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SLOCAN CAMP NEWS

LOCAL CHIT-CHAT.

Red Paddy is prospecting along the Kettle river.

Trout Lake City has challenged Sandon to play football.

A. P. McDonald will act as agent for the Lethbridge coal in Silverton.

Born—In Trout Lake City, on August 31, the wife of D. R. McLennan of a son.

Hill Bros.' sawmill is kept very busy, and they have several large orders on hand.

Rev. C. F. Yates is figuring upon the erection of a rectory upon the grounds of St. Stephen's church.

Rev. J. Cleland will conduct divine service at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 10:30.

John Bull, of Argenta, merchant, has assigned to W. H. Bell. The creditors will meet on September 21.

O. J. Marino will leave for Pueblo, Colorado, some time this month, where he intends to reside in the future.

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

A pack train from Sandon, loaded with supplies, passed through here Tuesday for the Jeannette mine, Wilson creek.

No move has yet been made to convene the Conservatives in this vicinity, with a view to sending a delegate to the New Westminster conference.

Nicholas Tregear, superintendent at the Le Roi, Rossland, has resigned. He will be succeeded by A. P. Wilson, of the Elkton Consolidated, Cripple Creek.

P. A. Munro has sold his freighting business to Palma Angrignon. Phil will spend a few weeks around Montreal before again settling down to active work.

Thursday night a social dance was held in the Bosun Hall and an enjoyable time spent. Several Silvertonians were present, having chartered the Alert for the occasion.

Editors when they stir up the animals in the journalistic side show should avoid skunks. Their poison is harmless, but their smell would make sewer gas seem like the attar of roses.

Barbarian Brown and Steve Bailey played a high rolling game of faro in Spokane last week. Brown took down $2,800 by a lucky call of the turn. It was Spokane's banner game.

Jim Bowes looked in the other day and said he was going to the Palouse country, to raise hops. Jim was only joshing, as Silverton would never let one of its best men turn into a farmer.

New Denver sent down a delegation to Nelson to hear Godfrey's band. They state the Guardsmen would vastly improve their technique by a short course of instruction with New Denver's finest.

Papers in various parts of the country report shipments of ore from Bosun Landing in the Slocan. There is no such station in existence and a pound of ore has never been billed from such a place.

The boy who scribbles for the local rag in Silverton acts like a Syphax. He should tone his system with chloride of time, or put on a brass collar and run with the juvenile male canines of the town.

The coming frosts of winter may make the milk shake temporarily obsolete, but Williams will be able to forget it by selling soft drinks out of bottles that will quench any ordinary thirst of the nineteenth century.

The paystreak of job printing in THE LEDGE has again pinched to a knife blade thickness. It may widen out at any moment if the critical and artistic public know a good thing when it is nearly in sight of them.

P. DuMoulin, accountant at the Bank of Montreal, left on Friday for Hamilton, Ont., where he is to be married to Miss T. Martin, sister of the chief justice of this province. He and his bride will return early next month and take up their residence here.

Two men walked along Baker street, in Nelson, the other day. One pointed across the street and said: "Over there is one of the best fellows in town, and he does the largest business in his line in Kootenay." The name on the store window was Jacob Dover.

D. R. Young, chief pilot and orator for the Kootenay Standard, is in the Slocan. He states that if things do not become more smooth in his present sphere, he will start a ranch and hatch chickens by putting the eggs in a natural hot spring. This is an idea worthy of Colonel Sellers.

SLOCAN MINERAL FLOAT.

Silver is on the downward road in price.

W. Koch is rushing work on the Emily Edith wagon road.

Last week's ore shipments make a most meagre showing.

The Ivanhoe is having its five-drill compressor put into place.

Colonel Ray inspected the Molly Gibson and Dardanelles last week.

More work is being done on Wilson creek this season than ever before.

The Evelyn, on Four Mile, has been bonded to W. McDonald, of Sandon.

Murdock McLean is superintending the construction of the Wakefield flume.

Work was commenced Saturday by contract on the long tunnel on the Queen Bess.

Twenty tons of high grade ore was shipped from the Rambler-Cariboo last week.

Lucky Jim ore is held at the Kaslo sampling works, from whence it will be shipped to England.

Part of the machinery for the Ruth concentrator has arrived, making a record trip from Chicago.

For two months ending Sept. 1, 230 locations and 256 assessments were recorded in Trout Lake City.

Butler and McNicholl have a nice showing of clean galena on the Mountain Scenery, Eight Mile creek.

The receipts at the record office last month showed a big falling off from July, owing to the wet spell.

Work on the Silver Band has been suspended until financial arrangements are made for further development.

The force on the Vulture has been increased, and preparations made for immediate and regular shipments.

Gordon Sutherland will look after the construction of several buildings which the Emily Edith is to have erected this fall.

A large and complete camp is to be erected at the Jeannette, on Wilson creek. The property will be worked all winter.

C. W. Brewster and S. A. Hartman, of Rossland, have finished the assessment work on their Wilson creek claims. Assays from the ore taken out show high values in silver.

Jackson Radcliffe and Frank Provost will run 40 feet of tunnel on the Twin Sister group. The property is on the north fork of Lemon creek, and work will commence this week.

Robert Clark has discovered coal in the Boundary camp. It is on the Lanrier claim, on the north fork of Kettle river. Jay P. Graves and R. C. Campbell-Johnston are interested in the property.

On the north fork of Carpenter creek A. O. Ostby and partners have yet to drive 80 feet on the Lucky Swede before they strike the lead. Across the creek from this property Tom Rouse is developing a claim with promising results.

They Mean Business.

A. W. McCune and W. L. Hoge, who, with McCuaig, Rykert & Co., of Montreal, have just purchased the Galena Farm property, have returned to Salt Lake City after a visit to their latest purchase. The property was thoroughly examined, and the new owners express their intention of putting considerable money into immediate development. Mr. McCune announces that his company will resume operations at once.

SILVER'S NEWEST PHASE.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says that it will doubtless interest British Columbians, large numbers of whom are concerned in silver producing mines, to learn that British India's adoption of a gold currency is in the opinion of Clinton Dawkins, the financial expert of the Indian Legislative Council, unlikely to bring about further detriments to silver values.

The Indian government is enabled, under its gold currency legislation, to buy silver rupees with gold at a fixed rate of 15 to the pound, which coin is to be the unit of the new currency of British India. It is this fixture of the rate of exchange for the rupee, coupled with power for the Indian government to buy rupees freely at such rate, which, in Mr. Dawkins' opinion, will more than neutralize what would otherwise be the adverse effect of the new legislation on silver.

The intended fixed rate averages usual recent rates of silver exchange in India and should substitute tolerable certainty of a moderate rate for fluctuating uncertainty of silver value. Hence Mr. Dawkins declares that whilst the Indian government naturally has no desire to direct anything hostile to silver, in which the inhabitants of India largely invest their savings, it believes that the rupee silver currency will hereafter expand in response to trade demands, now that a fixed value in gold is sought by the government's effort.

All friends of silver—and they are, of course, many in our province—will hope that Mr. Dawkins' expectation may be fully realized, and the change now brought about in India rather benefit than depreciate silver values.

FOURTEEN INCHES OF ORE.

Though the owners of the Mollie Hughes commenced work only last week, that property never looked better than it does at the present time, while the ore chute being cut has never been excelled for richness in the camp. Thos. Avison, who is in charge of affairs, decided upon opening up the lead on the Mollie Hughes claim, where it was partially exposed in an open cut. Good ore was soon encountered, and then a new tunnel was commenced, a little above the openings made by the Northwest Mining Syndicate when they had the property under bond. The vein was quickly struck, with the most gratifying results. Saturday night there was 14 inches of ore standing in the breast, with every indication of it continuing in place. It carries copper, gold and silver, the latter showing largely in the native form. As might be expected, the combination gives very high values. The ore as taken out is carefully piled on the dump ready for shipment, very little sorting being necessary. That the owners of the property may meet with complete success is the wish of the townspeople.

SLOCAN CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

D. A. Ross has returned from Toronto, Ont.

The Chaplean has shipped 15 tons of ore to Nelson.

Shook & Arnot have sold out their sawmill at Lemon creek.

Hugh Sutherland is expected in this week, when arrangements will be completed to resume work on the Evening Star group at once.

Quite a number went from here to Nelson on Saturday, to hear Dan Godfrey's celebrated band. An extra coach was added to the train to accommodate the crowd from here and up the lake points.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moran, of New Denver, are guests at the Arlington hotel. Jim is one of Slocan's successful mining men. He was one of the original owners of the Queen Bess. He is now here in connection with some mining property he owns adjoining the Molly Gibson, on Kokanee creek.

If you are a lover of cigars that you do not have to smoke on the top of Silver mountain in order to escape the aroma, call on Williams. He has brands that even a small lord or duke could smoke with enjoyment, complacency and contentment.

Nesbitt has a stock of fruit that is always choice.

THE GALENA FARM.

The Salt Lake City Herald, talking about the Galena Farm mine, says that it adjoins the Payne. It is ten miles from the Payne. The Herald also says:

"As a matter of fact, this property was purchased for $70,000 for the English company. The English shareholders were told that the mine could pay about $500,000 per annum, although at this time the developments consisted of a 50-foot shaft and some drifting. The management, in the course of two years, spent $100,000 in cash on the plant and in development, when the discovery was made that the ore was of much lower grade than represented, and worse still, development failed to open up the ore bodies shown in the upper levels. Several reports were made on the property for the English shareholders, and it became evident that a further large expenditure of money was necessary before the mine could be put in shape to pay dividends.

"The funds by this time had become exhausted and as a result it became necessary to shut down the mine, and the last page of this portion of the mine's history was written some weeks ago, when it was purchased by A. W. McCune, W. L. Hoge, and McCuaig, Rykert & Co., of Montreal. This Montreal firm is the owner of the Payne mine, the biggest mine and the one that has paid the most dividends of any mine in British Columbia."

The new owners of the Galena Farm propose to develop and operate the mine on scientific mining principles, and considerable money will be expended in improved machinery. Recent reports have been made of an immense body of ore in sight. Carl H. Hand, formerly of Butte, superintendent of the Payne mine, has been placed in charge of the Galena Farm. There is already a fine hoist and compressor run by water power, and rapid development of the mine has been determined upon.

Mackintosh's Titles.

There is no sign yet of any purchases on behalf of the new $15,000,000 syndicate which Mr. Mackintosh is reported to have formed, with Lord Aberdeen at its head. By the way, the ex-lieutenant governor of the Northwest Territories has no right to the titles "Governor" or "Hon.," with which the local press delights to adorn him. As far as can be observed, he still (and quite naturally) takes a large interest in the affairs of the Britise America Corporation, though it is reported here that Mr. Whittaker Wright has bought all of his shares in that company. A gentleman who brings a great reputation from Broken Hill is examining the British America Corporation properties, in order to report on them from a smelter point of view.—London correspondence of News-Advertiser.

Carlyle in Demand.

W. A. Carlyle, formerly provincial mineralogist and now superintendent of the British America Carporation properties at Rossland, has been offered the management of the famous Rio Tinto copper mines in Spain, at a salary of $25,000 per year.

This offer Mr. Carlyle has since accepted, leaving Rossland on December 1, and will take charge at the 1st of next April. His salary commences at the new year. The Rio Tinto employs 11,000 men and is the third largest producer in the world. It has been worked for centuries, and last year paid $1,000,000 in dividends upon a capital stock of $20,000,000. The shareholders are in England, Scotland and France, the Rothschilds having the control.

The McCuaigs Talk.

The following interesting telegram was sent to the Vancouver Province last week:—

The report published in your issue of the 21st ult. that I will shortly visit British Columbia with a view to a compromise was manufactured out of whole cloth. While our mines are closed down smelting charges are being reduced, and there is a probability of the repeal of the duty on lead which would increase profit on every ton of lead ore to twenty dollars. The benefit we are therefore deriving from the delay is apparent.

CLARENCE J. McCUAIG.

EIGHT HOURS IN UTAH

In Utah eight hours is a legal day's work in a mine, but we are informed that there is no penalty attached for working longer, except that a miner gets an increased ratio of pay for over time. It is stated the pay is from $2.50 to $3, except in wet mines, where it is $3.50. Three shifts can be worked with advantage on nearly all of the mines, and most of them are shaft properties. The Washington Star contains the following:

"While in Utah the sub-commission investigated the operation of the eight-hour law in that state, which is the only one in the union where there is an eight-hour law applying to miners. We found that the law was giving great satisfaction both to the laborers and their employers. The testimony of the operators was that the men did as much in eight hours as they formerly had in ten. The men who work in the metalliferous mines work by the day, and they get out as much ore in eight hours as they formerly did in ten. The managers of the mines said that the men came to work with more vigor after their longer hours of rest, and that they now work with an eight-hour stroke. The men appreciate their exceptional conditions in regard to hours of labor. The testimony showed that their moral and intellectual, as well as physical condition, was improved by the shorter hours. There is less drunkenness than under the ten-hour system."

Lost Tiger Looking Well.

Four men are working on the Lost Tiger group, a Silver mountain property that H. Clever is developing into a mine. Two tunnels are being driven, one of which is in 60 feet and the other 70 feet. The lower drift will catch the ore chute 125 feet from the mouth. A number of open cuts have also been made on the lead, which the lucky owner believes to be one and the same as that of the Alpha. There have been several offers made for the property, but no terms will be entertained till the ore chute is cut in the lower workings. The Lost Tiger will be of material assistance to New Denver.

Lead Smelting Bonus.

W. G. Parmelee, deputy minister of trade and commerce, left Ottawa on Friday for British Columbia, to inspect the books of the various smelters. In 1895 Parliament authorized a bonus of $150,000 to assist the smelting in British Columbia of silver-lead ores, there being then three smelters in existence. The terms of the bonus provided for the payment of not more than 50 cents per ton, and the total subvention was divided over five years, at the rate of $30,000 a year. As the term of the bonus has nearly expired, the department considered it advisable to have the accounts of the companies examined.

Queen Bess Developments.

A lower or deep level tunnel is to be run on the Queen Bess, 320 feet lower than the present to meet the workings which are down 250 feet, so that the new drift will develop the mine 200 feet along the ledge. Future operations will be greatly facilitated, as all the ore can be handled at the bottom. The monthly output will be 100 tons, and a steady output will be maintained, as there is enough ore in sight to keep the management busy while the new tunnel is being driven. This will take at least a year.

A Miner Killed.

David Condon, employed at the Vancouver mine, in the Kimberley camp, Boundary country, was killed Saturday night. He was firing five shots at the bottom of a 30-foot shaft, and, in going up the ladder, slipped and fell from the top just as the shots went off. Deceased was a single man and 42 years old. He formerly lived in Rossland and Butte.

Taxing Miners.

This is is how the Philadelphia Press puts it:—The Transvaal government taxes the miners in that country 2½ per cent. on the net profits of the mines. The Canadian government takes from the Klondike miners 10 per cent. of their gross output. The difficulty and expense of mining in Canada are twenty times greater than in the Transvaal. The Canadian taxation is 1,000 per cent. greater than in the Transvaal. But Canada ostentatiously expresses sympathy with the British miners in the Transvaal.

Scottish Discrimination.

The native preference of the Scotch for their own, not to say their dislike for the English, is illustrated by this little military incident:

Color sergeant of Highland company (in which were one or two English), calling the roll:

"Angus Mackay!" No reply. Louder: "Angus Mackay!" Still no reply. (Sotto voce): "I ken ye're there; yer aye at yer jooty, decent mon, but ye're ower modest to speak before sae mony folk. I see ye fine." Marks him down in the roll.

"John Jones!"

Squeaky voice replies: "'Ere."

Sergeant: "Ou, ay, ye're here, but ye're sich a muckle leear I canna believe a word that comes oot o' yer mooth, sae I'll jist mark ye doon as being absent!"

FACTS ABOUT INSECTS.

A pet flea has been known to live six years.

Some butterflies have as many as 20,000 distinct eyes.

Several species of moth never eat after attaining a perfect state. They have no mouths and live but a few hours.

The common house fly has 16,000 eyes. To the fly, therefore, caught by a small boy, the latter appears as an army of giants.

The fly lays four times each summer, and 80 eggs each time. The descendants of one female fly in a single season may number 2,080,320.

In times of scarcity the South African natives sometimes robs the nests of ants, and as much as five bushels of grain have been taken from a single nest.

The pain of a mosquito bite is caused by a fluid poison injected by the insect into the wound in order to make the blood thin enough to float through the mosquito's throat.

The weight of a queen ant is equal to 30,000 working ants. She is always attended by one or more servants to carry off her eggs, of which she lays from 5,000 to 10,000 a year.

The upholsterer bee lines her nest with the leaves of flowers, always choosing such as have very bright colors. They are invariably cut in circles so exact that no compass would make them more true.

South American ants have been known to construct a tunnel three miles long, a labor for them proportionate to that which would be required for men to tunnel under the Atlantic from New York to London.

The *Teredo navalis*, or ship worm, has caused the loss of more vessels than were ever destroyed in war. In tropical countries this worm penetrates the timbers of vessels and eats away the wood until there is only a shell left, which will crumble at a slight blow. Large beams, apparently sound after removal from vessels, after the outside crust has been broken, have been pulled to pieces by the fingers. During the last century an East Indiaman, docked in London, crumbled to pieces when the supports were placed underneath and the water removed.

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1899.

SCRAPS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK.

Doctors say that cold ankles kill more women than nerves or disease. This is another strong reason why ladies should never play poker.

Typhoid fever occasionally does a little business in Nelson and Rossland. It has not been in the Slocan this summer, which is one blessing that we are thankful for.

We jabbed the pen of truth into two literary pimples last week. One of them emitted sufficient pus to entitle it to a medal for idiocy, while the other merely showed its color and dried up.

Dreyfus has been found guilty, but will likely be free in a few days. He should come to America, where he can roast the French at long range, and lead a life free from care, jail and court martials.

The Nelson board of trade has resurrected a map in use in the days of Noah, and palms it off as that of Kootenay of today. They have even attached Frank Fletcher's name to it as draughtsman. People have been hanged for less crimes than this.

A subscriber at Arrowhead, in sending in his subscription, states that we might need it on our proposed trip to the Boundary. That is so, we may. If reports are true, it takes about this amount to get even a few lines of smelter talk around Greenwood and Grand Forks.

Lady Harberton says that women should not be ashamed of their true, God-given form, and should change the raiment of misery to the bloomers of health. She is right. Let the bloomers bloom, if by so blooming the bloom of health will mantle the cheeks of delicate women.

It has been discovered that there are 360 distinct kinds of bacilli in whiskey. This explains why drinking it effects people in so many different ways. It all depends what kind of a microbe is on shift in the boozerino when you take it. Microorganism that is disturbed by the admixture of aqua pura is the least harmful.

Old Sol has returned to the Slocan with a beautiful panorama of sunsets, and he will exhibit them every evening in front of New Denver until the curtain of rain is again rung down. Then one of our greatest scenic attractions will be taken off the boards, and the war of the elements continued. We are already lonesome for rain. During August we had so much of it that its absence is strictly in evidence, especially when we look at our water barrel and the red cows that have raided it all summer.

THE EVOLUTION OF NELSON.

A moral wave is gradually washing away the vices of Nelson. The piano thumpers on the east end of Baker street have had to cease their nightly labors, and there is more than one kind of ruin in that part of the city. Gambling is confined principally to nickle-in-the-slot machines and real estate. The saloons are still as of old, but they know not the day when the tenderfoot population will cause them to close up at 11 p.m. and deal grog through the back window, a la Toronto, on Sundays. Fruit, cigar, and other dealers in goods, are quivering in their brogans, for fear it will soon be a crime to do business on the Sabbath day. It is whispered that an eastern man is looking for a seat in the lookout chair of the council. If he should get it, the citizens will no doubt have plenty of Beer next year, and nothing but real estate will be allowed to run riot. The name of Frank Fletcher is spoken of as the possible great chief of the Nelsonites during the last year of this century. Frank has some qualifications for the office. His sweet way of using honeyed words is calculated to make the masses believe they are the people, and that butter could not be induced to melt in his mouth. No matter how the municipal game goes, John Houston can be depended upon to keep the cases, and see that everybody gets their bets down in the right place.

HAD THE SNAKES.

When Frank Oliver pushed his way north and got out the first issue of the Bulletin, there were few white people around where Edmonton now stands and only one stove. Stoves came high about that time and the first lot in the camp sold for $72 each. Oliver, like most of pioneer journalists, was a strong character. He was an abstainer from alcoholic bracers, and never went against any of the prohibition whiskey that found its way into the camp. He used to swear like a mule driver and often saw snakes. His office was built of logs and the floor was of mud, inlaid with small poplar logs. While Frank was setting type, the snakes would pop their heads up between the logs and take observations. As Frank did not drink he knew the snakes were real and took no notice of them. Many printers have seen snakes, but few have ever set type in a room where they were real and not an optical illusion. They do not infest the Bulletin office any more, as the march of time has changed the floor and driven the snakes to pastures new and Frank to Ottawa.

THE ABSORBING TOPIC.

EDITOR LEDGE: Sir—As the columns of your paper are always open to the discussion of any subject of vital importance I take the liberty to say a few words upon the eight-hour law. Three months have passed since this law became operative, and there is no growing time in the Slocan. Eight years ago last Saturday the finding of the Payne gave to Canada its great galena camp. Since that time the Slocan has had many trials. It has suffered from the crash in silver, the gold boom, the Klondike, and a second panic in the silver market. Through all this trouble wages were $3.50 for 10 hours underground, while men and owners worked in harmony. The passing of a law making it punishable by a fine to work longer than eight hours underground, has restricted the freedom of the subject, temporarily destroyed the prosperity of the Slocan and wrecked the harmony hitherto existing between labor and capital. The large mines are shut down, while here and there small numbers of men are working the regulation hours at the former wage. The managers or bonders of some properties deem it better to accept the situation under protest, rather than do nothing and be worried by their backers or stockholders. They are not satisfied with the law, and some of them do not want it at any price. They also state that men cannot do as much work in eight hours as they can in ten, and that the system might work in some camps but not in the tunnel camp of the Slocan. Capitalists also state that the government has been dishonest with them, by increasing the cost of mining after they had put their money into the country. Some think that the government should have fixed the scale of wages as well as the hours of labor. In the meantime capital stays away, as it does not want to settle down in a district rendered almost silent by legislation; prospects are decreased in value, and business exists principally in memory. The mine owners who have money can wait. The miner who has nothing at stake can work somewhere else, if he has strength. Neither will suffer much. The mine owner with little capital, the miner with claims, and the business men are the fellows who have to take the financial hell in this conflict. They have to be crucified in order that an experiment may be tried. If the Slocan cannot stand its medicine it can die. If it can stand it, labor will be jubilant and prosperity will again mingle with us, until some new trouble attacks the camp. I believe that eight hours is long enough to work under ground. What it is worth I do not know. The mine owners say it is worth $3, while the miners say it is worth $3.50. A difference of 50 cents causes many of us to mourn. If both parties could agree on some basis long enough to give the law a fair trial, we would have more knowledge of its practical nature. In the meantime the Lord will have to look after the Slocan. The miners and mine owners are too selfish to care for anybody's interest except their own. Yours respectfully,

FRIEND OF THE SLOCAN.

[We give the above communication at its face value. If Pro Bono Publico, Veritas, Citizen and other well-known writers have anything to offer they will find this paper always open to anything reasonable.—ED. LEDGE.]

LIGHT AND BREEZY.

Miles—Wasn't it disgraceful the way Jones snored in church today?

Stiles—Disgraceful isn't the word for it; it woke me right up.

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Magistrate—What passed between yourself and the complainant?

O'Brien—I think, sor, a half-dozen of bricks and a lump of paving stone.

§

Minister—I am sorry I didn't see you at church yesterday, Tummus.

Tummus—Weel, ye see, it wis siccan a wet day it wisna fit to turn oot a dog in. But I sent the wife, sir.

§

A new singer in the south dashes from his lyre the following pickaninny lullaby:

Unto a little nigger
A-swimming in the Nile,
Appeared quite unexpectedly
A hungry crocodile,
Who, with that fierce politeness
That makes the warm blood freeze,
Remarked, "I'll take a little dark meat,
Without dressing, if you please."

§

Mrs. Suddenrich, (a smart woman)—Did you write to the Town Talk Printing Company for specimens of all their latest visiting cards?

Daughter—Yes, maw, an' they just sent 'em—'bout a hundred of 'em, all sorts and kinds.

What names are on 'em?

Names of all the bigbugs in the city. Put 'em on the parlor table.

§

"Why don't you get dinner?" he asked.

"You didn't marry a cook," she replied, simply.

Time passes. It is now the dead of night, and muffled footfalls are heard in the house.

"Why don't you go and drive the burglars away?" she exclaimed.

"You didn't marry a policeman," he said.

§

Two Wagoner girls became infatuated with the idea of having their photos made with their heads stuck through a torn newspaper, and went to a photograph gallery for that purpose. However, when their pictures were taken, they were horrified to see what they failed to notice before: the paper they had put their heads through was a Cincinnatti paper, and just beneath their smiling faces was a tailor's advertisement, headed, "Our Pants are Lined in the Seat."

§

A London paper gives this story, which may possibly have a moral concealed in it for someone in our own country:

As a well-known London clergyman was recently ascending the steps to his church, an old lady requested his help. With his usual courtly grace he gave the old lady his arm. On the top step she halted, breathlessly, and asked him who was to preach.

"The Rev. Mr. —," he replied, giving his own name.

"Oh, dear," exclaimed the old lady, "help me down again, I'd rather listen to the endless grinding of a windmill. Help me down again, I'll not go in."

The minister smiled and gently assisted her down again, remarking as he departed from her, "I wouldn't go in either if I weren't the preacher."

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A TINY LETTER.

A memory of brighter days
Is mine tonight:
A fireside with its ruddy blaze,
And two eyes bright
That look in mine so thoughtfully:
Those of the lad who wrote to me.

Perplexed, I toiled, with many cares
Upon my task;
My little one came up the stairs
Something to ask:
Rudely repulsed, without a word
He left me, with his wish unheard

The moments fled: then at my door
A step came light:
A tiny letter on the floor
Quick caught my sight:
I picked it up, my heart was sad
That I had so repulsed the lad.

"Dear pa," the tiny letter read,
"I know that you
Are tired; so I'll go to bed,
But these words few
I write, to tell you that I love
You more and more, all else above."

Oh, how the wisdom of my books
Shrunk into naught
Before those uncomplaining looks
That erstwhile sought
My own! I called him back to me,
Dear lad—and kissed him tenderly.

A memory! Oh, if we knew
The future's blight
That oft our pathway doth pursue
'Twould clear our sight;
And words that chide would seldom fall
To haunt us, like a gloomy pall!

I could not keep my little lad!
But here tonight
A fond memento, sweetly sad,
Makes dim my sight;
A letter kept so sacredly,
The one my darling wrote to me.

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When a feller's packin' up to leave he whistles—don't you know:
Or, tells you it's the weather that affects his feelin's so!
Or ef from jest one corner of his eye a tear may run,
He says he's "jest perspirin'!"—but he don't fool anyone!

Fer that 'ere packin' up ain't what they crack it up to be;
You never pack your heart in with the other things, you see!
Thar's the letters that she wrote you—that you've kept and loved for years;
An' some of 'em looks blotted—but I reckon it's yer tears!

An' the last sweet letter, mebbe, is the one that gives the pain,
An' made yer eyes run over like rivers swelled by rain.
But thar it is amongst 'em, an' you sigh, an' understan'
You're only keepin' of it 'cause she writ it with her han'.

When a feller's packin' up to leave he'd better Keep apart,
Or he'll have a sad time in tryin' for to whistle off his heart!
That laugh o' his rings hollow, an' his jokes air feeble, too—
He's a funeral procession 'spite o' all that he kin do!

I never did like packin'. When the leavin' time comes on
I allus gives instructions: "Ship my things when I am gone!"
An', that jest what I've tol' 'em! (Never think I'll shed a tear!—
But it looks as ef 'twas rainin' ten or twenty mile from here!)

—Atlanta Constitution.

CANADA AS A FIELD OF CAPITAL

While our constant efforts to encourage the flow of capital towards the great Dominion may be as a drop in the ocean, there are journals devoted to the general interests of the investor, ever and anon following in our wake with weighty editorials on the claims of the country for wider recognition. Want of space frequently forbids us quoting our contemporaries to the length their utterances may deserve, but the following from the Financial Times we are sure will be read with close attention:—Rudyard Kipling has said of Canada: "It is a great country; a country with a great future. There is a fine, hard, bracing climate, the climate that puts iron and grit into men's bones, and there are all good things to be got out of the ground if men will work for them. What it wants is more men and more money. Why don't Englishmen think more of it as a field for English enterprise and capital? Surely there is an excellent opening both for the investing and the emigrating Briton there. Things don't perhaps move quite so fast as in the United States, but they are safer, and you are under the flag you know, and among men of the same stock and breed. Send your folks to Canada, and if they can't go themselves, let them send their money—plenty of it." This is certainly a very strong testimonial, and though as a rule we do not look to poets and novelists for advice as to investments, we must concede that Rudyard Kipling is a very keen and accurate observer. To be sure Canada has not hitherto been a very happy hunting ground for British investors. But the fact will constantly obtrude itself that other people have made, and are making money there. Canada is the nearest and most important of our colonies. It is, therefore, but natural that we and our capital should play the largest part in its development, if that development be profitable. Yet for one reason or another we seem to have gone everywhere else first in the endeavor to find employment for our surplus capital. We have been largely instrumental in developing Brazil, Argentina and Chili and making them appreciable factors in the world, though it can hardly be said the result to us has been very satisfactory. We have exploited the petroleum fields of the Russians and built them railways. We have simply poured money into one enterprise or another in the United States, while the proportion of Britons residing in that enterprising republic is by no means small. We go into ecstasies over China or some other distant portions of the world as fields that it will be profitable to us to exploit, and we are told that we have neglected a very rich and promising portion of our own empire which has been for many years ripe for exploitation.

We might retort that this, if true, is very good proof that the field is not what it is represented, were it not that the efforts of others have been singularly well rewarded. Our American cousins have seen and taken advantage of opportunities in mining, manufacturing, lumbering, and many other branches of industry which have given them very good returns indeed, while we appear to have had the singular faculty for either choosing unfortunately, or mismanaging with painful consistency when we have chosen. We notice a great deal in the Canadian papers just now about the recovery that set in a year or two ago, and though the results of this renewal of activity are rather difficult to crystallize in figures as yet, we can give some outstanding facts which seem to indicate pretty clearly that the country is on the eve of a very rapid development, of which we certainly desire to take advantage.

The population at present is estimated at 5¼ millions, though a regular census will not be taken again until 1901, and immigration from various parts of Europe is proceeding on a fairly extensive scale. There are in all about 17,000 miles of railway, and a second transcontinental line of railway will soon be in course of construction in links, some of which already exist. There are 70,000 miles of telegraph wire in operation and considerably more building. Within a short time there will be a 14-foot waterway from the head of Lake Superior through the chain of great fresh water seas to Montreal, and the navigation of the St. Lawrence will be so improved that the very heaviest vessel will be easily able to come up to that port. The coasts are also well lighted, so that a great deal has been done to pave the way for internal commercial development.

Nor in doing this has the country been at all over burdened, as the credit of the government in the London market was shown to be exceptionally good when the last loan was floated on terms more favorable than could be obtained, probably, by any other government except that of Great Britain itself. The government's budget for the past year is, we believe, not yet closed, but it indicates a probable surplus of over £1,100,000. It does not appear, therefore, other than a healthy sign that the expenditure voted for the coming year (some £10,500,000), or thereabouts, is the largest in the history of that colony, while at the session of parliament just closed over £1,500,000 was voted in subsidies to prospective railways. The value of exports of the fisheries in 1898 was about £2,200,000; that of produce of the forest £5,300,000; and that of mineral products £7,600,000; and, to give an idea of the extent of the interchange of commodities between the different provinces, 25,000,000 tons of goods were carried over the railways in 1897, while the tonnage of vessels in the coasting trade and on the lakes in that year was 27,200,000 tons. The total exports for the year ending June last were £23,000,000, as against £13,500,000 in 1868, and about £2,400,000 in 1887.

The agricultural industry is yet by a good deal the most important in the country, and the export of provinces, such as cheese and butter, to Great Britain has grown very largely in a few years, while there seems to be equal room for expansion in many other branches. The facts and figures which are available certainly seem to show that there is a good field for British enterprise and commercial ability, as well as capital, in further developing even those branches of industry which are already well established, though they are, perhaps, not as alluring as more speculative ventures like mining. In connection with the lumber industry alone there seems to be a most promising field for the employment of both brains and capital. Already the making of pulp to be manufactured into paper abroad has acquired considerable importance as an industry.

In respect to mining, there are practically only two comparatively small districts where as yet ample capital has been efficiently applied. Mr. Whitney, the Boston financier, seems to be well satisfied with the results of his labors in this direction in the coal mines in Nova Scotia, and the Rossland district of British Columbia is considered even here as promising. Yet the mineral possibilities of the Dominion have scarcely been scratched. Klondyke we hear enough about, and the Kootenay country, in British Columbia, is occasionally mentioned; but the government engineers and geologists tell us of what appear to be valuable mineral deposits, not only in many other parts of British Columbia and the Yukon district, but in north western Ontario, eastern Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, and Labrador.

Taken altogether, therefore, it would require a very sturdy doubter to persevere in the contention that it is not wise to make a very thorough study of the possibilities of this country, where, as Rudyard Kipling puts it, "You are under the flag you know, and among men of the same stock and breed," before deciding to continue the policy of giving our principal attention to the development of foreign countries. The efforts that we have made have not always resulted happily, and it is too true that there are a great many designing and unscrupulous men who have been, and are, only too ready to take advantage of the slightest sign of interest. But we think there would be less reason to complain if the advice were always taken which Lord Strathcona, the veteran man of affairs who represents Canada in London, invariably gives to those who seek it. That is, before investing money to go over the ground personally, to know the business you are embarking in and to manage it on the spot. This has been Lord Strathcona's own plan, and he has certainly found Canada a most profitable place to do business and invest money in.—B C. Review.

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TAKE NOTICE That I, Chas. E. Hope, free miner's certificate No. 7962A, 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 the above claim.

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

Dated this 24th day of August, 1899.
a31 CHAS. E. HOPE.

Golden Crown Mineral Claim.

Situated in the Slocan City Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Springer Creek, about three miles from Slocan City.

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a31 CHAS. E. HOPE.

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TAKE NOTICE that I, Herbert T. Twigg, as agent for Robert Cunning, free miner's certificate No. 33023A, recorded holder of a five-sixth (5-6) undivided interest, and Volney D. Williamson, recorded holder of a one-sixth (1-6) undivided interest, free miner's certificate No. 9792B, 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.

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Dated this 31 day of August, 1899.
au23 HERBERT T. TWIGG.

Midnight and Centaur Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Four Mile creek, two miles from Silverton, B. C.

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Dated this 14th day of June, 1899.

Emily Edith Fraction, Eagle, Eagle Fraction and Ironclad Mineral Claims.

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LOCATIONS.

August 30—Waterloo Fraction, O K cr, J T Kelly. Midday, reloc of Victor, J Tinling. Maydee Extension, Four Mile cr, J Brandon.

31—Kootenay Sovereign, reloc of Forest Fire, E P Bremner.

Sept 2—Galena Fraction, Galena mt, F H Wilson.

5—I. D Fraction, Noble Five mt, C A Freeman. Esmorelda, Howser cr, C Anderson. Corell Fraction, s f Carpenter, G Kay. The Just One Girl, Silver mt, C F Nelson. Ocean Queen, Trout cr, Emily Swan. Copper King, same, F W Wright. Rubee, same, A Finnegan. Michigan, same, M Matson. Emerald, same, R McGregor.

6—Morning Glory Fraction, Fidelity Hill, A Jacobsen. J M B, Gold cr, D Brandon.

7—Trumpet Fraction, Slocan lake, N W Mining Syndicate. Swede Boy, n f Carpenter, A J D Ostby. F Johnson, C Peterson.

8—Bank Roll, Eight Mile cr, D Brandon.

11—Chance, divide Ten and Twelve Mile cr, J Winters. Continual, Eight Mile cr, J C Butler. Ava, Silver mt, F Pyman. Sunrise, same, D McKinnon. Alert, Eight Mile cr, D A VanDorn.

12—Oakland, Silver mt, Pat Mooney. Nob Hill, Slocan lake, M L Nicholson.

ASSESSMENTS.

August 30—Mono Fraction, Toronto, Province, Pure Gold, Belle Smith, Camp Lodge, Eastern Townships. Sept 1—Mountain Goat, Fedora, Black Horse, White Horse. 2—Neglected, Tramp Plaint, Mountain Queen, Mountain Maid. 5—Tornado, Flood Fraction, No 2, International, Imperial, Bosphorus, Gibraltar, Silver Band, Troyford, Islington, Winton, Croydon Fraction, Rodney. 6—Surprise Extension, War Fraction, Commander, 8—Fountain Fraction, Black Diamond. 9—Snowdon. 11—Iron Mountain, Holliday Fraction, Lilly, Oakland No 4, Mountain Scenery, Twilight, Storm. 12—Sadie, Ellis, M & M, Ella, Prince, Alhambra, Lilly R, Lone Star No 3.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Sept 11—Boatswain Fraction, Tyro, Tyro Fraction.

OPTIONS.

Sept 6—Evelyn, option to purchase for $3,000, J W Kyte, A Horton and W Brown to Ward McDonald, Sept 5.

TRANSFERS.

August 29—Alice Murphy, A J Murphy to V H Behne, April 29. Utica, Andrew Jay, Alice, Bridget McCue to P McCue, Aug 3. Power of attorney, J M M Benedum to J W Kyte, Aug 11.

30—Same, C A Stoess to H Mackenzie, Aug 26.

31—Drumlummon and Homestake ½, J Carraher to T McMurry, Aug 24: $200.

Sept 6—J L P, F A Henneberg to M McAndrews, July 5, 1897. Same, M McAndrews to J V O McLaughlin, June 9, $1200.

7—Alert ¼, F Pyman to F R Hurry, Sept 4

8—Humphrey and Best Fraction, all, Rambler-Cariboo Co to W H Adams, July 28. Same, W H Adams to Rambler-Cariboo Co, Aug 28. Coming Event and Central 1-6, J S Reed to T Clair, Sept 8. Power of attorney, J H Bowes to E C Wragge, Aug 14. Same, F F MacNaughton to J A Bowes, Aug 16.

11—Coming Event 1-6, J S Read to J Taylor, Sept 11.

SLOCAN CITY DIVISION.

LOCATIONS.

August 29—Fern, 2 n fork Lemon, P McEwen. Rob Roy, Lemon cr, A Finnigan and R McGregor. Ouida, Ten Mile cr, W Brasch. Selkirk, reloc Tallahassee, B Carter.

30—Royal, Dayton cr, B Kneebone. Admiral, same, P Alltoffer.

31—Wiltshire, reloc Joint Hope, H A Chapman.

Sept 1—Willet, Lemon cr, I Orchard.

2—Tufidel, same, Mrs Emma Rackliff. Orthodox, same. C H Abercrombie. Virden, Springer cr, Jos Smith.

5—Mountain View, s f Lemon cr, Pat Nolan. Climbing Rose Fraction, n f of Lemon, F Dick. Redwood, div Lemon and Springer, W Kyte.

6—Alexander, Printer cr, W Anderson. Star, reloc of D Smith, R Kurtyhals. Maggie, Twelve Mile cr, same.

8 Middlesex Fraction, Robson cr, J A Foley. Midland, reloc Calgary, W Farney. Latour, reloc Sterling, W A Keith. Flagstaff, reloc Josie, W Farney. Robert Bruce, reloc I & U, J G Gordon. Puritan, reloc Silvertonian, J I Farney.

9—Heather Bell, Ten Mile cr, M E Young.

ASSESSMENTS.

August 28—Galena Mountain, Sultana, St Lawrence, Sunnyside for two years. 29—Empress, Zuiu, Slug Ten. Sept 2—Snowflake, Two Friends for 3 years. 6—Dorset. 7—Corinne for two years. 8—Baiko, Gnu. 9—Conemara. Two Friends

TRANSFERS.

August 26—Louise, Arch York to D Lloyd

Sept 7—Francis M ½, J Thompson to J Radcliff, $100

9—Oregon, notice that a ⅓ interest belongs to C M Gething and R G Henderson.

AINSWORTH DIVISION

LOCATIONS.

August 21—Mona Fraction, on Kaslo creek, R Green. Bracelit, Schroeder creek, G Carlquist. Kootenay, Bear creek, J Hanson. Ontario, Black Hill, Thelma, Iron Bluff, on Dunn creek, L Hagglund. Bluebird, Bear creek, same. Betsy, Hooker creek, A F Adams. John T, same, W J Murphy. Comas, Campbell creek. White and Otto

22—Rose, Hooker creek, J Pattenaude. Last Will, s fork, D Campbell and C K Morrow. Zenith, near Kaslo, J Miller. Myrtle, Schroder creek, J Swanson. Wender, same, J Nyman. Lucky Bill Fraction, Woodbury creek, N Johnson.

23—Marion, Bear creek, Scovil and McVichie. Chief Fraction, Kaslo creek, R A Bradshaw.

24—Lakeside, Howser lake, F Harper. Silver Leaf, Knob Hill, Kootenay Star, Duncan river, D Johnson and H Black.

25—Unknown and Helions, Twelve Mile, R Roberts. Mystery, same, M N Anderson.

26—Hope, Cooper creek, G D Morrison. Frog Hill, on Trout lake trail J Bonituna. Iron Mountain, Glacier creek, T F Cosgriff.

28—Ida, Granite Basin, H Nelson. Province, s fork, W J Davenport. Trail, same, R P Riggs, W J Davenport.

29—Stonewall, Cooper creek, Erickson and McDonald

30—Little Bee, Glacier creek, A di Michell.

ASSESSMENTS.

August 24.—British Empire and Hot One Fraction, Wm Anderson. Hardscramble, G J Henry. Summit and Hecla, W F Riddell. Kootenay Queen, Slocan Chief No 10, Ironwood and Burlington, B Pearson.

25—Frontenac, R George. Ottawa, N Murchison. Triumph, K Ross.

26—Golden Gate, Mollie Riley, Get There and Stampede, J C Hansen.

28—Florence E, W Hill. Alpi and Helvetia, A Guidotti. Thurso and Romeo, D Gildwist. St Gothard, Glacier and Gruttle by S Schwander.

29—Aspen, J Neven. Wabash, John Tinling. Dayton, G T Kane. Cecilia May, W Holmes. Mogul Fraction, Jas Moran.

30—Mystic Region, by D R McLean. Merry England, H R Stovel. Elkhorn Queen, J Trafleanti. Escanaba, Hazel and Homestretch, T Austin. Diamond Joe, K Ross.

TRANSFERS.

August 24—Sheriff's sale of the Slocan Chief No 10 and Kootenay Queen

25—W S ¼, W Sudrow to J Sudrow. Betsey and Red Star ½, S Swanson to A E Lundburg. Utica and Andrew Jay, Bridget McCue to P McCue.

26—Tams Fraction ⅙, A Stalberg to V A Johnson.

28—Prince Edward ⅔, N W Sprague to H Cody, $400. Pasamalon and Red Star ½, C A Cameron to J A McVichie.

30—Redstar ⅛, C H Cameron to J F McIntosh. Agreement between A C Bozzetti and Jessy Duval. Power of attorney, F LoCasto to A Sproat. W H Taylor to J A Finch.

INCIDENT AND HISTORY.

A good Greeley story is told by a writer in Youth's Companion. He says:

Horace Greeley's sympathy with the working classes was intense, and his indignation towards those who oppressed them was not unlike the "perfect hatred" of the Hebrew king. A graphic illustration of this sympathy and indignation is given in the "Personal Recollections" of James R. Gilmore, who was formerly one of the editorial corps on the Daily Tribune.

One winter night, two thinly and poorly clad women entered the room of the managing editor and asked to see Mr. Greeley. Mr. Gilmore, who was reading proof sheets, answered that Mr. Greeley was very busy, and a half dozen gentlemen were waiting to see him; but if they would wait he would probably give them audience.

They were willing to wait, and Mr. Gilmore ushered them into the great editor's apartment, where he sat at his desk, with his back to the door, absorbed in an editorial.

Curious to see what kind of a reception he would give the women, Mr. Gilmore lingered near the door. As soon as Mr. Greeley had finished his editorial, he turned round and glanced at his visitors. The gentlemen were well known to him, for each man was a politician; but, giving them scarcely any attention, he rose and said courteously to the women:

"Ladies, what can I do for you?"

The younger of the two stepped timidly forward and explained their errand. They were employees in a hoop-skirt factory, where the workwomen had the day before suspended work and demanded an increase of pay.

"What pay do you get?" then asked Mr. Greeley.

"Three dollars and a half a week," was the timid reply.

"And how much of that goes for your board?"

"Three dollars."

"Do you mean to say that you have only 50 cents a week for your clothes and other necessaries?"

"That is all."

"It's a shame—a burning shame," said Mr. Greeley, quickly. "You wish me to expose these men. I will do it. They shall have a column in tomorrow's Tribune."

Then, seeing Mr. Gilmore standing in the doorway, he said: "Be kind enough to show these ladies to the stairway, and" (drawing him down to him and speaking in a lower tone) "look at their clothes. Give them $10 or $20; I'll pay it."

"Did you hear what Mr. Greeley said to me?" asked Mr. Gilmore of the younger woman, as they reached the door of the outer editorial room.

"Yes, sir; but we don't want alms—we ask for justice, not charity," she answered.

"He does not consider it charity. He thinks it a duty to divide his larger earnings with those that are underpaid. He will be offended if you refuse the money," answered Mr. Gilmore.

"We wouldn't offend him for the world," said the woman, reluctantly taking the offered banknote. "I shall pray God to bless him."

"Did those women take the money," asked Mr. Greeley, after his visitors had left.

"Yes—a $20 bill—I had nothing smaller. But I'll compromise with you for ten," answered Mr. Gilmore.

"No, you won't," said Mr. Greeley, fumbling in his pockets for the money. "But I haven't a dollar. You'll have to get it of Sinclair, the cashier; and mind, if you don't collect the whole we'll have a row."

He Took Nails.

The owner of a general store in a western town got married. In this little town it is the custom of the happy bridegroom to set up the cigars for all the congratulating males who drop in to wish him joy. So the bridegroom in this instance had a box on the counter, and most of his patrons were regaled from it.

Pretty soon an ancient gentleman came in. The storekeeper, who felt friendly to all the world just then, pushed the box towards the new comer.

"Have a cigar, Uncle Jim," he smilingly said.

Uncle Jim looked at the box and then at the storekeeper.

"What this for?" he asked.

The storekeeper slightly blushed.

"Been gettin' married."

"Who? You?"

"Yep. Me."

"An' you're standin' treat, eh?"

"Yep," said the storekeeper.

The old man picked up a cigar.

"How much did these cigars cost ye, Ab?" he inquired.

"Oh," replied the storekeeper, "they cost me 'bout four cents. They're nickel cigars."

The old man dropped the cigar back into the box. Then his gaze wandered around the store.

"Well. Ab," he slowly drawled, "ef it's all the same to you, I'll take a pound o' nails."

And he got them.

The Fleas Suffered.

A braw son of Scotia accepted an invitation to spend a fortnight with a friend in London, whose quarters were in the dense purlieus of Clerkenwell. On joining his host at breakfast the morning after his arrival the following colloquy took place, much to the annoyance of the lady of the house:

Host—Well, Sandy, old man, how did you sleep?

Sandy—Aweel, mon, to say truth, na so vera weel.

Host—I am sorry to—

Sandy (interrupting)—Ah, dinna fash yesself, mon! I was better aff than the fleas, for they never closed a blessed e'e the whole nicht.

SLOCAN ORE SHIPMENTS.

Total shipped July 1 to Dec. 31, 1898, 17,994 tons. January 1st, 1899, to Sept. 9:

	Week	Total
Payne		5,276½
Last Chance		2,245
Slocan Star		548
Sapphire		33
Coin		18
Ajax		40
Sovereign		20
Reco		180
Ivanhoe		119
Treasure Vault		112
Trade Dollar		50
Liberty Hill		3
Madison		15
Wonderful		28
American Boy		20
Idaho Mines		660
Queen Bess		1,441
Wild Goose		15
Monitor		260
Whitewater		2,052
Jackson		611
Bell		30
Wellington		11
Antoine		65
Rambler	20	421
Dardanelles		100
Great Western		48
Bosun		540
Marion		20
Capella		3
Fidelity		3
Vancouver		320
Wakefield		580
Emily Edith		60
Comstock		120
Noonday		400
Enterprise		710
Tamarac		20
Black Prince		15
Chapleau	15	15
Total tons	35	17,241½

A neighboring editor now takes the back streets of his town on account of the way he mixed up the report of a cattle show and a concert, says an exchange. This is the way he made it read: "The concert given by Odessa's most beautiful young ladies was highly appreciated. They sang in a most charming manner, winning the plaudits of the entire audience, who pronounced them the finest herd of shorthorns in the country. A few are of rich brown color, but the majority are spotted brown and white. Several of the heifers are able-bodied, fine limbed and promise to prove good milkers."

The gum chewing habit is raging in this community and Williams is doing his best to keep it going by selling nothing but the best goods on the market.

When you run out of tobacco, do not forget that Nesbitt sells it.

The Condition of Affairs

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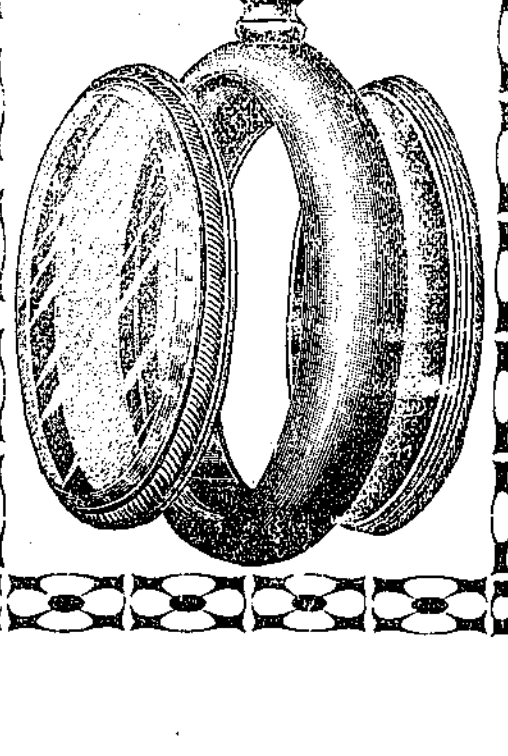

Good Advice

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