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The South Fork of the St. Mary's.

Walter Wels and Joe Taenhauser, jr., came down from the south fork of the St. Mary's a few days ago, where they have been representing claims owned by them. They brought down some fine ore taken out in the course of development, all of which will run high in copper with a goodly percentage of gold and silver. They have been at the property for the past seven weeks, and will return in a few days with supplies for a prolonged stay.

Joe Taenhauser informed a PROSPECTOR representative that considerable work has been done on the claims, and expressed the belief that with further development they will demonstrate that they have a mine.

Windermere District.

Work will be commenced at once on the Paradise group.

George Keefer, Dominion Engineer for British Columbia, came up the river a few days ago.

It has been decided by the Windermere Racing Association to have two days racing on August 3rd and 4th.

H. L. Amme, Walter Van Arsdalen and B. C. Burton are jointly interested in the Great Eastern and Oriental claims.

The Tecumseh group, on the head of Macdonald creek, consists of the Tecumseh, Tuscumby, and Dundee, adjoining the Red Line group on the south, says the Outcrop. They were located in the summer of 1898 by T. H. Taylor, Wm. Haupt and Harry Mather. The character of the ore is galena and grey copper from which average assays give 258 ounce of silver and 75 per cent lead. The ledge is about six feet wide, traceable through the Tecumseh and Tuscumby. No work has been done on this property to speak of.

Phillipps Creek.

Indian Agent Galbraith, who was at Phillipps' last week, informs a PROSPECTOR representative that there is quite a stir in mining in the vicinity of Phillipps creek. A number of prospectors are in the hills and a large amount of assessment work is being done, with the result that claims on the creek are showing up remarkably well.

Several capitalists and an experienced mining expert are expected shortly to examine some claims on Phillipps creek.

The Fort Steele District.

Considerable attention will be paid to the development of mining properties in the Fort Steele district this year, the mineral region east and north of Fort Steele has been believed for a long time to be one of the most diversified, if not the richest in the province. It is claimed that gold bearing quartz ledges are located on Wild Horse creek and its tributaries which bid fair to rival the African gold fields. American investors are already turning their attention in this direction.

From the Star Group.

Active development of the Star group of mines has been commenced under the management of J. Y. Kesler. The work at present is confined to the White Swan claim. The shaft is now down ten feet and the shaft is well mineralized, showing copper, iron and galena with bunches of grey copper coming in.

Messrs. Kesler and Utz are both well pleased with the appearance of the property.

To Develop the Bill Nye.

W. M. Violet, Al. Guenelly and Charles Reynolds left on Thursday for the Bill Nye group of claims at the head of Trail creek, a tributary of Wild Horse creek. During the summer the property will be thoroughly developed. The first work to be done is to build a trail from the north fork of Wild Horse to the mine, a distance of about three miles.

A one-fourth interest in the property was recently sold to L. W. Moody of Iowa, the price not made known. The contract with Mr. Moody calls for continuous work.

The claim will be surveyed as soon as the trail is completed.

Mining Notes.

W. S. Rogers who was in Fort Steele a few days ago will return in July for a prolonged stay. Mr. Rogers is interested in the Golden Five.

R. R. Hedley, superintendent of the Hall Mines Smelter, arrived in town on Wednesday to visit his brother J. M. Hedley of the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

T. D. Thomas was down from the Golden Five during the week.

The pay-roll of the Rossland camp for last month was upwards of $100,000. Of this amount $64,770 was paid by the British America Corporation.

Capt. S. D. Pompelly was down from Luke creek on Wednesday last, he says the St. Mary's Gold Mining & Milling Co. are doing additional work on their Luke creek properties. On the Hobson the shaft is now down twenty feet and at that depth the claim is showing up wonderfully in copper, gold and silver.

Senator W. A. Clark and F. Aug. Heinze, of Butte, have inaugurated eight-hour shifts in all of the mines operated and controlled by them. This went into effect on the 15th inst. the thirteenth anniversary of the Butte Miners' Union.

Good reports are being recorded from the upper St. Mary's. The assessment work so far done this year is showing up larger bodies of ore. It is one of the most attractive sections of East Kootenay for the prospector.

No reports have been received from Tracy and Lewis creeks camp during the week.

James Hickman is now employed at the Golden Five.

Don McKay went up to the John Bull group on Thursday. Don says they have a mine which will attract great attention before long.

There is a decided upward tendency to Sullivan stocks, the quotations on Tuesday afternoon being 12¼ asked and 11¼ bid.

Some miners came down from Skookum Chuck on Thursday bringing with them some fine ore.

Alki creek, on the St. Mary's, has been the scene of considerable activity so far this season. Next week we hope to be able to give a description of the work which has been done.

McKinley Is the Man.

Philadelphia, June 20.—The great Republican convention is now in session at Philadelphia. The delegates were wildly enthusiastic over McKinley's name Fine speeches, followed by the appointment of committees.

THE POWERS ON THE ALERT.

Massacre of all Foreigners in Pekin. Legations Burned.—Revolt Spreads in a Half-Dozen Places.

London, June 21.—The latest reports all indicates that the European residents in the city of Pekin have been massacred.

Twenty-five thousand troops have been mobilized for immediate transportation to Taku.

A Shanghai correspondent telegraphing to the Times says: "The British flag is reported to have been flying yesterday over the south gate of Pekin. This is presumed to indicate the arrival of Admiral Seymour and the International forces.

Washington, June 20.—The battleship Oregon has been ordered to Taku. The gunboats Princefon and Marietta are under orders to proceed to Taku for service in the Pei-Ho river as far up as Teintsin.

Paris, June 20.—The French government will have 4,200 troops at Taku when the reinforcements ordered out reach there. It has been decided to dispatch two cruisers. This will give France seven modern cruisers and a dispatch boat.

The United States transport Thomas with troops for Manila was diverted to Nagasaki, and has arrived at Taku with 1,200 troops.

The British cruiser Undaunted arrived at Shanghai yesterday, cleared for action and took up a position commanding the Chinese forts. There are three Chinese cruisers in the harbor.

Three of the Chinese forts at Taku were destroyed and most of the garrisons were killed or wounded by a charge from the sailors of the Allied fleets.

Paris, June 20.—The French armored cruiser Guichen, Admiral Charner in command, and the Trianic have been ordered to China. Two transports conveying two battalions of infantry and two batteries of artillery will leave at once.

Japan is mobilizing 25,000 troops for immediate transport. The whole Japanese Merchant Shipping Company has been chartered.

The new Chinese cruiser Hai Yang has be taken into custody at Taku by the British and Russian warships.

The revolt is spreading rapidly in Western China. The rising seems to be spreading and shows an unexpected organization among the anti-foreign element.

It is now reported that it was on board the Russian cruiser Korietz, and not the Mandschur, killing and wounding over fifty. It is reported that no fewer than 700 Chinese were killed in the forts at Taku.

Five legation buildings in the city of Pekin were destroyed by fire during an attack of Chinese troops under General Yung Fah Siang.

North and South Railway.

Fort Steele with a railway traversing the country north and south, will occupy a much different position than it does at present with the railway seven miles distant. The north and south railway will do more for the country than any similar piece of road which could be built. The management of the great railway system which has done so much towards the development of British Columbia as a whole, are alive to the fact that there are great possibilities in the country through which the new road will run. There is not a man living in East Kootenay today who will not be benefitted. The prospector, miner, merchant and agriculturist will each reap a direct benefit from the road. It will do more to make the great mineral section on the east side of the Kootenay valley known to the world. It will cause the development of prospects into mines and the mines will pass into the hands of the capitalist who will in turn exploit them. A big pay roll will be created, and East Kootenay receive the reward which its mineral resources deserve. Fort Steele will be the center of a great mining country other towns will spring up, and in five years the valley of the Kootenay will be settled for its entire length. It is doubtful if there is any railway on the continent, which runs through a mineral country of such vast extent, as this new road will traverse. There will be many places on the line where it is reasonably sure, ore will be shipped from in large quantities. There is a great future for the Fort Steele district.

BOMBARDMENT OF TIENTSIN.

American Gunboat Shot Through Her Bows.—Consulates Destroyed.—Death of Admiral Seymour.

Special to THE PROSPECTOR.

Washington, June 22.—Acting secretary of navy, Hackett, received a cable message this afternoon from Admiral Kempff, dated Chee Foo June 21, saying: "That Tientsin is being bombarded, and that much of the American consulate, as well as much of the foreign concessions are being destroyed. A relief party is enroute to Teintsin, including 130 American marines under Major Waller.

London, June 22.—The United States gunboat Monocacy was two miles up the Pei-Ho river when the International fleet began the bombardment of the Taku forts. According to the Shanghai correspondents of the Daily Express, she was shot through the bows. Chinese riflemen on both banks of the river attacked her, but unsuccessfully. The scantiness of authentic news with reference to the situation continues.

The British Admiralty does not believe the report of the death of Admiral Seymour, the commander of the International relief column.

The consuls met today at Shanghai to consider the situation which in the absence of news from Pekin, is looked upon as particularly threatening.

The Victoria correspondent of the Vancouver World is trying to draw some consolation from the recent election in this province. He claims that Martin had the popular vote, which he must know is not true, besides he endeavors to argue that the selection of Dunsmuir as premier is actual victory for Martin, and predicts all sorts of things from the mixed legislature.

Celebration at Cranbrook.

Cranbrook proposes to celebrate Dominion Day in good style. An elaborate programme has been prepared, and seven hundred dollars will be distributed in prizes for the different events. The celebration will commence early and continue late.

Born.

On June 17th a son to Mr. and Mrs. Mather, weight twelve pounds. The father is doing well.

SOUTH AFRICAN WAR NEWS.

Buller is Pressing On.—Flight of the Transvaal Secretary of State.

Special to THE PROSPECTOR.

London, June 22.—General Buller is pressing his advance. On Wednesday he followed the Johannesburg railway to Paardeberg Kop, 31 miles from Standerton. About three hundred Boers singly or in small parties, have surrendered there. Lord Roberts has adopted the Transvaal mining regulations for military administration.

The Boer's have printed and posted at every corner in Machadodorp the following:—"The Paris exposition has closed and France has declared war against England".

Fifty miles of railway has been destroyed in the Free States and a force of 3,000 British have had successes east of Pretoria.

It is said that Secretary of State Reitz sailed for Europe recently on a Dutch warship.

The Russian minister of foreign affairs, Count Muravieff, is dead.

The Canadian timber exhibit at the Paris Exhibition has been awarded first prize.

Miners' Convention on Monday.

Next Monday some fifteen or twenty visiting delegates will be here from various parts of British Columbia to attend the Miner's Convention. The visitors will be looked after by the members of the local union, and the convention will be held in the Odd Fellow's Hall.—Moyie Leader.

Completed Cabinet.

Special to THE PROSPECTOR.

Victoria, June 21.—With the dismissal of Lieutenant Governor McInnes and other incidents the past week has been replete with political sensations. The Conservative caucus passed resolutions asking the recall of McInnes, and on Tuesday Premier Laurier wired asking him to resign, he refused and on the following day he was dismissed, and on Tuesday Sir Joly de Lotbiniere appointed in his stead. The Cabinet was completed to day by the taking in of Wells, McBride and Prentice.

LOCAL NEWS.

C. M. Keep came down from Windermere on Thursday last.

David Griffith was in town during the week

Don't forget the phonograph entertainment on June 27th.

R. S. Gallup, formerly of Kaslo has removed with his family to Canterbury.

The Hotel Imperial will be open to the public in a few days.

The Kootenay river is higher this week than for two weeks past.

Fifty Dollar Quartz.

Word has been received that there is a genuine mining boom on at Libby, Montana. The scene of the excitement is on West Fisher creek, about thirty miles from Libby, where a stamp mill is working on quartz which will run from $40 to $50 per ton in gold. West Fisher has in the past produced considerable placer gold, and only two years ago some fine gold quartz ledges were discovered. There are a number of people in this section who are familiar with the locality.

A New "Outcrop".

The first issue of the Outcrop, the new paper published at Canterbury in the Windermere district, has just been received. It is six column folio, and is replete with news of the district, and shows a goodly amount of advertising. In his salutory the editor makes no rash promises, but announces that he will devote his energies to showing up the resources of the district.

Public Meeting.

There will be a public meeting this (Saturday) evening at the Hotel Windsor for the purpose of discussing the advisibility of having sports here on July 4th and appointing the different committees. It is to be hoped that there will be a full attendance.

A Merited Compliment.

The Moyie Leader says:—"J. A. Harvey of Fort Steele, while doing campaign work for Mr. Fernie, gained a hold on the people which will be of considerable worth to him if he ever aspires for office. It is to be regretted that he did not stand for his own election.

The Spokesman Review says: The Chinese are fighting for the independence of their country—for liberty, if you please, and the right to run China in a way to suit Chinese. But no resolutions of sympathy with the Chinese will be offered at Philadelphia or Kansas City. Not in a thousand years.

NO CHANGE IN THE CABINET.

Opposition Holding a Convention at Vancouver Today.

Special to THE PROSPECTOR.

Victoria June 19.—No further cabinet appointments have been made as yet, beyond Dunsmuir, Turner and Eberts. Opposition now holding convention at Vancouver. No further appointments will be made until the convention decides upon a course of action.

Herald for Sale.

Owing to the death of Horace T. Brown, the Cranbrook plant is offered for sale at a price said to be $4,000. It is also reported that a syndicate of Cranbrook people are negotiating to take the plant over and organize a company to run it.

From the "Outcrop".

R. A. Kimpton has gone to Trail with a carload of Delphine ore.

Messrs. Bruce and Hammond have let a contract to sink 100 feet in the Paradise group, and another contract to run a 100 foot tunnel.

Ben Abel and partners will leave in a few days to work on the Dutchy group and other claims on Copper creek, a tributary of Dutch creek.

Prospectors coming in from Toby creek report that there is quite a rush of men coming over the divide from West Kootenay.

A Yankee Trick.

The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of the Daily Express says:—"A German-American, well-known to the New York police, is alleged to have planned a desperate attempt to steal some of the bar gold from the trucks attached to President Kruger's travelling capital. He is said to have carried off some bars before he was discovered."

Volksrust, Transvaal, June 19.—The town guard of Wakkerstroom has surrendered to the British, and a number of Mausers, with several rifles of American manufacture, have been handed in. General Hildyard has returned here.

General Buller reports that the first train through passed Laing's Nek Monday, June 18, and proceeded to Charlestown.

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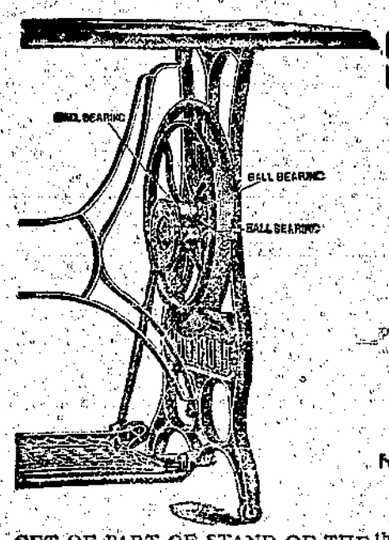

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Dated this 1st day of March, 1900.

HARVEY & McCARTER,
Solicitors for the Applicants

NOTICE.

Take notice that I have made application to the Honorable The Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut timber on the Crown Lands hereinafter more particularly described situate near Elk River about two miles north of Fernie in the District of East Kootenay: Commencing at a post ½ mile north from the N. W. corner of Lot 3047; thence west ½ a mile; thence south one half a mile; thence west 1½ miles; Thence south ½ of a mile; thence east 1½ miles; thence north 1½ miles to place of beginning. Containing 1000 acres more or less.

HENRY HOWARD.

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Dated this 1st day of March, 1900.

DALY & HAMILTON,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

BIG CHIEF, LITTLE CHIEF, EUREKA, GENEVA AND MELTON FRACTIONAL MINERAL CLAIMS.

Situated in the Fort Steele Mining Division of South East Kootenay District.

Where located: Big Chief, on Huckleberry Hill adjoining the Eureka Mineral Claim.

Little Chief, adjoining the Geneva Mineral Claim.

Eureka, on Huckleberry Hill aforesaid.

Geneva, adjoining the Eureka Mineral Claim.

Melton Fractional adjoining the Eureka Mineral Claim.

Take notice that I, William Roderick Ross acting as agent for the Hastings British Columbia Exploration Syndicate, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B 11792, 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 for each 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 17th day of February, 1900.

WM. R. ROSS. F. M. C. No. B 9912.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that in consequence of the resignation of Mr. Charles Estmere, all business in connection with the Kimberley townsite, on and after February 16th, 1900, must be done through the office of the Fort Steele Development Syndicate at Fort Steele.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 1900.

THE BALLOT BOX MYSTERY.

Preliminary Hearing of Dan Stadlander on a Second Complaint, Charging Him With Stealing a Ballot Box and Papers.

Thomas Ede, sworn, said:—"I reside in Fort Steele. There was an election held on June 9th for South East Kootenay to elect a member to the Legislature of British Columbia, and I was appointed returning officer for that election. The writ of election was forwarded to me and I was appointed on April 24th, dated some time in May. I published the election proclamations here and at all polling places as required by the act. The election took place on June 9th. The polling places were as follows:—Fort Steele 2, Fernie 2, Cranbrook 2, Michel, Phillipps, Elko, Empire, Warduer, Moyie, Kimberley, Wasa and Tracy 1, fifteen polling places in the South East Kootenay district. There was a polling booth at Wasa, Wm. French was appointed returning officer, and I sent him a ballot box, enclosed fifty ballots, ten red ballots, and all necessary forms, and his appointment as deputy returning officer, warrant and commission, and all necessary stationery to enable him to take the poll at Wasa. The ballot box was a small one, eight inches long, six inches deep, and six or seven inches in width. It was similar to the small boxes in the Government office. (Box shown). All were made in one size, shape, and material similar to that, and the box had similar facilities for locking it. It was delivered to me by Mr. French between nine and ten o'clock on June 9th, the evening of the election, locked and sealed, at my office in Fort Steele, with certificate of polling; Mr. French gave me the key at the same time. I received on Sunday ballot boxes from Elko, Phillipps, Empire, Michel and two boxes from Fernie, making 6 boxes. The Kimberley box I received at 11 o'clock on Saturday night, about an hour and a half after I had received the Wasa box, and on Monday at noon I received the Moyie box. I had the boxes in my office at Fort Steele, they were in my own custody. I am the informant in this case. I first missed the Wasa box on Monday morning when I came down to my office. I saw it on Sunday, there were fourteen boxes, the Moyie box had not come in. I locked my office it was always locked when I was not present. The box has not been recovered nor any of its contents. I so reported in my report that it was missing. I was not in my office until ten or eleven o'clock on Sunday night, with Hunter and Stadlander the accused. We got into the office and Hunter wanted me to sit down, but I told him no, I then got them out—Hunter and Stadlander. We were pretty full and they helped me down to the office. (Plan of office made by witness). The ballot boxes were on a stand in front of the door. As soon as I found they were in the office I did not want them in, so got them out. I had not opened the Wasa box, it disappeared in the same condition as I had received it. Mr. French returned only one box, that was the box I gave him.

Cross-Examined:—I missed the box on Monday morning the keys were not in my possession. Barnes, Kershaw and Langley took the keys from me and locked themselves in. One of the Langley's took the key, telling me that the office had been robbed and three ballot boxes were missing; this was 15 minutes after I was in the office with Hunter and Stadlander. A common lock is on my office door, The stand is five feet from my office door, it is eight or ten feet long, the nearest box was about seven feet from the door. The ballot boxes were on the stand. I don't know where the Wasa box was on the stand, they were all there. The last time I saw the Wasa box was about half past twelve on Sunday. It was noon, I saw it when I left. The large ones were in the corner, only the large ones were on the floor. Hanson and Van Arsdalen brought in their boxes at this time. I don't know where the box disappeared to, I did not know it had disappeared until Monday morning. It was only the small boxes that were on the stand.

Kershaw, VanArsdalen and Hanson, were deputy returning officers. Barnes, Kershaw and J. Langley got my keys from me. Hunter and Stadlander were at my office with me, it was a quarter of an hour after. Langley was not one of the officers. There were no other boxes on my desk except ballot boxes used in this election."

Wm. French, sworn, said:—"I was deputy returning officer at Wasa on the 9th June, the day of election. I had a ballot box similar to the one on exhibition. There were fifteen ballots polled. I put all ballots in the ballot box together with all documents pertaining to the election, which consisted of my appointment as deputy returning officer, the appointment of a poll clerk, copy of election statutes, unused ballots, and all other papers connected with the election, then locked and sealed the box. Shortly after I started for Fort Steele and delivered the box locked and sealed, with the key to Mr. Ede in his office between nine and ten o'clock Saturday night. The box was for short time locked up in polling booth when I was not there. It was continuously in my possession except the time it was locked up in the polling booth. I am satisfied it was in the same condition when I delivered it to Mr. Ede as it was when I sealed it after the election, both box and its contents."

Cross-Examined:—"I saw Mr. Ede take it, the seal was on it and it had the same appearance. It looked the same every way as when I sealed it. The box was locked up in the polling booth for half an hour while I was eating supper. The room was locked with an ordinary key. The polling booth joins the dining room of Mr. Hanson's house at Wasa, the room is used as a sitting room, it is on the left hand side of the dining room in connection with the house; two doors enter the room. I am certain that there are only two doors, that is two doors communicating with the outside, the bedroom has a door between the rooms. The sitting room and bedroom were used as a polling booth. I locked the doors, one leading into the dining room and one leading outside, the third door was open all the time. There are also some windows, two windows. I had one open during polling hours. It was fastened with a nail. I asked the poll clerk to give me a hammer with which to fasten the other window. I did not examine doors or windows when I went back to get the ballot box, I unlocked the door that I had locked when I left the room, and I unfastened the window that I had fastened. I did not lock both doors with same key when I left the room. I unlocked the outside door and that was the only door that I did anything to when I took the box out. (Diagram of polling booth made by witness.) I sealed the box with sealing wax."

D. Munroe, sworn said:—"I know the accused Dan Stadlander. On the evening of the 9th of June I saw Mr. Ede at the new hotel, the prisoner was trying to get him on his feet. He got him as far as the outside door when Dan Hunter got hold of him. Hunter and Stadlander got hold on each side and walked up the street. Mr. Neidig and some others were there. I went up the street on the same sidewalk after them and crossed the street to the Windsor Hotel. The hotel is just across the street in front of Ede's office. I went in to the cardroom, saw some of the boys playing whist at one of the tables. I saw Mr. Ede and the accused at Mr. Ede's door, they were trying to open it or do something. While I was watching the boys at the game I saw Stadlander come in. It was five or eight minutes after I saw them at Ede's door. Stadlander was pretty full, I saw that he had a ballot box under his arm partly covered with his coat. It was under his arm. He walked into the saloon from the card room. I can remember the shape of the end of the box. I did not see the whole of it. It was about the same size as the box exhibited, and same color. In a few minutes I got up and walked over to the door that separates the cardroom from the saloon. I looked over the top of the lath door and saw the prisoner and Bob Mather at the bar. Granby was tending bar, no one else was there. I walked back to the card table and stood there a while and in a minute or so walked outside. I did not get sight of the box again after Stadlander went into the saloon with it. A little while afterwards it was about fifteen minutes, I accused him of taking the box into the saloon and told him to bring it back. I did not catch his reply. This conversation took place in the saloon. (Witness made diagram of the card room and saloon)".

Cross-Examined—"No, I never saw a ballot box like the one on exhibition before that night. I saw Mr. French bring one in on Saturday night. I was standing close to the door. I don't remember which side of the door I was standing by. I don't remember who were there besides Mr. French. I don't remember how the box was wrapped up. I don't remember what part of box I saw when Mr. French passed it over to Mr. Ede. It was a ballot box. Yes, I am sure it was a ballot box. I was looking through the top slats of the door when I saw him in the saloon. I did not say anything to anyone about the box at that time. I stood there for a while, I then went out and reported it to Langley. I could not find Barnes. I did not say that he took three. I said I saw him coming in with one. I did not tell them I seen him taking the ballot boxes from Ede's office. J. Larsen, C. Barnes, Felix and Sam Cadwix they were playing whist; there was no one else there. I did not say anything to them about the ballot box. I spoke to Wm. Langley first about the ballot box. I did not tell him that I saw Stadlander give it to Mathero. I told him that Stadlander had it under his coat and arm. I had no suspicion when I saw those men going down the street that they were going to take the box. I was in town that night. I had a horse so I could leave when I wished to. I could leave at any time. My horse was in the stable over to the house. I noticed the color of the box that night, it was made of wood, no. I do not know whether it was made of wood or iron."

Re-Direct:—"I gave a description of the box. I drew a plan of the end. That plan was drawn before I saw the box on exhibition.

"It was about fifteen or twenty minutes after I saw the accused with the box before Constable Barnes appeared on the scene."

Re-Cross-Examined:—"Yes: I saw the ballot boxes on the night that the boxes were brought in."

Constable Barnes, sworn said: "I am provincial constable at Fort Steele. I know Mr. Ede,

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The Prospector

SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 1900.

The smoke of battle has blown away, the political atmosphere is clear once more, and the people now have an opportunity of getting into harness and work for the development of the mineral resources of the district.

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There is no section of British Columbia so rich in mineral, nor is there any portion so in need of actual development.

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Now is the time to invite capital to exploit the hidden wealth of South East Kootenay.

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There is no reason why we should be behind in the race, because nature has been kind and spread its wealth with a lavish hand, but it will take labor to make it known.

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THE PROSPECTOR has frequently said that no mining section of the Province can, or could ever compete with this district, if the surface showings are an indication.

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Mining men who have visited South East Kootenay, express surprise at the wonderful surface indications. One gentleman remarked, "If there were such showings in the Rossland or Boundary districts, it would cause greater excitement than was ever experienced in those camps. This seems to be the opinion of everyone who has visited the country.

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The question naturally arises, "What is the reason no more attention is being paid to a section of such acknowledged richness?"

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There are several answers to the question. The principal one is the matter of transportation. should mines be developed to a shipping point without proper facilities of transportation, we say, this alone should spur owners of property to get their mines in such a condition that when the railway traverse the country north and south, that they may be in a position to show their resources to intending investors.

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The future of the district is assured, its advancement has been slow for the reasons given, but those parties whose faith has made them stay with the country, will reap their reward. The day is not far distant, when South East Kootenay will be a household word.

A number of people who voted and used their influence to retain Joe Martin in power, are not feeling in the best of humor these days. [illegible] inspired them [illegible] confidence, but they cast it on the die, and lost. The result will be well worth it for them.

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If you had been a candidate in the recent election, believing fully that Joe Martin would be returned to power, and afterwards found out that he was hopelessly defeated, and your influence would be nil, wouldn't that jar you?

Advertise Our Resources.

It has been several months since the Board of Trade held a meeting to discuss matters directly pertaining to Fort Steele. There are several questions which that body should take in hand, for unless some organized effort is made nothing can be done. The principal subject to be discussed is the advertising of the mineral resources of South East Kootenay. The people of Fort Steele evidently do not understand this. It was persistent advertising which has made the Boundary creek country. The Republic Camp received much of its importance from judicious advertising, and neither section had as much to show in the early days as is in evidence in South East Kootenay. We wonder why capital does not come in, how can it reasonably be expected, when thousands of people in this country who are seeking investment in mines, do not know there is such a place as East Kootenay. A few hundred dollars judiciously expended in advertising will do more good than all of the talk or letter writing which could be done in few years and for this purpose there is no reason why the joint Boards of Trade of the different towns should meet and formulate some plan whereby the outside world should be made acquainted with not only the mineral, but agricultural resources. It is the only thing to be done, and we again repeat a homely old proverb. "If you don't toot your horn you won't sell your fish."

The Queen at the Derby.

The Queen has only been twice to the Derby during her reign. Her Majesty and Prince Albert visited Epsom races on the Derby Day of 1840, and the welcome accorded them was especially enthusiastic, owing to the fact that this was practically a bridal visit. The race was won by an outsider, Little Wonder, the property of Mr. Robertson, and Prince Albert was so impressed with Macdonald's riding that he sent his own riding whip to the weighing-room immediately after the race, as a present and souvenir to the lucky jockey.

St. John's Church of England.

Divine service will be held in St. John's church at 7.30. Strangers welcome.

Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. All the children invited.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

In future, and until further notice, divine service will be held on Sunday in the Presbyterian church at 3 p. m., only Sunday school at 2 p. m.

An Extra Session

Washington, June 21.—Presistent rumors are afloat that President McKinley will call an extra session of Congress to deal with the Chinese question.

Prevented a Tragedy.

Timely information given Mrs. George Long, of New Straitsville, Ohio prevented a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. A frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies and doctors but steadily grew worse, until urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes this marvellous medicine also cured Mr. Long of a severe attack of Pneumonia. Such cures are positive proof of the matchless merit of this grand remedy for curing all throat, chest and lung troubles. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottle free at A. W. Bleasdell's drug store.

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The Prospector.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 1900.

Wedding Gifts.

The following is the list of gifts presented to Mr. and Mrs. Elwell on the occasion of their wedding last week.

The Rev. J. H. Sykes and Mrs. Sykes, (presents to the bride) cheque and table linen; Mrs Elwell, cheque; Mrs. Evans, cheque; Mr. and Mrs. Ross, jardiniere; Mr. and Mrs. Cann, case of tea spoons; Colonel Henderson, silver butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. Tom McVittie, Japanese vase; Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, silver marmalade spoon; Mr. and Mrs. Gilpin, mat; Dr. Watt, berry set; Dr. and Mrs. Corsan, fern pot; Mrs. Levett, table centre, cake doilie and souvenir spoon; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey, Japanese vase; Miss Secord, silver mustard pot; Mrs. Hannington, Battenbery lace doilies, Mr. and Mrs. Bleasdell, hand painted plates; Mr. and Mrs. Grace, rug; Messrs Fink and Hertz, lamp; Mr. and Mrs. Reineman, table; Mr. Laidlaw, set of carvers; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Fenwick, set of knives, set of carvers, silver soup ladle, silver gravy ladle and silver egg spoons; Miss Fraser, afternoon tea cloth; Mr. Edwards and A. E. Watt, Japanese rugs; Mr. Beale, Lamp; Mr. and Mrs. D. Griffiths, Lamp; Mrs. Dilse, basket of fruit; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McBride, musical clock; Mr. Carlin, silver knives and forks; Mr. Goff, marmalade jar; Mr. and Mrs. Binmore, teapot, sugar bason and cream jug; Mr. Herbert Clarke, clock; Miss Thomas silver forks; Mr. Pollen, oak cabinet; Mr. Hanson, hall stand with glass; Mr. Galbraith and Miss Hazel Galbraith, tablecloth and table napkins; Mrs. Keeler, bridal bouquet of white carnations; Mr. and Mrs. R. O Jennings, easy rocking chair; Mr. and Mrs. Wallinger, silver butter knife and sugar tongs; Mr. A. D. Sykes, salt cellar; Miss. Rica Clarke (Winnipeg) tea cosy; Mrs. Miller, silver cheese scoop; Mr. Miller, cheque; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Day, (Nelson) silver fish carvers; Mrs. Barber, Battenberg lace afternoon tea cloth; Mr. Humphries, cheque; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Smith, salad set; Miss Edwards, open work cushion cover.

CHINA AGAINST THE WORLD.

Taku Forts Fired on the International Fleet.—War Ships Replied.—Two Ships Reported Sunk.

Special to THE PROSPECTOR.

Berlin, June 18.—The German consul at Chee Foo telegraphs that a Japanese torpedo boat from Taku has brought the following dispatch:

"The Chinese laid torpedoes in the Taku harbor. The foreign commanders assembled on the Russian flagship and addressed an ultimatum to the commander of the Taku forts summoning them to withdraw their torpedoes before two o'clock on June 17. At 1 a. m. the guns of the fort opened fire on the fleet, to which Russian, British, French and Japanese warships replied. The bombardment lasted seven hours. Two British ships in the river between the two forts are reported as sunk. The telegraph line has been destroyed. The killed are British 1, Germans 3, Russians 16, French 1. Four British wounded.

London, June 19.—China declared war against the world when the Taku forts opened fire on the International fleet. The accounts of what took place are still unsatisfactory, the best semiofficial information being the dispatch received at Berlin from Chee Foo.

Russian Troops Attack Pekin.

Special to THE PROSPECTOR.

New York, Jan. 20.—The Russian relief corps arrived at Pekin this morning, June 19, and immediately commenced an attack on the city from both sides. It is supposed that the Chinese, infuriated at the destruction of Taku, have retaliated by massacreing all European residents in the city of Pekin. It is known that five buildings owned by English residents have been burned. Europeans at Shanghai are leaving for fear of their lives.

The forts on both sides of Taku are now occupied by the International forces. It is said that the forts began firing in obedience to orders from Pekin conveyed in the personal edict of the Empress Dowager, by advice of Kang Yi, (president of the ministry of war.) Several warships were struck by shells from the 12-guns of the forts. The heavy Russian losses were due to the blowing up of the magazines of the Mandshur. Four hundred Chinese are reported killed. The Chinese who were retreating fell into the hands of the Russian land forces.

Two forts were blown up. The 32 warships at Taku aggregated 200,000 tons and carried more than 300 guns.

Russia has massed 40,000 men with seven batteries of artillery at Kiachta.

Two British, one American and five Chinese warships are in the harbor of Chee Foo.

Russia has demanded 50,000,000 taels indemnity for the damage to the Chinese railroads in which Russians are interested.

The powers are rushing large armies and many battle ships to China.

The Seventh Bengal Infantry has been ordered to proceed to Hong Kong.

The Ninth Infantry, United States regulars, have been ordered to Taku. They started on the transport steamer Logan.

Great apprehension exists at the navy department as to the fate of the United States marine guard of 56 men which were landed at Teintsin and dispatched by railroad to Pekin before the railroad was repaired.

Four thousand German troops have been ordered to China, 10,000 French troops are waiting to embark at Saigon, and 5,000 Russian troops have been ordered to Taku from Port Arthur.

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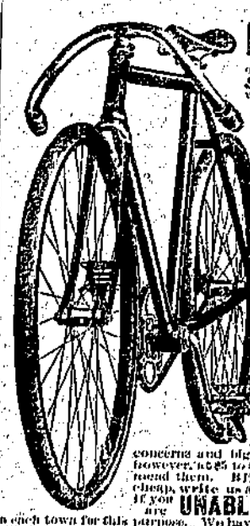
The author moistened his lips, unfolded the manuscript and began:

"The bronzed young uitlander paused beside the spruit, which was now little more than a dusty sluit. He had come through the krantz, and over the nek, and along the poort, and past the kopje, and straight across the level veldt, and he was tired. Raising his bottle of dop to his lips, he was disappointed to find it was empty. He filled the flask at the fontein on the kloof, close to the drift, and, moistening a little biltong, ate eagerly. 'I wish I had some mealies', he muttered, 'but I can't expect any until I reach the next kraal. Even then I doubt the wisdom of showing myself. I feel pretty sure that the zarps were put on my track as soon as the voorlooper recognized me.'"

The great publisher waved his hand.

"Splendid!" he cried. "That's just what we've been looking for. We'll have it on the bookstand inside of ten days. Can you fill a sequel with some more of the same rot?"

And the happy author said he thought he could.



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(FORM F.)

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

NOTICE.

"MINNIE M" and "TIGER" Mineral Claims, situate in the Fort Steele Mining Division of East Kootenay District.

Where located:—On the Tracy Creek Mountain near Lewis creek.

Take notice that I, Thos. T. McVittie, F. M. C. No. "B9691", agent for John E. Humphreys F. M. C. No. "B8522", 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 5th day of May, 1900.

19— THOS. T. McVITTIE.

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Foreign Legations are in a Sore Plight. No Word From Peking.

London, June 19.—There is not a cabinet apparently that knows what has been transpiring in Peking for five days, or in Tientsin for three days, nor is there anyone that knows with what difficulties the small and inadequately equipped international column is contending between those cities.

The foreign consuls at Shanghai, the members of the municipal council and the officers of the volunteer forces, met yesterday (Sunday) and adopted a plan in event of its being necessary to defend themselves against native Chinese.

The following summary of the situation was telegraphed to the Daily News from Shanghai last evening:

"The situation is critical, with no parallel since the Indian mutiny. At the Yang Tse ports there has been no outbreak; but placards have been posted in Kin Kiang, Ugas Shin Wu Hu calling on the people to kill and burn. A body of rioters 5000 strong are at Weisen, in the prefecture of Canton, and troops have gone to suppress them.

"The powers, unprepared, are helpless to prevent disaster, but, barring local friction, they are working amicably."

Manila, June 18.—The Ninth regiment has been ordered to Manila, whence it will proceed to China.

The gunboat Concord with marines on board has departed under sealed orders, supposedly for China. The British cruiser Buena Ventura has sailed for Hong Kong with troops and stores for Hong Kong and Tientsin.

Japan is sending 2,000 troops to China.

The United States government has ordered General MacArthur, commanding the army in the Philippines, to send reinforcements to China.

Grubstaking.

The validity of that form of prospecting contract known as grubstaking has been repeatedly upheld by the courts. The word itself has no double meaning about it, and like most mining terms, indicates exactly what is intended—viz: a partnership between those who furnish money and supplies to him who is thus enabled to look for and find mining prospects, each to share in the profits or successes as agreed. It isn't exactly a "partnership," it is a sort of venture, or adventure, where one furnishes the grub and stakes the other who supplies the sabe. Though the agreement is not required to be a written one, each party to it justly expects the other to do all that he agrees, and, usually, the responsibility ends there. When a prospector locates a mine comes a question of tenancy in common, with all its attendant rights and responsibilities. If during the time agreed upon the prospector finds anything and locates it in his own name, his associate, the one who grubstaked him, can claim and enforce compliance with the terms of the agreement, not on the basis of a partnership, but according to the terms of the contract. If during the life of the contract the outfitter fails to keep his part of the bargain such failure at once absolves the prospector from further observance of its provisions. And, at the same time, during the life of the contract, either of the two parties can buy or sell mining claims with his own money and at his own risk without the other having anything to do with it in any way.

All this applies to grubstake, pure and simple. That is about as far as grubstake contracts usually goes. If a man is hired to get a mine, and is paid wages from the start, with a promise of raise in his pay or an interest in what he might acquire, that is not a grubstake, and the relations between the two are those of employer or employee. Any agreement extending beyond discovery and location takes the grubstake contract into a different domain, and makes it more of a mining partnership. So far as property rights are concerned, in the ordinary grubstake contract both parties are merely tenants in common in whatever property may be acquired while the agreement was in force, and neither party has the right to bind the interest of the other.

There isn't much style about grubstaking, nor are there any frills on it; it is a homely proposition with plenty of hard work and a certain amount of old-fashioned honesty and integrity about it, a mutual risk in which each party gives the other a square deal, and neither is supposed to be trying to get the best of it. Some of the best mining property in the United States is the result of grubstaking a prospector, and in these days of scientific mining and metallurgy the prospector is as important a factor as ever, and grubstaking may well be as favorably considered as ever it was. Grubstaking is a good investment today; it was always a favorite form of procedure with mine operators always on the lookout for new properties, prospects susceptible of being made into mines—for mines are made just the same as any other manufacture—and deserves consideration. Not every prospector is fit to be grubstaked; not every man a prospector would care to take a grubstake; yet there are many prospectors who, backed by coin, could make the venture one of mutual profit.—Mining & Scientific.

The Ballot Box Mystery.

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I saw him that night. I had a conversation with him about 15 minutes to 10 o'clock on the street. Not over twenty minutes after that I found him on the street and he could not walk. We carried him into the new hotel and laid him on a pile of shavings. I left him there. Next time I saw him was half an hour later, he was in front of his office. I went there with the deputy returning officer to try and get information as to whether any of the ballot boxes were missing. Mr. Ede was very drunk, so I ordered the keys to be taken away from him so that we could get into the office. I opened the door myself, and went in and made a search. There were thirteen boxes. Moyie and Wasa were not there. I learned afterwards that Moyie had not been returned. I arrested the accused on information laid by Mr. Munroe. I made a search for the Wasa box but could find no trace of it".

Cross-Examined:—"I had no warrant to arrest or search anyone at that time. My information was that they were stealing the ballot box or ballot boxes. I ordered Langley to take the keys from Ede's pocket. At that time I had information that Stadlander had taken the box. I got the information from Munroe".

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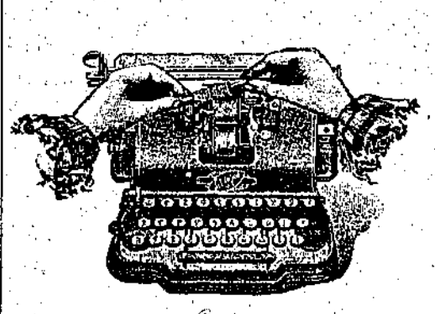

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LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

Word has been received that a number of people have come into the country south of Elk river to take up land and build homes.

We have on file for reference by our readers the latest price circular of the McMillan Fur & Wool Co., Minneapolis, Minn., dated May 14th. Their advertisement will be found in another column, and we take pleasure in recommending any parties who have goods in their line to ship to them.

Dad Sprague was in town on Monday. He says the Miners Home, his new hotel, will be open for the public in a few days. Dad says he purposes to keep a first-class house with every convenience for the travelling public.

Brown Leghorn Eggs for sale from Prize Stock, $2 per setting of 13 eggs.
P. McCONNELL, Cranbrook, B.C.

Harry Mather left this week for the Windermere country to do some work on his claim on Law creek. He will be away about two months.

J. H. Brock of Winnipeg, managing director of the Great West Life Assurance Company, was in the city on Monday last.

E. W. Matthews of Nelson, the Kootenay representative of R. G. Dun & Co., was in town on Monday.

J. E. Humphrey's left Fort Steele on Wednesday for a trip to the Old Country. He will remain abroad about a year.

The express business in Fort Steele is rapidly increasing. Agent Beale says that during the month of May the business in his office was more than double that of the corresponding month of last year.

There is a movement on foot to have a celebration in Fort Steele on July 4.

J. F. Armstrong went to Fernie on official business on Tuesday.

Rev. C. A. Procunier left for Vancouver on Monday last, as delegate to a meeting of the grand lodge of Masons, held in that city on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week. He goes to represent the North Star lodge of Fort Steele.

Mrs. John Galbraith and her daughter, Hazel, left for Fairmont Springs on Wednesday last.

China against the World. It would appear that when the powers finish the job it will be broken China.

Arch Leitch says there is some eighty odd liars in Cranbrook; "wouldn't that jar you".

N. A. Wallinger has commenced improvements on the Mountain House. T. C. Armstrong is putting on a steel roof, after which the interior will be thoroughly overhauled and arranged for offices.

The football team were out for practice on Wednesday evening. Some of the boys are carrying more flesh than is desirable but they say it will be worked off before the contest.

Dr. John Barber returned from Fernie on Wednesday last.

Geary and Doyle are building a large corrall adjoining their barn.

It Will Make You Laugh if you attend the Phonograph Entertainment on Wednesday evening.

The Moyie Leader explains to its own satisfaction how Costigan was defeated, but fails to explain why he only received 75 votes in his own town, nor how it was that he lost his deposit.

It is learned that Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, accompanied by Tom C. Gray, will pay Fort Steele a visit in the course of a few weeks.

Mr. Reid of Montreal will be in Fort Steele in the course of a few days. He is interested in property in the vicinity of Lake creek.

J. F. Sanders, who is largely interested in claims on Skookum Chuck, is at present working at the Golden Five.

Work on the Dupont is being continued. Manager Hanington says the property is improving as the work progresses.

No word has been received from the Old Abe during the past week.

C. F. Hanington and Billy Langley went down to Sand creek on Wednesday.

Jay Usher is again superintendent of the Fort Steele-Windermere stage line.

Rev. D. McK. Reid, B. A. will preach in the Presbyterian Church tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. Sunday School at 2 p.m.

Robert Little was down from Perry creek during the week.

A large amount of supplies is being sent up to the workings of the Kootenay Perry Creek Company.

Don't forget the Phonograph entertainment at the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening.

Monte Carlo will put in an electric fan in his famous restaurant.

The North Star mine will be lighted by electricity in a short time.

Talk of an electric light plant for Fort Steele is being revived.

A French astronomer predicts an unusual hot summer.

E. J. Cann went to Kimberley on Wednesday, returning on the following day.

It is too bad that the Lieutenant-Governor did not accept the opportunity of resigning which was granted him. He evidently preferred to be kicked out and then pose before the country as a martyr to duty.

The appointment of Sir Henry Joly as Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, is a distinct setback to the political aspirations of Mr. Bostock.

Our member will work for a bridge across the St. Mary's at the ford. So his friends say. He will meet with the hearty cooperation of this community.

J. W. Stewart has received the contract for connecting the tracks of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard and C. P. tracks at Nelson.

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WATER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made under Part II. of "Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897," to record the right to take, divert, convey, and use water in the East Kootenay District, for ordinary, domestic and agricultural purposes:

(a) The name of the applicant is the Indian Department per R. L. T. Galbraith.

(b) The name of the lake, stream or source is (*if unnamed the description is*) Phillips creek.

(c) The point of diversion or intended ditch head is at or near the Boundary fence on Mr. Phillips Lot 289.

The point where it is to be returned is at the International Boundary.

The difference in altitude between the point of diversion and the point where it is to be returned is about six feet.

(d) The means by which it is intended to store and divert the water is by an ordinary irrigation ditch and flume to be constructed over part of Lot 289 and the Indian Reserve.

(e) The number of inches applied for is One Hundred.

(f) The water is required for domestic and irrigation purposes.

(g) The land or mine on which the water is to be used is the Tobacco Plains Indian Reserve.

(h) This notice was published on the 28th day of June, 1900, and application will be made to the Commissioner on the 30th day of July, 1900.

(*Signature*) R. L. T. GALBRAITH,
Indian Agent.
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(b.) The name of the lake, stream or source is (*if unnamed, the description is*) a small stream rising on Lot 487, Group 1, East Kootenay District.

(c.) The point of diversion or intended ditch head is near the South East Corner of Lot 487 (M. Phillipps Land).

(d.) The means by which it is intended to store and divert the water is by an ordinary irrigation ditch and flume to be constructed over part of Lot 487, Group 1, East Kootenay District, the property of M. Phillipps.

(e.) The number of inches applied for is six (6).

(f.) The water is required for domestic and irrigation purposes.

(g.) The land on which the water is to be used is on the Indian Reserve of the Tobacco Plains Band.

(h.) This notice was first published on the 16th day of June, 1900, and application will be made to the Commissioner on the 24th day of July, 1900.

(*Signature*) R. L. T. GALBRAITH,
Indian Agent.
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