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Iron Industry of B. C.

The Outlook Favorable for the Establishment of a Mammoth Enterprise.

The Mining Record of Victoria rightly accuses us of stealing a lengthy article from its columns on the iron industry of British Columbia. The article in question was published in these columns on July 17th, and was very strongly written and just the stuff we like to get hold of. But we always want to be fair and never intentionally omit the credit on any article deemed worthy of reproduction in the LEDGE

We give below an additional article from the Mining Record on the same subject:

"Much attention has been given during the last few months to the possibility of establishing in British Columbia iron smelters and kindred industries. While nothing definite has been yet accomplished, nor is indeed to be expected from public discussion, a great deal of good has been done, for much information bearing upon the question has been brought out and the Department of Mines has promised to do all in its power to supplement information at present available by official investigation. The great benefit of the academic treatment of this industry is that the facts elicited will hardly fail to attract the attention of possible investors, for there never was a time in the history of the world when iron, in one form or another, was in anything like as great demand as it is today. In the building trade, for example, the consumption of this metal far exceeds anything contemplated not very long ago. Most of us can remember when in the construction of even the largest buildings iron played a very subordinate part, while in structures of the ordinary class it was scarcely ever employed except in the form of nails. Nowadays the concentration of business in the larger cities has led to the erection of buildings of a class calling for greater quantities of steel, and even in smaller structures iron is being employed to a much larger extent than ever before. Within comparatively recent years there has been an active demand for steel for bridge purposes, and it is only a matter of a comparatively short time when the majority of the larger wooden highway bridges in North America will be replaced with steel. The same is true of railways. In thousands of instances wood has been employed in the construction of railway bridges, with a full knowledge that they would later be replaced by steel structures. This has been the case with so many roads that it is needless to particularize any one of them. At the time of construction motives of economy led the companies to employ the material which was cheapest at the moment, with the intention of substituting permanent structures when traffic warranted. A heavier volume of traffic likewise calls for heavier rails over many miles of railway every year, in addition to the demand made by ordinary wear and tear. A steady increase in railway mileage not only a demand for rails for new lines, but an increase in the annual demand for renewals. The volume of commerce is steadily growing and this means a vast addition annually to the quantity of iron used in ship-building. In short the demands of transportation, including ships, railways and bridges, call for a supply of iron which not only immensely surpasses that of a comparatively short time ago, but is expanding every year. It is not necessary to mention the other industrial uses to which iron is put, for nothing is clearer than that with the increasing complexity of our civilization the number of the purposes for which it is employed and the quantity required is steadily expanding.

"It is open to doubt if the discovery of new deposits of high-class iron ore is keeping pace with the expansion of the market. Though very widely distributed, the ores of iron are not very often found of such quality as to warrant their employment economically at [illegible] methods of treatment. Every deposit of iron ore is not a mine of economic value, as a good many people in this province have learned to their cost. Many things enter into consideration, when one endeavors to pronounce upon the value of an iron deposit. There is the quality of the ore itself, the availability of fluxes when necessary, the cost of fuel, the convenience and cost of grouping together the materials necessary in successful smelting operations, the cost of labour, the accessibility of a market and so on. In addition to these what may be called natural considerations, there is the artificial consideration which may or may not arise from the fact that a great combination of capital dominates the iron market. These are matters into which intending investors will look, and the most that those who are unable to take up the industry in a practical way can hope to do is to cast as much light as possible upon them. We repeat that what has been done in this direction in Victoria recently has been of very great value, and those who have been instrumental in accomplishing it should persevere along the lines of investigation that may open up.

"Some things have been established beyond question. There are numerous deposits of iron ore in British Columbia, some of them being apparently of great magnitude, although few, if any, have been fully proved. The magnetite ores are of high quality as a rule, but will be expensive to handle without a flux. The hematite deposits are not so well known, and are not as a rule as well situated in respect to water transportation as the magnetite, many of these latter being upon salt water and accessible by the largest ships. There are some deposits of bog iron, but very little has been ascertained about their extent. There are apparently extensive deposits of iron clay. Speaking conservatively, it may be said that, so far as the ore is concerned, a good prima facie case can be made out, and one may feel safe in recommending capitalists, desiring a field for investment in the iron industry, to give the Coast section of this province a careful and exhaustive examination. So far as fuel is concerned there need be no question. If the object is to produce charcoal iron, there is abundant wood for the manufacture of charcoal. If coke is needed there is an abundance of excellent coking coal, which can be secured by any one who might wish to be independent of the present colliery companies. The transportation of ores and fuel to the point of assembly for smelting would be almost wholly by water in land-locked seas. It is not probable that the cost of labour would materially handicap the industry in British Columbia. It does not in the State of Washington. The exceedingly favourable character of the climate of the Coast of the Province is an element that must be taken into account, because the absence of extremes of temperature and the almost entire absence of snowfalls over the greater part of the area contribute largely to the successful employment of labour in any industry. The local market is necessarily limited, but there is a growing demand in the interior of Canada, while the industry would be established on the ocean and hence all foreign countries would be accessible at a minimum cost. The claim is made by those who have given the subject some investigation, that iron can be manufactured in British Columbia and exported to the Pacific Coast States at a profit. We do not vouch for the accuracy of this.

"On the whole the advantages which British Columbia offers as the seat of a great iron industry are well worth very careful investigation by persons contemplating an investment of that character."

BURNED AT THE THROTTLE.

When the train left Nakusp on Tuesday for Sandon there were twelve persons aboard, four of whom were passengers. About three miles from the head of Slocan lake the engine plunged through a small burning bridge, causing the death of James Connacher, the engineer. The fireman, Chester D Clark, called to Jim to jump, but while putting on the emergency the engine went down and buried him at his post. He was caught between the tender and the engine, the coal piled on top of him and he was cremated, their being no possible way of rendering him any assistance. Clark escaped with slight injuries by jumping. In the express car, Barton, the messenger, was hurled against the end of the car and stunned but managed to escape with little injury. John McCormick, who had just commenced to brake on the run that day, was standing in the express car door. He jumped and received severe injuries to his legs by striking a rock. He was brought to the Slocan hospital at New Denver. Dr Powers and Mrs. Scott of Sandon, Louis Scaja of Fire Valley, and one other passenger had a lively time in getting out of the passenger coach. Scaja lost his hat and blankets. The cars were consumed by the fire in a short time. A portion of the mail bags were burned and the express and baggage. The steamer went to the head of Slocan lake and brought the passengers to New Denver. James Connacher had been a long time in the service of the C P R and was widely known in the mountains. Like a hero he died putting on the air so that others could live. He was unmarried, and so far as can be learned leaves an aged father, who is in the Slocan, and a sister, Mrs. Horace Hume, formerly of Nelson. It is supposed that a spark from the engine set fire to the bridge in the morning, as the section men working a mile away knew nothing about it. A man with a speeder in front of the train could have averted the calamity, and, during the fire season, it is strange that the C P. R. does not take such precautions.

Connacher's body was found amid the debris late Tuesday night. He will be buried in Nelson. Cars and another engine have been brought from Nelson and traffic resumed, although it will be a day or two before trains will be running through to Nakusp.

FUNERAL OF MRS. TAYLOR.

Thursday afternoon the funeral of Mrs. John A. Taylor was held from the Presbyterian church. The edifice was crowded by grief-stricken friends, and the casket was buried beneath beautiful floral pieces; showing the high esteem in which the deceased was held by the townspeople. Mr. Taylor and children have the deep sympathy of the community in their great bereavement.

The death of Mrs. Taylor has taken from the community one who was known to all as a woman of unalloyed goodness. To everyone, and at all times and under all circumstances, she was ever ready with a kind word, a pleasant smile and helping hand. She was a leader in all church work, and especially helpful when the children were to be made happy. To make others happy seemed to be her mission. Mrs. Taylor was the first woman to come into New Denver over the Nakusp and Slocan railroad. It was in 1893 4, and she made the trip on the cowcatcher of the work engine, with Libby, then a baby, in her arms, and seated upon a coup of chickens. She experienced the hardships of pioneer life, ever cheerfully bearing the trials by her husband's side, a loyal, dutiful wife and a loving honored mother.

Mrs. E. Harrop and her sister, Miss Chapman, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Niven in Three Forks last week. In their honor a dance was given in the town hall. Supper was served in the Hotel Slocan, and all present enjoyed themselves, as is always the case when the genial Hugh and his wife provide a social event for their friends.

It is early wisdom coined into cash, saet's an endowment policy issued by The Mutual Life of Canada. Write for full information and illustrations to W. J. Twiss, Kaslo

General News Float

In and About the Slocan and Neighboring Camps that are Talked About.

LOCAL NEWS FLOAT.

Fresh Eggs—delivered by H. Byrnes.

In July the Whitewater shipped 2181 tons.

How many mills to the dollar in New Denver?

The town was full of Sandon tourists on Sunday.

Arthur Mullen will open a wholesale liquor store in Three Forks.

Louis Cortiana has a lease on the Silver Hill at Crawford Bay.

The shaft on the Iron Horse will soon be sunk to a depth of 200 feet.

A. York has sold his half interest in the Two Friends to Nelson parties for $5,000.

In the summer eat plenty of fruit and vegetables, and buy them from Williams.

D M. Davis, an old-time resident of Cody and Three Forks, died in Sandon last week.

Economy is having its effect upon the C. P. R train and steamer service in the Slocan.

Rev. J. G. Shearer will tell the people of Sandon this evening what he knows about Sunday.

John Cadden was in town on Sunday. He has lately been running on the Big Hill at Field.

Chas Dempster has acquired the Exchange and Silver Plate from H. L. Fife and others.

George C. Marsh recently died in Dawson. He was dead in some ways before he left Kaslo.

The license for running a street railway in Kaslo is $100 a year, but there is no tax on smelters.

Pittsburg men now own the Ottawa, having made a cash deal for it with T. Mulvey and his partners.

A. J. Marks, came in this week to start some work on the Satisfaction and Clipper claims.

Forest fires are darkening the sunsets and making one wish the forest fool had been killed early in the game.

Tom Burley and Billy Stead are working one of Jim Ward's claims on Silver mountain on a lease.

Mr. Lyons of Spokane was in town on Sunday. He is delighted with the hospitality shown him in Kootenay.

C. C. Poyntz, foreman of the Marion mine, and Miss Graney, of Kellog, Idaho, were married in Kaslo a few days ago.

Theatre-goers in New Denver will be pleased to learn that the Clara Mathes company will appear in Boson hall on August 23 or 25.

At the Sunday-School picnic held on Saturday in Union Bay park, there was fun provided for everybody, and everybody there enjoyed it.

The Kootenaian says that the force at the Soho struck last week, owing to the management wanting them to do shaft work for $3.50 instead of $4.

The fishing at Slocan Junction is good and the scenery or J H. McManus have not changed their location. They are both in place and Mac's beer is always fresh.

If you would be really healthy in the fall and winter you must eat plenty of fruit in the summer. For further information call at Williams' in New Denver.

Revs. Mr. McKee of Slocan, and Mr. McIntyre of Sandon, are co-operating with the local ministers in the revival services being held this week in the Presbyterian church.

Married—At Granby, Que., Aug 2nd, James A. Dougald, accountant for the Canadian-American Coal and Coke Co., of Frank, Alta, and Miss A. M. Walker, formerly of Silverton.

Colonel Ray was in the Slocan last week. He states that the force on the Dardanelles is to be increased, and that development on the Molly Gibson will be steadily prosecuted

The New York brewery at Sandon is selling excellent bottled beer at a price within the reach of all. Slocan people should try a few bottles and compare it with the double-priced foreign article.

Sunday evening a large congregation listened to an excellent sermon by Rev. Mr. McIntyre in the Methodist church. A little 5 year-old was heard to remark on his way home, "Oh, mamma, wasn't he a 'sacker-jack' of a teacher!"

H. J Robie has gone east in the interest of a patent right he has recently purchased. He will also introduce Kelowna cigars and tobacco to the market down by the great lakes. Mrs. Robie will spend some time in New Denver visiting friends.

A wireless dispatch over the MacSwain route to the Sandon Paystreak states that Pete McGregor, while prospecting in Kaslo, struck a ledge of clover and traced it to the cemetery. It assayed 2,000 pounds to the ton and Pete will probably use it for bouquets in his ice business.

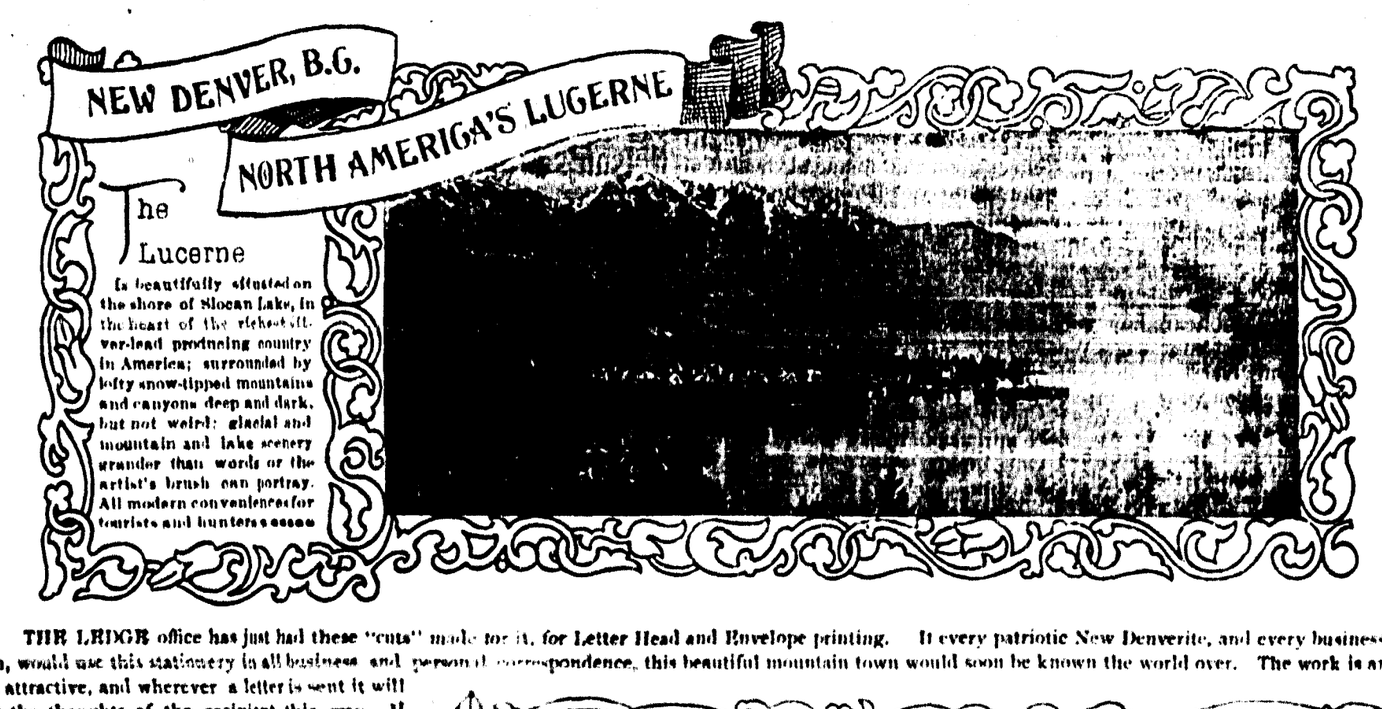
The Paystreak says that there is a girl in Sandon so modest that she won't retire at night with a copy of the Christian Observer lying on the floor. That's nothing. There are several girls in Nelson who won't go to bed alone when Lowery's Claim comes to town. They stay up all night to read it.

Dr. Millos seems to have struck a different gold mine. A report from the Lardeau says that the I X L, in which he is interested, has developed a tendency to produce gold that runs $70 to the ton. The specimens we saw are [illegible] dollar development veins that were delicate on the surface.

Nat Darling came into town with a rush last week. For a fat man Nat moves quicker than any drummer on the road. He sells those old time favorites, Mainland and British Lion cigars, and their smoke is seen everywhere in B. C. Nat is jolly from sump to upper stope, and sorrow seldom casts its shadow over his sunny trail

Every home in the land needs furniture. Even the prospector needs a chair or two in his cabin. D. J. Robertson & Co of Nelson are aware of this fact and in order to accommodate the public they keep a large stock of furniture and household goods on hand. If you want anything write to them and see what they have to sell you.

New Denver, and how to let the world know about It



THE LEDGE office has just had these "cuts" made for it, for Letter Head and Envelope printing. If every patriotic New Denverite, and every business concern, would use this stationery in all business and personal correspondence, this beautiful mountain town would soon be known the world over. The work is artistic and attractive, and wherever a letter is sent it will turn the thoughts of the recipient this way. It will make them want to know more about the town and the scenic beauty surrounding it. Do not be backward in ordering a supply; we have made it possible for New Denver citizens to advertise the town, and at the same time to facilitate their own correspondence, at a cost no greater than what is paid for the blank stationery.

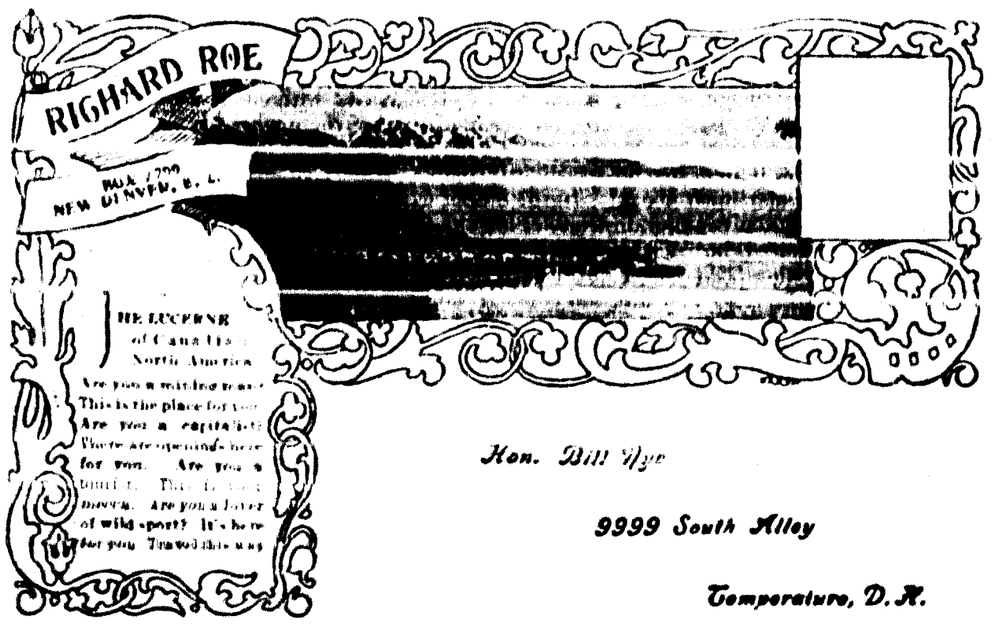
For ONE DOLLAR we will print you a pad of 100 Letterheads, ruled or unruled, and 50 Envelopes, with your name in the "return" corner. In larger orders a further reduction is made.

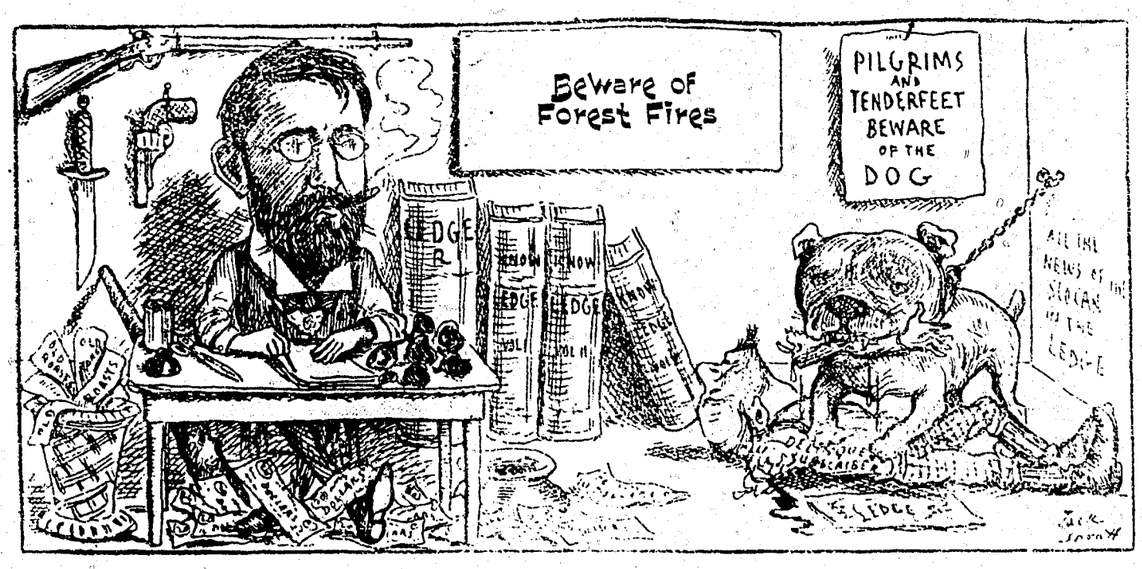
In Commercial orders, the cost is only 50c extra on an order of 500, either form.

This is your opportunity to assist the Tourist Associations of British Columbia in a larger way to attract tourist travel this way; and in an infinately closer way, to bring the name of the Lucerne of North America prominently before the world.

If you are at the mines, send along your order. Don't use cheap paper. Have your name on your stationery.

Remember, the cost is only ONE DOLLAR; about 2c a letter.





THE LEDGE is two dollars a year in advance When not so paid it is $2.50 to parties worthy of credit. Legal advertising 10 cents a nonpariel line first insertion, and 5 cents a line each subsequent insertion. Reading notices 25 cents a line, and commercial advertising graded in prices according to circumstances.

FELLOW PILGRIMS: THE LEDGE is located at New Denver, B. C., and can be traced to many parts of the earth. It comes to the front every Thursday and has never been raided by the sheriff, snowslided by cheap silver, or subdued by the fear of man. It works for the trail blazer as well as the bay-windowed and champagne-flavored capitalist. It aims to be on the right side of everything and believes that hell should be administered to the wicked in large doses. It has stood the test of time, and an ever-increasing paystreak is proof that it is better to tell the truth, even if the heavens do occasionally hit our smokestack. A chute of job work is worked occasionally for the benefit of humanity and the financier. Come in and see us but do not pat the bull dog on the cranium, or chase the black cow from our water barrel: one is savage and the other a victim of thirst. One of the noblest works of creation is the man who always pays the printer: he is sure of a bunk in paradise, with thornless roses for a pillow by night, and nothing but gold to look at by day.

R. T. LOWERY, Editor and Financier.

THE LEDGE.

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, AUGUST 14, 1902.

FROM THE EDITOR'S UPPER STOPE.

Montreal seems liable to go to Halifax.

Dastards always seek to punish by persecution.

A coward's success does less good than the mistakes of the brave.

The journalistic road in B. C. has been thoroughly Macadamized.

Tracy made a fatal mistake. He should have hid in a store that does not advertise.

Many Boers are desirous of settling in Canada. Come along! You are not barred.

The forest fire has drifted in and declared its intentions. Somebody should give it nine months in a wet place

The Fernie strike is over. We are rejoiced at this news, as our coal bunkers have not even dust left in them.

Billy McAdams should now throw away his unpadded club and use a rapier. It cuts deeper and does not knock the pus out of hidden sores with too great a shock to the victim.

Travelers admit that Slocan lake is the most beautiful lake in all the world except two. If the truth was known it probably ranks first, but needs printer's ink to stick it in the memory of tourists.

We have more hay than some farmers have money. We have offered to give the entire crop to anyone who would cut it, but up to date no one has turned up with a scythe. Perhaps there are none in town.

The Treadwell in Alaska has found a process to treat its ore at a cost of 66 cents a ton. If science keeps improving things, some day the miners will be paying a premium for the pleasure of digging out ore.

Mrs. McGratey of Great Falls is suing for a divorce because her husband will not support her. As she weighs over 500 pounds we do not wonder at this. To hold up that much feminine sweetness is a task that even a Don Juan would balk at.

The honest and good need never fear an iconoclastic pen. The lash of criticism cuts deep into those who deserve it, and under its sting the stricken will turn and spew their venom much the same as a rattlesnake bites when its anatomy is trod upon.

Continual living at a high altitude is said to drive some people insane. Can this apply to any of the towns in the Slocan? We have heard that all the people in Sandon were getting bughouse but we do not believe it, as many of them still read this paper.

Chickens are so numerous in Sandon that they almost push the people off the crowded streets. The citizens of that camp are nearly all white and seldom kill anything except in self-defense, although many of them could be convicted of doing away with time.

A girl was fined $5 for hissing in Toronto the other day but laughing is still safe. In the same city a man was fined $1 because he would not move on when requested to do so by a policeman. The advantages of civilization are growing daily more apparent in the east.

When an editor pours hot truth over the selfish ideas, plots, schemes and customs of people he must be prepared to receive a shower of something. It may be rocks or just a volley of vile words. Even bats will make a fuss when you turn the light of day upon them.

Nine years ago this journal commenced to clamor for a Canadian mint, and now one is to be built at Ottawa. This shows the power of the press, as the matter would probably have never been thought of if this journal had not flashed it before the people. We get nothing for it, not even an ad respecting its erection, but then some people do not get their reward until they are a long time dead.

An editor often boosts his town and district, announcing their superior advantages over all competitors when he knows that the advertising columns of his paper prove him to be a prevaricator. A paper dressed in fat local ads is a great drawing card for its home. It does not pay to send a poorly-clad man or paper among strangers to look for business. Wise business men know this truth but in the Slocan they are slow to act upon it.

Chief Justice Hunter said that he had never seen a more disreputable or atrocious paper than the Sandon Paystreak. The learned gentleman is entitled to his opinion although it does not agree with many who are experts in literature. The first reading of such a paper is liable to jar upon a highly conservaand sensitive mind, but a more extended acquaintance will enable a thinking reader to grasp the gold that is hidden within its blue formation.

Some of the English papers are becoming alarmed because so many Yankees are settling in Canada. No need to be afraid if the entire United States moves over the line. There is room for all, even England, in this land of the C. P. R. Come on! Yanks. Roll in, tumble in, walk or fly in, so long as you get here we do not care how you come. Never mind your flag. We have a good one over here, and you will love it after you know it better.

Truth expressed sometimes has taken away a man's liberty, while falsehood has restored it. Long years ago, when the church held the cinch, Galileo discovered an astronomic truth and told about it. For this he was jailed and condemned to die but regained his liberty by denying what he knew to be the truth. He got into jail by telling the truth and got out of it by lying. Few men have the courage to lie in jail when a lie will restore them to freedom. If you doubt this assertion try it.

In some countries if an orator or an editor makes a statement about the judiciary being slow, immoral, corrupt or prejudiced, he can be arrested, tried by those he accuses, and thrown into prison for life without a chance to put up a defence before a jury. The truth or untruth of the statements does not apparently cut much legal cap. In the same countries a judge can use the most insulting and uncalled-for language towards prisoners, press and jury and the parties insulted have no redress. This is a sandbag cinch, and has a tendency to breed revolution. Really free and reasonable people cannot bear a collar that cuts the flesh on one side and shoots salt into it from the other side.

Once in a while through an oversight on our part or some exchange we print an article without giving due credit to the writer. Then we hear a howl. We have our articles and paragraphs stolen in so many places that if we were to howl about it we would not have time to eat. Every writer, except one, is a literary thief. If articles are not stolen thoughts are, and every man makes his literary pudding according to his ability to profit by the work of others. No man has a patent right upon thought, and there is probably nothing new under the sun, although the flight of years seemingly makes things fresh by changing the garment.

The Work of Greed

The Toronto World in a recent editorial blames the hard times in the mineral regions of British Columbia upon labor agitation, strikes and our incapable and apparently insane legislators. The World might have said more upon the subject. Greed has caused nearly all our troubles. Five years ago the Toronto papers were crowded with the ads of mining stock brokers. The papers did all they could to boom Kootenay and lashed their readers into a frenzy that was only satisfied by large doses of gilt-colored stock certificates. It was greed that caused the eastern papers to print these lying ads and it was greed that caused the suckers to gamble in a game they did not understand. It was a grand skin game dealt by wily promoters, with the press for a booster and the wise Rubes of the cent belt as producers. When the fitful fever was over the people cursed Kootenay, when they should have cursed their own stupid cupidity, and the papers ceased to notice our real mines because there was nothing in it for their bank accounts. Kootenay is still suffering from the explosion of the wildcat stock boom.

Over-capitalization of really good properties has had an injurious effect upon the financial health of the country. Dropsy in mining stock is not conducive to fat dividends. It is a disease caused by greed, and its effect can be seen in the Slocan and Rossland.

The tyranny of greedy capital and the tyranny of organized but irresponsible labor has caused what some people call trouble in British Columbia. It is difficult to keep them harmonious. Both are like cats under a barn at midnight. If capital had all its way in Kootenay the miner would soon be a slave and the wealth created by his toil would be thrown out of champagne bottles by the bloated capitalists of Europe, while the businessmen of the Province would exist principally upon air. If labor had all its own way capital would soon be in rags, and the country hitting ties in search of a better land. Until labor and capital can be married, without any chance of a divorce there will always be more or less of what the greedy call trouble.

In the Slocan we have no labor trouble, but the times are not perspiring from an excessive load of prosperity. The low price of lead and silver is the cloud upon our financial horizon. Lead mining is practically a new business in Canada, but it receives little of the care usually given to infants. The Provincial government is greedy and wants its blood for revenue. The Dominion government is after the duties on mining machinery and supplies, and thus the infant is robbed of more nourishment. The Slocan would flourish upon international free trade, but it is bled as well as other parts of Kootenay in order that eastern factories may grow fatter. The Dominion government could foster the lead business so that mining in the Slocan at least would be a lunch for both labor and capital, but by the time it finds this out the present generation will be pushing clouds where it is said capital never enters.

FALSE ECONOMY.

It is false economy to run a railroad too cheaply. Lately the C. P. R. has adopted the system in the Slocan. The freight train has been taken off and the crew of the only train running has been forced to stand more work than they should. The section force has been reduced and an effort made along nearly all lines to cheapen running expenses. On Tuesday the passenger train went through a burned out bridge, costing one life and thousands of dollars. During the fire season a man on a speeder ahead of trains could have saved such an accident. The wreck on Tuesday cost probably as much as a lookout's salary would for 300 fire seasons, but apparently the long-headed railroad officials do not look at it in this light. They should study economy from both sides of the divi lend scale.

SLOCAN ORE SHIPMENTS

The total amount of ore shipped from the Slocan and Slocan City mining divisions for the year 1901 was, approximately, 30,000 tons. Since January 1 to August 9, 1902, the shipments have been as follows:

	Week	Total
Payne	120	830
Ivanhoe		20
Sunset (Jackson Basin)	20	703
Reco		322
American Boy	20	576
Arlington	66	2480
Hewett	20	740
Bosun	20	730
Last Chance		150
Wonderful		151
Enterprise	120	1300
Lavina		85
Bismarck	20	12
Queen Bess		160
Silver Glance	20	77
Whitewater	40	2613
Ottawa		8
Capella		20
Florence	1	1
Trade Dollar		20
Slocan Boy		44
Neepawa	20	161
Hartney		25
Marion		80
May		5
Paystreak		7
Surprise		22
Monitor (for July)	120	735
Slocan Star		528
Duplex		7
Emily Edith		20
Wakefield	20	120
Prescott		4
Rambler	140	3140
Molly Gibson		1500
Washington		30
Foilott		2
C. O. D.		2
London Hill	100	115
Ruth		240
Antoine	20	20
R. E. Lee	20	40
Total tons	681	18 137

Bargain Day

Friday, Coronation Eve **Aug. 8**

NELSON will be selling Summer Goods cheap that day. Sample of prices

$4 00 HAMMOCKS, reduced to $2.75
$3.50 HAMMOCKS, reduced to $2.10
$3 00 HAMMOCKS, reduced to $1.85
$3.50 CROQUET SET, " " $2 50
$2 50 CROQUET SET, " " $1.75

Other bargains in proportion at

Nelson's Drug & Book Store
New Denver, B. C.

SMOKE
MAINLAND AND BRITISH LION CIGARS
WM. TIETJEN, MANUFACTURER

RUBBER STAMPS

Seals, Stencils, Price Markers, Printing Wheels, Numbering Machines, Band Dating and Numbering Stamps, Check Perforators, Rubber Type, Printing Presses, &c.

FRANKLIN STAMP WORKS, Vancouver, B. C.

HOW GUS DEALT.

Andrew Jacobson, of the St. James Hotel, worked a hardship upon himself and Gus lately. He hit a nail with his foot so hard that he had to sit down for several days while Gus dealt the game in the dining room. Gus was a little nervous at first and would sometimes hand a man five cups of tea, or call someone who was standing pat behind a Slocan beefsteak. He dealt the soup fairly well, but when the crowd called for cards on the second course the Wise Guys noticed that Gus was inclined to go to the discard. However, he kept the game running and filled everyone's hand. Occasionally he tried to make a mutton four flush look all right with a beef stew, or filled a craving for beefsteak with roast chicken, or slid the bacon and beans to a chubber who had his mitt out for lemon pie; but, take it all in all, from soda to hock the boarders had no kick coming. Gus acquitted himself very creditably in the new game, and the patrons miss him since he handed the deal back to Andy, and again went on shift behind the gramaphone.

KASLO LICENSES.

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What a Boston Skeeter Is

"Were you ever in Boston?" asked the sporting man, as, after draining his glass, he fished out a sprig of mint, and chewed reflectively on the fragrant bit.

There was a dreamy, far-away look in his eyes that made the barkeeper wonder if some new exercising yard for the penies had been established near the Back Bay, and the sporting man had been the first outsider to find it.

"Naw," he said briefly, "but I've heard of it. Thet's where the beans come from, ain't it, and they have brown bread for breakfast, Sundays?"

"Forget it," said the other "Them things came over with Christopher Columbus in the Mayflower, but there is a new Boston, now. And say! You want to put on blinders and drop your toe-weights when you strike the town, if you ever go there.

"I don't often kick on any proposition this side of a stroke of lightning, but I had three days and nights up there last week, an' I got so busy trying to keep up with the procession that I was almighty glad to get back here in New York where I could sit down by the side of the road somewhere in the tenderloin and pick dandelions and think for a while, and listen to the rhythmic throbs in the back of my head.

"Say, I've seen people in little old New York that set themselves up for capable drinkers, and there are some few of 'em that get away with the proposition, but the best of 'em is only fit for entry in the primary grade in Boston. It's the climate, I reckon.

"They say it's just as well to be dead as to be sober over there, when the east wind blews. And no sober man ever yet walked from the postoffice to the Boston common without losing his way.

"But the great feature of Boston is a thing they call draw poker. They got me into a game there, the night before I hunted out the return ticket, an' say, it's the greatest game ever.

"I thought I learned poker on the Mississippi when I was walkin' round in pin-feathers, an' after I'd taken a few more lessons out in the Rockies when I was a little older I took a whirl in Chicago. Say, all that was just elementary, so to speak.

"I got the rudiments all right, an' picked up enough science to lay down four tens after the dealer had drawn one card. But when I reached New York and saw the possibilities of the game, I realized that it was up to me to do some actual hard study before I could tackle the heavyweig'te.

"Somehow I got the notion after a few months that I was the real thing. A man that can hold on to his own chips and pick up a few blues besides in New York is apt to feel chesty if he really knows what they call poker out West.

"You can say what you like about New York hot air. Some of it's pretty gassy, I'll admit; but when it comes to blowing about the local brands of poker, there ain't no western man that has any peep coming. He may win money when he plays out west. but if he wants a real strenuous game, he can't do better than to tackle some o' the grown-up players in this town.

"That is, I thought so, till I went to Boston. An, say, that's far enough east for me. It's me for the peaks an' the prairies when I leave town again.

"I don't know what they might do to me if I got caught in Maine or Nova Scotia. Kind o' seems like the further east you go the the better you find out what you don't know about draw poker, an' I'm free to admit that I'm discouraged.

"I think I'd rather go back and play with the men that haven't had all the advantages of a higher education. Say, three-card monte and old maid rank in the one class alongside o' draw poker in Boston. My, but it's a spirited game.

"I was talking about it with a cab driver down near what they call the daypo. Honest, they do. The little kidlets that sell newspapers on the streets in Boston wear eyeglasses and say 'daypo.'

"This cab driver was a decent sort, and when I told him that I had the coupon left that was good for one first-class passage home, he told me I was playing in large luck. His trouble was that he had married a Boston woman and bought a Boston horse and he couldn't get anybody to take them off his hands.

"I mentioned poker to him and he sort o' sighed, and said he reckoned it was the *malignant* influence of ethical culture that had operated toward the evolution of a more intricate system in the game than was known elsewhere. You wouldn't think a cab driver would say that, now, would you? Well, he would, after he learned the way 'round Boston.

"He wasn't surprised that I was broke. All he wondered at was the return ticket.

"There was seven of us playing and say, there was two other men wanted to butt in. I kicked on that, and asked them what they'd do for the draw, and they said they had a deck with elevens and twelves in it. They had, too, for I saw it, and they said they played poker with it; but I drew the line.

"I don't like so much water in my whiskey, anyhow, and I told 'em they might play with it if they liked, or even use a pinochle deck for all I cared, but all I'd do would be to look on. I had prejudices, I I said, and one of 'em was delaying the game long enough to count the spots.

"Well, I could see that most of the interest in the game would be gone if I dropped out. All they wanted was a chance at me, and if I'd understood Boston better I'd hit the ground with a big bump right then, but, as I was saying, I felt chesty about poker, and I had it in my mind that there was going to be a surprise party. I don't know but what I was right about that, too, but nothing seems to surprise a Boston man.

"There wasn't anything very remarkable about the play for the first twenty minutes. There was a geezer in blue spectacles that sat opposite me—they said he was a theological student, and from what I saw I should say he ought to be—that had taken quite a few lessons in dealing and usually scooped the pot when he had the placing of the pasteboards, but that didn't trouble me none.

"I had him down fine on the second round, and I took it out of him when somebody else dealt. It was easy to stay out when he dealt. I don't know whether the others were on or not, but I guess not, for he was a good winner when I dropped out.

"Then there was another chap that had an educated finger nail that was a decided help to me. You see he used the old system, and I could use the backs of the aces as he could after he nicked 'em. There wasn't any call for me to ask for new decks.

"That is, I thought so, first off, but a man learns considerable in Boston. This guy gave me a jolt that strained my buttonholes after we'd played for twenty minutes, and, say, you know what a trivial thing an ace is when it's a misfit, don't you? I know, too, but I never had it jump up and hit me in the eye, like it did in Boston.

"He was dealing, and it was me to his left. I passed, and we all passed but him, and he opened.

"Having the ten to the king in diamonds, I looked at the top of the deck, and say, the advertisement on the back of the top card looked as big as a moon. It was me for a royal flush, one to three on, and an ace high straight at a hundred to nothing. Just naturally you couldn't have drove me out of the running with gatling guns, an' I boosted him a stack.

"That kept the others out. but he came back at me double, and I came near giving him reparte before the draw, but somehow I weakened. I thought I'd see what he drew and make play afterwards, so I just made good, telling him he was on the verge of getting a great moral lesson, but he just looked foolish an' said nothin'.

"I took the one an' he stood pat. Of course, if that ace had been the diamond I'd been betting yet, or telegraphing to Sheedy for more money., but it wasn't. It was a spade.

"He put up two sticks again, and I did the only intelligent stunt I remember about the whole outing. I slid my hand right under the discard, and he showed down his openers. He had a deuce full.

"It didn't really cripple me, for I was pretty well to the good when I sat in, but it shook my confidence amuch, and they didn't see the color of my chips again till I caught three kings. Even at that I didn't get sassy, for the theological student was dealing, but it only cost two bones to play, not being a jack and I invested. I'd laid down at that if the dealer'd come in, but he must have fumbled somehow, for when he looked at his cards he threw them down.

"The age made good and that made four in and eight dollars in the pot with me the last to draw. The *age took two cards and I sized him for a pair and a kicker, thinkin', of course if he'd three he'd raised before the draw.*

"Then, as the others took three cards apiece, I concluded I had 'em all nailed to the wall. You'd think so, wouldn't you? It wouldn't strain your nerves none to bet 15 cents on a cinch like that, would it? Well, you try it on in Boston some time.

"The first man bet a white chip. That was good poker and I recognized it. The second man he put up a white chip, too, and I says to myself he was all right. He was lookin' for a raise later on if he had anything.

"Then it came to me. I'd drawn one card an' I boosted it five.

"Then the ace came back at me with ten more and the others dropped. It was like finding a stiff stiff with a fat pocket. I sized him for threes and it was 'leven to one that my kings was good.

"Course he might have aces, but I thought not. So we joggled each other once or twice and he called, showing down nine high, and when I showed three kings he reached for the pot.

"It sort o' stunned me, but I had enough presence o' mind to holler.

"'What's the matter with my kings?' I asked.

"'Three kings is a good hand," he says, "but I've got a nine, seven, five, four, deuce."

"I see you have," says I, "but what of it?"

"That's a skeeter," he says.

"An' what's a skeeter?" I asked

"A skeeter is a nine, five, deuce., with any other two cards between a nine and a deuce, so that there isn't any pair in the hand. It beats three."

"Well," I says, "I don't see no tassels hung up round the room for the patients to play with. Why don't you have 'em?" I says. "You can't run a real first-class funny house without you have the fixtures."

"But they all said a skeeter beut three of a kind in Boston, an' I had to give up. Before I played any more, though. I asked them if they had any more improvements.

"Don't you play big and little

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LICENCE TO AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

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No. 233.

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The amount of the capital of the Company is £5,000, divided into 5,000 shares of £1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at Silverton, and Thomas Reynell Lane, whose address is Silverton aforesaid, is the attorney for the Company.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 16th day of July, one thousand nine hundred and two.

[L. S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
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NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNER.

To JOHN G. DEVLIN, or whomsoever he may have transferred his interest in the Great Western No. 2 mineral claim, situated in the Arrow Lake Mining Division, West Kootenay District.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that I have expended $125 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 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."

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

Dated this 7th day of August, A. D. 1902.

GOLDEN HOPE FRACTION Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Arrow Lake Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Bald Mountain, eight and one half miles from mouth of Pingst creek.

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Dated this 3 th day o, July A. D. 1902.

THOS. ABRIEL.

CAMDEN and C B Mineral Claims.

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Red Mountain about 4 miles south of Silverton, B.C.

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Dated this [illegible] day of July, A. D. 1902.

ALFRED R. FINGLAND
CHARLES BRAND.

GREAT WESTERN NO. 2 Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Arrow Lake Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Cariboo creek, 4 miles from junction of Blue Grouse and Cariboo creeks.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Frederick W. Jordan, acting as agent for the co-owners, free miner's Certificate No. B[illegible], 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 4th day of July, A. D. 1902.

FREDERICK W. JORDAN

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

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

Dated this 22nd day of July A. D. 1902.

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Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On the North Fork of Eight Mile Creek.

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WHAT A BOSTON SKEETER IS.

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casino, or right and left bower, or his heels, or something?" I says. "If you do, just say so. I just dote on opium, I told 'em, but I hate to bite into a chunk of it when I'm eating blanc mange. You hadn't ought to spring it on me so sudden. I've got a weak heart, anyhow, and this is far, far from Cypress Hill.

"Well, they said that that was all there was to it, and never thinkin' they were lying about it, I went on playing. I don't know as they meant to lie either, but it seems I ought to have found out more about those skeeters. If I had, mebbe I wouldn't ha' been bit twice. I don't know, though, most anything happens in Boston.

"We played along half an hour more, an' I was getting back about even when I caught four tens cold, an' braced up for a killing. It was a good dot to begin, an' I nursed it like a sick baby before the draw. There was two raises before it come to me, an' I histed it two stacks at that.

"They both stood pat an' I took one card. When I shoved up my pile I was singin' Sunday school songs with both elbows. It was like getting a legacy.

"Well, one man dropped, bnt the other called, and he showed down another of those skeeters.

"You've got it, I says, but here is where a skeeter don't bite. I've got fours.

"But my skeeter don't bite. I've got fours.

"But my skeeter is all clubs, says the feller, an' a flush skeeter beats fours, An' the other guy all said it did so, so it was me for the daypo.

"I'm not going to Boston again. When I get tired of the Tenderloin, I'm going to live on Mount Pelee or down in the Philippines, or somewhere where there isn't so much excitement. I find I've got to take care of my nerves for the rest of my life, and I didn't get used to the Boston ways quite early enough to like 'em."

The barkeeper said nothing, but he played wig-wag with his head for a moment and then mixed another julep.

"This one," he said, "is on the house."—New York Sun.

CONTEMPT IN EARLY DAYS.

J. B. Moore, in the Winnipeg Tribune, tells about how Begbie sent up an editor for contempt in New Westminster 35 years ago, as follows:

In that time there were many reports around concerning the judge, and among them one that he was speculating in mining claims. Robson, editor of the New Westminster Herald got hold of it, and it came out in large letters that the judge was speculating in gold claims in Cariboo.

I happened to be in court that time in Westminster, hearing some very peculiar cases that were brought up. To my surprise, Robson was brought into court on a bench warrant. I say surprised, because he was well thought of by everybody socially. He was very courteous and obliging. As soon as he entered the dock, his lordship brought out the paper and said:

"This is your paper?"

"Yes," replied Robson.

"Well, this is false in every respect What have you to say about it?"

"Your lordship, my reporter got it on the street. It was in everybody's mouth, but if it is false I will withdraw the statement, and apologize, not only now, but through my paper, if it is not so."

He almost shouted, "Do you know that is contempt of court. I commit you to jail for one month."

Then a subdued "oh" went through the crowd and his lordship could see that there was fire somewhere, but he had faced many a harder crowd in Carlboo and other places.

Robson was taken off to jail, which was a block house and not very imposing, but solid, with cottage roof, iron doors and window shutters

That night there was an indignation meeting called, and the conclusion arrived at was that Robson had made ample apology, and that he must be got out, so we started for the jail, the crowd shouting and groaning when passing Begbie's residence. When we got to the jail it was a very solid piece of architecture The iron door we could not get through. The windows were solid, the walls 14 inches thick of B C. fir built in mortar, and hard to get through but the roof was only shingled A ladder was procured and the shingles were soon flying in every direction A hole was made and a rope procured, and Robson was hauled up through the roof, then the torchlight parade and the shouting men were heard through the lofty fir trees for many miles Judge Begbie left early next morning on the river to hold court

Two meetings were held during the past week to consider the possibility of securing the Chow sawmill for New Denver The local manager stated that if the C. P. R. could be induced to build a spur through the town to Union Bay, the mill people would erect a large sawmill on the water front there No definite plan was suggested, and, however much the citizens would like to have the enterprise here, they did not feel that any action could be taken under the present circumstances.

Mining Recorder McInnes has received word that on a date to be set by the department a tax sale of all crown-granted mineral claims on which the taxes are unpaid, and the rights of all pre-emptors on lands on which the taxes have not been paid, will be sold at auction.

CORONATION ODE.

FOR THE LEDGE, BY W. D. MITCHELL.

God save our grand and manly king,
Bless our beautiful, beautiful queen,
God save the king
Send them harmonious,
With us and of us and for us,
Long to reign over us,
God save the king.

God save our great and noble king,
Bless our beautiful, beautiful beautiful queen
And her dutiful son.
Send them harmonious,
With us and of us and for us,
Long to reign over us,
God save the king!

The Slocan tunes the slogan and sounds the loud timbrel, and kith and kin of the lands of the Shamrock, the the Rose and the Thistle, from the lands and the isles beyond the seas rally together this morning to the call of the chief, "Hello, my children!"

From the land of the sweet maple tree, the evergreen pine and our silver-tressed mountains we come; from the lands of the blue gum and the wide-spreading banian; from Africa's golden sands and green veldts, and from islands of spices, with a sprig of acacia, we come, and royally, loyally, joyfully tender our loving homage to our new-crowned king and his beautiful, beautiful queen.

And let us thank God, "Lest we forget"

New Denver, B. C., the 9th day of August, 1902, 3:40 p m., high noon at Greenwich, London, Eng

With a view to establishing a uniformity of practice, gold commissioners and mining recorders are instructed that, provided they are satisfied that the construction of a trail is essential to the proper development of a claim, a free miner may be allowed to count the cost of the same towards his annual assessment work, on obtaining permission before hand from the proper official and subject to the inspection of the government.

All overdue accounts owing THE LEDGE must be settled forthwith or they will be placed in court for collection. Dig up and save money.

The refuse from the town should be burned, and its effect upon the ozone would not then be so noticeable

Times are looking up in New Denver. The editor of this paper has just bought five cords of wood

NOTICE.

TO CONTRACTORS.

CARPENTER CREEK BRIDGE, AT NEW DENVER, B. C.

SEALED TENDERS, properly endorsed, will be received by the undersigned up to noon of the 6th September next, for the erection and completion of a bridge across Carpenter Creek, on the line of the present structure, at New Denver, West Kootenay District, B. C.

The drawing, specifications and conditions of tendering and contract may be seen at the Public Works Engineer's Office, Lands and Works Department Victoria, B. C., at the office of the Mining Recorder, New Denver, B. C., and at the office of the Government agent, Kaslo, B. C. on and after the 11th August instant.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque or certificate of deposit, made payable to the undersigned, for the sum of three hundred [$300] dollars, as security for the due fulfilment of the contract which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, and signed with the actual signature of the tenderers.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department.
Victoria, B. C., 5th August, 1902.

NOTICE.

LIQUOR LICENCE ACT 1900.
SLOCAN LICENCE DISTRICT.

THE following application for a wholesale liquor license has been received, and a Special Meeting of the Board of Licence Commissioners for the Slocan Licence District will be held to consider such application at Sandon, on Tuesday the S cond day of September, at seven o'clock p. m.:

ARTHUR MULLEN, Wholesale Licence. Three Forks, B. C.

Dated at New Denver this 11th day of August, 1902

JOHN T. BLACK,
Chief Licence Inspector.

NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNERS.

To W. D. VINCENT, of Spokane, Wash., or to whomsoever he may have transferred his interests in the Lynching Waters and Parsway mineral claims, situated in the McGuigan Basin, adjoining the Soho and Red Cross claims, in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District, B. C.

YOU are hereby notified that I have expended $210.00 in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claims 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 interests in the said claims will become the property of the undersigned under Section 4 of the "Mineral Act Amendment Act 1900."

Kaslo, August 11, 1902.

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NOTICE.

All parties indebted to us are requested to settle their accounts by September 1st, 1902 if they wish to save costs. After that date amounts remaining unpaid will be placed in court for collection. HILL BROS.
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