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RT. HON. W. S. FIELDING

Future historians will probably point to the introduction of the British preferential tariff in 1897 as the outstanding achievement of Rt. Hon. W. S. Fielding's career. It gave fresh impetus to Canada's growing trade, and in its simplification a year or two later provided new bonds for the unification of the rapidly growing British Commonwealth, a problem that was already regarded as pressing for solution among the academically inclined. Moreover, it inspired Rudyard Kipling to write one of his best known poems:

A nation spoke to a nation,
A Queen sent word to a throne:
"Daughter am I in my mother's house,
But Mistress in my own.
The gates are mine to open,
As the gates are mine to close,
And I set my house in order,"
Said our Lady of the Snows.

But as epoch making as was undoubtedly the introduction of the British preferential tariff, it is unquestionably true that Mr. Fielding himself regarded the negotiations of a treaty of reciprocity with the United States in 1911 as his greatest contribution to Canadian statesmanship, and this despite the fact that it was subsequently rejected by the Canadian people in a manner so decisive as to carry with it the downfall of the Government led by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Indeed, when the smoke of battle had cleared away, it was found that Mr. Fielding himself was among the slain.

Dream of His Life

A reciprocal trade agreement with the United States had been the dream of the great Nova Scotian's life. Believing that the best interests of his native province would not be served by a confederation with the rest of Canada, he had opposed negotiations leading up to the British North America Act of 1867. Nova Scotia needed wider markets for her products and Mr. Fielding was farsighted enough to see that Ontario and Quebec could not provide these on account of their geographical position. As late as 1886, therefore, he was to be found working for the repeal of the legislation, winning a provincial election in that year on the promise to advocate a return, if need be, to the status quo ant. And ten years later when he was called to Ottawa the economic problems confronting Nova Scotia were perhaps uppermost in his mind. But it was not until 1911 that he was able to actually negotiate a treaty. In the course of the political campaign that followed he told a group of Canadian manufacturers and financial leaders in Montreal that if they brought about the defeat of the measure, they would live to see in the West and in the Maritime Provinces movements of unrest, born of the conditions reciprocity was calculated to remove, and it was typical of the man that with the breaking away of the west from the straight line parties in the election of 1921 and the demand for a review of the Confederation agreement in Nova Scotia in the spring of 1923, it was not recorded that he took to himself any credit for his prophetic words.

It is generally agreed that his action in supporting conscription cost Mr. Fielding the leadership of the Liberal party, following the death of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The opposition to conscription had centered in the Province of Quebec and it was the action of the Quebec delegates which determined that the mantle of the great French-Canadian should be worn by William Lyon Mackenzie King. But the convention was unable to take from the aging statesman the de facto leadership of the party. From the time he returned to the post of finance minister in the administration of Mr. King in 1922 down to his last illness he stood dominant on the Government side of the House and the prime minister has never lost an opportunity of paying tribute to the invaluable help he received from his first lieutenant during the early years of his premiership.

Perhaps the most striking characteristic of William Stevens Fielding was his disinterestedness. Any honor with in the attainment of a Canadian certainly was his, but he stoutly eschewed all and in the days when his countrymen were not adverse to knighthoods he preferred to remain plain Mr. Fielding. It was only in 1923 that he became a "Right Honorable" by being made a member of the Imperial Privy Council.

News of the Mines

AROUND PRINCE RUPERT
Annual Report of Sebakwe; Georgia River Development Proceeding Satisfactorily; Deal on Stewart Property

Annual report of C. A. Banks, managing director, on the Sebakwe and District Mines, Ltd., states that during the year the main drift was continued 56 feet to 2226 feet from the main cross-cut, where the ore zone was first encountered. Also on this level 200 feet of cross cutting was done, none of the work encountering any values. A two-compartment vertical underground shaft was sunk in the hanging wall of the ore body on No. 4 level close to the main cross-cut to a depth of 150 feet at which horizon No. 5 level was opened up. The shaft passed through a wide silicified and mineralized area which, though not commercial as a whole, carried in one place \$15.75 across a width of six and one-half feet. Cross cutting on No. 5 level encountered a silicified and mineralized zone 90 feet from the shaft. This zone was about 50 feet wide and has to date been drifted on 80 feet in a northerly direction and 414 feet in a southerly direction. In the northerly direction no values were encountered, but in the southerly ore has been exposed by three cross-cuts over an approximate length of 150 feet. Sampling indicated that the ore would be of good milling grade. In the best place, 10 feet of \$20 ore was exposed and at another point 20 feet of \$11 ore. The total amount of development on the property for the year included 1730 feet of drifting and cross-cutting, 160 feet of sinking and 50 feet of raising.



AT PRESS CONFERENCE
Miss Edna Kells, Vice-President of the Canadian Women's Press Club and official press representative for the Province of Alberta, who is attending the Press Conference which is being held at St. John, N.B., this month.

Steady progress is being made with the freighting and installation of machinery at the Georgia River Gold Mines on Portland Canal below Stewart. At the mine the engine room site has been cleared and graded and the concrete for the engine foundations has just been poured. The plant will consist of two Petters oil engines operating two air compressors delivering 360 cubic feet of air per minute. For the time being work underground is being carried on by hand and an average advance of 65 feet per month is being made on the southwest vein. The results so far obtained from this work are considered satisfactory, as in the last hundred feet driven on the vein the general average of samples taken every five feet on the vein was \$39.60 per ton. These values are chiefly in gold, the silver content being about two ounces to the ton with lead averaging two per cent. Future plans include the driving of two adit tunnels on the vein at an elevation of 3000 and 3300 feet respectively. It is hoped by this means to definitely prove the property up during the coming summer. At the beach additions and improvements are being made with a view to economically handling freight and an attractive summer home is being built for N. T. Burdick, one of the directors of the company. M. J. St. Clair, formerly mill superintendent at the Riverside mine, is in charge of work at the mine and F. B. Shearme at the beach. R. C. Mellin, M.E., is general manager.

The Dominion Exploration Co., Ltd., of Vancouver has purchased controlling interest in the Sunshine Morning Star Mines, Ltd., which owns a group of six claims situated at the head of Glacier Creek in the Portland Canal district with an agreement to spend \$250,000 on development work over a period of five years provided the property warrants it. The firm of Stewart, Batten and Associates have been retained by the Dominion Exploration Co. to supervise and lay out a program to make preliminary examination. The company will move its equipment to the property without delay, it is stated. Dominion Exploration Co. is capitalized at \$100,000 and directors are G. R. Hughes, E. W. Leeson, W. Ponsford, William Earland and J. W. Maurice, all of Vancouver.

Woodbine Gold Mining Co. directors have received assurance of financial backing in their developments and will carry on arrangements for the shipment of ore from the property at Stewart with all possible speed. It is de-

sired that the general shareholders of the company shall retain their full and complete control, so development will be carried on with as little additional financial backing as possible. It is proposed to use the money in a way which will bring almost immediate revenues and to proceed in such a manner as will completely restore the confidence of shareholders not only in Canada but in Great Britain. Good ore has been encountered in the main shaft and returns from two sample shipments of ore made recently to Trail smelter from the Woodbine gave satisfactory values of \$37.77 and \$33.96 to the ton in gold, silver, and other metals. Further shipments will be made as soon as possible, as there are thousands of tons of good ore ready.

District News

TERRACE

A. Holmwood left on Saturday for Prince Rupert to visit his wife and new baby son in the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Agar and son Charley and Mrs. M. A. Greig and Miss Mona Greig left on Saturday for Hazelton from which point they intend motoring to Ontario.

Miss Helen Greig left Saturday to spend her vacation with Mrs. A. C. Fowler in Smithers.

Miss Reid of the high school staff is presiding at the high school examinations here.

Miss Hester Wright of the public school staff left on Monday for Hazelton where she will preside over the entrance examinations held there.

F. C. Bishop is having a large addition built on to his home on Lakelse Avenue.

A large crowd went out from town on Saturday night to the opening dance in the new pavilion which has been erected by R. E. Dix in connection with his lodge at Kalum Lake.

STEWART

A. Belmore, an old timer of the north, arrived here last week from Lathouche, Alaska, to take up residence in Stewart.

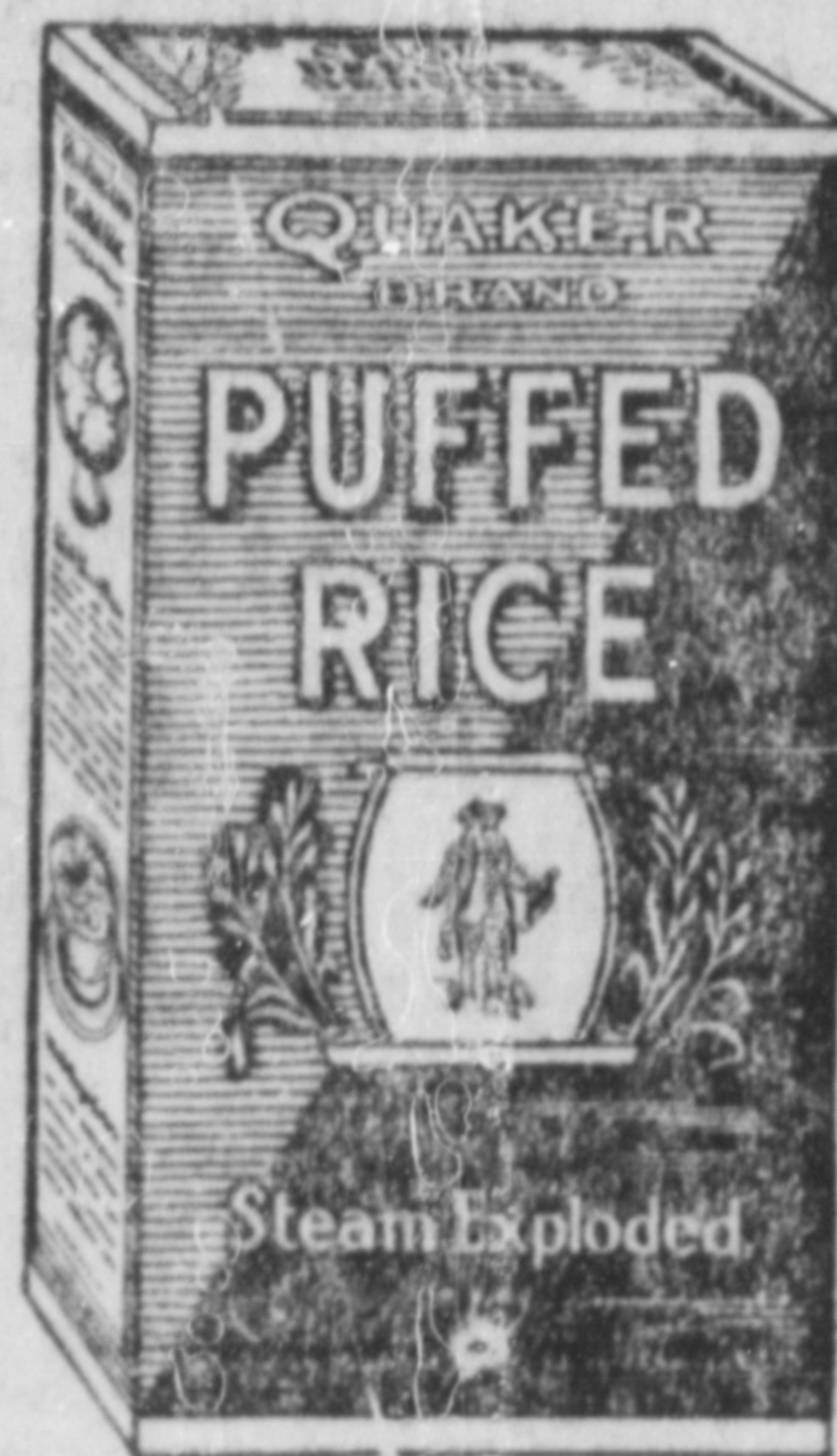
Dr. J. T. Mandy, resident mining engineer, who is visiting this camp on official duties, has inspected among other properties the Marmot Metals, Property, Porter Idaho and Black Hill.

Blondy Charlton, Homer Picklin and H. Hooton left last week for a prospecting trip to the White River section.

Mrs. Bert Lane has left to visit with relatives in Victoria and Vernon.

Rather extensive improvements have just been made to the Newell building here.

Construction has just started of a new 30 by 40 foot one and a half



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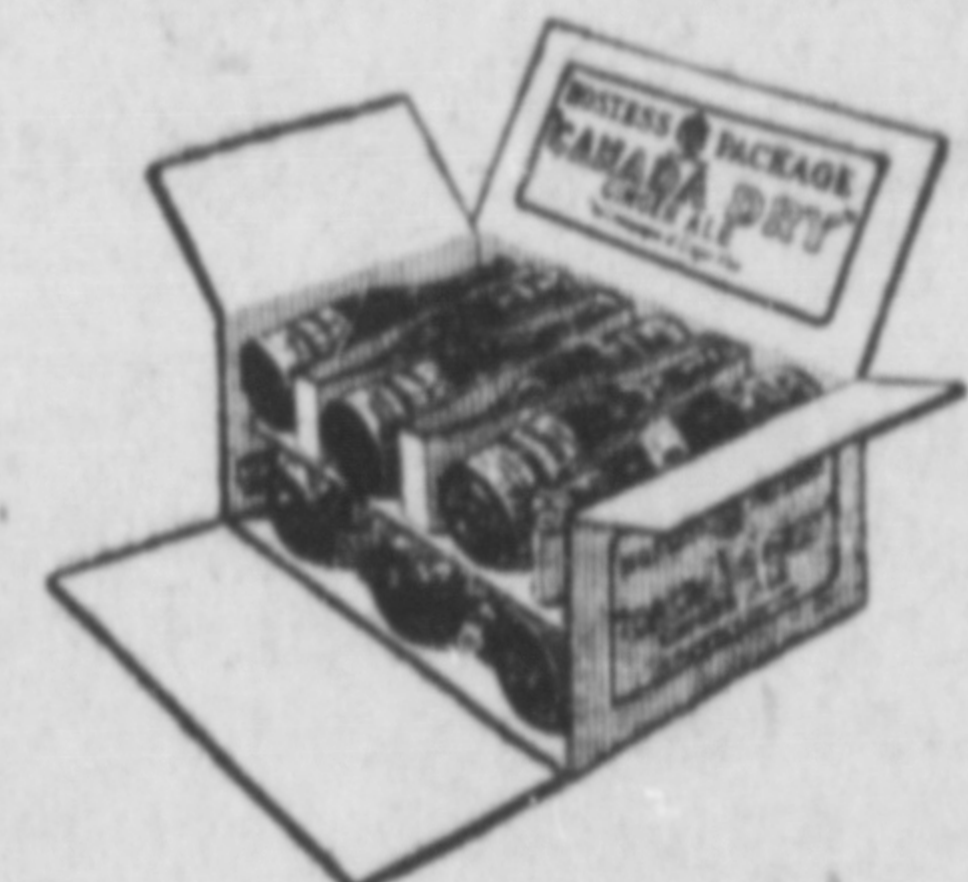


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storey warehouse building on Eighth Street between Brightwell and Conway Streets for the mercantile concern of Campbell and Duke.

A government caterpillar tractor, hauling a trailer loaded with gravel, plunged into the canal last week but

was salvaged without much damage being done.

Mrs. J. E. Douville suffered a painful accident last week when she jumped from a sidewalk near her home and broke her left leg and dislocated the knee joint.

TRAIN SLIGHTLY LATE

Delayed in reaching this division, this afternoon's train, due from the east at 3:30, was reported this morning to be fifty minutes late so will not arrive until 4:30 p.m.