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CROW'S NEST PASS

Coal Company Hold Their Annual Meeting.

PRESIDENT ROBT. JAFFRAY DISCUSSES

The Proposed Railway to the American Boundary---The Financial Statement for the Past Year.

The annual meeting of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, Limited, was held in Toronto, Friday, the 1st of March, 1901.

The following report was submitted to the shareholders:

The directors have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders of the company their annual report, including a statement of assets and liabilities as at 31st December, 1900.

The net profits for the year, after paying all operating expenses and all charges of every kind at the head office and mines, amounted to $147,[illegible]. This amount has been derived from the various departments of the company's business, viz: The sale of coal and coke, and from the waterworks, house rentals, general store, etc., etc. As no dividend was paid for the year on the company's capital, the above sum has been carried forward to credit of profit and loss, making a total sum at credit of that account (including the amount already there from the earnings of 1899) of $188,774.52.

The coal produced during 1900 amounted to 220,458 tons. Of this tonnage 114,063 tons were sent to the company's coke ovens at Fernie, and produced 73,455 tons of coke, while the balance of 106,355 was disposed of as merchantable coal.

During the year the company paid out in cash the sum of $874,080.53, of which the payrolls amounted to $119,037.09, the balance of $155,043.74 having been disbursed for new coke ovens, additions to plant and for development work at Fernie and Michel. One hundred and ten (110) new coke ovens were built in 1900, which makes, with the 202 in operation at the end of 1899, a total of 312 ovens, with a capacity of over 450 tons of coke per day.

The number of men at present in the company's employ is about 800, and the number will, of course, steadily increase as our mines are developed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ELIAS ROGERS, Managing Director. GEO. A. COX, President.

Toronto, Canada, March 1, 1901.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—DEC. 31, 1900.

ASSETS.

Mines, real estate, plant development	$1,265,016.65	
Cash in bank	$37,501.62	
Accounts receivable	$57,005.42	
	$101,507.04	
		$1,370,523.69

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock—paid up	$1,000,000.00	
Profit and loss acct. Balance at credit, 31st Dec. 1899	$47,810.42	
Added in 1900	141,064.10	
		$188,874.52
Bills payable	$121,795.72	
Accounts payable	39,853.45	
		$161,649.17
		$1,370,523.69

E. R. WOOD, Treasurer.

I have examined the above statement of assets and liabilities with the books and vouchers of the company and find the same correct.

A running audit has been maintained during the year, and I certify that the books are well and truly kept.

R. W. MACPHERSON, Auditor.

Toronto, March 1st, 1901.

President's Address.

In congratulating you upon the success of last year's operations, it may be worth while to refer you to the erroneous ideas that have gone abroad with regard to the management and control of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company. We are, in every respect, a Canadian enterprise, with a large majority of Canadian stockholders, under Canadian control and management, and are giving employment to a great force of labor on Canadian soil. We are developing Canada's natural resources in one of the most important economic minerals, and are building up an immense Canadian industry, which is bringing wealth to the Dominion and which we feel assured, will constitute a most important factor in the Canadian industrial development of the future, unless our operations are restricted by a limited market and inadequate railway facilities.

It affords me great pleasure to announce that we are prepared to proceed at once with construction and development work involving an immediate expenditure of $835,000, and we already have this money in the treasury of the company for this purpose. This large sum does not include the railway project, to which I will refer later but will be devoted exclusively to development work, the building of coke ovens, dwellings, offices and other works in connection with the coal and coke industry of the company. We intend to build at Fernie, Michel, and at another suitable point 720 coke ovens, which will involve an expenditure of $540,000 under this head alone. We will then have 1,032 ovens, which will increase our capacity for coke production from over 450 tons per day, as at present, to more than 1,500 tons per day. Our expenditure will also include more than a quarter of a million dollars on mine improvements, office and miners' dwellings. These expenditures and the extensive mining and coke-producing operations that are to follow will create and maintain two new towns in the coal district as large as Fernie, which now owes its existence to the work carried on by this company.

There is a prospective demand, provided we obtain access to the American market, as I shall hereafter mention, for 4,500 tons of coal per day within a year, and in three years we expect to increase our output to about 6,000 tons of coal per day, a large portion of which will be converted into coke in our ovens, and within five years we expect to have a pay roll of fully $10,000 per day, which will be sufficient to maintain three important industrial centres in the coal district.

All business men will at once realize how important such a development will be to the country at large, as mining camps are invariably extensive consumers of supplies. Not only will there be the direct employment for several thousand Canadian working men, but a new and most extensive demand will be created for the products of Canadian factories in the east, and the food supplies from the western farms and cattle ranches.

It is only fair to you, however, to state that the present demand of British Columbia for coal and coke would not justify any such expenditures as we propose to make. This is self-evident when I state that the present demand of British Columbia does not exceed 1,000 tons of coal and coke per day, and we cannot expect this demand to increase in the near future, even under most favorable conditions, so as to justify such expenditures.

In order that we may proceed with this development, it will be absolutely necessary, to secure access to the American markets by the route that will put us in a position to successfully compete with the coal and coke producers already in the field. If denied access to the American markets, except by round-about routes, if delayed in our operations by legislative obstructions, if prevented in any way from cutting down the cost of production to the narrowest possible margin, our success in the field will be proportionately cramped, and it will be quite impossible to undertake the development now proposed.

Recognizing, therefore, the necessity of obtaining direct access to the adjacent markets of the United States, an application has been made to Parliament by five of your directors for a charter to build a railway from the coal fields to the boundary, where it is intended to connect with a spur line from Jennings on the Great Northern railway.

This is simply an effort to secure an entrance, by the best possible route, to an almost unlimited market for coal and coke, where we must meet the keenest competition. And without the market any large development of these British Columbia coal fields will be practically impossible.

The fear has been expressed in some quarters that the establishment of railway connection between the Crow's Nest coal fields and the Great Northern railway system will deprive the Canadian mining and smelting industries of a supply of coal and coke, and that the company may create a shortage in the Canadian supply to benefit American smelting interests. These fears are groundless. From geological reports, it appears that there are over 250,000 acres of coal lands in the Crow's Nest country, containing a supply of coal which is conceded by all authorities to be practically exhaustless, it being estimated that there are in this area 20,000,000,000 tons of coal. This would admit an output of 10,000 tons per day, allowing 300 working days per year for over 6,000 years. This is entirely independent of the immense coal areas in Alberta and in other parts of British Columbia.

We are at present prepared to enter into time contracts with the smelters of British Columbia to supply any quantity of coal or coke they may require, but so far as the local supply is concerned, its safety can be best assured by such development of the Crow's Nest mines as will be made possible by the building of the proposed line.

Successful operation of the mines on a large scale would be impossible if our market were limited to British Columbia and it were subject to the fluctuations we have experienced this last year.

With an immense coal and coking industry in operation, turning out from six to ten thousand tons of coal a day, the British Columbia smelters now in operation could close down or open up without notice, as often as they might feel inclined, and the change would not be felt. The smelters now in operation on the Canadian side, only require about 300 tons of coke per day. If we are restricted as to markets, there will be higher initial cost, risk of suspension through accidents, difficulty in securing labor, and in meeting any variation in the demand.

Although there is an immense area of coal in the Crow's Nest country that is of the quality for coking, we should not harbor the delusion that this district has all the coking coal on the continent. There will be competition from the existing sources of supply—from Cokedale, on Puget Sound, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Utah and Colorado. There are also immense coal deposits in Montana, Washington, and other places, which may prove, when tested, to be of good coking quality.

To enter and hold this market, which means from 5,000 to 6,000 tons of coal per day, the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company must have the best railway facilities available, and that is why it is absolutely necessary to build the proposed spur.

There is hardly any industry so universally beneficial to a country as coal mining and coke making for export trade. The coal and coke are both brought to the last stage of perfection before being shipped out. All labor is expended on them in the country, and there is nothing further to be done with them except to consume them. Not so with logs, not so with lumber, not so with pulp, with wheat, with wool, and with many other products exported. Every dollar that comes into the country in return for coal or coke exports makes the country just that much richer. The farmer, the rancher, the miller, the merchant and the manufacturer will all profit. There will also be an enormous direct revenue to the British Columbia government from the royalty. That government is now deriving a revenue of about $100 per day from our present operations.

In addition to the development of the coal and coke industry, the proposed railway will open up a prospect, and an assured prospect, of smelting development which will prove, from a public standpoint, of the very greatest importance.

The success of the smelting industry depends upon the ability to assemble the various materials essential to profitable smelting at the lowest possible cost, and if the proposed line of railway is built, connecting the Crow's Nest fields with the American railway systems, the balance of advantage will be decidedly in favor of the Canadian side as the place for establishing a large and profitable smelting industry. The Canadian people have but to improve their opportunity to stand out of the way and let the good fortune in.

In order to illustrate what I have said permit me to point out how suitable a place Fernie, or some point adjacent thereto, would be for the establishment of a smelting industry. There we have the coke, without any charge for hauling, while to carry it to any smelting point south of the line would involve a hauling charge, as well as an American duty of 60 cents per ton. The limestone required is to be found at Fernie, with no expense except the cost of quarrying.

The lead ores of British Columbia are now seeking a market, which is almost impossible for them to find, and those adjacent to the coal fields could, at a trifling cost for transportation, be laid down at Fernie or some other convenient point. The dry ores necessary to make workable and profitable mixtures and blends are not at present to be obtained in British Columbia, but are to be found through the adjacent mining states along the lines and connections of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railways, and the ore cars taking the coal and coke from the mines at Fernie to supply the railways and established industries in the states, instead of coming back empty, would at a low cost for transportation, bring back these dry ores to such a smelter. There is no point south of the boundary line where a smelting industry could so easily or so profitably be established.

If a smelting industry were established south of the line, there would be as above mentioned, the cost of transportation of the coke to the site of the smelting industry; the duty on this coke entering the United States; the cost of transporting the lead ores from British Columbia to the site of the proposed smelter, and the American duty on the lead ores entering the United States, which, upon the quality of ore found in some of the best mines in British Columbia, would probably be about $9 per ton.

Simply on the item of transportation, there would be the serious handicap of the ore cars bringing down the coke and ore from British Columbia to a smelter on the American side being compelled to return empty, and this would necessarily entail a proportionately higher freight rate.

Not the least important factor in the situation is the fear in the minds of American capitalists interested in the mining industry of the west that an export duty may be put upon ores by the Canadian government, and this would cripple any smelting industry established on the American side dependent upon Canadian ores as its source of supply.

That this is not simply theory, but the mature judgment of practical smelting men, is evidenced by the fact that we have the most positive assurances from a smelting man of large capital and experience that if we obtain the proposed railway connection he will at once commence the erection of a large smelting plant in British Columbia adjacent to the coal fields; and the virtual establishment of three or four more smelting industries at other suitable points in southern British Columbia, provided the proposed road is built.

The prospect, therefore, for southern British Columbia would appear to be exceedingly bright. Once the charter for the railway is assured, the construction of the coke ovens, the building of the homes for the miners, and the virtual establishment of two new towns in southern British Columbia, will await only the opening of the season. Scarce more time will elapse, from the assurances we now have, before more than one large smelting industry will be put under way, and hundreds of thousands of dollars will be invested in developing this important industry in that country.

With improved transportation facilities, as well as the improved smelting facilities, which would be secured, a smelter could secure freight charges and give rates for treatment that are now impossible.

It is hardly necessary to dwell at length on the resultant benefits to mining and other enterprises in British Columbia. These benefits are self-evident.

In every lead mine there are masses of ore that will not pay at the present rate for treatment; in every camp there are propositions and mines just too lean to tempt operators and investors. Every dollar taken off the charge for treatment means thousands of tons more of ore available, and proportionately swells the payrolls of every camp. Every dollar of reduction in smelting charges widens the pay streak of every mine, and brings new mines within the paying class.

It would be a great misfortune to British Columbia and to the Dominion at large if this opportunity should be lost, through the failure to secure adequate means of transportation. There are rival projects south of the boundary. Immense coal areas in the states of Washington and Montana are in process of development, and if the parties interested in these properties once secured possession and control of the market in these states for coal and coke I fear the coal and coke of British Columbia will stand a very poor chance of ever taking it from them.

The promoters of this railway ask no cash bonus or land grant of any kind; they simply desire the opportunity of expending their own money to construct a railway which will be of great public benefit.

We now have a prospect of building up a city as large as Butte in the Crow's Nest coal district, and I cannot think it possible that either the Parliament of Canada or the Legislature of British Columbia will place any barrier in the way of the industrial development of our country, or will adopt a course which may delay that development half a century. I therefore, look forward with confidence to a charter being granted; and, this being done, the development which I have outlined, will at once be proceeded with, but unless the charter be granted the development outlined cannot be undertaken.

The president moved the adoption of the report, which was seconded by Mr. Jaffray, the first vice-president of the company.

Mr. Elias Rogers, managing director, gave an interesting address, detailing the past year's operations of the company. The usual formal resolutions were adopted and all the members of the board were re-elected for the ensuing year.

IS IN OVER 600 FEET

Railway Tunnel on The Snowshoe.

AND IS STILL BEING ACTIVELY PUSHED

Work of The Diamond Drill Revealing Good Ore Bodies---Raise is Half Way to The Surface.

While comparitively little is heard of the work of the British Columbia (Rossland and Slocan) Syndicate, Ltd., under Foreman Trevorrow and his 30 or 35 men the Snowshoes owned by the syndicate, is rapidly being transformed into one of the best properties in the Boundary. The greater portion of the development for some months has been done in what is known as the railway tunnel, which has been driven under the track of the Phoenix branch of the C. P. R.

This tunnel is now in over 600 feet from the portal, and has penetrated two valuable ore bodies, and is still being driven. About 325 feet in a raise was started on an incline, and is now up 130 feet, nearly half way to the surface. In addition to this a winze has been sunk 100 feet on the ore, and that body explored to that extent.

For a couple of months the Diamond Drill Prospecting Co., of Spokane, has been doing some developing by means of the diamond drill; four or five long bores have been made and are still being worked upon. It is understood that the results are fully up to the expectations of the management. Owing to the use of power by the diamond drill, not as many drills for development can be used just now. Nevertheless three little giant drills are constantly pounding away in the mine.

A. J. McMillan, managing director of the Snowshoe, is in London, but will return probably in the course of a couple of months, when something will be known in regard to the 20-drill compressor which has been ordered for the property.

AIR FOR THE IDAHO

Will be Furnished From the Brooklyn.

ANOTHER COMPRESSOR BEING ADDED

Additional Temporary Plant Now Being Installed, and Pipe Line Laid Across the Valley to the Idaho.

In a relatively short time the Dominion Copper Co. will furnish air to the contractors now at work on the main shaft of the Idaho, work on which was started a couple of weeks ago. An additional 5-drill air compressor—similar to that now in use—is being installed at the Brooklyn shafthouse, which will not only furnish more power for the Brooklyn, but also all that needed for the time being on the Idaho. This additional compressor is only intended for temporary use, or until the large 20-drill compressor now being manufactured by the James Cooper Manufacturing Co. of Montreal, is on the ground. This will probably be in the course of two or three months.

The new 60-horse power boiler, weighing some 9,000 pounds, was hauled to the Brooklyn mine Thursday and Friday, and the 4-inch air pipe distributed across the valley to the Idaho. The length of this pipe line is about 1500 feet. Therefore, in a few days power drills—at less than one half the cost of hand drilling—can be used on the big property on the south side of the valley.

So far the shaft on the Idaho has been sunk about 50 feet perpendicularly on the ore body. At this depth it will incline somewhat.

NO SMALLPOX IN PHOENIX.

But There are Several Cases of Varioloid Outside the City.

A disease which Dr. R. W. Jakes, district provincial health officer, of Greenwood, has diagnosed as varioloid, or a very mild form of smallpox, was discovered early this week in the Granby bunk house. The cases were reported by Dr. Foster, and Dr. Jakes decided it was necessary to quarantine both the Granby and the Old Ironsides hotels. This has accordingly been done, both being outside of the limits of the corporation of the city of Phoenix.

The first case discovered was that of a man named Pope, who has been in Phoenix over a month, coming from Spokane it is said, and who had his room in the Granby and took his meals, as did many of the miners, at the Old Ironsides hotel. Several cases developed, but in each and every one, while there was a breaking out of the face, in every other respect the men were and are perfectly healthy. In fact, there are a large number of people now who do not believe that the cases are the genuine varioloid.

In any event, however, the provincial and city health authorities are doing everything in their power to prevent the spread of the disease—light though it is. At this writing there is not a single case in the city proper. About 75 men are domiciled at present in the Granby.

It is hoped that the few cases so far developed will soon recover, and that no new ones will arise.

Our Mines AND Smelters.

LATE NEWS NOTES FROM THE SEVERAL CAMPS.

The Athelstan, it is said, can easily maintain daily shipments of 75 tons of ore for a long time.

Notwithstanding the quarantine of 75 men, the Miner-Graves syndicate shipped 4620 tons of ore this week.

It is given out that it is the intention some time this year, to run the C. P. R. tracks directly into the tunnel of the Knob Hill mine, which will save much handling of ore.

Arthur Latham was awarded the contract for sinking 50 feet on the Idaho by the Dominion Copper Co. The steam hoist, removed from the Stemwinder to the Idaho, was started up last Monday.

R. A. Brown, of Volcanic and Sunset fame, stopped in town Tuesday enroute to the Similkameen. He says he is going right on with the development of the Sunset, and has acquired options on a number of adjoining properties, ten in all, on Copper mountain.

The recent strike of eight feet of ore in the winze at the 300-foot level of the Winnipeg has resulted in an increased demand for stock in that mine. Some of the finest ore yet seen in the Winnipeg is being taken out, and it is believed that shipments may be made in a short time.

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THAT MONSTER DELEGATION.

The suggestion to send a huge delegation, numbering say 200 or 300 business men, from the Kootenays and Yale to Ottawa, to press upon the Dominion government some matters of grave importance to this section, is unique in many ways. Delegations have been sent to the Dominion capital before, but never in such numbers from so distant a province as British Columbia, and it is believed by many that a delegation of that size, travelling across the continent in a special train, would receive due consideration.

Possibly the chief object to be attained is the getting of a bonus of $5 per ton placed on pig lead, so that a refinery could be profitably operated in Southern British Columbia. It is contended that thus, and thus only, can the drooping silver-lead industry be revived. Other matters will also probably be taken into consideration and brought before the authorities at Ottawa by the delegation if it materializes—as now seems probable. Every board of trade and every city council in Southern British Columbia is expected to send from one to ten representative members.

REDISTRIBUTION POSTPONED.

Once again the matter of redistribution has been postponed by the legislature at Victoria—until after the taking of the census, it is said, which means next year.

Year after year, on one pretext or another, the government, when approached on this subject, has quietly, but firmly sat down upon the proposition. It is true that in 1898, just before election, the Slocan was given a separate seat, and the Boundary was tacked to Rossland riding. This was good as far as it went, but did not go far enough. The Boundary is entitled to a separate member, and should have one. We have been treated unfairly in this regard long enough, and patience ceases to be a virtue.

We now have the spectacle in the house of one member representing as many constituents as five cabinet ministers combined. Nothing that the government members can say will efface this glaring inconsistency. Every session the matter is brought up only to be turned down, and the subject allowed to pass. As the Island will likely lose a member or two by redistribution, its members do not relish the idea, and the government, of course, holding the majority, shelves the proposition in the easiest way possible. If there ever was an unfair arrangement of this kind, here it is. Evidently, the Boundary will have to possess its soul in patience a while longer, and be thankful for crumbs dropped. But our day will come.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

Nelson, Rossland and Kaslo would like to have a lead refinery. It is to be hoped one of these places will be successful in the effort.

It is a cause for congratulation that the cases of varioloid or small pox discovered outside the city limits, are of the lightest possible type, and the disease will probably be soon stamped out.

The Cranbrook Herald has begun its fourth year of existence. From its patronage it is evident that the people of that East Kootenay town know a good thing when they see it. Here's even greater success to you, Brother Simpson, for the future.

There is a great outcry against the new school bill, and there seems good reason. The chief objection is that cities must pay much more than formerly, to say nothing of the raising of the revenue tax from $3 to $5, which falls hardest on the laboring man.

The suggestion is made by the Cranbrook Herald that the papers of the interior of the province form an editorial association. The idea is a good one, and we take pleasure in rising to second the motion. Such an organization can be made of no small mutual benefit.

Now that the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway people are in the field and seem to mean business, it is given out at the coast that the C. P. R. officials are willing to build the Coast-Kootenay line without a subsidy. Here one can see the first benefits of competition. There are others.

Close on the announcement, made the other day in Spokane by Jay P. Graves, that he and associates would at once build a railway to Republic, if an ore tonnage was guaranteed, comes the statement that the Great Northern will build the road without any more delay. It really appears, at last, as though Republic would secure its long needed railway.

WHAT THE EDITORS SAY.

A salt trust has been formed in Canada. These trusts are getting too fresh.—Cranbrook Herald.

Phoenix, in the Boundary, is one of the coming camps. Many think it will surpass Rossland.—New Denver Ledge.

Everything comes to those who know how to wait. Boundary is at last to have a county court judge.—Nelson Miner.

The Rossland Miner expresses fear that Mr. Carnegie will have given away all his immense wealth before Rossland gets a donation. Off hand, we may say we think the fear is well grounded.—Nelson Miner.

The city of Slocan, which has just been admitted to incorporation, aims to be strictly up-to-date, and will try the experiment of working its municipal government without a mayor. This is the horseless age, you know.—Province.

With a Ross as premier of Ontario, a Ross as commissioner of Yukon Territory and a Ross as power in Boundary the clan is not likely to be lost sight of. Neither will they be unheard, while the police will keep an eye on their canine following.—Vancouver World.

There is only one way for a mining publication to be of service to the mining industry—and that one way is to tell the public the truth and as near the whole truth as possible about mining properties. Unwarranted exaggeration of mining news from a particular district or camp does it the most lasting injury and retards its development along sound lines.—Northwest Mining News.

INSTRUCTION FOR PROSPECTORS.

Course Extends Over January, February, March and April.

Classes of instruction for prospectors, miners and others who are interested in mining are being held in Rossland, B. C., under the control of the Rossland School of Mines, assisted by a grant from the provincial government. The instructors are J. M. McGregor, B. A. Sc., P. L. S., and H. E. T. Haultain, B. A. Sc. The course extends over the months of January, February, March and April, and consists of a series of lectures and classes on five evenings each week. The course covers: Chemistry—A short course of lectures preparatory to the course in mineralogy and blowpiping.

Mineralogy and Blowpiping—Lectures on the elements of mineralogy illustrated by hand specimens and a course of blowpiping.

Geology—Lectures on elements of geology as illustrated from the geology of British Columbia, and the mode of occurrence of ore deposits, vein formation, fissures, faults, etc., and field methods.

Prospecting and Mining of Ores—The application of the principles of mineralogy, geology and mechanics to the discovery and winning of valuable minerals, and the methods and appliances in use to open up the deposits, and the various methods of ore treatment.

Mechanics—The elementary principles of mechanics and their application to mining, dealing with the strength of iron, steel and timber, and machinery.

Drawing.—The elements of drawing, such as will enable the student to make serviceable sketches in the field, the free-hand sketching of machinery and the principles of maps and plans and surveys.

There will be a small reference library.

From the B. C. Gazette.

In addition to the provision for the registration of bills of sale at the office of the registrar of the county court at Grand Forks for the Grand Forks mining division, and at the same office in Greenwood for the Kettle River mining division, registration may be made after April 1st at the same office in Vernon for the Vernon and Osoyoos mining divisions, and at Kamloops for the remainder of the county of Yale.

A registry of the supreme court has been established at Vernon.

Examinations for certificates for efficiency in the practice of assaying will be held at Victoria on March 25, and at Nelson on April 15.

Not So in Phoenix.

Mr. Curtis thinks that the census will not be a fair guide to redistribution, because there are so many Chinamen on the Coast. We fancy that if the aliens in the interior were added to the Chinamen there, the number would balance the Coast Chinamen.—Colonist.

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MINERAL ACT.
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"Apex", "Keystone" and "Smuggler" mineral claims, situate in the Kettle River Mining Division of Yale District.
Where located:—In Greenwood Camp.
Take notice that I, George W. Rumberger, Free Miner's certificate No. B9596, for myself, and as agent for Thomas B. Garrison, Free Miner's certificate No. B9135 and Patrick J. Dermody, Free Miner's certificate No. B9504, intend, sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.
And further take notice that action, under Section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of Improvements.
Dated this 24th day of January, A. D., 1901.
GEORGE W. RUMBERGER.

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The future of the Similkameen country is very bright and of late has been noticeable for the interest taken in it by large mining operators on the outside. The realization that this section of the province is without doubt capable, with development and the now absolutely necessary means of transportation, of producing both valuable minerals and coal, is gradually dawning upon those who are looking for virgin fields for the safe investment of capital. The solution of the transportation problem is now solved. The V. V. & E. railway company are preparing for immediate construction, their engineers having been in the field for some time; there is no doubt that they will secure the cash bonus, and will push construction from both ends. This line we hope will be one of many more to follow and will open up a magnificient stretch of country, both arable and mineral, and will be able to furnish the Boundary country with coke and coal as soon as the immense coal fields in the Similkameen country, recently discovered, are developed, besides connecting the cities of the Pacific with the towns in the Boundary.

The C. P. R. people are not behind and know full well the immense amount of freight and traffic that will be carried on between the coast and the Boundary country. So far they are far ahead of any other Railway company, having run their location line from Spence's Bridge to Midway. All railways, roads, telegraph and telephone lines connecting the Boundary with the coast will have to go up the Similkameen valley, which is the only natural pass in southern British Columbia. The construction of these lines when under way, the scenes of activity that characterized the building of the C. and W. through the Boundary, will be repeated on a much larger scale. The Similkameen country, on the whole, is by no means a new mining country, although rich new strikes are being made nearly every day.

Gold was first discovered in the Similkameen in 1860, and from authenticated reports is still in existence, and shortly after the Granite Creek excitement Rock Creek was discovered. In those days there was a great placer excitement and nearly all the traffic came over the Hope mountains from the coast. Millions of dollars of gold have been taken out of both Granite Creek and Rock Creek, and it is learned that the placer miners by the old method made from $5 to $50 per day from the bars and the bed of the streams worked, but so far none of them ever got down to bed rock. A syndicate has been formed in Greenwood to reach bed rock on Rock Creek, by the booming system; they have a lease on 10 miles of the creek and in a few days raised some $5,000 for working expenses. Already they have one dam nearly constructed in a most favorable place, and in the construction of this dam; in wingdamming the creek and crosscutting the same for the upright timbers, coarse gold has been panned with the ordinary shovel. The booming system is the only feasible way to reach bed rock, and it is an undisputable fact that should bed rock be reached coarse gold in abundance can be laid in Rock creek or any creek in the Similkameen where gold was extracted by the old methods in the 60's. Already Rock Creek Placer shares, of $25 per share, are in big demand, and there is no reason but that these same shares should be bid at from $500 up per share. The operations are watched by a large number of uninterested parties, who know that there are creeks in the Similkameen country far richer than Rock Creek, should bed rock be exposed.

The Cariboo excitement drew the pioneer placer miners away from the district, which, however, the Chinese continued to work and have worked since with success. Mineral claims were also staked in the early 60's for lode mines; when a shipment of ore was made over the Hope mountains by trail to the coast, the returns of which are said to have gone as high 37 per cent copper. Since the Granite Creek excitement the whole of the Similkameen country in general has progressed steadily, and until recently there has been no great mining boom, on account of lack of transportation, and only those who have seen the country and its vast recources know that, in the near future, when transportation is availible, the minerals in Copper mountain and Camp Hedley, as well as several other camps, will surprise the world.

Similkameen City is situated in the center of the Similkameen valley, 23 miles southeast of Princeton, and 22 miles northwest of Keremeos, close to Twenty mile creek, which is considered to be the center of the whole Similkameen country. For many years the people and prospectors thought that the townsite, or we should say the land which is now Similkameen City, was taken up by the Indian reservation. But, however, Mr. Frank Bailey in surveying the country for information for his late mining camp, discovered that a large tract of land in the center of Camp Hedley was not in the Indian reserve, and in the summer of 1900 he had it crown granted and laid off into town lots and blocks, on modern principles it now being known as Similkameen City.

The adjacent mining belt is about eighty miles in width, running for over 40 miles in a northwest and southeast direction from Copper mountain to Bullion mountain, on the east side of the Keremeos valley, and includes Camp Hedley, Stirling creek, Copper camp, Pearson's camp, 20, 18, 16 and 15 mile creeks, all of which are distinguished not only by the number of first-class mining properties, but by the large extent of ore in sight and the high grade of their minerals. The ores in Camp Hedley are chiefly arsenical iron and chalcopyrite, carrying good commercial values, while Stirling creek and Pearson's camp ores are chiefly copper sulphides of a shipping character. There are several properties in Camp Hedley, which can ship ore as soon as transportation arrives in the Similkameen valley below. The most important group of properties close to Similkameen City are:

The Nickel Plate group, which comprises eight surveyed properties, and is owned by the Standard Oil Company and the late Marcus Daly's syndicate is the most important. Considerable work has been done and is still going on. In 1899 a car load of ore was packed out to Penticton, which is reported to have given most satisfactory returns. In the fall of 1900 Mr. K. M. Rodgers, the superintendent of the Nickel Plate mine, constructed, with the help of the provincial government, a wagon road from Penticton to Camp Hedly, to haul in a large compressor and other mining machinery. The wagon road in the spring will be continued to Similkameen City, 6,000 feet below in the Similkameen valley, connecting with the main wagon road from Keremeos to Princeton. A short time ago there were 60 men employed on the Nickel Plate group.

Adjoining the Nickel Plate is the Copper Cliff and Mound, owned by O. Johnson, A. Jacobson, and W. Y. Williams, superintendent of the Miner-Graves syndicate. South of and adjoining these properties is the Rollo group, which was lately bonded for $180,000; also some properties adjoining, the Wellington group, were bonded for $45,000. Considerable development work is going on in Camp Hedley and Stiring creek, where some very good copper properties are located.

Similkameen City is situated in the center of Camp Hedley, being one-half mile from the mouth of Stirling creek. The townsite company own all the land adjoining the townsite, besides all the available timber for saw mill purposes. Already a contract has been made for a site for the erection of a smelter to treat the ores of the district. This townsite is located in the center of the whole Similkameen country, being situated about 50 miles north of the International boundary line, and about 50 miles south from summit of the Hope range of mountains. This valley is noted not only for its climate and rich soil, which has made its fruits and products famous and the farmers wealthy, but by the quantity and quality of its rich gold and copper producing mines, which abound on either side of the Similkameen river. The most noted camp in the whole valley is Camp Hedley, in which this townsite is located, being west of and adjoining a large Indian reservation many miles in extent, thereby preventing other townsites springing up in the valley at or near Camp Hedley, so to speak.

The title to Similkameen City is a crown grant, known as Lot 1968, group one 1 and registered in the name of Frank Bailey at the district registrar's office Kamloops, B. C. The townsite is ready for building operations, being cleared of all brush and stumps, and surveyed into liberal sized lots and blocks. The main street, 90 feet wide, is Similkameen road, which runs through the center of the town, being the main thoroughfare.

To show the amount of attention that this place is getting some 50 lots were disposed of in a few days and the demand is still keen. These sales occurred among local people who recognise the future importance of Similkameen City as an investment. Among those who have bought property in the townsite mention may be made of W. Yolen Williams, of the Old Ironsides mine, who is interested in two first-class properties in the camp, Mr. Keffer, of the Mother Lode mine; Mr. Jacob Fleishmann, of Vancouver, and many others in Phoenix and Greenwood. As soon as the wagon road is completed a large saw mill will be installed, and the building up of Similkameen City will, by all accounts, be rapidly continued.

Word comes from Spokane and Vancouver that several business men are coming out to the townsite with the intention of building blocks and getting in on the ground floor. Meanwhile the prospects of an unusual interest taking place in the whole of the Similkameen seem assured.

Application for Transfer of Liquor License

Notice is hereby given that I will make application to the Board of License Commissioners of the City of Phoenix at its next meeting for a transfer of the liquor license held by Harry Nash of the Phoenix Hotel, situated on Lots 8 and 9, Block 1, Rumbergerr's Addition to the City of Phoenix, to Victor Mommer.

Dated this 16th day of February, A. D., 1901.

HARRY NASH.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Licence Commissioners for the City of Phoenix we intend to apply for a transfer to John Knowles of the licence which we hold to sell liquor by retail in the Mint Hotel, situated on Dominion Avenue, Lot 6, Block 1, Rumberger Townsite, Phoenix, B. C.

Dated the 1st day of February, 1901.

THOMPSON & KNOWLES,
per John Knowles.

MINERAL ACT.

Certificates of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Alma Fractional and Fairplay Fraction Mineral Claims, Situated in Grand Forks Mining Division of Yale District. Where located:—in Greenwood camp, east of the City of Phoenix.

Take notice, that I, John Louis Grahame Abbott acting as agent for the British Columbia (Roseland and Slocan) Syndicate, Limited, Free Miner's certificate No. b 41161, intend, 60 days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for certificates of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of each of the above claims.

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

Dated this 26th day January, 1901.

L. G. Abbott.

MINERAL ACT.

Certificate to Improvements.

NOTICE.

Little Burne, Little Burne Fraction, Brandon and Brandon Fraction Mineral Claims, situate in the Kettle River Mining Division of Yale District.

Where located—In Greenwood camp, north of the Sylvester K. mineral claim.

Take notice that I, Sydney M. Johnson, acting as agent for James Marshall, Free Miners' Certificate No. B 7984, Thomas Roderick, Free Miners' Certificate No. B 7914 and James McNulty, Free Miners' Certificate No. B 79638, 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 claims.

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RICHARD MCBRIDE,
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The Local Grist.

Vaccination is now in order.

H. Bannett & Co., city auctioneers.*

The outgoing mails are being fumigated.

Grand Forks sports are organizing a lacrosse team.

Dr. Mathison, dentist, Greenwood, both phones.

For a second time the death of the Chesaw Times is reported.

Judge Bole held county court in Greenwood Monday and Tuesday.

$275 will buy a good upright piano nearly new, Greenwood Music Store.*

Manager Berkman, of the Victoria House, went to Nelson Wednesday.

Dr. Simmons, dentist. Rendell Block, Greenwood. V. & N. phone 66.

Mandolins, violin, guitars from $5 up, Greenwood Music Store.*

This week the snow has been going fast and Twin Creek is rapidly swelling.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Monnier returned Monday from a visit to Cascade.

Mrs. James T. Parker started Monday on a short trip to Rossland and Spokane.

The Nanaimo Daily Herald is the latest provincial venture as a daily newspaper.

W. T. Hicks has sold his clothing and dry goods stock to J. L. Smith, of Greenwood.

Mr. Phillip W. W. King, of the Showshoe, started Tuesday on a trip to Vancouver.

H. A. Small, representing Kelly, Douglas & Co., of Vancouver, was in town this week.

Comfortable furnished rooms for rent in private residence; apply to Mrs. St John.*

The C. P. R. has let the contract for the spur to the Morrison mine in Deadwood camp.

Nitrous oxide and oxygen for painless extraction of teeth at Dr. Mathison's. Both phones.*

James Wilks will organize a miners union at Ferguson, in the Lardeau, some time next month.

Stores and offices to rent in Morrison-Anderson block. Apply to McArthur & Monk.*

For lessons on the violin, mandolin and piano, see Prof. Kaufmann. In Phoenix every Thursday.*

Greenwood's city council estimates the city expenses for the year at $38,095 and the revenue at $36,322.

The government is making some much needed repairs to the lower end of the Phoenix-Greenwood wagon road.

Petitions were being freely signed around town this week urging the government to assume control of all railways.

According to the Grand Forks Gazette, valuable discoveries of petroleum have been made within a few miles of that town.

Dr. R. B. Boucher, physician for the Granby Co., returned Tuesday from a brief visit to Halcyon Hot Springs.

The Revelstoke Herald is urging the city council to buy and to operate their water and light system, at present owned by a private company.

The city clerk has a brand new book of dog tax receipts and a special lot of tags. Mr. McMillan can make out these receipts with neatness and dispatch.

C. P. R. passenger rates in the Kootenays are reported reduced 20 per cent, and round trip tickets to a one and two-thirds fare on the new rate.

J. C. Cruse, formerly with the C. P. R. in the Slocan, has been appointed storekeeper and weighmaster at the Standard company's pyritic smelter at Boundary Falls.

P. T. McCallum, of Grand Forks, has been appointed assistant census commissioner for the Boundary. He expects to begin his work about the 5th of April.

G. T. Williams has opened up a general dry goods and millinery store in the Graves-Williams block, on First street, adjoining the store of McRae Bros. & Smith.

The name of the firm of Morrin & Thompson has been changed to Morrin, Thompson & Co. They are expecting two or three carloads of new goods shortly.

Danny Dean, of Phoenix, met Fred Ellis at Grand Forks last week Friday in a ten round boxing contest. It was declared a draw. A finish fight for $150 a side is being arranged for.

The moving picture show, held at Miners' Union hall last Monday evening, showing the late Queen's funeral procession, etc., had a good attendance and was generally well received.

Postmaster D. J. Matheson is contemplating several improvements to the interior of the postoffice at an early date, making it more convenient for patrons. More lock boxes and drawers will be added.

The production of the farce comedy, "Finnigan's Alley," which was to have been given by the Greenwood Dramatic Co. Wednesday evening at Miners' Union hall, has been indefinitely postponed.

Manager Reere, of the Wm. Hunter Co., Ltd., expects to begin placing his large stock on the shelves of the new store, on Dominion avenue, next Monday. Something over a carload has arrived already.

Neil Stewart put in the lowest tender for the Delaney building, to be erected on Dominion avenue. The structure, 24x38 feet, will be three stories high but the third story will not be finished at present.

The city council of Grand Forks has endorsed the resolutions sent for that purpose by the city council of Phoenix, in regard to the open door policy in railway construction, &c., and ordered them forwarded to the government authorities.

G. L. Fraser, master mechanic for the Granby Co., has accepted a similar position with the Iron Mountain mine at Keswick, California, where 600 men are employed, and the company owns its own railway, smelter, etc. He started for Keswick with his family on Thursday's train.

CITY COUNCIL'S WEEKLY SESSION

They Seriously Object to Parts of the New School Act.

At Wednesday's meeting of the city council all members were present except alderman McInnis.

A letter was read from Smith Curtis, M. L. A., asking the councils opinion of certain sections of the new school act, now before the legislative assembly. After discussion the council emphatically objected to not having a voice in city money spent by the trustees.

Communications were read from Aldham & Blunt, John A. Coyell and Sidney Hayller and ordered filed.

Dr. G. S. Gordon was appointed city health officer at a salary of $25 per month, and he was authorized to take all necessary precautions to prevent smallpox getting into the city. No public meetings are to be held till authorized by the council.

The chief of police was instructed to notify all hotelkeepers to clean up their back yards.

The board of works was requested to lay a sidewalk on Dominion avenue where it was recently burned out.

OFF ON THE FACTS.

Where Did the Minister of Education Get His Figures.

The following table was published in a recent issue of the Province, pretending to show the amount expended last year under the old law for cities of the third class, on schools, and also what will be spent under the new and much objected to law.

Phoenix is put down for $2,500 for the last year. As a matter of fact, not even $1,000 was spent here. If the other figures are no more reliable, the maker of the table would do well to take a day off and revise his figures. Here is the table:

	1900-1901	1901-1902
Columbia	$ 870	$1,080
Cumberland	3,849	4,800
Grand Forks	2,500	2,500
Greenwood	1,580	1,240
Kamloops	3,910	3,840
Kaslo	2,490	2,500
Phoenix	2,500	1,660
Revelstoke	4,510	4,660
Sandon	1,430	1,080
Vernon	2,490	2,500

House for Rent.

Six room house for rent, on Brooklyn avenue. Enquire of McAuliffe, the tailor.

ATHELSTAN MINE IS SHIPPING.

Now Sending Two or Three Cars Every Day to The Smelter.

Within the last week, the Athelstan mine has shipped over 15 cars to the Standard smelter at Boundary Falls, and is sending out from two to three cars per day from the Winnipeg spur, when the ore is loaded—about a mile from the mine.

The property was recently bonded to the people interested in the Standard smelter at a good figure, the bond expiring on the 22rd of April, and in the meantime as much ore as possible is being sent to the smelter to make a thorough test.

Up to date the development in the Athelstan amounts to nearly 800 feet of work. This consists of one 100 foot shaft, two 50 foot shafts and nearly 600 feet of drifting and crossing. The ore body is 30 feet wide and has been explored for 200 feet, without reaching the limits of the ore body.

Sixteen men are being worked by Foreman Oxley, besides seven teamsters employed in hauling the ore to the Winnipeg spur.

OPINION OF NEW SCHOOL ACT.

Smith Curtis, Our Member wrote to the City Council.

A letter was received Wednesday by City Clerk McMillan from Smith Curtis, M. L. A., asking an expression of opinion from the city council on the proposed new Public School Act, more particularly on sub-section 4, section 7 and section 14. According to the former, a person to be qualified to act as a school trustee must be the registered owner of property of the assessed value of $500 or more, over and above any registered incumbrance and a British subject.

To this property qualification no particular objection appears to be raised.

Section 14, however, repeals section 33 of the old act. The last named section provides that the board of school trustees shall on or before the first day of February in each year give an estimate of the expense of school maintenance for the current year, which shall be met by the city treasurer, but should this estimate provide for extensive additions, alterations or buildings, the city council may refuse to sanction same, in which case a bylaw covering such proposed expenditure is to be submitted to the ratepayers for their approval. If the ratepayers approve, then it is the duty of the city treasurer to provide the funds.

Section 14 of the new act practically takes the whole business—except so far as the paying of the monies is concerned—out of the hands of the city council, and would enable the board of school trustees, with of course the consent of the ratepayers, to undertake the building, altering or enlarging of schoolhouses. No provision is made in the act to have the city council represented on the school board.

Mr. McMillan was instructed to wire that the council objects seriously to the financial feature of section 14.

Thinks It Is a Big Property.

V. Monnier brought back some ore samples from Cascade this week, from a mine in which he is interested about three miles from town, across the line. It is called the Mountain View, and is owned by Mr. Monnier and John Earle. The copper showing is phenomenal, and the average values obtained run from $13 to $19 per ton. The property is located 1600 feet above the old townsite of Russell, and estimates for an aerial tramway, to cost between $5,000 and $6000 have been obtained. With this tramway the ore could be dumped right on the track of the Kettle River railway, which it is now claimed will actually be constructed this year from Meyers Falls to and through Cascade. Mr. Monnier thinks he has a most valuable property, and it certainly looks that way.

James A. Gillis, who recently finished a contract of 100 feet in the tunnel of the Rawhide, adjoining the Snowshoe, has started on another contract on the same property. He is sinking 50 feet on the ore body at the top of the hill.

COURT OF REVISION

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision to hear complaints against the assessment roll as made by the city assessor for the corporation of the city of Phoenix, for the year 1902, will be held at the city office, on Friday, the 25th day of April, 1902, at 2 p. m.

D. McMILLAN,
City Clerk.

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Cheese, creamery 3 pounds	50
Salt, Sacks	10
Wheat Manna pkg	15
Sugar, 13 pounds	1.00
Cream, 8 small cans	1.00
Cream, 4 large cans	1.00
Eggs, per doz	30
Potatoes to regular customers per cwt	1.60
Oil per gal.	55

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