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## DAILY EDITION

## Outline of Work Done by Stewart Road Superintendent

Previous to his departure for Prince Rupert to consult with William Manson, M.P.P., regarding local and district appropriations for 1914, Road Supt. C. J. Gillingham outlined to The Miner the progress made throughout his district in road and trail construction the past year. It must be borne in mind that the superintendent has a vast territory to serve and that the work is necessarily scattered over a wide area. Of the local improvements that to the Bear River wagon road—the present main transportation artery to American Creek, consisted in re-grading the road from the town to the Portland Canal concentrator. The grade at Ward's pass was also reduced and from Bear Lake to American Creek some 3000 yards of rock have been deposited, laying the foundation for an excellent road.

From American Creek to Meziadin lake the Bear-Naas trail was thoroughly overhauled, grades reduced, trail widened and culverts put in where needed. A new trail was started from Meziadin Lake to the head of Panorama Creek. The trail has been cut out providing communication between Stewart and the heart of the Groundhog coal basin. This will be the shortest, and easiest route from tidewater to the anthracite fields, covering a distance from Stewart of 126 miles. It is on a good grade with an abundance of feed and this season will see it completed. It strikes the Government telegraph line between Cabins 6 and 7.

Another important pack-trail

commencing at the Naas bridge (11 miles above Meziadin Falls) to Cottonwood river, 39 miles in length was constructed. This provides means of communication to all lower Naas river points and connects with the trails to Hazelton and Kitwanga points on the Skeena.

Work was started on the building of a wagon road up Bitter Creek to serve the mines of that section, and this season should see its completion. Work on the extension of the Marmot river trail he characterizes as being of the best character. The Salmon River trail was also greatly improved. From Nine to Eleven miles the trail has been carried along on a water level which is of the greatest benefit to all who have interests in that part of the camp.

The trail up Glacier Creek was also vastly improved by the building of a new bridge and extension work.

Both Granby Bay and Alice Arm received their share of the appropriations in road and trail construction, and Mr. Gillingham expresses the hope that this season they will receive more attention than ever, in view of the large mining investments taking place, and the need for further transportation facilities.

As noted elsewhere, in submitting his report to Mr. Manson, the road superintendent has made a substantial request for appropriations for 1914 which will undoubtedly receive the support of the member, when same are taken up with the Minister of Public Works at Victoria.—Portland Canal Miner.

## SIR T. LIPTON IMPLICATED IN BRIBERY CHARGES

Details Now Coming Out Concerning Graft in the British Army Canteen

London, Jan. 21.—For many years no trial has aroused such widespread interest in the British Isles as the proceedings at Bow Street police court against eight British army officers and eight civilians on charges of wholesale graft in connection with purchases for the army canteens.

Six commissioned officers and non-commissioned officers are involved. All are connected with the quartermaster's department of the war office. All the officers have risen from the ranks. The eight civilians are all employees of Lipton, Limited, of which Sir Thomas Lipton is managing director. They include John Cansfield, general manager and director of the company; James Craig, general manager of the military department of the company and the former and present managers of the company at the military headquarters in Ireland and at Aldershot and at Salisbury plain.

According to the opening speeches of the prosecuting counsel, "bribery and corruption have been going on for upwards of ten years," and it may be necessary to add other names to the list of those accused here. At the same time several officers are being dealt with by military tribunals.

## Paymaster Arrested

London, Jan. 21.—Fleet Paymaster Lowry, for whom Scotland Yard had been looking for since the end of November, was

arrested at New Milton, Hampshire. He was the paymaster of H. M. S. Ganges, stationed off Harwich and at the time of his disappearance it was said that between fifty and seventy-five thousand dollars of the ship's funds was missing. He was the third on the senior list of naval paymasters and entered the service in 1833. He is 53 years of age.

MILLIONAIRE DENIES  
INSTIGATING MURDER

Alfred Coolidge Denies as False Story That He Offered Money for Killing

Spokane, Jan. 21.—Alfred Coolidge, Spokane banker and millionaire, accused in the preliminary hearing of A. R. Cooley at Goldbeach, Or., of having offered money to have Thomas Van Pelt killed, today branded the story as false. J. H. Higgins, a former cashier in Coolidge's bank, was the witness who testified as to Coolidge.

"Higgins is a personal enemy of mine, but I did not imagine that he would attempt to involve me in Van Pelt's death," said Mr. Coolidge.

"My brother was killed sixteen years ago, near Goldbeach, Or., after what was then called a feud. Old man Van Pelt and his sons were cleared of the charge of killing my brother. Subsequently Thomas Van Pelt was killed. The story that I hired Cooley to do the killing is false."



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