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Dan Mann's Mine.

Montreal;—Mr. Dan Mann, already well known as a leading railway contractor, is destined to become the John W. Mackay of British Columbia. Mr. F. P. Armstrong, manager of the Upper Kootenay Navigation Company, who arrived in the city to-day, told your correspondent that the North Star mine, which was recently purchased by Mr. Mann for $40,000, has developed into a regular bonanza, and that nearly 10,000 tons of ore will be shipped next season. Mr. Armstrong then compared the North Star to the great Slocan Star of West Kootenay, for which $1,250,000 have been refused because the owner says he will make no less than $50,000 per month, as soon as all the works are completed in January next. He describes Mr. Mann's property thus: "The vein in its croppings is from 18 to 62 feet wide, of solid ore or carbonates. The drift now being worked is 12 feet high by 12 feet wide and of this not more than ten per cent. is of too poor a quality for shipment."

Mr. Armstrong says that this is just as promising as the Slocan Star, although it has not reached the same state of development.

Wardner's New Enterprise.

"James F. Wardner, the widely-known Western miner, has among his purchases a gold property at Kennedy, Nev., that has attracted attention for some time," says the San Francisco Call. "Mr. Wardner, who is at the Lick house, has lately been able to add materially to the output of auriferous metal from it by a chlorinization process, which is being discussed by many mining men.

"At his rooms in the Lick Mr. Wardner has an array of bottles containing the tailings and pulp in various degrees of treatment by the process. He is confident he has a fortune in it. 'I am convinced,' he says, 'that in all the mining states of the West and in Mexico and British Columbia, enormous quantities of gold are being daily wasted which might just as well be saved.'

"Mr. Wardner expects soon to begin chlorinizing the tailings of a number of mines in Calaveras, Tuolumne and other counties. He began mining first in the Clark district in Arizona. This was over a score of years ago. Later he was a stock broker on Pine street. Then he went to Utah, where he discovered the Jackass-Handley mine, in the Big Cottonwood district. He also owned other mines there.

"Later he hunted diamonds in Colorado, mined in the Black Hills and used 500 yoke of oxen there on freight wagons, merchandised in the Cœur d'Alene country and built a large concentrator there and lately made a mining trip to South Africa."

GOLD IN NATURE

Extract from lecture by W. Nicols, S.B., in Canadian Mining Review.

Gold although occurring nowhere in abundance, is often found in sufficient quantities for mining, and is claimed to be in minute portions in all rock, even existing in the sea, which contains something less than one grain of gold to the ton of sea water. An ore of gold must contain sufficient metal to pay the cost of extraction, and when disseminated through the rocks in paying quantities we have a true gold ore.

In these ores the gold is usually in invisible particles, so that in appearance the ore is merely a common slate sandstone or other rock. The gold is concentrated from this state of dissemination into ore deposits by natural agencies which are always acting. These ore deposits are of three classes: First, associated with silver, copper or lead in deposits which are primarily worked for these latter metals; second, in quartz veins; third in gravels which are derived from these quartz veins, the placer deposits. Regarding the first class, the gold, being as a general rule a minor quantity, we will not deal with them here. The quartz veins it is impossible to give any definition of, for geologists are not agreed upon this point.

Gold-bearing veins are fissure veins. A fissure vein is a rent or fissure in the surface of the earth, extending at times to very great depths, which has become filled with mineral deposited from solution in water. Sometimes the fissure reaches a region of fused rock, or rock kept from fusion only by the weight of the overlying mass, causing the fissure to fill with molten material which cools. This is a dyke and not a vein, as the minerals are not deposited from water. Gold-bearing veins as a rule contain but two minerals—quarts, a hard white, brittle metal, and the chief constituent of the veins; the other, when it does occur, is pyrite, being brittle, bright yellow, and always occurring as crystals, and among the inexperienced taken for gold, hence its nickname "fool's gold." Although its shape is crystal it is hard, and will not flatten under pressure like gold, but will crumble to dust.

Veins are divided into two parts by the "water level," a fact of great importance to the miner. The water level is the upper surface of water standing in the ground. Below the water level the quartz is usually firm and compact, and is largely in the pyrite, and while not chemically combined is disseminated in fine threads, scales, etc., therefore not being saved by the ordinary processes of milling, as it is above the water level, where the air decomposes the vein. As the pyrite is composed of iron and sulphur, the iron rusts and stains the quarts yellow, while the sulphur burns and goes away in solution, causing the quartz to be honeycombed where the pyrite and other minerals have been removed. As to the indications of the value of a vein by its formation, no dependence can be placed upon it, its position being more reliable, for while a vein running parallel to a rich vein is very likely to be also rich, veins of a different system intersecting them would probably be different in contents and poor. The nature of the surrounding rock influences the deposits in the vein; but while nothing reliable can be placed upon this, it is only as a rule in mountainous regions that gold veins of any great value are found.

The Pilot Bay Smelter.

A. B. Hendyrx says that the Pilot Bay smelter shipped 3000 tons of bullion since the 16th of March the smelter having been running about one-half of the time, and the company has not purchased so much as 175 tons of lead from the neighboring mines. "Since January 1, he says, the Blue Bell mine, owned by the company, has produced 42,841 tons of ore. The new compressor is now at work in the mine. At present only four drills are being used. A shaft is being sunk from the lower level and the ore is constantly improving. The same per cent of lead is carrying a higher per cent. of silver. The hoisting and pumping in the mine are being done by compressed air."

Christmas Tree.

The New Denver Union Sunday school gave their entertainment and Christmas tree on Monday evening last in the church, which was well filled with an appreciating audience. The entertainment while necessarily short was of good quality. The parts taken by the children reflected credit upon the training, and although they were small in number and size they were the more appreciable. Among the more important may be mentioned the duet of Messrs. West and Thomlinson, the latter not remaining to the finish, the former scientifically playing his part to the end; he is now offered any sum to assay it.

The Tree was prettily loaded and Saint Nicholas' appearance brought great joy for the little folks, much amusement for the elders, and good things for all.

The programme consisted as follows:

Chairman's address.....F. Pyman
Secretary's report.....W. P. Evans
Recitation.....Miss Cora Love
" .....Georgie Evans
Reading.....Rev. G. A. Love
Christmas Anthem.....Choir
Piccio Solo.....H. Thomlinson
Recitation.....T. Wilson
" .....H. West
Anthem.....Choir
Duet.....Miss Livingston, Miss Adair
Duet (tenner and cornet).....
.....H. West, H. Thomlinson
Diaglogue.....Mrs.
Love, Miss Adair, Miss Livingston
Christmas Tree, St. Nicholas..H. West
"God Save the Queen."

MINING NOTES.

Happenings of Interest Among the Treasure Vaults.

New Zealand shares in the great world-wide revival of gold mining, and will make a large showing this year

About 500 miners winter at the Forty Mile in Alaska, while as many more working there during the summer, go to the Coast in the fall.

The Tacoma smelter has run continuously for five years, except a close down of thirty days during the strike on the Norther Pacific last year.

The Govenor of Arizona estimates that the gold production of the Territory will be $10,000,000 this year, against $4,000,000 last.

The largest piece of gold ever found in Colorado weighed thirteen pounds, but it was by no means pure. A nugget weighing 141 ozs. was displayed in Denver in September, 1860.

Many speculators in South African stocks are hedging by taking out short term insurance policies on the lives of Messrs. Rhodes and Barnato. The death of either would have a very disastrous effect on the mining stock market—for the time being at least.

A heavy wind storm was experienced here last Sunday night, and several feet of snow has fallen since, and consequently Pete has got his runners on.

LIVED TO TELL IT

They were discussing last night at a miners' boarding house the recent stabbing of Tom Lynch at the Butte hotel, and a number of cases of a similar nature were brought up in which the injured men recovered and were as hearty as ever.

"The most remarkable case, though, I ever heard of," said Jerry Harrington, "was that of Pat Mulligan, with whom I worked for many a year. In June, 1881, Mulligan was working at the Grey Rock, when the shaft on that property was 225 feet deep. Mulligan was one of the sinking crew, and one day the bucket which was used for taking out the water and waste was being hoisted to the surface. The bucket was almost filled with water, and the shaftmen, unknown to the top man, put six dull drills in the bucket to be sent up to be sharpened. The top man dumped the water in a trough at the collar of the shaft without closing the trap doors on top, and one of the drills rolled out, struck the trough and fell off down the shaft. It was an inch drill about two feet long, and weighed about six pounds. Mulligan was in a stooping position when the drill struck him. It hit him back of the shoulder blade, passed clean through the body, narrowly missing the heart and partly emerged from between his ribs. Mulligan's horror stricken comrades in the shaft rushed to his assistance, and were about to pull it from his back, when Mulligan camly seized the lower end of the drill from where it protruded and by a great effort, pulled it through his body and threw it down at his feet. It was a wonderful exhibition of strength and fortitude, but every body who heard of the accident was conficent that he could not survive. He hovered between life and death for about three weeks, and finally got apparently as well as ever. He worked for ten years in the mines of Butte and Granite, but finally met with a horrible death at the Anaconda mine, on Nov. 4, 1891, by falling with eight others from the cage while being hoisted from the mine."—Butte Inter-Mountain.

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"	9 33	"	Sproule's	" 2 15	"
"	9 51	"	Whitewater	" 2 00	"
"	10 03	"	Bear Lake	" 1 48	"
"	10 13	"	McGuigan	" 1 33	"
"	10 30	"	Bailey's	" 1 21	"
"	10 39	"	Junction	" 1 12	"
Arr.	10 50	"	Sandon	Leave 1 00	"

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Leaves Wigwam for Nakusp and Robson, Mondays and Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Leaves Robson for Nakusp, Wigwam and Canadian Pacific Railway points east and west on Tuesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m.

Connection is made at Robson with C. & K. R'y for Nelson and with Steamer Lytton for Trail Creek and Northport.

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Leaves Trail Creek for Robson on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 a.m.

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Leaves Trail Creek for Northport on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6 p.m.

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KASLO ROUTE—STR. NELSON.

Leaves Nelson for Kaslo, on Tuesdays, at 5:10 p.m; Wednesday, at 2:30 p.m; Thursdays, at 5:30 p.m; Fridays, at 5:30 p.m; Saturdays, at 5:30 p.m. Connecting on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays with N. F. S. Railway at Five-Mile Point for Kaslo and Lake Points.

Leaves Kaslo for Nelson on Mondays, at 8 a.m; Wednesdays, at 8 a.m; Thursdays, at 8 a.m; Fridays, at 8 a.m; Saturdays, at 8 a.m; Connecting on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays with N. & F. S. Railway for Spokane.

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NOTICE.

THE first meeting of the Trustees of the Cumberland Mining Company, Limited Liability, is hereby called for the 2nd day of January, 1896, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of the Slocan Milling Company, Three Forks, British Columbia.

NATHANIEL D. MOORE,
Trustee

Dec. 16, 1895.

NOTICE

The first meeting of the Trustees of the Sunshine Mining Company, Limited Liability, is hereby called for the 2nd day of January, 1896, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. at the office of the Slocan Milling Company, Three Forks, British Columbia.

NATHANIEL D. MOORE,
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Dec. 16, 1895.

NOTICE re-Timber Limit.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS is to notify that I have applied applied to the Commissioner of Lands and Works, B.C., for a yearly lease on 1,000 acres of Timber Lands situated about 2 miles from the head of Slocan Lake, on West side, the said Timber Limit being defined by posts and lines as understated:

Initial Post No. 1 is placed near the mouth of a small creek about one and a half miles from Head of Slocan Lake, on West side. the line running thence along the lake shore in a southerly direction for about one and a half miles to No. 2 corner post, thence about one mile west, thence about one and and a half miles north, thence about one mile east to No. 1 post, the said limit comprising about 1,000 acres more or less.

Signed, ALEX. McKAY
Sawmiller.

New Denver, B.C.,
9th Dec., 1895.

The Nakusp & Slocan Ry. Co.

NOTICE.

A PLAN, profile and book of reference of the branch line of the Nakusp & Slocan Railway from Three Forks to Sandon, a distance of about four miles, is now on deposit in the Land Registry Office, Victoria.

A. J. WEAVER BRIDGMAN,
Secretary

VICTORIA, B.C.,
27th November, 1895.

MINERAL ACT

(FORM F.)

Notice of Application for Certificate of Improvement

BRANDON AND ADAMS MINERAL CLAIMS

SLOCAN MINING DIVISION, WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT. LOCATED ON MOUNT ADAMS.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg, as agent for Michael Patrick Adams and William Henry Brandon, free miner's certificates No. 52184 and No. 57661, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of each of the above claims.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated 23rd of October, 1895.

Notice of Application for Certificate of Improvement

"SLATER" MINERAL CLAIM.

SLOCAN DIVISION, WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT, LOCATED ON MOUNT ADAMS, BETWEEN CHAMBLET AND BRITOMARTE.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg, as agent for Walter Chamblet Adams, free miner's certificate No. 56974, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent to the Gold Commissioner and action commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 7th day of November, 1895.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR Certificate of Improvements.

"TWIN LAKES" MINERAL CLAIM.

SLOCAN DIVISION, WEST KOOTENAX DITTRICT, LOCATED IN THE TWIN LAKES BASIN.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg, agent for The Alamo Mining Co., Ltd., miner's certificate No. 60589, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that adverse claims must be sent the Gold Commissioner and action comcenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 14th day of November. 1895

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR Certificate of Improvements.

GREAT EASTERN MINERAL CLAIM.

SLOCAN DIVISION, WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT, LOCATED UP WEST FORK OF SANDON CREEK. IN IVANHOE BASIN.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg, agent for William Clyman Yawkey, free miner's certificate No. 56840, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Gold Commissioner for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1895.

HOSPITAL ITEMS.

M. Holland of the Ajax. Dan McDonnell of the R. E. Lee, Peter Kindel of the Slocan Star and A. J. Gaebel of New Denver having completely recovered and left the hospital during the past week the only patient at present receiving treatment is Wm. Bennett of the Star, whose condition is rapidly improving.

As it will doubtless be of interest to the miners and residents of the Slocan to have some idea of the good work which is being done at the Slocan Hospital, which has been in operation in this town since August last, we have obtained from the records a summary of the cases treated since its opening. The applicants for admission numbered forty nine divided as follows: Typhoid fever 10, mountain fever 1, bilious fever 2, pneumonia 4, acute bronchitis 4, paralysis 2, lead colic 1, alcoholism 3, erysipelas 1, surgical cases 21, deaths recorded none. Besides these a number of minor cases both medical and surgical have been treated, not requiring any prolonged stay at the hospital.

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One of the various resources of East Kootenay waiting for development is the petroleum found in the Flathead Valley in the southeastern portion of this district. This is a section of country but little known, and is separated from the remainder of the district by a high range of mountains. The natural outlet of the valley is down the Flathead River into Montana, and the nearest railroad is the Great Northern. Some years ago attention was called to this section through the finding of crude oil in the possession of some Stony Indians, who annually hunted in this valley, and they were induced to show some miners where they obtained the oil, which they (the Indians) were in the habit of using as a medicine for complaints of all kinds. The surface indications are good, and two different qualities of oil have been obtained. On Kishneena Creek, a short distance north of the international boundary line, a black oil, similar to the Pennsylvania and Ohio oils, is found. But on Sage Creek, some eight miles north, there is found an oil that is nearly pure, of a light yellow color, which will burn in a lamp as it comes from the ground. Close by, there is natural gas escaping from the bedrock, which burns freely on ignition. Some of this oil sent to the Geological Museum at Ottawa, caused considerable excitement and comment, and was pronounced a fraud on account of its purity. Dr. Selwyn, head of the department, made a special trip to the valley, and was surprised to find the oil genuine, and also that this oil was found in the Cambrian formation, which was something unknown, as all the oil fields hitherto discovered have been in Trenton limestone. Directly due east of Sage Creek, and on the eastern slope of the main ridge of the Rocky Mountains, in Alberta Territory, there is plenty of surface indications of crude oil. And the finding of these indications cover such a large area, and in the same formation would go to show that there is a large oil field awaiting capital.

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GOOD THINGS.

Max O'Rell tells the story of a chairman he had at one of his lectures, who, on introducing him to the audience, spoke for an hour and a half. The lecturer then arose, and quietly proposing a vote of thanks to the chairman for his excellent address, sat down again, and the meeting closed.

A lawyer residing in the North of England, and noted for his laconic style of expression, sent the following terse and witty note to a refractory client, who would not succumb to his reiterated demands for the payment of his bill: "Sir, if you pay the inclosed, you will oblige me. If you do not, I shall oblige you."

Professor Blackie was asked once to preside at a temperance meeting, and, being of an amiable turn of mind, he consented; but he did not help the cause much, for this is what he said: "I can not understand why I am asked to be here. I am not a teetotaler—far from it. If a man asks me to dine with him, and does not give me a good glass of wine, I say that he is neither a Christian nor a gentleman. Germans drink beer, Englishmen wine, ladies tea, and fools water.

On one occasion, a magistrate asked a woman: "What is your age, madam?" "Whatever you choose, sir," answered the lady. She was under oath. "You may put down forty-five years, then," said the magistrate to the clerk; "What is your occupation, madam? "Sir," said the witness, "you have made a mistake of ten years in my age." "Put down fifty-five, then," said the magistrate; "your residence——" "Sir," exclaimed the lady, "my age is thirty-five years, not fifty-five!" "At last we have your statement," said the magistrate; and he proceeded with the examination.

SCANDAL MONGER.

Knox church, Selkirk, was crowded on Sunday night last. Mr. Ferry preached a very practically sermon on the use and abuse of the tongue, taking for his text James 1, 26. He said his mind had been directed to the subject from the news published in the Winnipeg papers of Monday last. After giving the exegesis of the text as set forth, and the meaning of the Greek word rendered "seemeth," the preacher remarked that the "sin of an unbridled tongue" had assumed such a respectable standing, that the time had come for it to be branded with its proper name. For this sin was not most prevalent in the saloon, but in the church; it was not the conversation of the tramp and the vagabond which the text condemned but the conversation of the person who imagined himself religious; the preacher then called attention to the distinction between the religious person and the person who "seems to be religious." And in a vivid and clear manner presented the whisperer, the tale bearer and the scandal monger as the vilest characters, stating that the person who "sowed discord among brethern" was in the sight of God, worse than the person "who shed innocent blood:" Prov. 6, 16-19. Hence, Durant's crime in the language of scripture, was not so bad as that of the whisperer who sought to destroy the affection of true friends. The scandel monger is a person to be heartily despised by all classes, and the person who repeats a scandle is even worse than a thief, or a murderer. The whispering gossip in the church and among church people was denounced in ringing tones as the spirit of the devil. The sermon from begining to end was replete with vivid illustrations showing the effects of gossip. Many felt that the sermon was well timed.

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MULLAN.

John A. Finch was in town Wednesday.

A ball was given Friday night for the benefit of the public school of Mullan.

Capt. W. R. Shields, a former resident of Mullan, has returned here to live.

A. W. Steele and Web Leasure had a slight difficulty a few days ago which resulted in some shooting, but no one was hurt.

C. C. Eckert, a former resident and merchant of Mullan, was here Wednesday. Mr. Eckert still holds some valuable mining interests in this vicinity.

WALLACE.

R. V. Largent, the distinguished mayor of Carbon, was in town this week.

W. F. Finch and son, Chester, left Friday for Chicago to spend the holidays.

Charles A. Wing came over from Montana last week and is doing the annual assessment work on the Tin Cup, in Lake gulch.

F. B. Fogg, a long-time resident of the Cœur d'Alenes, left last Monday for a visit to his old home in Maine He will return to this section in the spring.

The warm weather of the past week, together with the frequent showers, has removed nearly all the snow. Vehicles of all kinds have in consequence had to discard runners and take on wheels.

C. W. Vedder and family left this week for Spokane, where they will reside in the future. Mr. Vedder has been a resident of the Cœur d'Alenes for about thirteen years and his friends regret very much to have him leave.

WARDNER.

Jack Hume took charge of the Smith saloon last Monday.

Dr. France has been in Seattle about two weeks on a business trip.

Pat Murphy, one of the old-timers, returned to Wardner on Tuesday.

Mrs. Geo. H. Trumbull went to Spokane the latter part of last week.

The hospital is finished. After drying a few days it will be formally opened.

Scott Anderson and A. E. Howes, of Wallace, were collers at the News office on Thursday.

The Salvation Army will hold special services here to-morrow—on Monday they leave for Wallace.

Aaron Frost, for the past three years manager of the Wallace Miner, has leased the News.

Mrs. C. E. Comer opened her restaurant on Monday.

Andy Devlin left his mining property long enough to come in and see his Wardner friends on Sunday.

H. B. Oatman opened a fruit, tobacco, and confectionery store last Monday in the building owned by Mrs. Clark.

The new scenery for Pythian Hall arrived at the commencement of the week and was immediately put in place.

Mrs. W. S. Bryden expects to leave on Monday for San Diego, California, where she will spend the winter in that delightful climate.

Andy Wilmot, of Wallace, has sold out his 16 to 1 restaurant at that place and was in Wardner this week looking up a new location for feeding the hungry people.

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LEDGE CROPPINGS

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His Honor Judge Sproat was in New Denver this week.

At the time of going to press last Tuesdays Kaslo mail has not arrived.

Rev. G. A. Love preached a very appropriate Christmas sermon on Sunday evening.

Letter press for sale apply at this office. †

Wm. Thomlinson, who made a business trip to Revelstoke last week, has returned home.

When in Vancouver stop at the Manor House. †

Miss Adair and Miss Livingston left on Tuesday for Revelstoke where they will spend the holiday season.

The organ raffled last Friday, by Mrs. J. H. Wereley, was won by the lady herself and the watch was won by Archie grant, of Sandon.

Job printing neatly executed at "THE LEDGE" office.

F. Pyman, New Denver's watchmaker and jeweller makes cleaning and repairing watches a specialty He visits Three Forks every Friday to accommodate customers in that town.

A pulpit, presented to the Methodist church as a Christmas gift by F. Pyman, whose handy-work it is, was in place last Sunday, it is nicely finished and shows no little taste and a great deal of work.

Stop at the Hotel Windsor, Rossland. Mrs. T. B. Lewis, proprietor. †

Mrs. James S. Johnson has opened a Dress and Mantle making establishment in Three Forks, where she is prepared to do all kinds of Plain and Fancy Sewing. †

Under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor a debate on "Should the Women be allowed to Vote" will take place on January 20th. Miss Livingston and Howard West are the captians. All are invited to take part.

The members of the family commonly surnamed "Tenderloin" gave a dinner to some of their friends on Monday evening last. The menu was most elaborate, the service well appointed and those entertained speak in the highest terms of the genial hospitality received.

Along the line of the Denver Pacific road, between Denver and Cheyenne there are cedar telegraph poles which have been set twenty-three years, and are still sound. The average pine pole lasts only four or five years. Red spruce which is quite common in places in the mountains, lasts about as long as cedar.

Christmas in New Denver.

Even in Kootenay we had our Christmas turkey, goose, pudding and all just the same as in the less favored lands of our childhood. Most ordinary pleasures we havo not time to waste over here in the midst of the serious purposes of getting rich, but as to Christmas we thought it would not likely be around again for another year and we might be able to get along with only 364 days of violent work for 1895, so we ate three square meals, wished everyone "A Merry Christmas" and congratulated ourselves on our own good nature all day. The sun shone brightly (somewhere), the snow fell industriously, and everything was equally bright in Denver as the weather. So far as we have been able to learn no one was crowded off the streets thronged by the busy crowds. Most of the young batchelors of the town spent some part of the day with their friends who had families, and everyone seems to have spent as happy a time as ourselves.

Three Forks Christmas Tree.

The little folks of Three Forks circulated a subscription for the purchasing of presents for a tree, prepared a program and with the assistance of some of the ladies held a very successful Christmas tree on Christmas eve. The short program as given below was well rendered to a fair sized audience. The children did their parts well and the music of the instrumental trio was most delightful.

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