forks wagon road repaired. It would not take much money, as the worst spot is near the Mountain Chief mine. Once in good shape, the amount of traffic would be surprising. A good sleigh road, of such equal grade, would bring many teams down from the upper camps. The road was just beginning to be used extensively when the heavy fall rains came, causing washouts. Very little expense would now remedy the faults, and the benefit to this town would be material and lasting.

THE mineral resources of the Province are attracting an ever-increasing amount of attention in Great Britain, and where formerly the subject was disposed of with a short paragraph, it now takes special correspondents and columns of news matter to satisfy the public demand. Education in mining matters is rapidly progressing in the spots where capitalists most do congregate. In a recent number of the Mining World & Engineering Record, of London, is a three-column leader upon British Columbian Mining, which is as accurate and fair-minded as it is concise and interesting. It is a leading authority and its remarks will bear much fruit. The main point in the article is, that "British Columbia is steadily going ahead as a mining country, and that it has in it all the essentials of permanent progress and prosperity." Warning is given investors to be on their guard against the sharks, who are numerous, and the hope is expressed that British public will take a more active interest in the well-established provincial undertakings formed and controlled from London.

THE ORIENT BUYS LEAD.

IN another part of this issue will be seen an item to the effect that the Puget Sound Reduction Company, operating the Everett smelter, had made arrangements for disposing of their entire output of lead in the Orient. One hundred tons has already gone forward by way of Vancouver, but the bulk will follow from Seattle. Canada has a lesson taught it in this matter, and a pronounced one at that. While the smelters in West Kootenay are, and have been, in no position presumably to handle successfully the wet ores of a large section of the district, the American works absorb the same and derive good profits therefrom. The transaction noted shows that the American business man is thoroughly alive to his opportunities.

China alone absorbs about 25,000 tons of lead annually for tea wrapping purposes, while Japan and other countries in the Orient makes way with several thousand tons more for a similar use and in other commercial avenues. This market, coupled with the home demand, should make sufficient ground for the Canadian smelters to attempt the reduction of their own ores. There is a profit to be made, for the operations of the American smelters proves it. Then why can not the Canadian rise to the enjoyment of his own birthright, and seize hold of the opportunities presented? The coke question has been settled by the completion of the Crow's Nest railway and the establishment of ovens at Fernie. If legislation be required to set the wheels in motion, then let the force be applied. Fifty or seventy-five thousand tons of lead manufactured and exported from Kootenay annually would give a great impetus to general mining, and the advancement of the country would be rapid.

A SONG BY THE WAY.

Life's sunshine for you, sweet!
  I do not ask for one pale gleam of light;
So that you rest not where the tempests beat,
  I shall endure the night.

All that the heavens can give
  Of love, and grace, and glory be your lot,
If that your name in Earth's great honor live,
  Let my name be forgot.

Life is a little space,
  And scarce a flower an earthly path adorns;
Yet, if one rose shall ever kiss your face,
  I shall not shrink from thorns.

In dark, tumultuous nights
  When I have lingered desolate—forlorn,
I only asked for you the starry lights—
  The music of the morn!

I do not even pray
  For the imagined glory of the skies;
If a God's smile shall light your steps that way,
  Leave me where darkness lies.

The path which you must tread
  Be gentler than the paths which I have known;
You, to the light, all sweetly, gently led—
  I, in the dark, alone!

SILVER MOUNTAIN AGAIN.

Silver mountain, adjoining this town, is destined to be the big drawing card of this section, and each week only increases its attractions. Last summer there was but the California cabin on the hill, now there are no less than six camps erected, and all are adjacent to encouraging showings. The latest camp to be erected is the Hartney, owned by Shannon, Campbell, McPherson and Goettsche. They are below the Marion and Convention and upon the same lead. In addition to making everything snug for the winter's operations, they have driven a tunnel in 30 feet on the ledge, with encouraging results. In the breast there is a 30-inch ledge, fully mineralized across. On the hanging wall is four inches of carbonates, and on the footwall three inches of solid galena. The owners came down on Monday with some fine specimens. This property adds still another to New Denver's catalogue.

Canada Leads in Imperialism.

The London, Eng., Daily Mail of Monday, referring to Canada's contribution to the West Indies relief fund, says that it is an eloquent reminder of the duties due from the mother and fostered by the spirit of imperialism. Canada's canals, the C.P.R., its confederation of provinces, its preferential trade laws, Toronto's naval reserve scheme—all these have been prompted by Canada's spirit of imperalism and what is it, adds the Mail, but business-like imperialism that induces Lord Strathcona, of Canada, to confer with the government with reference to a Canadian fast steamship service. Historians will have much to say about Canada's lead in imperialism.

More Forcible Than Polite.

"A Boston mother," says the Boston Herald, "was instructing her little daughter how to behave when she went to luncheon at the bishop's house. 'Now, dear, when the butler hands you something the first time take a little on your plate. When he comes the second time you may help yourself to a little more, but the third time you must say 'No thank you,' just as you always do at home.' So the little Boston child went to the bishop's house to lunch, and came home much delighted with her visit. 'Did you do just as I told you, darling?' inquired mamma anxiously. 'I took something very nice when it was handed me the first time, and then when the butler came again I took a little more, but the third time I said, 'No, I thank you.' But when he came the fourth time you hadn't told me what to do, so I just thought of papa and said, "No, damn you!"'"

Work to Commence at Once.

Contractor Foley says they will commence work at once on the Nelson & Bedlington Railway. Surveys have been all made and as quickly as the men can be had, grading will begin. Two camps will be established, one at Bonner's Ferry and the other at Kuskonook. There is a lot of heavy rock cutting to be done, near the latter place, but no fear is entertained but what the work will be completed on time. The length of the road to Bonner's Ferry is 53 miles, and it will take about 4,000 men to do the grading. The Lardo-Duncan road and the Slocan lake extension of the K. & S. will follow in due time.

A Coming Shipper.

Major Furlong, of this town, who is operating the Black Grouse, on the north fork of Carpenter, is meeting with much success in his development, and the property bids fair to turn out a No. 1 shipper. There are four or five men employed, mostly in driving on the ledge, which is securing an increasing amount of ore, which the assays show to be high grade. A shipment will be made shortly.

Gets Back his Certificate.

The council of public instruction has, with the approval of his honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, as expressed by an Order in Council dated November 19, revoked the cancellation under date the 26th day of March, 1896, of the first-class, grade B, certificate of qualification to teach in the public schools of the Province granted to Joseph Irwin of New Denver.

Athabasca Ore is Rich.

The returns from the plates of the Athabasca mill for four days' run last week averaged $2,178 per day. This was roughly 60 per cent. of the value of the ore as about 40 per cent. is contained in the concentrates. The Athabasca will be of great benefit to Nelson.

WHERE LOVE LIES DREAMING.

Come, love! Let's wander mountain ward
  From our large city flat,
And lose ourselves in hotel rooms
  The size of my plug hat,
Let's turn from artificial life
  And cleave to Nature's heart,
Where all we eat and drink is bought
  From New York's Fulton mart.

Come, love! Let's climb the trees and shake
  Those jars of Bartlett pears
Which country boarding houses serve
  To strangers unawares.
Come; from the garden bush we'll pick
  Those cans of luscious peas,
Whose labels say they come direct
  From away across the seas.

And oh, what joy to milk the cows
  Of cream condensed in tins—
The kind hermetically sealed
  They serve in mountain inns!
We'll dig potatoes from the sacks
  That in Bermuda grow;
And hunt lined eggs, the chickens laid
  In Kansas months ago.

Oh, fair the sight of bushes hung
  With fresh imported jams!
Oh, sweet the pensive bleating of
  Refrigerated lambs!
Come, love! Let's wander mountainward
  Where only man is vile;
And landlords do their farming with
  Can openers and a smile.

Competition in the hot springs business on Arrow lake is being advanced by the St. Leon baths. Rates $1.25 per day.

F. Pyman has again commenced to do business in New Denver. Bring your watches to him when they are out of order.

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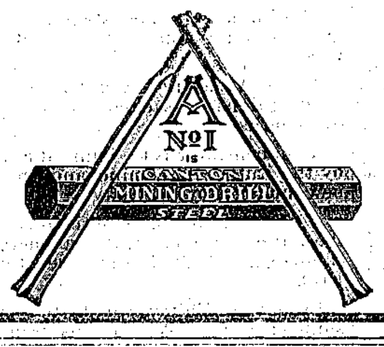

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Three Forks, October 27th, 1898.

ONE OF THE SENSIBLE SORT.

She can peel and boil potatoes,
Make a salad of tomatoes,
But she doesn't know a Latin noun from Greek;
And so well she cooks a chicken
That your appetite 'twould quicken,
But she cannot tell what's modern from antique.

She knows how to set a table,
And make order out of Babel.
But she doesn't know Euripida from Kant;
Once at making cake I caught her,
A real expert must have taught her,
But she cannot tell true eloquence from rant.

She has quite a firm conviction
She ought only to read fiction.
And she doesn't care for science not a bit,
She likes a plot that thickens,
And she's very fond of Dickens,
From Copperfield to Martin Chuzzlewit.

She can make her hats and dresses
Till a fellow fair confesses
That there's not another maiden half so sweet,
She's immersed in home completely
Where she keeps all things so neatly
But from Tennyson a line she can't repeat,
(Thank goodness.)

Well, in fact, she's just a maiden
That whatever she's arrayed in
Makes her look just like the heroine of a play;
'Twould be foolish to have tarried.
So to-morrow we'll be married,
And I'm certain I shall ne'er regret the day.

BROKEN HILL MINES.

Short Sketch of One of the Biggest Properties in the World.

The story of Broken Hill, the great centre of the Australian silver mining industry, reads like a chapter of romance. Little more than fifteen years ago the district in which the world-famous Silver mines are situated was an immense sheep run of a most uninviting character, save in the eyes of the pastoralist. But one eventful day a boundary rider, a man who assists in looking after wandering live stock, asserted that he had found traces of silver in the Barrier Ranges, a geological feature of that part of New South Wales near the South Australian border. At first the news was received with incredulity in Sidney and other places, but subsequently investigation not only proved the correctness of the statement, but also showed that the newly discovered silver field extended over an area of 2,500 square miles. It is now one of the leading mining centres of the world. The Broken Hill lode is the largest as yet discovered. It varies in width from 10 to 200 feet, and may be traced for several miles, the whole of the ground along the line being taken up and subdivided into numerous leases, held by mining companies and syndicates

The Broken Hill Proprietary Company holds the premier position. It has erected on its lease a complete smelting plant on the latest and most approved principles, and have enlisted the services of competent managers, whose experience has been gained in the principal silver mining centres of the United States. From the commencement of mining operations in 1885 to the end of May, 1897, the Company treated 3,299,331 tons of silver and silver-lead ores, producing 37,526,567 ozs. of silver and 326,693 tons of lead, valued in the London market at £17,133,184. They have paid dividends and bonuses to the amount of £6,416,000, besides the nominal value of shares from the several blocks. The sum spent in the erection and construction of plant, from the opening of the property, is about £750,000 Besides the mines at Broken Hill there are workings at Silverton and Thackaringa, in the same district. The total value of minerals exported from the Barrier district during 1896 was £7,754,515, distributed as follows: Silver-lead bullion, 19,421 tons, £788,530; silver-lead ore, 267,058 tons, £955,641; copper ore, 15 tons, £75; and copper matte, 247 tons, £10,266 The quantity of pure silver contained in the items enumerated amounted to about 10,395,000 lbs

As a natural consequence of the success of these mines, numbers of miners were attracted to the district, and the population, which in 1883 consisted of only a few station hands, is now estimated at about 20,000. The aggregate output of the mines, including the "Proprietary," to the end of 1896 was valued at £61,179,665; and the value of the machinery in the district at the end of the same year was £929,300.

The total value of the silver raised in New South Wales during the 16 years ending December, 1897, is estimated at £24,044,091. According to Mr Coghlan, the New South Wales Government Statistician, the annual output of the Colony represents one-twelfth of the world's annual production.

TWO OF A KIND.

Patrick O'Mara, a private in the Ninth Regulars, went to the colonel of his regiment and asked for a two weeks' leave of absence. The colonel was a severe disciplinarian, who did not believe in extending too many privileges to his men, and did not hesitate in using a subterfuge in evading the granting of one.

"Well," said the colonel, "what do you want a two weeks' furlough for?"

Patrick answered: "Me woife is very sick, and the children are not well, and if ye didn't mind, she would like to have me home for a few weeks to give her a bit of assistance."

The colonel eyed him for a few minutes and said: "Patrick, I might grant your request, but I got a letter from your wife this morning saying that she didn't want you home; that you were a nuisance and raised the devil whenever you were there She hopes I won't let you have any more furloughs."

"That settles it. I suppose I can't get the furlough, then?" said Pat.

"No; I'm afraid not, Patrick." It wouldn't be well for me to do so under the circumstances."

It was Patrick's turn now to eye the colonel, as he started for the door. Stopping suddenly, he said:

"Colonel, can I say something to yez?"

"Certainly, Patrick: what is it?"

"You won't get mad, colonel, if I say it?"

"Certainly not, Patrick: what is it?"

"I want to say there are two splendid liars in this room, and I'm one of them; I was never married in me loife"

Possible Combinations at Poker.

In a deck of 52 cards there are 2,598,960 poker hands, or that many different combinations of five cards each. There are 1,098,240 possible combinations embracing one pair, although there are of course only 78 different pairs in a deck. There are 123,552 possible combinations of five cards, including two pairs; 54,912 possible combinations, including three of a kind; 10,200 straights, 5,108 flushes, 3,744 full hands, 624 hands of five cards, including four of a kind (although there are only 13 different fours), 40 straight flushes, four royal flushes and one hand of four aces. Hoyle used to contend that four aces comprised the best hand in poker, because if four aces were out in one hand there could be no royal flush out against it. But the introduction of the joker in a royal flush would fill it out against four aces—hence Hoyle's rule is not regarded as safe by modern players of the game.

British Columbia Scored.

British Columbia won a number of medals at the Trans-Mississippi exposition recently held at Omaha, among them being: The Province of British Columbia, for the exhibit of gold, silver, copper and lead commercial ore, a silver medal; the Reco Mining Company, of Sandon, for argentiferous lead ores, a bronze medal; the Lemon Gold Mining Company of British Columbia, for gold ores, a bronze medal. The medals are now being struck. British Columbia's exhibit was under the management of L. K. Armstrong. It was well designed and attracted a great many visitors

Work has closed down on the Silver Bell for the winter.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Continental Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: at the head of Twin Lakes Basin, adjoining the Idaho, Morning, Ivy Leaf and Mazeppa mineral claims.

TAKE NOTICE that I, William S. Drewry, acting as agent for the Scottish Colonial Gold Fields, limited, free miner's certificate No. 33325A, and George W. Hughes, free miner's certificate No. 64975, 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 17th day of November, 1898.
W. S. DREWRY.

United Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: Adjacent to the Echo and Sunlight Mineral claims at the head of Jackson Basin.

TAKE NOTICE that I, George Alexander, free miner's certificate No. 74,000, as agent for the Echo Mining and Milling Co., Ltd., free miner's certificate No. 11,903A, 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 28th day of October, 1898.
nv3 GEORGE ALEXANDER, Agent.

Shamia, Rushford, General Sheridan, and Snowstorm Fraction Mineral Claims.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: Part of the R. E. Lee group, near Sandon.

TAKE NOTICE that I, George Alexander, free miners' certificate No. 74,000, 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 claims.

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

Dated this 30th day of September, 1898.
nv17 G. ALEXANDER.

Nancy Hanks No. 2 Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan City Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On north slope of Springer Creek, about 2½ miles from Slocan Lake.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Alfred Driscoll, acting as agent for H. E. Gray's, F.M.C. No. 5461A, Kate Scott, F.M.C. No. 41367, W. B. Demison, F. M. C. No. 610A, and Frederick Rowbottom, F. M. C. No. 629A, 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 21st day of October, 1898. oc27

Quebec Mineral Claim.

Situated in the Slocan City Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: About two miles up the North Fork of Lemon Creek on north side of creek.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Dan Hanlon, acting as an agent for William Harrison, free miner's certificate No. 20617A, 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 24th day of September, 1898.
sp29 DAN HANLON.

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" 5.00 am	Pilot Bay		" 6.45 pm
" 5.30 am	Balfour		" 6.10 pm
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" 7.00 pm	Pilot Bay		" 11 10 pm
" 10.00 pm	Kuskonook		" 8.00 pm
" 12.00 pm	Goat River		" 6.00 pm
" 1.00 am	Boundary		" 5.00 pm
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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.

Nov 23—Black Bess Fractional, Four Mile, A P McDonald.
Ophir, same, same.

ASSESSMENTS.

Nov 22—Abigail.
Nov 25—New Gething.
Nov 26—Turris, Rattler.

ABANDONMENTS.

Nov 28—Pirate Fraction by Thos Marks.

TRANSFERS.

Nov 25—Brunswick, agreement to transfer ½ interest to W H Robertson, upon completion of $300 worth of work, by J A McKinnon and A S Reed.
F L Byron to Mary Rimmelmeyer, transfer of option to purchase G Kruger's interest in Congo No 2, Commander and Bristol, Nov 15, $3,050.
Minnie 1/5, C H Brindle to C F Nicholson, Nov 22.
Vulture and Vult, Giant Mountain Fraction, Iowa, full interest; V & J, 5/6; Medge, ⅓; Last Mountain, ½; Nowater, ½; J T Carroll to the Financial and Mining Trust of Canada, Limited, Nov 18.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

LOCATIONS.

Nov 9—British Gold Mine, Richard James; Cody Fraction, A B Docksteader; Iron Mask, Alex Linnroth.
Nov 11—Larcina, A B Fliener.
Nov 15—Last Chance, Albert Watts.
Nov 16—Bebe Fraction, A Johnson.
Nov 17—North Star, A Carns; Blue Jane, John McLeod; Silver Dollar, Alex Ruffello.
Nov 21—White Mettle, W K Gallup; Pharoah, Richard Robert.
Nov 22—Townsite, Thos Wall.

ASSESSMENTS.

Nov 11—Morning Star, Flyfield Fraction, Kate L 4 years, Virginia Dare.
Nov 16—Voyageure.
Nov 18—Rosedale, Jumbo, Laurier.
Nov 22—Revenue, Celebration.

TRANSFERS.

Nov 9—Silver Spray ½, D McGraw to Charles Moore.
Gold Commissioner's permit to apply work on Methakahtla on Bryan Fraction for purpose of obtaining certificate of improvement.
Nov 13—C O D ½, C Vanmoerkerke to John D McLachlan and Ernest Emerson.
Nov 15—Deserter ½, D W Moor to W H Aldridge.
Skye ½, C Moore to Geo T Eaves.
Skye ½, same to M S Mahoney.
Nov 16—Brownie ½, Andrew Miller to G A Brown.
Brownie ½, same to S A Thompson.
Nov 17—Wisconsin and Lucky Strike 1/16, C A Fleming to S S Bailey, $2,000.
Irene ⅔, Pat O'Brien to Albert Lind.
Eric Johnson to Emily J Linnard and C F Caldwell, extending time of final payment to 15 Feb 1899, in consequence of $1,000, being paid in advance on ½ interest in Sunset and Mayflower.
Bunker Hill and Theresa M, T Bethune to J D Warren.
Nov 19—Sulitelma, option to purchase all interest, C Nelson to V A Johnson.
Tam Rack, option to purchase all interest, Albert Lind and A Stalberg to V A Johnson.
Nov 21—Oakland ½, Matt Oledo to Matt Tapanila.

SLOCAN ORE SHIPMENTS.

The shipments of ore from July 1st, 1898, to date:

	Tons.
From Sandon.	
Payne	7,410
Ruth	1,502
Slocan Star	1,477
Last Chance	410
Sapphire	18½
Coin	13½
Wonderful Bird	1½
Sovereign	80¼
Wonderful	8
C M Wilson	2
Treasure Vault	40
Reco	19
Miller Creek	40
From Concentrator Siding	
Idaho Mines	1,579
Queen Bess	707
From New Denver.	
Bosun	244½
California	60
From Whitewater.	
Whitewater	150
Jackson	35
Whitewater Deep	19
From McGuigan.	
Rambler	65
Antoine	75
Total	13,888

NEW GOLD FIELDS.

Various Sections of the far North Rich in Placer Diggings.

It would seem that all that vast country so broadly referred to as "the north," and extending from British Columbia up to the frozen Arctic zone, and from Teslin lake to the Aleutians, is pregnant with yellow gold. The rocks and quartz propositions everywhere and the dry benches wherever tried return signs of the precious metal, while there is not a creek in the whole vast territory, it is said, that will not give colors in the prospector's pan.

The Dalton trail is claiming the attention of the northern miners—or rather dividing attention with the Atlin lake fields—and new ground, as yet barely scratched over, about midway between Teslin and Atlin lakes. The finds on the Dalton trail are known of now with particulars and certainty, and according to M. A. Needham, a resident of Juneau and pioneer among the Alaskan miners, many of the 70 recorded claims are already sending gold into Juneau.

"These diggings," he said, "are about 40 miles up the Dalton trail from Haines' Mission, some of them on Porcupine creek and others on a small stream the name of which I do not recall. I saw $1,800 worth of the gold that was sent into Juneau, and I must say it is as pretty dust as anyone would wish to look at, fine and clear in color and running well over $18 to the ounce in value. Two men that I know of personally took out $900 in five days, and did not half work their dirt; while the gravel on the shallow bedrocks yields, I am told, 15 cents to $1.50 to the pan. Of course, it is too late in the season to determine the exact worth of these new diggings now, but they will be well populated and thoroughly prospected with the coming of spring."

Mr. Needham enjoys the distinction of having been the first to prospect the Atlin lake district, although he was not the author of the discoveries that have drawn all the eyes to Atlin as the future great mining field of the north.

"It was two-and-a-half years ago when I tried the ground at the mouth of Pine creek, and though I got colors in plenty, the gold was all so fine and flowery that I thought the creek was of little account and went on to try somewhere else. I know now where I made my big mistake."

Rich discoveries have been made midway between Teslin and Atlin lakes. The new field in British Columbia has quite eclipsed the Klondike in the attention of every one from Glenora to Teslin, and one and all will find their way to Atlin in the spring, after wintering where they now are. Some few of the pioneers, who struck across from a point 30 miles down Lake Teslin, are reported to have struck rich pay dirt about half way across to Atlin City, and will remain and develop these properties. Others will push on to the original objective point—Atlin being the common cry.

Rich strikes have been made recently on Nesutlin river, the chief feeder of Teslin lake. Two men are credited with having taken out 50 ounces in 14 days, while claims are being staked in every direction. Miners on the north fork of the Salmon are credited with winning from $20 to $30 a day, and prices have gone up to the Dawson winter standard.

EXPORTING LEAD TO CHINA.

W. E. Dunn, who went to Japan and China six months ago in the interests of the Puget Sound Reduction Company, operating the smelter at Everett, has just returned on the steamer, Empress of China. His mission to the Orient was to introduce the lead turned out by his Company. In this he was very successful; arranging to dispose of the smelter's entire output. Some will go to China, where the consumption for tea wrappings amounts to from 20,000 to 25,000 tons a year. All the lead will be shipped from Seattle. The Puget Sound Reduction Company, of Everett, made a shipment of 200,000 pounds of lead bullion, consigned to Shanghai, China, last Thursday. It was shipped by rail over the Seattle & International Railway to Vancouver, to be shipped on the Empress line of steamers. The smelter has on hand about 700,000 pounds of lead ready for shipment, but is unable to make the shipment at the present time on account of the scarcity of tonnage, as all steamers leaving the Sound at the present time have more than they can carry. At the refinery this week 20 bricks of gold and silver, each containing 1,100 ounces to the brick, were run off at one draw from one of the furnaces. This is the largest draw made since the refinery was put in operation.

CONSTRUCTION ITEMS.

Happenings Along the Line of the Robson & Penticton Road.

Bat Rasicot is located at Shield's.

Billy Wall has charge of a bridge gang at McCormack's.

The track-laying goes merrily on, and good progress is being made.

The transferring of cars across the river at Robson is now done by means of a donkey engine and cable.

Brooklyn is alive with men. Payday! The usual herd of sharks, male and female, are over there "for a change."

There is about two feet of snow on the summit, over near Cascade. A slight fall whitened the earth all along the lower river.

The deer are coming down into the bottoms; also the wolves. The writer saw a rare animal the other day, in the shape of a black wolf.

A rumor is going the rounds in this section, that W. J. Spaul is dead. Your correspondent is in a position to deny this, having seen him quite recently.

Professor Crowley gave his well-known Klondike lecture at Robson, on Sunday last, at 3 and 8 p.m. The attendance was fair, and the Professor in his usual good trim.

Robson is growing. It now boasts a temperance hotel, barber shop, restaurant and several new shacks, in addition to its former buildings. The main street has been straightened up, and presents quite an imposing appearance.

H. W. Simpson, who was formerly manager for P. Genelle & Co. and lately of the firm of McDonald & Simpson, of Nelson, was struck by an engine about four miles from Robson Saturday, and lies in Nelson Hospital with a broken back.

SPORT.

NAKUSP DOINGS.

Tuesday morning a shack occupied by two Frenchmen was burned to the ground. The occupants had a narrow escape, having had all their belongings destroyed. A public subscription was taken up to help them out.

On Friday the long-expected masquerade ball was held in Bourne's hall, and it was a general success. The floor was crowded by maskers, many of whom secured their costumes in Vancouver. F. W. Jordan secured the gentleman's prize and Miss Sadie Genelle the lady's. Mrs. McMillan and Fred. Ritchie were awarded the diploma for waltzing. The music was furnished by J. H. Millward and wife, of New Denver, to whom much of the success of the affair is due.

Thanksgiving day W. Sutherland, C.P.R. blacksmith here, was married to Mrs. Vanderburg, widow of the late Capt Vanderburg, who was drowned two years ago on the ill-fated steamer Arrow. Rev. C. F. Yates, of New Denver, performed the ceremony. The worthy groom was presented with a gold watch by a number of his friends, while many other valuable gifts were received. In the evening the whole population extended their congratulations by a most rousing chivari, the locomotives and boats in the harbor also participating.

The steamer Minto, which was launched from the C.P.R. shipyards here on November 17, is a composite built hull, with wooden bottom and steel frame. The Bertram Iron Works, of Toronto, were the manufacturers of the frame, which was shipped west in sections. It was originally intended to do service on the Stickeen river, but upon the Klondike boom waning, the boat was transhipped to Nakusp, and it will now do duty on the Arrow lakes. She is 160 feet long, 30 feet beam, five feet deep and draws 24 inches of water. The Minto will relieve the Rossland at low water, and she will be put into commission shortly with the full crew of the former. She is what is termed a night boat, having a full cabin and saloon equipment, similar to that of the Rossland, and her speed will be the same as that of the Kokanee. At Nelson the C. P. R. has almost completed the Movie, another iron boat, and she also takes her maiden trip in a few days. She is a day boat and fitted up more in the style of the Slocan. A tug and a fifteen-car barge are also being built at Nelson. The large and powerful tug, now under construction at Rosebery, for duty on Slocan lake, is to have a commodious cabin put on so as to accommodate passengers in case the Slocan should be laid up She will not be ready for launching now before January.

Following is a list of the maskers and their costumes participating in Friday night's ball:

Miss Sadie Genelle, Popcorn; Mrs McMillan, Good Luck; Miss Kate McDougald, Liberty; Mrs. Jordan, Folly; Miss Sopher, Victoria; Mrs. Makinson, Night; Mrs. Pupore, Winter; Miss Hewitt, Bride; Miss Muirhead, Shepherdess; Miss Short, May Queen; Miss L. Goupille, Nymph; Miss McLeod, Gypsy; Mrs. McDougald, Queen of Hearts; Miss Thomas, Autumn; Mrs Manuel, Red Riding Hood; Mrs. Beaton, Highland Fling; Miss Whitfield, Red, White and Blue; Mrs. Muirhead, Bonnie Doon; Miss Bulger, Oregonian; Mrs. Goupille, Sweet Marie.

Gentlemen: F. W. Jordan, English Court; Roy Short, Mephisto; W. R. Griffith, Cavalier; H. McKelvie, King Chas. III.; J. McAllister, Turk; W. Andrews, Baker; E. Farrell, Clown; J. Kingborn, Knight; L. H. Armstrong, Sailor; F. Ritchie, Forrester; J. McDougald, Clown; F. Morrison, John Bull; J. Malcom, U. S. Army; T. Adams, Uncle Sam; T Abriel, Bill Nye; J. Byron, 20th Century; L. McDougald, Scout; A. Bell, Sailor; J. Cadden, Mephisto; J. Harlow, Coon; J. Clement, Jessie James; T. Gordon, Arab; W. McMillan, Chinaman; H. McCrae, Dude.

K. OF P. "AT HOME."

Last Wednesday evening the local lodge Knights of Pythias scored another brilliant success at their "At Home," held in their own hall. Upwards of 100 of the citizens partook of the hospitality of the Knights, who, in this, gave the most enjoyable social function New Denver has yet witnessed. There were cards, games, an interesting program, refreshments, and a short dance, making up the evening's pleasure.

Information Wanted.

If any of the Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Star subscribers at Fort McLeod, Coal Creek, Cranbrook or other points in British Columbia know of the whereabouts of one Thos. Watson, who left the Sault for the Crow's Nest Pass last spring, they will confer a favor by reporting to the editor of that paper.

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