

FERGUSON IS THE PLACE WHERE THE ORE COMES FROM.

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## LONG TUNNEL IS STARTED

One Hundred and Fifty Foot Contract Let to Local Man.

## POWER PLANT TO BE INSTALLED

Water Power Will Be Used To Compress Air for the New Drills.

The long talked of Sunshine tunnel to tap the Silver Cup vein at the 700 foot level, has been started. A contract for the first 150 feet was let to A. P. Garret last week and work is now under way. There is already some 50 feet of tunnel started and this contract will bring it up to 200. The expected length of the tunnel is about 1,500 feet and as it is all drifting on the ledge interesting developments are looked for. The present contract will tap the ore body of the Sunshine at least 100 feet below the present workings. The Horn-Payne company took 100 tons of ore out of the Sunshine which netted them \$110 per ton. The Sunshine ore body in the old workings is of a good length, but quite narrow, it is incidentally expected that the present contract will open up a wider body of ore and should this be the case with the new length of the shaft we may look for some big shipments from this property in the near future. It is the intention of the company to install machinery as soon as the snow goes off so that a thorough examination of the ground will be possible. "The water power now going to waste will be utilized to run the shaft. As the Silver Cup they are still making ore and it is the company's intention to ship all summer. There is also some four thousand tons of 2nd class ore on the dump which it is intended to ship to the Vulcan smelter in Ferguson. The road from Ferguson to Ten Mile will be a scene of great activity this summer and unless the government does considerable fixing on it. The mud will be so deep that the road will be impassable and development will be delayed. The mineral tar on Cup and Trinne ore will amount to several thousand dollars for the coming summer and it is only right that the government should fix this trunk road so that it will stand the traffic.

**World Beating Silver Mine.**  
A. W. McCune, a mining man of Salt Lake City, has recently acquired a mine in Peru, which, if the reports of the examining engineer and others are correct, is one of the wonders of the mining world. The mine is the Cerro de Pasco, which was discovered by an Indian in 1630, and has been worked almost constantly since that time, being credited with the enormous production of \$368,000,000. The ores were exceptionally rich up to 1780, but since then the values have declined, and the average value in silver being from twelve to fifteen ounces. There are millions of tons of this class of ore exposed, however, all of which carries a certain percentage of copper, to which very little attention has heretofore been paid. Besides the standing ore there are enormous dumps, the accumulation of 264 years of operation, in which there are other millions of tons of ore carrying a sufficiently large percentage of copper to pay for treatment. Thousands of tons of this ore have recently been purchased that will run from fifty to fifty per cent. in copper and fifteen ounces of silver to the ton. The report of the engineer shows that there are in sight more than 10,000,000 tons of ore that will average from twelve to fifteen per cent. copper, and estimates the gross value of the metal that can be extracted without further development

at about \$250,000,000. As labor is cheap and the ore can be brought to this country in ballast for little or nothing, a large proportion of this sum will be net profit.—Ores and Metals.

**B. C. Mining.**  
The history of many mining districts included: First an initial boom accompanied by wild-catting and stock gambling; second a consequent crash, followed by a long period of neglect; third a final revival of operations on a sound, legitimate basis.

In British Columbia we have seen the initial boom with speculative accompaniments; there has followed a period of neglect which is not yet over, but there begin now to appear signs of reviving interest in the industry. A great deal of steady development work is being quietly prosecuted, and we do not doubt that British Columbia mining will before long be reestablished on a healthy, prosperous basis. We do not mean that there will be a rehabilitation of stock market quotations, but we think that there are the makings in the western province of a goodly number of dividend payers.—Toronto World.

**Railroads in the Yukon.**  
An Ottawa dispatch says that the Canadian Railway committee has refused the application of the Yukon Pacific railway for permission to build from Pyramid Harbor to White Horse Pass. The minister of railways and canals, Mr. Blair, announced that the government would adhere to the policy of declining to grant charters to railways with terminal in American territory. The company's charter was amended, giving power to build from White Horse in a southwesterly direction to the boundary line between the provinces of British Columbia and the territories, or about 20 miles from the international boundary line.

## A RICH STRIKE IN THE BOUNDARY

In Mine That Lay Idle for Years—Was Located Over Ten Years Ago—Mr. Fowler, and Old Miner, Made the New Discovery.

The story of the Providence mine near Greenwood is interesting as showing how mines are sometimes abandoned and afterwards worked again, only to find that the largest and richest ore bodies had been left untouched by the first workings, says the Similkameen Star.

The Providence was located over ten years ago, and a Spokane company headed by Howard C. Walters, secured control of the prospect and did some development work. Very rich ore was taken out, which was shipped by mules to where the city of Grand Forks is now situated. From there it was sent to Marcus over the wagon road, and thence to the Tacoma smelter by rail.

The ore was then very rich, running hundreds of dollars to the ton, and in spite of very high transportation charges, netted a large profit to the owners of the claim. The values were in gold, silver and copper, and the property became noted throughout the Boundary, when such low-grade properties as the Old Ironsides and Mother Lode had few to speak well of them.

In 1893 when silver dropped, silver properties became a drug on the market. Added to this was the fact that Mr. Walters and his associates thought that they had dug out and shipped the best ore in the mine, and they decided to discontinue all work on the property.

So the Providence was forgotten for a number of years, but being a crown granted claim was held by the original owners.

Last year Mr. Fowler, and old miner of many years experience in nearly all parts of the western American continent, looked the property over and concluded he had found just what he wanted. Accordingly he secured a lease from the owners, at the same time it is said he also secured a bond on the

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## MINING MEN WILL COME

To Make a Thorough Visit in This Province Next Year.

## U. S. INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERS

May Spend Two Months—Should Result in Great Good to British Columbia.

A great deal of interest has been aroused in mining men by the announcement that the American Institute of Mining Engineers will probably include this province in their annual excursion itinerary next year. Altogether, it is understood, the party may number three hundred of the most prominent mining men of the continent, and their stay in British Columbia will be nearly two months. There are about fifty members of the institute in this province, including W. J. Robertson, provincial mineralogist, and nearly all the prominent mine managers and engineers, including a number in the Boundary.

The institute has just held its 32nd annual meeting in New York, when the following officers were elected:

President, E. E. Olcott, New York City; vice-presidents, (to serve for two years), S. E. Emmons, Washington, D. C.; James Gayley, Pittsburg, Pa.; J. Henry Lee, Carbon Hill, Ala.; managers, (to serve three years), E. W. Parker, New York City; James W. Neill, Salt Lake City; Utah; M. D. Valentine, Woodbridge, N. J.; treasurer, Theodore D. Rand, Philadelphia, Pa.; secretary, Rosster W. Raymond, New York City.

The president, Mr. Olcott, is the senior member of the firm of Olcott, Corning & Peel, consulting, mining and metallurgical engineers, Wall Street, New York. Vice-President S. E. Emmons, of Washington, D. C. is a prominent member of the United States geological survey; F. W. Parker, of New York, one of the managers, is managing editor of the Engineering and Mining Journal, while Rosster W. Raymond, the secretary, will be remembered by mining men as one of the expert witnesses who gave evidence in the noted Centre Star-Iron Mine lawsuit at Rossland. The membership of the institute is 3,028, including honorary, life and associate members.

This institute has grown to be the most important mining body in the world. It includes among its members the leading engineers of not only the United States and Canada, but also of England, Germany, France and other European countries, South Africa and Australia.

The importance of an excursion to British Columbia by this institute, and the probable effect such a visit would have upon the future development of the mining resources of the province, cannot be estimated too highly. The members who participated in such excursions were naturally the engineers whose opinions influence capital in its investments to a greater extent probably than any other individuals possibly can do. The mere fact that the council of the institute favorably considered invitations sent from local members to arrange for the next long distant excursion to take in British Columbia, demonstrated that the mineral resources of this country were attracting the attention of the world at large and particularly of investors in the United States.

It is quite safe to say that no body of men has ever visited British Columbia whose individual and collective influence is as great with capital as that of the American Institute of Mining

Engineers. Last year the excursion took in Mexico and Arizona, where royal welcome was accorded the excursionists.—Phoenix Pioneer.

**Location of Claims.**  
A claim may or may not prove of value to the locator, says the Mining Reporter. There is no harm, however, in the locator taking as much pains in laying out his claim as if he knew it was worth a million dollars. A little care in the marking and measurement of his claims is always well repaid to the prospector. The first thing to be done in laying out the claim is to get the direction of the outcrop. If it is not possible to trace the outcrop for 1,500 feet up a few stakes along the line of the vein and take the course with a compass. This line passes through the middle points of the end lines. Then lay out the claim according to the law of the state in which the locations are made, i. e., 1,500 feet long and from 150 to 300 feet in width. Whenever possible measure the claim out instead of pacing it. For measuring a claim the writer uses a piece of light cordage, say three-eighths of an inch in diameter, and three hundred feet long, with knots to indicate every 50 feet. This type is apt to be expensive, owing to breakage when scrambling through the brush and over rocks. The laws relating to location are simple and readily obtained and every prospector should have the fundamental points at his fingers' end. Then observe the laws to the very letter. Much of the expensive litigation which is the bane of the mining industry is directly traceable to careless and faulty location work.

Since the outbreak of hostilities in South Africa, Canada has contributed 7,358 men at a cost of two million dollars.

## ABOUT LARDEAU ORES AND ITS GOLD VALUES

Mining Man From Lardeau District Talks About Gold Values—Believes Ore Will Carry Considerable Gold as Depth is Attained.

The Rossland Miner has the following to say from an interview with J. W. Westfall:

"I am perfectly satisfied that further investigation will disclose the fact that many Lardeau ores will be found to carry gold values where nothing of the kind is now looked for," said J. W. Westfall when discussing the northern section of the Kootenays. J. W. Westfall is a pioneer of the Lardeau and is interested in a number of promising properties. He has been appointed manager of the property owned by the Cariboo Creek Development Syndicate of Rossland, and leaves in a few days for the north to assume charge of the work for the summer.

"In stating that gold values will be found extensive throughout the Lardeau, I do not imply that free gold ores will be found in quantities, for my experience leads me to believe that the district will not depend upon free-milling ores for the success it will undoubtedly attain among the mining districts of the province. The gold is found in silver-lead iron ores, the latter particularly being impregnated with the yellow metals in quantities from a trace to a substantial sum. Within my own experience I have known of a number of instances where this has been proved. In one case I examined a dump containing a considerable amount of iron ore that had been thrown away as valueless. Out of curiosity I took a number of samples of the rock and had them assayed, finding to my surprise that the ore carried 30 ounces of silver, and in the particular case of one sample 40 in gold. This was apparently ordinary iron such as is common to the country, and one could not have told with the eye or a glass that it contained a trace of galena or other values. It has been

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## FIRST TRAFFIC OVER NEW ROAD

Ferguson Tug of War Team for Kaslo Sports.

## AGGREGATION OF HUSKY KID

The Boys Are Going With T. Vowed Intention of Taking the \$300 Prize.

Ferguson means to show the Kaslo folk, and the world in general, that there be men of sorts ready to wear their colors in manly sports. It has been arranged that a team of the boys shall contest for the tug-of-war prize meeting all comers at catch weight. The prize is merely a trifling \$300—barely enough to pay expenses, but more money is not the consideration; much as calmly walking away with the chosen opposition teams of Rossland, the Boundary, Slocan regions and so on.

Our team will consist of the following: Bert Ackert manager and trainer; Steve Slinger, captain, Sig Davi, anchor man; Alex Laing, Ed Bell, Dan Dunbar, Eric Stewart, Wm. LePelle Doc McPhail, Wm. Fenner, infant manager, and Bobbie Burns, post to the organization. The team at last meeting averaged fully 157 pounds each, and under the watchful eye of Manager Ackert, are developing a strain resisting capacity out of all proportion to their weight. The other evening Van Edson made fast the rope to a hitching post secured to the fundamental principle of the Ferguson hotel. The boys felt a sense of resistance and when Sig Davi laid his anchor to the earth, something was bound to happen. It did when the rope moved 23 cubic yards of cellar followed the ring. Van's claim that the drinks were on him was hailed with enthusiasm by all hands.

The team with its rosters (the teaming's fleet of young hogs are specially engaged for the trip), will make the journey via Trout Lake, thence to Gerrard by boat, and by constructive train from head of navigation to Lardeau where they will rig up a steamer for the rest of the trip.

It will thus be seen that the first passengers from Ferguson over the new road, are bent on conquest, are out for glory, are keenly alive to capture what ever is in it for them and lastly to have a good time on the side. Their will and woolly rosters will voice (you be they'll voice and howl too) the unanimity of the populace in the objects of the visit, which is meant purely as an allegory expressive of the future destiny of their town, conquest, glory, aquisition of the almighty root of an evil, and lastly sport and the joy of life.

**Profitable Silver Mines.**  
Notwithstanding that silver has reached the lowest price ever recorded for that metal, it is nevertheless of some interest to know that there are silver mines in the United States that are paying very handsome dividends. Take, for instance, the Ontario mine of Utah. It recently posted its 22th dividend, payable on the 20 of June. The dividend was 30 cents a share, amounting to \$45,000, bringing the total amount of dividends paid by the Ontario company up to \$14,782,000, and with a reserve fund in the treasury of \$402,828.

The Silver King, also in Utah, is another instance of a silver mine paying large dividends in the face of low prices for silver. That property is paying \$400,000 a year in profit, some portion of its receipts being from the gold and lead values in the ore. But it is essentially a silver mine. Within the past half-dozen years it has paid its owners within a fraction of \$5,000,000 in dividends.—Mining Review.

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THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1902.

We must not let the fact that we need some sidewalks slip away from our memory. The time is now ripe for such enterprise.

It would greatly benefit the appearance of Ferguson if the non-resident lot owners would have their holdings cleared. There are big patches right in the heart of town covered with brush, logs and stumps. It is the duty of those owning this property to put it in such a shape that they will not be an eye-sore to the whole community. The expense would be trifling and the value of the property would be increased to a greater amount than the cost of clearing.

The Ferguson hospital is now under erection and whatever the opinion of different people may have been as to the desirability of erecting such a building here, now that it has been definitely decided to go ahead, we expect those who were opposed to its erection will fall into line and put their shoulders to the wheel and help to make the thing the success it should be. We believe in government by the majority in things of this kind and in this case the majority has spoken in no uncertain voice therefore let us sink our differences and get in and dig.

On another page will be found an article sent out by the striking employees of Eaton's Departmental Store. The Eagle is of the opinion that a man should have the privilege under our present system of buying in the cheapest market and selling in the dearest, but we wonder whether Eaton's goods are the cheapest. They are almost invariably sweat-shop goods made under conditions which are not at all conducive to cleanliness and we think that the risk of contracting diseases offsets any saving which is effected. We would strongly advise our readers to patronize their home merchants.

There is considerable discussion going on at present as to the desirability of a sub-recording office for Ferguson. It puts some of our people to considerable inconvenience to have to make the trip to Trout Lake every time they have to record claims, assessments, or look over the record books. We have no wish to agitate for a sub-recording office unless the majority of Ferguson people want it as we are perfectly satisfied with the manner in which the work is being done, in fact the office at Trout Lake is run very satisfactorily, but if the interests of the prospectors and mine owners of this end of the district will be served by such an office then by all means let us get in and agitate till we get it.

## ABOUT LARDEAU ORES

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demonstrated, however, that the ores over a widely distributed section of the country frequently carry these gold values, and the indications are that as depth is attained in the working on the various properties the gold values will increase. That this is the case is most gratifying to those interested in the development of the Lardeau, as the gold values give a stability to the industry which is not attained when the contents of ore are not confined to silver and lead, which are more or less constantly fluctuating in market value.

In connection with the prospects for the season in the Lardeau it may be stated that the projected opening of the Lardeau branch of the Canadian Pacific railroad in June is awaited with keen interest throughout the district. This road into the country being practically an accomplished fact, the attention of the mine owners on the Duncan river side of the Lardeau divide is turned toward the Great Northern with a view to staking up that country's intentions respecting the construction of the Duncan river branch. A report now in circulation that a Great Northern engineer recently spent some time at Kaslo in connection with the building of the new road has stimulated interest in the proposition, and it is freely predicted that the Duncan river railroad will be constructed within a comparatively short time. The opinion is rife that unless the Great Northern makes a move, the Canadian Pacific is likely to step in and forestall the American corporation.

### LARDEAU ORE SHIPMENTS.

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

Name	Amount Shipped	Gross Returns
Silver Gap	2,400,000	\$50,000.00
Island	1,700,000	35,000.00
Triune	648,776	\$2,870.27
Island	445,000	32,250.00
Great Northern	56,000	1,244.00
Island	50,000	1,654.00
Elkton	34,000	1,206.00
Island	25,000	1,050.00
Cronwell	15,000	1,232.00
Optim-Lade	12,974	610.00
Metropolitan	12,000	510.00
Island	11,775	482.00
Banded Gravel	11,000	63.17
Island	668	
Old Gold		
Horseshoe		
Black Warrior		

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## Ferguson!

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## LOCAL FIELD IN BRIEF

Rev. Mr. McKay preached in the Miners' Union hall Sunday.

R. Upper, provincial police of Revelstoke, made a business trip to Ferguson last Friday.

Dr. Newcombe departed for the Coast Tuesday morning. He will be absent about a week.

E. J. Ward came down from the Cup. Ed intends to go out bear hunting for a couple of weeks.

S. Daney's new stable is finished and reflects credit on the enterprise of our hustling freighter.

W. A. Dorman, postoffice inspector, was in town Monday and Tuesday on his tour of inspection.

John Atkinson who has been doing assessment near the Silver Cup returned to town on Monday.

J. A. McCrossan and Mrs. McCrossan, of H&S Portage, Ont., arrived in the Metropolis of the Lardeau on Sunday.

The Rosland public schools have closed for the balance of the term. Cause is the lack of funds. Looks bad.

C. J. McKeon, representative of John Wanamaker, Philadelphia, New York and Paris, was doing business in town this week.

Alfred Pelkey is making a first class paper out of the Lardeau Eagle.—Cranbrook Herald. We are soon to make a balloon excursion.

David Brown leaves to-morrow for his ranch up at Ten Mile. Mr. Brown expects to raise a large crop of spuds and other vegetables this season.

J. W. Westfall, Mrs. Westfall and Miss Westfall returned to Trout Lake last Friday after enjoying the sunny clime of California for the past several months.

The Ferguson sawmill is running full time with a big lot of orders on hand. They are now delivering the lumber for the hospital on which work is progressing.

Sam Sutherland, who has been detained at Revelstoke for the past two weeks on suspicion of having the small pox returned home Monday. It was all a mistake.

Steve Slinger is erecting a small cottage on his property on Walker avenue. Evidence of another Ferguson bach joining the benedicta. Joe Brady has the contract.

Victoria avenue now has a neat appearance, the result of all concerned joining in and raking the rocks and garbage in piles, which will be hauled away. Get out your bikes boys.

Dr. Newcombe made a tour of inspection on Monday and ordered all garbage removed and burned. It has already a telling effect as the town is beginning to show signs of cleanliness.

Ed Hillman, of the firm of Craig & Hillman, Thomson's Landing, has gone to Calgary after a carload of horses. Messrs. Craig & Hillman are preparing for the large volume of business which is expected in the Lardeau this season.

The ladies of Ferguson are requested to meet the hospital committee in the hall on Friday evening next for the purpose of appointing a committee of ladies to aid in the work of raising the necessary funds to complete the hospital.

The Eagle received an invitation from the city of Kalo to request the editor and friends to be present at the celebration on the 24th inst. Ferguson will be well represented in Kalo that day as a large number contemplate going.

Dave and Pete Ferguson flew into the payroll centre last Friday and blew out again the following morning. The Eagle did not get a chance to interview the gentlemen, therefore we are unable to say what the boys are driving at just now.

Secretary Smith says she's going to be a crackerjack. A crowd from the Lake and possibly some from the Landing will be in attendance at the dance this (Thursday) evening. No one should overlook this treat as there is going to be good music, a large crowd and a good time generally.

"Sandy" Loughton has returned home from Scotland where he has been spending the winter with relatives and old-time friends. "Sandy" says he is not sorry he took the trip and looks as though he had a good time. Whether or not he was disappointed to regret to say he returned the same old bachelor.

### What Is It?

The Eagle is in receipt of a letter from Trout Lake City, signed Reader of the Eagle. The letter starts out this way: "Dear Sir: I read your paper that is our Birth right. You say you want letters on the led tariff this is what I think when lord Mercawley saw a new Selanor with his cammora" and he continues with a full page of the above conglomeration, but as the Eagle's Chinese interpreter got run out of town we had to give the letter up as a bad job. But in the wind up he says: "I am out of prairie writing but this is nuthen to what I can think when I am put to it." The Eagle hopes when he takes his next spasm he will make a mistake and drop the letter into a knot hole instead of the post box.

### J. A. McCrossan in Town.

J. A. McCrossan who has been appointed manager for the Metropolitan company, arrived in Ferguson on Sunday. A representative of the Eagle called on Mr. McCrossan for a few minutes, but found that he was not in a position to give any information of interest to the general public. Chas. W. McCrossan is expected in during the week when we expect to be able to give a full account of the proposed operations of this company.

J. A. McCrossan is starting out right. On Monday he went up to the Triune accompanied by Messrs. Gunn, Vernon and Gender. The Eagle wishes Mr. McCrossan every success in his new field.

### Hospital Under Way.

The hospital committee have decided to build the hospital by day's work. Alex Brown, an old timer in the Lardeau, has the work in hand. The foundation is well under way and by next week the walls will be raised and in a short time the building will be roofed. This shows that the committee means business. So now boys, a strong pull, a long pull and a pull altogether, and we will make the institution a credit to the whole community.

Excursion Rates for Victoria Day, May 24 For the above the Canadian Pacific Ry. will issue return tickets to and from all points at fare and one-third for the return journey. Tickets on sale May 22, 23 and 24, good to return till May 27.

### AID FOR FERGUSON'S HOSPITAL.

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