

# LARDEAU THE MOUNTAIN LION

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## LOST THEIR MONEY

Not in Legitimate Mining But by Gambling in Stocks.

## NOW THEY BLAME OUR MINES

Smith Curtis Defines the Difference Between Actual Mining and Stock Gambling Curse.

## WILD-CATSON, NOW WE REAP

Smith Curtis has been telling the people of Eastern Canada a few home truths regarding mining speculation in British Columbia, says the Herald.

Down there they are laboring under some kind of a pipe dream that they have lost several millions of dollars in mining in Kootenay. The exact amount is variously estimated but they are dead sure they have lost the whole of it anyhow. The member for Rossland has directed their attention to the fact that whatever they may have lost, was not lost in mining, but in speculating in mining shares, which is a very different thing. There was no doubt a large amount of money changed hands in Ontario in '96 and '97 over wild cat mining companies supposed to be operating properties in Kootenay. But it changed from the hand of the Ontario speculator in the hand of the Ontario miner. The Kootenay miners were no more responsible than are the farmers of Manitoba for a slump in the Chicago wheat pit or the man who walks in a game of black jack in the back room of a saloon. People who bought hundreds of people in Ontario did their mining shares at ten cents with the sole and single idea of disposing of them to somebody else when they touched 25, have only their own greed and folly to thank, if they lost on the transaction. They did not know whether their shares were invested in property likely to turn out a mine or not, they did not want to know. All they cared for was to get rid of them as fast as they could, so that they were represented on the map as being near some property like the Le Roi, whose shares had gone up big and in that consequence they felt it in their bones that theirs ought to do the same. Kootenay is not to blame because they lost on the gamble. Very little of the money dropped came this way. This country on the contrary has suffered no injury to its reputation through the after effects of the crazy folly of the Ontario speculators during the boom. It is in Montreal and Toronto that these sufferers must go to look for their millions, not in Kootenay.

### From McCrossan's Own.

The following items, clipped from Vol. 1, No. 2 of our contemporary, Editor McCrossan's "Bulletin," may be of interest to our local readers, who will indeed find much of it news to them Read them over slowly:

We are delighted to tell our readers that the smelter is now erected at Ferguson, and we expect to be getting full blast by the time this paper reaches its readers.

Besides the building for the smelter proper, several other buildings for offices, ore bins, boiler etc., have been erected.

We are also glad to tell our readers that the second order of the smelter which we intend to place somewhere near, if not at Trout Lake, is being rapidly finished, and will be delivered before the current time, which is the first day of April.

Now Fred Hart, co. of "Love and Lies" with W. G. T. U. and other temperance organizations, has been unable to use the book to good advantage. The description of the conversation that takes place is one of the best things I ever read.

If you want to keep thoroughly posted as to the news of the smelter and the general news in your subscription once. Surely this one paper will give you 25 cents you without counting the other copies that will follow it during

the whole year.

Mr. Vernon, the company's metallurgist, has asked one claim for the great quantities of lime on it, and is intending to stake other claims soon so as to secure plenty of iron capping, etc., for fuel.

About four hundred of our shareholders have already subscribed for the "Bulletin," and we hope the other three thousand or more interested ones will speedily follow suit.

Since the advent of our little inoffensive smelter into British Columbia, the old time smelters (which have always had things their own way) have made a cut of 7 1/2 ton on the treatment of iron-ore. Does this look as though the little "Vulcan" was not to be feared? I tell you my friends that though the old time smelters were to offer to treat the ore of the Lardeau mines for ABSOLUTELY NOTHING, we could save the mine owners \$20,000 a ton. (L. V. A. L. S. VALUERS even tho we were to charge them \$10 a ton to treat their ore.)

Be sure and read Mr. McCrossan's book at once. Two thousand copies of this book have already been sold and it is only commencing to be advertised. Of the book, the world-famous evangelist, Rev. E. Hammond, says: "Any minister, in this production, could find material for a dozen sermons. It is written with lovingly, yet masterfully. Universalism is also fearlessly met and overcome." Clois, sound, smaller type, but illustrated, large type, with portrait of the author, \$1.00.

### Correspondence.

WINONA, Minn., Jan. 23.—Editor of the LARDEAU EAGLE, Ferguson, B. C. to a Minneapolis monthly bulletin, published in the interest of mining by Mr. McCrossan, 2325 North Ave., my name has appeared, very much against my wishes, as a director of the Metropolitan Gold and Silver Mining Co. in connection with a statement that stock is worth 40 cents a share. Not wishing to appear in a false light I have written a statement of my responsibility for this statement. It is true I was made a director at the first and only meeting of the company, held at the residence of Mr. McCrossan, since then I have never been called to act in that capacity I really have no connection with it except as a deluded stock holder.

My resignation, to take immediate effect, was presented some time since, but Mr. McCrossan, who is the director, insists that my name shall appear on the board until he sees fit to have my resignation acted upon. In 1901 I was induced to buy a block of shares at 10 cents a share, which I would be glad to sell at once with interest, but I am unable to do so as the printed reports of this enterprise. It must, however, be understood that since carefully investigating the property I consider of very little value as a mine. Yours respectfully,  
W. J. LANDON.

### Mr. McCrossan Explains.

Concerning Mr. Landon Mr. McCrossan writes: "Mr. Landon got his shares at 10 cents, and I offered three times to buy him out. He refused to sell, and I was forced to let him keep them. The agent who sold to him bought the shares from me at 50 cents."

The following announcement also appears in McCrossan's "Own":

W. J. Landon, one of the directors of the Metropolitan Company, has sent in his resignation which will be acted upon at the next board of directors meeting."

### Still Another Miner's Union.

James Wiles returned from Frank Alberta yesterday, where he was successful in organizing a local branch of the Western Federation of Miners. The first meeting was with a charter membership of 85, but within a month it is expected that the membership will be increased to at least 150. There is in the neighborhood of 1300 men employed at the mines in Frank and the best feeling prevails between the miners and the management. General Manager (John) and Assistant Manager (Bertram) being especially popular. The President of the union is James Graham, president S. H. Eaker, vice-president; S. Sutherland, corresponding and financial secretary; David W. McLeod, secretary; and James Graham, treasurer, and A. M. Campbell, warden.—Nelson Tribune.

### Arm Will Be Open Again on Monday.

ABERDEEN, B. C., Feb. 13.—(by telephone)—The A. A. Archer crew have succeeded in breaking the ice between here and Whiskey Point, and are now making repairs here preparatory to going. Among the regular crew on Monday next. The ice now is all ready and the hole in the boat nearly fixed. All Lardeau mail will go in to-morrow morning by the service and the navigation will be regular and will be resumed next week.

No outside news worth mentioning.

## THE LOCAL CAMP

A Great Deal of Development on Numberless Claims.

## REACHING THE "MINE" STAGE

The More Prominent Properties Which May Ship Ore Extensively Next Season.

## SMELTER, IF SUCCESS, WILL AID

By A. N. HODICK, E. S. M., etc., in The Mining Record.

In this district the past 12 months has seen an enormous amount of development on the numberless claims, and many of them will undoubtedly prove extremely valuable in the near future. Still, the number of them that can be designated by the name of mines is very limited, even the Trilene which has produced such rich ore can hardly be considered more than a very well developed prospect, for by this time next year it is quite likely that it may fairly be called a mine. The only other sufficiently developed properties are the Silver Cup and the Nestle L., both of which have been frequently referred to in these pages, and which are both in a position to ship regularly. The Silver Cup has not had its full complement of miners all thru the year, and there have been some changes in the management, but just now it has a force of some 30 men and is preparing to increase the staff, having contracted to produce 1,000 tons of ore this winter. The Nestle L. also had a very small force during the summer, but is increasing the number now. This long lower tunnel is completed, and ore was struck in the fall and the operators to connect the lower and upper workings is now being made and is expected to be completed by the end of January, still which time there will be no great quantity of ore shipped.

The Ophir-Lade group had a lot of work done upon it during the past season, and has proved to be wonderfully rich in gold; which appears to exist partly live and partly as a telluride. This, with most other of the smaller properties, is closed down for the winter, the active operations will be resumed next season. Small as these businesses are, there has been more ore shipped in small lots from the various claims than ever before, and the returns have always been satisfactory and occasionally highly so. Among the small shippers we may notice the Ophir-Lade, Ruffed Grouse, Horse-shoe, and the Linton View, as being exceedingly satisfactory to their owners; while many more will follow the example next year, when it is hoped the long promised railroad will reach the southwest end of Trout lake and greatly reduce transportation charges.

In addition we are guaranteed a small amount plant at once, (now being installed) and that, if successful, will be an immense benefit to small shippers. But if, on the other hand, it should turn out unprofitable for our ore, it is to be feared that most of the small shippers will be discouraged from intending investors. However, it will be time enough to grow after it has failed, which we hope it won't, and great things are said of it in places where it has been tried. Altogether the outlook for Ferguson (which town has doubled in size during the past year) and for the district surrounding it is extremely favorable, not only from a mining view but on account of other industries to be established.

### Treat Lake Tote Reflections.

The following items are culled from the last issue of our worthy contemporary:

"A reader can be seen crookedness stalling around and is supposed to go to like a pup to a rooster, but he must first be careful in traveling around carrying a mining view but on account of other industries to be established."

"To tell an editor in his face that he is a gifted liar is in the opinion of some"

Intellectual perverts to flatter him beyond bounds. But the majority of people never stop to think that he is in the mouths of the public and the laugh is really on them.

When a newspaper man has a chance to smash a snide graft into smeltermen and wallow around in the remains there is always sure to be some bovine-eyed sense maker sure who suppresses the tumult of his feelings with the bland and hoary expletive "pro bono publico."

Recently Chas. W. McCrossan sent the Topic the returns of the shipment made from the Metropolitan last year with a request to have them entered on our list of ore shipments. The value totaled \$711.84. Metropolitan stock has taken a jump to 40 cents a share and is entirely unaccounted for by the results of development so far when it is considered that the property has a capitalization of 2,000,000.

It is very evident the Mountain Lion people have very great faith in the American's future for a recent circular issued by them states that the company's shares which were held at 40 cents have been put up to \$1.00 and all stock taken off the market and this on capitalization of \$2,000,000. Whether the future justifies what appears now to be an over sanguine view of the possibilities of the future it is hard to say and we leave it for the public and investors to judge. At present the Mountain Lion people have a prospect great promise and we are sure they are the lower workings as large a body of ore as they have in the upper, future operations are likely to vindicate their faith in the property.

### Notes From Nelson.

NELSON, Feb. 8.—R. C. Campbell-Johnson, in a recent paper on "Dry Ores of the Sticcon," prepared for the Canadian Mining Institute, has much to say concerning railway and smelter vampires which suck the life (profits) out of this industry, and the people who votes the "fond hopes" of the owners that "in some dim future the vampires will lower their heads to allow this second grade ore to be shipped," following up this expression of hope by the dubious query "But will they?" Not on your life Mr. Campbell-Johnson, will they. Not until the government owns the mines and the smelters and the railways and the people of the government, will these vampires let up their life sucking clutch.

There is some picking in certain circles over the recent appointment of A. J. Marks as a police commissioner. There are a few people in Nelson on old time lines who believe a man ought to hold over as a senator of the morals of the public. But as long as the good name of the city and the interests of public life so long will the bad ones, and the bustlers, control municipal affairs.

A certain prisoner in the Nelson jail refuses to leave at the expiration of his term. It appears he got the usual sentence for his behavior, and was discharged, but he insists on serving out the entire period of his sentence. "Nice time of year to send me out in the snow," says the fellow. Who can blame him, for don't we take better care of our criminals than we do of our own misfortunates.

Nelson Socialists are looking forward to the visit of comrade Sparge, the Socialist Spirit having announced that Mr. Sparge will be here for a tour through B. C. about the middle of February.

Local 46 is a mighty strong organization if big meetings are any indication. The Miners' Union hall is crowded every Sunday afternoon. The speakers are usually anti from the professional side of the city and the boys' deficit in teaching them the errors of their ways. Principal Clark of the high school was out on the last Sunday day in January and be proved so strong an opponent that it took two Sundays to do him up.

### Black Warrior Looking Well.

Ed. Graham made a flying trip from the Warrior yesterday and returned this morning. He says things are looking strictly all right over there. He figures that they have 300 tons of ore in sight.

On his way down yesterday Mr. Graham captured a livesteamer's goat on the big slides between here and Circle City, it having been thrown into the snow by a slide. To say that he had a heavy pack into town would be putting it mildly. Unfortunately he placed his feet in Craig & Hillman's stable last night, and one of the horses tramped on it, breaking a leg, which necessitated killing it this morning. A pair of live goats are worth \$1.00.

Mr. Graham says nearly all the big slides are down.

"There's one good thing about the EAGLE editor, he never wrongs a friend."

"No," he hasn't any."

## MARTIN IS LEADER

Liberal Conventon Make Him the Unanimous Choice.

## PARTY LINES WERE DRAWN

Platform Contains Some Socialist Planks, Tho Vague Enuf to Leave a Loop-Hole.

## HOW ABOUT THE OPPOSITION?

The great Liberal convention at Vancouver is now a matter of history. There was all kinds of bolting, etc., but the mainland Liberals stood pat, and as a result they have declared for party lines, and selected the only leader who could possibly lead them to victory. That man, of course, was Joseph Martin, the much abused politician of this province. The platform adopted contains enuf socialism to make it vote-catching, and enuf vagueness to leave plenty of loop-holes.

At the conclusion of an address, in reply to his election as leader, Mr. Martin alluded to advice conveyed to him that he was unpopular in parts of the upper country, and that he should do some missionary work in that section. This he promised to do, and would take the earliest opportunity of tempting the "fickle goddess of politics in that part of the country. (Cheer.)

Then speeches followed from Hugh Oliver, W. W. B. McInnes, John Gilmore, J. C. Brown, and James Stables, outlining Mr. Martin's political and personal characteristics.

The convention prorogued with cheerfulness. Mr. Martin

### It was agreed that the next convention should be held at Revelstoke.

### Socialists at Phoenix, B. C.

PHOENIX, B. C., Feb. 3.—Phoenix Local No. 50, was organized on the 13th of December last, with a membership of 100. The following officers: C. H. Towne, organizer; W. H. Bambray, recording secretary; Webster C. Brown, general secretary; Leo McMillen, financial secretary and treasurer, and W. H. Bambray, librarian. The time of meeting was Sunday at 2:30 p. m., at the Miners' hall.

At first the movement seemed to languish, but I am happy to state that we are gaining steadily, and the club is fair to become a raising factor in local and political affairs.

We have now a membership of 100, and we expect to have the strongest organization, as to numbers, in Phoenix in a few months.

Our finances are our weakest point at present, as our income is less than our expenditure, but we hope to rectify that matter soon.

### On the 29th of Dec. last, the platform and constitution was voted on, clause by clause, and adopted in its entirety.

The above will give you definite information as to our position as a co-operative unit with the rest of the party in Canada, and B. C. especially.

We expect to have an especially good meeting on the 18th inst., as special invitations have been extended to two of the legal luminaries of the West, (one of our best speakers, as well as the other an ardent Socialist, tho not a member of our Local), to give their views on the subject that interests us the most. The same has also been extended to the Greenwood Socialist Club who have promised to attend, and to the public generally.

### Will Not Market Ore at Present Prices.

Neither the Nestle L. or Silver Cup mines will sell any ore at present market prices, preferring to wait for the raise as soon as certain local conditions are met and overcome by either the provincial government or some big private company not under the domination of the American Lead Trust.

### Local Questions.

LONDON, February 7.—Lead, 211, 8s. 9d.

NEW YORK, February 7.—Bar silver, 55 1/2; Mexican dollars, 43 1/2; copper, 81 1/2; tin, 24 1/2. Lead, firm, 84 1/2 and 84 1/2.



# The Socialist Movement in British Columbia

Contributed by Members of the Socialist Party of B. C.

## Official List of B. C. Locals.

Executive Sec.  
 Ernest Burns, 120 Powell St., Vancouver, B. C.  
 Vancouver, B. C. John Dodd, Sec.  
 Victoria, B. C. Lee Charlton, John St. Sec.  
 Nanaimo, B. C. Geo. King, Sec.  
 Port Moody, B. C. John Walton, Sec.  
 Revelstoke, B. C. Fred McCreedy, Sec.  
 Fernand, B. C. R. P. Pettipiece, Sec.  
 Skeena, B. C. Walter Smith, Sec.  
 Silverton, B. C. Darius Weir, Sec.  
 New Denver, B. C. James McDonald, Sec.  
 Sandon, B. C. Fred McCreedy, Sec.  
 Ladlo, B. C. John Roberts, Sec.  
 Nelson, B. C. John Roberts, Sec.  
 Okanagan, B. C. Fred McCreedy, Sec.  
 Trail, B. C. Alfred Bennett, Sec.  
 Grand Forks, B. C. Fred McCreedy, Sec.  
 Greenwood, B. C. Fred McCreedy, Sec.  
 Smith's, B. C. Fred McCreedy, Sec.  
 Calgary, Alberta, B. C. Fred McCreedy, Sec.  
 The Creeks, Assn., B. C. Fred McCreedy, Sec.

## SCREAMLETS

NOTICE TO SECRETARIES: Kindly read the contents of these columns at the next regular meeting of your Local.

Secretaries of all locals are requested to send short accounts of their meetings and doings, for publication in this column.

"Suffer the children to come unto me and forbid them not, for such is the kingdom of Heaven."—Christ.

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In New Zealand there is absolutely no distress but general prosperity. Industries are flourishing, and the number of factory hands has doubled in five years.

The regular meeting of the Socialist League will be held in Athlone Union hall tomorrow afternoon, commencing at 8 p. m. The subject for discussion will be "Socialism—what it is." There will be no leader for the discussion, but the meeting will be free for all.—Nelson Tribune.

Principal Walter Hunter of Nanaimo says:

"I would as soon have a chimpanzee teach me the principles of mathematics as have some of these self-styled servants of the Lord," (the clergy) "teach me the principles of Christianity."

Is this not rather rough on our beloved relative, the chimpanzee?—Lady Smith Leader.

A Socialist of times comes across a man who says: "Why don't you people practice what you preach?" A Socialist's answer to one of these was: "You are sick. The sulphur springs would cure your malady, but you are unable to get because of financial difficulties. Now, we know the body politic is out of order and we wish to give it an allopathic dose of the sulphur springs of Socialism; but in the meantime we are compelled to drink the waters that come out of the tap representative of the competitive system."

The power of human selfishness manifesting itself in mammoth and operating through the industrial and commercial systems, is thus opposing the divine purpose of making man a human good the aim and working for that alone. It seeks as an end the increase of material possessions, and men are subjected to conditions necessary to that end. Social and political institutions are judged by their success in aiding the accumulation of wealth rather than in the cultivation of men. The higher interests of humanity—the development of the intellect and the cultivation of the spiritual nature—are considered only so far as such may be thought necessary to material prosperity and the safety of society.

### Minutes of the Executive Meeting.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 4.—The executive committee met on Monday evening, Feb. 4th. Present: J. Dodd, T. Matthews and E. Burns. Proceeded to canvass results of vote on proposed provincial platform and constitution. Replies had only been received from a minority of the locals in the province, and in many cases it was forgotten to state the number of members voting. The constitution seemed to meet with general approval and was passed with trifling amendments, and clause fixing representation of locals at annual convention, proposed by Victoria.

Regarding the platform, there were a large number of amendments, alterations, and substitutes proposed by various locals. Speaking generally the platform was endorsed by Locals, Vancouver, Victoria, Skeena, Revelstoke and Ferguson and rejected by locals, Nelson and Nanaimo. The Ontario Socialist League, through their secretary, were also desirous of us adopting their platform, and adding to it our provincial demands as additional matter. The executive decided, in view of these differences, to adopt a composite platform which would represent the average ideas of the membership. The first part of this platform, the preamble, is taken from U. S. Socialist platform and was adopted at our convention October last in Vancouver. The second part: "General demands," includes all the planks advanced by the Ontario platform of a national character. The third part: "Provincial" demands, includes all local reforms and matters under the jurisdiction of the provincial authorities.

The executive desires to point out to locals, whose pet ideas may not be found in the adopted platform, that at

the annual convention to be held this summer, there will be plenty of opportunity for revision and more representative and intelligent discussion of this question.

As there was still a large amount of unfinished business, the executive decided to adjourn for a few days, and at next meeting deal with remaining matters.—E. Burns, Secretary.

[The platform spoken of above will appear in the SKEENA next week. In full, and will also be furnished to the executive in pamphlet form for distribution among the locals a week later.—Ed.]

### Adjourned Meeting of Executive.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 8.—Present: J. Dodd, T. Matthews and E. Burns. Consideration was passed as submitted to Locals with addition of a section governing calling of annual convention.

Correspondence was received from Phoenix, accepting platform and constitution as submitted. From J. Cameron, stating he was advising the Socialist League he was organizing on the prairie to affiliate with H. C. executive. From J. McCreeky, Calgary and M. Elliott, Maple Creek, stating that Locals have been formed in their respective towns and wishing to affiliate. From Nelson, asking information re removal of headquarters to their city.

The executive, after careful consideration, decided to take Locals in Northwestern Territories under their wing until such time as these Locals wished to make other arrangements.

The secretary was instructed to make suitable replies to other communications.

A financial statement of income and expenditure of executive from organization all of January, 1902, was passed and ordered printed in official organ, the LARDEAU EAGLE.

Executive adjourned subject to call of secretary.

### Socialist Party Financial Statement.

Statement of income and expenditure from organization to January 31st 1902.

ORGANIZATION FUND.	
RECEIPTS.	
Ontario Socialist League.....	\$150 00
South Wellington Local.....	1 80
Victoria ".....	1 85
Revelstoke ".....	4 25
Ferguson ".....	1 00
Silverton ".....	3 25
Sandon ".....	2 00
Kaslo ".....	2 00
Nelson ".....	5 00
Rosland ".....	8 05
Old Forks ".....	5 00
Phoenix ".....	9 80
Greenwood ".....	8 40
Ymir ".....	7 75
Nanaimo ".....	9 00
Vancouver ".....	12 50
High River ".....	1 70
Gladys ".....	2 00
Northport Socialist Society.....	5 50
Nelson Local (loan to Cameron). 10 00	
Skeena Local.....	8 30
Total.....	\$255 65
EXPENDITURE.	
Organizer—travelling and hotel expenses.....	\$186 40
Printing and hire of hall.....	12 00
Salary for three months.....	57 25
Total.....	\$255 65
GENERAL FUND.	
RECEIPTS.	
Dec. 18—Donation Vancouver Local.....	\$ 2 00
Jan. 11—Donation Vancouver Local.....	75
Total.....	\$ 2 75
EXPENDITURE.	
Jan 1—Stamps, etc.....	\$ 1 25
Jan 24—Telegrams and drafts to organizer.....	1 85
Total.....	\$ 3 10
TOTAL RECEIPTS.	
Organization fund.....	\$255 65
General.....	2 75
Advanced security.....	85
Grand total.....	\$258 75
TOTAL EXPENDITURE.	
Organization expenses.....	\$255 65
Office expenses.....	3 10
Grand total.....	\$258 75

### Skeena City Socialist Movement.

SKEENA CITY, B. C., February 3.—We had a very interesting meeting yesterday. The Rev. J. H. White of Nelson, gave us an address on "Development" and I think as many of the comrades thinking along lines heretofore little considered. It is gratifying to note that quite a number were present who never attended our meetings before, and we hope to interest them in our cause to the extent that in the near future—as they more fully understand our aims and objects—they may subscribe to our constitution, and aid in increasing our membership.

And when the proper time comes be in a position to strike a telling blow in favor of the emancipation of the fellow-slaves from the bondage of wage slavery. We feel sure that if we can only get the people to attend our meetings, it will only be a little while until they will begin to take an active part, and once they do this there is no fear of the result.

The United States Steel Company, capitalized for \$1,500,000,000 employ 350,000 men and a total of about 2,000,000 persons are dependent upon this company for a livelihood.

The Man who will risk the Purchase of a Lot or two in the

# CIRCLE CITY

**TOWNSITE**

Now has many good chances of making

# EASY MONEY

Circle City is the future terminus of the proposed railway, already surveyed via the Lardeau creek north fork to that point. Circle City is beautifully located at the base of the Lardeau Pass, Galena and Surprise creeks. Circle City is absolutely surrounded by mining properties now under development. Circle city affords splendid water power which will be utilized next season for concentrating purposes. Circle City will present business openings this spring. Send for the new map just out (free), and full particulars, to G. B. Batho, general agt., Ferguson, 7 two hundred lots on sale now—Present prices: Corner lots, \$125. Inside lots \$100. Terms: 1 cash, balance three and six months.

G. B. BATHO, General Agent, Ferguson, B. C.

If ever there was a time in the history of the town of

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to buy lots that time is now

The railway is being pushed to completion and soon the C. P. R. will accept through freight for Trout Lake. Trains are now being operated on the new road as far as the steel is laid.

The McCrossan smelter is now under construction right on the townsite of Ferguson.

Many mining properties surrounding Ferguson are rapidly reaching the shipping stage, while the shippers speak for themselves. Not only is Ferguson the commercial, banking, smelting and pay roll center, but here is where the most prominent Lardeau mining men have their interests and headquarters. The best lot locations are being picked up by shrewd investors.

There is Big Money in

# FERGUSON REALTY

If Secured at Present Prices

Business Lots are still on the market at \$150 upwards, Residential Lots at \$75 upwards,

Write or call on the General Agent,  
**Henry Floyd,**  
 Revelstoke, B. C.

# On the Wing Items

"Dandy Minstrels" to-morrow night. I expect to be out there to see the furance 'blows in'."—C. McCrossan.

Alex. Brown of Ferguson, registered at the Commercial hotel, Vancouver, last Saturday.

Ed. Ferry has sold his interest in the local saw mill to Messrs. J. E. Smith and Frank Lebean.

Mr. Taylor has given it out cold that he will certainly not be a candidate in the next provincial election.

W. H. Vickers, a former well-known resident of Revelstoke and the Lardeau, is now owner of the California hotel, Victoria.

"Don't You Hear Dem Bells." To-morrow night.

Premier Dunsmuir has accepted the invitation to attend the coronation ceremonies. He'll have to hustle if he goes as a premier.

Wm. Thompson of London, England, is in the province, arranging for the construction of a smelter at Tyee copper mine, near Victoria.

To pay 40 cents for a share in a company capitalized at two millions, with all the stock on the market, is to assume that its holdings are worth \$800,000.

The amount of ore smelted at the British Columbia smelter at Greenwood, since it commenced operations last February, aggregated 117,665 tons, a "daily average" for ten months of 364 tons.

Some people are anxiously enquiring if Alexander McRae, the Liberal delegate from Revelstoke, is the same Alexander McRae that now enjoys the billet of postmaster, at \$2,500 a year, in the railway career.

"If I can not conceive why you men swear, There is not a particle of you in it!"

"My dear, there are some things which appeal to one's esthetic sensibilities for their own sake, and are separate and aside from their usefulness."—Indianapolis News.

The advertiser likes to know whether he gets returns for his money spent in advertising. If you mention this paper when writing to him, it puts him in a good humor. It is little trouble and renders the intercourse pleasanter to all concerned.

David and Andrew Ferguson have gone to the Coast, to look after their mining interests on the west coast of Vancouver island. Frank Holtzer, Watson and Peter Ferguson are also interested in the property, and now working on it.

"Mrs. Knox and I are thinking of visiting the Lardeau again next summer. The mines, and scenery, and people, and trapping, and trout, and scenery, and mountains, and lakes, are very attractive to us."—M. V. B. KNOX, Waberton, N. D.

"It's Honor That I Love So Well." To-morrow night.

As the postoffice is a government-owned concern the EAGLE has given publicity to a notice calling for tenders for a mail courier between here and the Landing. If you mention this paper, contract certain! Fill the bill, and thus contribute a continuance of the past season's good service.

The American geologist says the human body of average weight contains three pounds and thirteen ounces of calcium. Calcium at present market prices, is worth \$200 a pound, so that the amount of it contained in one human body has a money value of \$18,300. Few of our fellow creatures realize that they are worth, so much intrinsically.

If you miss it you will rue it. Dandy Minstrels to-morrow night!

G. W. Miller, M. E. E., writes in the Butte Miner that "the prospector who, for want of scientific knowledge, is unable to avail himself of the advantages gained in being his own expert, should waste no time in acquiring such a knowledge. It is manifestly true that the prospector who, thru neglected education, is not compelled to employ someone to pass opinion on his discoveries, determine his minerals, assay and test his ores, possesses marked advantages over those who are deficient in this art."

Locals With a Paycheck.

For any article in the book of stationery, we send the Canada Drug & Book Co., Revelstoke, B. C. Mail orders receive prompt attention.

To get acquainted with this district you should have a copy of the new and only map. Send one dollar bill to the EAGLE and secure one at once.

The Revelstoke, Trout Lake & Big Bend Telephone Co., listed its offices at Arrowhead, Comally, Thompson, Cambora, Trout Lake and Ferguson. Reliable service.

The Ferguson quadrille club gives a dance every Thursday evening in the Miners' Union hall. Secure a membership ticket from the secretary, B. U. Smith, \$2 a month.

Smokers: If you want the GENUINE "Heron" and "Our Special" CIGAR see that "Union Cigar Factory" is stamped in red letters on every box.—E. A. Brown, Revelstoke, B. C.

Until March 1st the EAGLE will be mailed to clubs of twenty subscribers at 50¢ a year. The club members will be present circulation in one month. Buy the EAGLE to help yourself by routing a club of twenty.

## LARDEAU ORE SHIPMENTS.

The following is a list of Lardeau ore producers, amount shipped and the gross returns, reports of which have to be furnished monthly by mine owners to the provincial government:

Name	Gross Value	Net Value
Silver Cup	2,400,000	\$180,000.00
McRae	1,500,000	120,000.00
Trilobe	2,275,000	182,000.00
Beatrice	42,000	3,200.00
Great Northern	1,000	75.00
Prospect	50,000	3,600.00
Great Northern	1,000	75.00
Crowfoot	23,200	1,026.70
Oriskany	1,000	75.00
Metropolitan	11,971	728.00
Black Warrior	1,000	75.00
Summit	11,770	867.19
Union	500	37.50
Old Gold	500	37.50
Black Warrior	1,000	75.00

§ Returns and corrections asked for.

## Literary Society vs. Socialist League.

A debate between the above societies is being arranged for next Friday week, Feb. 21st. The subject will be "Resolved that our present competitive economic system is responsible for so many unmarried men and women." The Socialists will take the affirmative. An interesting evening may be looked forward to. F. C. Elliott of Trout Lake, will be asked to preside as Judge.

## Grand dance after the minstrel show to-morrow night.

Answers to Enquiries.

The large number of enquiries which the EAGLE receives from correspondents has prompted us to take this means of answering them. Your corner lot here is good property.

S. S. F., Litchfield, Minn.—Have mailed you a map, and copies of the EAGLE, which will give you the desired information.

Rev. J. H. D. E. Saville, Ohio.—If the mine you speak has 1,000 tons of clean ore shipped in winter as summer. There is five feet of snow in the valleys and much more on the hills, so that very little development is going on. The Silver Cup, Steele L., Double Eagle, Black Warrior, Beatrice, Kathleen, Horsehoe, Tonawanda and perhaps a few individual prospects are the only ones being worked, so that there really isn't much local mining news to record.

I. Z. H., Vancouver.—Have placed the name sent on old country list as requested.

H. F. W., Elwood, Iowa.—The clipping in the circular you send is genuine. It appeared in the EAGLE, but because of the article is disarranged owing to what follows having been left out.

H. G. C., Claremont, New Hampshire.—Yes the EAGLE is a weekly, \$2 a year. Remit any old way. You should buy the shares first and make your enquiries afterwards. What did you pay 40 cents a share for—treasury or capital stock?

Dr. A. C. E., Myrtleville, Kansas.—You are mistaken. We have a resident physician here. No, the population of Ferguson is not 1,000. Half of that would be nearer it.

R. H., Revelstoke.—Your account received and filed. We will endeavor to pay it when our delinquents deliver the goods.

E. C. C., Revelstoke.—Will be glad to see him when he comes. We need the money.

A. C. P., Bealin, B. C.—No, can't do it, partner. Copies of that issue, like mining stocks, have raised to par. \$1. Trout Lake Topic (by telephone).—No, the usual diet of an eagle is not snow. But.

O. L. C., Victoria.—We only have a twice-a-week mail service here now. Please delay.

## NOTICE TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNERS

To G. Gordon Goldberry & L. Chubbenger or any person or persons to whom they may have transferred their interest in the Little Belton and Little Robert No. 2 mine, the claim situated at the head of the North fork of Lardeau creek, and adjoining the Black Warrior group on the northwest in the Trout Lake Mining Division of West-Canada district.

You are hereby notified that I have expended two hundred and five dollars and twenty cents for labor and improvement on the above mentioned mineral claims in order to hold the same under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and I wish to know if you intend to contribute your share or refuse to contribute your proportion of a cash. If you intend to contribute your share, please advise me in writing, under section of an Act entitled an Act to amend the Mineral Act, 1904.

Dated at Ferguson this 4th day of December, 1905.—J. JOSEPH C. KIRKPATRICK.

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