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B. C. PRODUCTS.

Total Production of 1903 Valued at $30,000,000—Exports $21,000,000.

Victoria, Jan. 20.—A bulletin issued by the bureau of provincial information for British Columbia reviewing the industrial conditions of the past year gives the output of the metalliferous mines of the province at 1,276,000 tons. The coal mined amounted to 1,680,000 tons. The total value of the mining output was $19,200,000, which was nearly two million dollars increase over the previous year, notwithstanding the strikes which paralyzed the industry in the early part of the past year. With the exception of the salmon pack, which was greatly below the average, all other industries show large increases. The cut of timber during the past year was fifteen per cent greater. The dairying output one-third greater. Fruit marketed showed thirty five per cent increase. Halibut and other fisheries forty per cent. The value of the total productions of the province was about thirty millions. The value of the exports was twenty one millions, five millions increase over the previous year.

Silver-lead Quotations.

New York, Jan. 15:

Bar Silver	58¼
Mexican dollars	44
Lead	4.55
Copper	12.62
Spelter	4.95

London, Jan. 15.—Silver, 27 3-16d; copper £57 17s 6d; lead, £11 16s 3d; spelter, £21 10s d.

Market Conditions.

Foreign copper speculators have again forced prices higher, and exports have been liberal for January thus far.

The leading factor in the lead market has raised quotations, but the attitude of purchasers of this metal is one of delay, only immediate needs being filled.

Tin is maintained by manipulation at London, but New York market does not respond, and trade is slow.

New Publication.

Two new publications reached this office during the past week. "Truth" published at Victoria, a paper that will not flatter, or register a lie; and "The Lumberman" published at Vancouver, which will be of material interest to the lumber industry of the Province.

St. John's Church of England.

Services will be held in the Church of St. John the Divine every Sunday evening at 7:30 except on the third Sunday in each month when the service will be held at 11 o'clock a.m.

Holy Communion will be administered at the close of the service.

Strangers are welcome.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Divine Worship will be held in the Presbyterian Church every Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock.

Sabbath School every Sunday morning at ten o'clock.

Choir practice every Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Pastor: W. T. JOHNSTON.

King Edward's Accession.

London Jan. 22.—In honor of King Edward's accession on January 22, 1901, royal salutes were fired today in St. James's Park, and at all other saluting stations at home and abroad. All commissioned ships in Portsmouth harbor were dressed, and similar demonstrations were made at Gibraltar and other ports.

Will Visit Sullivan Mine

Word has been received by James Finley, local manager of the Sullivan Mining Co., that Barney Layton President of the company, and Judge Turner a director, will be up at the mine some time during next month.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Russia Has Backed Down—France and England Unwilling to Interfere.

The Canadian Pacific asks bids from leading manufacturers for 40,000 tons of steel rails.

Japan's shipment of gold to the United States to pay for war materials are reported to aggregate $50,000,000.

Russia has backed down and is now seeking a way to conciliate Japan.

France declined to be drawn into Russia's eastern squabble and Great Britain equally unwilling to interfere.

Recent bye-elections indicate a slump from Chamberlain.

A large number of coal miner's from Newcastle are coming to British Columbia in search of work.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company will construct a new steamer for the Nelson-Kootenay Landing route.

It is reported that the Canadian Pacific will oppose and embarrass the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme.

A $100,000 fire, which might have had far more disastrous consequences, occurred in Montreal.

A commission of enquiry will shortly be appointed to investigate provincial finances.

The United States treaty with China is declared by Russian agent to be unfriendly and undiplomatic.

In Memory of Queen Victoria.

London, Jan. 22.—The third anniversary of the death of Queen Victoria was observed today at Windsor, London, and elsewhere by the depositing of wreaths on statues erected to her memory and by memorial services.

At noon a memorial service was held at Frogmore Mausoleum, Windsor. Dean Eliot conducted the service in the presence of the King and Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales, Prince and Princess Christian and other members of the royal family. The sarcophagus of Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort were decorated with plants and white flowers.

ENGLISH COAL MINERS.

Coming to British Columbia to Try Their Luck.

Montreal, Jan. 20.—Five hundred immigrants bound for the northwest passed through here today. Included in the party were a number of coal miners from Newcastle who are going to British Columbia in search of work in the mines, and who say that if they can secure work at fair wages there are many of their friends at home who will follow them out next year.

FORDING RIVER COAL AREAS.

Description of the Property Controlled by the Imperial Coal and Coke Company of Montreal.

56,320 ACRES OF CHOICE COAL LANDS.

Montreal capitalists have organized and incorporated, the Imperial Coal and Coke Company, Ltd., with a capital of $4,500,000 to operate 88 square miles of coal lands, situate on Fording river, north of the areas owned by the Crow's Nest Coal Company.

Coal Seam 22 Feet Wide

LOCATION.

The coal areas controlled by the Imperial Coal and Coke Company are situated on Fording river and are part of what are known as the Green Hills areas and comprise 88 square miles (56,320) acres of coal lands for which Fort Steele people have obtained licenses from the British Columbia government. There are three groups; the north or No. 1 group comprising 34 square miles: the middle or No. 2 group comprising 33 square miles; and the south or No. 3 group comprising 21 square miles.

supply of the purest spring water.

GEOLOGY.

The formation that predominates in these areas is the cretaceous, or the same as that of the areas of the well-known Crow's Nest Coal Company at Michel and Fernie, of which the properties of the Imperial Coal and Coke Company, as stated by the eminent geologist, the late Dr. Dawson, are the natural continuation. The rocks consist chiefly of sandstones of varying color and texture, slate, bituminous shales, and occasionally conglomerate. In fact, the cretaceous rocks of this locality form a syncline the edges of which rest on two limestone ranges belonging to the devono-carboniferous age, one on the west side of Elk river and the other on Fording river. The properties of the Imperial company are situated in the basin between these two ranges and cover a practically continuous chain of sandstone mountains of varying altitude, running almost north and south, and which are separated by valleys, gulches or canyons, running almost east and west. From these valleys it will be easy to mine the coal by tunnels to the north or south as desired.

Fifty-three Feet of Coal.

TIMBER.

A great deal of the timber of this section of Southeast Kootenay was burned over eight or ten years ago, but on these areas there stands a very large amount of the finest timber, for mining purposes, both dry and green, being mainly pine and fir. There is probably over 20 square miles covered with the finest green timber.

WATER.

Fording River, or as the Indians call it Swift Current, runs north and south with several bends through groups No. 1 and 2, and every few miles smaller streams or creeks run east and west in the valleys and gulches, affording an ample and constant

COAL SEAMS.

The coal, which occurs in seams from a few inches to over 30 feet in width, is exposed on the slopes of the mountains at intervals from the bed of the river to the summit. From indications it is more than likely that other seams not heretofore exposed would be found below the river level, by diamond drilling.

All seams on this property, like those at Michel, run north and south, and in nearly every case dips to the west. On Eagle mountain, (north group) the dip is to the north east.

EAGLE MOUNTAIN GROUP NO. 1

A number of openings have been made with the following showings of coal:

Prospect No. 22—3,000 feet north of Lewis creek and up the mountain 1,600 feet, seam 5 feet 6 inches, good quality coal.

Prospect No. 23—150 feet east and 25 feet above No. 22, seam 19 feet 6 inches of very fine coal.

Prospect 24—5 feet 7 inches good coal.

Prospect 25—6 feet good coal.

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LOGGER SHOT AND KILLED.

Fatal Result of Drunken Brawl at Jaffray.

A logger named John Magee, was killed in a drunken brawl, at Jaffray on Sunday night, by a hotel-keeper named Gillier.

Full details of the occurrence have not been received, but it is stated that the deceased was wandering around through the house in search of the bar-room which was closed, and which he attempted to break into, the noise awakened Gillier and his wife, who were attacked by Magee, who tried to choke Gillier's wife, whereupon Gillier snatched up a double barrelled shot gun and fired both charges into the deceased killing him instantly.

Gillier was arrested by Constable Dow of Wardner and taken to Fernie.

Werden-McLean

A wedding in which two of Fort Steele's most popular young people were the contracting parties took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sturgen, in Nelson, on Wednesday evening January 6th. On that date Mr. B. W. Werden and Miss Maggie McLean were united in marriage by the Rev. Father Althoff.

THE PROSPECTOR joins with their many friends in wishing the happy couple success through life. Mr. and Mrs. Werden returned to Steele on Sunday evening.

Matters Political

Ottawa—At a cabinet meeting held on Tuesday afternoon it was decided to call the House on March 10th.

Sir William and Lady Mulock have gone to Mexico for three weeks—another indication of a session before a general election.

The question of a general election seems to be keeping Sir Wilfrid Laurier, as well as other people guessing.

The Laurier government is showing a conspicuous timidity about going to the country.

Local News.

Dave Griffith was down from Wild Horse creek Thursday.

J. A. Harvey returned Tuesday from a visit to the coast.

Adam Wise came up from Little Bull River Friday.

Carlin & Durick sent a load of supplies to White River Friday.

R. D. Mathers came down from his Cherry creek ranch Friday.

Henry Thiry, a former resident of Fort Steele, is now engaged in placer mining on Poplar Creek.

AMONG THE MINES.

The Largest Smelter in Canada—Will Prospect With Diamond Drill—North Star Shipping.

Mining Notes.

The Granby smelter is now, undoubtedly, with its stand of two copper converters, the largest copper smelter in Canada. As there seems to be no trouble in regard to the supply of coke, it is expected that the smelter will be able to operate indefinitely to its fullest capacity, requiring some increases in the working forces both at mines and smelter, where now close to 700 men are employed.

The Canadian government will do general diamond drill prospecting for quartz in the Yukon district, two drills having been purchased for the work. One is at White Horse, where it will be used to explore the copper veins and the other will be sent to Dawson, to work on the gold ledges.

Mining is quiet at Moyie. The St. Eugene and Aurora are closed down. The coming spring however, promises greater activity than usual in this section of Southeast Kootenay.

J. L. Parker is sparing no efforts to keep open the North Star mine, which is now shipping three car loads of ore weekly to the Hall Smelter at Nelson.

The management of the Sullivan mine show no great mining activity. The ledges are monsters in size and plenty in quantity. The grade of the ore is good and carry values sufficient to stand shipment. When the shareholders have been sufficiently mined, and the property reopened, the mining public will witness one of the biggest booms ever seen in Southeast Kootenay.

The placer mines of Southeast Kootenay yielded more than $25,000 in 1903, and through increased facilities they are expected to double this production in 1904.

The placer properties on Wild Horse creek are located four miles from the town of Fort Steele, and are in most advantageous surroundings. Wood and water abound in inexhaustible quantities and the close proximity to gold quartz mines and other attractions make this an ideal camp.

It is claimed, that upon the construction of the Kootenay Central railway, the next mining district to attract the attention of the mining world will be the country embraced in the Fort Steele mining district.

Investments in Southeast Kootenay mining properties as a general thing have proved satisfactory to the investor.

It is well known that in the Fort Steele and Windermere mining divisions there are large deposits of zinc ores associated with silver and lead values. At present these are absolutely valueless and the only thing that will bring them to a market is the immediate construction of the Kootenay Central railway.

There is not a mining district in British Columbia that doesn't report progress during the past year.

B.C. Year Book 1904.

This publication does great credit to Mr. E. Gosnell, the compiler, and the printer. The paper, type and photographs are excellent. It is a good advertisement of the resources of the province.

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THE political pot is beginning to simmer. Hon. Charles Mackintosh, is the Conservative candidate in opposition to the government candidate W. Galliher, and though no announcement has been made as to the date of the general election, the impression is general that it is near at hand, and both parties are getting ready for the fray.

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While it is the right and privilege of every elector to vote for a candidate who, in their opinion can better existing conditions and to support the ablest advocate to champion their cause, it must be admitted that in the ordinary course alone, of dominion legislature, he has demonstrated that he is a fitting custodian of the interests of the people.

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The Conservative party in British Columbia has every reason for satisfaction and confidence in the men who have been selected as the standard-bearers, in every constituency in which nominating conventions have been held.

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The time is approaching when candidates for the Dominion House are to be talked about, and it is worth while for the electors of every district to look the ground over carefully with a view to selecting men who are equal to their duties.

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A glance at the conditions in mining as they now exist in Southeast Kootenay is sufficient to convince any reasonable being that during the present year the output of ore will be increased many times over that of 1903.

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There is no question but what this is going to be a great year in the industrial development of Southeast Kootenay. It would not be surprising if the Fort Steele mining division nearly doubled its wealth and population this year.

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Under the new Assessment Act the revenue of the province is estimated at $3,500,000 equal to a tax of about $22 per capita of the white population.

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Now that the United States has landed marines in Corea, it is up to Japan to watch the Russians during the day and the Americans at night.

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Disraeli says that the secret of success is constancy of purpose. The lives of many successful men prove this statement to be true.

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Old bachelors may be responsible for a portion of the flirts, but no doubt flirts are responsible for many old bachelors.

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With the Ex-ray instrument man is able to see objects through six inches of wood and read closed books, but the attempt to read woman's mind through it has proved a failure.

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To make a success of any business the beginner must realize that success is founded on patience.

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There are plenty of "people having a "fly time" in this life who will not be able to sport a pair of wings in the next.

Public Works Appropriations.

The estimates which were tabled in the Legislative Assembly on Monday afternoon, show a decrease in expenditure of about $50,000 from the estimates of 1903, being $2,442,354.31. There is, however, a very sharp advance under the head of public debts from last year, for which public works and other departments of governmental activity have to suffer.

For public improvements in Southeast Kootenay Cranbrook and Fernie ridings each get $5,000. In addition to the above there is provision for a bridge over the Elk river at Morrissey of $7,000.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land surveyed as Lot 4140 commencing at a post planted on the North West corner of said Lot containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated this 15th day of January, 1904.

3 R. M. FULLERTON.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a twenty-one year lease to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situate in South East Kootenay District. Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Lot 1897, thence west four miles, thence south two and one-half miles more or less to the International Boundary Line thence east along said Boundary Line four miles more or less to southwest corner of Lot 4591, thence north two and one-half miles along western boundary of Lot 4591 to point of commencement.

Dated Dec. 21st, 1903.

52 ARTHUR B. FENWICK

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that within sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing twenty chains south of the northeast corner of Lot 5806, thence forty chains east, thence forty chains south, thence forty chains west, thence forty chains north to point of commencement, containing 160 acres.

Dated 16th November, 1903.

47 GEORGE DOUGLAS, Locator

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works at Victoria, B.C., for a Twenty-one year timber Lease over the following lands in North East Kootenay:—Commencing at a post planted on the east bank of the Kootenay River about seven miles north of Lot 4596; thence east 120 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 240 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 more or less to the north limit of said Lot 4596 thence west along said north limit 240 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 240 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 120 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 200 chains to place of beginning.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1903.

JOHN EWIN.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for a Twenty-one year timber lease over the following lands in North East Kootenay:—Commencing at a post planted on the east bank of the Kootenay River about seven miles north of Lot 8596, thence east 80 chains, thence north 240 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 160 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 320 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 160 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 240 chains, thence east 240 chains to the place of beginning.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1903.

ANDREW B. GRACE.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I shall apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works and the Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works of the Province of British Columbia, for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described land, situate in the northern portion of Lot 4593, in the southeastern portion of East Kootenay District, British Columbia, commencing at a post located on the western slope of the divide between British Columbia and Alberta Territory, two miles west of the northeast corner post of Wm. E. Schricker's claim, the same being the initial post of James A. Moore's claim, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to the place of beginning, containing 640 acres, adjoining the claim of Alden J. Blethen on the north.

James A. Moore, Locator
47 A. L. Anderson, Agent
Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

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Dated December 3rd, 1903.

50 ROBERT LAURIE.

NOTICE.

Take Notice that sixty days after date I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, for permission to purchase the following described lands in South East Kootenay: Commencing at a point on the north bank of Spring Creek, about one-half mile from Perry creek, thence west 40 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 20 chains to the point of commencement, containing 80 acres.

Dated at Cranbrook, October 21st, 1903.

45 ROBERT O. JENNINGS.

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Fording River Coal Areas.

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Prospect, 26—6 feet 6 inches good coal.

Prospect 27—8 feet 3 inches good coal.

Prospect 28—17 feet dirty coal

Prospect 29—1 foot 4 inches coal.

Prospect 32—31 feet of coal of very fine quality. In this seam there occurs about 9 feet of bone and one foot of shale. This is a remarkable showing being by actual measurement from wall to wall on the surface 91 feet.

The dip of the seams on Eagle Mountain is about 20 degrees to the north east.

Thirty-six Feet of Coal.

North of Eagle Mountain and across a valley half-a-mile wide and about a mile south of the northern boundary of this property there are two enormous croppings of coal plainly visible apparently a continuation of two of the seams, probably the same as No. 23 and 32.

To the south of Eagle Mountain and across the valley of Lewis creek on Castle Mountain, the coal croppings are noticeable in a number of places, although this slope is quite heavily timbered.

Grouse Mountain Group No. 2 about six miles south of Eagle Mountain has been prospected as follows:

Thirty Feet of Coal.

Prospect No. 1—7 feet of dirty coal.

Prospect 2—2 ft 2 in. clean coal
" 3—5 " 6 " " "
" 4—9 " 3 " " "
" 5—22 " 8 " fine coal
" 6—8 " 6 " hard "

Prospect No. 8—3 feet 4 inches good coal.

Prospect No. 9—2 feet hard blacksmith coal.

Prospect 10—8 feet of extra hard and very fine coal.

Prospect 11—18 feet 2 inches of extremely hard coal.

The dip of all seams on Grouse Mountain is 45 degrees to the west.

BEAR MOUNTAIN GROUP 2.

South of Grouse Mountain, on Bear Mountain, on Deadwood gulch a seam of 8 feet of very fine coal is exposed.

Prospect 13—12 feet 5 in. coal
" 14—7 " 9 " "
" 15—6 " " "
" 16—21 " " "
" 17—Unknown width.
" 18—13 feet fo coal.
" 20—10 feet of coal.

Prospect No. 21—Seam of unknown width but at least five feet.

All seams on Bear Mountain dip west at an angle of from 40 to 50 degrees.

BANNER MOUNTAIN GROUP NO. 3

About 25 miles south of Eagle Mountain, and 15 miles south of Bear Mountain is Banner Mountain and prospects as follows:

Prospect 3—20 ft of good coal.
" 4—16 " fairly good "
" 5 to 9—15 ft dirty coal
" 11—18 feet " "
" 12—16 " good coal
" 13—10 ft 6 in clean "

Prospect 18—On the summit an enormous seam of coal is plainly exposed by a snow slide on Line creek. By actual surface measurement it is 53 feet across, and allowing for the dip of the seam cannot be less than 36 feet in width at this point. This appears to be the same seam as exposed on Eagle, Grouse, and Bear Mountains to the north, the quality of the coal being the same and measurement varying very little.

The dip of the seams on Banner Mountain is to the west at an angle of from 55 to 60 degrees.

TRANSPORTATION.

The Crow's Nest Branch of the Canadian Pacific runs to Michel, and it is reported that it is the intention of the C. P. R. to build a spur north to a group of 42 coal locations on Elk river recently made by them and for which licenses have been granted. It is also the intention of the Imperial Coal Company to build up Fording river. It is said there is no engineering difficulties to be encountered in building a line from a point on Elk river to the Green Hills, or up Fording river from its junction with Elk river. It is also possible to build through Line and Grave creeks.

The formation of this new industry backed with a capital of $4,500,000, sufficient to develop its properties and place them on a shipping basis, build a railway to the coal mines, erect coke ovens, means a great deal for Southeast Kootenay and the Province in general. The property is controlled by a Montreal syndicate, and a number of Fort Steele people are interested in the deal.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Southeast Kootenay. Commencing at a post planted on the C. P. R. line about 40 chains north of the St. Mary's River thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to the place of beginning containing 640 acres.

J. MEAGHER & D. HOWE.
Dated Dec. 12th, 1903. 52

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, we, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works at Victoria, B. C., and the Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works for Southeast Kootenay B. C., for a licenses to prospect for Coal and Petroleum on the following described lands, situated in the south eastern portion of East Kootenay, B.C.:—

Commencing at a post planted about fourteen miles north of the Flathead River, and about 19 miles east of the town of Fernie, B.C., on Block 4593, and about three miles east of the north fork of Michel creek, and about one mile west of the watershed of the Rocky Mountain Range, being the northeast corner and initial post of C. H. Rupert's claim; thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

C. H. Rupert, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent.

Commencing at a post planted on the northwest corner, being the initial post of Mary Neall's claim, and adjacent to the northeast corner of C. H. Rupert's claim, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

Mary Neall, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the southwest corner, being the initial post of Isaac M. Layman's claim, and adjacent to the northwest corner of Mary Neall's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

Isaac M. Lyman, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the southeast corner, being the initial post of Elmer E. Lyman's claim, and adjacent to the southwest corner of Isaac M. Lyman's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

Elmer E. Lyman, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the south west corner, being the initial post of O. L. Johnson's claim, and south and adjacent to Mary Neall's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

O. L. Johnson, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the southeast corner, being the initial post of Wm. Hudson's claim, and adjacent to the southwest corner of O. L. Johnson's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to the point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

Wm. Hudson, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the northwest corner, being the initial post of Mary Mahar's claim, and north of and adjacent to Isaac M. Lyman's claim; thence south 80 chains thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

Mary Mahar, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the southwest corner, being the initial post of Mary Douglas Peyn's claim, and adjacent to the northwest corner of Mary Mahar's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

Mary Douglas Payn, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the northeast corner, being the initial post of Wm. Hughes' claim, and adjacent to the northwest corner of Mary Douglas Peyn's claim, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct 19th, 1903.

Wm. Hughes, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the south east corner, being the initial post of Wm. E. Wheeler's claim, and adjacent to the northeast corner of Andy Reynold's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

Wm. E. Wheeler, Locator
50 A. L. Anderson, Agent

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works and the Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works of the Province of British Columbia, for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described land situated in the northern portion of Lot 4593 in the southeastern portion of East Kootenay District, British Columbia.

Commencing at a post located on the western slope of the divide, between British Columbia and Alberta Territory, one mile north, and thence three miles east of the north branch of a creek (frequently called Squaw Creek) which flows south about seven miles into the Flathead River, and east to the source of the south fork of the north fork of Michel creek, the same being the initial post of S. L. Crawford's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, adjoining J. Kinmer's claim on the north.

S. L. Crawford, Locator
48 A. L. Anderson, Agent
Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

MINERAL ACT 1896.
(FORM F.)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

TIT FOR TAT—LENTZ LODE—CELT MINERAL CLAIMS.

Situate in the Fort Steele Mining Diviston of East Kootenay District.

Where located:—On Shepherd's Gulch and Boulder Creek, Wild Horse Creek.

TAKE NOTICE that I, David Newell, Free Miner's Certificate No. B73161 agent for David Griffith, Free Miner's Certificate No. B69837, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 19th day of Oct., 1903.

43 DAVID K. NEWELL.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works and the Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works for the district of East Kootenay for a license to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands situate in Southeast Kootenay about twelve miles north of the International Boundary Line and about three miles west of the Flathead River.

1. Commencing at a post marked southwest corner of William McGregor's claim (this post being on the south shore of Cache Lake) run east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

William McGregor, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

2. Commencing at a post marked northwest corner post of M. A. Newby's claim and joining the south boundary of Wm. McGregor's claim running east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to place of beginning, containing 640 acres.

M. A. Newby, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

3. Commencing at a post marked northeast corner post of E. Anderson's claim and joining the west boundary of M. A. Newby's claim running south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of beginning and containing 640 acres.

E. Anderson, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

4. Commencing at a post marked southeast corner post of I. M. Hodson's claim and joining the north boundary of E. Anderson's claim running north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

I. M. Hodson, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

5. Commencing at a post marked southwest corner post of J. G. Putnam's claim and joining the west boundary of I. M. Hodson's claim running east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

J. G. Putnam, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

6. Commencing at a post marked northwest corner post of M. Kennedy's claim and joining the south boundary of J. G. Putnam's claim running east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

M. Kennedy, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

7. Commencing at a post marked northeast corner post of S. A. McCallum's claim and joining the west boundary of M. Kennedy's claim running south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

S. A. McCallum, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

8. Commencing at a post marked southeast corner post of J. Anderson's claim and joining the north boundary of S. A. McCallum's claim running west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to place of beginning, and containing 640 acres.

J. Anderson, Locator
A. Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

9. Commencing at a post marked southeast corner post of A. Wright's claim and joining the east boundary of Wm. McGregor's claim running west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to the place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

A. Wright, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

10. Commencing at a post marked northeast corner post of A. McHay's claim and joining the south boundary of A. Wright's claim running south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

A. M. Hay, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

11. Commencing at a post marked northwest corner post of F. Dinsmore's claim and joining the east boundary of A. M. Hay's claim running south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

F. Dinsmore, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

12. Commencing at a post marked southwest corner post of A. W. Anderson's claim and joining the north boundary of F. Dinsmore's claim running east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

A. W. Anderson, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 6th Dec., 1903.

13. Commencing at a post marked northwest corner post of D. D. Munro's claim and joining the north boundary of A. W. Anderson's claim running south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

D. D. Munro, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 8th Dec., 1903.

14. Commencing at a post marked southwest corner post of E. M. Hay's claim and joining the north boundary of D. D. Munro's claim running east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

E. M. Hay, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 8th Dec., 1903.

15. Commencing at a post marked southeast corner post of E. McCallum's claim and joining the west boundary of E. M. Hay's claim running west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

E. McCallum, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 8th Dec., 1903.

16. Commencing at a post marked northeast corner post of A. J. Dunlop's claim and joining the south boundary of E. McCallum's claim running south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

A. J. Dunlop, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 8th Dec., 1903.

17. Commencing at a post marked northeast corner post of L. Wright's claim and joining the north boundary of E. M. Hay's claim running south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

L. Wright, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 8th Dec., 1903.

18. Commencing at a post marked southeast corner post of J. A. McCallum's claim and joining the north boundary of L. Wright's claim running west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to place of beginning containing 640 acres.

J. A. McCallum, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 8th Dec., 1903.

19. Commencing at a post marked southwest corner post of E. E. McGregor's claim and joining the east boundary of J. A. McCallum's claim running north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

E. E. McGregor, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 8th Dec., 1903.

20. Commencing at a post marked northwest corner post of V. McCallum's claim and joining the south boundary of E. E. McGregor's claim running south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

V. McCallum, Locator
Angus Cameron, Agent

Dated 8th Dec., 1903. 2

MINERAL ACT.
(FORM F.)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Bodie Mineral Claim.

Situate in the Fort Steele Mining Division of East Kootenay District.

Where located:—On the west branch of the St. Mary's River.

Take notice that I, James A. Harvey, Free Miner's Certificate No. "B 60623" agent for Joseph H. Wright, F.M.C. No. "B60041", Chas P. Coon, F.M.C. No. "B60612", Robert W. Riddell, F.M.C. No. "B79578", and Octave Dubois Free Miner's Certificate No. "B84909", intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 25th day of October, A.D., 1903.

48 J. A. HARVEY.

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The Prospector.

SATURDAY, JAN. 23, 1904

LOCAL NEWS.

Al Doyle returned from Cranbrook Tuesday.

"Hank" Eller, Kimberley, was in town Monday.

Wm. Carlin was at Cranbrook Thursday on business.

W. A. Galliner, M.P., was visiting Southeast Kootenay towns during the past week.

No full moon in February. It is an occurrence that takes place once in nineteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Werden returned from a visit to Nelson Sunday last.

Mr. Curtis, of Little Bull River, was in town Tuesday on business.

A special meeting of the Fort Steele Board of Trade was held on Friday evening last.

G. H. Prider and G. T. Clarridge, Wilmer, were registered at the Imperial Sunday last.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Fenwick, Saturday, Jan. 9th, a boy.

G. F. Pawnell and V. Bannister were up from Fish Lake ranch Tuesday.

Carlin & Durick sent out supplies to logging camp in vicinity of Fort Steele Junction Friday.

The cold wave which set in Tuesday only lasted about 24 hours.

Mrs. Jas. Quinlivan was registered at the Strathcona Thursday.

T. T. McVittie, P.L.S., has gone to Galloway to survey timlimits in that vicinity.

W. Forest, Toukin, and T. D. Roche, Pincher Creek, were registered at the Imperial Thursday.

Dr. H. Watt has gone to the coast on important business.

Charles Chapman who has been trapping in the vicinity of White river, is reported as having caught 45 marten.

Miss McInnes, Gateway, came in on Tuesday's stage; and in the future will reside with her mother at Steele.

Wife—Oh, dear! I don't know what to wear at the swell dance. Husband—You'll have to wear something, that's a cinch

The Canadian Pacific railway will ask the Dominion government for an extension of charter for a railway from Golden to Fort Steele.

Wm. Langley and D. McNeish were at Cranbrook Thursday attending a liberal meeting at which W. A. Galliher was the principal speaker.

Tom Rookes received a telegram Wednesday from St. John's N.B., stating that James Ryan and Miss Anna Northrop were to be married that afternoon.

Among the visitors to Fort Steele during the past week was W. E. Johnson, of Curlew, Wash. Mr. Johnson is an old-timer in this district. His many friends were glad to see him.

Skating is good on Wild Horse creek just below town. Not many young men have as yet taken advantage of the opportunity, and it is whispered, that the girls are expected to ask the boys to skate with them.

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By order of the board
H. CAMPBELL OSWALD, Secretary
Montreal, January 15th, 1904. 4

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