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General News Float

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

LOCAL NEWS FLOAT.

Your miner's license expires next Sunday.

Many Silvertonians came up from the sister camp Monday.

Slocan City shingle mill was set in operation last week.

A hospital ball was held at Slocan City Monday evening.

Several Sandon citizens enjoyed the balmy lake breezes Monday.

The Ymir mine has fallen in line. Sunday work has been discontinued.

The service on the Okanagan branch of the C P. R. is now daily, except Sunday.

Philadelphia parties have purchased the Horseshoe mine, in the Lardeau for $16,000.

Anybody can own a Kodak now. C. F. Nelson is explaining the merits of the various cameras.

R. H. Trueman expects to camp in New Denver some time in July with his photographic outfit.

It is reported that a sawmill is to be erected at Trout Lake City, with a capacity of 80,000 feet a day.

Mike Browning, while hauling logs at the Arlington mine last week, had his left leg broken at the ankle.

A new ore house is being built at the Red Fox. The property will be worked with a full force this summer.

L. J. Edwards, C. P. R. agent at Slocan City, broke his right shoulder in falling from a box car last week.

Faithful service has been rewarded in the election of Rev James Turner as president of the Methodist conference.

Angus McGillivray and Ed. Shannon are opening up the Neepawa, Ten Mile, and will work the property all summer.

Mrs Cadden, wife of Enginear Cadden, Three Forks, accompanied by Mrs. Muirhead of Nakusp, spent Tuesday in New Denver.

Rev. James Calvert, for the past two years bursar of Columbia college, has been appointed to the New Denver field, and is expected to arrive this week.

Geo. Chew, president of the Ontario Lumber company, and proprietor of the sawmills at the head of the lake and Slocan City, was in New Denver this week.

Wm Lawson returned to Silverton Saturday from Nanaimo, where he was called to attend the funeral of his brother John, killed in a premature explosion of dynamite.

Bill Doyle of Three Forks shot the largest grizzly that has been captured in the Slocan, last week The hide measures 7 feet 10 inches from tip to tip, and is a perfect specimen

Hugh Niven is making many improvements to his Three Forks hotel The rooms are being newly papered and carpeted, and a parlor will shortly be furnished in the most comfortable style

The properties owned by the defunct Mansfield syndicate are being taken over by the Kaslo-Slocan Mining and Financial corporation, newly incorporated, with a capital of $500,000, and head office at Nelson.

An easy, but well-balanced ball game, was played Monday afternoon before a large number of spectators. Several Slocan City boys were up and they were assisted by local players, the score standing New Denver 17, Slocan City 15.

The Miners' Union ball given last Thursday evening in Bosun hall was largely attended by local and visiting dancers The affair was very successful and was conducted in a manner most creditable to the boys of the hammer and drill.

A number of Knights of Pythias went up to Sandon last Wednesday evening to give a Third degree in the sister Pythian castle. They report that they were strewed into pieces by the Sandon boys and cannot find words to express their appreciation of the kindness shown them They say the Sandon Knights are the royal good stuff.

The Slocan sports failed to materialize Monday, owing to the fact that the local ball team did not feel inclined to pay the way hither of those wishing to come up The local team took the right stand. We of the Slocan do not want any more of that grab game played so adeptly by Nelson sports. If we are going to be sports let's be sports—not free pass artists.

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 May 23, 1903, the shipments have been as follows:

	Week	Total
American Boy	21	481
Antoine		81
Arlington		40
Black Prince		17
Bondholder		2
Bosun	46	580
Blue Bird		28
Dayton		4
Enterprise	20	225
Fisher Maiden		280
Hartney		21
Idaho		21
Ivanhoe		466
Monitor		415
Meteor		12
Ottawa		106
Payne	50	1252
Queen Bess		144
Rambler		412
Reco		158
Republic		20
Ruth		140
Rio		9
Red Fox		24
Slocan Star		869
Slocan Boy		16
Silver Glance		55
Surprise		5
Total tons	181	5808

A HOME BREWERY.

The New York Brewery of Sandon, owned by Messrs. Towgood & Bruder, is without doubt one of the most unpretentious, yet business like, institutions in the Slocan. The product of its brewery is equal to that of the best, and the manner in which the business of the concern is handled would do credit to a concern of far greater pretentions. If beer is to be used, there is no reason why the Sandon concern should not receive the entire trade of of the Slocan camps. It is a home industry that brings money into the camp and as such it should be fostered

AT THE BUTTS.

Monday morning at the butts a team of six shooters from Slocan City outshot a team of New Denver shooters by three points. The score was:

SLOCAN CITY.

	200	500	600	T
W S. Johnston	27	26	25	78
Geo. McNicholl	27	20	13	60
D McVannel	21	16	27	64
J. Milne	27	21	20	68
J Cross	30	28	12	70
J. Bean	29	27	25	81
	161	138	122	421

NEW DENVER.

	200	500	600	T.
W. S. Drwery	17	25	8	50
Geo. L. Pedlar	24	30	21	75
D. McLachlan	27	24	26	77
W. Jeffry	24	28	19	71
H. Twigg	25	26	22	73
C. Cook	23	28	24	75
	240	161	120	421

To shoot off the tie three shots were fired, resulting as follows:

SLOCAN CITY.

W. S. Johnston	11
Geo. McNichol	4
D. McVannel	8
J. Milne	10
S. Cross	10
J. Bean	9
	52

NEW DENVER.

W. S. Drewry	9
Geo L. Pedlar	5
D. McLachlan	8
W. Jeffry	5
H Twigg	11
C. Cook	11
	49

MINING ASSOCIATION RESOLUTIONS

At a meeting of the Princeton branch of the Provincial Mining association held Monday evening, May 11th, the following resolutions were passed, on which the various local organizations and the executive of the Provincial association are asked to act:

"We request the appointment of at least five mine inspectors, to be composed of practical miners, whose duties shall be to go from one mine to another continuously in the districts under their inspection;

"To examine each mine carefully and suggest necessary changes for the protection of life;

"To report to the minister of mines or gold commissioner not less than once a week, and to respond to every call from mine owners and miners at their earliest convenience

"In the opinion of this branch of the Provincial Mining association, the present provincial mineralogist is unsuited for the position he occupies, and we believe it in the interests of the province that the executive of the Provincial association urge upon the government the desirability of a change Our reasons for this belief are as follows:

"FIRST—His reports on new mining camps are invariably pessimistic and tend to discourage both prospector and capitalist seeking a suitable field for operations: so notoriously is this the case that interior mining districts having few developed properties have never welcomed his visits, and his name has become a by-word and a jest among large numbers of the prospecting fraternity in Southern British Columbia;

"SECOND—Because of their official character his reports have an extremely injurious effect on outsiders unacquainted with the country's resources, and go far to nullify the efforts of those who are working for the development of new sections;

"THIRD—In particular we protest strongly against his report on this district, which did it a grave injustice."

Cabbage plants, $1 a 100. H. Byrnes.

Sandon News Croppings

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

OLD GRAY AND CURLEY.

Editor New Denver LEDGE:

DEAR SIR.—With reference to your article in your last issue, entitled "Gray and Curley," the true facts of the case are these: You say "another horse is hired and the poor old horse turned out of the stable with no covering in the drizzling rain." This is incorrect. In the first place no horse was hired, McPherson & Hurley delivering the beer from the day the horse was taken sick. The reason we let him out was owing to his inability to get up and eat while in the stable, a spavin on his leg being the cause. He was given two blankets and warm feed at night, and bad weather coming on he was taken back to the stable, from which he was later taken by parties hired to shoot him. As all this happened in the course of four days, I fail to see where any neglect occurred on our part.

I ask you to publish this letter, as from your article it would appear that the only friend he had was the dog, and my partner and myself were barbarians of the worst kind. Yours truly,

SURTEES TOWGOOD.

The celebration of Victoria Day at Kaslo was a big success. The weather was perfect and the sports good. Nelson played all round the Rossland lacrosse team, and Sandon's tug-of-war team walked away with the Kaslo pullers. About eighty Sandonites went over, and upwards of 400 attended from Nelson and Rossland. A dance was given in the evening, concluding a very enjoyable day.

SANDON NEWS FLOAT.

Tom Hancock left for Nova Scotia on Tuesday.

The American Boy is shipping a car of ore a week.

The Monitor sent a carload of ore to Trail this week.

Gordon Monkhouse returned from Mexico this week.

Jim Ryan is doing his assessment on the Black Grouse.

All the citizens who were left in Sandon Monday went to Cody and played ball.

Fred Ritchie has shown the taste of an artist in his window display of white goods.

Dougald Stewart was admitted to the hospital Friday, suffering from neuralgia

Mrs. Hugh Niven gave a very pleasant tea party to a number of ladies Friday afternoon.

Harry Lowe, an old Three Forks boy, is seriously ill at Carleton Place, Ont, with typhoid fever.

Con Murphy is doing some work on the Boss and Delta property, up the hill from Three Forks.

John Bowe and Wm. Meher left for Summit creek on Monday, where they are interested in some Placer properties.

W. R. Megaw is showing a select line of ladies' raglans, the latest spring coats. To have one is to be in the fashion.

Rev. Mr. McIntyre returned from the conference at Victoria on Friday Sandon citizens made strong efforts to retain him for another year, and they succeeded.

A horseback party left Three Forks Monday for Bear lake, being joined there by a party from Sandon, where they all celebrated Victoria Day in old time fashion.

Considerable activity is noticeable on the South Fork of Kaslo creek. Several properties are working and much mining machineay is being taken up the creek. The Province has a good showing of ore which is proving better with development.

VERY FORTUNATE.

"A Wise Woman," the three-act musical comedy by Wilfred Clarke, who is also responsible for that great success, "Oh! Susanah!" has been secured for the Sandon opera house, Saturday June 6. This is fortunate for Manager Shilland, and one worthy of special notice, as the attraction is to be seen in but very few one-night stands this season, its time having been almost entirely booked in the larger cities of the country. This is strong evidence of the strength of the company.

J. L. Parker "Explains" the Smelter's Big Cinch

J L. Parker, on behalf of the Canadian smelters, in a lengthy letter in the Nelson News of May 24, makes reply to an article appearing in THE LEDGE of May 7th, relating to charges which the Slocan mine owners are forced to pay by the Trail-Nelson smelter trust

Aside from making it more clear that J. L Parker is boosting for the Canadian smelter combine, the article demonstrates absolutely nothing.

We do not wish to plead the cause of the mine owner from a standpoint that is biased or narrow. THE LEDGE wants to see the smelters of Canada prosper. It wants also to see the lead mining industry prosper.

What it has said on the question it has said frankly, and without mincing. What it has got to say will be said in the same manner. If J. L. Parker is as sincere as THE LEDGE, then good will come of this discussion; if he is not sincere we do not want to waste time on him, for he has given indisputable evidence that he is a mouthpiece for the local smelter combine.

J. L. Parker does not deny any statement made by THE LEDGE, but attempts to show the whys and wherefore of the excessive smelter rates, and, if possible, to excuse them. But he fails most miserably. He says, by way of correcting his own statement:

"The difference of $3.75 was inadvertently made to appear as being the difference between the rates by the American smelters and the Canadian smelters to Canadian mine owners, and which I corrected by telegram, at the nearest stopping point as soon after reading it as possible

"The object, however, of the comparison, was to show that our smelters treated us better in the matter of rates than the Cœur d'Alene miners were treated by their smelters, and therefore why is it that there is such a howl from the New Denver LEDGE about our smelters? and why should Sandon shippers ship past our two home smelters? and why can the American smelters, if they do, with a longer haul, give better rates than they do to their own [illegible]

J. L. Parker states what is not the case when he says that our local smelters treat our own miners better than the Cœur d'Alene miners are treated by their smelters. As we showed in our article of May 14, the Cœur d'Alene mine owners are paid from $8.50 to $9.90 per hundred for their lead; whereas the local smelters pay our own miners $1.50 to $1.60 per hundred on their lead The freight and treatment charges on the Cœur d'Alene ore are about the same as those charged by the local smelters, but in consideration of this excessive charge, the American lead smelter trust guarantees to pay the Cœur d'Alene miner a rate that is much better than the world's market price warrants—a price that will enable him to work his mine no matter what the world's market price for lead might be.

The balance of J. L Parker's questions may be answered by the simple statement that, even after paying the long-haul freight charges, the American smelters give to the Slocan mine owners a better basis of settlement than our own smelters give, and for this reason, and this only, many Slocan mines are shipping past our home smelters to the smelters across the line.

With reference to the statement that J L Parker was one of the favored few and received a better freight and treatment rate from the smelters he says:

"What I do know, however, is that we have been satisfied with the treatment by our home smelters, and I am not aware that we have had any favored rates, judging from the $18 50 rate quoted by the editor—noted later—we have not been favored."

Now, if J. L. Parker is honest, and really wants to enlighten the public on this question, will he kindly tell us, on his word of honor, just what he does pay for freight and treatment per ton, and also what percentage of lead his ore carries.

Perhaps if we were as adept at juggling with figures as J. L Parker we might be able to gain some light from the following explanation of his. After trying to prove that the home smelter trust is justified in charging $7 more to day than it charged three years ago on the same ore, and for the same work in connection with its treatment, J. L. Parker says:

"It is evident that the editor does not understand the question, and the following information may enlighten him, and since he has asked me to explain it, I will endeavor to do this with the best knowledge I possess, hoping that this bugbear may die a natural death

"In January, 1900, the basis of payment and charges by the smelters, both home and foreign, was changed, and the deduction of 80 cents per 100 pounds (now $1) was made This arrangement at first we did not understand ourselves, so made a comparison of rates by both the old and new methods, which I will [illegible]

"The old method, prior to this date, consisted of the settlement based on the New York quotations of lead for 90 per cent of the ore, whilst duty of 1½ cents per pound on 100 per cent. was deducted.

"The London price was so much higher relatively at that time, that all the Canadian lead was naturally sold in the world's market, after being smelted in Canada and refined in the States, and the advantage thus gained went toward taking the place of the present deduction of $1.

"The duty, too, was charged at the rate of 1½ cents per pound, for 100 per cent of the lead contents, whilst we received only 9 per cent.

"The difference assisted in paying the marketing charges.

"The figures now given are based on lead contents and values of 50 per cent. ore and the date, January, 1900:

OLD METHOD.

Fifty per cent. lead ore, 1,000 lbs 4.45c. per pound (this is the average price for January) equals	$44 50
Less 19 per cent	4 75
Allowances for 50 per cent lead.	$40 05
Charges:	
Duty at 1½ cents per lb....$15	
Freight and treatment..... 20	
Total Deductions	35 00
Net price	$5 05

NEW METHOD.

"Based on London quotations with deductions of 80 cents per 100 pounds, 90 per cent of lead contents, which the editor of THE LEDGE objects to, and says practically is absorbed by the smelter, therefore being an unjust charge in his opinion. Average price for January in London £16 12s 6d., exchange at $4.81 equals $80.47 per long ton, and equals $3 592 per 100 pounds:

1,000 pounds at 3 592 cents	$35 92
Less 10 per cent	3 59
Allowance 50 per cent. lead ore.	$32 33
Charges—80 cents per 100 lbs on 90 per cent of lead contents equals 900 lbs at 80 cents.....$ 7 20	
Freight and treatment... 20 00	
Total deductions	27 20
Net price	$ 5 13

"Old method $5.05; new method, $5.13 Difference in favor of new method eight cents As the amount of silver in the ore would be the same in each example. I have not given it"

This explanation may be clear enough to the Canadian smelter trust, but we fail to see wherein it explains anything. It appears to be a simple juggling with figures purposely to deceive

Here are some more figures by J. L Parker. We give them for what they are worth:

"During the year 1900 the same rates were charged by both home and foreign smelters, viz $20 per ton plus deduction of 80 cents per 100 pounds on 90 per cent. of the lead contents

"In 1901, however, they were changed to $19 for freight and treatment with $1 in place of 80 cents as above This was an increase of 80 cents per ton over 1900. In 1902 they were reduced by our home smelters to $15 per ton for freight and treatment, with the present deduction of $1 per 100 pounds on 90 per cent of the lead contents.

"Comparing the month of January, 1900, in the question of rates, we have the following.

January, 1900	$27 20
Freight and treatment 1902. $15	
$1 per 100 lbs. 90 per cent. 50 per cent. ore..... 9	
Total deductions	$24 00
Difference in favor of 1902	$ 3 20

"Adding the eight cents of gain, January, 1900, over the old method, gives $3.28 of a deduction in the rates as compared with the method in vogue previous to 1900."

And then J. L. Parker gives another column of—what shall we call it—stuff like this:

"This deduction is made by our home smelters at a time when the lead trust left us severely alone, and when if our home smelters wished to do so, they could have forced us to pay more. Instead of playing the cinch game as is asserted by those who do not understand the situation, I maintain that they have played a very fair game True, this deduction is largely attributable to the bonus on refined lead granted by the government, but at the same time, is there to be no credit given to our smelters for this?

"Right here let me remark that if we had no home smelters it is possible that we would be paying higher rates than we at present enjoy.

"What would Canadian mine owners, and I mean by this expression all miners of lead ore in Canada of whatever nationality, have done during the years 1901-1902, when the lead trust had enough of ore from their own mines, and practically left us to our fate, but for our home smelters?

"Had we depended upon foreign smelters, those of us who have been working would have had to shut down, thereby throwing men out of work and giving the country a blacker eye than it has had."

We have tried to be fair in presenting J L. Parker's side of the matter.

We have sought information We are still seeking it What information can be gained through J. L. Parker's juggling with figures we fail to see

J. L. Parker would have us believe that the smelter trust of Canada was a philanthropic institution whose furnaces were blown in and out just to accommodate the Slocan lead mine owners.

On the contrary the smelter trust is now seeking and has at all times sought to get out of the lead industry all the industry will stand.

Every mining man knows that $15 and $18 per ton (without adding the other charges that bring it up to $28.25 per ton) is an excessive rate. Especially is this apparent, when, as we have previously shown, the smelter companies of Missouri, haul the ore from the mine to the smelter, treat the ore and put the pig lead on the market for something like $4.50 per ton

The statements that THE LEDGE previously made stand uncontroverted, with all of J L. Parker's figuring, and we do not feel called upon to offer at this time anything further. The fact remains.

Freight and treatment rate, 1900, $19 50

Freight and treatment rate, 1903. 25 00

Why this extra cinch?

NOTICE.

LIQUOR LICENCE ACT 1900.
SLOCAN LICENCE DISTRICT.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned persons have made application under the provisions of the Liquor License Act, 1900, for Hotel Licenses at the places set opposite their respective names:

A. Jacobson, St. James Hotel, New Denver.
C. W. Aylwin, Denver House, New Denver.
H. Siege, Newmarket Hotel, New Denver
Jas. Bowes, Victoria Hotel, Silverton
Dan Brandon, Selkirk Hotel, Silverton.
Hugh Niven, Slocan Hotel, Three Forks.
Michael Antoya, Roseberry Hotel, Roseberry.
D Sullivan, McGuigan Hotel, McGuigan.
J. L. Morgan, Cross Roads Hotel, Washington Basin.

A meeting of the Board of License Commissioners for the Slocan licence district will be held to consider such applications at the Court House, New Denver, on Monday, the 29th day of June, 1903, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

JOHN T. BLACK,
Chief Licence Inspector.

Provincial Police Office, New Denver, B. C., May 27th, 1903

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

DALKEITH and KELSO Mineral Claims

Situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Four Mile creek, near the Wakefield mine

TAKE NOTICE that I, Wm. S Drewry, acting as agent for the Wakefield Mines, Ltd. Free Miner's Certificate No. B 69131, 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 each of the above claims.

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

Dated this 27th day of May, A. D. 1903.

W. S. DREWRY.

THE LEDGE.

With which is amalgamated the SANDON PAYSTREAK.

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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.

Address all communications to—

THE LEDGE,
New Denver, B. C

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

UNION LABEL — TYPOGRAPHICAL — NELSON No 340

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1903.

SIR THOMAS SHAUGHNESSY is having a hard time proving that he cannot tell a lie.

A BONUS will be of no benefit to the lead miners if the smelters are to have a string on it.

THE Chicago laundry girls are out on strike, and they are no longer hot over the collar.

WHAT a blessing it would be to the Slocan if the mine owners had their own smelter on Slocan lake.

THE mine owners of the Slocan don't want to fight the smelter trust, but by jingo if they have to they have the metal.

HERE'S a chance for the walking delegate of the rooster's union. A Missouri poultry man has a hen that lays two eggs a day.

GRAVE robbers are gentlemen compared with the vandals who enter an unoccupied miner's cabin and rob it of its furniture.

AND now comes an ancient divine to tell us that Adam couldn't talk. We thought better of Adam than that. How about Eve?

ANDREW CARNEGIE ought to offer to provide a national insane asylum for the Canadians who pulled their shirts off when he said he didn't like Canada.

WONDER if Sir Wilfrid will send to Russia for a colony of Russian Jews when he hears about the Kishineff massacre? Or is he satisfied with his Doukhobor family?

A DISPATCH says that "the foot and mouth disease has revived in Argentina." The foot and mouth disease never abated in the Slocan. But in Argentina it is confined to cattle.

THE Canadian Pacific freight earnings last month were 50 per cent. over those of a year ago. Everybody in this section will believe the statement without further proof.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT has been having a trying time of late. On his trip to the Pacific coast he has met about five million rough riders who took part in the Spanish war with him, and has been offered as many babies to kiss.

IT is hard lines on a newspaper man when the town is buried under a mountain of rock, as was the case with Frank, or when the town is moved away, as with Morrissey. The Frank Sentinel and the Morrissey Miner have our sympathy.

A PROFESSOR in a Michigan university is teaching the pychology class how to make love. It is all theoretical training, however, and is a deucedly tame game. A man could gain more knowledge in ten minutes with the right girl to give him practical tests.

DISTANCE always lends color to an event. In a London paper a report of the Frank disaster was closed with these words: "The country for twenty miles around is reported to be covered with lava and scoria, and a tremendous slide of rock buried the town and engulfed the flying people."

IT used to be "Lo, the poor Indian!" But the new version is: "Lo, the poor Jew!" A St. Petersburg dispatch tells of the Jewish massacres at Kishineff, Russia. It is admitted that a carpenter had both hands sawn off, that women had their eyes gouged out, that some victims had their arms pulled from the body, and that scores of children were thrown out of windows and killed.

EMPEROR WILLIAM and his most learned professor, Delitzsch, are having a conference over Hammurabi, who was King of Babylon some two thousand years before Christ. William thinks Delitzsch is a fool, and Delitzsch thinks the same thing of William. Hammurabi is yet to hear from.

THE Methodist ministers' conference closed last week in Victoria. But the government ministers' concert is still going on. If it continues another week the guilty parties will have stolen all the evidence found against them, and everybody but Shaughnessy and McL. Brown will have been proven to be liars.

FIFTEEN million dollars as a bonus to the Grand Trunk railway to build the road to the coast is, in the present day, an outrageous expenditure of the public funds. If it were to be put into a railroad to be run and owned by the government it would be different, but to give this sum of money to a private corporation, is simply building a railroad with the people's money to be turned over to a stone-hearted corporation when it is built.

THE Ottawa government has a hot way of frying the fat out of the lead mining industry of Canada for the benefit of our American rivals. A heavy duty is placed on all mining machinery shipped in from the other side. All lead manufactures are shipped into Canada from the other side under a very small duty. In refusing to raise the tariff the government is holding the lead industry on the pan while the fat flows into the hands of the trust.

THE estimates of the various Canadian provinces are of some interest. The total revenue of Nova Scotia is estimated at $1,141,605, New Brunswick at $816,184, and British Columbia anticipates a revenue for the fiscal year of $2,222,568. Both Nova Scotia and New Brunswick show a surplus in their estimates, but British Columbia anticipates another deficit of about $300,000. On education Nova Scotia spends $268,000, and British Columbia $441,000. On hospitals and charities Nova Scotia sets aside $149,000, and British Columbia $88,000.

FOR a week or two before he left Montreal for the coast Sir Thomas Shaughnessy kept the wires hot with "specials," which told in his own words how simple was the position of the C. P. R. with regard to those land titles that were never delivered. Sir Thomas is certainly right about the simplicity of the case. It seems so simple that all this investigation is ridiculous. If all the men mixed up in the steal—ministers of the crown, railroad presidents and superintendents—were sent to jail for a term, the people would feel better and the treasury would be fatter.

ESTRANGED FROM THE FARM.

Rider Haggard has made a thorough survey of agricultural England, and in two bulky volumes has given us the result. He reports almost universal depression, depreciation of land, falling back of arable into pasture or waste, reduction of rents, and a generally dark outlook for the future. The main cause is the lack of labor, owing to the exodus of the rural population to the cities. The young men have departed or are departing, leaving only men past middle age, whose places, when they are gone, there will be no one to fill. The attractions and excitement of the city prevail, and farm labor is spurned as dull and dirty. Railroads and excursion trains have loosened local ties. Many things in this age of excitement and pleasure-seeking contribute to the general restlessness. But many of the farmers agree in assigning, as one cause, an unsuitable system of education, which estrange the boys from the plow. We may, at all events, take warning from what these British farmers say, and try to avoid the mistake into which we are lapsing of blindly entrusting education to a bureaucracy which naturally seeks to magnify its own office without looking to social and economic effects. It cannot be said that our system is free from the danger of educating the young farmer into contempt and dislike for the farm. The consequence of this crowding into the cities is likely to be not only the ruin of agriculture, but the physical and moral deterioration of the race.

WON'T WIPE THE DISHES.

G. R. Babbett of Osakis, Minn., is advertising for a servant girl. The Osakis Review prints his ad., which starts out cheerfully, as follows:

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Mr. Babbett explains that he has been without a girl for some time, and is as humble as an alderman before election. The girl may play the piano when she will, but he does draw the line tight at one place. He says:

"I will have to fish these summer evenings and won't have time to wipe the dishes."

THE WOMAN WHO KISSED HIM.

American journalists certainly understand the art of booming their papers. The editor of an Ohio journal the other day came out with the startling statement that he had been kissed by the most beautiful married woman in the States, and promised to give her name in the first issue of his paper the following month. The circulation of the paper went up by thousands till the day arrived when the lady's name should be announced. But when his readers saw the name of his wife, it was felt that the editor had better take a long holiday.

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THE CORRECT DISTINCTION.

When Hamilton Mable was in Minneapolis he told a story before a select company that will bear repetition. It had to do with the thoughtless ways of the late John Fiske, the historian. Mr. Fiske was often so wrapped up in a subject that it was difficult to get his whole attention down to everyday affairs. One day, while he was hard at work, one of his boys appeared in the study.

"Well, sir," said Mr. Fiske, looking away over the youth's head in an absent-minded way.

"Mamma sent me in here to have you punish me."

"What for?"

"Well, you see, I said that Aunt Mary was a fool and that Aunt Jennie was a dam fool."

The boy shifted feet and the historian appeared wrapped in thought Finally he said:

"Well, that is about the distinction I should make."

Then he forgot the incident and went back to his writing.

ABOUT MARRIAGES.

In each year in England 15 people out of every 1.000 marry. Of each 1,000 men who marry 861 are bachelors and 139 widowers; while of each 1,000 women only 98 have been married before and 902 are spinsters; 12 marriages out of every 100 are second marriages.

The average age at which men marry is 27.7 years, while the average age at which women marry if 25½ years. In England over one-half of all the women between 15 and 45 are unmarried. Married women live as a rule two years longer than single ones. If the mother dies first the father survives 9½ years; but if the father dies first, the survival of the mother is 11½ years, as an average. 2441 births occur in England daily. and February is the month in which the greater number of births occur and June the lesser.

ALMOST HUMAN.

A prominent physician of Philadelphia, was standing in front of one of the monkey cages in the monkey house in Fairmount Park a short time ago. Looking about he saw an old negro watching the curious antics of the animals.

The physician, hoping to gain some information on the Darwinian theory, said: "Uncle, they seem almost human, don't they?"

The old negro, with a most disgusted look on his face, replied: "Human! Dey ain't no moah human dan I is!"

HIGHLAND CLANS.

The following table gives the meaning of the names of the principal Highland clans of Scotland:

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M'Dugall, the son of Black Eyes
M'Onnechy or Duncan, the son Brown Head.
M'Gregor, the son of the Greek Man.
M'Cuthbert, the son of the Arch-Druid.
M'Kay, the son of the Prophet.
M'Taggart, the son of the Priest.
M'Cleod, the son of the Wounder.
M'Lean, the son of the Lion.
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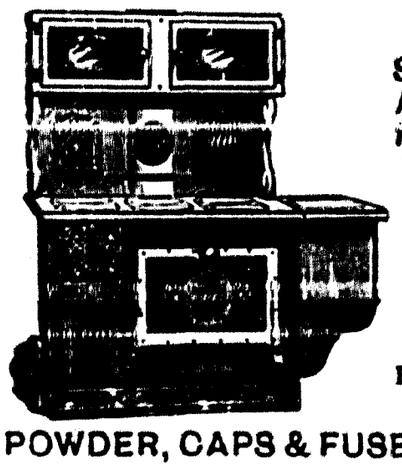

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She can hold discourse on physics
In an interesting style.
But in spite of all her learning
She steps backward from the car.
And she always stops and wishes
When she sees a shooting star
—Cleveland Leader

BRIGHT OUTLOOK AT ROSSLAND.

A significant sign of the times in the Rossland camp, and a happy augury of the fulfillment of predictions as to increased activity throughout the district, says the Rossland Miner, is the action taken by local mining companies in the direction of purchasing new machinery. In various directions new mining companies are preparing to install plants calculated to enable them to exploit and develop deep workings. the tendency in all directions is to go to the deep levels, and this in itself is among the most important developments in the progress of the Rossland camps

The White Bear company is securing figures for a 20 drill compressor and a 125-horse-power hoisting plant. The aggregate cost of this machinery, without buildings, is in the neighborhood of $20,000, and the buildings necessary to properly house the machinery will cost not less than $5,000, so that the company's confidence in the status of the mine is indicated in concrete form. The buildings and new plant are to be proceeded with this summer. The construction of the spur from the Canadian Pacific railroad to the mine is an important factor to the work to be undertaken, and the preliminary survey for the siding has already been completed. It is understood the winding plant to be installed will suffice for the requirements of the mine to the 1,200 level on the start and that its winding capacity can be easily increased

The Spitzee company has already placed an order for a 5 drill compressor, to be installed at the mine at the earliest possible date. The cost of the machinery is in the neighborhood of $5,000. The company also contemplates the immediate installation of powerful winding machinery capable of going to the 500-foot level without further additions. The cost of this machinery with the necessary buildings, figures to a substantial aggregate, but the Spitzee will be enabled to strengthen its treasury materially through the sale of ore produced in the course of development and mining about to be commenced.

GRAND LODGE. K. OF P.

The Grand Lodge, K. of P, of British Columbia, convened at Vernon this year. The convention was called to order by Grand Chancellor H. Hoffmeister. After credentials were read and approved the ceremony of conferring the Grand Lodge degree was performed on twelve candidates After filling the vacancies on various standing committees the lodge adjourned until 2 p. m. At the afternoon meeting four more additions were made to the membership roll of the Grand Lodge. The reports of the various committees were then taken up and disposed of. The committee on the state of the order strongly recommended that more attention be given by the various district deputy grand chancellors to their various duties, also that every effort be made to establish Temples of Rathbone Sisters, pointing out the valuable aid these ladies' auxiliaries are to the order. It was decided to have question cards printed for use in rank work so that the candidates may be better versed in the ritual. A motion that the Pythian Review of Montreal be made the official organ of the Grand Lodge, of B. C. until such time as the Grand Lodge sees fit to have a provincial organ, passed unanimously.

The following officers were elected:

Grand Chancellor—C. F. Nelson, New Denver.

Grand Vice Chancellor—A. H. Ferguson, New Westminster.

Grand Prelate—George Johnson, Nanaimo.

Grand K. of R S—Emil Pfordner, Victoria.

Grand M. of E—E. P. Nathan, Victoria.

Grand M. at A.—Wm. Irvine, Nelson.

Grand I. G—T. Walker, Victoria.

Grand O G.—G. T. Mallery, Kamloops.

Supreme Representative-Noble Binns, Trail.

It was decided that the Grand Lodge for 1904 will be held in Grand Forks.

BRAINS AND WEALTH.

It seems to be possible to have brains even though one is born to great wealth Cornelius Vanderbilt is known as an inventor of valuable improvements in railroad equipment Peter Cooper Hewitt has invented a vacuum electric light which will eventually make electricity the light for the people. Lork Kelvin, the great English scientist and electrician, said that the thing that attracted him most in America during his recent visit was the work of Peter Cooper Hewitt.

This vacuum lamp, by the way, looks something like a huge thermnmeter The electric wire at either end melts the mercury into vapor and the vapor transforms the electricity into an intense bluish white flame which fills the entire tube It will light a street for 100 feet and cast no shadow. Still another inheritor of millions who has made a valuable invention is Anson Phelps Stokes. He has just perfected a design for a floating battery for coast defense which is said to be economical in construction and maintenance, of great power as a weapon of offense and practically incapable of being destroyed

These are all, perhaps, who have made great successes of inventions, but there are many men born to millions, who today take honored places in the business world There are millionaires and millionaires, of course, and while some are foolish in some ways, just like people of less wealth, others have ability that would have made them men of mark had they been born to poverty.

A MILLION FOR A SERVANT GIRL.

John Farson, the Chicago banker and multi millionaire, age 48, has recently made a remarkable offer. Mr Farson owns a splendid suburban place in Oak Park, and he has had trouble as who has not in keeping a servant girl

"I'll give a million dollars for a good servant girl," Mr. Farson recently said. "Some servants leave to get married, others because they are misunderstood, and still others are asked to leave. The servants at my home generally leave to get married

"Now, I'll give $1,000,000 to the servant girl who will come to my home and agree to stay there as long as I live. This is aside from the wages to be paid I want some one who will always be there and will never want to leave. So far I have been unable to find a good girl who will agree to stick "

The thoughtful girl sees at once, of course, that she must surrender her hopes of a "man" and of a home of her own. She must give up all hope of marriage and of children of her own. and devote her life and energies to another. And all for what?

A paltry million dollars after Mr. Farson dies!

Good for the girls! We are glad that Mr. Farson's offer has not been taken up.—Minneapolis Journal.

TAKEN FOR A SHOPLIFTER.

The Baroness Burdett-Coutts was once shopping in Paris, and whenever she went from one department to another she was escorted by a clerk, who handed her over to another attendant, saying, "Two-ten," Struck by the peculiarity of the oft-repeated cabalistic words, the baroness asked the proprietor as she left the establishment:

"Pray, what does 'two-ten' mean? I noticed that each clerk repeated it to the next as I went from one counter to the other."

"Oh, it is nothing," replied the man. "It is just a password they are in the habit of exchanging." But the baroness was not satisfied. When the porter, a mere lad, brought home her purchase, she said to him:

"My boy, would you like to earn five francs?" Of course, he would be charmed.

"Then tell me what 'two-ten' means and I will give you five francs." The youth looked at her in astonishment.

"Don't you know, madam? Why, it means 'Keep your eyes on her ten fingers'!"

That solved the mystery. The richest and most generous woman in England had been taken for a shoplifter.

WEALTH A HANDICAP.

"My life was never destined to be quite happy It was laid on lines which I could foresee almost from earliest childhood. It has left me with nothing to hope for, with nothing definite to seek or strive for Inherited wealth is a big handicap to happiness. It is as certain death to ambition as cocaine is to morality. If a man makes money, no matter how much, he finds a certain happiness in its possession, for in the desire to increase his business he has constant use for it. But the man who inherits it has none of this. The first satisfaction and the greatest, that of building the foundation of a fortune, is denied him. He must labor if he does labor, simply to add to what may be an over-sufficiency."

"And you, Mr. Vanderbilt?" asked the reporter.

"Oh, I get all the fun I can out of life, and am quite pleased if other folks get something out of it also"—W. K. Vanderbilt.

UPWARD TENDENCY OF SILVER.

Silver is not so forlorn as some of the unfortunate silver mine owners would believe. Unless Tonopah gluts the market, as seems possible, there is hope of a material rise in the market quotations within the period of a year. Purchase of a large quantity of silver by the United States treasury for subsidiary coinage has already caused a strong upward movement, which will be prolonged by the government taking a total this year of something like 27,000,000 ounces, and perhaps 24,000,000 the year to follow If the white metal clings to its present figures for the year, which is probable with even a further rise, many good silver properties bordering the ragged edge of no profit will be given a safe margin Their operation, at the time of brilliant gold production, will exercise a most animating influence upon the mining world—The American.

A DELINQUENT'S PLEA.

Editor New Denver LEDGE:

DEAR SIR—I see in one of your recent issues that you are going to try the law on your delinquents I guess that is the best thing you can do for them.

I have a few spuds, but no money, so if you will send me my bill I will try and send you a few sacks of the finest specimens you ever sampled. I understand they are worth $1 per sack in your burg, and they are not worth a dam here.

Warm days and lots of grass; much work and no money, and the dullest country I know outside of New Denver.

Yours truly, A DELINQUENT

Princeton, B. C., May 7, 1903.

HILL AFTER B. C. BUSINESS.

The Great Northern's plan to compete with the Canadian Pacific at important British Columbia points it is believed will provoke a bitter fight It is asserted that Hill will run trains to Vancouver within a year. Work is well under way at New Westminster and Vancouver, but is delayed by the Fraser river bridge. Hill expects to push his line far up into the western foothills of the Canadian Rockies, making an especial effort to get the salmon fisheries, mineral and lumber business. Hill is quoted as saying: "We will go where there is business to pick up in honest traffic. Nobody has a monopoly of the earth or any large part of it."

CHEAP ADVICE.

An exchange gives its readers the following wholesome advice: "Pay no attention to printed articles or personal letters emanating from any of the cheap Investors' Guides. These are the real leaches and menaces of mining. The proprietors of many of these so called publications never saw a mine, and would not know a piece of quartz from a brick. It would not be so bad if their intentions were honorable, but they are not. They are in the business solely for what they can blackmail the promoter, broker or company out of."

SUPERSTITIONS.

A bee buzzing about the room denotes visitors

The crowing of a cock on the dooretep is a sign that visitors are coming.

Rats and ravens denote ill will, death and disgrace.

A cow seen with her head over the fence means some misfortune to you.

A bird flying into the house foretells misfortune.

Swallows and martins should be allowed to build near the house as they bring good luck.

FROM THE WASTE DUMP.

The Detroit Copper company, of Morenci, Ariz., is now engaged in erecting two of the largest smelters in the world for smelting.

It is reported that the New Zealand government offers a bonus of 8 cents per pound for production of the first 100,000 pounds of quicksilver in that country.

The management of the St. Louis exposition has contracted with a Victor, Colo., man to build shaft houses, sink shafts and run drifts at the exposition, that the people may go down to see the work under way.

In Cripple Creek the dividends paid during the month of April were as follows: Portland, $90,000; Vindicator, $55,000; Mary McKinney, $30,000; Strong, $25,000, and Acacia, $14,880.

The output for the Leadville camp, Colorado, during the month of April will approximate 70,000 tons of all grades of ore, the increase being due to the stimilus resulting in a better price for silver.

Arizona's output of copper in the year 1900 was 141,000,000 pounds, which, valued at 14 cents, would yield $20,000,000. Of the total the product was divided among the following properties: Copper Queen, 36,000,000; United Verde, 35,000,000, and Arizona Copper company, 32,000,000 pounds.

Miners returning from Peru state that an expenditure of $8,000,000 has made on the Cerro de Pasco properties, which are located 250 miles inland from Callao. A series of copper mines are found there that seem to be forging to a position of great prominence in the copper world.

The El Oro Mining and Railway company of Mexico, is engaged in installing a second 100 stamps, at a cost of about a quarter of a million dollars. Tailings to the amount of 200,000 tons have accumulated, and a cyanide plant with a capacity of 15,000 tons per month is to be installed to treat them.

It has been demonstrated that whenever the substratum known as blue lode porphyry is encountered at Tonopah, ledges carrying high values are sure to be found, no matter how great the depth. The strike on the Belmont shaft recently has extended the area under which this porphyry is proven, to a considerable field before held in doubt.

It is estimated that the recent rise in the price of silver will increase the annual earnings of the Amalgamated company, Montana, about $200,000, if the present figure is nearly maintained. Silver with the Amalgamated is a mere by-product, but can be made an important one whenever the white metal attains anything above 50 cents.

A correspondent for the London Journal suggests that the negroes of the South, in America, be tempted to the gold fields of the Rand by offering them 50 cents a day and board. He thinks this would terminate the race problem in America and at the same time meet the requirements of the mine operators of South Africa.

The American Smelting and Refining company, which owns vast silver interests in Mexico, has been accustomed to smelt the ores of that country at Perth Amboy, shipping the ores to their works in New Jersey by steamers owned by other concerns It has now established its own steamer line, chartering seven vessels for the trade, and will doubtless add to the number.

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From the Bull's Kennel

HANK REKLAW

Miquel Dinero is his name and he caught it while playing soldier down in the Phillipines.

All of the American soldiers who went to fight the Spanish, and to torture the Filipinos, did not go crazy, but a great number of them did.

It will be remembered that they were sent home by the shipload.

And many more who were not sent home crazy have gone crazy since.

Perhaps it was the heat of the Filipino sun, and perhaps it was the heat of the Filipino maidens that did it;

Anyhow, they went crazy.

One of these soldiers of the American inquisition hit New Denver last Wednesday morning.

He was a freight handler on the steamer Slocan, and, either from the excessive charges on the freight or the excessive freight on the charges (shifts), he went crazy.

He threw everybody on board the boat about as he felt inclined, and became so troublesome that when the Slocan landed at New Denver, he was pushed ashore to partake of the seductive ozone of this dreamy burg.

But he had a spell on, and the police had to hold him while the ozone took effect.

Senor Dinero is a powerful man and a fighter.

He rolled up his sleeves, and proclaimed the C. P. R. wharf to be his San Juan hill and defied the world to take it.

The world didn't do it.

Then he marched up town and tried to scrape up a fight, but nobody would fight.

He walked into Clever's butcher shop and slapped his hands upon a bundle of wrapping paper and wiped up the floor with it.

Hermann was behind the block doing the fancy act with a large cutting knife on a steel.

By the time the fellow had cleaned up the spot on the floor, Mr. Clever thought it was time to be heard.

"By dam; what's the matter with you?" said he, white with excitement.

The Senor made no reply, but took a seat in the doorway.

Just then Manager Sandiford came along, looking pleasant for his morning's morning, and the soldier boy threw a chip before him and cursed everything in sight.

Mr. Sandiford was not looking for chips and passed on.

Then Miquel went over to the St. James.

The first man he got hold of was Proprietor Jacobson.

He caught him by the throat from behind and played leap-frog with him.

Andy didn't think much of the game.

Then the fellow unbuckled the strap about his loins and began to lay it on the hotel man, a la the incident in the temple of old.

There wasn't any fun in this for Andy, so he passed.

Charlie Aylwin next came along.

He was on his way to his farm and carried a pitchfork.

The Senor didn't want to be crazy with him.

The bank was the next institution to attract the attention of Dinero.

He walked straight into the manager's office and took a seat at the desk.

When the "trouble man" came in, Miquel was writing out checks as fast as the ink would flow.

Julius was ordered to get him out, but the fellow wouldn't get.

Acting-officer McRae was called in.

When the checks were all written Miquel stood up and marched out without force being used.

Then a number of men took him up and carried him quietly to the lock-up, where he piled the bedclothes in a corner and beat them with his head and hands and feet.

DEMANDS A CANADIAN TARIFF.

At a recent meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' association in Montreal, Geo. E. Drummond, the vice president, voiced the general feeling of the association in demanding "a Canadian tariff for self-preservation." No thinking man in this country, he said, be he statesman, banker, manufacturer, merchant or farmer, can examine the trade returns of the Dominion without appreciating the fact that under our present tariff the United States is rapidly and surely absorbing our wealth and gaining such a foothold here that when the inevitable swing of the pendulum brings a time of depression it will curtail and hamper the further development of our native establishments, if indeed it does not put many of them out of business.

Fifty-three million dollars worth of American products were delivered into Canada in 1896, and $120,000,000 last year, of which $65,000,000, or more than the value of the wheat grown last year in the Northwest, was for manufactured goods alone, and this in the face of the fact that Canada's population has increased very little during the six years referred to. Hampered and restricted in our market, shut out of the American market by a practically prohibitive tariff, shut out of Germany for the same reason, and treated in a similar manner by all industrial countries, save Britain, where we enjoy no privilege over foreign products, despite our own offer in that direction, the position is unsatisfactory to any Canadian with a spark of patriotic feeling, and the outcome is obvious.

Five years of rebuff at Washington is surely ample justification for our government giving up the hopeless attempt for fair trade with our chief commercial rival, the United States, and warrants Canadians expecting that their representatives at Ottawa shall now and henceforth devote their energies to fostering and developing native enterprises.

A close examination of our relative tariffs will prove the inequality and injustice of the position, and that it strikes all Canadian producers alike, whether they be farmers or manufacturers.

NOTICE.

ROSEBERY, B. C., May 31st, 1903.

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., N. 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.
G. 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 19th 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 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 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.
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All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to Albert Ross, at his store at Sandon, B. C, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Albert Ross, by whom the same must be settled

Dated at Sandon, B. C., this 27th day of April, 1903.

Signed { ALBERT ROSS. J. G. McDONALD.
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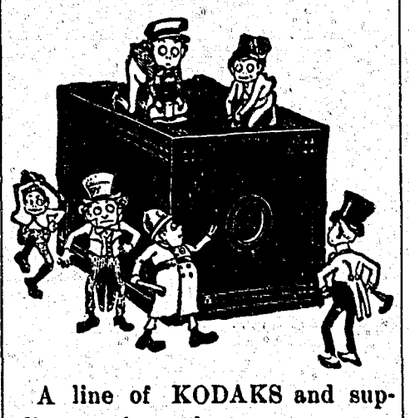

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CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

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TAKE NOTICE That I, A. R. Heyland, agent for Peter McDonald, F. M. C. B32385, Ellen McDougald, F. M. C. B32399, 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.

Dated this 24th day of February, A.D. 1903.
A. R. HEYLAND.

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 $305.00 in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claims under the provisions of the Mineral Act, between March 28th, 1902, and March 28th, 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 7th 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 Eight Mile creek, Slocan Mining Division, West Kootenay District, B C.

YOU, and each of you, are hereby notified that I have expended the sum of $307.50 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, amounting to eighty-two dollars and sixty cents, 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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