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INCREASED ACCOMMODATION

Hotel and Business Men Evince Their Faith in Ferguson

With the Railway in Sight Our Mines and Town Will Thrive

That the citizens of Ferguson have unbounded faith in the future of the town has been amply demonstrated in the course of the past few months. The hotel accommodation has been doubled, new residences have been erected, other branches of business have been and will be opened up; in fact everything points to the conclusion that Ferguson will be a bustling business centre during the coming summer. And there can be little doubt but that this revival of business will be a permanent feature and be the means of rewarding those who have shown in such a practical way their belief that it was coming.

The Windsor hotel, owned by Mrs. S. O'Connors, is a high class hostelry in every respect, there being some 25 spacious and well furnished bed rooms, while the dining room is made a special feature. A kitchen is to be built this month and everything made ready to accommodate the travelling public. The Balmoral hotel has been considerably enlarged and improved at an expense of over \$3,000. A lunch counter, 25 ft. long, is one of the new features, and shorter order meals may now be had at all hours. Two private boxes have been put up in connection with the restaurant. Owing to the extensive additions made, the accommodation of this hotel has been more than doubled. Considerable work has yet to be done, and when all is completed the Balmoral will be hard to beat anywhere.

The proprietors of the Hotel Ferguson have expended nearly \$1000 in enlarging and improving this house, a two story annex having been built. A new bar room is being fitted up and will soon be ready for use; the old one will be converted into a reading room, a luxury that will be much appreciated by their patrons.

The Hotel Lardeau proprietors have spent over \$800 in preparing for the expected rush. Additional rooms have been fitted up, the furniture having been procured from R. Howson & Co. of Revelstoke.

The King's hotel is a three-story building only recently completed at a cost of \$3,500. The proprietor, Jas. Cummings, is an old time hotel man and well known in Ferguson. The bed rooms, 50 in all, will be elegantly furnished.

Taken altogether, the hotels in town will be able during the coming summer to provide sleeping accommodation for between 250 and 300 persons, while the various dining rooms in connection will be run with a view to catering to the wants of at least twice as many.

The Eagle block, a two-story building, was erected in the early part of the year at a cost of \$2,200.

The residences in town are of construction aggregate \$4,000 or thereabouts in value. Many others will doubtless be erected as soon as the snow disappears. All this speaks more eloquently than words of the anticipations of Ferguson's people of good times coming to their town in the near future. Talk is cheap, but convictions that are backed up by the long green must be respected everywhere.

RIGHT YOU ARE, MR. DORMAN

In reply to a letter urging that the mail be brought through to Ferguson from the Landing in one day, returning with the outgoing the following morning, Inspector Dorman writes: "I

hope that in the course of a few days the summer service will go into operation, and also hope to succeed in arranging the service so as to provide for the courier remaining over night at Ferguson. I might say that there are difficulties in the way of arranging to do this, which, however, may possibly be overcome. You may depend that I shall use my utmost effort to give you the best service obtainable.

GOVERNMENT REFINERY WANTED

Speaking of the advisability of placing an export duty on lead, the B. C. Trade Budget says, with a good deal of truth: "Our lead ore is simply manufactured in the United States, then shipped to Great Britain or Canada; hence though the mine owners pay the United States import duty the lead freight is refunded to its own pockets. Therefore the lead is not in a position to pay as much as our smelters for ore. We believe in doing everything to assist lead mining and lead manufacturing, and are believers in both an export duty on lead ore, and a bounty for a limited time on refined lead."

TO EDUCATE THE LITTLE ONES

Ferguson Fast Becoming the Educational Centre of the Lardeau

Ferguson is to have a public house by the time school reopens after the summer holidays. The provincial educational department will let the contract shortly. The maximum price is, the EAGLE understands, \$800, rather small for the certain increase in the number of pupils. The school trustees, Messrs. Shannon, Batho and Petipiece, are negotiating with the government, through Mr. Taylor, for assistance to clear up the school. The government by the townsale owners. Work will be commenced as soon as possible.

Splendid progress is being made in the Ferguson school, and the necessity for larger and more suitable school facilities is becoming glaringly evident. There are at present 17 pupils in town, but this number will be increased to nearer fifty inside of six months, as several families have signified their intention of removing to the pay roll centre this summer.

In fact, Ferguson seems to be becoming quite a residential centre, due no doubt to the fact that the heads of the families are engaged in the mines so near to the town. Unlike most towns where the mines are, this one is one of the most beautiful spots in the mountains of British Columbia, commanding, as it does, such a magnificent view of the well known peaks and the many mountains, and being entirely free from the danger of avalanches. There are nearly 1000 acres in the uniquely laid out flat bench upon which the future commercial centre of the Lardeau is located.

THE METROPOLITAN GROUP

Chas. W. McCrossan to be Here in a Few Days to Arrange For the Season's Work

Chas. W. McCrossan, who purchased the Metropolitan group (and has an interest in the Sunset group) of the north fork, last fall from H. M. Carter and Lew Thompson, is expected in Ferguson in a few days. Mr. McCrossan has a big program laid for the season in readiness and will push development work with a vim. The supplies, of course, will be purchased in the pay roll centre. A more detailed account of the work to be done will appear in the EAGLE upon Mr. McCrossan's arrival.

The mines in the vicinity of Moyie City have closed down on some pretext or other. It didn't seem to require much of an excuse.

The lawyers we have always with us. Fred C. Ellis is arranging to open an office in the Eagle block. The sheriff's arrival is the next stage. Fancy living in the shadow of a lawyer! Our hands tremble as we think of it. Pay the printer and avoid calamity. Let us pay!

SILVER COPPER RUNS \$196.00

The Marvelous Result of a 200 Ton Shipment Recently Made

With Less Management and More Miners Would be a Crackerjack

Rossland Miner, April 13: D. G. McNeill, manager of the Sunshine, Limited, was in the city yesterday from the Lardeau country. The properties of this company consist of five claims and four fractions situated on the south fork of the Lardeau, eight miles from Ferguson. The season's output of ore has been shipped to Trail, and Mr. McNeill left for Trail yesterday for the purpose of supervising the sampling. The ore runs about \$150 per ton in gold, silver and lead.

Mr. McNeill returned to Ferguson on Tuesday, being more than pleased with the results obtained. Having been shown the above, Mr. McNeill informed the EAGLE that the exact returns were \$196 per ton gross from Thomson's Landing. "These are certainly marvelous values and only go to prove the high grade nature of Lardeau's ore. Mr. McNeill has made the Silver Cup mine what it is today, and the British owners have a good deal to be grateful for in having so thorough and practical a mining man in charge at their mine."

If this company were to wipe off the map several of their offices and officious youths in charge, fire two or three of their London and general managers, conduct their business as American mining men do, patronize and help to build up the local merchants' trade, and get in and drill, they have the biggest money-maker in Canada. "They have a mine in every sense of the word, and while it may be paying expenses, it would do more; yes, attract attention from every portion of the globe. If it were only in the hands of a company which would push it along. But, like too many English companies operating in this province, there are more men engaged on top of than under ground."

But even with the above mentioned millstone on its neck, the Cup will yet become a large mineral producer. The EAGLE has reason to believe that the approach of a railway is having the desired effect, and a force of men may soon be engaged to re-continue development work, install machinery, air compressor plant, etc.

But, of course, before either the Cup or Nettie L. can be expected to ship steadily, the railway must extend its system in this direction. The mines cannot be removed, so the railway must come to us.

LEGITIMATE MINING BUSINESS

Andrew F. Rosenberger is on the Right Track

On the first day of last January Andrew F. Rosenberger opened the Prospectors' Exchange in Nelson. Since the opening of the Exchange, Mr. Rosenberger has advertised extensively throughout British Columbia, and EAGLE readers are all familiar with the advertisement, which appears weekly in its columns. Mr. Rosenberger has had many years of experience in practical mining and knows the needs of the prospector probably better than any other man in the country. As a prospector he has long felt the want of some means by which the prospector can reach the capitalists without paying exorbitant commissions to the middleman or promoter.

As a representative of capitalists who desire to secure mining property,

he has felt the need of some medium by which the capitalist can reach the prospector and mine owner without going to the expense of sending out experts to look over the country, often consuming the entire season or several seasons without procuring a really good property.

The prime object of the Exchange is to bring the prospector and mine owner in direct touch with the buyer. To accomplish this end the Exchange has been advertising extensively in the mining country with a view of awakening the prospector and mine owner to their own best interests. If you have a reasonably good prospect, all you have to do is to write the Exchange, giving a brief description of your property, naming prices, terms, etc. Samples of your ore should also be sent with your report. It is not expected that you send an expert report, but just a letter by yourself stating what you have to offer. After receiving your report at the Exchange your property will be listed in the weekly report which is issued by the Exchange.

The EAGLE is in receipt of the last report issued by the Exchange, and has found that it is an entirely new departure in mine advertising. This report, which is issued every week or ten days, gives a brief description, with price, terms, etc., of the properties listed at the Exchange. These reports are sent to mining brokers and mining men throughout the United States and Canada, many being sent to brokers in Europe.

By listing your property at the Exchange, and having it reported in the Exchange report, your property is presented to several hundred mining men who are looking for mining property. If your property should appeal to any of them as being worthy of further investigation, and they ask for further information, the Exchange gives all the available information, and if the enquirer cares to go into the matter he is placed in direct communication with the owner.

This method of advertising mining property has not, so far as is known, ever been attempted by any one, anywhere; that it is a move in the right direction cannot be questioned. One of the main objects of the Exchange is to get people to buying mines, and get them into legitimate mining. Mr. Rosenberger has many applications from the east for mines which he is unable to supply. The Exchange has a fine exhibit of British Columbia ore, and desires to secure a good exhibit from each mining district.

The Exchange is visited by all the Eastern people who visit Nelson, and to have a complete display of ore from a district is a good advertisement for that district.

Mr. Rosenberger offers to exhibit ore from any of the camps free of charge, and is desirous of securing a good exhibit from this camp. The EAGLE suggests that a large collection of ore from this camp be got together and forwarded to the Exchange.

PERIOD OF RAILWAY BUILDING

The C. P. R. Must Continue Construction to Reach Arrowhead by Jan. 1, 1903

C. B. Hume, of the firm of C. B. Hume & Co., wholesale and retail merchants at Revelstoke and Trout Lake, was in town on Wednesday. Mr. Hume is enthusiastic as to the bright future before this camp now that the railway is under construction. He also believes that as the C. P. R. must complete their branch to Arrowhead by Jan. 1, 1903, the company will not let up when the foot of Trout Lake is reached, and that construction to Arrowhead, and even then there will be no time to spare, as it takes time to build railways. Mr. Hume speaks of track constantly improving, and in fact the general tendency is one of progress and solidity. C. B. Hume & Co. long ago demonstrated their faith in the Lardeau, and with this season they expect an era of increased prosperity.

J. Acres, carpenter, of Revelstoke, has hit the pay roll centre. He will finish up the Hotel Ferguson.

THE DAWNING OF A NEW ERA

Low and Medium Grade Ores Can Soon be Treated at a Profit

The Great Industrial and Pay Roll Centre Will be Ferguson

"There is enough low and medium grade ore in the Great Northern hill (immediately back of Ferguson) alone to warrant a railway coming up here to warrant," said an old prospector to the EAGLE yesterday. "Why, talk about the Nettie L. and Silver Cup-Triquet hills, they have mines developed, which carry high grade ores and will certainly make a mining world name for themselves and the Lardeau district generally, but right in this hill," said he, pointing to the townsite horizon, "there is enough concentrating ore to build up a great city on this bench. An aerial tramway, under the best of conditions to operate, could be utilized for a half a dozen of the properties located up there, and the ore concentrated and shipped or treated right within the townsite borders. The water power is here, the ore lies in that hill in untold quantities, and if I am not mistaken you will witness wonderful strides of progress in this locality within a year's time. And when you come to consider the large amount of capital which must be invested in the townsite, a great deal of which will go into the hands of workmen engaged, you have a slight conception of the magnitude of Ferguson's future pay roll. Why! us fellows have been here so long, waiting for this new arena, never doubting that it would eventually materialize, that we can scarcely realize that the day is fast dawning upon us when this entire camp will be a hive of industry, with thousands of men delving into the treasure vaults of our everlasting hills and producing the mineral so long ago deposited here by some creative forces. With working force, the men, the machine men, business offices, industries by the dozen, and soon possessing all the modern requirements of an older camp." A bright prospective, to be sure, but quite within the range of possibilities.

SHIPPERS WILL NOW INCREASE

A Shorter Haul for Our Ore and Supplies Near at Hand

The C. P. R. have acquired an interest in the Trout Lake townsite whereby they receive every third tonnage. A wharf, warehouse and station will be built this summer and a boat, and barge placed on the lake. This will be a great convenience to the district, and the need of a better wagon road between here and the station is urgent. To have our goods delivered so much nearer, and the shorter haul for our ores, will mean much to Ferguson, and the working force will be greatly increased, and of course with the pay roll, always so desirable in a mining town. The camp from end to end should burn from this date.

NETTIE L. STILL SHELLING OUT ONE

The cold nights now prevailing will mean possibly another week of raw-hiding from the Nettie L. mine. The full force is still engaged, but a partial lay-off will soon have to be made until the upper workings are drier, and the lower tunnel supplied with air. The air pipe has arrived, but the fan is still en route.

Very little freight is coming in just at present, owing to the roads breaking up. Wheels will be in use shortly.



Advertising Rates: Display ads, \$1.00 per column inch per month. Legal ads, 12 cents per (non-pole) line for first insertion; 8 cents for each additional insertion. Reading notices, 10 cents per line each issue. Thirty day legal notices, \$10; sixty days, \$20; ninety days, \$30; ads accepted at less than full rates.

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THE LARDEAU EAGLE,
FERGUSON, B. C.

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**AMERICAN MINING—
MINING ENGLISHMEN**

A noticeable thing about mining companies in this province is that generally the one to succeed is an American company, while the companies which make the most idiotic blunders are in nearly every case headed by old country Englishmen. When an American company or syndicate acquires a mining property they do not send out experts who are "squared" after they reach here, and pay \$100,000 or more for a \$500 prospect. And when an American company does commence development work, one manager and an assistant generally constitutes the staff. But what do we find when an English company takes hold of a property? First of all, an expensive office is opened in London, with a staff of a dozen or more cousins or chappies with a pull on the directors at good salaries. These do not even have to look wise. Then an office or two is opened in British Columbia with the same result, except that the chappie clerks assume a know-it-all attitude, adorn themselves with yellow leggings, and stay at a hotel which requires all their salary to pay board, trusting to their friends at 'ome to supply the spending money. These jaspers generally become officious in due time and look upon miners as so many cattle. Then a mine manager is appointed. He is supposed to look wise and draw salary. After this comes a superintendent, a foreman, a shift boss or two; all drawing more salary than the men who do the mining. The miners, though, are generally local men, because at this stage of the game there is generally some hard work in sight. Well! the floater has gone to England, a company is organized; a property bought; a list of offices opened; directors arranged for; chappie clerks placed; manager, superintendent, foreman, book-keeper, time-keeper, store-keeper, blacksmith, assayer, etc., with possibly a dozen miners, under this horde, engaged, and work begins. No ore in sight, but a concentrator must be built and machinery installed; it all helps the staff to hold their fat jobs for a while longer. A million or two is lavishly expended, with no sign of it ever repaying the fools who put it up. Under such conditions work ceases; the country gets a black eye, and thus ends the same old story of the way old country English capitalists mine in British Columbia.

In the meantime the American, by careful investment; no paid offices; no chappie clerks; no nothing; just straight business, the money available being spent in miners' wages, powder and provisions, has either found a mine now paying dividends, or else he is busily engaged testing another property in the same camp. The one mines in the ground; the other mines the suckers in London.

WINGLETS.

The mining laws of British Columbia have not had all to do with the apparent lack of interest in the mining world. Chappie Englishmen and bad management accounts for a good deal of the timidity of old country capital. When practical mining men do the mining and the inexperienced put up the money, there will be more dividend payers.

The Dominion government must soon own and operate the C. P. R. The C. P. R. has three-quarters of the country now; give it the other quarter at once. Then the people will be at once by back, probably dearly, what they have foolishly given away. If the American trusts once get into Canada, it will be much more difficult to shake them than if it is done now. The people of Canada do not want any more competition; they want public ownership and control. Let us be wise and make our present day plans fit for the conditions of the near future.

Those who consider that socialism is all right in theory but not practice should remember that the "Utopia of today often becomes the reality of tomorrow." The unexpected may happen that the proletarian mind, stirred up from its customary stupor by some unforeseen event, will suddenly awake to a consciousness of its supremacy. Let us be prepared to guide it so that it will obliterate the capitalistic integument of private ownership, declare the already practically socialized means of production collective property and proceed to organize the mode of distribution on collectivist principles.

Smith Curtis: Yesterday we thought you were a daisy, but today you're a—well, the less said the better. If you are a believer in the government ownership of railways, why in the name of all that's good and true don't you stand by your guns and fight for your convictions and the convictions of your electors? God hates a coward! If you can't win your point today, stay by it. No man who honestly believes that the people should own and operate the railways should accept "competition" in any manner, shape or form. We do not want competition; but we do want and will ultimately have co-operation, unless our leaders go back on us the way you have done, in this particular at any rate.

British Columbia makes a mistake in its treatment of the lode prospector. It charges him \$5 annual license fee; \$3 poll tax; \$2.50 every time he does anything in connection with his claim; 50 cents a cord royalty for timber he uses on his claim, and if he ever gets his prospect to the productive stage he has to pay 2 per cent. royalty on all net returns. A good deal has been said about the prospector—his courage, ability, etc., much of which is so. As a plain business proposition, it is to be noted that the prospector should not be restricted, rather encouraged. He is the mainstay of the mining industry, the pioneer in all mining, the man who makes mining possible, the best friend of the miner, the mining machinery manufacturer and the precursor of all the industries attendant upon mining. He does not ask any favors, but the region that restricts him hurts itself. It is a mossback policy to discourage the prospector, as it tends to keep capital out of a mining country. Several mining sections found this out long ago.—Mining and Scientific Press.

The suggestion of the Nanaimo miners that a minimum wage law will effectually meet the difficulties of the Asiatic labor problem to a great extent is worthy of the serious consideration of all interested in the welfare of the people.—Vancouver Province.

The management of certain mining companies operating in Rossland would rather welcome a strike than otherwise, and are urging a shut down on the pretext that a strike is inevitable. Bad management, no ore, and keeping the price of stock up, is a difficult task to perform, and a poor excuse beats none at all.

If a prospector thinks his claim is any good, he generally sees that there is more than assessment work done; but to abolish the \$100 feature would mean the loss of that much to some poor cuss who gets assessment work to do for the other fellow. Best leave the law alone. It causes disturbance at the present ambiguous stage of the game.

A well known mining man of Vancouver declared lately that the average man would devote less attention to the purchase of heavy holdings in a mine than to the establishment of a petty corner grocery, and when his imprudent venture had proved disastrous would immediately condemn everything and everybody but his own want of foresight and business acumen.

A man may talk about owning his business. But as a matter of fact his business owns him. His whole life is regulated by the demands of the business. The time at which he rises, his breakfast hour, the hour given to meals, are all determined by business obligations. He rushes through lunch because he "can't spare the time from business" to eat leisurely. He won't take a rest because he is needed at the store or office. He is in fact an absolute slave to business. The results which follow this slavery are to be seen on every hand. Men dyspeptic, irritable, nervous, with drawn faces and hollow eyes sit at the desk or stand behind the counter until they collapse in a fit of sickness or are taken away by heart failure.

The average mining director in this province is one of a class of men, here or in the east, who is probably absorbed in his own occupation, and the technicalities of mines, mining reports and plans are as so much Greek to them. The fault lies in their pretending to know, or allowing their names to be used at all, when they are utterly ignorant and incapable. It fools the small investor who too often buys stock because so and so is one of the directors, and in the end reacts against the best interests of the camp where the fancy board of directors happen to be operating. There is more roguery, crookedness, speculation and sleight-of-hand work in the flotation of some mining companies than would be allowed by law under any other caption. It is not the ground the promoters are mining; it is the suckers who want something for nothing, and get it—in the neck.

Pay the printer!

Hotel Property

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R. P. Pettipiece, Fergusson, B. C.

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SCREAMLETS

When a woman will, she will, you may depend on't,
And when she won't, she won't, so there's an end on't.

Some people think an editor should be satisfied with a roof over his head. They don't figure on helping him to provide the wherewithal to line his stomach.

If a likely investor doesn't care to buy your particular mining property, don't knock the other fellows. "There is hatred in thy heart," saith the devil-dodgers.

What does the great and pure Liberal party propose to do with its political grafters after the census is over? A job must be found for at least two or three of them in this riding.

The average wife will believe her husband when he tells her he saw a whale swimming in the street, but she will never credit his explanation of a long hair on his coat.—Lae Vernon.

The legislative assembly, which cried "mud" a week or so ago, may resume business shortly. The premier is up against the real thing—public opinion in favor of public ownership and control.

No thinking man will contradict that associated industry is the most powerful aid of production, and that the principle of association is susceptible of further and beneficial development.—John Stuart Mill.

J. C. McLagan, deceased editor and publisher of the Vancouver World, was one of the best known newspaper men in Canada. But of course his contemporaries wailed until he was dead before extolling his good qualities.

The magazines are carrying but little bicycle advertising. This time two years ago the advertising pages teemed with the announcements of bicycles. The bicycle business is now transacted by a trust, and there is no need of advertising. See?

Rev. E. S. Rowe, a Methodist preacher in Victoria, has given evidence on the Chinese question before the commission which may startle a few of the lesser lights in that church. Like most fair men Mr. Rowe can see the menace Chinamen are in British Columbia, and suggests a minimum wage law which will protect white men.

Now there is a movement on foot to form all the railroads into one grand combination. When this is done, God help the people! The railroads won't.—Cranbrook Herald. No! but the people will help themselves, for does the Lord not help those who help themselves. The people will simply buy, own and operate their own railways, Bro. Simpson.

If there were less of certain brands of mining brokers doing the mining, lower experts who have a price in existence, more men employed underground than above, and mining properties carefully examined by practical mining men before purchase, the EAGLE feels certain that there would be no trouble in attracting capital. Some of the men who are managers of mining properties in this province couldn't work a grindstone, let alone a mine. Where this is the case the farmer loses.

Till a man is independent he is not free. The man who is in danger of want is not a free man, and the country which does not guard him against this danger or does not insure him the means of livelihood is not a free country, though it may be the freest of free countries. Liberty and poverty are incompatible, and if the poverty is extreme, liberty is impossible. The unrest which we see and hear of is nothing more or less than an endeavor for the liberty which the working class are dispossessed of.—William Dean Howells.

The girl was very rich and the young man was poor but honest. She liked him, but that was all, and he knew it. One night he had been a little more tender than usual.

"You are very rich," he ventured.
"Yes," she replied frankly, "I am worth \$1,250,000."
"And I am poor."
"Yes."
"Will you marry me?"
"No."
"I thought you wouldn't."
"Then why did you ask me?"
"Oh, just to see how a man feels when he loses \$1,250,000."

AN UP-TO-DATE COMPREHENSIVE AND RELIABLE

Map of the Lardeau

Showing the position of the streams, mountains and passes, waterways, every claim in the Trout Lake mining district, the trails and wagon roads, location of surveyed railways, and everything which will assist an outsider to acquaint himself with our district. The production of this map has been taken hold of by two of the best fitted men for the purpose in the province, Messrs. A. C. Cumming, F.L.S., and S. Shannon, B.A., both having personal and practical knowledge of the district. The map is to be beautifully lithographed in five colors and entirely free from advertising matter of any kind.

The urgent necessity for such a complete map, probably 40 x 40 has long been felt by all persons interested in this district; and it is a pleasure to note that two such able men have decided to fill the bill. The Price, the same to all, has been placed at the sum of \$1.00, prepaid to any Address.

If You Want one or More Send your address at once to

The Lardeau Eagle
Ferguson, B. C.

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and Repairer,
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TO FRANK HARGIS:
Take notice that I, the undersigned co-owner with you of the Ukary mineral claim, situated at the headwaters of Lake Creek and Haino creek, in the Trout Lake Mining Division of the province of British Columbia, have performed and recorded the assessment work and made the expenditure required to be done and recorded on the above mineral claim for the year 1900 under section 24 of the Mineral Act, and the year for which work was done and expenditure made having expired, I hereby give you notice pursuant to section four of the Mineral Act Amendment Act of 1900, to contribute your proportion of such expenditure for the year 1900, within 90 days of the first publication hereof, dated this 15th day of March, A. D. 1901.
Per Agent, Robt. Fourn. JOHN W. CHIBM.

NOTICE TO CO-OWNERS.

TO ARTHUR EDWARD STANFORD:
Take notice that The Double Eagle Mining and Development Company, Limited (liability limited) of which you are one of the owners, mineral claim, situated on the Nettie L. mountain near the headwaters of the Trout Lake mining division of West Vancouver, British Columbia, have performed and recorded the assessment work and made the expenditure required to be done and recorded on the above mentioned claim for the year 1900 under section 24 of the Mineral Act and the year for which work was done and expenditure made having expired, we hereby give you notice pursuant to section four of the Mineral Act Amendment Act of 1900, to contribute your proportion of such expenditure for the year 1900, within 90 days of the first publication hereof, dated this 15th day of March, A. D. 1901.
THE DOUBLE EAGLE MINING AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LIMITED
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Per A. H. Holdich, Secretary.

NOTICE TO CO-OWNER.

TO NAPOLEON WELLS:
Take notice that we the undersigned co-owners with you of the Little Robert and Little Robert No. 2 mineral claims situated at the extreme head of the north fork of Lardeau creek in the Trout Lake mining division of West Vancouver, British Columbia, have performed and recorded the assessment work and made the expenditure required to be done and recorded on the above mentioned claims for the year 1900, under section 24 of the Mineral Act and the year for which work was performed and expenditure made having expired, we do hereby give you notice pursuant to section 4 of the Mineral Act Amendment Act of 1900, to contribute your proportion of such expenditure for the year 1900, within 90 days of the first publication hereof, dated this 15th day of March, A. D. 1901.
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While construction is going on, the many mining companies now operating in the camp are making ready to ship ore this season or as soon as possible.

These mine-owners need supplies, and those supplies are purchased in Ferguson. And why not? for Ferguson is the place where the mines are, the pay roll centre.

The building activity in Ferguson, and the rapidity with which lots are changing hands, shows very clearly which way the wind blows.

Towns may be moved, but mines cannot; that is one reason why an investor in Ferguson real estate is secured. All who have seen the Ferguson townsite aver that it is the natural centre of Lardeau's mines. Its neatly laid out appearance, its unique position at the base of the Great Northern, Nettie L. and Silver Cup-Triune hills, all tend to increase its certainty of becoming the Rossland-Sandon of the Lardeau.

Lots range in price from \$75 for inside residential, \$100 for corner; to \$150 for inside business, \$200 for corner.

For prices of Lots, etc., apply to HENRY FLOYD, Sole Agent, Revelstoke, B. C.

On the Wing Items

A. C. Cummins has been appointed census enumerator for Trout Lake City.

A. F. Rankin's first installment of drug supplies reached here on Monday evening.

Miss Lillie Davis arrived in town from Revelstoke on Monday evening to join her parents here.

The attention of EAGLE readers is specially directed to a number of new advts. which appear in this issue.

To reach the right people at the right time use the right paper at the right price: THE LARDEAU EAGLE.

Barney Crilly, foreman of the Nettie L. mine, returned from a flying trip to Revelstoke on Sunday evening.

J. J. Hill has interposed to prevent the sale of the Northern Pacific lines in Manitoba, having other plans for these railways.

S. Danev, the freighter, says the roads are unfit for any more traffic, and he will take his horses off until wagons may be used.

Miners formed 498 new unions and gained 67,068 members during the year. The increase in wages secured will approximate \$20,000,000 annually. The raise ranges from 10 to 20 per cent.

Vincent Ludo has his handsome residence on Knob Hill almost ready for the plasterer. S. Danev has his nearly finished, and will move in in a few days; while S. Shannon is busily engaged upon his.

Louis Didahelm, manager of the Lillicoet, Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Fields Co., Limited (Silver Cup), is to be married in Paris, France, this month. The EAGLE did not print the invitation cards, nor receive one.

"Having noticed Lardeau mining news reproduced from your paper in our city papers here so often, and being interested in them, I herewith enclose my sub. for the EAGLE."—A prominent Rossland mining man.

The extreme difficulty of obtaining accurate information of the Fish creek end of the Lardeau, which, however, is now available, has delayed the Lardeau map another few weeks. But when it does come out it will be worth \$2 of any man's money. But \$1 sent to the EAGLE will do the trick. Have you your order in?

This is the time of year that the poet sings of merry spring, the young man succumbs to the seductive influence of moonlight nights and a pretty face, while the married man is bustling the best he can to get something to eat and find a place to sleep in a home that is undergoing the annual scourge.—house cleaning.—Cranbrook Herald.

It is exceedingly gratifying that the Lardeau country has a practical assurance of a railway being in operation before the beginning of next year. This assurance, coupled with active work, commenced on this line, will stimulate development during the coming summer to an unprecedented degree. It is refreshing to look forward to the Lardeau as one of the largely productive districts of the province within 12 months' time.—The Mining Record.

Nelson Tribune, April 12: J. J. Langstaff of the Trout Lake Topic came in last night. The main topic of Trout Lake is railway construction, and as soon as work starts, in earnest, a lively time is expected. Mr. Langstaff gives a very encouraging account of the mining operations in the district, and says that as soon as facilities are afforded for getting the ore to market, mining operations will be brisk. A number of rich properties are awaiting the advent of the railway, when they will become regular shippers.

Andrew F. Rosenberger of the Prospectors' Exchange, Nelson, says: "We are advertising extensively, and are endeavoring to induce capitalists and investors to buy mines and go into legitimate mining instead of buying questionable stocks. It is the promotion of 'wild cat' companies and the selling of 'wild cat' stocks that has injured the reputation of British Columbia as a field for profitable investment, probably more than anything else. We are not in the stock business and have no stock for sale, our motto being 'Buy mines and go legitimate mining.' Such an institution of this kind should thrive, for it has long been a necessity in the Kootenays."

J. Peebles, a Toronto associate of S. Shannon's, arrived here on Sunday and will remain in the district.

Lardeauites are requested to read C. B. Hume & Co.'s advts. in next issue. It will be of special interest to house-cleaners.

A year ago at this date the valley was clear of snow, but it will be another week or more before this is the case this spring.

"Sig" Davis, an old time Colorado miner, who has worked with and known Supt. D. G. McNeill of the Cup for 15 years, arrived in the pay roll centre on Wednesday.

Mrs. S. O'Connors of the Windsor hotel, has returned from a pleasant three months' visit in Medicine Hat, Assa. Miss Patmore of Calgary accompanied her, to accept a position in the Windsor.

J. J. Langstaff of Trout Lake returned from Nelson on Wednesday, and brings news that track-laying has commenced on the lower end of Lardeau's railway. There should be no lack of inspiration in this week's Topic, though last week's has not reached Ferguson as yet. Probably the contents were too heavy to be handled in the mails.

The Lardeau district is to be well churched. In addition to religious services at 3 p.m. last Sabbath day by Rev. S. J. Green, Methodist, a Presbyterian missionary, E. S. Carey, of Toronto, held forth in the evening, there being 52 people present. Mr. Carey is visiting the mines, and after spending the week in the camp will decide whether his services are required here in future or not.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

* The EAGLE received a 35,000 shipment of envelopes on Wednesday.

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