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General News Float

News of Local Color for and of Mining Men and the Busy World.

LOCAL NEWS FLOAT.

J. K. Clark has returned to New Denver.

The Enterprise compressor is running this week.

Rev. Father Coccola has taken the Slocan field, replacing Father Cote.

Alex. Smith has bonded the Gibson group on the South Fork of Kaslo creek.

The coal collieries at Frank have increased their output to 3,000 tons daily.

As a result of recent floods and landslides, the Arlington road is completely wrecked

A. H. Blumenauer returned from an extended business trip to Denver, Col., this week.

Clara Mathes, an old New Denver favorite, will appear in Bosun hall the end of June.

Frank Griffith is making a three-ton shipment of ore from the Westmount group, Ten Mile.

James Croft lost a valuable horse in Wilson creek last Friday while returning to New Denver

Wm. Tomlinson returned to New Denver on Saturday, after several months' absence in Spokane.

Louis Scaia left several days ago for Dawson City, where he goes to work a gold property with his brother.

Some immense bodies of ore are being opened up on the Speculator, said to exceed anything in the Slocan City camp.

The Queen Bess mines will be offered for sale on June 20 at Nelson, to satisfy a claim of the Bank of Montreal in the sum of $20,186.

The tug Sandon has been laid off by the C. P. R and the steamer Slocan will have to handle the barges on Slocan lake in future.

Word has been received at Victoria of the death of W. D Snyder at San Diego. Mr. Snyder was well known throughout British Columbia as an assayer.

If you are thinking of adding anything new to household comforts in the the way of furniture, carpets, matting, etc, write D. J. Robertson, Nelson, about it.

Three Forks experienced a taste of old times last week. The repair crew of the C. P. R were stationed there Hugh Niven fed 65 people at a meal for a few days.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church will sell ice cream and home made candy today (Thursday) afternoon and evening, opposite the Club. Come early and avoid the rush.

A number of men were laid off at the Koch sawmill, Ten Mile, the past week to await the completion of a flume being put in to the mill. In future the mill will be run by water power.

Three years ago Percy Dickenson was supposed to be a mining man of great financial backing. Last week his interests in a dozen or more claims on the South Fork of Kaslo creek were sold by the sheriff for $160.

MARRIED—At Revelstoke, Wednesday, June 3, by Rev. C Ladner, Chas W. Cook of New Denver, to Miss Charlotte E. Chambers, of Detroit, Mr and Mrs. Cook returned to New Denver, where they will make their home

J. M. M. Benedum has returned to Silverton, after several months spent at Cameron, W Va. He is accompanied by Mrs Benedum and his brother, M. L. Benedum. He will start on the Hoodoo and Howard Fraction group of claims.

The lumber company operating the lumber camp up Wilson creek and the sawmill at Slocan City closed all work the past week, discharging all their men. The action is supposed to be only a temporary lay-off, preparatory to the summer work

It never rains but it pours. Two Salvation Army officers spent Sunday in town, holding services Saturday evening and Sunday Rev. Mr Stevenson occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church, and Rev. Mr Mount held services in the English church morning and evening.

The Knights of Pythias, the Foresters and the Miners' Union have joined hands and will hold a union memorial service in New Denver, on Sunday, June 21 Rev. Mr McIntyre of Sandon will officiate and a large number of brothers from Sandon will be in attendance. It is the intention to secure Bosun hall for the occasion.

Donald Sullivan, who runs the McGuigan hotel, is known by every traveler who has hit the trail about McGuigan He does not pretend to run an Astor house, but he does run a Donald Sullivan house, which speaks for more in the minds of those who know Donald than the name of the Astor house. When at McGuigan you should try his thirst quenchers and stomach rejuvenators.

JAMES MINTO DYING.

Later reports from Vernon, where James Minto was taken to the hospital, after the serious accident from a powder explosion at the Cherry Creek mine, state that he is slowly sinking and that there is little hope for his recovery. Mrs. Minto is at his bedside.

The explosion that caused the fatal injury happened Sunday evening, June 1. Minto and Dan Chism were resting in the cool of the evening, lounging about on the grass near the cabin. A thunder storm was raging, but no rain. A box of powder was lying on the ground about 15 feet away. It must have been exploded by the concussion of a thunder-clap or was struck by lightning. Minto was sitting leisurely on a box and was in a position to receive a greater force of the explosion. A rock struck him on the forehead and carried away a portion of the scalp Chism was lying on the ground and escaped with being rendered unconscious for a short time. At first Minto's recovery was considered certain, but later complications have arisen that place his recovery beyond probability.

SLOCAN ORE SHIPMENTS

The total amount of ore shipped from the Slocan and Slocan City mining divisions for the year 1902 was, approximately, 80,000 tons Since January 1 to June 6, 1903, the shipments have been as follows:

	Week	T'al
American Boy		481
Antoine		101
Arlington		40
Black Prince		17
Bondholder		2
Bosun	10	620
Blue Bird		20
Dayton		4
Enterprise	20	205
Fisher Maiden		250
Hartney		21
Idaho		21
Ivanhoe		466
Monitor		415
Meteor		12
Ottawa		100
Payne		1252
Queen Bess		144
Rambler		43
Reco		158
Republic	30	50
Ruth		140
Rio		9
Red Fox		24
Slocan Star		905
Slocan Boy		16
Silver Glance		55
Surprise		5
Total tons	70	6180

C. P. R. APPOINTMENTS.

A circular issued at the Canadian Pacific offices makes the following appointments: D. W. Campbell, general superintendent Atlantic steamship service, office at Montreal; Captain J. W. Troup, general superintendent British Columbia coast steamship service, office at Victoria; Lincoln Smith, superintendent upper lake steamship service, office at Owen Sound; Captain J C. Gore, superintendent British Columbia lake and river service, office at Nelson.

McBRIDE'S CABINET.

The new premier, R. McBride, has decided to form his ministry strictly on party lines and the cabinet will be a straight Conservative one.

Premier McBride will be chief Commissioner of lands and works; R. G. Tatlow of Vancouver, finance minister; Charles Wilson, of Vancouver, Conservative leader in British Columbia, attorney-general; R. F. Green, of Kaslo, minister of mines; A. W. Vowell, of Phillips, of Victoria, president of the council.

PROGRESS IN B. C. MINING.

Provincial Mineralogist, W. F Robertson, made his annual report for 1901-1902 to the house last week. In part the report reads:

"The mining industry has, during 1902, still maintained that rapid growth which has characterized it since the inception of lode mining some ten years ago. It is all the more gratifying to be able to make this announcement again this year inasmuch as reports to the contrary have been so widely circulated that the impression that 1902 has proved a disastrous year has gained much credence, not only abroad but even within our own borders. Statistics are the best refutation of this impression, these show that the value of the mineral production of the province for the past year is greater than that of the Yukon; that we have in our mineral deposits a Klondike of our own, and a permanent and growing one at that The Yukon is credited with an output of $13,000,000, while British Columbia produced $20,083,780

"In 1891 the production of the lode mines was valued at $781,342, while in 1902 it had increased to $13,683,044, or nearly 18 times as much in eight years. The product of these mines in 1902 is valued at $14,683,044, an increase over the previous year of $3,613,287, or equal to 36 per cent. The tonnage of the ore mined in 1897 was 169,326 tons; in 1898 it had increased to 255,944 tons, or about 27½ per cent increase over the previous year. In 1899 it was 287,243 tons, or equal to 38 per cent increase; in 1900 it was 554,793 tons, or an increase of 93 per cent; in 1901 it was 920,416 tons, or an increase of about 66 over the previous year.

"This shows that of the total combined output of the various provinces of the Dominion during 1902 (excluding the Yukon territory) British Columbia produced 82 per cent of the gold, 86 per cent of the silver, 67 per cent of the copper, 96 per cent of the lead, 2 per cent of the iron, none of the nickel, 30 per cent of the coal, 50 per cent of the coke, and of the total preceding minerals about 49½ per cent. Surely British Columbia is entitled to be called the 'Mineral Province of Canada'

"The coal mines of the province have, during the past year, made an output never before equalled in their history. The gross output of coal was 1,691,557 tons, of which 221,226 tons were used to make coke, so that the net output for the year was 1,460,331 tons of coal and 127,081 tons of coke. This is equivalent to an increased production over 1900 of 1½ per cent, and coke of 49 per cent.

"The statistics show that the gold production of the province—including both placer and lode gold—for the past year was of a value of $5,318,703, which is an increase over 1900 of $686,598, or equal to about 12 per cent increase. This is the greatest gold production British Columbia has ever made. In 1900 the increase was 12¼ per cent over the previous year, and the increase this year over 1900 is 11 4-5 per cent, showing the growing importance of the gold output of the province This production is derived from placer mining, including ordinary placer work, hydraulicing, dredging and lode mining.

"Placer mining is of necessity dependent upon the weather, and is as variable in this province as that commodity, but in lode gold mining, as the mines develop, the production becomes as regular as the output of a manufacturing business, and it is to lode mining that the province is indebted for its ever-increasing gold production. In 1902 the lode mines of the province produced $4,348,603 in value of gold, or an increase over the previous year of $895,222, or 26 per cent. When it is remembered that this increase follows an increase in 1899 of about 30 per cent, and in 1900 of 21 per cent, a fair idea may be formed of the development and growth of the industry. This great increase is due first and chiefly to the development of the Boundary district, but the increased tonnage of Rosland and Nelson districts has also had its effect. Approximately, this gold has been derived from: Direct smelting of copper-gold ores, $3,474,788; combined amalgamation and concentration, $873,815; total, $4,348,603.

"The total amount of silver produced in 1902 was 5,154,333 ounces, valued at $2,884,745. This is an increase over the previous year of $575,515 in value.

"The production of lead was this year 51,592,991 pounds, worth $2,002,733 This shows a decrease in value of $689,154, or about 25 per cent as compared with the production of 1900, but in fairness the comparison must not stop here: it must be remembered that in 1900 there was a phenomenal increase over 1899 of 206 per cent. The figures show, therefore that the lead production of 1901, although showing a decrease as compared with 1900, shows an increase over 1898 of 86 per cent, and over 1899 of 128 per cent, and is still 25 per cent higher than the highest production of any year prior to 1900 The cause of the decrease is not attributable to the mines themselves, but to the condition of the market for lead ores—too large a question to go into here—which has temporarily rendered it unprofitable to mine large deposits of galena very low in silver.

"Each year seems to present some particular feature of interest, and this year it is greatly increased copper production of the province The copper production for the year has been 27,603,746 pounds of fine copper, valued at $3,416,968, an increase of 17,606,666 pounds, and $2,831,674 over that of the previous year, or about 176 per cent. increase in value.

"The great increase has been due to the working of the exceedingly large and notoriously low grade bodies of copper ore of the Boundary, which has been rendered possible by the material reduction made in the actual costs of smelting, which are authoritatively stated as being reduced as low as $1 35 to $1.50 per ton of ore.

IMMENSE COPPER DEPOSIT.

John Stanton, of New York, the father of the copper industry, and one of the best known copper men in the world, who accompanied S. H C. Miner and the other directors of the Granby company on their recent tour of inspection of the company's mines at Phoenix and smelter at Grand Forks, has expressed a very favorable opinion of the company's future.

"There is no question as to the immense quantity of ore in sight in the Granby mines," said he, "and I am free to admit that I came west prepared to discount a great deal of what I had heard. How deep this deposit extends nobody knows It is purely conjectural. However, there is every reason to believe that the depth should be commensurate with the length and width of this well-defined lode All the reports I had received respecting the size of the ore body and its self-fluxing character have been confirmed by personal examination.

"The Granby ore body is the largest sulphide ore deposit I have ever examined, and my mining experience has extended to every variety of copper ore. It is analagous to the famous Rio Tinto in Spain The Granby ore is lower in copper but carries larger values in gold and silver. It is larger than the famous Tennessee deposit Hitherto sulphide ore bodies from 40 to 80 feet wide have been considered large, but the one at Phoenix eclipses anything I ever inspected. I don't know of its equal on the continent. The millions of tons of ore in sight and the size of the stopes proved a veritable revelation to me.'

FEDERATION BUSINESS.

Hereafter the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners will have full power to direct the movements of local unions in case of difficulties. An amendment to the constitution was adopted at the recent convention at Denver, Colo., empowering the board to use its judgment, and binding the local unions to abide by its decisions. This would have affected the recent troubles where the unions waited until they could take referendum votes before going out. The board can now call out all local unions in support of any one, when desired.

A resolution was adopted at the request of the Brotherhood of Railway Employees declaring the Canadian Pacific railway unfair.

The new officers elected are the same as at present except James A. Baker, of Slocan, B. C., who declined to run on account of private business.

The American Labor Union increased its per capita tax four cents a month to defray the expenses of the A. L. U. Journal. The miners being affiliated, are affected.

BEGINNING TO SEE IT.

The London Times publishes a special article on the rush to the Northwest, foreshadowing Winnipeg's destiny as the greatest city in Canada and urging the advantages of the west for young Englishmen and also the need for women.

The St James Gazette, commenting, asks: "Is this great Northwest market of the future to go to the United States? If not, Britain must show signs of willingness to reciprocate Canada's 33 per cent preferential.

Keerl Guilty of Murder.

James S Keerl, one of the best known civil and mining engineers in the northwest, was found guilty at Helena, Mont., last week of murder in the second degree, for killing Thomas Crystal, a barkeeper several months ago. Keerl had been on a protracted spree and, after quarreling with Crystal, shot the latter, who died shortly afterwards.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 30th day of June current, the SANDON BRANCH of The Canadian Bank of Commerce will be closed, and all deposits transferred to the NELSON BRANCH of the Bank at the close of business on that date.

SANDON, B. C., June 9th. 1903.

Sandon News Croppings

What the Busy People are Doing where Even the Water Moves Quickly.

SANDON NEWS FLOAT.

Dr Milloy is repairing molars for Sandonites this week.

Robt. Irvine, manager of the K. & S., inspected the road Tuesday.

R. Cunning started three men to work on the Mercury this week.

Thos Jones, the zinc buyer, returnod to Sandon from the coast on Tuesday.

Geo. W. Grimmett, wife and child, left today for Vancouver on a short visit.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce will close in Sandon the end of this month.

Mrs. Jalland returned from Enderby last Thursday, accompanied by her nephew.

Miss McIntyre is expected to arrive home today after a few weeks' visit at Revelstoke.

Mrs. Folliott left Tuesday for Edmonton, where she will spend some weeks with her parents.

The flood has subsided and there is no longer any fear felt from the weakening of the flume

Geo. Waite left for Vancouver Monday to attend the grand lodge meeting of the Odd Fellows.

D. J Robertson of Nelson was in the Slocan last week looking up business for his furniture house.

N. McKian, of Three Forks, was admitted to the hospital on Friday, suffering from stomach trouble.

Director Mathes of the Payne Mining company is visiting the property this week on a trip of inspection.

Mrs. W. Bennett and family left for Toronto Monday. They were accompanied as far as Revelstoke by Mr. Bennett.

J. G. Melvin left a few days ago for Nelson, on a mission similar to that which has taken him away on several occasions in the past.

A fire at the Alamo bridge caused some excitement among the section hands Tuesday. It was extinguished before any damage resulted.

Schoolmaster Lovering is taking his examination in medical matriculation, preparatory to taking a course in McGill university the coming fall.

The family of Oscar White, of the Star, came in from Spokane Monday and will summer in Sandon. Byron White will arrive in a few days.

E. St Lawrence and family arrived in Sandon Monday. Mr. St. Lawrence is associated with J. Nelson, and they contemplate reopening the Denver house shortly.

This year's sluicing at the Wonderful promises to be as profitable as that of previous seasons. A car or two of ore has already been recovered and the work has only fairly begun.

The first train over the N. & S. in a week, arrived at Sandon Tuesday evening. Four new culvert bridges were put in between Alamo and Sandon, and the roadbed rebuilt for several hundred feet.

The best criterion showing the quality of the Sandon beer is the enormous amount of it that is shipped to the various Slocan camps. Every day it is hauled by the wagon load to the stations.

There is always more or less good comes with the evil of flood time There are no less than four marriages about to take place in Sandon, and the best of it is that most of the boys will patronize the home parsons.

Albert Ross settled with the insurance companies at $1,600, $200 less than the full amount of the insurance policies. He is selling out the damaged stock and will open in a few weeks with a full line of new goods.

Paddy Murphy and the mysterious Billy Mills left Tuesday to locate a paying bat and ball shoot on the diamond in some of the metropolitan camps where there is more money in baseball than in the Slocan.

Word has been received from Spokane that A. David was operated upon there, and it was discovered that he was far gone with consumption of the bowels, and that the doctors could do nothing to save his life

Oscar White went to Kaslo the past week to ask government aid in rebuilding the wagon road up the Star gulch, but the government agent pleaded lack of funds, and the Star company will stand the expense alone.

"A Wise Woman" did not appear Saturday evening in Sandon owing to the inability of the railroad to get the company there. It is a matter of walking from the washout beyond the Alamo concentrator, and theatrical stars lose their sparkle when they have to hit the ties.

A meeting of the Provincial Progressive party was held in the town hall Tuesday evening, but an adjournment was taken until a date two weeks later, at which time, it is thought, something definite will be known of the purpose of the McBride government in relation to holding a general election.

LOST—While hitting the ties between Three Forks and Sandon, Tuesday afternoon, a brain pan of evil thoughts, some perspiration and a bill pouch full of unpaid accounts. Sandon and Three Forks business men will please dishonor all May-June LEDGE accounts unless presented by H M. Walker.

MINERAL CLAIM EXEMPTION.

The executive committee of the Provincial Mining Association wish that the utmost publicity be given the following extracts from the act just passed amending the Assessment Act. Particular reference is made to the date—June 30th—when the time for filing affidavits of work expires, and to the provisions for exemption from taxation where work is done on one or more of a group:

"Provided, however, that if the owner of any such claim shall establish to the satisfaction of the assessor, that the sum of two hundred dollars has been expended upon such claim in mining development work during the year preceding the date when the tax becomes payable, then the tax shall not be levied in respect thereof; and in order to entitle the owner to benefit by this provision he must produce to the assessor a detailed statement showing the nature of the work performed and the amount expended upon said claim, duly sworn to as true and correct, before the assessor or a justice of the peace, and this statement must be filed with the assessor on or before the said 30th day of June in each and every year in which he claims exemption from the tax.

"Provided, further, that any owner of adjoining crown-granted mineral or placer claims, not exceeding eight in number of such claims, shall be allowed to perform in mining development work during the year preceding the date when the tax becomes payable, upon any one or more of such adjoining claims the full value, at the rate of two hundred dollars per claim, to entitle all of such claims to exemption in lieu of the tax, but subject, however, to such owner producing to the assessor a detailed statement showing the nature of the work performed and the amount expended, duly sworn to as true and correct, before the assessor or a justice of the peace, which statement shall be filed with the assessor on or before the said 30th day of June in each and every year."

SUCCESS ASSURED.

W. Tomlinson has returned to the Slocan from Spokane, where he had been for several months employed as assistant to Prof. John Parks in a series of experiments with the dry ores of the Springer Creek camp. The process consists briefly in extracting the mineral from the ore after the rock has been reduced to slimes, instead of smelting. While refusing to give any details regarding the progress of the experiments in treating the class of ore referred to, Mr. Tomlinson stated that before very long dry ores carrying even less than 15 ounces of silver to the ton would be economically treated by the Parks' process, and that he believed that nearly every type of the dry ores of the Slocan would prove amenable to the new method.

Experts have long understood the difficulties to be overcome in treating these ores otherwise than by smelting may be impatient to see mill construction commenced on the Arlington, but the company is apparently in no hurry to build a mill till all details are arranged satisfactorily ahead.

W. Hawkins has bonded the Elise mine near Ymir, for $50,000, and has started development work. The Nome and May Blossom in Ymir camp have also recently resumed work

Work on the Georgia group, situate on the north fork of the Illecillewaet river, about nineteen miles from Albert Canyon, has proceeded steadily all winter. Over 100 feet of tunneling has been done.

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THURSDAY, JUNE . 1903.

WONDER why the Canadian smelter trust does not say something.?

EVERY time you think good of another, you add so much goodness to yourself.

WHEN you see dark clouds over the future of the Slocan, just change your brand of thinking.

TOM LOWRY and Jim Hill are buying coal lands in Illinois. Bob Lowery is buying clam soup in Vancouver.

THERE is just one kind of hot Scotch that the average Canadian cannot stand. It comes from a Carnegie bottle.

PREMIER McBRIDE has done the correct thing. He has made it impossible to longer avoid party-line politics in British Columbia.

SANDONITES believe in this truism from Goldsmith: "Our greatest glory consists not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."

It is hard for the Slocan mine owners to see the point of J. L. Parker's "trust" argument. They have experienced the butt of is too long.

THE millionaire's unions are just now making a great noise about the oppressive laborers' unions. And the rest of us look on and wonder.

ANOTHER election is perilously near in B. C., and our small politicians are becoming like our mountain streams at flood time, they are getting muddy at the mouth.

AND now comes Mr. Camp of Chicago who tells us that a college education is detrimental to young men. But it can be lived down—if we try hard enough and live long enough.

A JAPANESE scientist has discovered that the flea carries bubonic plague. That's funny. We have been bitten by steen hundred fleas in our time but are still able to live in the Slocan.

EVIDENTLY the Nelson News is mad. It calls our new premier "Dishonorable Dick McBride." That begins to sound like old-time partyism and is an indication that there is some fun in sight.

WE take the floor to remark that if $18.50 was a fair figure to charge for smelting a ton of Slocan ore three years ago, $25.80 is an exorbitant figure to charge for smelting a ton of Slocan ore now. Don't you think so?

THE school boy who firmly intends to marry his pretty school teacher hardly ever does. And the man who firmly intends to pay up his subscription tomorrow hardly ever does. But the man who pays today—he is twice blessed.

AN English preacher once read from his pulpit an anonymous letter telling him "our blessed Lord did not ride to church in a carriage" to which he replied that if the writer would come to him next Sunday, saddled and bridled, he would follow our Lord's example.

THE ideas of George Washington about [illegible] lying are not popular with the fathers of our country. After Sir Thomas Shaughnessy told what he did and did not know before the recent land steal commission, the report comes that he is to be appointed to a seat in the federal senate. It is just possible the federal senators are afraid Sir Thomas might tell a lie some day, and they want to see what kind of a face he makes when he does it.

SEVERAL sons of prominent families were making their families altogether too prominent at La Crosse, Wis., the other day, by exposing themselves at a swimming party before a ladies' tea party, and the mistress of the tea party got a revolver and peppered the sons of prominent families with cold lead. Tea parties seem to have the right of way in Wisconsin.

SANDON's citizens are of a type that commands admiration. They uncomplainingly endure the most discouraging obstacles that the elements can put in their way of progress; face dangers that would chill the heart of any people, and smilingly accept their lot. Their courage all will commend; but their judgment in attempting to box a mountain stream and keep it confined is open to question. A city with the revenue of New York could not stand the expense.

Zinc White

Much has been said from time to time in the trade papers about the respective value of white lead and zinc white. The claim is made that white lead is superior to zinc white in many respects, but the users of zinc white will not admit this, and are equally as positive that zinc white is the better. Writing to the New York Engineering and Mining Journal on the question raised, A. Heckscher says:

"As between white lead and zinc white the latter is the better pigment. It covers equally as well as white lead, is whiter, does not lose its whiteness when exposed to acid fumes, and does not chalk or wear off. It also is not, as a rule, cheaper than white lead pound for pound. The foreign zinc white sells abroad at a figure quite 50 per cent. higher than white lead and sells freely, which alone should be proof sufficient that zinc white is the more valuable pigment.

"In a previous issue of your paper, under the caption "White Lead v. Zinc White," you speak of a commission appointed in France, which has been making a series of comparative tests in painting different kinds of surface at the Pasteur institute in Paris, and you add that the conclusions so far arrived at are that "zinc white, with manganese resinate as a dryer, works, covers and dries equally well with white lead." I take it that you mean to translate the text, "equally well as white lead."

"I have now before me the report itself to which the paragraph refers. It is therein stated that time alone can tell which of the two pigments will be the better for wearing qualities, and the gentlemen who have been officially charged with the tests at the Pasteur institute have agreed to meet once a year, examine the several surfaces covered, and determine from time to time what the facts are.

"Nothing could suit us better, who are manufacturers of zinc white. We have repeatedly invited comparative tests of this kind in this country, but the manufacturers of white lead have not so far been willing to meet us, or at least they have not responded. Given a dry surface and an opportunity for the paint to dry before another coat is applied, it will be found that zinc white, pound for pound, covers better or more opaquely than lead, that it is whiter, holds its gloss longer, and wears infinitely better than white lead."

An Honest Opinion

An old friend and townsman, Wm. Tomlinson, does not pretend to be a nation-builder, nor an industrial king, but he has a good eye to see things and can give an honest opinion of what he sees. Speaking recently on his experience in Spokane during a residence of some months there, he says:

"It is really humiliating to a British Columbian to note how every brauch of mining and other business moves and how busy and prosperous everyone appears to be so close to the south of the province, while here where climate and natural resources are as good or better such quiet times prevail. Probably British Columbia has just the government and business that it deserves, but if the province were thrown open, as it were, those hindering government and railroad reserves taken off, and no favors shown to certain classes and corporations, British Columbia would, I believe, soon be as prosperous as the state of Washington. After comparing conditions on both sides of the international boundary line I have come back here with my ideas as to the superiority of British or Canadian institutions badly shaken up. If called to vote I would certainly mark for business reciprocity with our neighbors to the south, and I think a few more years of the same conditions as now prevail in British Columbia would make a Yankee of me, as similar conditions have done for thousands of born Canadians. I have no desire for notoriety or to appear in print, but after several months' residence in the United States I feel very strongly the contrast of conditions between the two countries and believe that anyone who has his own and the interests of the province at heart should say or do something to improve conditions on this side of the line."

Mr. Tomlinson has honestly expressed what every unbiased Canadian feels who has had any experience in business or with business men and institutions on the other side of the line. Reciprocity with our neighbors to the south would bring Canadians into closer touch with a people whose industry and tact and perseverance would help to make of British Columbia a prosperous, progressive province.

FIXED THE SERVANT GIRL.

J. L. Browersox, the horse man, claimed that he had one of the best hired girls he had ever known, yet she had one fault. It took her two days to do a fair half day's work. She was neat and handsome, and a good cook, but the meals were invariably late. Though the dinner hour was six, the family always always dined from 7 to 7:10. The whole family stopped eating one day so as to let the girl catch up and have that day's breakfast on time for the next day. Notwithstanding this gain of time she trotted over the next breakfast course thirty-two minutes late.

Mr. Browersox's business was along the line of "doping" indigent hay-burners and selling them for enthusiastic young horses. He could take from the hackman a complete equine wreck, a discouraged, hanging-jawed, lop-sided rubber-necked plug made out of whalebone and glue, and by the use of "Browersox's Horse Agitator, $1 per bottle," with name blown in the glass, he could turn it into a Dan Patchen longing for exercise, and crazy to take the track and wallop out a two-minute mile.

Mr. Browersox got the idea one day when waiting for dinner, that the girl needed a cure of this kind, and finding that she was taking Bildad's Great Restorer, he secretly emptied Dr. Bildad's valuable remedy into the sink and poured into the bottle the contents of a $1 bottle of Browersox's Equine Horse Agitator.

That was Sunday night. Monday morning the girl shot out of bed at 4 a. m., had the washing done and out before breakfast, and the breakfast on time. After washing the breakfast dishes she went out and waved the clothes back and forth in the air to dry them, and had them ironed at 2 p. m. At 4 p. m. her young gentleman called, and so rapid was her gait that they went out and were married before 5 o'clock. By 6 o'clock dinner was exactly on time and the girl had thrown up her job and was going to housekeeping the next day.

Mr. Browersox shook his head sadly. The medicine had been too strong for her.—A. J. R. in Minneapolis Journal.

TWO OF A KIND.

An English actor tells a story of an Irishman named Flannagan, who had been out of work for some time, and at length applied to a circus proprietor for a position.

There were no regular places open but the manager looked Flannagan over and said:

"Our largest lion died last week, but we kept his skin, and if you like to get into it and be shown as a lion you can have the job."

Flannagan agreed. At the first show the proprietor stepped into the cage and said, "Ladies and gentlemen, to prove the docility of this roaring lion, I shall order him into a cage with a ferocious tiger."

Flannagan hung back, but the circus proprietor prodded him with a sword and threatened to run him through, and the "lion" was driven into the same cage with the tiger. There he backed into a corner and cried, "Sphare me!"

Then the ferocious tiger jumped to his feet and answered, "Ye needn't be afraid o' me. I'm an Irishman meself!"—Youth's Companion.

Some 250 coke ovens are being constructed at Morrissey, at a cost said to approximate $250,000.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

OAKLAND Mineral Claim

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Four Mile creek, adjoining the Edinburgh mineral claim.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Wm. S. Drewry, acting as agent for Ferdinand F. Leibscher, Free Miners' Certificate No. B 61405, 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 4th day of June, A. D, 1903.

W. S. DREWRY.

HAPPY DELIVERY Mineral Claim

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Silver Mountain, adjoining the Lost Tiger Mineral Claim

TAKE NOTICE That I, Wm S Drewry as agent for Hermann Clever, Free Miner's Certificate No. B 61376, 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 4th day of June, A. D. 1903.

W. S. DREWRY.

MOUNTAIN CHIEF Mineral Claim

Situate in the Arrow Lake Mining Division of West Kootenay District Where located: On Cannon Creek about two miles from the junction with Carribou Creek,

TAKE NOTICE That I, A. R. Heyland, agent for Peter McDonald, F. M. C. B32395, Ellen McDougald, F. M. C. B32309, Walter Ross, F. M. C 41933, 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 Sec. 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

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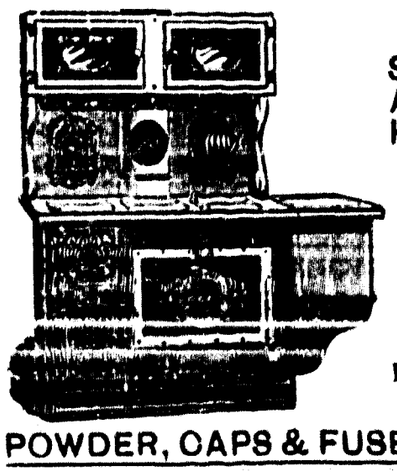
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Finding Ore by Electricity

The electric ore-finding system, invented by Messrs. Leo Daft and Alfred Williams, has been much discussed of late in mining circles in England.

It will be remembered by many Slocan mine owners and mine managers, that a representative of these inventors was in the Slocan a year or more ago. Their success was not so complete as many hoped for, but the trouble may have been more in the lack of faith in the property owners, who did not follow the advice given. The inventors describe the system thus:

"It consists of a method whereby metalliferous deposits, invisible to the prospector and undiscoverable by mining engineering, are located, traced and mapped out. The system consists of transmitting inductors which del v r electric waves of a definite length extremely sensitive to the presence of minerals, and receiving resonators tuned to detect these waves and determine their characteristics. The waves from the inductors are impressed upon the crust of the earth, in any desired locality, and are radiated to considerable distances—horizontally and perpendicularly. The area of ground thus energized is increased or diminished at the will of the operator, irrespective of the prime energy used. Areas as small as 100 meters square and as large as 30 square miles, or greater, are excited by one inductor. The operator traverses that portion of the energized field to be explored for mineral and constantly receives manifestations of the waves beneath. On approaching a mineral vein or lode, the normal characteristics of the waves undergo a marked variation in intensity or direction or both; the changes are heard in the resonance and are easily interpreted. When the resonators are over the lode the variation and intensity are greatest. Here some very specific changes take place and by noting density of wave flux, rotation of path and discord, or overtone of the waves, considerable information as to depth, width and condition of the deposit is obtainable. Veins or lodes which act as insulators as compared with their enclosing rocks, are discovered with the same facility—the surface variations of the wave differing to a considerable extent. Duplicate working is used where necessary. Two fields of force are focussed so that their waves will coincide, at predetermined angle on the area to be investigated for mineral. The phases of the duplex inductors are tuned to produce periodic harmonies."

In June, 1902, Mr. Williams made some experiments with the system at the Cwmystwyth mines, near Devil's bridge, Cardiganshire, Wales, and under date of June 8, Mr. Williams reported: "Mount Butt was explored from the west, by throwing out electric waves from midway up Copa hill across the valley and up the east side of Mt. Butt. Here the variation from normal was most specific and marked. North of Jackilas gully, extreme concentration of the lines of force was manifest. To the south the attenuation was very noticeable, but direction normal.

In the gully, notwithstanding an artificial surface condition created by a dump of rock in the center, which precluded any close observation at that point, the variations of both intensity and direction were so clearly defined that I was able to confidently assure Mr. Gamman of the presence of rich lode ore in the gully between the summit and foot of the hill. A tunnel was at once commenced by Mr. Gamman's instructions, with the result that a good lode of lead and blende was exposed in less than 10 feet of work. The lode varied in position, quality and angle until the present shows a good, strong reef, with a dip approaching the vertical." And again, on July 31, Mr. Williams writes as follows: "Good lead and zinc ore is being mined from the stope in the 36-fathom level in Jackilas gully from the lode discovered by the Electrical Ore Finding company's system in June. A sample assayed by Messrs. Johnson, Mathey & Co., shows lead 57 per cent.; zinc 13 per cent.; silver 1 oz. 6 dwts. The tunnel in the 25-foot level, as proposed in last report, has been commenced and driven 24 feet. Numerous stringers have been passed containing lead and blende. These stringers radiate from the lode beyond. In noting the wave characteristics of the Kingside lode on the summit of Copper hill, persistent overlapping fields were observed from the south. Investigation proved this effect to be from an induced field thrown out by the comet lode. This means that there is considerable metal in the unworked Comet lode east of the forebreast in present drivage of King's level." Speaking of the vein, Mr. Williams says "waves traversed this lode for two miles, and at the brook Nantycarreggwynion were manifest in the resonators as condenser effects—having been discorded by travel through a metalliferous lode capped with non-metallic material over a considerable distance." Mr. Henry Gamman, the managing director, wrote as follows: "I ought to say at once that had it not been for what your engineers told me I should not have opened up the Comet lode in the 36-fathom level in Jackilas, where after a drivage of less than three fathoms we won the lead and blende ore referred to in the first paragraph of the report. The proof that your engineers were correct in their first statement led me to have the crosscut started on the 12th of June in the 25-fathom level, about eleven fathoms below the original one. I have also wasted money in some very expensive development work here under the advice of mining engineers. Had your instruments been discovered years ago it is my opinion that tens of thousands of pounds would have been saved in these mines alone."

MORALS IN GERMANY.

The Berlin church synod has again caused a great sensation by openly discussing the growing depravity of the Berlin youth of both sexes. It seems that although churches are being multiplied in the capital, the church is fast losing its influence on the people, and especially on the rising generation, a fact which the delegates at the synod prefer to ascribe primarily to extraneous influences. The Socialists are blamed for educating their children to disdain authority and piety, and mothers are taken to task for being indifferent to the dangers run by their daughters. The universal practice is condemned of parents keeping their children out late at nights in restaurants. Finally, the startling statement is made that one marriage out of every twelve contracted in Berlin is followed by divorce. The synod ultimately passed a series of resolutions calling the attention of the secular authorities to the danger to public morality occasioned by low-class variety theatres, and music halls, which are increasing at an alarming rate all over Berlin.

A PLAY WITHIN A PLAY.

Atkins Lawrence in recalling his appearance with Mary Anderson when she was a youthful aspirant for stellar honors in the east, says: "I was getting a little stout in those days, even though I was a young fellow, and as Claude Melnotte, I had a vest that I had supplied with three powerful buckles in the back. These I would draw as tightly as possible to make myself slim. One night I had just finished my description of my palace and knelt down to say, 'Likest thou the picture, Pauline?' when suddenly all three of the buckles gave way with a snap that set the people in the orchestra tittering. 'What's the matter, Atkins?' Mary Anderson said in a stage whisper. 'My vest buckles have broken,' I answered. 'That's all right,' she replied. 'I was afraid it was your suspenders'."

THE WIDTH OF A RIVER.

To measure the width of any ordinary stream, or even of a good sized river, it is necessary to make use of only your eyes and the brim of your hat. That seems queer, doesn't it? But it's true, and here is the way to do it:

Select a part of the river bank where the ground runs back level, and, standing at the water's edge, fix your eyes on the opposite bank. Now move your hat down over your brow until the edge of the brim is exactly on a line with the water line on the other side.

This will give you a visual angle that may be used on any level surface and if, as has been suggested, the ground on your side of the river be flat, you may "lay off" a corresponding distance on it. To do this you have only to hold your head perfectly steady, and after getting the angle with your hat brim, supporting your chin with your hand if necessary, and turn slowly around, until your back is toward the river.

Now, take careful note of where your hat brim cuts the level surface of the ground as you look out over the latter, and from where you stand to that point will be the width of the river, a distance that may readily be measured by stepping. If you are careful in all these details you can come within a few feet of the river's width.—Philadelphia North American.

HUMAN NATURE.

A country boy came to town recently, and after wandering up and down the streets for an hour or so, stopped in front of an empty building to gaze at a window hanger advertisement of some theatrical company. In a little while he was joined by one of the town loafers, and before long another and then two or three. The farmer boy said not a word, but continued to look. After half an hour had passed one of the more curious could stand it no longer, and he asked the farmer boy what he was looking at. The boy turned his head and said: "I was just trying to see how long a fellow could 'tend to his own business in this town without some durn fool wanting to know what he was doing."—Ex.

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NOTICE.

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Thirty days after date we, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special licenses to cut and carry away timber from the following described tracts of land, situated on Wilson creek, and the branches of Wilson creek; in the West Kootenay District:

FIRST LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the east bank of the main stream of Wilson creek, three miles more or less above the Third East fork, marked P. J. Gallagher; N. W. C., and running thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains to point of commencement.

Located the 18th day of May, 1903.
P. J. GALLAGHER.

SECOND LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the Third East Fork of Wilson creek, and about one mile from the main creek on west bank, marked P. J. G., N. W. C., thence east 160 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 160 chains, thence north 40 chains to point of commencement.

Located the 18th day of May, 1903.
P. J. GALLAGHER.

THIRD LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the west bank of main stream of Wilson creek, about five miles above the High falls, marked G. S. V., S. W. C., thence north 160 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence west 40 chains to point of commencement.

Located the 18th day of May, 1903.
C. S. VANSTONE.

FOURTH LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the east bank of Wilson (main stream), about three miles above the High falls, marked G. S. V., S. E. corner, thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains to point of commencement.

Located 18th of May, 1903.
G. S. VANSTONE.

FIFTH LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the east bank of the main stream of Wilson creek, about 3 miles above the High falls, marked S. W., S. W. C., thence north 160 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence west 40 chains to point of commencement.

Located May 19th, 1903. SAM WALKER.

SIXTH LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the west bank of the main stream of Wilson creek, about five miles above the High falls, marked S W., S. E. C., thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains to point of commencement.

Located the 18th day of May, 1903.
SAM WALKER.

SEVENTH LOCALION.

Commencing at a post planted on the east side of the Second West Fork of Wilson creek, about six miles from the main creek, marked J McG., N. W. C, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains to point of commencement.

Located the 20th day of May, 1903.
J. McGRATH.

EIGHTH LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the east side of the Second West Fork of Wilson creek, about six miles from the main creek, marked E. J. V., N. E. C. thence south 160 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence east 40 chains to point of commencement.

Located May 20th, 1903. E. J. VANSTONE.

NINTH LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the west bank of the Second West Fork of Wilson creek, about six miles from the main creek, marked L. F. McD., S W. C., thence north 160 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence west 40 chains to point of commencement.

Located May 20th, 1903.
L. F. McDOUGALL.

TENTH LOCATION.

Commencing at a post planted on the west bank of the Second West Fork of Wilson creek, about four miles from the main creek, marked E. J. V., N. W. C., thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains to point of commencement.

Located the 24th day of May, 1903.
E. J. VANSTONE.

NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNERS.

TO J. F. ARMSTRONG, administrator of the estate of Martin Murchison, or to whomsoever he may have transferred the interest of Martin Murchison, deceased, in the "Wilmer" and "Ivan" mineral claims, situated on Goat mountain, one-half mile north of New Denver Slocan Mining Division.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that I have expended $205.10 in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claims under the provisions of the Mineral Act, between March 20th, 1902, and March 20th, 1903, and if within ninety days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of the above mentioned sum, which is now due, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said claim will become the property of the undersigned, under Section 4 of an Act entitled "An Act to Amend the Mineral Act 1900."

Dated at New Denver, B. C., this 5th day of May, 1903. M. E. YOUNG.

NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNER.

To J. M. M. BENEDUM, or to whomsoever he may have transferred his interest in the Crossfell mineral claim, situated at the head of Kaslo Mill creek, Slocan Mining Division, West Kootenay District. B. C.

YOU, and each of you, are hereby notified that I have expended the sum of $207.50 in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if, within ninety days from the date of this notice, you fail or refuse to contribute your portion of all such expenditures, [illegible] which is now due, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said claim will become the property of the undersigned under Section 4 of an Act entitled "An Act to amend the Mineral Act 1900."

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From the Bull's Kennel

HANK REKLAW

It is a peculiar thing, but nevertless a fact, that when a man gets married all his ideas run to things that generate and propagate.

Did you ever notice it?

Take for instance some old bach of your acquaintance.

Before he got married you never knew him to work in the garden, set eggs, raise chickens and nurse babies.

But after marriage; after he gets his shoulders well up in the harness; he can't find time to do anything else.

His lodge misses him at its meetings, his friends miss him on the "nights off;" he neglects his politics, his religion, his personal attire and his whiskers.

His whole aim seems to be to help nature to propagate life.

He wants to raise the fattest babies, the best vegetables and fruits; the prettiest flower garden, the reddest-combed roosters and the hens that lay the biggest eggs.

He buys all the farm and poultry journals and studies them more faithfully than he ever did anything in all his life.

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Last week while in Sandon, running up and down the flume to see the water flow, a married man stopped me and in a confidential way called me to one side.

"See these eggs," said he.

I saw them, of course; couldn't help seeing them, for they were as big as snow-balls and just as white.

"My henlayed those," continued he, and from the way he threw his head back and chest forward when he said it, I half expected him to crow.

He seemed to think that he, himself, had something to do with the laying of those eggs.

"One hen layed those," he persisted; "there's a dozen; I'm going up to weigh 'em; come along and see."

I was not particularly interested in eggs just at that moment, but I went along.

He weighed them and the dozen tipped the scales at two pounds and two ounces.

This is two ounces heavier than the record for Black Dorcans' eggs, I believe he said.

If he didn't say it, he said something that sounded like it.

We will not quibble about the name.

What I'm interested in is the fact that they were hen's eggs, layed by a married man; that they weighed two pounds and two ounces, and that he was looking for a hen under which to set them.

All of which bears out the assertion I first made, that when an old bach gets married he gives up his life to the propagation business.

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While on the hen question it might interest you to know that we have started our hennery.

It was blown in this week.

We had nothing to do with it.

The cackling Biddy that sought to use the colonel's boudoir for a hen's nest some weeks ago, came from under the office on Tuesday with twelve of the best chicks in town.

We are not married, and you can rely upon the assertion about the chicks.

We are going to name each of them.

We know a young miss in Sandon who has her feathery family named, and they seem to grow better.

There is a cute little black head with white, or yellow, toes and breast, that hops around on one foot; we will call it Ed.

There is another that is black all over and looks as if it might be a rooster; we'll name her Cecil.

And another that does a heap of scratching but is as poor as Job's turkey; she comes when you say Charlie.

Another stands off and peeps, but is always there when Biddy turns over a fresh morsel, and is a musty color; we shall call her Russ-ty.

Another has big feet which it falls over, and is always getting in the way of Biddy's scratchers; we'll call her Harry.

Another looks like Andy, and we have called her that.

Another moves slowly and carries her head in a listening attitude; she comes quickly when you say George.

Another is always flapping its little wings and crows as if it wanted to crow; we have named her The Colonel.

Another seems to be short of feathers over the eyes, and goes around seeing things; she will grow best if we name her Dan.

Another is flat behind and full in front and has a cheery way; she says pip, pip, when you say Henry.

Another goes quietly about, picking the dew drops off the grass, as if it had an awful thirst; we call her Freddie.

Another is always on the fight, poking its white little head into the brood, and gets boxed about every hour by Biddy; we call her Bobbie.

CONSUMPTIVES' HOSPITAL

An illustration of the many distressing cases constantly coming before the management of the Free Hospital for Consumptives at Gravenhurst is in point this week. A week since, the secretary at the head office in Toronto, through whom all applications should properly be made, received a long-distance telephone message from the physician in charge at Gravenhurst saying that a mother with two daughters, both of whom were afflicted with consumption, had presented themselves at the doors of the free hospital, hoping to be at once admitted.

One daughter has the trouble only in a slight degree, and from a medical point of view is admissable as soon as room can be made. The other has the disease in a more acute condition, and will need to to take immediate rest until it becomes somewhat quiescent. The family are poor, their railway fares having been paid by a friend. The mother has been given employment on the domestic staff of the hospital, and the daughters will board in town until there are vacant beds in the hospital to admit them. They came all this distance poverty stricken, but in the belief that somehow they would manage to get admission to the institution.

Want of money is the only thing the trustees tell us that is preventing the increase of accommodation beyond the eighty patients already provided for. Up to the present no one has been refused admission on account of his or her poverty, but we are told that the want of funds is preventing the trustees from providing the increased accommodation needed, indeed, a heavy burden of debt is now pressing upon them, and must be promptly met if this work is to be carried on.

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THE WORLD WILL GET ALONG

When King Wilhelm shuts his eyes
The world will get along somehow;
He's great, but even when he dies
The world will get along somehow.
Although he is God's special choice,
When men have ceased to hear his voice,
They'll still have triumphs, still rejoice;
The world will get along somehow—
Somehow, somehow—
The world will get along somehow.

When Pierpont Morgan quits his trust
The world will get along somehow;
When Morgan dies, as die he must,
The world will get along somehow.
He holds within his mighty hand
The commerce of the sea and land,
Yet when around his grave men stand,
The world will get along somehow—
Somehow, somehow—
The world will get along somehow

When Solomon lay cold and dead,
The world still got along somehow;
When darkness fell o'er Caesar's head,
The world still got along somehow
Perhaps you fancy that you know
Far more than others here below,
But when God summons you to go
The world will get along somehow—
Somehow, somehow—
The world will get along somehow.
—Chicago Record-Herald

THE NEWSPAPER'S WAY.

The Pennsylvania newspapers are jumping on the governor of that state with both feet for signing the newspaper gag law. Horace Greely had a better method yet of getting back at his foes. When anybody offended him, the Tribune thereafter ignored the culprit, and never mentioned his mame. Horace had an idea that Elizabeth Cady Stanton had wronged him and he issued an order that this strenuous lady should never be mentioned except when it was absolutely impossible to avoid it in connection with general news, and then that she should be called "Mrs. H. B. Stanton," using the initials of her husband. The blow was an awful one to Mrs. Stanton, and she faded from that hour.

"Say something good about me if you can," said Alderman Berry to the Kansas City Star the other day, "but say something bad if you can't. At any rate say something."

AND THE DAUGHTERS REVOLVED.

I am pleased to note that at a recent meeting in Washington, D. C., of the Daughters of the Revolution they revolved. The meeting was a stormy one for a time. The lie direct was passed and the air was full of "rats" and hairpins, and one prominent Daughter so far forgot herself as to say "gosh dang it!" I tell you when these modern aristocrats get together to mutually admire and mutually conspire, there is likely to be blood on the moon. Daughters of the American Revolution, forsooth! Well, what in the name of Jezebel have any of them done to deserve notoriety? What have they ever bred in the community—except a disturbance?

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YOU are hereby notified that I have expended $102.50 in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if within 90 days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of the above mentioned sum, which is now due, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said claim will become the property of the undersigned under Section 4 of the "Mineral Act Amendment Act 1900."

Kaslo, B. C., May 30, 1903.

J. C. RYAN.

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