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B.C. MINING ASSOCIATION.

Encourage the Development of Our Great Mineral Resources, and by so Doing Increase Your Business.

The campaign of Remedial Legislation which was commenced by our Association at its General Convention in February last has been prosecuted with zeal by the Executive Committee ever since.

The Legislature was, at the time, in a state of internal dissension, and unable to give its attention to many pressing needs of the Province. Nevertheless we did succeed in obtaining two of the reforms recommended by the Association, viz:

1. The right of redemption of mineral lands sold for taxes.

2. A provision enabling the owner of a group of Crown granted mineral claims to perform all requisite work upon any one of his claims.

The Association, as you are aware, is composed of men representing all classes of industry and politics in the Province; but the Association itself is absolutely non-partizan.

Our object is to secure relief from numerous artificial burdens which have, from time to time, been imposed upon the mining industry.

The welfare of the Province demands reform, and our Association, guided by the wisest counsels it can enlist, is determined to secure it.

Owing to the shameful mismanagement of our public affairs by successive Legislatures during the last few years, the Province has been brought to the verge of bankruptcy. Is it not time for the people to insist that henceforth wisdom rather than folly, and carefulness rather than recklessness, shall guide the destinies of our country?

The Association is not yet a year old, yet it has already accomplished much by its constant devotion to the interests of the mining industry. At its First Convention, it adopted means to successfully settle the Fernie strike, which threatened to close up all the mines of the Kootenays and stop the circulation of upwards of $400,000 disbursed monthly by the affected coal mines and dependent industries.

In order to inform you more fully of our labors during 1903, I enclose a brief statement of the remedial measures recommended after careful deliberation, by the Convention and its Executive Committee.

If these measures receive, at the hands of the Legislature, the prompt and favorable consideration which they deserve, we shall soon witness a great and permanent improvement in our mining conditions.

Our Second Convention will be held in Victoria during the week commencing Monday, 22nd February, 1904.

We occupy a far stronger position today than we did at the First Convention. We now have the results of nearly a year's deliberations by those most competent to advise on matters affecting the mining industry; and it is impossible to believe that any Government will persist in turning a deaf ear to suggestions so framed.

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In Memory of Prince Rudolph.

Vienna, Jan. 30—The fifteenth anniversary of the tragic death of Crown Prince Rudolph was observed today. There was the usual memorial service in the Capuchin church, which was attended by Emperor Francis Joseph, the Archduchess Marie Valerie, his daughter, and other members of the imperial family. For several minutes the venerable emperor and those who accompanied him knelt and prayed beside the wreath-covered tombs of the crown prince and his murdered mother, the Empress Elizabeth.

A Pretty Wedding.

A pretty home wedding took place on Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mansfield, Marysville, when Miss Annie Durick was united in marriage to Claude Mansfield. Rev. Father Oulette, of St. Eugene Mission, performing the ceremony. Only a few friends were present. Dainty refreshments were served during the evening. All present united in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield many long and happy years to crown their married life.

A DARING SCHEME.

War Contingency in Which Germany will Close Baltic.

Paris.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald has telegraphed an extraordinary story to the effect that Germany and Denmark have reached an understanding under the terms of which in the event of Great Britain fighting with Japan against Russia, Germany would amicably occupy Copenhagen with a powerful force, thus effectively closing the Baltic and preventing the Russians from leaving or the British from entering that sea.

Morrissey News.

Dispatch, Morrissey Mines.

The name of the new town at the mines is to be changed from Tonkin to Hillside.

Great indignation is felt among the miners here lately owing to some dishonest scamp stealing cars of coal as soon as they came from the mine. The Union took the matter up and discovered the thief. He, however, "got next" and decamped. A warrant is out for his apprehension and if caught it will go hard with him. He was a Pollander.

H. W. Ross, of Fort Steele and Cranbrook, with two prospectors left here on Monday via the Morrissey trail for the Flathead. They took in two hand sleighs loaded with provisions, etc., for the journey. This is the first outfit to make a start this year via Morrissey, but this is only the vanguard of a large army of prospectors who will be leaving from this point to spread all over the Flathead country this spring

Matters Political.

The Convention of the Liberal Conservative Union of British Columbia will be held in Victoria on Monday, the first February.

In provincial matters, much talking is done by the opposition in way of protest against the scrimping of the appropriations for the development of the country.

M. Burrell of Kamloops, secured the Conservative nomination by a majority of 29 votes. The nomination is pleasing news to every one in that constituency

What Southeast Kootenay needs is promotion companies with ample capital to exploit its many resources.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Mayor of Chicago Implicated—Cashel Captured — Resigned From Bench.

Settlers in Manitoba are coming to the Kootenays looking for locations

Earnest Cashel has been captured near Calgary. His sentence of death will be carried out next Tuesday, February 2nd.

The mayor of Chicago, Carter Harrison, has been held by the coroner's inquest to have been implicated by the circumstances of the Iroquis fire.

An explosion in a coal mine near Pittsburg, Pa., has caused the death of nearly 200 men.

Chief Justice McDonald of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia has resigned from the bench.

Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister at London has little expectation of peace. When the moment for action comes the Mikado's government will act openly and frankly announce its decision to the world.

The Czar insists that Japan's privileged position should not permit her to establish control of the ingress and egress of the sea of Japan by fortifying the straits of Korea.

The Manchester Labor Federation is opposed to taxation on food until the Empire can produce all it needs.

All hope of life for those men entombed in the Pittsburg mine wherein occurred the explosion is abandoned.

At the present time Canada ranks eighth among the Maritime Nations of the world, according to the total net tonnage of vessels registered in the different countries.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce made a net profit last year of $1,004,217. 31. The increase in the bank's assets is $10,500,000 and the total assets now are $83,341,889.32.

Mining Notes.

There are a number of prospects in this district that bear the earmarks of mines.

The prospects of the coming year are of the brightest for the mining industry.

It is safe to say that two of the greatest silver-lead mines of the world are in the Fort Steele mining district.

The outlook for Wild Horse creek and Perry creek next summer is bright and all placer mining companies are planning much work.

It is a peculiar fact that near to where placers have existed extensively, good quartz mines have been found somewhere in the vicinity.

There is now every prospect that the famous Sullivan mine will be operated in the near future.

In the last ten years the Rossland camp has produced nearly twenty-seven millions in copper and gold, and 1903 shows an increase of 50,000 tons over the preceding year.

Kootenay and the Boundary have produced in 1903 $9,881,639 in all minerals.

In Southeast Kootenay coal mining has greatly increased and has now reached a pace that should make the Crow's Nest a million ton shipper this year.

The hydraulic mines on Wild Horse creek are worked energetically every season with an abundance of water to keep the giants well supplied by strong water power for moving banks and washing pay gravel.

The coal areas of the Crow's Nest Pass are of great extent and form one of the most valuable natural assets of the province.

So far the new year has brought no special changes in the mining situation, but this is promised in the near future.

The Thompson outfit on Perry Creek is working four men, taking out good pay.

Gus Theis and associates are making fair progress in sinking a shaft to bedrock on Perry creek. Present indications are most promising and may prove the mine to be of great merit.

It is announced that preparations are now being made to open up the coal areas on Fording river owned by the Imperial Coal and Coke Company.

BILL NO. 16 UP AGAIN.

Responsibility of New Issue of Licences Rests With Ottawa.

Victoria, Jan. 27.—The budget debate was resumed yesterday. Brown concluded his speech of Friday last, being followed by Ross of Fernie.

The latter while declaring a desire to do all in his power for the town and district, which would be opened up if coal licences were issued, as suggested in Dr. King's amendment, intimated that he would oppose it because he regarded the amendment offered by the member for Cranbrook as an attempt to test the loyalty of Government supporters.

The responsibility for failure to issue the licences, he held, rested with the Dominion Government. Let the Dominion intimate that it would not disallow bill No. 16 and the province would promptly deal with the matter.

Returned From Flathead.

J. Ewin returned from the Flathead country Wednesday, and reports that H. W. Ross and party are getting along all right They had no difficulty in getting in or reaching the locality they started for, but found the snow very deep and soft and falling every day, making snow-shoeing very hard and the work slow.

Silver-lead Quotations.

New York, Jan. 29:

Bar Silver	55¾
Mexican dollars	44
Lead	4.55
Copper	12.62
Spelter	5.05

London, Jan. 29.—Silver, 27 3-16d; copper £57 17s 6d; lead, £11 11s 3d; spelter, £21 10s d.

Market Conditions.

A violent reaction has occurred in silver, mainly owing to the decrease in demand from the far east.

Copper is quiet and fairly steady, supported chiefly by unusual heavy exports.

Decorate King Charles' Statue.

London, Jan. 30.—The annual decoration of the statue of King Charles I., in Trafalgar Square, took place today (the anniversary of his execution in 1649). The decorations consisted of wreaths and other floral offerings sent by legitimist and Jacobite clubs throughout the United Kingdom.

SOUTHEAST KOOTENAY.

Report of J. F. Armstrong Government Agent for 1903.

"We have but few farmers who confine themselves to agriculture, and by far the greater part of the grain, hay and dairy produce used in the district is imported from Alberta. There is, however, very little Crown land available for settlement. The rate of wages prevailing in other industries is higher than farmers can afford to pay."

"All our producing mines are closed at present, though the improvement of our markets leads us to believe that a revival is not far off."

"The pay-roll of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company approached $1,800,000 for the year, an average of $150,000 per month The number of men employed are:

Fernie Mines	427	Coke Ovens	117
Michel "	583	" "	106
Morrissey "	291	" "	25
Total	1,301		248

Besides 287 men employed on construction and in the different offices of the company. The daily capacity of the mines at present are: Fernie 1200 tons; Michel 1400 tons; Morrissey 800 tons. A strike lasting from the middle of February to the first of April seriously reduced the output. At present the relations between the company and its employees is cordial."

"During the year 100 coal licenses have been in force on Upper Elk River. A syndicate, holding 41 licenses, has expended over $10,000 in prospecting and developed numerous seams of valuable coal. Another syndicate on Fording river has also done valuable development work."

"There have been 24 saw-mills at work in the district. These mills employ in all about 1,800 men. Wages paid average $50 a month and board."

"The Daily News, Nelson, obtained from D. Davis, the comptroller of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, at Fernie, figures covering the operations during the past two years. The total output was as follows:

	1902	1903
Coal Creek	267,429	242,673
Michel	127,515	263,590
Morrissey	46,292	154,855
Total	441,236	661,118

Increase of 1903 output over that of 1902, 219,883 tons, or 50%

The coke production was as follows:

	1902	1903
Coal Creek	87,909	94,441
Michel	32,868	72,598
Morrissey		700
Total	120,777	167,739

An increase for 1903 of 46,962 tons, or 39%.

There were 424 coke ovens in operation at Coal Creek, 341 at Michel, and 141 at Morrissey. The company have under construction 123 new coke ovens at Michel, and 92 at Morrissey, making a grand total of 1,128 ovens."

"In reference to the output of coal, the comptroller states that the mines are being steadily developed with a view to a continually growing output, so that it is reasonable to expect that next year's output will be considerably in advance of that for 1903. It is further pointed out that the output of last year was materially affected by the strike, which closed operations in February and March. On the basis of the output for the other months, the years output would be 773,208 tons of coal and 196,014 tons of coke."

"In Southeast Kootenay there has been considerable activity during the past year, five new sawmills having been started, two of the capacity of about 25,000 feet, one of 35,000 feet, and one of 75,000 feet; the last mentioned is preparing to double its capacity. On the other hand, two sawmills have closed down, on account of the fact that with a limited capital at their command and the very narrow margin of profit on which they were working, and on which as a matter of fact, all the mills in this district are working, they are unable to tide over a season of difficulty. Another large mill has also closed down."

"Rates of wages that have prevailed ran from $35,00 to $40,00 for unskilled labor, until a short time ago, when the mills were forced to make a reduction on account of the very considerable decrease in the demand for lumber. The rates run now from $30 to $35. As to the relations which have existed between employers and employees, there has not been the least difficulty, nor is there any likely to arise with the lumbermen in this district. It is the invariable rule that the men are well satisfied with their employer's treatment of them."

NORTHEAST KOOTENAY.

Report of J. E. Griffiths, Government Agent for 1903.

"The amount of ore shipped during the summer of 1903 was about 900 tons. This does not, however, represent the amount of mining done, the ore being taken out in the course of development only. The number of miners employed shows an increase. The wages paid is $3,50 per day."

"The Columbia River Lumber Co., shipped 13,000,000 feet of lumber, 135,000 railway ties, and 2,000,000 laths. The wages paid lumbermen ranges from $30 to $40 per month and board. Plenty of common labor since November 1st; poor class on the average. Demand for lumber is good; all lumber, except that used by the C.P.R., exported to the Northwest Territories. About 3,000,000 shipped from other mills. All agricultural produce is consumed in the district and a good deal of hay and oats imported."

"The Customs collected at the Golden port of entry amounted to $4,575.51; value of goods imported, $14,507.00; inland revenue amounted to $31,110.37."

"On the whole, labor was scarce during the summer, but at present is about balanced. The wages paid laborers (excepting C.P.R.) is usually $2.50 per day."

Dinner to Taft.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 29.—In honor of Governor Taft, who will next week succeed him as head of the War Department, Secretary Root will give a special reception and dinner this evening. The affair will be an elaborate one to which all the army officers on duty in Washington and vicinity have been invited.

A Growing Country.

The United States has an area of 3,552,919 square miles. The population of the States is estimated at 85,000,000; and its wealth at $98,000,000,000.

Bovril in the Kitchen

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THE anxiety of the Nelson Daily News, and other grit publications in reference to the Conservative nominees for the coming general election is truly touching. These papers profess to be interested in seeing that W. H. Galliher, M.P., shall receive the reward to which, as they claim, he is entitled to by reason of his excellent services in the Dominion Parliament during the past two years.

At the coming general election Kootenay Conservatives will not forget Charles Mackintosh or his services to the party in general.

Mr. Mackintosh has a large circle of friends in the Kootenays, that will rally to his support. The Conservative party in the Kootenays and throughout the Dominion will look after its own internal affairs and in the coming election will proceed to give the Liberal party a dubbing that will not soon be forgotten by the Daily News and the balance of the grit press.

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The difference between the candidates of the liberal party who have been in office for a number of years, is that the liberal candidates are going to get out, and the conservatives are going to get in.

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It would be an easy matter to give a lot of reasons why Charlie Mackintosh should and will be elected to the Dominion house, but it isn't necessary.

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At last we have the official announcement of the fact that another session of the Dominion Parliament will be held before the general elections take place. Both parties will now govern themselves accordingly, and we are inclined to think that the delay will not be particularly prejudicial to the prospects of the Conservative party.

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Few people appreciate that Manchuria is about the size of Germany and France together. Will Russia let go? Yes, when our bull pup yields his bone to the yellow dog in the next block.

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The Dominion parliament has been summoned to meet on March 10th.

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The man who prides in the delusion that he is always right is simply too stupid to comprehend when he is wrong.

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"Uncle Sam" has not killed any of the Columbians yet.

Experience is the keen edged knife that extracts the cataract from your defective eye.

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Uncle Sam's idea of reciprocity is apparently to throw the hooks into Canada at every opportunity.

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Dowie announces that he will return to this world in 100 years. He need not hurry on our account.

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More than a million people, mostly women, have signed petitions to have Reed Smoot expelled from the U.S. Senate.

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Last year the American nation at the circuses and elsewhere shucked and ate 6,000,000 bushels of peanuts.

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If Kootenay weather prevailed in Manchuria war would commence any day.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land in South East Kootenay: Commencing at the southwest corner of Lot 3062, thence north 60 chains, thence west 58 chains 05 links, thence south 76 chains to the northwest corner of Lot 5806, thence east 40 chains to the northeast corner of Lot 5806, thence south 20 chains to the north west corner of Geo. Douglas purchase, thence east 41 chains 05 links to the west boundary of Lot 6357, thence north 35 chains 49 links to the south boundary of Lot 3062, thence west 22 chains 79 links to place of beginning containing 558 acres more or less.

Located this 25th day of January, 1904.

E. J. RUTHERFORD, Locator

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land in South East Kootenay: Commencing at the north west corner of Lot No. 6196, thence south 60 chains, to the north boundary of H. Prachu's Timber License, thence west 46 chains to the east boundary of Lot No. 6212, thence north 60 chains, thence east 46 chains to place of beginning containing in all 276 acres more or less.

Located this 25th day of January, 1904.

IRENE BRECKENRIDGE, Locator

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after dated I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land in South East Kootenay: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Lot 6357, thence west 80 chains to the east boundary of Lot 6212, thence north 51 chains 80 links to the south boundary of Lot 5806, thence east 44 chains 33 links to the west boundary of Geo. Douglas' purchase, thence south 20 chains, thence east 11 chains 05 links to the west boundary of Lot 6357, thence south 31 chains 91 links to place of beginning containing in all 292 acres more or less.

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B. C. Mining Association.

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Mining is the paramount industry of our Province. The metalliferous, mineral, and coal mining industries stand by themselves as those which, in their extension, increase individual rewards, not alone of their followers, but the followers of all other industries. They are not competing producers, but on the contrary, are competing consumers for all the others.

The development of the vast mineral resources of our Province is of vital, never-ending importance, and should be encouraged by every patriotic resident. Every additional ton of gold, silver, copper, lead or other metal or mineral having a commercial value produced by our mines adds new wealth to the Province and sends new money circulating through the channels of trade and commerce.

For the election of delegates, the procedure will be the same as last year, viz: Meetings to be called and one delegate appointed thereat for each twenty members or fraction of twenty members.

Delegates' Credentials shall consist of a letter signed by the Local President (or Chairman) and Secretary certifying the number of members in their Branch and setting out the full names of those who have been duly elected as delegates.

Where branches have not yet been formed, the procedure is to call a public meeting for the purpose of organizing such a body: elect a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, executive and other necessary committees for a period of one year.

Arrangements have been made with the C.P.R. for special transportation rates to delegates attending this Convention, and you are requested to see that delegates from your branch are fully informed thereon.

In order to profit by these special rates, delegates must purchase, within three days of date of Convention, first-class, full rate, one-way tickets to Victoria, and obtain Certificate forms, which will be supplied by ticket agents upon application.

Upon arrival at Victoria, delegates must hand in their Certificates to the Secretary, for indorsement.

If fifty delegates hold Standard Certificates, duly indorsed, they will receive free transportation upon presentation of same at ticket office: if fifteen or more, the return fare will be one-third the full one-way rate; if fourteen or less, the return fare will be two-thirds the full one-way rate.

Delegates must NOT purchase return tickets, as their *doing so will interfere with other delegates obtaining the reduction.*

Do not omit to notify the Secretary of the number of delegates appointed from your locality, that this office may be fully posted.

Delegates may have their mail addressed care of the Association P.O. Drawer 656, Victoria, B. C.

All communications are to be addressed to "The Secretary," at the above address.

By Order of the Executive,
JOHN KEEN, President.

No city, town or village will be entitled to send more than twenty delegates.

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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 J. 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 6th 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.

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Dated this 17th day of November, 1903.
5 ANDREW B. GRACE.

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Dated this 17th day of November, 1903.
5 JOHN EWIN.

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Dated Dec. 21st, 1903.

52 ARTHUR B. FENWICK

The Prospector.

SATURDAY, JAN. 30, 1904

LOCAL NEWS.

A. C. Nelson went to Fernie Wednesday on official business.

Col. and Mrs. Henderson were in town Thursday.

G. F. Williams, Vancouver, was at the Imperial Thursday.

R. O. Jennings came down from Perry creek Thursday.

N. Hanson, Wasa, was in town Wednesday on business.

Al Doyle went to Cranbrook Wednesday on business.

Harry Barr, Wasa, was in town Sunday last.

M. A. Beale, Cranbrook, was at Steele on business Monday.

M. Durick went to Marysville Monday.

Harvesting of ice will commence next week at Steele.

J. A. Harvey returned from Fernie Sunday last.

Skating on the Kootenay river at Steele continues good.

Gus Theis and R. B. Durrant, Perry creek, were registered at the Imperial Friday.

Mrs. A. C. Nelson was visiting friends at Cranbrook during the past few days.

Jack Means and E. Miller came down from Skookum Chuck Thursday.

N. Greswold, Cranbrook, was registered at the Strathcona Wednesday.

A. J. Grant, Fort Steele Junction, was a guest at the Strathcona Thursday.

Constable Liddicoatt was at Cranbrook Monday on legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McDermott, Cranbrook, were visiting at Steele Sunday last.

A sitting of the county court was held at Cranbrook Thursday January 28.

Wm. Shira, Wasa, passed through Steele Monday, on a visit to Hanson's Ferry, Wash.

Government Agent Armstrong was at Cranbrook on official business Monday.

The weather has moderated considerably, and is now very pleasant, with splendid sleighing.

A. B. Fenwick, Geo. Watson and Dave Newell returned Thursday from a prospecting trip to the Flathead valley.

Rev. Father Coccola of St. Eugene Mission, and Rev. Father Milley, of Fernie, have gone to the coast, where they will spend a short vacation.

Chas. Chapman, who has been trapping on White river for the past two months, returned to Steele Wednesday with 53 martin skins.

The next regular monthly meeting of North Star Lodge, A.F. & A.M., will be held next Tuesday evening February 2nd, at Masonic Hall.

Geary & Doyle were engaged in hauling a carload of general merchandise from the Junction Tuesday consigned to Carlin & Durick.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, N. C. McKinstry and some thirty others of Cranbrook, enjoyed a sleigh ride from that place to Steele, and an excellent supper at the Imperial on Wednesday.

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Dated at Cranbrook, October 31st, 1903.

45 ROBERT O. JENNINGS.

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.

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Dated January 4th, 1904.

J. K. MILLER, Locator
5 James Cameron, Agent

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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.

Take notice that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B.C., for permission to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in South East Kootenay:—Commencing at a point 20 chains west of the northeast corner of T. Roberts' Timber Licence, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Dated December 3rd, 1903.

50 ROBERT LAURIE.

NOTICE.

Take notice that in 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 licenses to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands in South East Kootenay. About ten miles north of the International Boundary and three miles west of the Flathead River.

a. Commencing at a post, one mile west of M. B. King's claim, being the northwest corner post of D. E. Kerr's claim, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement.

D. E. KERR.

Located Dec. 10th, 1903.

b. Commencing at the northwest corner of D. E. Kerr's claim, being the northeast corner post of John H. McDonald's claim, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

JOHN H. McDONALD.

Located Dec. 10th, 1903.

c. Commencing at the northeast corner of John H. McDonald's claim, being the southeast corner post of Angus W. Davis' claim, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to point of commencement.

ANGUS W. DAVIS.

Located Dec. 10th, 1903. 5

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

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