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FORT STEELE PROSPECTS.

A Large Mineral Area to be Developed by the Construction of the Kootenay Central.

In British Columbia, the coming mining district, seems to be that division of East Kootenay surrounding Fort Steele.

The immense bodies of low grade ore ensure great industrial development as soon as transportation can be furnished by the Kootenay Central railway, which will soon be under construction.

In every direction from Fort Steele are promising mining camps each capable of supporting thousands of operatives. The nearness of the great coal fields of the Crow's Nest Pass is of great advantage, and there can be little doubt that railway competition will be secured by having immediate connections with two transcontinental railways.

The oldest town is Fort Steele which is beautifully situated on the Kootenay river, at the mouth of St. Mary's river and Wild Horse creek. It is built on high bench land, the scenery being magnificent and the climate unsurpassed. Up Wild Horse creek, from which $17,000,000 have been taken in gold, are many promising properties now under development showing immense deposits of lead, copper and gold ore, and on the slopes of the first range, all the way from Tracy creek to Elk river, a distance of forty miles, promising properties are located and being developed in every gulch.

To the north, in the valley of the Columbia, in the Windermere district is the Paradise and Ptarmigan mines, which have large bodies of silver-lead ore in an advanced stage of development, and which with adequate means of transportation would become large and constant shippers.

The valleys of the Columbia and Kootenay rivers comprises a great district, full of the precious minerals of nature, awaiting only conditions favorable for its development. These are apparent in the near future, by the construction of the Kootenay Central railway.

Kootenay Central R.R.

A. C. Mitchel, of New Castle, N.B., and D. Newal, of Fort Steele, passed through on Wednesday on route to Golden. They were sizing up the valley as to the best route to build a railway. Mr. Mitchel is a surveyor who has had a great deal of experience in the mountains with C.P.R. construction, but it is understood that he is making this trip to report to eastern capitalist who intend investing heavily in the Kootenay Central railroad, providing his report is favorable. To a reporter Mr. Mitchel admitted that the road would not be difficult to build, but, of course, he was looking for information and not then in a position to give it. From other sources it is learned that the probabilities of the construction of a railway at an early date are much better than many people are inclined to believe. To say the least the prospects of its early construction are very good —Outcrop, Wilmer.

New Development Company.

A strong syndicate made up of prominent residents at Victoria and Nelson will within the next few days form the Flathead Valley Oil Development Co., with a capital stock of $250,000 divided into 25 cent shares. The syndicate has between 5,000 and 10,000 acres of land in the Flathead valley on Oil, Aklamanus and Calder creeks. It is among the very best oil lands in Southeast Kootenay. The land has the regular oil shale and there are several seepages and bleeding springs of oil on the tracts. The company intends to push the work of development as rapidly as possible and anticipate that it will not be long after the organization of the company before there will be a standard rig at work boring for oil on the property.

EAST KOOTENAY RAILWAYS.

Looks as if a Number of Roads will be Under Construction This Summer.

Jim Hill, president of the Great railway, has announced that the Morrissey-Fernie extension of the Jennings branch of that line would be constructed by Sept 1st, 1904. Sims & Shield have the contract for the construction of the road.

Canadian Pacific officials state that D. C. Corbin will construct for the Canadian Pacific a long branch line, which will invade Great Northern territory, with its southern terminus at Spokane. The line will leave the present Canadian Pacific line in the Crow's Nest Pass district, extending southward across the mountains and thence running in a southeasterly direction through a region rich in mines and timber into the agricultural country north of Spokane.

Regarding the Kootenay Central, it is the general impression that construction work will be commenced in a few months, and will be pushed through rapidly.

A charter has been granted, by the Dominion House, to the Crawford Bay and Fort Steele Railway Co.

Mining Notes.

The extensive development work that has been done during the past three years on many mineral locations on St. Mary's river and its tributaries has shown beyond any manner of doubt that a great mining camp will be established on that river in the near future.

It is reported, though not confirmed, that the North Star will soon commence shipping ore.

A prominent mining man, predicts, that, within thirty days after the completion of the Kootenay Central railway, the Paradise and Ptarmigan mines will be shipping 150 tons of ore daily.

Montana smelters are now receiving 200 tons of coke daily from Fernie. There are strong indications that this will be increased.

The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company has paid an April dividend of $2.50 per share, which makes a total of $968,947 paid up to date.

It is estimated that a coal bed averaging six feet in thickness, contains fully 3,000,000 tons of coal per square mile, but naturally in the working there will be some loss.

A number of stockholders of the Gold River Mining & Power Company were at Steele last week.

The promoters of the Kootenay Central railway have been guaranteed the haulage of 100,000 tons of ore, in the Windermere district, as soon as the road is completed.

An era of gravel mining appears to be dawning for the Bull river district, and we confidently look for some extensive hydraulic work in the immediate future.

Wild Horse creek will soon present a scene of unusual activity with respect to quartz mines. Everybody seems to have hit upon the happy thought of developing his property. The K. C. R. is the motive power that is pushing this development.

Southeast Kootenay has large deposits of copper, but does not seem to make the most of them. St. Mary's river mines are developing slowly, but will become important in time.

The big mine of the Kootenays the St. Eugene, is making substantial progress.

The smelter managers have been excellent promise makers in the past, and it must be confessed have shown a wonderful aptitude in breaking them.

A smelter is a necessity for miners in Southeast Kootenay. Outside smelters have been depended upon in the past, but experience has shown the folly of such a course. The lack of treatment facilities, high freight rates, and of transportation has retarded development and kept a number of mines closed down.

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

BULL RIVER PLACER MINES

BULL RIVER CANYON—SOUTHEAST KOOTENAY.

The Gold River Mining & Power Co. will Commence Operations This Month—Thirty Thousand Dollars to be Expended This Year.

MORE or less interest is being manifested in mining circles in the future operations of the Gold River Mining & Power Co. on Bull river.

It is expected that operations will be resumed between the first and 10th of June. It is also stated that $25,000 to $30,000 will be expended in development work during the present year.

Hydraulic mining in this district has solved itself to a strict business proposition. The Gold River Company will build a dam across Bull river about two miles above the Pack bridge, and from this point to the diggings, a flume 16 x 5 feet will be constructed, which will be about a mile and a half in length. The equipment of the company will consist of hydraulic pipe, monitors, and sluices, cabins and messhouse, and a sawmill capable of cutting 20,000 feet of lumber daily which will be used in the construction of the dam and the building of the flume.

In the developing of a hydraulic placer mine, the company has three things to consider. First, they must have diggings—working ground—good pay gravel. Second, is an ample water supply; and the third is the equipment and dumping ground.

The diggings are supplied by an old channel filled with auriferous and decomposed strata. This strata has been prospected and recent explorations prove gold in paying quantities to exist on bedrock. The water supply is ample for all mining purposes, the river has a strong and constant flow of not less than 10,000 inches at its lowest stage. There is also natural dumping facilities

It is the intention of the company to run a private telephone line from the camp to Fort Steele.

In regard to mining, one who is accustomed to placer operations who knowing the history and details of early mining on Bull river would expect to find a large amount of virgin gold lying in the crevases and on bedrock.

It is the intention of the company to install a first class power plant as soon as the dam and flume is built, and there is no doubt but that plenty of work will be found for it in the surrounding mines and towns.

Mr. D. S. Guinter, local superintendent of the company, is expected at Steele today. Upon his arrival a force of 40 to 45 men will be employed in building dam, flume and developing the property.

KIMBERLEY NEWS.

Strike at North Star Mine—Tie Camps to be Established.

Kimberley, June 2.—Ten feet of rich galena ore has been discovered in the "old Williams" workings at the North Star mine

It is said that the discovery was made some time ago, but for prudential reasons has been kept quiet. The ore is said to be richer than ever and that from 400 to 500 tons have been blocked out. Sinking on the newly discovered ore body is proceeding slowly. Shipments will commence as soon as the ore bins are filled, and the necessary contracts made for treatment.

Several large tie camps have been established in the vicinity of Kimberley, and inside of ten days some 70 or 80 men will be at work.

R. O. Jennings of Fort Steele has a contract for cutting 50,000 ties. George Laurie has a similar contract.

The town is again taking on new life, the recent rich strike in the North Star, and the resumption of work on the Sullivan, the large number of tie makers is giving to the town a business activity not seen for nearly two years.

Elko News Items.

From Our Own Correspondent.

E. H. Bird and wife, of Fernie spent Saturday in Elko.

Miss Cole, of Ottawa, Ont., is visiting her sister Mrs. J. Austin

Fernieites were much in evidence, as usual, on Sunday last.

Mr. Tretherway is still here waiting like many others for their coal licenses.

Miss Inez Holbrook was in Fernie this week writing on the entrance examination.

George Hoggarth was at Cranbrook this week on business

A large number of prospectors are here waiting patiently for coal licenses to be granted by the government so that they can go into the Flathead.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mesdames A. B. Fenwick, A. C. Nelson, F. C. Malpas, N. A. Wallinger, F. Binmore, T. T. McVittie, and Miss Winnie Armstrong were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Pownall, Fish Lakes ranch, Thursday.

The big sawmill at Wardner was closed down during the past week, for repairs and the coupling up of the second mill. Operations will be resumed on Monday next.

Carlin & Durick received a carload of general merchandise during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Walker, Wardner, were in town Friday.

John Chamings was at Cranbrook Friday on business.

Dan McNeish was at Elko Friday on business.

WILL HARNESS ELK RIVER FALLS

A New Industry Which will Prove an Important Factor in the Mineral Development of Southeast Kootenay.

Special to THE PROSPECTOR.

Elko, June 2.—The Elk River Power & Light Co., have started work at Elk River Falls, and will proceed to install a large power plant immediately. It is also the intention of the company to install an electric train service from Elko to Michel, and furnish power to all industries in the Crow's Nest Pass.

A corps of engineers are now on the ground.

The Elk River Power & Light Co., will prove to be an important factor in the mining development of Southeast Kootenay, its chief aim being the supplying of electricity for conversion into power and light in connection with mining operations, and other industries in the Crow's Nest Pass and Kootenay valley.

The head office will be at Elko while the power house will be situated at Elk River falls, on Elk river, one half mile from the town of Elko.

Elk river falls is one of the finest waterpowers in British Columbia. With the development of this immense waterpower must necessarily come smelters. To operate smelters successfully every economy must be used to make it profitable. The most essential conditions to this are cheap power, cheap fuel and diverting lines of railway.

The first of these essential "cheap power" will be furnished ed by the Elk River Power & Light Co. The second, "cheap fuel, will be obtained from the collieries in the Crow's Nest Pass. Diverting lines of railway are the two great transcontinental lines of the Great Northern and Canadian Pacific, which now form a junction at Elko. The proposed electric railway from Elko to Michel will solve the local problem of cheap transportation for coal and coke.

Another problem will be solved in connection with the building of a smelter by the immediate construction of the Kootenay Central railway, which will be able to supply the smelters with lead ores from the mines in the vicinity of Fort Steele and Tracy creek, also from the mines of the Windermere district, and the necessary fluxes from Wild Horse creek.

At Elko we have an ideal spot for a huge industrial centre that should include industrial and commercial enterprises of every description and form the nucleus of a large town upon a firm and lasting basis.

Silver-lead Quotations.

New York, June 3:

Bar Silver	55
Lead	4.35
Copper	12.75
Spelter	4.87

London, June 3.—Silver, 25 3-8d; copper £56 7s 6d; lead, £11 8s 9d; spelter, £22 7s d.

Market Conditions.

Copper was weak in London declining 11s 3d. Locally copper remained unchanged.

Lead declined in London, was quiet locally, with prices a shade lower.

Spelter advanced in London, but was steady at New York.

Al Doyle was over from Cranbrook Friday.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 1904.

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NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT,
J. D. TAYLOR,
OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

IT will be satisfactory to our readers to learn with definiteness a thing that has always been believed would be readily demonstrated, namely, that no difficulties have been encountered by the engineers in surveying an easy practicable line from Elko to Golden. During the past two weeks an expert railway engineer has been overlooking the route, and we have been informed that the line will be about 180 miles long, and the gradients a trifle less than one per cent. The entire line will be easy of construction, no heavy earth work being encountered. The line from Elko to Fort Steele will be the first work of location to be undertaken. It is not unlikely the crossing of Wild Horse creek will be made near the present bridge, as at this point easy gradients and comparatively light work of construction is assured.

There was during the past year a good deal of concern felt by some of our citizens regarding the construction of the Kootenay Central, but it was all along apparent to those who reflected a little on the subject that the promoters were interested in an infinitely more important way in Fort Steele. So far in the history of this district Fort Steele has attracted practically the attention of the whole country and it has done so because of the favorable location which it occupies. During the past four or five years several towns have sprung up in the district, consequent upon the construction of the Crow's Nest Branch. They have all made progress, and during the present and next year it is expected that their progress will be greater. These are the most satisfactory, indeed the only real, indications of the general thrift of this district. As these new communities increase so will be measured the increase of the general prosperity, and so by the construction of the Kootenay Central railway our own central town of Fort Steele will make progress. Thus then, the people of this district, and our own town, may go forward into the years 1904 and 1905 with full confidence in the advancement of trade and the widening and deepening of those channels of business which have now become so well marked in East Kootenay. In other words, people engaged in all sorts of business have abundant warranty to clap on more sail to make swifter headway into the harbor of great and general prosperity which now lies directly over our prows.

* * *

In the valleys of the Columbia and Kootenay rivers and in the Elk river region there is a very large acreage of land that could be brought under cultivation at no great expense to the settler, and that would afford happy and prosperous homes to thousands of farmers. East Kootenay possesses by long odds the most extensive agricultural district in British Columbia, and with the development of the mines, the construction of the Kootenay Central railway, and the remoteness of other agricultural sections, it is bound to provide a home market that will insure continued prosperity to local tillers of the soil. THE PROSPECTOR intends to make it its business to bring these facts prominently and constantly before the attention of the public in the West.

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Thirty days after date I the undersigned 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, viz:—Commencing at a post marked O. Lund's northwest corner at the intersection of Lot 6033 and W. Lauriers' Southern Boundary on west side of Kootenay River in Southeast Kootenay, and running 40 chains east more or less to west bank of Kootenay River, thence south along said bank 80 chains more or less to intersect Lot 338, thence west 80 chains, more or less to intersect Lot 6033, thence north 80 chains to point of beginning; containing 400 acres more or less.

O. LUND.

April 27th, 1904. 20

NOTICE.

Thirty days after date I the undersigned 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 viz:—Commencing at a post marked C. P. Lund's southeast corner at the intersection of Lot 6033 and about 80 chains north of Lot 765 on east side of Kootenay River in Southeast Kootenay. And running 100 chains north, thence 80 chains west more or less to East bank of Kootenay River, thence south following said bank to a point opposite point of commencement, thence east 30 chains more or less to point of commencement, containing 320 acres more or less.

C. P. LUND.

April 27th, 1904. 20

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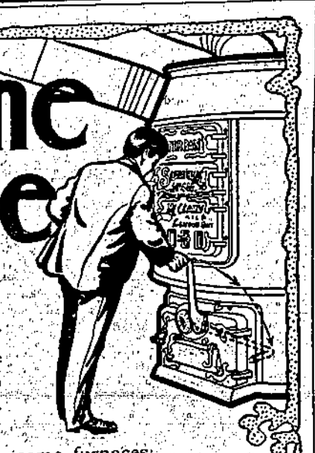

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MINERAL ACT.
(FORM F.)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

"Dorathy" Mineral Claim.

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

Where located:—On the west side of Lower Moyie Lake.

TAKE NOTICE that I, James A. Harvey, F.M.C. No. B60623, acting for myself and as agent for J. Z. Carns, F.M.C. No. B73107, and Frank Gulndon, Free Miner's Certificate No. B60537, 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 2nd day of May, A.D., 1904.

19 J. A. HARVEY.

MINERAL ACT.
(FORM F.)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Galore Mineral Claim.

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

Where located:—On Sullivan Hill.

Take notice that I, James A. Harvey, F.M.C. No. "60623" agent for Charles C. Farrell, F.M.C. No. "B60539", Walter C. Burchett, F.M.C. No. "B60652", Robert L. T. Galbraith, F.M.C. No. "B60693", Judson B. Langley, F.M.C. No. "B60683", William J. Langley, F.M.C. No. "B60680", Edwin C. Smith, F.M.C. No. "B74363" and Andrew J. Devlin, Free Miner's Certificate No. "B60679," 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 Grown 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 28th day of December, A.D., 1903.

15 J. A. HARVEY.

MINERAL ACT.
(FORM F.)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

CANBY, JENNINGS AND FISHER RIVER Mineral Claims.

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

Where located:—On Wolf Creek.

Take Notice that I, James A. Harvey F.M.C. No. B60623, agent for John E. Humphreys, F.M.C. No. B60625, Peter Jensen, F.M.C. No. B60639, John Aldrich, F.M.C. No. B60636, and Samuel Lewison, Free Miner's Certificate No. B60635, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

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Notice is hereby given that 60 days from the date hereof I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works at Victoria to purchase the following described lands situate in Southeast Kootenay and described as follows:—

Commencing at a post planted one mile west of south west corner of block No. 342, thence 80 chains south, thence 20 chains east, thence 80 chains north, thence 20 chains west to place of beginning containing 160 acres more or less.

JOHN MEAN.

Dated Fort Steele May 1st, 1904. 20

The Prospector.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 1904.

What is Pay Ore?

The answer to this question depends so absolutely upon the local environment of the mine operated that no general answer can be given, aside from the fact that to make a dividend-paying mine the ore must be of sufficient value to pay all costs of mining and marketing and converting the product into cash.

A favorite example of how low-grade ore can be considered pay is the Alaska-Treadwell at Sitka, which has paid $5,000,000 in dividends, working on ore which ran approximately $2 a ton. There are other mines that can not be worked at a profit, although producing ore running $100 or more per ton.

These two and scores of other similar propositions have created a tremendous interest in the dividend probabilities of large bodies of low grade ore. The best mining practice, therefore, has been successful in development along these lines, so that not only are the ore bodies properly opened and broken down economically, but the very best milling and smelting practice has secured the economical recovery and extraction of the value.

It is a trite, but nevertheless absolutely correct, statement of fact that each mine is an individual proposition, and each must be wrought out in accord with the phenomena of ore occurrence peculiar to it. So, too, the ore in each mine becomes a separate problem for the metallurgist to work out to the best advantage.

While experience in milling and smelting is a prerequisite, it is sometimes a disadvantage, if it has developed overmastering egotism in the operator that prevents him from studying the individual constituents of the ore to be treated. Real progress along lines of ore treatment is obtained only by careful investigation, the results of which may or may not fortify a man's theories gained in the manipulation of other ores.

The first impression in determining whether ore will pay is naturally gained from the value of the assay, and yet, in view of the wonderful results obtained in the two great properties mentioned on very low grade ores, almost all the other features of the mineral deposit must be considered in order to correctly decide the question on an economical basis. For example, a very complex ore, situated in a region remote from railroad transportation and reduction facilities, the average assay value of which might be $100 to the ton, would not be pay ore until these disadvantages had been removed. Primarily, transportation and reduction facilities, added to large bodies of low grade ores that are cheaply mined and treated, constitute that happy medium which is usually found in the steady dividend-paying mine.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, FORT STEELE REGISTRY

IN PROBATE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of May, A.D., 1904, it was ordered by J. A. Forin, Esq., Local Judge of the Said Court, that James Ferguson Armstrong, Official Administrator in and for that portion of the County of Kootenay not included within the Electoral Districts of Nelson, Ymir, Revelstoke and Columbia, be administrator of all and singular the estate of HENRY JAMES WIGGINS, formerly of Fort Steele, miner, deceased, intestate.

Every person indebted to the said deceased is required to make payment forthwith to the undersigned.

Every person having in possession effects belonging to the deceased is required forthwith to notify the undersigned.

Every creditor or other person having any claim upon or interest in the distribution of the estate of the said deceased is required before the 5th day of July next to send by registered letter, addressed to the undersigned, his name and address and the full particulars of his claim or interest, and a statement of his account and the nature of the security (if any) held by him.

After the said 5th day of July the Administrator will proceed with the distribution of the estate having regard to those claims only of which he shall have had notice.

Dated at Cranbrook, this 31st day of May, 1904

JAMES FERGUSON ARMSTRONG,
Official Administrator.
Cranbrook, B.C.

It Will be to Your Interest.

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LICENCE AUTHORISING AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY TO CARRY ON BUSINESS.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

CANADA:
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.
No. 251.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that "The Imperial Coal and Coke Company, Limited," is authorised and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the Company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate in the City of Montreal, Province of Quebec.

The amount of the capital of the Company is four million five hundred thousand dollars, divided into forty-five thousand shares of one hundred dollars each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at Cranbrook, and James A. Harvey, Barrister, whose address is Cranbrook B.C., is the attorney for the Company.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 5th day of April, one thousand nine hundred and four.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which the Company has been established are:—

(a.) To carry on in all its branches the business of a Coal Mining Company, and for said purposes,

(b.) To acquire coal lands, mines, claims, mining rights, rights of way and other rights and property, and to pay for the same either in money or in fully paid-up shares or partly in money or partly in such shares of the Company and to sell or lease or otherwise dispose of the same, or any of them:

(c.) To work, explore, develop or maintain the mines or other minerals of the Company and the timber on the Company's lands, and to prepare for market, sell, dispose of and deal in coke, coal, petroleum, timber and mineral substances, either in a manufactured state or otherwise.

(d.) To construct, improve and maintain on the property of the Company roads, bridges, reservoirs, water works, water courses, wharves, warehouses, furnaces, sawmills, and other works and conveniences, electrical or otherwise:

(e.) To use steam, water, electricity, air or other power or substances as a motive power for the purposes of carrying on the works and undertakings of the Company, and to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any surplus thereof:

(f.) To supply goods, wares or merchandise to the employees of the Company or to the occupiers of any of the lands of the Company:

(g.) To acquire or carry on all or any part of the business or property and to undertake the the liabilities of any person, firm, association or company possessed of property suitable for the purposes of the Company, and as the consideration for the same to pay cash or to issue shares, stock, or obligations of this Company:

(h.) To make any arrangement by way of amalgamation with any person, firm, or corporation carrying on or engaged in any business or transaction which the Company hereby incorporated is authorised to carry on or engage in. 17

NOTICE.

To ORANGE S. FRIZZELL, and to any other party or parties to whom he may have transferred his interest in the Shakespeare Mineral Claim situate on Perry Creek, in the Fort Steele Mining Division, East Kootenay, British Columbia.

TAKE NOTICE that you are hereby required within ninety days from first publication of this notice to pay to the undersigned the sum of $150.00, the amount expended by him on your interest in said claim for assessment work up to the 29th day of October, 1903.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that unless said payment together with all costs of advertising is paid within the time above stated, your interest in said claim shall lapse to the undersigned on account of said expenditure.

THIS NOTICE is given under Section 4 of the "Mineral Act Amendment Act, 1900".

Dated this 2nd day of May, 1904.

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MINERAL ACT.
FORM F.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

"Emerald" and "Phoenix" Mineral Claims.

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

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

TAKE NOTICE that I, A. R. Heyland, P.L.S., Kaslo, agent for M. J. Halpin, Free Miner's Certificate No. B69395, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

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

Dated this 4th day of May, A.D. 1904.

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Commencing at a post planted at the south east corner of Lot 1879 being the northeast corner of Edward Londen's pre-emption thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning.

Dated this 12th day of April, 1904.

E. M. Fenwick, Locator
16 Arthur B. Fenwick, Agent

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I 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 South East Kootenay District, British Columbia:—

Commencing at a post planted on Sullivan Creek ¼ mile N.E. of Kimberley thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 40 chains to the place of beginning.

Dated this 12th day of April, 1904.

T. H. L. Fenwick, Locator
16 Arthur B. Fenwick, Agent

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The Prospector.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 1904.

LOCAL NEWS.

T. Horsman, Chilliwack, was at the Strathcona Thursday.

A number of Steelites visited Fish Lakes ranch Thursday.

Fred Ryan, Cranbrook, was in town Monday.

G. F. Pownall was in town Wednesday.

T. Egan, Cranbrook, was at the Imperial Monday.

A. B. Fenwick was at Kimberley on business Tuesday.

Kershaw expects a consignment of fresh fruit in a few days

Fire has again done serious damage at Nanaimo coal mines.

Dr. H. Watt paid a professional visit to the St. Eugene Mission Friday.

Charles Reynolds came down from A. B. Smith's Tracy creek ranch Thursday.

Mrs. Clark and Mrs. R. O. Jennings visited Cranbrook Wednesday.

Dave Newell returned from a trip up the valley as far north as Golden.

M. A. Beale was a guest at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Wallinger on Sunday last.

Chas M. Keep was shaking hands with old-time friends at Steele Monday.

A fishing party at Little Bull river on Sunday last captured 45 nice trout.

Indians in the vicinity of Fish Lakes have killed quite a number of deer during the past week

The Fish Lake ranch is now being surrounded by a neat wire fence.

W. Violet and A. C. Caldwell were at the Old Abe mine, Bull river, during the past week.

Monday was Decoration Day south of the International Boundary.

Mr. G. Hull, a former director of the Sullivan Mining Co., was at Kimberley this week.

E. C. Miller having been appointed agent for the McCormick haying and harvesting machinery; farmers and ranchers should at once send in their orders, and obtain repairs for that make. The McCormick mower and rake are especially adapted for this country being stronger and more durable than others on the market—don't put off till the last minute, finding out what you want, as it takes time to obtain goods—and only a limited stock of extras will be on hand. *

Several buildings in town are greatly improved in appearance by a coat of paint.

John Brown, local manager of the Imperial Coal and Coke Company, was at Cranbrook Thursday.

Hon. Fred J. Fulton, the newly appointed provincial secretary was re-elected by acclamation Monday, at Kamloops.

The regular monthly meeting of North Star Lodge, A.F. and A.M., will take place at Masonic Hall, Tuesday evening next.

J. H. Netherfield, Cranbrook, and Wm. Rae, Vancouver, were registered at the Imperial Sunday last.

A merry party of young folks enjoyed themselves at a picnic at Brewery creek on Saturday last.

The streams in this vicinity where fishing is good at this season of the year, were lined with fishermen Sunday last, and some good catches were reported

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A. E. Hargreaves returned from Sheep creek Thursday.

Tom Rae, an old time prospector, returned to Steele Thursday

Bert Fraser left Steele Thursday for Fording river.

Tom Beavens visited Cranbrook Thursday on business.

Rev. W. T. Johnston was at Cranbrook Monday.

Two new and important industries will be developed in Southeast Kootenay this month.

R. L. T. Galbraith, Indian agent, was at St. Eugene Mission Friday on official business.

The poor people involved in the Fernie damage actions should learn at once whether they are entitled to recover or not.

The C.P.R. has just closed a contract for the shipment of 15,000 tons of lead ore from the Kootenays to England.

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. JOUNSTON.

There is now quite a flourishing settlement at Fish Lakes and Little Bull river, between 15 and 20 families being located there.

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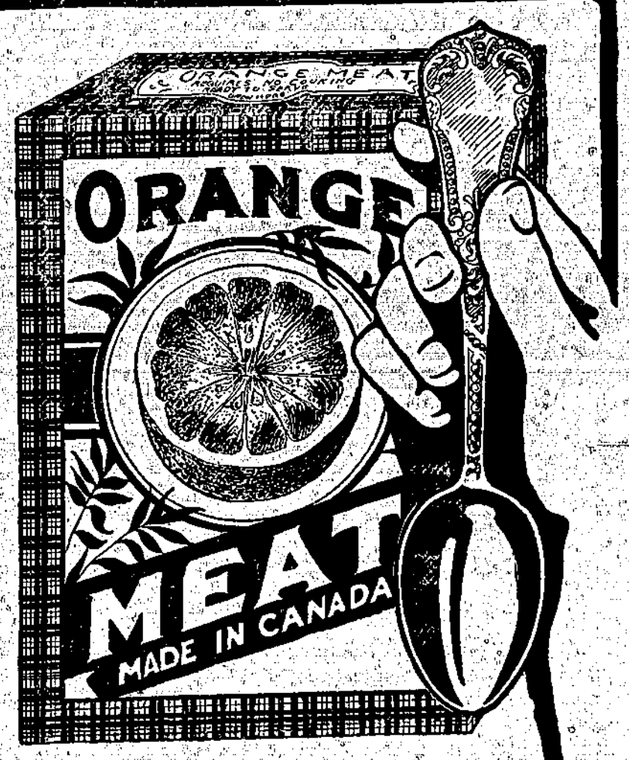

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