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SALE OF GOVERNMENT TOWN LOTS.

The City Council Requests the Government to Dispose of its Lots at Once.

An adjourned regular meeting of the mayor and aldermen of the council of the corporation of the city of Nelson was held in the court house Nelson, on Thursday, April 29th, at 8 p. m. Present mayor Houston and aldermen Teetzel, Fletcher, Malone, Gilker, and Hillyer. Absent, alderman Dow.

Alderman Teetzel moved, seconded by alderman Malone "That the third reading of the by-law entitled, City Pound by-law No. 4, 1897, be reconsidered. On a vote being taken the motion was lost. Aldermen Teetzel and Malone voting in the affirmative, and aldermen Fletcher, Gilker and Hillyer in the negative.

Tenders for grading Mill street between Stanley and Hall streets was received from Alex Allan, David McBeath and A. L. Dolan, and W. S. Doyle, and E. B. McNairn, and on motion of alderman Gilker, seconded by alderman Teetzel the tenders were referred to the public works committee, to be reported on at the next meeting of the counsel.

The city engineer submitted profiles showing the grades on Hall street from Baker street to the city wharf, and on Josephine street from Victoria street to Observatory street.

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Malone, it was resolved "that that the time for receiving tenders for Hall street sidewalk be extended until Monday, May 3rd at 8 p. m." Carried

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Teetzel, it was resolved "that the council authorize the city engineer to make surveys of the streets within the city limits necessary to be covered by waterworks and sewerage systems and at the same time establish street grades; also that a line be run and levels taken from Anderson creek to a suitable site for a water reservoir." Carried.

Alderman Teetzel introduced a by-law entitled Temporary Loan by-law No. 6, 1897. On motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Malone, the by-law was read a first time by title, and the second reading ordered for the next meeting of the council.

On motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Fletcher, it was resolved "that the provincial government be requested to place on the market at as early a date as practicable the balance of the unsold lots within the city limits." Carried.

An application was received from P. E. Wilson for the position of police magistrate for the city of Nelson.

On motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Fletcher, it was resolved that the name of Peter Edward Wilson be recommended to the lieutenant governor in council for appointment to the position of police magistrate for the city, and that his salary be fixed at $360 a year."

On motion of alderman Teetzel seconded by alderman Gilker, it was resolved "that when the council adjourns it adjourns until the regular meeting night Monday, May 3rd, at 8 p. m." Carried.

On motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Fletcher the council then adjourned.

The Big Work to be Resumed.

The Kootenay Mining company is the name of a company recently incorporated for the purpose of working the Bob Tail, Jay Gould and Shafer properties in the Ainsworth camp, three crown granted claims. This new company will resume work on the big Ainsworth tunnel which was started several years ago for the purpose of working the above claims and several others belonging to other companies. This tunnel was started in on the Bob Tail, 25 feet above the level of Kootenay lake, and run in 350 feet. With another 100 feet it is expected that the Bob Tail ledge will be cross-cut. It is the intention of the company to continue this tunnel into the mountain for 1000 or 1500 feet, as immediately west of the company's properties lie the Hamburg, Little Mamie, and Lady of the Lake claims. This tunnel, when it cuts these ledges, will give a depth of 1200 feet, admitting of a very cheap method of working them, and therefore being a source of revenue to the company owing to the tunnel. An air compressor and fan are on the ground in readiness for immediate work. The company is capitalized for $2,000,000 in one dollar shares, 400,000 of which will be put into the treasury for development purposes. The company will open an office in this city, of which R. E. Lemon will have charge.

Some Questions For J. M. Kellie, M. P. P.

J. M. Kellie, who represents the north riding of the district of West Kootenay in the provincial legislature, was one of the most active of those who sought to debar citizens of the United States from becoming free miners. J. M. Kellie is a miner and for this reason he should have known better. He knows that when he has any mining property to sell he takes it to Tacoma in order to sell to advantage. Did it not occur to J. M. Kellie that if it was wrong for citizens of the United States to enjoy the privileges of free miners as individuals it was equally wrong for them to enjoy those privileges as incorporated companies? With such knowledge as he has of the development of West Kootenay can J. M. Kellie honestly say that the passing of the Braden amendment was in the interests of West Kootenay? Does he not know that United States labor and United States capital have been the chief contributing causes in the rapid development of Kootenay? Will J. M. Kellie undertake to say that he cannot forsee the effect of such legislation upon the mining districts of West and East Kootenay?

TELLS A DIFFERENT STORY.

According to Callahan the Currie Ore is Not so Rich as Reported.

The first general meeting of the Galena Mines was held in London recently, and the Canadian Gazette gives a report of an address delivered to the stockholders by C. W. Callahan, the company's consulting engineer. As the people of the Slocan section are interested in the development of the Galena Farm properties owned by this company, what Callahan said concerning them will be of interest. Referring to the Currie group, he informed the shareholders: "I procured a bond on the best of it, about 200 acres, and pumped out the shaft, cross-cut the ledge and found it to be 12 feet wide carrying high grade galena ore. I then drifted on it 100 feet east and west, sunk a winze an additional 30 feet, which gave me 100 feet from the surface, which was enough to demonstrate that there was a very rich and large mine there, which only required skillful and systematic working to make it a profitable and dividend-paying property. In pursuance of that idea, I went 350 feet, put down a double compartment working shaft, equipped it with necessary working machinery, and am now sinking it, and expect within thirty days to have struck the ledge, on which I shall drift. I hope to have a big mine from that day. The ore is a concentrating proposition, being mixed more or less with quartz and ledge material, but perfect in every respect as a concentrating ore. We shall have enough ore in sight when this ledge has been developed sufficiently to enable me to put at least 50 or 75 men at work, to keep in full operation the 120-ton concentrator we propose to build. I ought to mention that as we were sinking the new shaft we encountered a cross-ledge fully 10 feet wide, which was not known to exist before. After this discovery I took course from the strike, and followed it along the surface a distance of 800 feet, and in a dozen places I opened it up, proving the new ledge to be at least 800 feet long, and the whole ledge was also opened up by various cuts and shafts for 1500 feet. The new ledge is of lower grade than the main ledge, and will concentrate 8 into 1, that is, eight tons of ore will make on ton of concentrates, which will be worth about $100 a ton."

The Anaconda Pays Another Dividend.

The dividend declared this month by the Anaconda Copper Mining company was at the rate of 5 per cent. on its capital stock of $30,000,000, and was therefore for the handsome sum of $1,500,000. This makes total to the amount of $3,750,000 since May 1st of last year. It is understood that dividends amounting to 10 per cent per annum will be declared right along, which virtually makes an income of 10 per cent to investors, as the shares are sold on the London market at a few shillings over five pounds sterling. It is not known what the earnings of the company amount to, but it is no doubt a fact that the company could pay just about twice as much. It has always been the policy of Mr. Daly to expend large sums in development work, both in Butte mines as well as on outside propositions, and it is owing to this gentleman's broad minded manner in all his business dealings that the Anaconda comaany now finds itself the possessor of nearly 100 very fine copper properties in this district. Under a more curtailed management no such acquisition would have been made. The main production of ore is coming from no more than eight mines, i. e. the Anaconda, St. Lawrence, Never Sweat, the two Mountain Cons, Green Mountain, High Ore and Diamond. The daily output is variously estimated at from 5,000 to 6,000 tons of ore, all of which is hauled to the smelters at Anaconda over the Butte, Anaconda & Pacific railroad. No doubt last year's production will be increased at least 200,000 tons. No mining company in the world is operated so extensively, and considering the magnitude, as economically as the Anaconda.

The Monday Owners Win.

Judge Forin this week disposed of a dispute over a mining claim which has clouded the title to some Rossland property for about eighteen months. The trouble is known as the Monday-Red Neck dispute. In October, 1895, a claim recorded as the Red Neck was located over some ten acres of the Monday, taking in the heart of the claim, and including all the showings on the Monday. It came before the court as an adverse suit against the owners of the Monday in their attempts to secure a crown grant for their property. Judge Forin dismissed the case with costs against the Red Neck claimants. The owners of the Monday are H. F. McLean, N. A. MacKenzie, Eli Lavelley and Tom Blackwood. Those chiefly interested in the Red Neck were W. H. Hutchinson and E. K. Brigman.

The Orphan Boy Brings $6200.

At Revelstoke on Wednesday sheriff Redgraves put the Orphan Boy mine up for sale in front of the Victoria hotel. The bidding started at $2500 and ran up to $4000 rapidly, when it hung fire until A. T. Kinman stepped into the lists and bid against C. N. Davidson, the Vancouver jeweler, till it was run up to $6200, at which figure the Orphan Boy was knocked down to the latter.

MAY SHIP THEM BACK.

The Province is Being Made the Dumping Ground For English Lunatics.

Dr. Bodington, superintendent of the asylum for the insane at Westminster, introduces a live subject in his last annual report. He treats on the practice pursued in England of shipping lunatics to this province in order to shirk the charges for their keep. He says: "On August 6th five patients were sent home to their friends in England, two of them at their own cost, and three partly at their own cost and partly at the cost of the provincial government. Of the five, three of them, young men, were improved; the other two, a brother and sister, were recovered. All these cases were illustrations of a practice too much in vogue in Great Britain, of shipping off to the colonies weak-minded young persons who are unmanageable at home, and unable to make a career for themselves, or earn a livelihood there. Of the five cases above mentioned, in one the patient was of feeble intellect, and the insanity strongly hereditary; in another the patient was obviously weak-minded originally, and a third was a pronounced epileptic with consequent mania, while the brother and sister suffered from strong family taint. The brother had been previously for three years in an English county asylum, and the sister had suffered from an attack of insanity before coming out here. The brother had only been four days in the province when he again became insane and was sent to the asylum. He was two years and one month in the province, the whole of which time, except four days, he spent in the asylum at the expense of the government.

"It is hard upon the colonies that the mother country should 'ship off' these waifs and strays, these victims of 'borderland insanity,' to become, as they almost inevitably must do, when thrown on their own resources out here, confirmed lunatics, who have to be maintained at the expense of the community. The question of the feasibility of sending back to their own parishes in the United Kingdom, patients such as those here described, and other chronic lunatics who are now life pensioners on the government of this province, is one worthy of serious consideration."

A DEAL IN FUTURES.

A faultlessly dressed little man wafted himself into Apache Pete's place of business and picked up a deck of cards that lay on the counter.

"I can tell fortunes," he remarked blandly, shuffling the pasteboards, "and I'll tell yours if you like."

He addressed himself to Old Kanuck, the toughest man in camp.

"I don't mind. Perfesser," replied Kanuck, giving his pistol belt a hitch. "Toot yer bazoo."

The Professor finished his shuffling and Kanuck cut.

"There's a red-headed lady," said the Professor, turning over a card.

"Red-headed, eh?"

"Yes," (turning over another card). "You're going to marry her."

"Um."

The Professor turned over several more cards.

"She has no money. She's cross-eyed and has a wart on her nose. You'll have two children, twins. The lady's mother will come to live"--

"Hold up," growled Kanuck. "Is she red-headed too?"

"I'll see if I can find out."

"Don't bother yerself. I reckon you've figgered me into about as tough a lay-out as thar is this side of the hot place. I don't bear any malice, mind ye, but I'm going to tell your fortune. Savvy?" and Kanuck reached over and possessed himself of the cards. "Hum," he muttered, turning over a card, "you aint going ter live long." He flipped up another. "Goin' ter die sudden." He turned over several. "Liable to pass in yer checks right yere in Apache Pete's place, an'"--

That was enough. With a wild yell the Professor bolted and dodged out of the door just ahead of a bullet from Kanuck's forty-four.

"Pachie," said Kauck, dropping the revolver into his belt, "I didn't object to the color of that woman's ha'r, ner to the cross eye, ner to the wart, but dash my buttons! I'll pick ther future Mrs. Kanuck, if she's goin' to be picked, an' when I find it necessary ter call in a measly-faced, white-livered dude ter help put the finishin' touches to my fam'ly circle it's high time I cashed in an' passed out o' the game. Them's my sentiments, ole hoss. Two fingers o' red eye ter wash 'em down."

Matte Shipments for the Week.

With the exception of the exports of matte from the Trail smelter there was no ore or matte entered at the port of Nelson for export during the past week. The bad state of trails in the Slocan has had the effect of stopping shipments altogether, and both the Nelson and Trail smelters are holding the bulk of their matte for the purpose of refining it. The shipments for the week were:

BULLION AND MATTE.

	Pounds	Value
Trail smelter	10,128	$23,077

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	Tons.	Approximate Value.
Total for week	3,218	$78,293
Total for April	3,188	$105,116
Total for March	5,822	$177,681
Total for February	5,201	$162,853
Total for January	1,543	$075,706
Total via Revelstoke to March 31	2,111	$207,195
Total so far for 1897	20,870	$2,592,679

SLOCAN MINING NOTES.

Purchasers are Crowding Each Other For Silver Properties.

Frank Watson, of the Fisher Maiden, announces that as soon as supplies can be got in he will put a force of 15 men at work upon that property. With the completion of the wagon road the Fisher Maiden will be a steady shipper.

The machinery for the Arlington group on Springer creek is now at Slocan City and will be moved to the property as soon as possible. There is $10,000 worth of ore awaiting shipment at this property.

The Ledge: The Alma in the Arlington basin, is under bond to Tom Dunn and W. Farrell of Vancouver. Last week the cross-cut, when in 70 feet, tapped the lead at a depth of 40 feet. There are nine feet of concentrating ore between walls. The first three feet cut by the tunnel will concentrate 2 in 1, while the balance will give 6 in 1. The lead as shown, is well in place, and the strike is of considerable importance to the Springer creek country. A drive on the ore is now being made and further results are awaited with interest.

McKinnon, McFarland and Popham have transferred the St. Lawrence and Northumberland to Osborne Plunket for a consideration of $12,000. A company called the Slocan Mines Company, has been formed in Vancouver to work these claims. The directors are O. Plunkett, L. B. Hessey and M. C. Brown, and the capital is $50,000, with shares at a par value of five cents. All the treasury stock was taken up.

Ground sluicing has uncovered the ledge on the Viking, showing up a satisfactory amount of free milling gold ore. A stamp mill will probably be erected this summer.

The superintendent of the Regina reports that the last 20 feet of the drift has been in over 10 inches of solid shipping ore. Samples average 300 ounces in silver and $26 in gold.

The snow on the granite belt has disappeared a month earlier than usual, and prospecting has already commenced. Some good gold-copper rock has been brought in from points along the river, about 13 miles from the foot of Slocan lake.

The new cross-cut on the Lily B. has been started, and will probably tap the lead in 90 days.

J. H. Chapman of Victoria, has taken hold of the Joint Hye, Granite Flat and Summit 5, Springer creek.

When the snow leaves work will be commenced on the Jenny Lind and Beaver, just above the Wakefield.

E. Curzon Clarkson of Toronto, has taken over the Palmita, adjoining the Queen Bess on Carpenter creek, at $20,000.

The trail to the Howard Fraction is being shovelled out, and a shipment from that property will be made in a few days.

Blair Carter and Ed Dunn have bonded the Heather and Heather Fraction to J. A. Yerex for $10,000. 10 per cent cash.

The Ruth laid off its force of 50 men last week, owing to the impossibility of shipping ore until the wagon road is in better condition.

G. A. Farini of London, England, is bonding Twelve-mile properties. This week he bonded the Get There Eli group at $12,000, and the Bachelor at $12,500.

A company with A. G. Ferguson at the head, has bonded the Prescott group on Four-mile, and will work the properties. The company's stock capital it $1,200,000.

The second payment on the Wakefield group was made last week. More cabins are to be erected immediately, and work pushed on this group with a large force of men.

J. A. Long the Kaslo sprinter was defeated in a 100 yard dash on Friday by Bert Dill, also of Kaslo. The race was for $20 a side. No time was kept.

W. J. H. Holmes provincial land surveyor of Kaslo, was married in Christ church, Victoria, on Monday to Miss Winnie Worlock, of Victoria.

Rev. Ault Procunier performed two marriage ceremonies at Sandon on Wednesday. The knots were tied for C. M. Wilson and Lula M. Fraine and Harry Williams and Elsie Knudson.

SHORT BITS OF NEWS FROM KASLO.

J. L. Pierce has accomplished a somewhat delicate task in financing the part assigned to Kaslo in the Kootenay and Washington base ball league. To be sure, he met with a generous response from those to whom he appealed. But it is not every one who would or could have elicited so much enthusiastic support. He has now sufficient funds secured and promised to make the league successful. He and three more immediately interested have selected grounds for the home games and a contract has been awarded for clearing and grading them. They will embrace about three acres and it is possible that a race track may in due time be added. The Kaslo nine are determined to make themselves felt in the series of matches, and if they are as successful in play as they have been in the preliminaries, will not be very far behind when the pennant is awarded.

At a well attended meeting held in the council chamber last Saturday night and presided over by mayor Green, it was decided unanimously to celebrate the anniversary of the queen's birthday. As this is a jubilee year of her reign, it was decided to make the celebration more marked and much more elaborate than any which have preceded it. A strong executive committee was named, to whom the details of the affair were entrusted. The names will be a sufficient guarantee that the individual effort will not be spared to carry out the wishes of the meeting. They are G. O. Buchanan, James Waugh, J. D. Moore, James Anderson, Thos. Scanlan, A. F. Adams. W. J. Sanders, A. T. Garland, D. C. McGregor, R. A. Cockle, R. F. Green and J. L. Pierce. At a subsequent meeting of the executive committee R. F. Green was chosen as chairman, James Anderson, and J. D. Moore, treasurer. Sub-committees were also appointed upon advertising and transportation, caledonian and other sports, dancing, horse and boat racing. It was also decided to have a drilling contest, open to all comers, with prizes sufficient to induce a lively and interesting competition. Messrs. Byers, Pierce, Goodenough and H. A. Cameron were named as the finance committee, and it is not to be doubted that their appeals will meet with a generous response. The various sub-committees got down to work at once, and have already made good progress in the arrangement of a program.

O. G. Labaree of Rossland, who was said to be the British Columbia representative of the Pope syndicate, has transferred to the Hon. W. B. Ives, minister of trade and commerce in the late Tupper ministry, a four-fifths interest in the Silver Bell fraction, lately located by William Hansen and Kenneth Burnet, and also in the mineral claims Lone Star, Beaver and Comet, bonded from Andrew Jardine, John Allen and John McDonald, and located near the head of Bear creek.

J. T. Wilkinson recently bought from John D. Moore, John Keen, and James Matheson, the mineral claims Robin, Wild Swan and Humming Bird, in Whitewater basin, and immediately sold them to John McQuillam.

There is something decidedly lacking in the service given the city by the electric lighting people, which it is hoped will be improved when the Kootenay Electric company gets its new plant installed. It is hoped that there will then be ample power for all requirements. At present the trouble is that the dynamos are not sufficient for the necessary work demanded of them.

The Buchanan-Chipman affair was again postponed by justice of the peace Stone. It would appear as if some fatality attended the prosecution. Either the matter should be dropped, or some effort made to have the case tried. It can hardly be expected that the defendant should do much in that direction, even though desirous of being rid of the measure.

It has been suggested and no doubt will be found acceptable that the board of alderman should invite the city councils of Nelson and Rossland to visit Kaslo on the occasion of the celebration, as the city's guests, and thus give formal expression of the good will felt by the citizens towards the sister cities so lately incorporated.

There is considerable activity in prospecting in the vicinity of Kaslo, and a considerable number of claims have been located. It is also said that galena has been found in paying quantities. Other claims have been staked in other portions of the mining division, and there is an undercurrent of rumor that some of them will be found to have vanished when the snow has disappeared and the brilliant visions of fabulous wealth dissolved like the castles in Spain. To discover mineral in place beneath five or six feet or more of snow is confessedly difficult. Perhaps imagination has done what hard work would fail to accomplish, at least sometimes.

The Consolidated Limited will start a force of men on its property next week. In addition to pushing work in the old tunnel of the Wisconsin, which is on the Gray Copper lead, extensive prospecting will be done on the Kootenaian, where the owners confidently expect to find the Goodenough lead. D. M. Bongard will have charge of the work.

Because Braden Could not Work.

If John Braden was not actuated by resentment in moving the Braden amendment to the mineral act, it is strange that he should be the same John Braden who was refused work upon the Washington capitol buildings at Olympia. The reasoning of John Braden appears to be that if he be refused work upon government buildings in Olympia the provincial parliament should close the mineral districts against all Americans. It does not matter to what extent the development of the province shall be checked. A slight was put upon John Braden and it must be resented even at the expense of the prosperity of the mining districts. And John Braden is a patriot.

Courts Could Not Interfere.

Professor Ferris, hypnotist, placed a subject in a trance at Simcoe, Ontario, last week and buried him six feet under ground, there to remain for three days. Sheriff Jackson and a posse of officers appeared on the scene, as the grave was filled in, and ordered the professor to take the man out or suffer arrest. The professor refused, stating that he was violating no law, and that it would be dangerous to the subject.

He was given three hours to obey the sheriff's orders, but paid no attention to them. County Crown Attorney Ansley was consulted, and as he could find no law bearing on the case the sheriff could do nothing until next day. The matter was referred to the court which held that there was no law against burying people alive if they so wished. The subject in this case was supplied with air.

PREMIER TURNER'S BLUNDER.

He Proposes to Give a Railway Company Not Only the Land but the Mineral Therein.

Premier Turner seems bent upon making history for himself during the present session of the legislature. Not satisfied with the rebuke which the legislature administered to him upon the consideration of his railway loan bill upon report, he last week introduced an even more objectionable railway bill. The object of this second railway bill is to grant extraordinary aid to the promoters of what is known as the Cassiar Central railway. Premier Turner has made a departure from his usual policy in the framing of this bill. Heretofore he has been content with giving railway companies the land and all that there was upon it. By this new measure he proposes to give the railway company not only the land and all that happens to be upon it, but the minerals that are under it as well. Premier Turner proposes that this railway company shall have the right to all the minerals within the lands granted to it, and also a half interest in all discoveries made by free miners upon such lands.

The following are some of the provisions of one of the most monstrous bills ever introduced into the provincial legislature: It enacts that it shall be lawful for the lieutenant-governor in council to grant and demise by way of lease for the term of fifty years, as an aid to the company, lands in the electoral district of Cassiar, together with all minerals, precious and base therein and thereunder, and also the right to extract same therefrom.

The company shall within two years after the location of its lands open the surface thereof to pre-emption and sale upon similar terms, mutatis mutandis, as those mentioned in the "Land Act, 1896," and the pre-emptor or purchaser, as the case may be, shall upon complying with the regulations of the said "Land Act," and upon payment of the amounts set forth in the said act to the company instead of the crown, be entitled to receive from the crown a grant of the surface of such land:

The company shall be entitled to reserve areas not exceeding 1000 acres in extent in any of its blocks for the purpose of townsites, and upon filing a plan or plans thereof from time to time in the land registry office, and payment of the sum of $5 per acre to the crown, shall be entitled to a grant in fee of the lands so reserved.

No minerals shall be extracted, won or got from said lands until claims shall have been located and recorded pursuant to the provisions of the mining laws in force at the time of the passing of this act, which said claims shall be held subject to the said mining laws and the charges hereinafter mentioned. Payment to her majesty in the right of the province of British Columbia of a royalty, tax or charge of one and one-half per cent upon the net returns of all precious metals won or got therefrom: Fifty dollars per annum so long as the said claim shall be held: One hundred dollars upon each transfer of a claim or fractional part thereof: Fifty cents per thousand feet of milling timber, and twenty-five cents per cord on cordwood when cut, used or carried away from the said leased lands:

The lands held by the company by lease as aforesaid, shall be subject only to the royalties, taxes and charges hereinbefore and hereinafter mentioned:

The lands leased to be selected by the company in blocks of not less than 10,240 acres per mile for each mile of railway that may be constructed:

The boundary lines of such lands to be surveyed by the company agreeably with the system prescribed by the land laws of the province at the company's expense:

Such lands shall be designated within seven years from the passage of this act:

Free miners shall be entitled to enter upon the said lands, prospect and explore for minerals, and locate and record mineral claims therein according to the "Mineral Act, 1896," such mineral claims to be held subject to the provisions of the said act as to assessment work and the royalties and charges on all ores as set forth in sub-sections (1), (2), (3) and (4), of section 4.

One equal undivided half share or interest in all mineral claims recorded and held within the limits of such lands shall belong to the company, and the other moiety to the free miner so recording same as tenants in common, subject to the observance of the terms and conditions of the "Mineral Act, 1896," and this act.

After setting out the terms to guide the company and free miners, the bill concludes with the following clause:

The railway equipment, stations, station grounds, workshops, buildings, yards, rolling stock, appurtenances, and other property required and used for the construction, equipment and working of the said line of railway, and all personal property not hereinbefore specifically dealt with or possessed by the company, and its capital stock shall be free from taxation for a period of ten years after completion of the railway.

The Globe and McInnes.

W. W. B. McInnes the young M. P. from Nanaimo has had a quarrel with the Toronto Globe in his advocacy of the disallowance of the British Columbia Southern Railway Land Grant Act by the federal parliament. In this connection the Toronto Telegram observes: "It is not quite clear that W. W. B. McInnes, M. P., is a slanderer, but if there were half as many errors in his speech as there are in to-day's Globe editorial on the Crow's Nest Pass, that long-suffering journal had abundant justification for calling him a liar."

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The Ames Holden Co's special "Columbia," "Vancouver," "Kootenay" should be worn by everybody who wants a first-class mountain boot.

The Tribune.

SATURDAY MORNING.....MAY 1, 1897.

PREMIER Turner is replying to an attack made upon his government by the Rossland Miner, expressed the opinion that the hostility of the paper was due to the circumstance that it wanted government "ads" and could not get them. Such a statement is along premier Turner's general policy of deception. It may deceive a few residents of Victoria, but will be rejected by every resident of Kootenay. Premier Turner's government is so thoroughly discredited that there is not a self-respecting newspaper in the district that attempts to defend it. The only government newspapers in this district are those that have practically no business whatever save the pap administered by premier Turner's government.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL EBERTS evidently does not believe that railway presidents should be treated as harshly as private individuals when they take that which does not belong to them. When the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway bill was before the legislature, J. M. Kellie presented affidavits from several free miners, stating that the railway company forced them to purchase the timber upon their claims when they wished to use it for mining purposes. The government had also knowledge of the circumstance that D. C. Corbin, on behalf of the N. & F. S. railway, had llegally collected timber royalties upon crown timber from sawmill men and others. When these matters were publicly called to the attention of attorney-general Eberts, his reply was that those aggrieved should appeal to the courts. This is just such a reply as one might expect from the provincial government, but in any other country an attorney-general would be expected to at least protect crown property. Attorney-general Eberts practically says that it is no business of his if railway companies seize crown property and extort a toll from free miners before permitting them to enjoy privileges reserved for them under the statutes of the province.

THE provincial government has introduced the Cassiar Central railway bill for the purpose of encouraging the development of Cassiar district. The premier announces that the district is difficult of access and by his railway bill he places free miners in this position. They must conform to the mining laws of the province. They must give the railway company a one-half interest in any mineral property they discover within the railway belt. They must pay a royalty of one and one-half per cent upon the net returns. They must pay $50 per annum for each claim held by them and $100 for every transfer of a mining claim. They must pay fifty cents per thousand for all milling timber used and twenty-five cents per cord for all cordwood used. The government, in introducing such a measure, takes the position that by imposing these conditions it is encouraging the development of a very inaccessible district.

THE votes in the legislature upon the railway bill are so conflicting as to require some explanation. The two railway schemes chiefly affected were the British Pacific and Heinze's road to Penticton. The first mentioned is a visionary railway scheme, while the second has the merit of being to a considerable extent a business proposition. The charter of each company carries a heavy land subsidy. The legislature decided that with respect to Heinze's railway, the railway company could not claim any cash subsidy unless it gave up its land subsidy for that section of the road for which it received the cash subsidy. With respect to Rithet's British Pacific railway the legislature decided that the railway company could have both land and cash subsidies. There is no fairness in the action of the legislature in this matter. Its finding was not the finding of men who approached their subject with a single eye to the public service.

THERE are several newspapers in the state of Washington which, during the past few months, have evinced a lively interest in the welfare of the people of British Columbia. They are very much interested in the mooted alien labor legislation, and in the possibility of the federal government placing an export duty upon the ores of this province. Without respect to party affiliations, these newspapers have denounced alien labor legislation as unstatesmanlike and export duties as obsolete. They one and all express the hope that the provincial government of British Columbia and the federal government will exhibit a broader spirit than such legislation as proposed would indicate. It dces not occur to these editors that their work should commence with their own legislative bodies. If it is wrong in a Canadian parliament to contemplate such measures, it is an even greater wrong for United States legislatures to enforce them. While such legislation is given the force of law in the United States, it ill becomes American editors to talk of the illiberal laws of the Dominion of Canada.

JOHN BRADEN is the name of the Victorian member of the legislature whose excessive patriotism urged him to move the amendment to the mineral act debarring Americans from the privileges of free miners in the province. His is a peculiar brand of patriotism. He was one of the three members returned from Victoria at the last election for the sole purpose of forcing the government to grant financial aid to the British Pacific railway company to the extent of $240,000 annually for twenty-five years. It is generally understood that this railway company had the right to employ Chinese labor in the construction of its road. Since Mr. Braden took no steps to prevent his friend R. P. Rithet from employing Chinese upon his subsidized railway, it is only fair to infer that Braden prefers Chinese to Americans, or that he is not a free agent in discussing matters affecting Mr. Rithet's railway.

DURING Tuesday evening's session of the legislature the Braden amendment was inserted in the mineral act amending bill in committee. The object of this bill is to prevent citizens of the United States from enjoying the rights of free miners in this province. This is perhaps the most foolish thing a foolish government could do. Under the pretence of opening up the mining sections the government has granted vast areas of lands and large sums of money to railway companies, and now after paying a heavy premium to have the country opened up the government permits the passage of an amendment the effect of which will be to set the country back. All this has been done under the cloak of patriotism. The Braden amendment is so framed that it will not apply to alien companies, and in this respect it is class legislation directed against the working prospector. What is more, the man who moved the amendment is one of the representatives of labor in the legislature. It is to be hoped that some one will again direct the governments attention to the evil of this amendment and have it struck out before the bill is finally passed.

IT IS not very often that speaker Higgins considers it necessary to go upon the floor of the legislature and fight a government bill. When he does it may be accepted that there is something unusually pernicious in the bill. Now, this thing happened during the consideration in committee of premier Turner's bill granting aid to the Cassiar Central Railway company. Speaker Higgins denounced the bill in vigorous language, and said it was worse than the South African monopoly. The action of speaker Higgins may have accounted for the sudden rising of the committee in order to draft amendments to the bill. This is the same bill which the Victoria Colonist and other subsidized government organs commended to the people of the province as desirable in the interests of Cassiar.

AT MONDAY'S meeting of the council mayor Houston was instructed by the council to communicate with the management of the Consumers' Water Works company with a view to the purchase by the corporation of the company's plant. As there is every reason to believe that both the city and water company will enter into the negotiations in a spirit of fairness it is not likely that any difficulty will be encountered in coming to terms. Now that the city is about to dicker with the water company for the purchase of its plant the advantage which the city enjoys in being altogether unfettered can be readily appreciated. Mayor Houston and J. Fred Hume, M. P. P., rendered the city of Nelson no small service when they frustrated the attempt of the water company to coerce the city into paying $13,500 for its plant. It is in the interests of the city of Nelson that the Consumers' Water Works company should be gotten out of the way of the city. This can only be brought about by purchase. THE TRIBUNE is of the opinion that the city will give the water company a square deal. The council will no doubt offer the company what it considers the company's plant is worth, but this amount is not likely to come anywhere near the amount mentioned in the legislature during the discussion upon the incorporation bill.

THE members of the city council are making records for themselves as workers. Before they complete their present term of office they will make Nelson the best conditioned city in the interior, and if the avowed policy of the council is adhered to it will have the lowest assessment rate of any city in the district.

PREMIER LAURIER has made a happy hit in the framing of the new tariff. It is not such a tariff as will please the free-trader, but it will please the great body of Canadians, and that, after all, is the chief consideration. There have been no sweeping changes, and for this reason some of the speeches which were delivered in Mr. Bostock's interest during the last campaign would be interesting reading now that the tariff has been announced. The liberals of British Columbia made the fight upon free trade lines and now their leaders have practically endorsed the policy of protection. By the policy which he has pursued premier Laurier has practically removed the protective policy from the political platform. Hereafter, unless some new questions arise, the sole issue between the political parties in Canada will be purity of administration.

A MOVEMENT is on foot to hold Nelson's annual celebration on the queen's jubilee day instead of on Dominion Day as formerly. It is thought by many that a more successful demonstration could be pulled off on that day than upon Dominion Day, since if Nelson got first in the field there would not be much chance of rival demonstrations in other towns throughout the district.

THE city council of Rossland has passed a license by-law by which hotels and saloons are each called upon to pay an annual license of $400 and the number of such has been restricted to 40 until the city has a population of 10,000, after which one additional license may be granted for each additional 1,000 inhabitants. Bottle licenses were fixed at $200 per annum and wholesale liquor licenses at $150. Just why the council placed hotels upon the same footing as saloons it is difficult to understand. A second peculiarity was the striking out of the clause providing for the licensing of restaurants.

THE Canadian Gazette, a journal published in London, undertakes to read the members of the provincial legislature a lecture for their anti-Chinese legislation. It says: "The anti-Chinese agitators in "British Columbia have as yet failed to "get their way in the matter of the Chi-"nese poll-tax. It now stands at £10 "upon every Chinaman entering the do-"minion, and they want it made £100, "but in that matter Ottawa and Down-"ing street have, of course, the deciding "voice. No doubt Ottawa and Downing "street will also have something to say "if the anti-Chinese labor bill now before "the provincial legislature should be "adopted. We report its second reading "this week, and it will be noted that the "members of the ministry gave the house "due warning by speech and vote of the "gravity of this bar upon Chinese labor "in the province. Canada has great "things in store for her in the trade of "the Pacific, and we shall be much sur-"prised if she elects to tie her own hands "by such legislation as this." From the tone of its article it is evident that the Gazette does not understand the spirit of the Canadian people. Canada has not excluded the Chinese yet for the reason that the majority of eastern Canadians are not yet convinced of the evils of Chinese immigration. When the people in the east thoroughly understand the question they will assist in passing anti-Chinese immigration and labor laws and pay no attention to what Downing street says or does. When this time comes, the less trouble Downing street gives the better it will be for Downing street. Canadians are capable of running Canada without any English interference.

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COUNCIL CALLS FOR PLANS.

A Chance For an Engineer to Make Five Hundred Dollars.

The second regular meeting of the mayor and board of aldermen of the corporation of the city of Nelson, was held in the court house, Nelson, on Monday, April 26th, at 8 o'clock. Present: Mayor Houston and aldermen Dow, Gilker, Hillyer, Fletcher, Malone and Teetzel.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and on motion adopted.

The design of the city engineer for a seal for the city was submitted, and on motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Malone, the wording was changed to read "The Corporation of the City of Nelson," instead of "The City of Nelson."

The report of the city engineer regarding the grading of Mill street was received and ordered placed on file.

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Gilker, it was resolved that tenders for grading Mill street between Hall and Stanley streets, be called for as soon as the specifications therefor can be prepared by the city engineer. The tenders to be addressed to the city clerk and be in by 8 p. m. on Thursday, April 29th.

Consideration of the report of the city engineer re improvements on Silicia street was on motion of alderman Malone, seconded by alderman Teetzel, postponed until the next regular meeting of the council.

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Malone, it was resolved that "a sidewalk be built between the Hudson's Bay company's store and Ward's building on the north side of Baker street, and that the sidewalk on the north side of Baker street be connected with the sidewalk from the Columbia & Kootenay railway station, that the work be done by foreman Nixon's gang and that the city purchase the material." carried.

On motion of alderman Malone, seconded by alderman Fletcher, it was resolved "that the city engineer be instructed to establish the grade on Josephine street from Observatory to Victoria street and submit same to next meeting of the council." Carried.

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Dow, it was resolved "that the sidewalks and bridges on Baker, Victoria and Silicia streets by repaired as recommended by the city engineer, the repairs to be done by Nixon's gang." Carried.

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Malone, it was resolved "that the city engineer establish a grade for a sidewalk on the east side of Hall street from Baker street to the city wharf, and that tenders be called for building the sidewalk, tenders to be addressed to the city clerk, and be in not later than 8 p. m. on Thursday, April 29th." Carried.

Alderman Malone called up his motion to reconsider the third reading of the by-law entitled "Public Works Loan by-law, No. 1, 1897." On a vote being taken this motion was lost, aldermen Teetzel, Dow, Hillyer, Fletcher and Gilker voting in the negative and alderman Malone in the affirmative.

On motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Gilker, it was resolved "that the by-law entitled Public Works Loan by-law, No. 1, 1897," be now passed." Carried.

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Malone, it was resolved "that the by-law entitled Public Works by-law, No. 1, 1897, be published in the British Columbia Gazette and the Nelson TRIBUNE, as required by the municipal act." Carried.

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Gilker, it was resolved "that when the council adjourns it adjourn till Tuesday, April 27th, at 4 p. m." Carried.

On motion of alderman Malone, seconded by alderman Teetzel, it was resolved "that the mayor be instructed to communicate with the management of the Consumers' Water Works company, with a view to purchasing that company's plant." Carried.

On motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Fletcher, the council adjourned.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON'S SESSION.

An adjourned regular meeting of the mayor and aldermen of the corporation of the city of Nelson was held in the court house, Nelson, on Tuesday, April 27th, 1897, at 4 o'clock, p. m. Present: Mayor Houston and aldermen Teetzel, Gilker, Hillyer, Malone and Fletcher.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and on motion were adopted.

A communication was received from Alex Allan and others, asking for sidewalk improvements on Stanley street, and calling attention to brush piled on Ward and Innes streets, and on motion was referred to public works committee.

From the acting government agent re the keep of city prisoners in provincial lock-up. On motion of alderman Hillyer, seconded by alderman Gilker, it was resolved "that the mayor make all arrangements with the government re the use of the provincial lock-up." Carried.

On motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Gilker, the council went into committee of the whole to consider the by-law entitled City Pound by-law, No. 4, 1897."

Alderman Fletcher was called to the chair. The by-law was read section by section and on motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Gilker, the committee rose and reported the by-law complete with amendments.

Moved by alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Malone, "that the by-law entitled City Pound by-law, No. 4, 1897, be now read a third time." Carried.

Alderman Teetzel gave notice that he would move at the next meeting of the council "that the third reading of the by-law entitled City Pound by-law, No. 4, 1897, be reconsidered."

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Teetzel, it was resolved "that the council call for plans and specifications for a system of water works and sewerage in the city of Nelson, price of accepted plans and specifications to be $500." Carried.

On motion of alderman Fletcher, seconded by alderman Malone, it was resolved "that when the council adjourns it adjourn till Thursday, April 29th, at 8 p. m." Carried.

On motion of alderman Teetzel, seconded by alderman Gilker, the council then adjourned.

A Word of Warning to Prospectors.

The following warning is not the opinion of some prejudiced prospector, but is taken from the Record, published at Juneau, Alaska, and is therefore the whole truth:

"Among the hundreds attracted this season by the richness of our far northwestern gold fields, there will, it is greatly to be feared, come many who, trusting to luck, will be ill prepared to tide over the alarming provision shortage existent in the interior. It is difficult to understand why these people do not fully inform themselves of the conditions, and either come prepared to meet them, or if unable to do so remain away, but the glamour of gold so blinds them to the consideration of all else that they rush in to suffer not only hardships and privations, but to bring additional hardships to those already on the ground and who in humanity will be forced to share their scanty store. It remains only to warn all of the existing conditions and urge the necessity for taking additional supplies—enough to carry them through at least a year. We are not alarmists; we would not seek to deter the coming of a single prospector to the gold fields of this country, but in justice to themselves, as well as to those already braving the terrors of hunger, we insist that all who come should come amply prepared to stay without becoming a burden on the country or in any way bringing additional hardship to those who are already in hard straits. Every man who crosses the summit with an inadequate provision outfit becomes a menace to the welfare of the people of the interior. Even cash cannot procure provisions there; they must be taken in, and that too in liberal quantity. By no other means can this suffering be averted.

"The great proportion of those coming to Alaska this season seem bound for the Clondyke district. This is regrettable inasmuch as that section is surely doomed to overcrowding. There is a limit to every gold field, and too large an immigration is sure to result in disappointments and consequent cursing of the country as was the case at the Inlet last season. Alaska is big enough to accommodate all who will come for years hence, but upon their proper distribution depends their own success. The Yukon valley, however, affords an almost unlimited field for the prospector, and those who fail at Clondyde, which is at the very edge of the great auriferous region, have only to move further to find new ground. Whether they will do this is a matter of conjecture."

The Big Bend Region.

Of the Big Bend country, which was in the old days a great placer mining region, and which now bids fair to hold its own both as a hydraulic and quartz mining district, the Kootenay Mail says: The Big Bend mining district, properly speaking, comprises all that portion of East and West Kootenay lying north of the Canadian Pacific main line between the stations of Golden on the east and Revelstoke on the west. It acquires its name from the course of the Columbia river, which, flowing north from Donald for about 100 miles, turns suddenly southward and is again crossed by the Canadian Pacific at Revelstoke, 75 miles further west. This immense triangular area is mineralized throughout, but as a settlement or more properly a discovery, came from the west and south the little that is known of its resources is confined to its western portion reached from the town of Revelstoke, which is the natural and only supply point. At this place daily train connection is to be had to the east, west and south, and all supplies for the district can be obtained. Starting from Revelstoke a good pack trail follows the Columbia to Goldstream, a distance of 62 miles. The river is now being opened up to navigation and some new trails are to be added to those already existing. The principal stopping places along the trail are Carnes creek, 28 miles; Boyd's, 39 miles; Downie creek, 44 miles; and Goldstream, Laforme's ranch, 64 miles. Above Goldstream there are at present no camps, but every prospect of several this year.

The North Star a Mine.

It is estimated that the North Star mine in East Kootenay will ship 15,000 tons of ore to the Great Falls smelter during the coming season. Two new boats will be put on the Kootenay river this summer to handle the business between Fort Steele and Jennings, Montana.

A LITTLE GAME OF PIUTE POKER.

He was a tall, slender, mild-mannered, almost clerical looking, soberly dressed in black broadcloth, and wore a white full-dress tie, beneath which, in the centre of the considerable expanse of snowy linen exposed by a low-cut vest, gleamed a diamond, attractive from its size and purity. In short, he was what any man who had been much in the far west would recognize as a prosperous mining camp gambler. They have a trick of keeping themselves young, or possibly the philosophy they gain from their calling leads to a serenity of mind which defies the lines and signs of stress, of niggard time. Only the dusting of gray hair in his short, carefully trimmed moustache, and in the prevalent black of the hair over the temples, suggested his fifty-five years.

That he was a man of importance beyond the locale of his western home was shown by the serious attention he was receiving from the group of men of his age—all stouter, grayer and more fashionably dressed than he—who were seated with him in that Union Square cafe much frequented by prosperous veteran firemen.

He had been questioning them, and listening with gravely smiling attention to their answers, about the "boys" of New York life to which he belonged thirty or more years ago. Then they started him talking about his life in the mines, and he told, among others, this story.

"I always stuck to one game, faro, except once. Its twenty years ago now that there was a big excitement over a new camp in California called Bodie. You heard of it, perhaps. I started there from Carson, where I'd been dealing a game, but stopped at a town called Aurora, in Esmeralda county, Nevada, only ten miles from Bodie. The two towns were away up in the Sierra Nevada mountains, each about five miles from the state line.

"In Aurora I met an old dealing partner, who'd started a faro bank there, and was doing good business. He was short a dealer, and let me into the game on equal shares, I putting my pile into the bank with him. It was an old town—Mark Twain had lived there when he was out on the slope—had gone bust, and was now booming again because of some new discoveries. Money was plenty and easy, and the bank win about $400 or $500 a day, running twenty-four hours a day, seven days in the week.

"When I was off watch in the afternoon I used to wander about a bit to get the smoke and bad air out of me, and in one of these walks I came across a party of Indians playing Piute poker, as it was called. Now, of course, I'd heard of Piute poker and seen it played by the bucks on the Comstock, where I dealt before going to Carson, and like every other man in our business, I'd heard that no white man had ever been able to learn the game.

"Well, I got interested, and used to hang around the group of bucks, squatted on the ground around a blanket, in a vacant lot between the printing office and express office, and stand there as quiet as the squaws, with their papooses on their backs, studying the game. To tell the truth, it was a pretty puzzling game, without much rule, according to our way of thinking, but I gradually got a notion of what made the points and how to play for them.

"In those days the bucks had a pretty good showing of money. They would bring rabbits and quail, and sometimes a deer, into camp, and get good money for them, and the squaws made good wages sawing wood, washing and that sort of thing for the whites, so sometimes the pots got up to real money. But it wasn't that that made me want to take a hand; it was just a natural hankering, as you may say, to try my hand at a new game, and one they say a white man could not learn. So one day I said to a buck I knew, a chap we called 'Captain Sam,' that I'd sit in if he didnt mind. Sam never said a word, but the players hunched around the blanket, made an opening for me and Sam grunted and nodded for me to sit in. It turned out to be easier than I thought. Perhaps it wouldn't be easy for a man who hadn't made cards the study of his life, but, as I say, it wasn't long before I had the run of tricks so that I stood even at the first sitting. The next day I win a little—not caring to, you know, but just for the fun of it, intending to make good to the bucks in some other way what I win.

"We were playing with a pack so old and disfigured that I knew every one by its back in half a dozen deals, so I told Sam to deal a new deck. Sam grunted and didn't want to. Said the storekeeper was a heap big thief and charged a dollar a pack. Thinking he was a little close, I gave him a couple of four-bit pieces and told him to send for a pack, and he passed the money over to a squaw and told her to go and buy a pack.

"When it came I broke the seal and took the wrapper off myself. I lost with that pack from the start. I kept losing, too, till they had the last case I had about me, and I sent the squaw down to my partner with an order for $50. I told her to buy a couple of more packs, too.

"Well, that fifty didn't last long, and I felt pretty foolish. It wouldn't do to let the story get out that the bucks had done me, for I'd told the story to the boys, just as a joke, how I'd beat Captain Sam and the other bucks at their own game.

"I went down to the bank and got $500, and stopped in at the store and bought ten new packs af cards, which happened to be all they had left. I went back and sat in again. In just one hour we'd used up all the cards and I was broke.

"I did a heap of bed-rock thinking, but I couldn't strike any kind of an explanation, nohow.

"That night the storekeeper says to me: 'Bill,' says he, 'since you bought those cards this morning, I can't help thinking what happened in the store last evening. A squaw came in and asked how many packs I had, and I showed up fourteen. She planked down $14 and took the lot. I thought it was kind of funny, but Indians are queer folks, anyhow. This morning she came back crying and asked me to take back thirteen packs. She said she'd been a big fool. Sam had told her to buy one pack and she had not understood. He had beat her and would kill her sure if I didn't take the cards back and return the money. Well, I'd rather have the cards than be clean out of them, and as they hadn't been opened, I took them back.'

"I did a heap more thinking when the storekeeper told me that, and went back to where we'd been playing and tried to find some of the cards we'd thrown away around the blanket, but the Indians had gathered up every last one of them.

"The story got out, and it cost me a good many drinks to square myself with the boys. I tried every way I could to find out what had happened, but I never knew until the day I left those parts. That day Mary, the squaw who had bought the cards, came to my room with some washing, and after I'd paid her she asked me if I'd give her a dollar and swear not to tell if she told me how Captain Sam had got the best of me. I paid and promised.

"Those bucks had taken those cards, opened them carefully, marked every card with thumb nail marks I'd never seen, done the cards up, sealed them, and then sent them back—for me to buy them! I've heard sometimes that those Piutes were reckoned no-account Indians. If ever you are given that pointer, copper it."

SAVED $400,000 BY A VOTE.

An Amendment Offered By Sword Saves the Province an Immense Sum.

Thanks to the efforts of the members of the Opposition in the provincial legislature, premier Turner has been prevented from allowing F. Aug Heinze to get away with $400,000 of the public money. As intimated in THE TRIBUNE some weeks ago, premier Turner introduced a railway loan bill for the purpose of granting $020,000 bonus to the promoters of the British Pacific railway and $400,000 to F. Aug. Heinze on behalf of the Columbia & Western Railway company. The present legislature is divided more than two to one in support of the Turner administration. About one-third of the members stand pledged to secure all the financial aid they can on behalf of the British Pacific. These men are under the influence of R. P. Rithet, the chief speculator in the British Pacific railway scheme. For these reasons premier Turner was able to drive his railway bill through the various stages up to the consideration of the bill upon report. At this stage the Opposition made several holes in the bill and came within three votes of defeating its main object.

The first division came upon the amendment offered by Sword to strike out the British Pacific subsidy. The pledged men of the British Pacific scheme stood "pat" upon this amendment, and although three government supporters voted in favor of it and two others abstained from voting, it was lost upon the following division:

Ayes: Messrs. Williams, Semlin, Cotton, Graham, Kennedy, Hume, Forster, Sword, Kidd, Macpherson, Stoddart, Walkem and Smith—13.

Noes: Messrs. Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rogers, Huff, Irving, Braden, MacGregor, Baker, Turner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Mutter and Helmcken—16.

Mr. Sword then moved a second amendment, making all lands reserved for townsite purposes by any of the railway companies liable to taxation the same as lands alienated by the company by sale. This was carried despite the opposition of premier Turner upon the following division:

Ayes: Messrs. Kennedy, Hume, Forster, Macpherson, Kidd, Sword, Huff, Williams, Semlin, Cotton, Graham, Mutter, Baker, Booth, Stoddart, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts and Braden—19.

Noes: Messrs. Helmcken, Turner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Bryden, Rogers, Irving and MacGregor—9.

Mr. Sword moved the chief amendment of the day which, upon being adopted, rendered it impossible for F. Aug Heinze to take 2,000,000 acres of land and $400,000 in cash for building 100 miles of his railway to Penticton. It provided that in the case of the line from Penticton to the Boundary creek district being built by a company entitled to a land grant for the construction of such line, the subsidy herein authorized shall only be paid to such company on its giving up its claim to the land grant for such portion of its line.

This was carried amid great applause upon the following division:

Ayes: Messrs. Kennedy, Hume, Forster, Macpherson, Kidd, Sword, Huff, Williams, Semlin, Cotton, Graham, Smith, Helmeken, Stoddart, Walkem, Irving and Braden—17.

Noes: Messrs. Mutter, Baker, Turner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rogers MacGregor—12.

The effect of this amendment will be that the province will save either the cash subsidy of $400,000 or the land subsidy of 2,000,000 acres, both of which premier Turner was anxious to bestow upon F. Aug Heinze.

The bill as thus amended was adopted upon report.

Slocan City....

The business centre for the rich mines on Springer Creek and Slocan Lake. This is one of the richest districts in British Columbia.

Lots $100 to $500 each

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Residence lots, 50 feet frontage, Vernon St.

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BUILDING LOTS.

NOTICE.

Having appointed W. J. G. Dickson local agent for Addition A to the townsite of Nelson, intending purchasers of lots, or persons wishing information, plans, or price-lists of the addition, will please apply to him.
F. C. INNES.

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28 Broad Street, Victoria, B. C.

Gold	$1 00	Gold and Silver	$1 50
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Views of all parts of Kootenay
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Notice of Application to Purchase Land.

Notice is hereby given that I, Edward John Powell, intend to apply at the expiration of sixty days from the date hereof, to the commissioner of lands and works or other proper officer, to purchase the following lands, situate at or near Quartz Creek, Nelson division of Kootenay.

DESCRIPTION.

Commencing at the initial post at the southeast corner, thence 40 chains due west, thence 60 chains due north, thence forty chains due east, thence 60 chains due south to place of beginning. Initial post at southeast corner.

EDWARD J. POWELL.

Dated, this 20th day of April, 1897. [April 24th]

NOTICE.

I hereby give notice that thirty days after this date, I intend to apply to the assistant commissioner of lands and works for a lease of this land (160 acres) for a term of twenty-one years, for the purpose of opening up and working a stone quarry. ARTHUR ASSELIN.

Dated at Pilot Bay, West Kootenay, this 20th day of March, 1897. [March 27th.]

DESCRIPTION.

Commencing at a post marked "Arthur Asselin's S. E. Corner," on the west bank of Crawford Bay about one mile south of Crawford creek, thence northerly 40 chains to a post marked "Asselin's N. E. Corner, thence 40 chains westerly to a post marked "Asselin's N. W. Corner," thence 40 chains southerly to a post marked "Asselin's S. W. Corner," thence 40 chains easterly to the point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Aaron's Red Mining & Development Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the company's offices, Nelson, B. C., on Wednesday the 5th day of May, 1897, for the election of officers for the ensuing year. P. E. WILSON,
Secretary Treasurer.

Application for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will, at the expiration of thirty days, apply to the stipendiary magistrate of West Kootenay district, for a license to sell liquor by retail at his hotel on Slocan river, half way between Slocan City and Slocan Crossing.

WILLIAM MAHER.

Dated this 12th day of April, 1897. [April 24th]

Spokane Falls & Northern, Nelson & Fort Sheppard, Red Mountain Railways.

The only all rail route without change of cars between Nelson and Rossland, and Spokane and Rossland.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAYS.

Leave		Arrive
7:30 a. m	SPOKANE	6:30 p. m.
10:30 a. m	ROSSLAND	3:25 p. m.
9:00 a. m	NELSON	5:20 p. m.

Passengers for Kettle River and Boundary Creek connect at Marcus with stage daily.

Columbia & Kootenay Branch
CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

No. 3	No. 1	STATIONS	No. 2	No. 4
17:00	9:30	Leave Nelson Arrive	14:15	21:15
17:15	9:45	" Kootenay "	14:00	21:00
17:30	10:00	" Forty-nine Creek "	13:45	20:47
17:55	10:25	" Slocan "	13:02	20:20
18:45	11:15	Arrive Robson Leave	12:30	19:30

Trains Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 run Tuedays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.
No. 1 connects with steamer for Trail Creek.
No. 3 connects with steamer for Arrowhead.
No. 2 awaits arrival of steamer from Arrowhead.
No. 4 awaits arrival of steamers from Trail Creek.
Close connection at Nelson with steamers to and from lake points.

J. HAMILTON, Trainmaster and Agent.

Kaslo & Slocan Railway.

DAILY SERVICE.

Leave	8:00 a. m	Kaslo	Arrive	3:50 p. m.
"	8:36 a. m	South Fork	"	3:15 p. m.
"	9:36 a. m	Sproule's	"	2:15 p. m.
"	9:51 a. m	Whitewater	"	2:00 p. m.
"	10:03 a. m	Bear Lake	"	1:48 p. m.
"	10:18 a. m	McGuigan	"	1:33 p. m.
"	10:30 a. m	Bailey's	"	1:21 p. m.
"	10:39 a. m	Junction	"	1:12 p. m.
Arrive	10:50 a. m	Sandon	Leave	1:00 p. m.

R. W. BRYAN, Superintendent.
ROBERT IRVING, Traffic Manager.

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GEORGE ALEXANDER, General Manager.
Kaslo, January 30th, 1897. Head Office at Kaslo, B.C.

No. 358

Certificate of the Registration of a Foreign Company.

"COMPANIES' ACT," PART IV., AND AMENDING ACTS.

"KOOTENAY MINING COMPANY, LIMITED" (FOREIGN.)

Registered the 23rd day of February, 1897.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day registered the "Kootenay Mining Company, Limited," (foreign), under the "Companies Act, Part IV.," "Registration of Foreign Companies, and Amending Acts."

The Head Office of the said Company is situated at the City of Tacoma, in the State of Washington, U. S. A.

The objects for which the Company is established are:

To own, operate, and conduct a mining business for the purpose of mining gold, silver and other precious metals, in the State of Washington and British Columbia; to develop mines, construct stamp mills and blast furnaces, or smelters, water flumes, dykes, ditches, and other improvements necessary to carry on and operate a general mining business; to acquire, use, or dispose of property, whether real, personal or mixed, and to sell or mortgage the same; to construct, maintain, and operate lines of railroad for the purpose of trasporting ores or mineral deposits of any character, to and from the mines of this Company; to buy and sell, own and hold real estate, mines or mining claims, water or water rights, flumes or ditches; to buy bonds, stocks or mortgages, or security of individuals, or other corporations; to erect, maintain and operate a smelter and refinery, and to construct all buildings and machinery necessary for the reduction of mineral deposits from the state of nature to a refined metal, and to perform such other acts and things as may be necessary to carry out the objects and purposes of this corporation.

The capital stock of the said Company is $2,000,000 divided into 2,000,000 shares of the par value of $1 each.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 23rd day of February, 1897. S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

No. 355

Certificate of the Registration of a Foreign Company.

"COMPANIES ACT," PART IV., AND AMENDING ACTS.

"GERMAN MINING AND MILLING COMPANY," (FOREIGN.)

Registered the 1st day of February, 1897.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I have this day registered the "German Mining & Milling Company" (Foreign) under the Companies Act," Part IV., "Registration of Foreign Companies," and Amending Acts.

The head office of the said company is situated at the City of Tacoma, in the State of Washington, U. S. A.

The objects for which the Company is established are:

To purchase, sell, lease, locate, operate and manage mines and mining claims, and to engage in mining in the State of Washington and in the territory and province of British Columbia; and to mine precious metals, iron, lead, coal and all other minerals or metals and stone; to deal in all products of such mines in any manner the Company sees fit, or in the products of any other mines; to establish mill sites, build and operate mills, flumes, machinery, refineries, wharves and transportation lines on land and water; to purchase, hold, sell, incumber and convey property real and personal; to lay out townsites, build houses and to generally perform all things necessary to a general mining and milling business in the State of Washington, and in the province above mentioned.

The capital stock of the said Company is $50,000 divided into 50,000 shares of the par value of $1 each.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 1st day of February, 1897. S. Y. WOOTTON,
[April 3rd.] Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

Notice of Application for Certificate of Improvements.

TAMARACK MINERAL CLAIM, SITUATE IN THE NELSON MINING DIVISION OF WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT, AND LOCATED ABOUT ONE AND A HALF MILES NORTHEAST OF THE MOUTH OF WILD HORSE CREEK, AT ITS ENTRANCE INTO SALMON RIVER.

Take notice that I, W. D. Mackay, P.L.S., agent for John W. Handlen, free miner's certificate No. 75,110, 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 taken before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. W. D. MACKAY.

Dated, this day of , 1897. [May 1st.]

Notice of Application for Certificate of Improvements.

EUREKA, CHICORA, AND HIDDEN TREASURE MINERAL CLAIMS, SITUATE IN THE NELSON MINING DIVISION OF WEST KOOTENAY DISTRICT, AND LOCATED ON HALL CREEK.

Take notice that I, Frank Fletcher, free miner's certificate No. 73,921, on behalf of myself and other owners, intend 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvements. FRANK FLETCHER.

Dated, this 26th day of February, 1897. [Mar. 6th.]

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the all persons having accounts against the Nelson Fire Department are required to send same in immediately to the undersigned.

CHARLES E. SEALEY, Auditor.

LOCAL NEWS AND GOSSIP.

D. C. Corbin of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, has made arrangements for putting a siding in at Quartz Creek. This will enable those who wish to build to secure lumber at reasonable rates. All that now remains to ensure a good town at Quartz creek is the settlement of the dispute between the railway company and those who recently jumped the townsite, and a proper survey. The development along the Salmon river will create several prosperous mining camps this summer, and the merchants of Nelson will secure the bulk of their trade.

This week Fred J. Squire enters upon his seventh year as a custom tailor in Nelson. He and most of those who patronized him have enjoyed a fair measure of prosperity since he opened in Nelson. Dr. La Bau gave Fred J. Squire the first order he received in Nelson for a suit of clothes. Mayor Houston was his second customer and Capt. Hayward his third.

Nelson is starting off well as an incorporated city. This week a foundryman from Portland named Honeyman decided to locate a foundry and machine shop in this city. For some weeks he has been travelling over the district and he chose Nelson as the most desirable place in the Kootenay. Honeyman is a practical man and his three sons who will be associated with him in the business have also the advantage of being good mechanics. The foundry will be located on block 75. It will be ready for business in one month and will employ from 10 to 15 hands.

The regular meeting of the ladies' hospital aid will be held in the Church of England on Monday at 3 o'clock.

Rev. Robert Frew has arranged to give a lecture on Burns in the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening. Mr. Frew is said to be a very able lecturer, and as a Scotch concert will be thrown into the entertainment, a very enjoyable time will doubtless be had.

The present sitting of the county court brought several former Nelsonites to the city from Rossland. The greater number of them came to give evidence in mining disputes.

J. C. Crome, formerly with the American type foundry of Portland, was in Nelson this week drumming up orders for the Toronto Type foundry. This Toronto concern is making a bid for the business of this province and has appointed Crome as its provincial representative. At present his headquarters are in Vancouver, but the chances are that they will be removed to Nelson as the most central point in the business section of the province.

The lawyers of the province have decided to put up their scale of prices, and some of the government fees have also increased accordingly. The secretary of the law society has notified the various court registrars that the new tariff of costs provided for in section 83 of the Legal Professions Act is to go into effect at once. The increase will amount to about 25 per cent. all round.

J. N. Blake, one of the Rossland trio who jumped the townsite of Quartz Creek, did not make good his bluff to prosecute the Rossland Miner for criminal libel. The case was called on Thursday morning at Rossland, before three justices of the peace, but J. N. Blake did not put in an appearance so the case was dismissed.

The Columbia Comic Opera company gave two performances in Nelson this week, and succeeded in pleasing large audiences each evening. The two performances netted the company about $500. The company shows next in Vancouver.

D. M. Bongard and Ed. Hicks have purchased the little steamer Marion, on Upper Arrow lake, together with the barges and business. The boat will ply the north-east arm, out of Thompson's Landing.

Mayor Houston presided at a meeting held in the fire hall Saturday evening for the purpose of organizing an athletic association in the interests of base ball, lacrosse and cricket. It was decided to organize as the Nelson Athletic Association under the laws of the province. The following officers were then elected: Mayor Houston, honorary president; Steve White, president; R. E. Lemon, vice-president; R. S. Lennie, secretary; H. T. Irvine, treasurer. The following were elected directors in addition to the above officers: Chas. A. Waterman, James Dallas, F. E. W. Smith, J. C. McIntyre and J. Dover. R. E. Lemon, G. C. Tunstall and John J. Malone were nominated as a canvassing committee.

A meeting of the Nelson boat club will be held in the fire hall Tuesday evening. All of those interested in rowing are requested to attend as the meeting is called for the election of officers.

The people of Kaslo have subscribed $2,400 in aid of the ball team. It is now proposed to incorporate the club and make all those who subscribe a certain amount members.

O. G. Labaree made the first payment upon the bond upon the Myth and Capital a couple of prospects on Hall Creek. The prospects are owned by H. B. Perks and F. E. Smith, of Nelson.

A meeting of the Nelson Athletic association will be held in the hall this evening.

The ladies guild of the Church of England will give a lunch in the fire hall on Thursday in connection with a bazar. There will also be a musical programme.

The board of directors of the Nelson Electric Light company met today and decided to increase the company's plant, and authorized the management to offer 100 shares of the company's stock at par ($10 a share), the proceeds to be used in paying the cost.

No Substitute Allowed.

Mexico has adopted the theory that every citizen is bound to defend the soil, the interests, and the honor of his country as a soldier. Thus in future a wealthy Mexican will have to serve in the army, at least in case of war, as well as a poor one. The constitution has to be amended for this purpose, but there is little doubt that all the states of the great Central American federation will give their consent.

How to Tell a Spendthrift.

Professor Allen Haddock, of San Francisco, has been a close student of phrenology for many years, and consequently of men and women of all classes, and he says there are unmistakable signs in the human make-up which distinguish the accumulator of wealth from the natural born spendthrift. He says that when you meet an acquisitive man you will see that his head is broad, and, according to the law of correspondence, there must be a broad chest and a hardy constitution. The face is full and round, indicating a system that is well nourished, capable of not only resisting disease, but with a strong brain overcoming all obstacles in his path to wealth. It is an aggressive type, and such as he are well adapted to commercial pursuits.

This is not a high moral type of brain, but of the earth earthy. You can see how wide the head is above and behind the ears at secretiveness, giving tact and policy, while the mouth is close, the lips being firmly compressed.

This is not a young man that would care for books or prosy sermons, but would take an interest in anything which would pay tribute to his selfish nature, whether he should be engaged in commerce or politics. The eyes are rather open and full, indicating fairly good language, but he is not very communicative; he keeps his own council, and would not be likely to reveal his thoughts or intentions to even his nearest friends. In his "stiff upper lip," which corresponds to the rather high crown at firmness, you can read determination and persevering industry.

The spendthrift, on the other hand, shows, says Professor Haddock, a different type of head, it being long and narrow. His neck is long, and, correspondingly, the chest and body will manifest the same characteristics. His acquisitiveness is small. He has little sense of money value, is wasteful and improvident, taking too little thought of riches; is naturally a poor manager and also lacks executiveness or destructiveness, which gives force of character; has no disposition to be saving, never accumulates wealth, but is satisfied to get along from day to day without providing for the future.

Judging by the height of the crown at firmness, he is wilful. His nose is long, but concaved, and betrays weakness. Such young men should never enter commercial pursuits on their own account, but content themselves working for wages.

His face shows a lack of vital force--the lower part of the face on a line with the outer angles of the mouth is narrow. Here are located the poles of the stomach. The cheeks are hollow, indicating that he is weak in digestive and assimilative organs, hence nervous and irritable; lacks recuperative power, soon tires out through physical and mental labor and should be engaged in some light work where pay comes regularly.

McInnes on a Canadian Mint.

Senator McInnes introduced the question of establishing a Canadian mint in the senate Wednesday evening. He has given notice of a motion that in the opinion of the senate it is expedient that the government should at the earliest possible moment establish a mint in Canada for the purpose of coining all gold, silver and copper currency necessary to meet all the commercial requirements of the country.

Three More Liberals Returned.

The liberal party had another day of victories on Tuesday. Jameson, the liberal candidate in Winnipeg, was elected by over 1,000 majority. Rutherford was elected in Macdonald by 500 majority, and Perry was elected in West Prince.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Province of British Columbia, Nelson, West Kootenay, to-wit:

By virtue of a warrant of execution issued out of the supreme court of British Columbia at the suit of George James Findlay, John Henry Durham and John Henry Brodie, plaintiffs, and to me directed against the goods and chattels of Henry E. Croasdaile, defendant, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title and interests of said defendant Henry E. Croasdaile in the mineral claim "Saddle," situated in the Slocan mining district, and recorded in the mining recorders office at New Denver, B. C., to recover the sum of thirty-three thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine dollars and three cents ($33,799.03), amount of said execution, berides, sheriff's poundage, costs, and all other legal incidental expenses, all of which I shall expose for sale, or sufficient thereof to satisfy said judgment debt, and costs, at the front of the court house, Nelson, on the 15th day of May, A. D., 1897, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

NOTE: Intending purchasers will satisfy themselves as to interest and title of said defendant.

WILLIAM P. ROBINSON, Deputy Sheriff.

Dated, New Denver, April 27th, 1897.

Notice of Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between A. H. Clements and A. E. Lott, carrying on the business of hotelmen in the city of Nelson, at the Merchants hotel, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

The business of the former partnership will in future be carried on by A. H. Clements and H. J. Martin, of Regina.

A. H. CLEMENTS.
A. E. LOTT.

Witness:
JEFFERSON DAVIS.

April 30th, 1897.

We have just received

A carload of Stoves and Tinware, two carloads of General Groceries, a carload of Ogilvie's Hungarian Flour and meals, a large consignment of Crockery and Glassware, and have to arrive in a few days a carload of Wire Nails (which we quote at specially low prices), and a carload of Mixed Groceries from the east. A few specialties just in: Patterson's Cream Sodas, Lovegrove's English Jellies in tins--the finest in the world--California Bar Sugar, Jams and Jellies in pails at 75 cents and $1 each. A large consignment of Fancy Biscuits, "Schilling's best" Tea, extra fine quality, Snider's and Blue Label Catsup, Creamery Butter in 1, 2, 5, and 10-pound tins. Also a supply of Garden Seeds and Lawn Grass. Miners' and Prospectors' supplies a specialty.

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A special feature of Fancy Worsted Suitings.

....Fred. J. Squire

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Men's Spring Hats

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Men's Spring Neckwear

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One Car Stoves One Car Pipe

One Car Mixed Hardware One Car Nails

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