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EAST KOOTENAY.

Increased Interest in Placer Mining.—Expansion and Growth of Coal Mining.

But for coal mining activity the showing made by East Kootenay in 1903 would be poor indeed. The conditions which retarded the expansion of the silver-lead mining in West Kootenay were equally unfavorable to activity in the silver-lead mines of this section, and consequently the only mine of importance continuing production was the North Star at Kimberley, from which for the major portion of the year shipments to the Nelson smelter were maintained. Late this summer, however, the Sullivan Company was successfully reorganized and its indebtedness removed by an issue of debentures or bonds and work was resumed at the mine, a shipment of ore from the dump being made after it had became known that a government bounty on lead had come into effect. Again, recently, preparations were ordered to be made at the St. Eugene in readiness for the resumption of shipping operations early in the spring, and in general the outlook for a very active season in 1904 is distinctly favorable. In the Windermere district, the Paradise mine continues to enjoy precedence in point of productive importance, several shipments of ore having been made until recently, when these operations were suspended during the installation of an aerial tramway, by which in the future the ore will be more economically handled. Several other properties in this locality have been developed with success, including the Ptarmigan, which is proving a very valuable property. The year has witnessed an increased interest in, and devotion to, placer mine working. Several important developments in this regard having taken place. The chief centres of activity have been Wild Horse creek, Perry creek and Bull river A company was recently incorporated to carry out a large undertaking on Bull river, the intention being to dam the current of the stream above the falls, convey the water through a flume, using it for power purposes and the generation of electricity; and work the bed of the stream for gold when the stream has thus been diverted. The project is a bold one, and future developments are awaited with much interest.

But of mining developments in East Kootenay, all else fades into insignificance in comparison with the remarkable growth and expansion of the coal mining industry in the Crow's Nest Pass, production of late having been quite double that of 1902, averaging about 70,000 tons monthly Very large installations of machinery and other equipment have also been made during the past year, including lighting by electricity the mines at Morrisey The number of coke ovens at Michel and Morrisey have been considerably augmented, with the result that the fuel requirements of the local smelters have at length been satisfied. Despite the strike and other interruptions to continuous operation the coal and coke output this year is at least fifty per cent in advance of any previous achievement in this respect. The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, which has heretofore enjoyed a monopoly, is, if reports are to be relied upon, to shortly to experience competition in the coal trade, a new company having recently been organized in Montreal with a capital of four and a half million dollars to develop and operate extensive coal measures in the Fording river area. —Colonist.

Among the Craft.

The regular monthly meeting of North Star Lodge A.F. & A.M. was held in Masonic hall Tuesday evening. There was an initiation.

The next regular monthly meeting of Rocky Mountain Chapter, R.A.M., will be held Tuesday evening January 12th, at Masonic Hall.

DAILY MAIL SERVICE.

Three Cent Fare on Jennings Line North to Morrissey.

The Great Northern has announced a reduction in its passenger rates between Jennings and Morrissey. The reduction is to three cents per mile, like all other portions of the line. The reduced rates went into effect January 1st.

The United States government has made arrangements for a daily mail service between Jennings and Gateway.

The above changes will be much appreciated by those who live along the line, and the traveling public which have business in British Columbia.

News Notes.

Hon. James Sutherland, minister of public works, says that Port Simpson will be the terminal of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

The United States wants China to keep out of trouble and preserve peace with Russia.

Japan has been promised a war loan in London.

It is reported that the coal mines at Frank, Albt., have been closed down indefinitely.

London papers are sending war correspondents to the far east.

It is now stated that the French islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon would prefer annexation to Canada rather than to the United States.

The United States fleets on either side of the Isthmus of Panama are being largely reinforced.

At a tariff meeting in the Mid Devon election a riot ensued preventing the Chamberlain speakers being heard.

A crisis is at hand in the far east. The landing of American marines is significant that the danger point is near.

President Roosevelt is both praised and blamed for his actions regarding Panama.

Eastern Canada and many of the Atlantic coast states are shivering in below zero weather.

Mining Notes.

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

During the last year California produced twice as much gold as Alaska, and Colorado more than three times as much.

The product of mines and forests for 1903 are valued at $21,600,000. As compared with 1902, the year 1903 has been a fairly prosperous one for British Columbia.

The product of East Kootenay mines, coal and coke are valued at $2,000,000.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

Hon. Charles H. Mackintosh Elected as the Conservative Standard Bearer.

The Liberal Conservative convention for the Kootenay constituency met at Nelson Wednesday and nominated Hon. Charles H. Mackintosh, of Rossland, as candidate for the Dominion House.

Hon. Robert F. Green was elected chairman.

Thomas Taylor, M.L.A., of Revelstoke placed in nomination the name of Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, of Rossland. Robert Weir of Nelson, and Donald Gunn, of Rossland, seconded the nomination.

J. A. Harvey, of Fort Steele, was placed in nomination by G. H. Thompson.

The name of Charles W. McAnn was put before the convention by Leander Hanna, of Kaslo After the nomination was duly seconded the nominations were closed.

Mr. J. A. Harvey then withdrew his name. He charged the Dominion government with neglecting the wants of British Columbia.

The official ballot was then taken and resulted in the selection of Hon. C. H. Mackintosh as the standard bearer of the Conservatives. The result of the ballot being, Mackintosh 24, McAnn 14.

The nomination was received with the greatest enthusiasm. Mr. Mackintosh was called on for a speech, and in responding spoke warmly of the record made by the Conservative party under Sir John A. Macdonald and for what the party had done for Canada.

Mr. McAnn, the defeated candidate for the nomination, made a neat and forcible speech in which he stated that he would take off his coat and work with all the energy that there was in him to secure the return of Mr. Mackintosh.

The committee on resolutions reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, that this convention hereby expresses its full confidence in Hon. Richard McBride and his government in the province of British Columbia.

Resolved, that each and every person nominated at the convention as a candidate to contest the constituency of Kootenay, and their nominators and seconders do pledge themselves to loyally support and assist in the election of the successfull nominee.

Resolved, this meeting, convened for the nomination of a Conservative candidate to contest the constituency of Kootenay at the next general election, heartily expresses confidence in R. L. Borden and the policy he has expounded since becoming leader of his Majesty's loyal opposition at Ottawa.

Members of the executive committee were then elected as follows:—A. H. Macneil, of Rossland; John Houston, of Nelson; William Hunter, of Slocan; T. Taylor, of Revelstoke; R. F. Green, of Kaslo; Harry Wright of Ymir and G. T. Rogers of Cranbrook.

The executive committee selected A. H. Macneil of Rossland as president; G. T. Rogers of Cranbrook, vice-president; William Hunter of Slocan as secretary and treasurer.

This concluded the business of the convention.

DELEGATES ENTERTAINED.

Some 70 persons were present in the dining room of the Grand Central hotel and partook of an elaborate feast, during which Warriner's orchestra discoursed sweet music. Protection, protection pure and simple and the highest protective tariff was the keynote of the speeches delivered at the banquet.

DISTRICT NEWS.

Morrissey News.

Dispatch, Morrissey Mines.

F. C. Winkler has been transferred to the Coal Company's office at Fernie.

J. McGregor, of Nelson, is acting Inspector of mines for this district in the place of A. Dick who is taking some holidays. Mr. McGregor arrived in town last evening.

Commencing Monday 28th Dec., the regular way freight trains running between Cranbrook and Macleod will carry passengers. These trains in connection with No's 3 and 4 will be ample to accommodate all local travel and requests for permits to ride on other freight trains will not be considered.

The inquest on the death of Stephen Hunter who was accidentally killed in the Coal Creek mines was held on Monday evening at Fernie before coroner Forbes. Eleven witnesses were examined, and the jury had no difficulty in agreeing that no censure was due to anybody. The only point in which any doubt existed was a boom stick which had been displaced near where the accident occurred by men on the preceding shift. Porter, the companion of Hunter had taken the idle support to assist in timbering where he was working. The mine inspector stated that Porter had done the wisest thing.

Fernie News.

From the Free Press.

A neat little building has been erected at the rear of the Coal Company building, to be occupied by the geological department where Mr. McEvoy will have his headquarters.

Several coke oven doors were smashed in by malicious persons on Wednesday night. This results in the loss of the coke, and and if not detected in time often serious injury is done to the oven itself. Naturally certain associations relate this act with the row of Sunday evening. The police are looking for the offenders.

"An unqualified success!" is a general term which expresses the opinion of the many guests who attended the second annual ball and reception of Elk River Lodge, A.F. & A.M., held in Princess Hall on New Year's eve

Windermere Notes

From the Outcrop.

On Tuesday evening Columbia Lodge No. 38, A.F. & A.M., installed the following officers for the ensuing year: R. A. Power, W.M.; G. A. Starke, Sr. Warden; R. W. Patmore, Jr. Warden; J. Bulman, Sr. Deacon; E. Stoddart, Jr. Deacon; E. Smyth, Inner Guard; C. Cameron, Tyler E. N. Russell and B. Hewetson, Stewards; J. C. Pitts, Sec-Treas.

Percy Lake rode from Athalmer to Golden last week to visit his friends there. In the east it would be considered a great feat for a boy of 14 years to ride his pony a distance of over 80 miles, but our boys think little of such a ride.

SOUTHEAST KOOTENAY MINING

Quartz and Placer Mining in the Fort Steele Mining District—Mining Records of Interest.

The past year has been quiet in the Fort Steele mining division and but little more than assessment work has been done on the various properties, with the single exception of the North Star, which has been a fairly constant shipper.

In placer mining Wild Horse creek, Perry creek, and Bull river have shown a considerable amount of activity, and several companies are at present either engaged in working their properties or are making arrangements for the early development of their holdings.

On Perry creek four large companies have been operating by hydraulic methods and very encouraging prospects have resulted from the working of the top gravel to bedrock.

WILD HORSE CREEK.

The past season has witnessed considerable activity in this historic old placer camp. Six companies have been operating hydraulically, and results were moderately satisfactory. The present creek bed proper has been pretty well worked out but the gravel banks on both sides of the creek, having a thickness of 20 to 40 feet, and have been proved to be fairly rich in gold. Water is abundant and piping was carried on all through the season. The output of gold for the past year is estimated at about $25,000.

BULL RIVER PLACERS.

Probably the most important and costly enterprise in the district, at this time, is that of diverting the water of Bull river through a large flume 10 feet in width and two and a half miles in length, for the development of power, and the working of the bed of the river as a placer mine.

During the past summer, The Gold River Mining and Power Company have built a wagon road from the main trunk road to this property, a distance of over a mile. Mess and bunk houses have been erected; and a twenty-foot right of way for the big flume has been cut out and graded for two and a half miles. A number of men are employed in getting out timber preparatory to the installation of a sawmill. The lumber will be used in the construction of the big flume. An electric power plant, also modern hydraulic machinery will be installed next summer, and the company have every confidence that the property will yet yield them handsome returns.

QUARTZ MINING.

Quartz mining in the Fort Steele division has not been as marked as was anticipated; comparatively but little has been done among the big silver lead properties. At the St. Eugene no shipments were made; operations at the Sullivan were at a standstill for the greater part of the year. The North Star has been the only shipping mine in this district during the past year.

The syndicate owning the immense deposits of iron at Bull river did but little work during the past season. The claims have been surveyed preparatory to crown granting.

RECORDS FOR THE PAST YEAR.

The following list shows that there has been a decline in prospecting during the past year, that fewer assessments are being performed, also that the poorer prospects have been weeded out.

One hundred and sixty-nine claims are held under crown grants or certificates of improvements.

Three hundred and thirty-five certificates of work were issued in 1902.

One hundred and ninety-three new mineral locations were recorded in 1903.

The total number of existing claims in Southeast Kootenay is 696.

Eighty-seven transfers of mineral claims were made during the year.

The number of free miner's certificates issued was an even 400.

The production of the Crow's Nest collieries show an increased production of at least 50% over that of 1902.

ALL NATIONS INVOLVED.

If Russo-Japanese War Starts it May Last a Century.

Bangor, Maine, Jan. 5.—Dean M. E. Walse, of the university of Maine law school, who for 12 years held an educational position in Japan under the emperor says that in the event of conflict between Russia and Japan, "a man who at 25 years of age hears the first gun fired will never live to see the end of the strife.

"It will take from 80 to 100 years to settle matters," he continues; "not that I mean that the whole world will be engaged in the battle, nor that the globe will be despoiled, neither do I mean that England will not be England, or that Germany or the United States will not bear the same name, but there will be a succession of terrible wars in which all nations will be concerned. In the end China will be a greatly enlightened nation, and the question in the far east will be settled forever."

Christmas at Wardner.

In connection with above, a very successful and enjoyable evening was spent in the Public School-room at Wardner on the 31st. The school-room which was very tastefully decorated for the occasion with mottoes and evergreens was filled to overflowing. Mr. W. T. Johnston, Presbyterian Missionary presided. The programme, of the evening in question, which was both, varied, interesting, and instructive was contributed mainly by the pupils of the school, who were specially prepared by Miss Bruntin (teacher) Miss Donohoe and Mr. Willson (station agent at Wardner.

The action songs, choruses, and dramatic dialogues clearly demonstrated Miss Druntin's talent and industry as a teacher, and she, and Miss Donohoe well deserved the unstinted praise their pupils finished performance won for them. On the motion of the chairman a very hearty vote of thanks was passed to all those who contributed in any way to the evening's entertainment.

Satisfied with Southeast Kootenay

H. W. Ross returned during the week from a trip into the mining districts of the States, especially some of the newer camps, and upon his return says "that upon seeing conditions there he feels more satisfied with the opportunities in Southeast Kootenay. There is more enterprise there and prospects being developed not so promising as the prospects here.

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THIS year promises to be a great year in the Fort Steele district in the active search for the yellow metal as well as the output of galena, and the indications are that it will not be long before this district will give West Kootenay and the other producing districts of the province a lively race for supremacy.

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There is no doubt that this year will see a great interest taken in British Columbia, not alone in mining speculation, but legitimate mining—a branch of industry which has come to be regarded as among the safest investments the country has got now. Many large financial groups are on the lookout for good gold or copper properties, and some of the best people are going into them. Southeast Kootenay should well come to the front this year.

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What Southeast Kootenay now requires to place her in the front rank of mining districts is first, capital; next, time and the construction of the Kootenay Central railway.

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Europe has turned its attention to the war clouds in the far east. The storm has been long gathering and the present threatening aspect was expected. The political meteorologists are agreed, however, that the crisis is very real, and unless the wind speedily changes the tempest will soon break.

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The meeting of the Legislative Assembly of the province will be looked forward to with great interest.

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The coming year will no doubt be the beginning of an era of mining prosperity in the Fort Steele mining division.

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It is gratifying to observe that all recent reports received from mine owners and operators indicate progress towards the establishment of the mining industry of Southeast Kootenay on a sound basis.

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A large number of mining promoters are expected to visit Fort Steele during the coming month.

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Trying to run a business without advertising is like trying to burn a lamp without oil.

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It is a mistake to think drinking liquor will drown troubles. It will float them.

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Our friends may sometimes think of us; but our enemies often speak of us.

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Dont turn over a new leaf until you have something sensible to write on its page.

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One bad man can do more harm in demoralizing a community than three righteous men can do good.

Matters Political.

In Conservative circles it is stated that W. R. Ross, M.P.P., of Fernie will support the nomination of Charles Mackintosh.

The Liberals of Boundary district will make a strong pull to secure the nomination for Duncan Ross.

The Dominion general elections are not likely to be pulled off before next May or June, says the Nelson Tribune.

At a meeting of the Fort Steele Liberal Association Dr. H. Watt and H. Kershaw, were elected as delegates to the nominating convention to be held in Nelson January 12. L. W. Patmore was elected as alternative.

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 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.
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At Crow's Nest Collieries.

In a recent interview, Mr. Archibald Dick, Inspector of coal and metalliferous mines for East Kootenay, states that the output of coal from the Crow's Nest Pass mines was steadily increasing. The mines at Michel now turn out 1,400 tons of coal a day, and each month sees a still greater output. At Merrissey there has been considerable delay in operations during the past fortnight owing to a big mud-slide which blocked the line, and which is still giving trouble. All but forty of the 220 coke ovens at the Morrissey mines are now finished and as soon as these are completed the work of turning out coke will be commenced there. At Michel about 160 of the new lot of ovens are ready, with about sixty more to complete. The electric light system, on which work has been going on at Michel for some time, was completed early this week, and the light is now turned on. The wires have been carried 500 feet into the No. 8 tunnel, which is now lit by electricity, and it is likely that further extensions will be made from time to time in the mines there.

Interesting. If True.

London, Jan. 7.—All Wales is just now discussing a strange tale of a prophecy of woe reported from the town of Bethesda. Recently, while a woman was washing her three-months-old child (so the story goes) she was thunderstruck to hear the baby say, "Blwyddyn ofnadwy fydd y flwyddyn nesat, mam," roughly translated this means: "Next year will be a terrible year, mother."

The mother terrified laid the child down and ran to a neighbor's house and told a woman there of the occurrence. The woman at once ran into the house and, picking the child up, soothed and caressed it awhile, and then, half playfully, half in earnest, she said to the child, "Did you tell your mother that next year would be a terrible year?" To her unbounded astonishment the child replied, "Yes," and fell back dead.

The child was buried the following day, in the presence of large crowds, who discussed the story and spread it far and wide. Coming immediately after the close of the prolonged strike in the slate quarries, this "prophecy" has profoundly influenced the minds of the superstitious throughout the little principality.

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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 4596, 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
A. L. Anderson, Agent

47 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 31st, 1903.

45 ROBERT O. JENNINGS.

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., for a license to prospect for Coal and Petroleum on the following described lands situate in Southeast Kootenay, British Columbia.

Commencing at a post planted twelve miles north of the Flathead River and one mile east of the north fork of Michel creek and about seventeen miles east of the town of Fernie, B. C., on Block 4593, and about three miles west of the watershed of the Rocky Mountains, being the initial post of E. J. Miller's southeast corner post, 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.

E. J. MILLER, Locator
A. L. ANDERSON, Agent

Commencing at a post adjacent to E. J. Miller's southeast corner post, being the initial post of C. W. Currach's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

C. W. Currach, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the northwest corner, being John Osterberg's initial post, north of and adjacent to C. W. Currach'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.

John Osterberg, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on northeast corner, being the initial post of A. L. Anderson's claim, and adjacent to the northwest corner of John Osterberg's claim, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to the place of beginning containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

A. L. Anderson, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post placed on the southeast corner, being the initial post of George Funk's claim, and adjacent to A. L. Andersons northeast corner post, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

George Funk, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the northwest corner, being the initial post of Helen Hughes's claim, and adjacent and north of the northeast corner of Geo. Funk's claim, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to place of beginning, containing 640 acres.

Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

Helen Hughes, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the southwest corner, being the initial post of W. J. McMillan's claim, and adjacent to the northwest corner of Helen Hughes's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to the place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

Dated October 19th, 1903.

W. J. McMillan, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the southeast corner, being the initial post of Harvey Smith's claim, and adjacent to the southwest corner of W. J. McMillan's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to the place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

Dated October 19th, 1903.

Harvey Smith, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the northeast corner, being the initial post of F. C. Harvey's claim, and north and adjacent to Harvey Smith's claim, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to the place of beginning containing 640 acres.

Dated October 19th, 1903.

F. C. Harvey, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent

Commencing at a post planted on the south east corner, being the initial post of Norman Gillespie's claim, and adjacent to the northwest corner of Mary Mahar's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to the place of beginning and containing 640 acres.

Dated October 19th, 1903.

Norman Gillespie, Locator
50 A. L. Anderson, Agent

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 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, three miles north from the north fork of a creek (frequently called Squaw Creek), which flows south about seven miles into the Flathead River, the same being east of the south fork of the north forks of Michel creek, said stake being the initial post of Alden J. Blethen'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 the claim of Mary Lee Moore on the north.

Alden J. Blethen, Locator
48 A. L. Anderson, Agent
Dated Oct. 19th, 1903.

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 west slope of the divide between British Columbia and Alberta territory one mile north and east of the north branch of a creek (frequently called Squaw creek) which flows south about seven miles into the Flathead River, and east of the source of the south fork of the north fork of Michel creek, the same being the initial post of George Brown's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to the place of beginning containing 640 acres.

George Brown, Locator
A. L. Anderson, Agent
Dated Oct. 19th, 1903. 48

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 license 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 south east 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 south-east 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 north west 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 south-west corner, being the initial post of Mary Douglas Payn'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 Payn'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. Kintner'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 Division 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. B60697, 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. M. Hay'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.

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. "15,0623" agent for Joseph H. Wright, F.M.C. No. "160641", Cad P. Coon, F.M.C. No. "86612", Robert W. Riddell, F.M.C. No. "B75578", and Octave Dubois Free Miner's Certificate No. "164909", 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.

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The Prospector.

SATURDAY, JAN. 9, 1904

LOCAL NEWS.

How does 1904 look to you?

Our holiday visitors have about all returned.

K. J. Higbye, Morrissey, was in town Thursday.

The political agony will commence next month.

Colonel Henderson was in town Thursday on business.

Dave Griffith was down from Wild Horse creek Wednesday.

Miss Bailey returned Monday from a visit to Fernie.

C. A. Cock was registered at the Strathcona Thursday.

Wm. Forrest, Morrissey, was at Steele Monday.

The new Year has dawned and yet we enjoy the mildest weather.

T. D. Roche, Pincher Creek, was at the Imperial Tuesday.

Chinese New Year occurs February 15th.

F. J. Byron and George House Perry creek, were registered at the Imperial Thursday.

Mrs. T. Fenwick was a guest of Mrs. N. A. Wallinger Tuesday.

Don't you think it is about time we had a change of government at Ottawa.

Russian and Japanese affairs are attracting the attention of the public. Is it war, or no war?

Frank Angers and J. Lever, Marysville, were guests at the Strathcona Wednesday.

Nurse Moss and her sister Miss Moss came over from Cranbrook Wednesday.

Among lumbermen, the all prevailing cry is for snow. A light snowfall would make business brisk.

The shortest day of the season has come and gone, and the winter supply of wood is sufficient to meet all demands.

Ben Werden has gone to the Coast, it is reported that on his return he will be accompanied by——well guess again!

J. A. Harvey represented Fort Steele as a delegate to the Conservative convention at Nelson on Wednesday.

Political parties in East Kootenay are organizing for the coming general election fray, and the opposition are not by any means asleep.

Thos. McNaught announces that the annual meeting of the Inland Press Association, will be held in Nelson on the 9th and 10th of January.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. McTavish, River Inlet, B. C., Mrs. G. Gurd and W. J. Gurd, of Cranbrook, were Steele visitors on Wednesday.

Dr. D. Wilson and E. Reymer of Edmonton, visited Steele Wednesday, in company with Dr. J. H. King, M.P.P., and A. Arnold of Cranbrook.

THE PROSPECTOR wishes one and all a Happy New Year. And incidentally, the first of the year is a powerful good time to pay up subscriptions.

James Ferguson Armstrong, of Fort Steele has been appointed official administrator in and for Kootenay County, excepting for the Revelstoke and Columbia districts.

An Ottawa dispatch says: "It is generally conceded that the result in North Renfrew will hasten the Dominion elections. It indicates that the tide of public opinion is running strongly in Ontario against the Liberals, and Sir Wilfrid is not going to take any chances. It is understood that polling will take place between February 10th and 20th.

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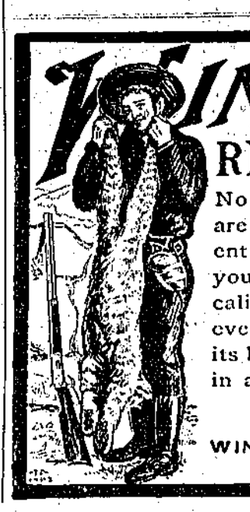

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