Attorney General

BANK WANTED.
Apply to the Citizens of New Denver.

THE LEDGE.

The paystreak of ads. never pinches out in this paper. Try one before the space is all staked.

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The Slocan Star.

The Star continues to ship 32 tons o ore a day. A new bunkhouse has been erected and the old one turned into a boiler house for the air compressor plant, which will be working in No. 5 tunnel this week. A winze was started last week to connect 4 and 5 levels.

The Silver Nugget.

Mr. Hugh Sutherland of the Silver Nugget mine, returned to the city Friday after spending a week at his valuable property, He reports the work done to be very satisfactory and the showing made better than he had expected. A 200 foot tunnel is run in and an upraise to the surface, The ledge continuec even 5 feet and the paystreak 6 to 10 inches. The ledge has been uncovered for 1375 feet. A night and day shift is at work.

If the present good showing continues it is Mr. Sutherland's intention to construct a gravity tramway in the spring from the mine to the Galena flat. The altitude of the mine is 5,000 feet above the lake.

A Snowslide at Dalhousie.

A tremendous snow slide occured at the Dalhousie group on Friday night about 12 o'clock and four men, Louis Lebert, Geo. Sperry, N. Angrignon and Dan McLeod had a narrow escape from being caught in it. The slide started about 1,000 feet above the Dalhousie tunnel and swept everything before it for 500 or 600 feet below. Fortunately for the men their cabin was protected by being built close to the mountain side and the snow passed over with very little damage. Lebert and Sperry were sleeping at the time and were rudely awakened by the snow piling on top of them Angrignon and McLeod had just finished their midnight lunch and were working on the dump when the noise of the slide was heard. They ran for the tunnel and had barely reached safety when the avalanche swept over them.

NEW COMPANIES.

B. C. Development Co., of London registered Dec. 30

Giant Mining Co., of Spokane registered Dec 30.

British Canadian Gold Fields Co., of Toronto registered Jan 4.

Copper Giant Co., Rossland; $1,000,000. W G Merryweather, A E Tarelle, J R Reavis, H B Smith.

Canyon Creek Co., Rossland; $1,000,000. T Underwood, I S Freeze, T G Wanless, D McLean, G S McCarter.

Falstaff Gold Co., Rossland; $1,000,000. E J McCune, A E Tyford, J Hunter.

Gold Coin Co., Rossland; $1,000,000 W A Campbell, J F McCrae. J J Moynahan T Anderson, T P Long.

International Gold Mining Co., of Spokane registered Jan 4.

North Fork Co., Vancouver; $125,000. G F Baldwin, W E Gravelley, G W Hutchings, T W Smirl, W E Johnston.

Salmon River Gold Co, Rossland; $1,500,000. A E Tyford, R M Higgs, E Griset.

SLOCAN CITY.

R. E. H, Mansell, of Nelson, came in a few days ago to superintend the opening up of the Skylark and Ranger claims on Dayton creek. He will this week let a contract for running a tunnel on those claims.

G. M. SoRelle has sold to J. A Thompson of Carnduff, Assa., a quarter interest in the North Exchange, Pay Roll and Quadra Fraction, all on Dayton creek for a snug little sum. A seventy-foot tunnel is being driven on the North Exchange and men will be kept at work all winter.

Three men go out this week to open up the ledge on the Esmerelda, adjoining the Exchange. Eastern parties have a 60 day's option on this claim and intend to show it up well before paying over. The ledge assays 256 ounces in silver and $6 in gold on the surface.

Hicks and Barber have bonded the Transfer group between Springer and Dayton to W. A. Campbell of Rossland for twenty thousand.

Harvey Fife has had another assay on a specimen from the Cold Blow, the phenominal claim on Lemon creek. This time it went $2,900 in gold. How would that suit the low grade Rossland people?

THE GREATEST STATE.

Rich Montana and Her Fabulous Mining Zone of Wealth.

Butte, Mont.,—A conservative estimate of the mineral output of the Butte district for the year 1896 is;

	Pounds Copper.
Anaconda company	130,000,000
Boston and Montana	45,000,000
Mont. Ore Purchasing Co.	18,000,000
Parrot company	14,000,000
Colorado company	5,000,000
Clark's Reduction Works	4,000,000
Total	216,000,000

One of the principal producers, the Butte and Boston, has been shut down during the year. The value of the copper at 11 cents per pound in $23,760,000. The gold and silver, by-products of the copper oar., will yield $8,000,000, making the total yield of the district $31,760,000. This exceeds 1892 by about one million dollars, The state has produced fully fifty five million dollars in metals this year.

Take a map of Montana and draw a line for an axis passing through Helena and Virginia City, make the axis not to exeeed 120 miles long and mark off a strip of territory on each side about thirty miles wide, and you have the boundries of a tract 130 miles long and sixty miles wide, from which has been prodnced all Montana's copper, most of the lead, three fourths of the silver and nine-tenths of the gold,

Bannock and Gold Creek are the only placer districts of note outside of this rich mineral zone. Butte, with its unparralleled deposits of copper, lies near the center of this mining zone. It is not likely that there can be named anywhere a tract of eqnal area that has produced so much in so short a time, and still retains so large a proportion of unworked ground of known richness.

The daily output of the Anaconda company is now 3,000 tons. The past year the company has expended $2,000,000 in making improvements, and has divided $3,000,000 among its stockholders. This year nearly all the mines of the company will be sunk several hundred feet deeper.

A strike is reported in the Hope at Basin, on the 200-foot level, 1,000 feet west of the east-end line of the claim. For some distance on this level the vein was very narrow and almost barren of valne. The new strike is reported to be not less than fifteen feet in width. and of a high grade in gold, silver and copper.

The Mocking Bird claim in th Lump Gulch district is said to give great promise of creating a general revival in mining matters in that section. A carload of twenty tons that sampled $75 in gold and from 40 to 80ounces in silver and 30 per cent lead has been shipped to Helena. The property is five miles from Clancy, on the middle fork of Warm Springs creek.

THE REED AND TENDERFOOT.

A Property That will Soon Occupy a High Place Among the Great Producers of the Slocan.

This property is one of the groups taken over last summer by C. W. Callahan, for the Vancouver and B.C. General Exploration Company of London, and is made up of the following claims: The Reed, Tenderfoot, Nettie, Carnation and Rienzi.

The showing on this group is the best surface showing of any group of claims in the Slocan. It may not be the best in value of ore, but the lead known as the Reed and Robertson, is one of the strongest leads in the district. It can be traced distinctly through nine claims, cropping out boldly on the Reed from side-line to side-line, running clear through the Nettie on to the Tenderfoot, then into the Carnation ground, where it makes its last appearance on the surface Its further course is somewhat in doubt, but many old time prospectors are ready to swear that it can be traced on down the hill through the Rienzi into the world-renowned Slocan Star. This, of course, is only a matter of conjecture, but the fortunate possessors of this group have all the territory that any one outfit can handle for years to come and are probably not fretting their souls about the further course of the lead.

The work on this property had been mostly done on the Reed claim up to the time it was purchased by the Callahan syndicate. Since then a great deal of work has been done on the Tenderfoot, on the Sandon side of the divide, amounting to 275 feet of tunnelling. It being the intention to drive a tunnel clear through the hill, a distance of over 1000 feet so as to permit concentrating the ore at Sandon, where a mill site of five acres has been secured at the mouth of Tributary creek. A force of men are kept at work night and day on this tunnel and are making good progress as they are now in 130 feet. The lead dipping from the face of the tunnel, it will be some time before it is reached, probably 300 feet more, but it is the intention to drift on it each way to open up stoping ground as soon as it is struck. Mr. Rafferty does not intend to allow snow slides or bad weather to interfere with his plans, judging from the amount of supplies he has on hand at the camp.

There is no limit to the quantity of ore that can be mined, except the capacity to mill it. The ledge varies in width from five to sixty feet between the walls and in some places on the surface it is a question of how many tons you want to blow out now, to say nothing of the ground that the main tunnel will open up. The grade of the ore compares favorably with that of the other shipping mines on this mountain. A carload shipped recently, of clean ore, gave a profit of $85 a ton, but the great wealth lies in the immense body of concentrating ore, the full value of which will be realised when the mill is in running order, then the Londoners who sent Mr. Callahan here, can join the people of the Slocan in singing "Hail to the Chief." Mr. Callahan has done much to overcome the prejudices of the old country people to silver lead investments, for all of which we are duly grateful, and if his company reaps the benefit, there is no one in the Slocan who will begrudge it to them. Mr. Callahan was the first representative of English capital in the Slocan last spring and seemingly the first to understand that there was more money in silver ore at $85 a ton than out of Rossland gold ore at $30 a ton, He acted on this theory and it is right and proper that the people who sent him out should be the gainers as the result of his display of common sense and pluck, qualities often lacking in the so-called mining experts from England.

TUNNEL SHAFT AND DUMP.

The Latest Returns From the Mines and Prospects of the Silvery Slocan.

The cross cut tunnel on the Mascott is in 30 feet.

Seven inches of galena were struck on the O. K. last week.

Eight inches of clean ore has been struck on the Cordelia.

Dan Bongard has two shifts working on the Iron Mountain.

The Surprise and R. E. Lee continue to make daily shipments of ore.

The final payment on the Galena Farm group was made this week.

The Jenny Lind, on Four Mile, is looking well and will ship ore before the month is out.

Development is being pushed on the Wakefield and a carload of ore will be shipped in a week or two.

There has been considerable movement in New Denver this week in Dardanells and Two Friends stock.

Write Rufus Buck, M. E., Rossland for blue printing and mapping of properties. Latest map of North Fork and Wild Horse district, Price $1.50

It is said shipments of ore from the Slocan viaKaslo, have become so great that it is found necessary to put into service the steamer Alberta to run to Nelson.

Mr J. C. Bolander left for Nelson Monday where he will receive from the bank there the money that is paid to him for his share in the Galena Farm, whieh amounts to several thousands. Mr. Bolander is one of the pioneers of Denver. He located here in '92 and has been a continuous resident, experiencing the ups and downs of life in the Slocan in all its phases. His good fortune has been well earned. It is his intention to remain here and he will at once put his wealth into practical use.

New Denver has it and is going to have it—Prosperity.

The 'Old Print.'

I've been thinking dear Al, of the very great change
That has come to our old, old trade—
Of the benefits sought, of sad havoc wrought
By fortune, that fickle jade.
'Tis a great revolution and one which we thought
Was many long years away;
But it's here at last and what's more, old pal,
I'm afraid it has come to stay.

The old time "print" is a thing of the past,
A tool that is cast aside,
An uncouth idea of primitive days
Whom up-to-date men may deride.
But ah, dear boy, in your mind and mine
His memory will ever be dear,
For he wore his heart on his ragged old sleeve—
It's my pipe that causes this tear!

No more does he enter the "shop" with a smile
And a bright look of hope on his face,
For the busy click of hand-set type
Is heard no more in the place.
No more does he sit on the old window sill,
His mind kept busy with dreams
Of "strings" on the "hook"—for alas, dear boy,
The composing-room's full of machines!

Like Othello, his occupation is gone:
And on this weary footstool
There seems no place for the old time "print,"
With his "card" and his rusty rule.
Out on the corner he takes his stand
With a careworn look in his eye;
And his gaze ever roves to the office above
And he fetches a heartfelt sigh.

"Dutch" still throws up for a day on "ads"—
He wouldn't take a machine—
And so do Lucas and Billy Loun,
The "Major" and "Willie" Green.
The rest? Ah, ask of the summer winds
That gently fan your brow,
From whence they come and whither they go—
That's where the gang is now.

And the past with its measure of sorrow and joy
Is gone with its jokes on machines—
For we work, dear Al, in the same old room,
Full of the past and its scenes—
Forever they're gone; the jig is up
For the old-time printer boy.
But I pray that God will bless his life
And make it full of joy.

And when at last his old heart is still
And the last weary day is done,
When the Foreman above, with a look of love
Shall tell him that "tnirty is on,"
Ah then, dear Al, may the old-time "print"
Start on a long, steady job
Of eternal happiness, joy and bliss
Is the wish of your old friend,
—Bob.

THE COAL FIELDS OF EAST KOOTENAY.

The Coal Fields in the East Kootenay district, in what is known as the Crow's Nest Pass, lies in a south easterly direction from Fort Steele, the distance to the nearest available coal about 50 miles. These coal fields in the near future will have a world-wide reputation both on account of the quality and quantity to be extracted, and are without doubt the best coal fields in America undeveloped. The western outcrop of the field is on the side of a mountain in the Elk river, one of the largest tributaries of the Kootenay river; on the eastern side the coal seams have been traced a distance of 40 miles, with surface cross-cuts at intervals showing the seams and walls, the lowest known seam is some 1,500 feet above the drainage level of the valley and 30 feet in thickness, 100 feet higher there is another seam 30 feet thick, then comes a seam 15 feet thick, then a small 3 foot one, then a 7 foot one, then another 30 foot seam, and above these are 5 more workable seams from 4 to ten feet in thickness, eleven seams in all, making a toal of 148 feet in thickness of coal exposed. These seams dip at an angle of 30 to 85 degrees, the upper seams having the least dip, There are three large creeks cutting this coal field and the seams are exposed on the banks of these creeks, and openings can be made to mine the coal without much preliminary expense; the cuts made by the creeks being more valuable than so many tunnels to prospect the coal because there is room to operate the mines on both sides of the creek, and the mines are proved to be permanent without any cost, in fact nature did the prospecting. In addition to the coal on Elk river, further east on Martins creek and other tributaries of Mitchell creek which is the fork of Elk river there is another large body of coal above the Elk river field but of smaller area, a large amount of the field having been carried away by natural causes through the different ages since the coal was formed. The aggregate depth of the seams of coal in the upper basin is somewhat more than on Elk river, so that if a shaft be sunk through the whole field. there would be found 200 feet of coal in workable seams. It would be hard to find another field of coal with so much to the acre, and so easy and cheap to work. The eastern outcrop of this field is near the summit of the Rocky Mountains, the average distance from the western crop being 10 miles, showing a coal field 40 miles north and south, by 10 miles east and west; with an area exceeding 250,000 acres. The coals in this field differ, owing no doubt to the different ages of the coal, there being three different qualities, the lowest seams are anthracite in their nature, while the upper seams are bituminous coals; in between, both above and below the bitnminous coals, are a number of seams different from anything heretofore known, It is similar to cannel coal, but superior to any cannel coal known. These coals have been analysed and treated by different parties, among them Prof. Hoffman, Government assayer at Ottawa, for the Geological department; and the results as shown in the department reports prove that these coals would lose nothing by comparing them with the best coals of the same variety in Pennsylvania.

It Pays Large Dividends.

The copper in the water at the Anaconda mines pays bigger dividends than many of the great mining companies of the west. Ledford, who migh be said to be the pioneer in the copper precipitating business in Butte, netted $60,000 in two years from the water of the Anaconda and St. Lawrence The company is operating the plant now and with its enlarged capacity it is estimated that the company will net about $15,000 per month from precipitating the copper in the water in the group of mines owned by the company. Two per cent water will give greater profits than a mine carrying twenty per cen copper.

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"No, but I'm an experienced hand, sir, I'm the father of nine childen."

Then Jamie Laughed.

Christian Advocate.

"Jamie," called his mother sharply, "you've been loafing all day. Satan always finds some work for idle hands to do. Take this basket and bring in some kindlings.

Very Likely.

When Eve had so many pleasures to occupy her time in the Garden of Eden, how do you suppose the serpent managed to secure her attention?

He must have advertised a bargain sale of forbidden fruit.

The Wise Boy.

Citizen (to office boy in counting-room)—Your confounded paper has an outrageous attack on me this morning and—

Office Boy (briskly)—Yessir. How many copies will you have?

After Coy Consent.

Somerville Journal.

She—And now Charlie, I suppose to-morrow you will have to speak to papa about this.

He—Yes, dearest, I suppose I must. (After a pause.) Has your father a telephone?

A Confusion of Tit.e.

Washington Times.

"W'at did Mistah Hollerin' sing at de concert last?"

"He sing that good ole song w'at dey calls 'Locked in de Stable Wif de Sheep.' It am sholy a pow'ful fine song, too."

The Reason.

Up to Date.

He—I thought you said your love for me was as strong as iron and as true as steel: pray, how do you account for your numerous flirtations?

She—Well, you see, the iron and steel works have shut down for the present.

Most Convenient.

Judge.

Mr. Ireland—This book on swimming is very useful in sudden emergencies.

Mrs. Ireland—Is it?

Mr. Ireland—I should say so. If you are drowning, turn to page 103, and there you'll see how to save yourself.

Just a Suspicion.

I wonder why so many telephone operators are women? said the man who cultivates an idle curoiity.

I don't know, replied the misanthrope, unless it's because the occupation puts them in a position to have the last word every time.—Washington Star.

Hard Service.

You think you ought to have a pension! exclaimed the Spanish official.

I do.

In what battles did you serve?

I was in almost every engagement against the Cuban insurgents.

It's rather early to be looking for a pension. That war is not over yet. What is the nature of your disability?

Pen palsy.

Worst Kind of a Case.

You look thin and careworn, Tadley, said the man in the russet shoes.

Insomnia! replied Tadley, with a groan.

Insomnia? repeated the man in the russet shoes. Oh! come now, a man with no more than you have to worry him dosen't get insomnia.

It's the baby that has it, explained Tadley, as he stepped off the ferry boat and resumed his struggle with life.

The Explanation.

"Uncle Rasbury, why didn't you ever get married?"

"Well, Marse Chan, when I wus er young man my ole mudder she 'pended on me fo' suppote. Yer see, I had ter do fo' her. I had to buy her clo's an' her shoes an' her stockin's. Now, if had er gone an' got married I would er had ter give dem tings ter my wife an' dat would be takin' de clo's an' de shoes an' de stockin's right out of my mudders mouf."

He Bought it.

Washington Star.

A Washington attorney had a caller yesterday. He was an uncouth-looking individual, and said he hailed from Montgomery county, Maryland.

"Judge," he said. "I reckon I'll hev to buy a few words of advice."

"Well, what is it?"

"Thar's a stor'keeper up my way, an' I've hed a good many dealin's with him fust and last. I reckon I'e seed him put his right thumb in the scales a hundred times when he weighed things I bought."

"Well, you ought to have stopped him. You can't collect damages for that," interrupted the attorney.

"I don't want no damages."

"Well, what do you went?"

"You see, we got into a fout yestiddy, an' I bit off that thumb, an' I want ter know if, as many times as I don't own it, so that he kan't git damages fer my bitin' it off."

"Do you call that a veal cutlet, waiter?" said a London exquisite, one of the most delicate type even in that favored region of exquisites, the West end. "Why, sir, such a veal cutlet as that is an insult to every self respeting calf in the British Empire." The waiter hung his head a moment in very shame, and then replied in the language of deppest apology, "I really didn't imtend to insult you, sir."

"I believe I saw you coming out of a rum shop this afternoon," said the Rev. Mr. Wilgus.

"I guess you did," said the parishoner.

"On business, I may hope?"

"I will be candid with you. You see, it was this way. I had a plugged quarter passed on me."

"Yes."

"And there are only two places a man can get rid of a plugged quarter; a church and a saloon. And, of course, I didn't want to pass it on the contribution box."

"Ah!"—Indianapolis Journal.

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Goldbugs, Silver Democrats, Canadian Capitalists, Prospectors, Miners, Tenderfeet, Ten Mile Millionaires and Pilgrims of every shade in politics, religion or wealth are welcome at this house.

Stranger,

make for the Newmarket when you reach the Slocan metropolis and do not forget the Landlord's name; it is

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Correspondence from every part of the Kootenay District and communications upon live topics always acceptable. Write on both sides of the paper if you wish. Always send something good no matter how crude. Get your copy in while it is hot, and we will do the rest

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1897.

ONE of the best trails in the Slocan is that one up Springer creek, built without government aid.

NEW DENVER is the capital of the Slocan, and the government should see that the streets are graded and Carpenter creek made to keep its proper course when the freshets come in the spring.

THE hotels in Kootenay are improving, and several of them have allowed the dyspeptic streak to pinch out of their meals. Their beds are also of a higher grade and here and there it is possible to obtain a room in which refreshing sleep can be courted, without suffering the tortures of the damned.

INDICATIONS point to a great stampede from the Trail district, and in fact from everywhere else to the Slocan. Let the procession thicken. If all the pilgrims cannot find beds they can spread their blankets on the grassy slopes around New Denver and pray that it will not rain until the lumber siege can be raised.

WHEN a mining camp has a reputation it is often easier to sell a poor prospect if a high price is asked than it is to dispose of a good claim when the price asked is in the hundreds instead of the thousands. As an instance we know of a prospector in the Trail district who found it impossible to sell a claim for $1,500, but when he raised it to $12,000 the snap was taken up so quick that it was with great difficulty that he restrained his head from swimming.

A CLERICAL OUTRAGE.

L'Electeur, a newspaper in Montreal, has had to go out of business owing to its being excommunicated by some of the tyrannical bishops of that church ridden province.

The pastoral denouncing L'Electuer is signed by Archbishop Begin o Quebec, Bishop Lefleche of Three Rivers, Bishop Gravel of Nicolet, Bishop Blais of Ramouski, and Bishop Lebrecvue of Chicoutimi. A long list of the offences of L'Electuer is given, but they may be summed up in a sentence or two. L'Electuer has, by articles in its own columns, and by publishing a pamphlet written by Mr. David, upheld the doctrine of the supremacy of the State in State affairs, and denied the right of the church to dictate to the elector how he shall vote upon such a question as that of the restoration of separate schools in Manitoba. For this reason, the bishops, "invoking the name of God, interdict, formally, and under the "penalty of great sin and of a refusal "of the sacrament, the reading of "L'Elector, subscribing to it, working "for it, selling it, or encouraging it "in any matter whatever."

It is high time that such an event should be made impossible in a country like Canada, and we would suggest that the press boycott and roast these clerical tyrants until we know who is to rule in this Canada of ours.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

What is an iron capping?

The principal part of speech used in Rossland.

What is a grubstake?

Something to eat, but it should not be confounded with the ordinary Slocan beefsteak.

Are the descendants of Ananias all dead?

No, some of them are still writing mining ads. for eastern papers.

What is the most miserable position in life?

No pair, when the other fellow opens a jackpot.

What sounds reasonable?

Two dollars a year for this paper.

What is the time in Quebec province?

1500 A.D.

Can a prospector locate coal land in the Crow's Nest Pass.

Ask Colonel Baker.

What is the rarest individual in the Slocan?

A policeman.

Where is the pilgrims Mecca?

In the Slocan this year.

MINING ACT REGULATIONS.

THE owners of mining claims in British Columbia have in many cases been caused trouble and annoyance by neglecting to keep their mining licenses alive. In order to meet this an Order-In-Council recently made provides that a free miner, whose certificate has lapsed, may, if no records adverse to the applicant are made during the time that the certificate has expired upon the payment of $5 have the new license dated back to the expiration of the former one and all the necessary changes made in the records.

Another regulation establishing a precedent in this province has just been made. We have always understood that in order to obtain a crown grant in any claim the necessary amount of work required by law must be done upon that claim and no other. It appears, however, that the law can be twisted to suit any emergency. The Nanaimo and Rossland Mining Company did about $3,000 work upon a group of three claims, the Louise, Isabel and White Elephant. When a survey was made it was discovered that one of the claims had an excess of 300 feet, and upon this vacant ground nearly all the work had been done. The company staked the fraction but the mining recorder would not allow a certificate of improvements to be granted. The company who probably stand in at Victoria placed the matter before the Lieutenant-Governor-In-Council with the result that, by an Order-in-Council, they received a crown grant for the three claims and fraction. If the mining act can be changed so easily what good is it, and where will it end?

The Two Friends shipped 40 tons to Tacoma on Tuesday. More ore will be brought down as fast as the mules can rawhide it.

George Stovel, of Edmonton, is in New Denver looking for a location for a general store business.

NOTICE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia, re. John Gosson, deceased.

BY ORDER of Mr. Justice McColl, dated December 28th, 1896, seperate tenders will be received by the undersigned up to January 25, 1897, for the purchase of all the interest of John Gosson, deceased, in the following lands, namely:

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(3) Lots 9 and 10, block 9, Four Mile city, or Silverton. On these lots there is $25 due the vendor.

(4) Lot 13, block 31, Four Mile city, or Silverton. On this lot there is $18.75 due the vendor.

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June 20th, 1895.

FRANK DICK,

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SOLD LIKE SLAVES.

Canadian Immigrants to Brazil Leading a Life Misery.

Ottawa.—Mr. J. O. Leferriere, secretary of the Public School Board, has received a letter from his son, Mr. Euclide Leferriere, who with his wife went with the shipload of French-Canadian immigrants to Brazil a few months ago. The letter was written in October, and only reached Hull a day or two ago.

Mr. Leferriere gives a bad account of Brazil, and asks his parents to warn others of the undesirability of the country as a place for settlement. He says that the immigrants were almost auctioned off like slaves, going to the highest bidder.

He is now working on a plantation, and receives but $20 a month, and has to work long hours, and very hard. They are allowed a room to live in, but have to furnish their own food. The necessaries of life sell at most exorbitant prices. Butter is $1 a pound, potatoes $4 to $5 a bag, beef 30c. a pound, eggs 75c. a dozen. With such small wages it is impossible to eke out anything buta starvation kind of living, with no hopes of ever saving enough to get back home again.

The country is teeming with vermin of all kinds, especially flees and ants, which contribute to make life unpleasant.

RIVALS THE MIDWAY.

So Cosmopolitan Has Become the Town of Rat Portage.

The Rat Portage correspondent of The Winnipeg Free Press writes his paper the following graphic letter on Dec. 26: The holiday season is well under way and Rat Portage seems to have taken a new lease of life. The ideal weather of the few days preceeding Christmas day was enjoyed thoroughly and added shekels to the merchants' coffers and roses to the cheeks of the fair sex, who were able to get out of doors. Christmas away from home is usually cheerless, and mindful of this the different landlords vied with each other in preparing sumptuous feasts for the crowd of wayfarers now enjoying their hospitality. Rat Portage has not yet reached the acme of Cripple Creek fame, yet the large floating population is cosmopolitan, and Christmas day it was interesting to hob nob around amongst the animating scenes. There were colonels—real live American colonels, captains captains galore, representing inland waters, the briney deep, and the land force, too; chappies, shortly out, you know, mixed with the busy throng, quite alarmed at the rough mannerism of the sturdy prospectors, and business men and promoters elbowed their way here and there; every evidence of common good will prevailed. Perhaps the prospector was the most interesting figure of the day. He was here from everywhere. He supped beer and his heart swelled with the recollections of the old home, and he mused over recollections of exploits down the lake and the price of his claim gradually swelled to a figure which would enable him to settle down in life. Happy dreams! They are often realized to the prospector, and whether or not so, how they help to cheer the prospector's hilly pathway! Here is a man whose complexion and accent tell you he is from Sweden, chatting with a Norwegian and a Finlander; over there in the corridor a voice of rich Irish brogue is heard in some witty joke, and hard by a man with a plaided necktie is working off some of his keen humor on a party of fellow-countrymen. Then you see the men from Huron and Bruce, from the rockbound shores of old New Brunswick, from the land of Evangeline, from Cape Breton, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, the Pacific Province, the Territories and Manitoba, mingling together in common friendship, discussing matters of interest to the great confederation, home affairs or mining prospects. The Australian, too bobs up now and then as well as the Africander, the Londoner, the Frenchman from France, the Dutchman, the German, the Italian and odds and ends from other lands across the sea—a veritable Midway Plaisance as far as languages are concerned. But we have omitted to give our American cousin justice. He is here, and in his honor several of his country's flags are flying about towu. Two comrades have just met, and it's Hello comrade; what regiment, eh? Another old miner, grizzly bearded, is clapping his hands with delight as he gazes at "Old Glory" and muttering with emphasis, "I knew he'd get there, 'Kinley's my old major." Another drifts along. "Just come down out of the hills and thought I'd run up to 'Kennedy' and see what there is goin' on about these ere claims." Yes, there were a lot of miners in town for a Christmas dinner, and they were well fed. In the churches the usual services were held; there were Christmas trees galore, and 'nary' a driving horse remained in the stalls for the sleighing was fine.

Railway Charters.

Never since the days of fhe boom of 1881 has there been such a number of applications to parliament for and regard to western railway charters as appear in the Canada Gazette of Dec. 26th.

The Rocky Mountain Railway and Coal Company want an extension of time for the construction of their railway from Calgary to Lethbridge and thence to the boundry; and for power to connect Lethbridge with McLeod.

The Trans-Canadian railway company applies to change the name of the company; to extend the time, and for power to construct a branch from the north east end of Lake Winnipeg to York Factory on Hudson's Bay, also a branch from a point where the proposed main line will cross the St. Maurice river in the Province of Quebec to the City of Montreal.

The Alberta Railway & Coal Company applies for a revival of its powers to extend from Lethbridge to Hope, B. C. by way of Fort McLeod through the Crow's Nest Pass, with power to construct a branch to Rossland and Trail.

Application is made for power to build a narrow gauge railway from Glenora on Stikeen river to a point on Teslin Lake, B. C.

The Calgary & Edmonton railway company applies for an extension of time for completing the requirements of its charter, and to transfer its head offices from Montreal to Toronto.

The Lake Manitoba Railway and Canal Company applies to conform its agreements with the Manitoba government and the Manitoba Northwestern railway; to conform certain transfers of its government subsidies, to confirm mortgages made by the company and its bond issue, and to empower the company to issue land grant and second mortgage bonds and preference stock, and empowering the company to extend its line to the river Saskatchewan.

A company applies to build from Vancouver, B C., easterly to Lethbridge, Alberta, with branch lines to Kamloops and to the Gulf of Georgia.

The Manitoba Southeastern railway company applies for an extension of time.

Application is made by a company to build a railway from Sayward, B. C., through the towns of Trail and Midway to Penticon on Okanagan lake.

The Crow's Nest Pass railway company applies to construct from Lethbridge through the Crows Nest Pass to Rossland, B. C., with a branch line to Nelson, B. C., and with power to make traffic arrangements with other railways from Rossland through a pass in the Hope mountain to Victoria, B. C.

Application made for authority to construct a standard or narrow gauge railway from Revelstoke northwards up the valley of the Columbia river to the junction of Canoe river, at the Big Bend.

The Columbia and Kootenay railway and navigation company applies for authorization to construct a railway between some point on the present line between Nelson and Robson on the south and Revelstoke on the north with such branches as may be authorized by the governor-in-council. Work to commence before July 1st, 1900, and to be completed within five years from that date.

The British Columbia Southern railway company holding a provincial charter from the coast to the summit of the Crow's Fest Pass applies for a federal charter and for authority to extend easterly to MacLeod and Lethbridge.

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AGAINST CANADA.

The United States Tariff May Hit us Hard.

Washington—The Way and Means Committee is preparing a tariff with a view to adoption by the new Congress after Mr. McKinley has come to office. At present tariff hearings are being arranged for. There is every prospect of a considerable clash when the bill nears its final stage between Eastern and Western interests. The outcome of this inevitable contest between the somewhat antagonistic demands of the "raw material" people and the "finished product" interest is perhaps the most important question yet to be determined. The woollen manufacturers of the east are desirous of having duties on raw wool not too onerous, while some of the wool men of the West go so far as to insist that every ounce of that article used by American manufacturers should be raised in the country, even if that limitation restricts somewhat the products of the manufacturer. It is generally conceded that the specific duty system will be adopted in place of the ad valorem, which prevails through a greater part of the Wilson bill. The specific duty plan is naturally more favorable to the protected interests than the ad valorem, since a specific duty once placed becomes an increasing duty with every cheapening of the cost of production which improved processes constantly produce. The specific duty also bears a little harder on the cheaper classes of goods within each schedule limit, and for this reas on is sometimes opposed as being burdensome to the poor, who are supposed to wear the cheaper grades of goods.

Interviewed at Ottawa.

Ottawa—Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, returned to Ottawa to-day after a visit of some weeks' duration in British Columbia. The Minister is greatly impressed with the Pacific Province. Indeed, he says, he can hardly find words in which to adequately express his wonder and admiration of all he has seen during his visit to British Columbia. The marvelous mineral wealth of Southern Kootenay had particularly impressed him. He believes that with the railroad development now just commencing and the influx of capital from all quarters of the globe already coming in, British Columbia will go ahead at a rate unprecedented in any other part of the world.

His mission as Minister of Railways had been more particularly to look into the needs of the province in the matter of railroad extension and especially the feasibility of the proposed Crow's Nest Pass Railway. What he saw had convinced him of the necessity of railroad extension. It was in the interest of not only British Columbia but the whole of Canada that this question should be taken up as soon as possible. He feels that the east is as keenly interested in the opening up of British Columbia as are the residents of the province themselves. Whilst in the province the hon. gentleman was asked to lend his countenance and assistance to no less than seven railway projects, having a total of 1840 miles. These are, viz; Crow's Ness Pass, 380; Coast line from Robson, 460; British Pacific, 480; extension of the E. & N. R. R. to Comox, 60; Nanimo to Alberni, 60; Rossland to Penticon, 280; other interior railways, 120; grand total in miles, 1840. This enormous mileage would, at the rate of $25,000 per mile, amount to no less a sum than $46,000,000.

TRAIL MINING NOTES.

Imperial ore assays $65 at a depth of 10 feet.

The Juliet has been surveyed, and a Crown grant applied for.

A nice body of ore was struck the other day on the Snowshoe.

A good strike is reported on the Ymir, on Wild Horse creek.

John R. Cook says the whole face of the Coxey tunnel is in ore.

Three shifts are working on the Sunset. The shaft is now down 70 feet.

Two Monte Christo miners were injured by a dynamite explosion last week.

Work is being pushed on the Fair view. The workings are 32 feet in ore of good grade.

A good deal of work has been done on the Commander, and this property will soon be a producer.

The Millie, a claim on the southeastern slope of Red mountain has been purchased by G. A. Pounder.

Oliver Durant says the Center Star Company will erect a smelter. The site has not yet been decided upon.

Iron Horse drills are now working, power being furnished by the Columbia and Kootenay compressor plant.

The option of the controlling interest in the Novelty, given to an English syndicate, will expire on the 15th.

The winze from the No. 2 tunnel on the War Eagle is down 80 feet, with very high grade ore in the bottom.

Two shifts are now working on the Snowdrop. The tunnel is in 70 feet and some very fine looking ore has been encountered.

The Big Three Company is sinking a winze about 100 feet from the mouth of the Mascot tunnel. The workings are now in very fine ore.

Ledges carrying good ore have been found on the Josie ground by means of a diamond drill. Some of these did not show on the surface.

J. L. Parker reports very satisfactory progress on the Imperial and Swinwinder on Lookout mountain. He brought in some specimens of ore from these claims and secured highly satisfactory assays.

A very satistactory report was presented to the directors of the Waneta and Trail Creek Mining Company by their superintendent. Work on the properties near Waneta is progressing satisfactorily, and the ore already assays as high as $29 per ton.

A regular monthly meeting of the directors of the Le Roi Mining and Smelting Company, held in Spokane last week a dividend of five cents a share was declared on the capital stock, amounting to $25,000. This brings the total of dividends paid to $275,000. The dividends have been paid as follows: October, 1895, $25,000; January, 1896, $50,000; February, 1896, $25,000; April, 1896, $50,000; June, 1896, $25,000; August, 1896, $25,000; October, 1896, $25,000; December, 1896, $25,000; January, 1897, $25,000; total, $275,000. The Le Roi mine is making a record for itself, and it is expected the dividends will be larger this year, as the facilities for taking out ore will be immensely increased. The dividends thus far paid by the two producing mines foot up $462,500.

"Mining profits, without mining risks," is the motto of a new company organized in Toronto. Looking over the list of directors, one fails to find the name of any practical mining man. When mining profits are to be made without mining risks, the millenium, if not here, will be close at hand.

The Union Smelting and Refining Company has been incorporated for the purpose of building and operating a smelter at Northport. The capital stock consists of 11,000 shares at par value of $5. The company, which includes a number of mining men in this and other districts, was organized by E. H. Wedekind.

Development work on the Ibex has been commenced. A tunnel is being driven to crosscut the lead at a depth of seventy-five feet. The work is now in fifty feet and the whole face of the tunnel is in mineralized rock. The Ibex has a strongly defined ledge, and the vigorous work which is now being carried on should soon result in raising this property out of the prospect class.

THE TARIFF COMMISSION

OTTAWA.—Mr. B. T. A. Bell addressed the commission on mining machinery. Under the law mining machinery not made in Canada was admitted free. But this was not extended to certain articles used in mines. For instance, aerial tram ways were not admitted as mining machinery. He proposed that the tariff be made so as to admit freely machinery or appliances for mining, quarrying, smelting, concentrating, or refining ores of a class or kind not made in Canada. They would like a clearer definition of the present law.

Mr. Fielding pointed out that it was not to be expected that the present administration would go extensively into new definitions of the present tariff.

Mr. Bell replied that the Ontario Mining institute merely asked for a clearer definition of the present law. The miners would, later on, ask that all mining machinery and explosives be made free.

E. W. Mitchell, mining broker, read a paper on gold and silver mining He combatted the idea that an export duty on ore would compel the smelting of the ores in Canada. He advocated free trade and declared that the mining industry is severely handicapped with an excessive and crushing tariff. Not only is mining machinery proper outrageously taxed but, in addition, nearly every article entering into the operation of a mine, together with every article of consumption by the miner, is tariff-stricken. As a result of this folly vast areas of low grade ores in nearly every section of Canada remain untouched. Practically inexhaustible bodies of low grade mineral wealth are unworked and unworkable, which under a purely revenue tariff, would be giving employment to thousands of men and enriching the community. He claimed that by reducing the cost of production one hundred thousand men would be given employment between Cape Breton and Vancouver, and especially in that large region from Rat Portage to Sudbury, and from Hudson Bay to Lake Superior. Not only would the large ore beds yield up their treasures, but applying the fair sound principles of a revenue tariff to all our natural industries, thousands of hardy settlers would be attracted to the tenantless areas of the West, while the fishery and lumbering industries would be similarly benefitted. Finally, Mr. Mitchell expressed the hope that the commissioners would act with courage and give all a fair field and no favor.

STOCK QUOTATIONS OF THE KOOTENAY MINES.

Companies.	No. of Shares.	Par Value	Price.
SLOCAN.			
Alamo	500,000	$ 1	
Cumberland	50,...	10	
Dardanelles	1,000,...	1	
Grey Eagle	750,...	1	
Idler	1,000,...	1	$ 7½
Kootenay-Columbia	400	100	
Minnesota	1,000,...	1	
Noble Five Con	1,200,...	1	.62
Rambler Con	1,000,...	1	
Reco	1,000,...	1	
Slocan Star	1,000,...	50	2 35
Sunshine	50,...	10	
Wonderful	1,000,...	1	.15
AINSWORTH.			
Dellie	750,...	1	.12½
BOUNDARY.			
Old Ironsides	1,000,...	1	.11
CAMP M'KINNEY.			
Cariboo	800,...	1	.47½
NELSON.			
Exchequer	1,000,...	1	.10
Hall Mines	300,...	£1	
REVELSTOKE.			
Orphan Boy	700,...	1	.15
TRAIL CREEK.			
Alberta	1,000,...	1	.15
Beaver	750,...	1	.07½
Big Three	3,500,...	1	.10
Butte	1,000,...	1	.07½
Brit. Can. Goldfields	2,500,...	1	.40
B. C. Gold King	1,000,...	1	.10
Bluebird	600,...	1	.10
Caledonia Con	500,...	1	.10
California	2,500,...	1	
C. & C	500,...	1	
Celtic Queen	700,...	1	.04½
Centre Star	500,...	1	
Colonna	1,000,...	1	.15
Commander	500,...	1	.25
Crown Point	1,000,...	1	.40
Deer Park	1,000,...	1	.24
Delacola	1,000,...	1	.4½
Eastern Star	500,...	1	.20
Enterprise	1,000,...	1	.20
Eric	1,000,...	1	.10
Evening Star	1,000,...	1	.14
Georgia	1,000,...	1	.20
Gertrude	500,...	1	.15
Golden Drip	500,...	1	.12½
Golden Queen	1,000,...	1	
Great Western	1,000,...	1	.17
Hattie Brown	1,000,...	1	.07½
Helen	600,...	1	.06
High Ore	500,...	1	.07
Homestake	1,000,...	1	.17½
Idaho	500,...	1	
Imperial	1,000,...	1	.10
Iron Horse	1,000,...	1	.20
Iron Mask	500,...	1	.57
I X L	1,000,...	1	
Josie	700,...	1	.58
Jumbo	500,...	1	.58
Knight Templar	500,...	1	.07
Kootenay London	1,000,...	1	.10
Le Roi	500,...	5	7 50
Lily May	500,...	1	.20
Mayflower	1,000,...	1	.14½
Monita	750,...	1	.25
Monte Cristo	1,000,...	1	.15
Morning Star	1,000,...	1	.12½
Nest Egg	500,...	1	.10
Northern Belle	1,000,...	1	.15
Novelty	1,000,...	1	.10
O. K.	1,000,...	1	.27½
Palo Alto	1,000,...	1	.10
Phœnix	500,...	1	.15
Poorman	500,...	1	.08½
Red Mountain View	1,000,...	1	.12
R. E. Lee	2,000,...	1	.15
Rochester	5,...	1	
Rossland. Red Mt	1,000,...	1	.25
St. Elmo	1,000,...	1	.12½
St. Paul	1,000,...	1	.12½
Silverine	500,...	1	.12½
Sou'n Cross & W. Con.	500,...	1	.20
Trail Mining Co	2,500	100	
Union	600,...	1	
Virginia	500,...	1	.19
War Eagle	500,...	1	1 57½
West Le Roi	500,...	1	.27½
White Bear	2,000,...	1	

Dividends paid to date are as follows: Slocan Star, $300,000; Le Roi, $275 000; War Eagle, $187,000; Cariboo, $112,000; Alamo, Idaho, Cumberland, Reco and Noble Five have also paid dividends.

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Returns since last week.

VIA. NAKUSP.	
Slocan Star to Omaha,	80
Idaho to Everett,	80
Mountain Chief to Everett,	20
Queen Bess to Everett,	21
G H Ayerd to Omaha,	80½
Enterprise "	20
	301
VIA. KASLO.	
Whitewater to Everett,	75
Last Chance "	51
Wellington to Everett,	32
Ruth to Everett,	15
Rambler to Everett,	16
Surprise to Everett,	17
Consolidated to Everett	12
Jackson to Pueblo, Col.,	61
Payne Mine	396
Wonderful "	30
Blue Bird "	11½
Antoine "	16½
Byron N White Co"	60
	703

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Canada, Providence of British Columbia.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—Greeting:

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. EBERTS, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS, We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

Now know ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these Our Letters, to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: Witness, the Honourable Edgar Dewdney, Lieutenant-Governor of our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this twenty-ninth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By Command. JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE.

NOTICE.—THE COLUMBIA AND KOOTENAY Railway and Navigation Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act authorizing the Company to construct the Railway mentioned in Section 2 of the Act 56 Victoria, Chapter 45, namely a railway between some point on its present line between Nelson and Robson on the South and Revelstoke on the North, together with such branch or branches of that railway or of its main line as may from time to time be authorized by the Governor-in-Council not exceeding in any one case the length of thirty miles commencing the same on or before the first of July, 1900, and completing it within five years from that date.

J. D. TOWNLEY,
Secretary

Vancouver, B. C.,
24th November, 1896.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act incorporating a Company for the purpose of establishing water works and supplying water for mining, domestic, manufacturing, fire, electric lighting, power and other purposes to the inhabitants of the town of Brandon, and to the pre-emption of W. H. Brandon at the foot of Slocan Lake, and their vicinity, and to lay pipes and erect flumes for the conveyance and supply thereof; the water to be obtained from Springer and Climax Creeks, near the town of Brandon aforesaid; and for all the other necessary rights, powers and privileges which are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

Dated at New Denver, B. C., this 12th day of January, A. D. 1897. R. B. KERR,
ja14 Solicitor for the Applicants.

COLUMBIA & KOOTENAY RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION CO.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE plan, profile and book of reference, of a branch line of the above railway from its junction near the mouth Slocan river and extending to the south end of Slocan lake, within the limits of "Slocan City," are now on file in the Land Registry Office at Victoria.

J. D TOWNLEY,
Secretary.

Vancouver, B. C., December 24th, 1896.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

PURCELL MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located on the north slope of the south fork of Carpenter creek.

TAKE NOTICE that I, J. H. Gray, acting as agent for the "Purcell" Mining Corporation, Limited, (Foreign), free miner's certificate No. 88993, 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 December, 1896. 12-28

SLOCAN QUEEN AND ENTERPRISE MINERAL CLAIMS.

Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located South of Ten Mile Creek, 7 miles from Slocan Lake,

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg as agent for John A. Finch, free miners certificate No. 65040, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of each of the above claims.

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

Dated this 3rd day of December, 1896. 12-3

SLOCAN KING, JENNIE AND EMMA MINERAL CLAIMS.

Situate in the Slocan Division, West Kootenay District, adjoining the Slocan Star, south of Sandon, B. C.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg as agent for the Byron N. White Company, free miner's certificate No. 64921, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of each of the above claims.

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

Dated this 12th day of November, 1896. 12-11

CARNATION MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located east of the Reed & Tenderfoot.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg as agent for Donald D. Mann, free miner's certificate No. 67985, 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 12th day of November, 896. as 1 12-11

WINDSOR AND SILVER SMITH MINERAL CLAIMS

Situated in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay, located adjoining Slocan Star.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg, agent for Byron N. White Co., Free Miner's Certificate No. 64921, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of each of the above claims.

And further take notice that action under Section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvements,

Datad this 31 day of December, 1896. 12-81

HIGHLAND MINERAL CLAIM.

Situated in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located on the Galena Farm, adjoining the Peerless (Revised) Mineral Claim on the North-west.

TAKE NOTICE THAT I, FRANCIS J. O'Reilly, as agent for John McClements No. of Certificate 74459, Nellie Delaney No. of Certificate 74408, J. C. Bolander No. of Certificate 65906, and D A. Van Dorn No. of Certificate 66088, intend, sixty days from 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 19th day of December, 1896. 12-24

PINELOG MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located on the divide between Springer and Ten Mile creeks and 8 miles from Slocan Lake.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Alfred Driscoll, as agent for the Bondholder Mining Co., limited liability, free miner's certificate No 67899, intend, sixty days from 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 14th day of January, 1897.

MINNEAPOLIS MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of the District of West Kootenay. Located on Payne Mountain adjoining the R. E. Lee and Wanacott.

TAKE NOTICE that I, John Carne Blandy, of Kaslo, B. C., acting as agent for P. M. Hayes and S. Weese, Free Miner's certificates Nos. 65801 and 66297, 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 14th day of January, 1897.

JOHN CARNE BLANDY, Agent.

WILLA MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located on Upper Eight Mile creek and 2 miles east of Slocan Lake.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Alfred Driscoll, as agent for S. Estabrooks, free miner's certificate No. 65901, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 10th day of January, 1897. ja14

THE MOCKING BIRD MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division, of West Kootenay District. Located between Sunshine and Twin Lake Basins.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Robert E. Palmer, acting as agent for E. W. Nettleton, free miner's certificate No 60344; McI. McIver Campbell, free miner's certificate No 73704; James Gillhooley, free miner's certificate No 65858; A. J. Murphy, free miner's certificate No 66035, and Albert Behne, free miner's certificate No. 68012, intend, sixty days from 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 14th day of January, 1897.

R. E. PALMER.

THE DEFENDER, COMET AND DAYBREAK MINERAL CLAIMS.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located between Sunshine and Twin Lake Basins.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Robert E. Palmer, P.L.S., acting as agent for James Gillhooly, free miner's certificate No 65858; A. J. Murphy, free miner's certificate No 66035, and Albert Behne, free miner's certificate No 68012, intend to apply, sixty days from date hereof, 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 14th day of January, 1897.

R. E. PALMER, P.L.S.

BONDHOLDER MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Located on the divide between Springer and Ten Mile creeks, and 8 miles from Slocan Lake.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Alfred Driscoll, as agent for the Bondholder Mining Co., limited liability, free miner's certificate No 67899, intend, sixty days from 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 14th day of January, 1897.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session, for an act enabling the Noble Five Consolidated Mining and Milling Company, (Foreign), to appropriate five hundred (500) inches of the waters of Cody creek, in the Slocan Mining Division, West Kootenay District, to erect flumes for the purpose of operating a concentrator, electric light plant, power drills and all other purposes usual, necessary or incidental to the mining or milling of ores, for the purpose of expropriating lands for such purposes.

NOBLE FIVE CONSOLIDATED MINING AND MILLING COMPANY, (Foreign).

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The Kootenay-Salmon Gold Mining Co.

Limited Liability.

Capital $600,000.

In 600,000 shares of the par value of $1 each, shares fully paid up and non-assessable.

DIRECTORS—Dr. Louis Beaupre, Esp., of Montreal, President; P. J. Shields, Esq., of Montana, Manager; J. P. Martin, Esq., Merchant, Vice-President; J. K. Clark, Esq., President and Manager Imperial Mining Company, Treasurer; W. H. Kerry, New Westminster, Secretary.

BANKERS—Bank of British North America.

THE PROPERTY comprises the Louis B, Copper King and United Verde mineral claims, situated two miles north of Salmon Siding, less than one mile from the Nelson & Fort Shepard railway, 20 miles northeast of Trail, in the West Kootenay mining district, purchased from original locators and fully paid for.

DEVELOPMENT. The surface of these claims have been thoroughly prospected, and the results have been highly satisfactory to the company. In each case the veins are shown to be large, regular and well defined, and well mineralized throughout.

250,000 SHARES put in the treasury of the company for development purposes, and now offered to the public at TEN CENTS per share,

MR. SHIELDS, in his report, says: "I inspected the surface and surroundings of your mineral property and found them of a most satisfactory character for the production of gold and copper ores. I found a large, well defined vein running through the Louis B and United Verde claims; the out-crop showing the vein to be from 8 to 20 feet wide. The strike is north and south. This vein extends south of the Louis B into the Portland company's property, where development work has exposed high-grade ore at a depth of 15 feet. The Copper King claim is on a parallel vein, which shows equally as well as the Louis B vein. The formation is a fac-simile of that in which the great mines of Rossland occur. Wood and water advantages are all that can be desired for mining and other purposes. The same may be said of transportation facilities."

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J. K. CLARK, Acting Secretary

Married.

At Nelson on Thursday, Dec 24, by Rev. Geo. H. Morden, Stewart McEachren, of Kaslo, B. C., to Annie Brehaut of Charlottetown, P. E. I.

At Nelson on Saturday, December 26, by Rev. Geo. H. Morden, Charles H. Ink, io Sophia Johnston, both of Nelson.

Ottawa and Ivanhoe.

At a meeting held last week in Rossland of the Ottawa and Ivanhoe Silver Mining Co., the following officeas were elected; Sanford Fleming, president; J. Fred Ritchie, vice-president; P. G. Nash, sec.-treas. The capital stock of the company is a million, and the proceeds from the sale of 400,000 shares of treasury stock will be used in developing the properties.

Encouraging Emigration to Canada

A cable from London says:—Sir Donald Smith, Canadian High Commissioner has addressed a circular letter to the press, pointing out the importance which Canada attaches to making better known the resources and attractions of the Dominion for emigrants, and announcing the establishment of agencies in Wales and Ireland to spread the propaganda, especially inviting people of moderate incomes, capitalists, farmers and domestic servants to emigrate to Canada.

Didn't Bother Him.

Is the house very quiet?" he asked as he inspected the room that had been advertised for rent.

No, said the landlady, wearily, I can't truthfully say that it is. The four babies don't make much noise, for they never cry at once; and the three pianos one gets used to, and the parrot is quiet sometimes, but the man with the clarionet and the boy that's learning to play the flute do make it noisier than I wish it was.

That's alright, said the man cheerfully; live and let live is my motto. I'll take the room and move in tomorrow, anp the little things you mention will never disturb me a particle. Good bye.

And it was not until he was moved in and was settled that they learned his occupation. He played the trombone in an orchestra.

TRAIL CREEK.

John R. Stussi has obtained a bond on the interests in the Foolhen claim held by other parties and is pushing work.

Five men are employed on the Mugwump mining claim, adjoining the Iron Mask on the north The shaft is now down 92 feet.

The Red Mountain railroad took out its first carload of ore last week. The ore came from the Red Mountain mine.

The Lookout Mountain Mining Company at Trail has purchased a hoist which arrived in Trail last week. It will be carried to the Joker mine and placed in operation at once.

Things are being pushed along at a lively rate on the Flossie L., under bond to a London company represented by Messrs. Earnest W. Grant Govan and Fredrick W. North. Sufficient funds are on hand for the thorough opening of the property and the work will be done in the best possible manner.

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GRAND FORKS.

It is reported that the Simons claim near LeFluer mountain, has been sold, the purchasers being Portland capitalists.

Preparations are being made by the owners of the Boulevard group to commence work on the Tacoma, one of the group.

An $80 gold assay was recently made from capping taken from the Cornet claim on Pass creek, which is owned by Mr. Walker, a Spokaneite.

Messrs. Steep, Jeldson and Oleson, the owners of the Lenora property up the North Fork are making preparations to run a 100 foot tunnel on this claim this coming spring.

Messrs. Kirkham and Austin, the owners of the Big Chief claim, at the head of Christina lake are pushing ahead with their work on the big open cut on their property.

Articles of incorporation are filed for the Observation Mountain Gold Mining Company which is to handle properties on Observation mountain. The capitalization of this company is 1,500,000 shares of the par value of $1 each, of which 500,000 shares have been placed in the treasury. The incorporators are John G. Wright, G. E. McCarter and J. K. Johnston, all of Grand Forks.

Cariboo Creek.

The Winnipeg & Eureka Mining Coy., whose claims on Cariboo creek, consist of the Shamrock, Eureka & Tenderfoot, are showing up well. They have 10 inches of galena and 4 feet of a paystreak. On the ledge there is a 50 foot tunnel, with an 18 foot cross-cut. Assays run $126 in gold, silver and lead to the ton.

Messrs Durham, Riley and Harvey are prospecting for placer and have put down a 12 foot shaft with plenty of color already found and calculate to reach bed rock at 80 feet.

James McNeil, J. P. Jones and P Ryan are the owners of the Thunder Cloud, Black Hawk No.2 and Denver, all tributary to the Eureka. On the Thunder Cloud there is a 35 foot tunnel and the expectations are to strike the lead in another 10 feet.

It is reported that the Milly Mac has been sold for $12,000.

A representative of the Ledge ran across Herbert Carruthers, Western Manager of the B. C. Gold Fields Co., who has just returned from Toronto where he attended the meeting of the Board at their annual election of officers. He reports the purchase by the Company of the Voyager, near Kaslo. The Company intend to close their Spokane office and devote their attention to properties this side of the line. Mr. Carruthers expects to reside in he Slocan permanently.

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Annual tickets entitling the holder in case of sickness or accident to all the privileges of the Hospital, including free Medical and Surgical attendance, nursing and board, may be secured at **TWELVE DOLLARS** each. Miners in regular employ, subscribing through their pay roll at the rate of **ONE DOLLAR** per month, can secure the privileges above mentioned.

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A. E. FAUQUIER, Secretary

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" " 4"	22 ..
V joint Ceiling, 4"	22 ..
" Rustic,	19 ..
Shiplap,	14 ..
Surfaced Dressed	13 ..

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Love's Sacrifice.

Chicago Record.

He squandered $10 for roses, you see—
Her joy in the gift was immense:
But little she dreamed that his dinner would be
Three buckwheats that cost him 10 cents.

The Rush.

Up to Date.

Cholly—What you think deah boy? That beastly tailor sent me a bill today, and it is a week yet until the 1st.

Freddie—I guess he was sending early to avoid the rush.

Not For Sale.

A lady who was looking about in a bric-a-brac shop, with a view to purchasing something old, noticed a buaint figure, the head and shoulders of which appeared above the counter.

"What is that Japanese Idol over there worth?" she inquired.

The salesman replied in a subdued tone: "Worth about half a million, madame; it's the proprietor."

Female Garb.

One of the Paris papers has been taking a census of feminine opinion as to the proper garb for the female bicyclist, and the result is the utter rout of the bloomer. But two women lifted up their voices in its favor; a female physician said bloomers were healthy and the symbol of the emancipated woman, and a woman of the ballet expressed the opinion that they were charming—she had worn them, tight ones, on theBonlevard, aud she knew, But all the rest of feminine Haris held otherwise. "Gyp's" answer was the most terrible, It is being quoted all over France. "Why should you ask me such questions?" quoth charming "Gyp." "Nothing is improper on a bicycle, because everything about a bicycle is ugly." After "Gyp" comes Mme. de Saint Georges. The bloomer, she tells us, is the old garment of the harem. Is Paris to take up with Turkey's discarded fashions? Mme. de Saint Georges knows one Parisienne who isn't Mme. de Peyreburne does not believe men like knickens, and therefore you will never see her in a pair. Yvette Guilbert is direct and firm. "If all the world abandons the petticoat, I'll stick to mine," is her ultimatum. And after Yvette come the the bright sarcasms of many women whose names we need not mention. "If women wish to show their ankles, why not use a short skirt?" asks one. "The petticoat makes the woman," says another. "How are we to keep man in subjection if we lose the mysterious reticences of the petti coat? Long live the petticoat! With it woman rules the world."

Winter in Juneau.

Here at this time are wintering men who have wandered through Australian forests; prospected every state bearing mineral west of the Mississippi; been tossed about in whaling and sealing vessels on the billowy wastes of the Arctic seas; trailed through Asiatic forests; hunted diamonds in Africa; and among all sorts and conditions of people have learned the creed of the wise and brave, to accept the present as the great and only living time, and await with unspoken hope and faith whatever the future may bring them, says the News of Juneau. They are pleasant to talk to, affable, corteous, intelligent, brimful of strange stories of a miner's life and luck, of quartz mines near loney cabin far up the mountains, and placer "diggin's" in populous places by the sea, and all the wonderful romances which are a part of the adventurer's lot in whatsoever land his tent has been pitched. A portion of this crowd of migratory pioneers will again take to the hills in the early spring to renew the search left off in the fall for ledges of hidden wealth; others will develop, as best they can with the means at their command, finds made in previous years, while still others will join the throng who will cross the divide, and, launching themselves in a frail bateaux, or on hastily constructed rafts go floating down unmapped and unnamed rivers to the great Yukon, to which all running waters on the eastern side of the St. Elias Alps are tributary. Many of them, after parting here, will never meet again until after the "great divide" has been crossed, and the last pan of gravel this side of the pearly gates has been washed. The sojourn of these people keeps the city wide awake at all hours of the day or night, but during the long winter months a broil rarely occurs, and life goes on, noisily perhaps, but safely an peacefully, as if were the denizens of a town in the centre of a thickly settled section.

OIL FIELDS OF EAST KOOTENAY

One of the various resources of East Kootenay waiting for development is the Petroleum found in the Flathead valley, in the south eastern portion of this district. This is a section of the 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 Stoney 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 boundry line, a black oil similar to to the Pennsylvania and Ohio oil 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, cansed considerable excitement and comment and was pronounced a fraud on account of its purity. Dr. Selwyn, head of the department, made a special tripto the valley, and was surprised to find the oil genuine, and also that this oil was found in the Cambrain formation which was something unknown as oil hitherto discovered has been in Trenton Limestone. Directly due east of Sage creek, and on the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains in Alberta Territory, there are plenty of surface indications of crude oil. And the finding of these indications over such a large area, and in the same formation would go to show that there is a large oil field awaiting capital to develop it.

And we may expect that in the near future that the Oil Fields of East Kootenay will be known all over the world.

KASLO & SLOCAN RY.

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Leave	8 00	A.M.	Kaslo	Arrive, 3 50	P.M.
"	8 36	"	South Fork	" 3 15	"
"	9 36	"	Sproule's	" 2 15	"
"	9 51	"	Whitewater	" 2 00	"
"	10 03	"	Bear Lake	" 1 48	"
"	10 18	"	McGuigan	" 1 33	"
"	10 30	"	Bailey's	" 1 21	"
"	10 38	"	Junction	" 1 12	"
Arr.	10 50	"	Sandon	Leave 1 00	"

For rates and information apply at Company's Offices.

ROBT. IRVING, Traffic Mngr. R. W. BRYAN, Supt. and Ass't Trras.

Columbia and Western R'y Co.

Schedule No. 3, Jan. 4, '97

WESTBOUND. No 1. Passenger.	WESTBOUND. No. 2 Passenger.	Stations	EASTBOUND. No. 2 Passenger.	EASTBOUND. No. 4 Passenger.
Tues., Thurs. & Sat.,	Daily except Sunday.	Lv.	Ar. Tues., Thurs. & Sat.,	Daily except Sunday.
6:30 pm	8:30 am	Trail	8:00 am	6:00 pm
6:40 pm	8:40 am	Smelter	7:47 am	5:47 pm
6:45 pm	8:45 am	McLeod's	7:42 am	5:42 pm
7:00 pm	9:00 am	Warfield	7:31 am	5:31 pm
7:05 pm	9:05 am	Tiger Switch Bk	7:26 am	5:26 pm
7:10 pm	9:10 am	Crown Paint	7:21 am	5:21 pm
7:15 pm	9:15 am	Lake Mountain	7:16 am	5:16 pm
7:25 pm	9:25 am	Carpenter	7:10 am	5:10 pm
7:35 pm	9:35 am	Union Ave	7:03 am	5:03 pm
7:40 pm	9:40 am	Rossland	7:00 am	5:00 pm
8:00 pm	9:50 am	Rossland Wye	6:40 am	4:40 pm

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LEAVE.		ARRIVE.
9:00 a.m.	NELSON	5:20 p.m.
10:30 "	ROSSLAND	3:25 "
7:00 a.m.	SPOKANE	7:00 p.m.

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ARROWHEAD-TRAIL ROUTE—STEAMER NAKUSP

South Bound Read Down.

Mon. Wed. Fri.	7 p.m. De	ARROWHEAD
" " "	11 p.m. Ar / 12 m. De	NAKUSP
Tues. Thur. Sat.	9 a m Ar / 12 noon De	ROBSON
" " "	2 p m Ar	TRAIL

North Bound Read up.

Wed. Fri. Sun.	11:30 a m Ar	ARROWHEAD
" " "	7:30 a m De / 6 a m Ar	NAKUSP
Tues. Thurs. Sat.	8:30 p m De / 8 p m Ar	ROBSON
" " "	4:30 p m De	TRAIL

Connections at Arrowhead with C. P. Ry. to and from Revelstoke and all points east and west.

Connections at Naksup with N. & S. Ry. to and from Slocan points.

Connections at Robson with C. & K. Ry. to and from Nelson and Kootenay lake points.

Connections at Trail with C. & W. Ry. to and from Rossland.

Connections at Trail with Str. Lytton to and from Waneta, Northport and Spokane.

TRAIL-NORTHPORT ROUTE—STR LYTTON.

8 a m De	TRAIL	Ar 4:30 p m
9 a m Ar	WANETA	De 3 p m
10 a m Ar	NORTHPORT	De 1 p m

Daily except Sunday.

Connections at Northport with S. F. & N. R'y to and from Spokane and way points.

Connections at Trail with C. & W. R'y to and from Rossland.

Connections at Trail with Str. Nakusp to and from Robson, Nakusp and Revelstoke.

KOOTENAY LAKE ROUTE—STEAMER KOKANEE.

4:15 p m De	NELSON	Ar 9:30 a m
8 p m Ar	KASLO	De 5:30 a m

Daily except Sunday.

Saturday, June 5th and every 2nd Saturday following Steamer leaves Kaslo at 10 p.m for Bonner's Ferry; Returning, leaves Bonner'e Ferry Sunday at noon.

Connections at Nelson with C. & K. R'y to and from Robson, Trail, Rossland, Nakusp, Revelstoke and C.P. R'y points.

Connections at Nelson with N. & F.S. R'y to and from Spokane and way points.

Connections at Kaslo with K. & S. R'y to and from Slocan points.

Connections at Bonner's Ferry with G. N. Ry.

The company reserves the right to change this schedule at any time without notice.

For full information as to tickets, rates, etc., apply at the Company's offices, Nelson, B.C.

T. ALLAN, Sec'y, NELSON, B.C. J. W. TROUP, Manager

MINING RECORDS.

Recorded at New Denver, the Assessments Transfers and Locations:

LOCATIONS.

January 8:
Bostock No. 2, Four Mile; John R Robert and A R Fingland.

January 11:
The Lady, Dardenalles Basin; R Shea.

ASSESSMENTS.

January 8:
Idea—Felix Hughes.

TRANSFERS.

January 5:
C M Wilson to C B Foote—⅝ Monitor, Apr 24; $1
Same to J A Griffith—⅛ Monitor, Apr 24; $1.
Edward J Matthews to Wm Braden—Lucky Jim group, Dec 23; $1.
Hannah Fleishman to Thos Kilpatrick—⅛ Missing Link, Oct 31: $150.
A C Scott to John G Steele—Altoona, Dayton No 2, Reuben, Bowknot, Tawanda, Dec 10; $800.
Church Foster to Thos Hurteau—½ Emporium, Dec 2; $1.

January 6.
Joseph Saulter to Donald McCuaig—⅓ Central, Dec 22: $1.
Donald McCuaig to Duncan Graham—⅓ Central, Dec 23; $1.
B C Van Houten to J M E Atkinson—¼ California, $1.
John Roberts to John A Finch—¼ Silver Bell No 2, Dec 29; $1.
Thos Trenery to Thos Claridge—Option on Jo Jo, Emily R, Waterloo, Dec 8; $100.
John Eldridge to Wm A Flager—⅓ Vernon, Mch 17; $1.

January 7:
Robert A Renwick to Herbert H Knox—½ Slug Ten, Jan 7; $1.
D D McPherson to H H Knox—½ Dolly Varden Sept 3; $100.
D J McDonald to B. C. Exp. Co., Lld—Noonday Fraction and Marcus, Jan 6; $1.
Burt Pearson to John Cummings—1-20 V & M, Get There Eli, Reno, Accidentally and F L C, Jan 6; $25.
A P Blandy to H C Frewn—⅝ Star, Nov 23; $1.
Peter McNicol to Fletcher S Andrews—The Pay Roll, Quadra Fraction, North Exchange and Waxahachie, Jan 5; $85.
F H Lentz to C L Brown—1-6 Calcutta, Nov 25; $100.

January 8:
John T Kelly to Charles Faas and W H Crawford—⅓ Pilot, Jan 8; $1.

January 9:
John Welsh to C E Barber and H A Hicks—Kingston, Jan 6; $1.

January 11:
Edward Parris to Jackson Radcliff—⅓ Great Britain, Oct 28; $1.
W H McVay to D E McVay—1-6 Ruth Fraction, Aug 25; $1.
J T Beauchesue to Chas Faas and W H Crawford—⅓ International, Jan 8; $1.
M M Heckmann to W H Crawford—⅓ Maryland, St Gothard and St Paul, Jan 7; $1.
Wm Hibbetts to N S Tucker—⅓ Sandow, Jan 5; $1.
James Ward to N S Tucker—⅓ Sandow, Jan 11; $1.

News In Place.

When in Vancouver stop at the Manor House. †

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The lack of lumber still retards building operations in New Denver.

New Denver may have two railroads running through it a year from now.

Hunter Bros., of Rossland, have bought Hunter & McKinnon's store ai Sandon.

John Barnes, express messenger on to N. & S. is ill with mountain fever at Nakusp.

C. M. Woodworth, a lawyer from Edmonton, is in the Slocan looking for a location.

A Court of the Independent Order of Foresters will be organized in New Denver this week.

Several new business blocks will be erected in New Denver as soon as lumber can be obtained.

Geo. Alexander has purchased the McVay interest in the Ruth group. The price is not publicly known.

C. E. Smitheringale left for the Coast on Saturday to represent the LEDGE and PAYSTREAK in Vancouver and Victoria.

D. M. Crowley will start a furniture factory in New Denver. He will manufacture bedding, chairs, tables and all kinds of furniture in common use.

It isn't a question of how much is said and written of New Denver, but what is done for her. The doing is what counts.

A new electric light company is being formed in Nelson with a capital stock of $20,000. It is understood that $16,000 is already subscribed.

The construction of the C.P.R. boat at Roseberry is being pushed with all haste. Ten men are employed at the present time and Sunday the keel blocks were laid.

The streets of New Denver are not as dark as Egypt. The moon shineth brightly nightly, and it is a mistake to charge that street lamps are needed at every dangerous crossing.

It has been suggested that a movement be set on foot to have the sidewalks cleaned of the snow and ice. The motion is entertained and the mover hereby authorised to set the pace.

If 50,000 cords of wood were cut this winter in the mountains close by and allowed to season the coming summer months it would bring a good price next winter and all would be sold.

It isn't absolutely necessary that all must own mining property in order to become wealthy. A legitimate business of any kind properly conducted in this section is nearly as good as the best mine ever staked.

Mr. A. Thompson has evidently decided that New Denver is good enough for him and his. Tuesday Mrs. Thompson and two sons, Russell and William Dale, arrived from Vancouver. They will occupy the McInnis house.

It matters very little what others may claim for their respective localities if New Denver's advantages are made the most of by development and execution. There might be, and there are a great many good towns in the Slocan, but there is only one New Denver.

Brother MacKenzie, of the Toronto Mail-Empire is in the Slocan to represent that great Canadian daily. Mac will remain for months in B. C. with the intention of furnishing his paper with the most reliable news obtainable of this wonderful western country.

All honor and praise to the pioneers of the Slocan! They will yet see New Denver the idol of their big warm hearts, directly connected by one or more railroads with the outside world when they will be able to travel over country with comfort and ease that they crossed a few years ago with burdensome packs upon their backs, tired and footsore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. G. Abbott, of Rossland, spent a few days in New Denver this week, visiting Mr. Harry Alexander, the promising young barrister, Mrs. Abbot's brother. Mr. Abbott is a son of the general superintendent of the C. P. R. and his arrival in the city caused some commotion in "railroad circles," but it was soon learned that his visit had "nothing to do with the case." Mr. and Mrs. Abbott were greatly pleased with Denver and hope to see more of our city.

NOTICE.

All persons owing me for lumber are hereby notified to pay amounts due me to Wm Thomlinson, New Denver who is authorized to receive payments and give receipts in my name. Prompt settlements are requested.

New Denver, B.C., Jan. 4, 1897.

ALEX. MCKAY.

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