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SAFETY OF AMBASSADORS

Still Uncertain.

LONDON, July 24.—Despite the Chinese minister's statements and despite Sir Claude MacDonald's letter of July 4th a strong impression continues to prevail at the foreign office that the ministers at Pekin were massacred on July 6th. The Associated Press correspondent is informed that not one scintilla of evidence is yet in the possession of the foreign office leading them to disbelieve the reports of the murders. Sir Claude MacDonald's letter with its account of severe fighting in progress merely confirms the government's forebodings.

William Pritchard Morgan, member of parliament for Merthyr-Tydvil and whose knowledge of and interests in China are extensive, informed the Associated Press correspondent today that he was positive from cable messages from his agents that the members of the legations were alive on July 9th.

Consultations are in progress between the cabinet ministers and officials as to the course which is to be pursued should the ministers prove to be alive. The contingency of China holding them as hostages is uppermost in the minds of all, although the Associated Press correspondent is officially informed that the Chinese diplomats have not yet hinted at such action.

Negotiations between the powers have brought out mutual assurances that the military expeditions to China are for the sole purpose of relieving the legations, and that there is no intention to partition China. Hence, should China agree to deliver the ministers alive, no power will have a reason for continuing aggressive military operations except Germany, whose minister is undoubtedly dead, and even Germany, to quote a high British official, will have to forego the emperor's assertion that he would not stop till the German flag floated over Pekin."

As for the other powers, it is emphatically stated that they have unanimously agreed that with the safe delivery of the ministers the aggressive campaign ends. All rumors of an international agreement regarding the future of China subsequent to the return of the ministers are false. The agreement is purely negative, and based upon the lines stated by secretary Hay, of which the independence and integrity of the Chinese empire are essential features.

If the imperial edict proves true, the powers, still holding their forces in readiness to enforce demands, will adopt pecuniary indemnity. No territorial propositions will be considered. In common with other powers, Germany must, through arbitration or otherwise, guage the damages by the loss of the life of her minister by a pecuniary standard. The same rule will apply as to the loss of the lives and destruction of property.

HOW TIEN-TSIN IS NOW HELD

Three Colonels in Command.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 24.—The following telegram has been received from the Japanese minister for foreign affairs under date of the 22nd, and is the report of the Japanese consul at Tien-Tsin, who wired it on the 21st instant:

Tien-Tsin is occupied by the troops of four powers in the following sections—namely from the north gate to the east gate by the Japanese; from the east gate to the south gate by the Americans; from the south to the west gate by the English, and from the west to the north by the French; while the Russians are in possession of the towns and villages on the left banks of the Pei Ho and the canal.

A conference was held by the generals and the commanding officers of the allied forces with a view to organizing a military government in the city and it was decided after a long discussion to appoint three administrators with equal powers from among officers of the three powers, Japan, England and Russia. Finally the following officers were chosen: Lieutenant-colonel Aoki (Japanese), lieutenant-colonel Bower (English) and colonel Wogacks (Russian). Upon the departure of Admiral Seymour for Taku, Admiral Alexief has the seniority among the commanding officers here.

It has been admitted by all foreigners here, military and civilians, that the fall of the city was mainly to the galaintry of the Japanese forces.

Belle Isle Strikers Win.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., July 24.—The Belle Isle coal mine strike was ended this morning. The men practically gained what they demanded.

RUSSIANS IN A BAD WAY

Manchuria Overrun.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 24.—A dispatch which has been received here from General Crodekoff at Khabarovsk, dated July 22, reports that the steamer Odessa which left Czarabin on July 16 brought tidings of the Russian force that left Te Lin July 7 en route to Charbin. It appears that 200 men started with a large convoy of Chinese women and children. After constant fighting, which was often at close quarters and with bayonets, they were again attacked by the Boxers on July 12.

The Russians lost heavily and much of their transport and ammunition. At last accounts they were threatened by 15,000 Boxers. Engineer Jugovitch at Charbin had found it impossible to send sufficient help as he required all his available forces to defend Charbin. The place contained thousands of unarmed employees with their families who have been concentrated from along many sections of the railway. General Grodekoff considers that the situation is bad. Attacks are daily threatened, and rebels and marauders are overrunning Manchuria. The general says the local governors have little authority, and that fanatics dominate the situation.

English Cricketers Coming.

LONDON, July 24.—Cricketers from England will make a tour of Canada and the United States in autumn, and it is expected will also play association football, and will endeavor to arrange for a series of games, both in Canada and on the other side of the line. In the cricket matches it is intended to play three games at Philadelphia, one against the eighteen "Colts" at the grounds of the Philadelphia Cricket Club at Wissahickon, and the other two against the Gentlemen of Philadelphia on the grounds of the Germantown Cricket Club and on the grounds of the Marion Cricket Club at Haverford. Mr. Jackson's team will have as captain S. H. Wood of Derbyshire, and will include only graduates of Oxford and Cambridge. On the team will be C. J. Burnup, B. J. T. Bosanquet and C. Wreford Brown, who have been here before, and R. E. Foster, one of the most brilliant batsmen in England. Foster this year made three consecutive centuries in first-class matches, and last week his innings of 171 for Oxford against Cambridge at Lord's broke the record for the highest individual score in the Varsity games.

Hold-ups in Chicago.

CHICAGO, July 24.—According to the police, a daring attempt to hold up the "Big Four" passenger train, due here at 6 p. m., was foiled yesterday by the timely warning given the authorities. Six men and three boys, all armed with revolvers, waited several hours during the afternoon at the Deer Park station. A wagon load of bluecoats hurried to the scene and were met by a brisk fire, which they returned. After a few minutes' fighting the police rushed at their opponents. They captured three boys, each armed with two pistols. The six men, three of them colored fled.

Ambassador Draper Resigns.

WORCESTER, Massachusetts, July 24.—The Gazette has a special from its Milford correspondent announcing that general W. F. Draper of Milford, has sent to Washington his letter of resignation as ambassador of the United States to Italy. The reason given is necessity of attention to his private business.

The Plot Was Discovered.

PARIS, July 24.—It has just leaked out that a plot existed at the end of June to assassinate the Chinese Minister here, Yu Keng, and also a member of the legation. The secretary of the legation, Major Parma, an Italian, in an interview today admitted that the report in circulation to that effect was true.

SLOCAN VERY PROSPEROUS

Properties Being Bonded.

KASLO, July 24.—[Special to The Tribune]—Neither the war in China nor the Boer war will suffice to keep English capital out of the Slocan now that the parlimentary crisis seem to be over. A representative of English capital, who arrived here a few weeks since, has just received cablegraphic inquiry from London, England, asking for particular news of Slocan development this year, and a favorable report has been sent in reply. With the price of silver higher than for some time past, with lead firm, and with a good fall in prospect, it appears as if the Slocan was once more to enter upon a period of prosperity second only to that which prevailed in the years that followed Eli Carpenter's eventful trip up Kaslo creek to the Payne.

The Liberty Hill on the south fork of Kaslo creek has been bonded by the French syndicate represented here by J. J. Fleutot. Active work has been started on it. The property is owned by W. Briggs.

Mining on Slocan lake is progressing. The Enterprise has resumed shipping ore and the Hampton, on Springer creek, has sent out a test shipment of three tons of high grade ore assaying 770 ounces silver. Pete Larsen and C. D. Rand of Spokane may decide to open up the U & I group on Ten-mile creek, as the miners who have just done the assessment work declare that it promises big. The Slocan City men who own a two-thirds interest in the one time famous Two Friends have given a bond of their share to P. McVicars. The remaining third of the property is held by R. Marpole, captain Tatlow and other Vancouver parties.

J. Baker and Neil McMillan have done their assessment work on the Colonel Sellars group on the south fork of Ten-mile and declare that the ledge matter is improving all the while. They have a two-foot lead of galena and talc. W. C. Adams of Slocan City has bonded the Lone Star group at Silverton.

The Wakefield and the Vancouver were the shippers from Silverton last week. The former sent out four carloads and the latter two.

ARSENAL CAPTURED AGAIN

Tien-Tsin Dispatches.

TIEN-TSIN, July 13—via Che-Foo, July 13, and Shang-Hai, July 24.—After fighting all day, a force of 2000 Japanese, supported by British and Russians, captured the Chinese fortified arsenal two miles east of the city, making a night attack. The foreigners charged under a very heavy fire from the arsenal, following the Chinamen and killing 400 of them. The foreign loss was heavy, but is not reported.

The Chinese have bombarded the foreign city of Tien-Tsin heavily for three days, and killed some British sailors on a tug today, besides several Frenchmen. The foreigners are mounting heavy guns from the fleet, among them being four twelve pounders and four four-inch guns, and will attempt to locate silence the Chinese guns.

An explosion of dynamite killed twenty Russians. Two battalions of the Ninth United States Infantry and 300 marines from the cruiser Brooklyn, disembarked and started for Tien-Tsin today on lighters. As they went up the river the foreign ships cheered them heartily. Refugees of all nationalities will be taken to Japan by the transport Logan.

TIEN-TSIN, Sunday, July 15, via Che-Foo, July 17, via Shang-Hai, July 24.—Chinese from the walled city report the foreigners in Pekin are living, having taken shelter in a bomb proof. About 7000 Chinese were engaged in the battle here on July 13th, more are coming from Pekin.

General Nieh was imprisoned here because he opposed making war on the foreigners, but afterwards was released on condition that he would fight them. To this he acceded with lukewarmness. After the battle he committed suicide.

A large part of the walled city was burned last night, and today the Chinese held a perfect orgie, plundering, smashing houses and fighting like demons over stores of silks, furs and jewelry.

It is reported that some correspondents have, in their dispatches, asserted that general Dorward thinks colonel Liscum blundered in taking the Ninth regiment to the right instead of to the left, and that the feeling is strained between the Americans and British. The fact is that the greatest harmony and co-operation exist. General Dorward has asked the names of Americans to report them for gallantry.

THREE STRIKES OF CALENA

Excitement in Kaslo.

KASLO, July 24.—[Special to The Tribune.]—Great excitement was caused in Kaslo today by the news of three magnificent strikes on the south fork of Kaslo river. The most remarkable of the three was that made on the Bismarck claim which was bonded at one time by Frank Sherwood of Spokane. The find was most unexpected. It was made about twenty feet to the east of the upper tunnel, and consists of clean galena, from four to twelve inches wide. The vein has been stripped for thirty feet, and old time miners say that it is the most important event of the year.

Another good find is the one made on the Cork mineral claim owned by the French syndicate. They have eight feet of galena in an open cut. They are driving a tunnel to crosscut. The Cork is at the bottom of the same hill at the summit of which is the Bismarck. The Granite King is the claim on which the third strike was made. It is owned by Kaslo people. A few feet below the surface they encountered thirty-two inches of galena and they have struck the some lead 100 feet below. This property is a gold as well as a silver one.

WASHINGTON IS OPTIMISTIC

Expects Good News Soon.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 24.—The state department and the Chinese legation substantially agree in the estimate of six to eight days as time necessary to get a reply to the president's answer to the appeal of the Chinese government. According to the best information urgent messages are being transmitted between Pekin and Shang-Hai by the "flying express" mentioned in Consul Fowler's cablegram a few days ago, This, according to the Chinese, is a relay system of mounted messengers, similar to the old pony service across the plains, and used when the wire communication is interrupted.

The relays make about two hundred miles a day. It is four hundred miles from Shanghai to Pekin and this seems to agree very well with the speed made in forwarding and returning the Conger message.

Assuming from Sheng's dispatch that a movement was on foot on the 18th to get the foreign ministers started from Pekin to Tien-Tsin under an escort of imperial troops, the state department would not be surprised to get definite news from the headquarters of the allied forces in a short time.

The distance from Pekin to Tien-Tsin is 75 miles and at this season the trip is usually made by road from Pekin to Tong Choo, a point on the Pei Ho, twelve miles below the capital, and the remainder by boat. This would take four days, supposing the escort of imperial troops met with no resistance. If the move from Pekin was made within two days after Sheng's information was received, it would be possible that the legationers and the escort are now in touch with the headquarters of the allies, always supposing that nothing serious happened to the party on the road.

Franco-Russian Scheme.

TIEN-TSIN, Saturday, July 21.—The Russians announce their intention to keep control of the entire railway line between Taku and Pekin until the conclusion of hostilities when they propose, they say, to restore it to the Chinese. Admiral Seymour strongly disapproves allowing them to repair the line beyond Tien-Tsin. He considers the British should insure the undertaking and conduct the repairs. Meanwhile the French are endeavoring to obtain control of all the river tugs. It is believed that they intend to share the control with Russia.

MISSIONARIES AT PEKIN

In a Fortified Chapel.

BOSTON, July 24.—The American board has received a letter from Mrs. Frances D. Wilder, dated Tien-Tsin June 11th, in which the writer tells of the departure of the Tung Cho missionaries, under a United States guard, to Pekin, the burning of the Chong Tu college and looting of the residencies. She says all the missionaries in Pekin, British and American, have gone to the Methodist compound. All the civil service people are at the British legation. Only two places have to be defended. Under date of June 13th, Mrs. Wilder wrote:

I do not know how much the secretary of the mission is able to write you from Pekin, but I am constrained to tell you what came by letter to the Methodist friends yesterday.

The large chapel is converted into a fort by the walling up of all but one entrance and most of the windows, with loopholes for firing from within. The gates also are bricked up, with spikes and barbed wire on the top of the walls and a net work of barbed wire across the compound in places. They have 25 marines there and 40 firearms besides for the missionaries to use. There are 78 in the compound (besides Chinese, 4300) and perhaps 50 women and children.

The minister is doing all he can to protect them. It is said the Chinese have guns mounted on the walls covering the legations, and will destroy them if the city gates are forced. There are more than 2000 foreign troops nearing the city and their numbers are increasing daily. All were safe at Pao Ting Fu on the evening of the 11th. Yesterday some Chinese troops of general Nieh's force, who favors foreigners, started for there to bring the missionaries here or protect them there.

I shall cable as soon as there is a change in the conditions at Pekin. The burning of the college and looting of houses in Tung Cho was not done by Boxers, but by the soldiers and the crowd. The army almost to a man is against the foreigners.

LONDON DOES NOT BELIEVE

Legations Are Safe.

LONDON, July 25, 4 a. m.—Sir Claude MacDonald's message, dated July 4, appealing for relief is regarded in London as only a prelude to the absolute confirmation of the massacre. This is the opinion also of the Japanese minister here. The newspapers suggest that the British minister's despatch was held back and released about the same time as Mr. Conger's undated message.

Although the American and British forces are working harmoniously, the questions of the means of communication between Taku and Pekin give evidence of jealousy between the powers, and other dispatches from Tien-Tsin show the language difficulty has been hampering the military operations.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Tien-Tsin, dated July 14th, and describing the fighting, says: "Colonel Liscum mistook the road and was nearly isolated. General Dorward, on a premature report from the Japanese commander that the city had been entered, ordered a general advance, which proved a costly error.

"Much valuable time was lost and trouble occasioned yesterday afternoon because the messengers between general Fukishimi and general Doward did not understand each other's language."

The Tien-Tsin correspondent of the Daily Mail says that when the Chinese regulars saw the Boxers who led the attack lying killed they began to retire. He asserts the admirals have decided that it would be useless to move toward Pekin without at least 60,000 men.

Sweeping Liberal Victory.

OTTAWA, July 24.—The election of Dr. Douglas, the Liberal candidate for the second district of Queen's, Prince Edward Island, must be regarded as a very decided victory for the Liberal party, indicating as it did a complete revulsion of feeling in that province from the conditions prevailing a few months ago. Dr. Douglas' majority over the Conservative candidate, Mr. Wise, was 308. In 1897 the vote for Mr. Wise, then the successful but quasi Liberal candidate, stood 850, and that for Mr. Alex. Horne, the Conservative, 710. The Conservatives expected that Mr. Wise would draw heavily from the Liberal vote, his former political predilections having been towards the government. When the votes were counted, however, it was found that Dr. Douglas, the Liberal candidate, had been elected by a handsome majority.

AWAITING CHINA'S ANSWER

Russia Suspected.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 24.—The state department is again in a waiting attitude regarding China. It has frankly, promptly and fully answered the Chinese emperor's appeal for mediation, and the correspondence given publicity today makes it appear that the next move is for the Chinese government. It is expected to accept or reject our terms at once, and in either case the answer must convey tidings of the state of affairs at Pekin and the welfare of the legationers.

The belief is not concealed here that the chances for successful mediation are slight. If the United States does not succeed in inducing the European powers to be lenient in their treatment of the imperial government of China, the government will not be drawn into further hostilities after we have taken care of our own affairs, but we will withdraw, taking care, however, to let it be understood that this government will not allow its property interests in China to be injured by the action of any of the powers.

At least one of the greatest of the powers is under strong suspicion here of acting cold bloodedly and without regard to sentiment or anything more than the most material of considerations. It is believed here that this power is quietly taking measures to drop the league at Tien-Tsin and conduct a campaign on its own account against Pekin; and it is even suspected that this power is already moving her troops toward the Chinese capital. One fact is regarded as now beyond need of further demonstration in view of the Chinese appeal, is that the Chinese officers at the coast ports are actually in communication with whatever remains of the imperial government at Pekin, and the text of Kwang Su's appeal appears to establish the fact that the Chinese government itself is sanctioning the resistance to the international advances upon Pekin.

Salisbury Gets Only Promises.

LONDON, July 24.—The Chinese minister, Sir Chih Chen Lo Feng Lu, had a long interview with Lord Salisbury this afternoon. The general situation was discussed and the Chinese minister reiterated his belief that the British minister to China, Sir Claude MacDonald, and the other foreigners at Pekin were safe. Lord Salisbury reiterated his demand for direct communication with the minister at Pekin. To this request the minister could only renew his protestations that it would be speedily accomplished if feasible.

Railway Clear of Boers.

LONDON, July 24.—An official dispatch received here from Cape Town today, dated Monday, July 23rd, says: "The railway northward is now clear of Boers. The line is slightly damaged but will soon be clear. Captain Fowler proceeds tomorrow to repair the telegraph."

M. Pichon Alive.

PARIS, July 25, 3 a. m.—M. Delcasse has received a telegram from the French Consul in Shang-Hai, dated July 23, which says: "Li Hung Chang has just assured me that M. Pichon (French minister to China) is living, and he has agreed to transmit to him a message from me requesting a reply within five days."

Deporting Chinamen.

WATERTOWN, New York, July 24.—Over fifty Chinamen are in the Malone jail awaiting examination on the charge of illegally being in this country. Of the eight captured recently, commissioner Paddock has ordered five of them deported, they having no defence.

Price of Copper.

LONDON, July 24.—Copper closed, spot £73 7s 6d; futures, £73 10s. The marked closed firm.

RICH LARDEAU PROSPECTS

Johnson's Basin.

Considerable activity is being displayed in the Lardeau mining district this season in the locality drained by Tenderfoot and Canyon creeks on the south of the Lardeau river, and Haley, Hope and Lake creeks on the north. Work has been prosecuted all the season on several promising claims on Tenderfoot creek, and a rich grey copper strike is reported from Canyon creek.

On the north side of the Lardeau river is situated a rich mineral belt known as Johnson's Basins (upper and lower). In the lower basin, which is about 25 miles northwest of Upper Kootenay lake and 10 miles east of the lower end of Trout lake and about 2½ miles from the Lardeau river, are some of the richest surface showings in the Lardeau country. The ore is a galena, carrying gold, silver and copper values. The properties in the basin in which work has been done and good showings resulted, are: The Three Lakes group of four claims, owned by R. F. Green, M.P.P., of Kaslo, on which three men are at present werking; Toronto and Black Prince, owned by Messrs. Cavanaugh and W. Anderson, Sandon; Cranky Jack, Porcupine, Texas, Olympia, owned by J. C. Raby and B. Ramey of Trout Lake and W. R. Lenard of Boise City, Idaho; Rio Grande, owned by W. Anderson and F. Baker of Trout Lake; North Star, Justin and Snowshoe, owned by John Irvine, Trout Lake, and the Second Trial group of four claims belonging to H. A. Mills, W. J. Hill and W. G. McMorris of Nelson. Considerable work has been done on the Second Trial group this season, and has resulted in one of the best surface showings in that locality. The Second Trial claim has three distinct leads, carrying gold, silver, lead and copper. On the White Grouse, one of the group, a four foot lead was uncovered last week and showed 18 inches of solid galena. No assay returns have been obtained yet, but the indications are that it is fairly high grade. The ore is found in white quartz in a contact between lime rock and slate.

The great drawback to the rapid development of this rich section is the lack of trails, but since elected to the house, Thomas Taylor, M. P. P. for the riding, has been interesting himself on behalf of the property holders, and in all probability a trail will be built this season.

The right-of-way of the C. P. R.'s Arrowhead-Lardo branch runs within 2½ miles of Johnson's Basin, and when the railway is completed one of the richest mining sections in British Columbia will be rapidly developed.

ATTACKS BY JOE MARTIN

Emergency Supplies.

VICTORIA, July 24.—[Special to The Tribune].—In the house today Martin made attacks on Eberts and John Irving. He spoke of Eberts' pre-election speeches concerning the futile legislation of 1899, which carried an insinuation of Eberts' inability to draft bills. He was unable, however, to draw out the attorney general who persisted in a "fight fair" policy, and would not allow himself to be attacked out of order unless with a chance to reply. Irving's attempt to get an injunction in the Cassiar elections was the text of bitter comment by Martin who attempted to color it into an act of revenge in the captain's part because of his recent defeat in that constituency. Hon. Mr. McBride came to the rescue and turned the tables on Martin by the assurance that Irving was a much greater favorite in the north than his traducer, whose legislation of '99 would not soon be forgotten by that electorate.

An emergency supply of $150,000 was received in a message from the lieutant-governor is to be considered on Friday. This is for the payment of salaries etc. The standing committees will be struck tomorrow.

Prince of Wales a Doctor.

LONDON, July 24—The Prince of Wales is now a fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons. The president of the college, Sir William MacCormack, headed a deputation that presented His Royal Highness with the diploma at Marlborough House today.

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W. L. MACKENZIE King, a grandson of William Lyon Mackenzie, will be the first editor of the Labor Gazette, which the Laurier government will launch between now and the next general elections. The editor accomplished much some time ago for the victims of the sweat-shops of the eastern cities, and will therefore not be without sympathy while he himself sweats to square the Liberal government with the labor vote.

THE strike of the fishermen along the Fraser river has not yet been settled, and the business men of Vancouver and New Westminster are now beginning to fear that the canners will close down for the season. This, it is estimated, would mean a loss to the people of British Columbia of close upon $2,000,000, and would affect between 10,000 and 12,000 persons. The situation along the Fraser river today should be a great educator as to the advantages of compulsory arbitration. If what the organs of the canners say is true, the canners should welcome such legislation. They say the canners have exhausted every argument, and offered every possible concession, but without avail; and the outlook is that the business community, which had no voice in the dispute, stands to lose thousands of dollars through the obstinacy of a few of the fishermen's leaders. At this distance it is difficult to pass upon the merits of the contentions of the parties to the dispute, but assuming that the canners' version is true, that the strikers are most unreasonable; what better justification could there be for the passage of such legislation as would prevent dissatisfied persons from inflicting such widespread injury upon the business communities at the Coast? Why is it, that if the wage earners are always in the wrong, and always unreasonable, that the objection to compulsory arbitration comes not from them, but from the employers? Compulsory arbitration has been shelved at Ottawa for the reason that it is legislation which properly comes within the provincial jurisdiction. The situation along the Fraser, therefore, offers an opportunity for the new government at Victoria to show whether it is progressive or not; whether it will grasp the opportunity to enact legislation for the purpose of preventing industrial warfare; or whether it will pursue its outlined policy of investigating commissioners which can result in nothing but the promotion of strife.

TORY newspapers never tire of directing attention to the crack which Israel Tarte has made in the great Liberal party. This is less hazardous work than attempting to choose a leader from among the rival Conservative bosses.

PROHIBITION appears to be a stumbling block for British Columbia's lieutenant governors. Thomas McInnes first became unpopular through setting "pop" before his ministers at state dinners, and sir Henri Joly has scarcely had time to warm his seat at Victoria before the members of the Dominion Alliance accuse him of jobbing the prohibitioners of Quebec in connection with the prohibition plebiscite.

OF THE 77,000,000 persons who make up the population of the United States some 10,000,000 odd are classed as foreign born, and of this number the Dominion of Canada contributed the respectable total of 1,020,000. Most of them are near the top of the social heap.

BIG LARDEAU DEAL.

Trout Lake Topic.

On Monday last a deel was put through by M. L. Moyer, whereby the Pedro and Ruby Silver groups, comprising nine claims, become bonded to a Philadelphia syndicate. The figure of the bond is $60,000 and the payments cover a period of eighteen months. The first payment is for $20,000 and falls due in sixty days. It is the intention of of Mr. Moyer to begin work on these claims on Monday next, with a gang of five men. This working force will be added to from time to time as the exigencies of the situation call for it.

The Pedro and Ruby Silver groups are two of the richest and best known properties in the Lardeau. On the former the ore taken out during the course of development is remarkable even in this camp because of its grade, assays running from 2000 ounces silver up, and just the other day after the season's work had been commenced on it samples of ore were brought down, some of which are now in the Topic's cabinet, that are solid chunks of gray copper and will run over 2000 ounces in silver.

On the Ruby Silver, where there is exposed a two-foot ledge of solid ore, some very high assays have been obtained. One kind running $110 in gold, the other giving returns of 500 ounces silver and $25 gold. This group is located somewhat higher up the mountain than the Pedro and on a different lead.

Sessions are Private.

According to the Yukon Sun the latest political grievance at Dawson is the fact that the Yukon council holds private sessions to which the public are not admitted. The Yukoners look on the council as a species of parliament to which the public have the right of access, but legal adviser Clement considers it as a cabinet meeting and refuses to attend an open session. Instructions from Ottawa have been asked for on the subject.

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NELSON ÆRIE, Number 22, Fraternal Order of Eagles, meets every second and fourth Wednesday in each month in Fraternity Hall. Visiting brethren welcome. W. Gosnell, President. Charles Prosser, Secretary.

NOTICE.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between Charles S. Rashdall and A. E. Fauquier, doing business as mining brokers at New Denver, British Columbia, under the firm name of Rashdall & Fauquier, is dissolved. The business will be continued by the undersigned.

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I give notice that the agreement for the transfer of the assets of the old company to the new company, which was submitted to and approved by the said Extraordinary General Meeting, has now been executed and is dated the 18th June, 1900. Holders of shares in the old company are entitled to claim as of right, an allotment of one share in the new company, with 17s. per share credited as having been paid up thereon, for every two shares held by them or to which they were entitled in the old company, providing they agree to pay up the balance of 3s. per share on each of such new shares.

Shareholders registered on the books of the old company have received blanks or forms on which to make application for the shares to which they are entitled to apply for, and which must be received here and be in my hands, together with the 1s. per share payable on application not later than 18th August, 1900. Shareholders who do not make application by this date will lose all their interest in the company. Holders of dollar shares of the Athabasca Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, who have not converted their scrip into £1 sterling shares of the Athabasca Gold Mine, Limited, which is now in liquidation, are advised to send these promptly to this office for conversion, that they may receive the necessary blanks in time to comply with the above notice and so retain their interest in the property. E. NELSON FELL, Manager.

TRADES UNIONS.

NELSON MINERS' UNION NO. 96, W. F. of M.—Meets in miners' union rooms, northeast corner Victoria and Kootenay streets, every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting members welcome. M. R. Mowatt, President. James Wilkes, Secretary. UNION SCALE OF WAGES FOR NELSON DISTRICT—Per shift, machine men, $3.50; hammersmen miners, $3.25; muckers, carmen, shovelers and other underground laborers, $3.00.

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THE regular meetings of the Carpenters' Union are held on Wednesday evening of each week, at 7 o'clock, in the Miners' Union hall corner Victoria and Kootenay streets. R. Robinson, President. James Colling, Secretary.

BARBERS' UNION.—Nelson Union, No. 196, of the International Journeymen Barber's Union of America, meets every first and third Monday of each month in Miner's Union Hall, corner of Victoria and Kootenay streets, at 8:30 p.m. sharp. Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend. J. H. Matheson, President. W. S. Belville, Secretary.

BRICKLAYERS AND MASONS' UNION. The Bricklayers and Masons' International Union No. 3 of Nelson meets second and fourth Tuesdays in each month at Miners Union hall. J. W. Etcher, president; Joseph Clark, recording and corresponding secretary.

LABORERS' UNION.—Nelson Laborers' Protective Union, No. 8121, A. F. of L., meets in Fraternity Hall, Oddfellow's block, corner of Baker and Kootenay streets, every Monday evening at 8 p.m. sharp. Visiting members of the American Federation cordially invited to attend. A. W. McFee, President. Percy Shackelton, Secretary.

NELSON PAINTERS' UNION—The regular meeting of the Painters' Union is held the first and third Fridays in each month at Miners' Union hall at 7:30 sharp; T. O. Skatbo, President; Will J. Hatch, Secretary.

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The correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph, after describing the events that led up to the battle of Biddulph's Berg on May 31st, and how grass fires were started on the battlefield by the careless use of matches, says:

Meanwhile the Boer gun was pelting shell against our battery. I regret to put it on record that the four guns of No. 2 battery were wholly unequal to the task of silencing the Boer gun. The enemy burned black powder, he was not more than two or three thousand yards away, and his gun, fired more projectiles than our four. Our ranging was wretchedly bad, and when shrapnel was used the fuses were so badly timed that the bullets pelted into the hillside behind the gun instead of into the gunners. So ineffective was major McCree's battery that general Rundle ordered up the Seventy-Ninth. It did much better, and in a few moments the Boer gun was temporarily silenced. All this time no rifle shots had been fired, and not a Boer was visible except the few serving the gun. It looked as if by some accident the gun had been left behind, and that we had nothing to do but go and take it. It seemed as if we must do it quickly. The grass fires were now roaring acres in extent and a vast pall of smoke was spreading itself abroad, obscuring the Boer position. General Rundle gave the order for the Grenadiers to advance. Colonel Lloyd called upon his men. They sprang to their feet, and, with a front like a wall, and as steadily as if at a review in Hyde park, they moved out of the smoke and across the open space towards the gun. Instantly the Boers turned their shells against the advancing Guards. Their projectiles were badly aimed, and a group of us behind were in more danger than the troops. On went the Grenadiers for a few hundred yards, and then crack, crack, began the rifles from the hillside. There were more than the gunners to settle with before the gun could be ours. All the while the shells were falling never a man was hit, but within less than a minute from the first rifle-shot wounded men began to come back, past where I was standing and stagger towards the field dressing station.

One big grenadier, whose arm was shattered from wrist to elbow with an explosive bullet—thousands of these were fired by the Boers—held up the ragged mass of flesh and bone as he passed me and exclaimed between his groans. "They are knocking our fellows over like peas in there"—nodding towards the smoke—"and the fire is burning the chaps who can't get up. Look at me." I had already seen what the poor fellow referred to. His beard and hair were singed almost to the skin, and his forehead and one hand was red and scorched by the flames. While he spoke another man came past, his face streaming with a blood from a wound in the scalp where a bullet had plowed from the right temple half way round his head. He, too, was scorched by the flames.

The scene on the battlefield at this moment was one of the most awful description. The battle was now fully developed. From the front, where the grenadiers had disappeared in the smoke, the crackle of rifles was deafening, and the bullets fired too high by the Boers, fizzed—the word best describes the sound—past us incessently. Ten guns on our side and two on the Boers' added their roar—the bursting of shells and the demoniac scream of shrapnel made up a perfect pandemonium of sound. Over all, and dominating all, was the dreadful poping crackle of the flames from the burning grass, while the smoke hid everything. Biddulph s Berg, the Boer guns, our own guns the Grenadiers. and the Scots Guards, who had moved up in support of them, had all vanished. One saw nothing but vast rolling billows of thick blue-white smoke, rearing themselves far over the tops of the hills. Out of this pall that hung over the battlefield, came the dreadful din, and from under its edge crept stricken and bleeding figures, groping along in the semi-darkness, or staggering feebly, supported between blackened and dishevelled comrades towards the busy doctors at the rear. It was bewildering, it was terrifying, it was horrifying. One could hardly believe it real but no realism of art could equal the awful realism of the pallid, drawn, blood-smeared faces and swaying tottering steps of the ghastly figures that now in a steady stream staggered out of the hell in front of me. But they were not the worst.

Presently the bearers, singed and scorched, came past, bearing motionless figures on dripping stretchers. Here is one helpless burden feebly holding his helmet over his face to save it from the scorching flames. There is one who will feel no more pain or suffering. The rough woollen blanket kindly drawn over the face of the still figure on the stretcher conveys its own message. "It would have been burned in there," said the bearer, using the impersonal pronoun to indicate what was the burden borne so tenderly between him and his comrade. An hour later the dead lay where they fell, for every effort could not bring nearly all the wounded away before the cruel fire had sucked out what life had been left in the helpless frame by Boer bullets. I cannot describe the helpless feeling of a non-combatant like myself as I set there on my horse watching the terrible scene, unable to do more than offer my water bottle to a parched sufferer. All around men were making the most strenuous efforts of a life-time; men were dying within a few yards of where I stood, dying deaths of dreadful torture; what was a thousand times worse, helpless, wounded men were lying unable to move, watching the greedy flame sweeping on towards them, and no one could see to help them, for what the thick smoke did not obscure the tall, rank, unburned vegetation hid from view, and a wounded man's feeble cry for help could no more be heard in that appalling chaos of sound than one could hear the fall of a leaf amid the thunders of the tempest. One lost the sense of danger. There was no room for the thought of personal risk in the wild tumult of feeling that filled one's mind. It was not an ordinary battlefield. I have been on "stricken fields" before, and I never felt anything like the sense of helpless horror that I experienced during those dreadful hours of the the battle of Biddulph's Berg. The Boers evidently thought that the smoke from the burning veldt was intended to conceal something from their view.

They shelled the swirling, smoke-wreaths, and the shrapnel hissed and snarled round the group of which I was one, but it passed unheeded. We were thinking of what was happening out there a few hundred yards to our front. A shrapnel burst overhead, and my horse gave the sudden quivering start of a stricken animal. I paid no heed, except to pass my hand lightly over the spot where the bullet had plowed a long red furrow down its side. A minute later the time fuse of a shell, a big lump of brass over a pound in weight, buried itself between a colleague and myself. I stooped and picked it up mechanically, as one would pick up a scrap of paper while sitting chatting at one's desk, without a thought that a few inches deflection of the missile might have made me or the friend to whom I spoke another helpless victim for the flames. I only remember that the only thought which occurred to me was a sort of wondering conjecture whether the bullets which the fuse had set free had added another to the figures writhing in agony from the twin terrors of fire and lead. So the day wore on, and still the stricken figures came back from the firing line. Most frequently they wore the red and blue badge of a Grenadier, more rarely the white and red tartan of a Scots Guard, and at less frequent intervals the plain red semicircle and white lettering of a man of the West Kent battalion. The Yeomanry had long since disappeared, unharmed, from view over a fold in the ground. General Rundle, ever watchful amid all the confusion of the surroundings, had observed a crowd of Boers galloping toward our left, and the Yeomanry, pulled together by colonel Blair, had ridden down and driven off the force that threatened our flank.

Now and then, when the wind swept away the smoke for a space, I could see the Grenadiers and the Scots lying in the unburned patches of grass and mealies, firing up at the grey rocks, where never a sign could be seen of the men who were shooting so steadily down into the smoke. The Boers were not escaping all punishment. Colonel Pratt's artillery was searching the hill from top to bottom with a fire of shrapnel that missed no likely spot of cover. No less than 800 shells were discharged by the two batteries during the course of the day. The troops in front for four or five hours lay patiently under a fire that no other troops in the world would have borne for half an hour without flying in confusion. The Scots Guards and West Kents are beginning to retire on our right. The veldt has all been burned right up to the foot of the berg, and the khaki clothing of our men stands out against the blackened ground like targets. It were murder to keep the troops longer under fire; besides, the general during the day received peremptory orders from lord Roberts to march to the assistance of general Brabant, and he is extricating his men with marvelous skill and coolness from a position of difficulty. Presently the Scots Guards and the West Kents are clear of the zone of fire, and the Grenadiers began to retire. It was a beautifully executed movement, carried out as steadily as if on parade. I think there never was a braver or a better lot of men than the Grenadiers I saw go into and come out of a perfect hell of fire in front of Biddulph's berg. There are no skulkers in the Second Grenadiers. I saw no man of the battalion go to the rear unless he helped back a wounded comrade, and men who went back for this purpose returned to the firing line. There were countless acts of heroism during the day.

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CITY LOCAL NEWS

A worthless check was passed on the manager of the Rossland hotel, Vernon street, yesterday. It was for $210, signed and endorsed by J. Reid. A $10 advance was made on the check and Reid decamped before its worthlessness was discovered.

At yesterday's police court A. Price was fined $20 and costs for assaulting a Chinaman named Sing. Ed. Murphy, a vag, was given ten hours to leave town under pain of a term at the goal.

A. B. Buckworth, returning officer in the recent election, distributed checks to the deputies and clerks yesterday for their services on election day.

The city engineer is preparing plans for the improvements to the reservoir above the electric light power house. The proposition is to give the dam a capacity of four to five million feet of water, sufficient to operate the plant for five or six hours. This will maintain the current during the hours in which the consumption is greatest, after which the natural flow of the creek will be ample.

Work was not commenced on Baker street pavement yesterday morning as decided at Monday night's council meeting. The corporation men have several days' work in other parts of the city, on the completion of which all hands will commence laying macadam. Monday next is the date fixed for starting work.

Dr. P. E. McLennan has been appointed physician to the Yellowstone mine.

The Methodist Sunday school picnic to Proctor yesterday was most successful. The steamer Moyie left at 8 a. m. loaded with picknickers and returned at 6 p. m. One of the features of the day was a ball game between nines headed by John A. Turner and J. H. Wallace in which Mr. Turner's aggregation won out after an exciting game. The fishing was excellent and a number of fine trout were taken during the day.

W. F. Thompson, recently business manager of the Miner, is now manager of the Yukon Sun and Klondike Pioneer.

The train from Spokane was over four hours late last night owing to the wreck below Myers' Falls. The particulars of the accident have not been received at the local office, beyond the fact that the trestle was completely destroyed by fire and engineer Bacon and his fireman were seriously hurt. A large quantity of merchandise billed to Nelson houses went down in the wreck.

A. H. Gracey leaves tonight for Kuskonook, where the Imperial Development Syndicate, with which he is connected has several men at work on the Waverley. From 30 to 40 feet has been sunk on the prospect and the outlook is promising.

Miscellaneous Mining News

The third assessment on the J. I. C. claim, situated on the north fork of Hall creek, has just been completed with satisfactory results. A 15-foot ledge of decayed quartz has been uncovered and the specimens now being assayed are expected to run high in gold. The claim belongs to P. Burns.

J. F. Holden, late of the Venus mine, leaves this morning for Spokane on mining business. He will be absent a week.

The Britannia group of mines on Howe Sound, 30 miles from Vancouver, have been bonded to the British America Corporation, owners of the Le Roi mine, for $1,500,000, the terms being $50,000 payable August 17th, $50,000 for five succeeding months, payable on the 17th of each month; then $100,000 payable each month for three succeeding months, on the 17th; and $900,000 at the end of twelve months' time.

Mining Records.

Yesterday's mining records were: Transfers, a three-fourth's interest in the Vixen mineral claim on Donaldson mountain, two and one half miles from Craigtown, by Duncan Dewer of Erie to Joseph Harrison of Erie, consideration $100; a quarter interest in the Maud M. claim on Head Rest creek, three and one half miles north-west of the Arlington mine, by K. McEvay to William Reilly, consideration $1000; a quarter interest in the Dewey on Head Rest creek by John McEvoy to William Reilly, consideration $1000; the Modesty, at the head of Hall creek, by John E. Anderson to Andrew E. Laird and Louis Strand.

Locations:—The Rainbow, on head of Whiskey creek by J. F. McFarlane; the Best, on north fork of Whiskey creek, by John McEvoy; the Modoc, twelve miles north of Erie on the north fork of Salmon river by Herbert Porter; the Sunshine, on the west side of Seven Mile creek north side Pend d'Oreille river, by A. E. Churcher; the Rocky Point, one and one half miles north of Salmo, by C. C. Ladd, the Aurora, on Erie mountain, by C. C. Ladd.

Certificates of work: To Henry Reichart, on the North Star; to Herbert Porter, on the Dora, to Ada Campbell, on the Paxton; to J. Campbell, on the Daylight and Robin Hood; to J. Campbell, on the Good Eye; to the Athabasca Gold Mine, Limited, on the Good Hope and Little Hope.

NOTES ON ATHLETICS.

Charles Hislop who is organizing a gymnasium class, is looking about for suitable quarters and will have arrangements made to this end shortly. He is meeting with considerable success in interesting local parties in the undertaking, which will probably take the form of an athletic association. The organization of such an institution has been discussed in Nelson at various periods but no definite steps were ever taken. The enthusiasts who have had the matter in hand heretofore will now have a chance to put the scheme into effect.

The local sportsmen who propose to give a sparring and wrestling tournament here next week will hold a meeting at the firehall tonight and the matter will be decided. The promoters believe the idea would take well.

Manager Waterman has received a telegram from the Medicine Hat nine asking for a game here. The date will probably be arranged.

THE TRIBUNE is in receipt of a communication from S. J. Davis and Ted Eaton of Sandon with respect to the approaching boxing competitions here. The letter has been referred for answer to those who are getting up the competitions.

The attraction next Sunday afternoon will be the ball game between the printers and the painters. Both sides are practicing steadily and include some good ball players among them. The rivalry is very keen and there is certain to be a hotly contested game which will be well worth watching. "Doc" Boyd will umpire the game, and a large crowd is expected.

Episcopalian Missionaries Safe.

NEW YORK, July 24.—Rev. Dr. Carroll of the Methodist missionary society has received a letter from the Rev. Frederick Brown, dated Che-Foo, June 22nd. Mr. Brown was a passenger on the last train that left Pekin. Many of the foreigners were preparing to leave. Mr. Brown says the diplomats had many warnings of trouble from the missionaries but they refused to credit the reports. The Protestant Episcopal missionary society today received a cablegram from bishop Graves at Shang-Hai. It was as follows: "Men at ports, all safe." Some days ago the bishop cabled that the women missionaries had gone to Japan. Today's cablegram means, therefore, that all the Protestant Episcopal stations, which extended along the Yang Tse river for a thousand miles, have been abandoned. The society had no missions in North China.

Casualties of the Allies.

TIEN-TSIN, July 14—via Che-Foo, July 16, and Shang-Hai, July 24.—The Ninth United States Infantry entered the fight at Tien-Tsin with 460 men. An incomplete list of casualties shows 18 killed, 75 wounded and two missing. The marines had four killed and 18 wounded. The total losses of the allies were about 800. The British lost 50. The Japanese estimate their killed at 50 and wounded at 250. The Russians estimate their casualties at 150. All day long the work of bringing in the dead and wounded was continued. Fifty guns were captured. The place was full of munitions of war. Many fires have been started and most of the city will probably be burned. The Chinese are retreating towards Pekin.

Venezuela at Peace.

NEW YORK, July 24.—Elias Gonzales Esteves, consul general of Venezuela, today received the following dispatch from Caracas: Today I have officially declared the country enjoying complete peace. (Sgd.) Ciprino Castro, president of Venezuela. "Although complete peace was restored in Venezuela some weeks ago," said Mr. Esteves, "President Castro kept his official declaration till today, which is the anniversary of General Simon Bolivar, the illustrious son of Venezuela, and the liberator of several republics of South America."

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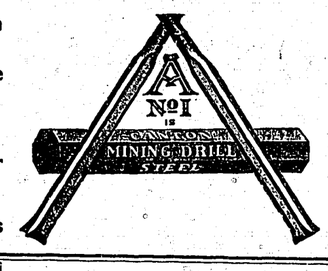

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Smallpox in Dawson.

OTTAWA, July 24—[Special to The Tribune].—Three cases of smallpox were discovered at Dawson some time ago. Latest information from there on July 14th was that they were doing well and that the disease was not spreading. These cases were imported from Cape Nome. To guard against any further cases from the same quarter, Dr. Montizambert, who is going to British Columbia and the west on a tour of inspection any way, first visits Yukon, and will make all necessary quarantine and isolation arrangements to prevent the spread of the disease. The doctor left today for Vancouver, where he will sail on August 1st for Skagway.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

PHAIR.—Joseph Tasse, Montreal; H. Chisholm, St. Charles, Illonis; E. W. Prayer, Rossland; H. N. Ceperter, Vancouver; Frank Oliver, H. M. Rumball, Rossland; Mrs. A. Norman, Tacoma; George H. Williams, Spokane; Charles W. Graves, Toronto.

HUME.—H. Hankey, Vancouver; C. W. Ross, Lot La Hachi; C. H. Low, Montreal; L. A. Bodell, London, England; Miss L. Smith, Spokane; J. T. Lumm, Cranbrook; G. A. Mitchell, Rossland; Arthur Poole, Toronto; Mrs. J. Martin, Nakusp; Jerry S. Laughlin, Spokane.

QUEEN'S.—Alan Forrester, Robson; A. McPhail, Muniac; J. G. McGallum, W. Cameron, Slocan City.

BUSINESS MENTION.

Lost—Black cocker spaniel, answering the name of Jack. George A. Stewart Potts, Wallace-Miller block.

Wanted—Furnished or unfurnished rooms. Address, L. V., Tribune.

For Rent—Small furnished house for one month, from about August 10th. Cheap; near city. Apply Box 182, Post office.

Furnished rooms to let—Apply Carney block, one door east of Oddfellow's hall.

Hack calls left at the Pacific Transfer barn on Vernon street. Telephone call 35.

For Rent—Dwelling on Carbonate street, next to ex-mayor Neelands, possession July 1st; rent $25. Enquire Mrs. Robinson.

DEBENTURES
FOR SALE

The City of Nelson, British Columbia, has authorized the issue of debentures for the following purposes:

$15,000 for extending the Water-Works System.
$15,000 for extending the Electric Light System.
$20,000 for extending the Sewer System.
$20,000 for Street Improvements.
$6,000 for a Road Making Plant.

These debentures are dated October 1st, 1900, run for twenty years, bear four per cent interest (payable semi-annually), and will be issued in denominations of one thousand dollars. Interest and principal payable at the Bank of Montreal, Nelson. The assessed value of real estate in Nelson is $1,247,000, and of improvements $818,000; total $2,065,000. The population is 6000. Tenders for these debentures will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, September 15th, 1900.

JOHN HOUSTON, Mayor.

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DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between Frank Campbell & George William Bartlett, in the business of the Clark Hotel on Josephine street, Nelson, is dissolved from this date. All accounts due to the firm are to be paid to George William Bartlett, who will pay all debts and carry on the business as heretofore. Dated 19th July 1900.

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