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Dated at Ymir, B. C., the 7th day of March, 1904.

T. H. ATKINSON,
Registrar of Voters.

NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNERS.

TO G. ED. C. MARTIN, H. W. F. POLLOCK, or any other person to whom they may have transferred their interests in the Goodenough Fraction mineral claim, situated on Wild Horse Creek about four miles from the town of Ymir, and adjoining the Mugwump, Rockland and Lexington mineral claims in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District, and recorded in the Recorder's office for the Nelson Mining Division.

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J. A. LOVELL,

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SATURDAY, APRIL 30.

THE wretched distinction of being the only town in British Columbia where Boycotting is openly and systematically carried on, is about the only distinction which Ymir enjoys at present, and the outlook is anything but encouraging for an early improvement in existing conditions. Business is at a stand-still—and worse, for the credit heretofore extended by wholesale houses is being curtailed, and not without good reason. The stocks carried are barely sufficient to keep the stores open, under a pretence of doing a trade, but how long this pretence can be kept up is a mystery, as the practice of sending away for everything (when cash can accompany the order) is becoming even more fashionable than ever—and if Ymir is anything it is a fashionable burg in this respect. One half-decent general store would not be kept busy supplying the wants of the whole community. Even the saloon business—by long odds the chief industry of the town—is so far below the mark that seven out of the nine saloons now operating can be purchased, collectively or individually, for a mere song. This is a chance for some unprincipled man with money to lose to distinguish himself. The bargain (if) can be clinched at any time after May 24th, on which date a little harvest from the scheduled products of grape, rye, barley, hay and artificial substitutes is expected by local saloon men. Then there would be the additional advantage of investing one's capital in a boycotting community.

In some of the more recent maps Ymir is altogether omitted. The geographers are evidently on to their job.

An agitation is on foot to change the name of Ymir to that of Bognatown, but the Nelson people object. They claim that such change might do an injustice to their thriving suburb.

AGAIN we have to apologize for going to press without the auditor's report on the Ymir Hospital. We made what we considered satisfactory arrangements for a copy of the report, and the delay is anything but creditable to those responsible. The report will fully substantiate all our charges, and hence we are anxious to give it full publicity. Circumlocution may have its charms for some, but not for us—under existing circumstances.

On Wednesday last Messrs. Harshaw & Wilson resumed work on teaming the concentrates from the Ymir Mill, suspended for a few weeks in consequence of the bad condition of the roads and the impassable bridge, owing to building operations.

Work has been somewhat retarded on the bridge building owing to the non-arrival of heavy timbers ordered from the Coast. It is, however, passable for teams.

LOCAL ITEMS

Acting Chief Constable Young paid an official visit to Ymir yesterday.

Post office Inspector Grenfield paid his first official visit to Ymir on Monday last.

Paul Victor Loath, secretary-treasurer of the Active Gold Mining Co., has left for his home in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Several families are packing up preparatory to leaving Ymir, the Boycotting atmosphere not proving congenial to morals or health.

The Fern mill, at Hall Siding, has started work for the season. A great body of ore has been taken out during the winter, and this will be run through the mill at once.

Mrs. J. P. Vroom, wife of the collector of customs at Waneta, has returned from a two months' trip to southern California where she was visiting her brother.

J. R. Cranston, of Rossland, was in town a few days ago. He is working a claim adjoining the Fern, and reports that he has a car of rich ore ready for shipment.

A game of baseball between Ymir and Salmo on Sunday last, resulted in favor of the first named team by a score of 17 to 16. The return match will be played in Ymir on Sunday (tomorrow).

The agent of another show, with a beauty contest as a feature, was in town this week, but having summed up the position, came to the conclusion not to bring his aggregation of talent here, as suckers with cash are few and far between in Ymir just now.

Special preparations are being made for the Salmo contingent expected to visit Ymir tomorrow, and engage in baseball. The grounds are being cleared for the game, and practices are being held that local men may prove the victors.

There was a soap traveller in Ymir the other day who tried to place an order, arguing that cleanliness is next to godliness. He left town convinced that there was no godliness in Ymir. He was invited to give his experience at the church social on Tuesday but declined.

The Ymir war news for the week is on a par with the sensational information coming from the East. The big bluffing enemy is still kept at bay and wondering what the next move will be. All they know is that there are a few more telling bombs to burst in their camp, and they are dreading the consequences.

The holiday-making public are particularly cautioned to avoid Ymir on May 24. Boycotting is contagious here, and visitors will incur the risk of contracting the disease, which up to the present is confined to this town. A guilty community is shrouded in gloom, and under such conditions there can be no genuine amusement.

Provincial Police Constable Forrester has been officially notified that his services will be dispensed with one month from date. This is the result of the recent investigation into a number of serious charges preferred and proven against Forrester. Under certain conditions, however, it is possible

that a place may be found for him on the force at the expiration of the month.

There was a special meeting of the Liberals of Ymir on Tuesday evening last, the object being to announce to the Federal Government that in the opinion of the local organization A. C. O'Neill would make a first-class postmaster for Ymir. A rumor had been circulated during the day that John McLeod, the present incumbent of the office, had resigned.

That horrible innovation in "religious" circles, known as "the experience social," was enacted in the Ymir Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening last, the usual object being to raise funds. Some of the experiences given would make an ordinary Christian blush. It was noticeable that none of the lady enthusiasts had the sad experience of doing without a new spring bonnet to swell the exchequer of the Lord.

Manager Barnhart, of the Ymir Mine, reports the returns for the month of March, 1904 by ashle, as follows: 45 stamps ran 30 days and crushed 3,300 tons (2,000 lbs.) of ore producing 870 ounces bullion. The estimated realizable value (gross) of the product is \$9,000. 270 tons concentrates shipped, gross value estimated \$7,780. Cyanide plant treated 2,280 tons (3,000 lbs.) of tailings, producing bullion having estimated gross value of \$1,800. Sundry revenue, \$700. Total, \$19,280. Working expenses \$18,400. Profit, \$880. There has been expended during the month on development, \$800.

The ordinary monthly meeting of the Ymir Citizens' Association was summoned for Tuesday evening last and although the business was announced as "important," the secretary did not turn up with the minute book, nor did the members appear in sufficient force to form a quorum. The nickel-in-the-slot-agent-secretary evidently thought business interests would be better served at an experience social under church auspices, and wended his way thence. There was no minute book, no secretary, no quorum, and hence no "important" business transacted. Interest in the association is evidently lagging.

The saloon keepers of Ymir are making a desperate effort to delude a lot of visitors to this boycotting camp to celebrate on May 24th. The whiskey element is to run the whole show, and that the plan may appear the more complete, they have got the license commissioners on one of their committees. This is beautiful, if the scheme will only work. All prizes are to be distributed in the saloons in turn, and cash prizes are to be taken out in trade. If suckers will only turn up in sufficient numbers, some of the nine saloon men will be able to pay their next license.

Sidney S. Saunders, well and favorably known in this district, is once again under the doctor's care. The following is from a Coast exchange just to hand: On Saturday afternoon the foreman of the Sidney sawmill discharged eight Japanese helpers because business did not warrant keeping them on. Two of the Japanese later picked a quarrel with the foreman who was accompanied by Sidney S. Saunders, assistant foreman, and words led to blows. The Japanese flew at the two whitemen armed with a knife and axe. The unarmed whitemen defended themselves as well as they could, but received ghastly wounds about the head and body. Saunders

was shockingly mangled, having a gash over the eye from an axe stroke and a slash on the scalp several inches long from a knife-blow; his back is terribly bruised. Both of the Japanese who committed the murderous assault have been arrested. Saunders says that during the melee, the Japanese fought with the ferocity of wild beasts.

NELSON BILLINGSBATH.

(From the Economist.)

For the past three weeks or so, John Houston has been at the coast making arrangements, it is understood, for the installation of a job printing plant. During the absence of this gentleman of the old school, the Tribune has been under the supervision of an irresponsible individual named Peck McSwain. It is suggested that McSwain is assisted by William Blakemore, whose versatility as actor, orator and author is so well known. Whether the association is creditable to Mr. Blakemore or discreditable to McSwain we know not. But we do know that the Tribune of the past two or three weeks fully emphasizes the oft-repeated assertion of The Economist that the immigration laws of Canada need to be revised at once. The children of the slums of Europe have become a menace to the well being of the Dominion. Without any conception of what is decent they become a charge on the community, either as street mendicants or inhabitants of the institutions maintained at public expense for restricting the activity of the vicious and degenerate. If we had proper immigration laws, strictly enforced, it is unlikely that McSwain would ever have been permitted to land. It is an unfortunate policy which permits the scum of Europe to enter our country and by the aid of our common schools freely opened to them, to acquire sufficient education to collaborate with Mr. Blakemore in the editorship of the Tribune. A phobo in private life is disgusting, but comparatively innocuous, as editor, even of the Tribune, he is a public nuisance.

A SOCIAL BLOT.

The old Duke of Cambridge received a magnificent funeral the other day—the greatest funeral of an English soldier since that of Wellington. The King and Queen were there in the Abbey. The report goes on to say: "Thereafter the body of the 'old Duke,' as he was affectionately known to the public, was taken to Kensal Green Cemetery and buried beside that of his morganatic wife. Among the principal mourners were Admiral and Colonel Fitzgeorge, the late Duke's sons." The King of England would do a popular thing if he showed his respect for the marriage relation as viewed by all his subjects by repudiating once and for ever that disgraceful German thing known as a morganatic marriage. An English woman ought to be good enough for the wife of any English prince. The late duke's wife was a worthy woman, and her sons are respected in the highest circles in England. What the King should do is to enoble the eldest son, simply as a protest against a miserable German piece of snobbery. The pretensions of German royalty to be above earthly law and custom—its claim to a kind of divinity that is sacrilegious, is doubly sacrilegious when it involves the sanctity of marriage. There can't be two kinds of marriage relation even for princes in England.

Fernie was visited by a disastrous fire yesterday morning, that practically wiped out the business section of the town, involving a loss of \$500,000 to \$750,000, with insurance aggregating in the neighborhood of \$250,000.