

Deadman mining claim

Minfile: Deadman (Lot 613 and/or 618)

The Miner (Nelson), 25 Jun 1892:

Mr. Wharton, who arrived here last week, located a claim called the Deadman, above the Noble Five, which shows good galena, running 300 ounces ... J. McGillivray has sold a one-half interest in the Grey Eagle to Mr. Wharton, who intends to go to work on it at once.

Mining locations book at Kootenay Lake Archives, p. 226-27

Texas, Dead Man, Wild Goose, New Denver, Ephriam, Clifton, Ruecau
1892 Oct 26th

Know all men by these presents that the undersigned John M. Harris, Free Miner Certificate No. 40292, an unmarried man of Wallace, Idaho and in consideration of the sum of \$1 lawful money to me in hand paid by S.K. Green of Spokane, Washington, Free Miner's Certificate No. 40277 at or immediately before the execution of these presents, and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged do by these presents, bargain, sell transfer and assign unto the said S.K. Green his heirs executors administrators and assigns forever all my right title and interest in and to seven certain mineral claims located in the Slocan Mining District, British Columbia and recorded at New Denver, B.C. in the Recorder's Office of said District said interests being as follows viz. 1/4 interest in each of the

following mineral claims: The Texas, Dead Man, Wild Goose, New Denver, Ephriam, and Clifton, also a 1/3 interest in the Ruecau, all said claims being in a group adjoining each other in said District. I hereby state that for the purpose of making this deal with said Green that I am the sole owner of above mentioned interests that they are free from incumbrance and I have a perfect right to sell the same the said interests being now registered in my name in the record office at New Denver, British Columbia. As witness my hand this 14th day of October, 1892. The above deed is subject to an escrow agreement on file at the Traders National Bank, Spokane, Wash., to secure payment of certain money.

Witness Fred T. Kelly

J.M. Harris

Coeur d'Alene Miner, 19 Nov 1892:

SLOCAN MINING DISTRICT

The property bonded is known as the Rico group, or rather, five claims were bonded of the seven which compose the group. The original owners were J.M. Harris, F.T. Kelley [sic], Evan Jones and S.M. Wharton. A few weeks ago Evan Jones sold his interest to a Mr. Udin, of Spokane. Harris and Kelly, owners of two-thirds, this week bonded their interests for \$25,000 each, \$2,000 each being paid down ...

Kootenay Star, 28 Oct 1893:

Messrs Ward of Montana; Miller, Cutler and Carroll of Spokane, mining men who

are old-fashioned enough to believe in silver, have been looking at various properties ...

The Tribune, 16 Jun 1894:

A strong vein of ore has been discovered on the Deadman, a claim located between the Noble Five and the Runan [sic] and owned by the owners of the latter.

The Miner, 23 Jun 1894:

Eight inches of ore have been uncovered on the Deadman, a claim adjoining the Noble Five.

Nakusp Ledge, 2 Aug 1894:

The Deadman claim has been bonded for \$16,000, one-tenth of which has been paid down.

Vancouver Daily World, 4 Aug 1894:

The Deadman claim has been bonded to Cutler & Miller of Connecticut for \$60,000 of which 1/10th has been paid down. Two or three weeks ago the Deadman could not have sold for \$200.

The Tribune, 4 Aug 1894:

The Deadman group, consisting of the Deadman and Wild Goose claims, lying immediately east of the Noble Five group, appears to be the coming bonanza mines of the Slocan district. Until recently these claims were considered only "wildcats"... Frank Cutler in the interest of eastern parties, while searching for mining property, happened to have his attention drawn towards this prospective source of wealth ... The two locations are now

bonded to eastern parties for quite a handsome figure and are being energetically worked by Frank Cutler as manager ...

The Miner, 18 Aug 1894:

All of the Noble Five and Deadman buildings were burnt last night by forest fires which were blown into fierceness by a gale of wind that sprang up suddenly.

The Miner, 25 Aug 1894:

The cabins of the Noble Five were burned yesterday and those on the Rueceau were in considerable danger. Fortunately the Hennessey boys were able to save most of their provisions, etc. and Miller & Cutler, who have bonded the Deadman, also saved their supplies ..

Slocan Times, 15 Sept 1894:

J.F. Cutler, manager of the Deadman mine, was in town on Wednesday night ... He represents a firm of eastern capitalists who recently bought the Deadman on the showing discovered this year. The Deadman is an extension of the Ruecau and no ore was found on it this summer by the owners, J.M. Harris, Kelly and S.M. Wharton. Mr. Cutler acquired the two-thirds interest owned by Harris and Kelly at the rate of \$30,000 for the mine and Wharton's interest at the rate of \$16,000

The Ledge, 10 Jan 1895:

E. Jones has disposed of a quarter interest in the Wild Goose and Deadman claims to R.M. Sherman ... R.M. Sherman has

purchased from F.T. Kelly and J.M. Harris a half interest in the Deadman and Wild Goose properties, paying therefor \$7,000 ... J.M. Harris and F.T. Kelly have bought into the Eastern, Clifton, New Denver, and Texas claims, to the extent of one-16th each. E. Jones was the seller ... Evans [sic] Jones was to sail today from San Francisco for Australia, on his way to Coolgardie.

Evan Jones to R.M. Sherman — 1/4 in Deadman and Wild Goose on Dec. 21. Recorded Jan. 3, amount \$1.
J.M. Harris and F.T. Kelly to R.M. Sherman — 1/2 in Deadman and Wild Goose on Dec. 29. Recorded Jan. 3, amount \$1.

The Miner, 12 Jan 1895: The bond on the Deadman has been taken up by Mr. Cutler as far as Harris and Kellie are concerned, six months before it was due.

Slocan Prospector, 9 Mar 1895:
Many persons are at a loss to know how J. Frank Cutler's mine came to be called by such a disagreeable name as the Deadman. In May [sic] 1892, when J.M. Harris and S.M. Wharton located the claim, Harris, who was going to write the location notice, asked Wharton to suggest a name. That day the body of Tonkin, who was killed by lightning above the Freddy Lee mine, had been brought down to Cody Creek for burial. The fact of a corpse being near their camp was in Mr. Wharton's mine, so he answered, "Oh, call it the Deadman."

Thus what is becoming, under development, a valuable property secured its name and a cognomen which will probably always stick to the live manager, Mr. Cutler.

Slocan Prospector, 16 Mar 1895:

DEADMAN GROUP

Consisting of the Deadman and Wild Goose claims, both on the same ledge and lying between the Reco and Noble Five groups and in the same formation as those mines. The outlandish name was given to the deadman claim by the original locators on account of a prospector being struck by lightning and lying dead at the mouth of the Cody creek when the claim was struck ... The property was purchased last year by R.M. Sherman who is the present owner. J. Frank Cutler is the resident manager.

The Ledge, 23 May 1895:

G.C. Wharton to R.M. [Robinson Morton] Sherman 1/4 in Wild Goose on May 10, \$1
S.M. Wharton to R.M. Sherman 1/4 in Deadman, \$1

Vancouver Daily World, 10 Aug 1896:

Noble Five Consolidated Mining Co. organized at Spokane to operate the Noble Five and Deadman claims in the Slocan.

The Tribune, 19 Jun 1897: C.D. Rand of Vancouver and Sandon, who recently made heavy purchases of Noble Five stock, has been elected a director of the

company in the stead of Frank Cutler,
who resigned.

Victoria Daily Times, 16 Nov 1910: A large
body of ore has just been struck on
Deadman's claim of the historic old
Noble Five mine. The mine, which until
last year has been lying idle for about 15
years, is an historic one in this district
and is owned by the Dunsmuir interests
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