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DEAD—IN A SLIDE.

John McMillan Loses His Life on the Eureka Trail.

John McMillan and John Moore, two of the owners of the Eureka, went up to that claim last week to shovel out the mouth of the tunnel, in order to have the property ready for inspection by parties desirous of purchasing it. On Saturday, having completed their work, they started on snow shoes to make their way to the wagon road, near Belleville. A slide, however, came along at the same time, and before they could escape they were overtaken and covered up. Moore, whose snowshoes were lightly fastened, managed to take them off, and after four hours' hard work succeeded in extricating himself. McMillan was not so fortunate and lost his life. The body was afterwards recovered, taken to Kaslo, and interred. There were no bruises or scars on the body. McMillan was about 40 years of age and unmarried. He was a native of Glengarry, Ont., and his relatives there have been notified of the accident.

Better Than Mining.

Turkeys sell at a premium now in in town. Last week two parties reported finding precious stones in the crops of gobblers being prepared for the family table. In one case the stones, of the character of rubies, were small and of little worth; but in the other instance the delighted owner declared that of the two brilliants found, one was worth $50. The turkeys had been originally purchased in Spokane.

A Hunter's Paradise.

Tom Mulvey, Major Reed, and another man are wintering at the foot of Slocan lake. The Major has grown very stout and says he has consumed over 100 ducks since he went into winter quarters. Game is plentiful, and on Monday they had seven deer hung up, besides wild fowl. Mulvey and his partners are in clover, and far from the bustle of city life, they can masticate delicious food and grow fat, while the millionaires in New Denver are still feasting on the regulation diet of the mountains.

Railway Blocked.

The heavy thaw which took place during the week, besides demoralizing the mail and telegraph services, interrupted travel in all directions. On the Nakusp & Slocan Railway a number of snow and mud slides occurred. Some eight or 10 close to Nakusp were cleared with but little difficulty, but those in the canyon above Denver Siding required the assistance of every available man on the road. The big mud slide passed over the railway and almost reached the sled road. Between here and the Forks is the hardest part of the railway, and more or less trouble may be expected there until sheds, or other fixtures, have been erected to preserve the road bed.

THE WHIZZING SLIDE

Does a Rushing Business Throughout the Slocan Country.

A week ago rainy weather took the place of the cold snap that had tightened up the roads and trails in the Slocan. A day or two of softening influence from the elements coaxed the snowslides off their perches, and they came down the mountains in a vigorous and energetic manner. Last Saturday witnessed the greatest activity in the transportation of slides that has yet been known in the Slocan. The way they whizzed and rushed in their mad career from the lofty peaks of the numerous mountains to the lower levels was a sight that could only be calmly appreciated through a telescope. Many of them destroyed property, and in more than one instance blotted out human life. Miners had to flee for their lives from many claims and seek refuge beyond the reach of the rapid and aggressive slides. Wagon roads and trails were blocked and travel generally suspended in the hills.

AT THE IDAHO.

The men became alarmed on Saturday and most of them came down to the Forks and Denver. The next day a slide carried away the roof of the Idaho bunkhouse and filled it with snow. The men in the mess house near by were unhurt. Several Italians who had their tents near the Idaho had their habitations completely covered up.

AT THE CUMBERLAND

a short distance from the Idaho, seven men were in the cabin when the big slide occurred. They squeezed themselves into a corner of the building and were uninjured, although a log from the Idaho bunkhouse crashed through the roof and made them think of home and mother. As soon as possible they evacuated the premises, leaving the tools in the tunnel and a two months' supply of provisions in the cabin.

ALONG THE ROAD.

Between the Idaho and the concentrator slides were plentiful and three men are reported lost, but no accurate information has as yet been obtained as to the truth of the rumor. One of them is said to be named McCorkindale, who hailed from the Cœur d'Alenes. Gen Lee's stables, close to the intersection of the Alamo trail, had one end demolished, but the animals escaped uninjured.

AT FOUR MILE.

A slide came down over the Alpha, but did no damage, as the buildings were put up with a view to avoiding the pressure from avalanches.

ELSEWHERE.

The famous Freddie Lee slide has dropped, but did no damage. This is the monster that overwhelmed poor Flaherty and Switzer two years ago.

Near Bear lake numerous heavy whizzers made their presence known by blocking up the wagon road. The Kaslo stage became entangled in one and had to be dug out. It took two gangs of men, working at either end, four days to clear away the debris.

UNDER A SLIDE.

George Alyard's Narrow Escape From Dying With His Boots on.

George Alyard had a thrilling experience at the Silver Bell Saturday. He was standing in front of the blacksmith shop and his companions, five in number, were in the tunnel, when a snowslide came down. Alyard jumped into the shop and the slide rushed by, tearing down the building and burying him in the ruins. His companions dug him out in 15 minutes. When rescued he was black in the face and insensible. He was slightly cut on the forehead, and his ribs were sore from being struck on the side with a shovel. It was fully an hour before he recovered his senses. While being dug out it was found that there was 18 inches of snow on his face, and packed so tight that it was more of the nature of granite than the fleecy. Part of the building he was in was carried down the mountain, though fortunately for him the back portion held its ground. Alyard has no recollection of what happened after the slide struck him in the face, as he was put to sleep instantly. He was able to reach New Denver Sunday.

This is the second narrow escape Alyard, who is a relative of J. A. Finch, has had in the Slocan. Last summer, in company with Billy Clark, he was caught in the fire on the Idaho trail and his face badly burned. On both occasions he lost his head covering.

Social Hop.

A social hop will be given in the Shannon hall on Friday evening, Jan. 18, to which everyone is cordially invited. Good music has been secured and an enjoyable time will doubtless be spent. Upon the success of this event hangs the idea of holding weekly, or semi-monthly, assemblies.

Smelter at Nakusp.

Coast papers are industriously asserting that a big smelting plant is to be erected at Nakusp, where it can command the business of the Slocan, Trail creek, Lardeau and Illecillewaet countries. The scheme has the support of the C.P.R. and British capitalists. THE LEDGE announced the same facts a year ago.

Painful Accident.

H. McLean, druggist, met with an exceedingly painful accident Monday morning. He was going down Sixth street towards the postoffice with J. Black, and when on the brink of the slight hill, slipped on the treacherous ice and fell heavily, with his right foot bent under him. The wrench was a severe one, entailing much pain. He was conveyed to his store and Dr. Bruner telegraphed for to Three Forks. The Doctor found that one of the small bones of the leg was fractured in two different places. Mr. McLean will be laid up for many weeks.

MINING NOTES.

Happenings of Interest Among the Treasure Vaults.

Rawhiding has been interrupted by the thaw.

Idaho No. 2, owned by R. Shea, has been leased to R. Alexander.

The principal seasons in the Slocan are: mud, flood, fire and snowslides.

The Omaha smelter has purchased 500 tons of ore from the Noble Five property.

The boys have returned to the Idaho, to straighten up matters after the slide.

Harry Sheran has sold a half interest in the Columbia, a claim at Trail, for $4,000.

No more ore will be shipped from the Slocan Star until the blockade at Nakusp has been raised.

The Noble Five slide went down with a rush and a bang, making noise enough to wake the dead.

F. E. Ward is now buying ore for the Tacoma smelter, having resigned his position with the Pilot Bay people.

A deal is on for the purchase of the Eureka by foreign capitalists, for the sum of $12,000. Moore, McDonald and McMillan are the owners.

A petition has been circulated, asking the Government to assist in extending the trail on Wilson creek to the Dolly Varden group of mines.

Work has been suspended on the Dardanelles until heavier machinery can be procured. This is one of the mines that the snowslides do not interfere with.

At the beginning of the month 85 tons of ore were shipped from Kaslo to Great Falls. The ore came from the Goodenough, Blue Bird, Surprise and Dardanelles.

For the week ending January 5, the War Eagle, on Trail creek, shipped out 160 tons of ore, and the Le Roi 144 tons. The whole was valued at $15,200. Pretty good for a gold camp.

Wm. Harrison, of Kaslo, who went east a month ago, has been giving the Toronto Globe some information regarding the mineral wealth of the Slocan. William is trying to sell some of his claims.

Gething, Henderson, Whitely and Halpin own a claim called the Central, which joins the Antoine. They are driving a tunnel on it, and were in 40 feet when forced out by a snowslide last Saturday.

Highest on Record.

Returns have just been received, by the owners of the Reco, from the Omaha smelter of the ore recently shipped thither from that mine. One carload has returned the astonishing average figures of 1,000 ounces of silver to the ton, making the 15 tons worth, at 60 cents per oz., $9,000. This is the highest total yet reached by any property in the Slocan, an evidence of the richness of the Reco.

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THURSDAY, JAN. 17, 1895.

ROSSBACH ON RELIGION.

Rev. Father Rossbach preached the sermon for the repose of the soul of the late Sir John Thompson, at Saint Patrick's church, Quebec. During the service Father Rossbach declared that if Sir John could now speak he would say that the only true religion was to be found in the Roman Catholic Church, and that all the rest were shams and frauds.

The audience was composed of Protestants and Catholics, who had gathered there out of respect to the dead Premier, and they were shocked, to think that a priest upon such a solemn occasion should seize the opportunity to insult those who do not believe in his special brand of religious superstition and mummery. His remarks have sent a thrill through the good Catholics of Canada, and many of the leading lights of the Church have severely denounced the utterances of Rossbach as being unkind, unjust, and totally uncalled for.

Such things will always be, as long as churches are conducted in the manner they are today. When people are educated to the fact that it is not necessary to employ a broker to get into heaven, and that all churches no matter ot what stripe, are run principally by men as a means of making on easy living, or to please their oratorical ambition, then will such childish nonsense as we have just mentioned be unheard of.

PROTECT THE MINER.

The miner is the backbone of every mining camp. It is upon the money that he earns that we, who live in the towns hard by, get our daily bread and other luxuries. It is for him principally that the saloons are fitted up in gorgeous style. It is for him that the storekeeper is waiting so that he may pay his bills. It is through his hard work that many men of capital are enabled to ride in carriages and dine with dukes in Europe.

He gets $3.50 a day in the Slocan, and for this amount he pounds a drill and lacerates rocks in the darkness of the tunnel or shaft. He occasionally is assisted up the golden stairs by a premature blast, and sometimes gets introduced to St. Peter by the aid of a snowslide. Being of so much value to the community, his life should be freed from danger as much as possible. One way to do this is to have all buildings at the mines built in such a manner as to obviate the danger from slides, and render it unnecessary for men to flee for their lives, as has been done during the past week.

Miners may be plentiful and some capitalists may think that their lives cut but a small figure, but we think different. We want every one of them to have a chance to die in bed, and we urge upon all owners the necessity of seeing that their employees are protected from the danger of slides in every way possible. Take our advice, boys, or when the slides come again some of you may have to push clouds, instead of holding the end of a drill.

Good for the Cumberland.

The Cumberland is developing into a great property. In the upper tunnel the ore chute is 70 feet long. In places there are four feet of good clean ore, some of it carrying grey copper.

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Record of the Mineral Being Handled Over the N. & S. Railway.

The ore has been piling into Nakusp during the past week in good shape, five different mines furnishing the material. An ore blockade has ensued at that town, because of the stoppage of the river route, and the glittering metal has been lying on the wharf in huge piles. This has angered some of the shippers, who will refrain from sending out their ore until such times as the blockade is raised. As the river is reported to have again been opened, as a result of the thaw, the ore will be rushed to the railway landing at the Wigwam. Snow and mud slides have blocked the N.& S.R. for the past few days, and that should assist in straightening out affairs at the Arrow lake terminus. Altogether 195½ tons were received at Nakusp, at a valuation of $19,550. The ore from the Minnesota Silver Co. and the Last Chance was consigned to Great Falls; while that from the Alpha, Idaho, and Slocan Star was billed for Omaha.

From the initial shipment on Sept. 13, 1894, till Jan. 1, 1895, the Slocan mines sent out over the Nakusp & Slocan Railway:—

Alpha mine	771¼ tons, valued at	$ 77,125
Mountain Chief	91¼	9,125
Slocan Star	1,031½	103,150
Fisher Maiden	47¾	4,775
Noble Five	87	8,700
Minnesota Silver Co	15	1,500
Reco	42¼	4,225
Idaho	60	6,000
Last Chance	15	1,500
Total	2,151	$215,100

Since the first of the year the list by the same route shows:—

DATE.	MINE.	WEIGHT.	VALUE.
Jan 1	Idaho	75 tons	$ 7,500
Jan 3	Slocan Star	57	5,700
Jan 7	"	15	1,500
"	Idaho	47½	4,750
Jan 8	"	30	3,000
"	Alpha	32½	3,250
"	Slocan Star	15	1,500
Jan 10	Idaho	60	6,000
Jan 12	Minnesota Silver Co	15	1,500
"	Slocan Star	13	1,300
"	Last Chance	15	1,500
"	Idaho	15	1,500

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WALLACE.

Judge Gregory is able to be around again, after a long spell of sickness.

The ice on Placer creek sadly interferes with the running of the electric light plant.

Wednesday the infant child of T. Tallentire died suddenly at Gem. It was buried next day.

Collins was the name of the man mentioned last week as suiciding by morphine, at the Hathaway House, and not Calvin.

On Sunday night Mrs. Andrew Wilmot, of the Gem restaurant, died of fever. About three weeks ago she was delivered of a son.

The turkey shoot given by the Wallace Rifle Club proved a great success. J. Blotti and Capt. Rossi were the chief winners.

The cold weather has shut down all work on placers, probably until spring. Altogether the season has been reasonably prosperous.

Arthur Chattelle, a young Frenchman, attempted suicide at the Arment House, Wednesday evening, with a jack-knife. Though losing considerable gore, he will recover.

Thursday morning a sneak thief slipped off with Jerome Jacobs' cash drawer, containing $53.50. The drawer was afterwards found in the alley, but minus the money.

A glove contest given at Gem on Saturday evening, between J. Crowley and Vic Langley, for the gate receipts, resulted in favor of the latter. Crowley was knocked out in four rounds.

WARDNER.

The big mercantile firm of A. Fouck & Bro., of Boise, has failed.

The grand jury at Boise found two indictments against Illif for forging the name of Attorney General Parsons.

Hon. William Clagett has left Cœur d'Alene to reside at Boise, in which city he will in future practice his profession.

Two men, named Eastman and Fredrickson, were nearly frozen to death recently while out hunting on Boise river.

Burglars entered W. S. Whitehead's store, at Boise, early Sunday morning. About $250 in stock, principally cutlery, and $5 in cash, was taken.

There are now 137 patients in the Blackfoot Insane asylum. This is about 1 to 900 of the population. A few years ago the proportion was 1 to 1,800.

James Ford, who was stabbed in Silver City, on Sunday, by William Thomas, is dead. The victim was a nephew of Patrick Ford, of the Irish World.

The ball given under the auspices of the Wardner lodges of the K. of P. and I.O.O.F., recently, can be recorded as the great social success of the season.

Sam Ward, of Delta, and T. B. Smyth, of Murray, have left for Australia. Ben Broaddus and J. Vaughn of Murray, departed for the same country on the 1st.

The Camas No. 2, at Wood river, has been pumped out, the mill moved and considerable work done. W. A. Clark, the Montana capitalist, is still negotiating for the property.

A baby show was the latest attraction in Cœur d'Alene. Four infants were offered in the contest, and the prize of a silver cup was awarded the nine months' old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mann.

PLACER CLAIMS.

ALL Placer Claims in this District, legally held, may be laid over from the 15th October, 1894, to the 1st June, 1895.

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MINING RECORDS,

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ASSESSMENTS.

Idea—recorded January 15, by P. S. Hughes.

LEDGE CROPPINGS

Civic elections were held in Kaslo today.

Game is reported plentiful at the foot of the lake.

Canadian mail is expected in via Nakusp tomorrow.

Postoffice Inspector Fletcher was reported in Nakusp Tuesday.

Postmaster Thomlinson has commenced issuing money orders.

Several drunken squabbles marred the serenity of the Forkers on Friday.

Ice cutting has commenced at the dam on the creek. It is of good quality.

George Ross has sold a half interest in the Black Bess to John Brinnen for $50.

Lawyer Kerr is to erect a new office, to accommodate his increasing business.

McKenzie Bros., Kaslo, have moved into the store lately vacated by T. A. Garland.

Mrs. Schroeder is to open a boarding house in the Becker building, Three Forks.

C. Blackwood, the well-known Winnipeg drummer, was in town during the week.

J. Bolander is up from the Galena Farm and reports indications improving on the Currie.

James Delaney has gone to Kaslo. He may take charge of the Leland House in that city.

House and furniture to sell, very cheap, at Nakusp. Apply to H. N. Coursier, Revelstoke. †

From Thursday morning till Sunday 15 inches of snow disappeared from the flats in town.

Enthusiastic parties will erect a structure, suitable for a hotel, at Ten Mile creek this winter.

Most of the prominent citizens of the Pronged City have been in the metropolis this week.

Wanted.—An energetic person to organize and set in motion an amateur theatrical company.

Messrs. McHale, Doherty, Mackie and Nevins have gone to the foot of the lake to shoot wild fowl.

Application is to be made to the Legislature for a grant for fire-fighting apparatus at the Forked City.

A good time was spent by those who attended the dance at the Pacific, Three Forks, Thursday night.

J. A. Finch is working three bonded properties in the Slocan—the Wonderful, Silver Bell and Sovereign.

A bank, express office, several thousand people, and a few millions of dollars are wanted in New Denver.

The Iron Crown, a property on Bear creek, owned by J. A. Finch, has enough ore in sight to pay for the mine.

Quite a number of the boys have come in from the hills, to give the slides an opportunity to get in their work.

Telegraph service throughout the country has been badly demoralized of late, as a result of the storms and slides.

A concert, for the purpose of raising funds to pay off the debts against the public school will be given in Nakusp shortly.

Mike McAndrews' stable, at the Forks, collapsed Thursday night, owing to the snow on the roof. Several of the animals were bruised.

The Kaslo Drug Co. will open a store at Three Forks about the 15th of this month. A full line of drugs will always be kept in stock. †

H. Pitts, postmaster at the Forks, expects his wife and child, together with his father-in-law, out from the east, in the course of a week or ten days.

The consumption of whiskey at the Forks has declined this month. This is partly owing to New Year resolutions, which generally hold good for 30 days.

Next Sunday divine service will be held at Three Forks in the morning—snowslides permitting—and here in the evening, Rev. A. J. Gaebel at the helm.

J. A. Finch reached Marcus last week, on his way into the Slocan, but had to turn back owing to a landslide at the Seven Devils. He is expected in Sunday.

Ben Finnell, the veteran prospector, will spend a few days at the Hot Springs, previous to his departure on a hunting expedition at the foot of Slocan lake.

Str. W. Hunter went to the foot of the lake Monday and brought up a scowload of hay and vegetables. The latter were consigned principally to Three Forks.

Hill Bros., who own the sawmill at the head of the lake, are getting out about 200,000 feet of timber for their next season's cut. They do not anticipate a busy season.

The first assembly of Duffy & Spencer's Quadrille Club, Nakusp, was held Friday evening. The affair was a success and will be repeated weekly during the winter.

Red Paddy, one of the orators of the Slocan, is in town, and will discourse upon the live topics of the day, until the snowslides lift their mortgage on the mountain traffic.

Berg & Stege are awaiting the arrival of a consignment of jute to resume operations at their ore bag factory. Steam power will be used so soon as the machinery reaches here from Toronto.

A party in Vancouver made a proposition to the owners of the mica claims near Nakusp to stock the properties for $100,000. His offer was declined, the terms being too much in favor of the promoter of the great scheme.

An effort is to be made to pay off the debt yet remaining on the church by a series of concerts, the first of which will be given in a week or two. Hill Bros., to whom the money is due, have generously reduced their claim by half.

Billy King, the clever mixologist for the past two months at Bowen's Hotel, at the Forks, is en route to the Hot Springs to recuperate. His health was impaired by arsenical poisoning contracted while working in the mines last summer.

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