

THE MONTE CRISTO.

It Has Splendid Showings of Ore in Both Tunnels.

ASSAY OF \$17 OBTAINED

This is the Highest Value Yet Found in the Workings, and Gives Promise That Pay Ore is Now Near at Hand.

The Monte Cristo now has the best show for being a mine it has ever had. It has ore in both the upper and lower tunnels and plenty of it. But what is of still more consequence the ore runs better in gold than ever before.

When the lower tunnel was run in 300 feet a crosscut was started to the south, and when it was in 30 feet the ore was broken into through the hanging wall.

This same ore body was found in the upper tunnel, which is 125 feet above the lower tunnel, but the best assay that was obtained from it there was \$15.

There is good reason to believe the silicious ore from the Monte Cristo can be successfully concentrated. The quartz is of a character that can be easily worked out, so that eight or ten tons of crude ore could be put into one ton of concentrates.

THE FREE GOLD BELT

"Miner" Representative Vinted the Norway, Golden Drip and O. K.

Norway Ore Changing to a Rich Sulphide-Golden Drip Looks Well-O. K.'s Ore too Rich to Mill.

The MINER desires to have the most accurate information possible as to any new developments in the camp. Therefore a member of the camp went down to the free milling belt on O. K. mountain to take personal observation of the strikes reported in the Golden Drip and O. K., as well as to take a look at the Norway and the I. X. L.

The Norway is a mile or more south of the O. K. When work was started on it a short time ago a good looking quartz ledge was opened near the surface, but it carried little mineral. The ledge sunk on this showing and it is now down 96 feet. The bottom of the shaft is now in quartz of a mixed character.

Iron pyrites have come in and the ore looks as though it might turn into a rich sulphide. A striking change has occurred during the last few days. The mineralization has increased very much. The ore looks exceedingly well and there appears to be a great deal of it. It extends entirely across the bottom of the shaft. The developments of the next week will be watched with interest, as the permanent character of the ore may in that time be determined.

The showing on the Golden Drip is certainly very encouraging. Free gold was found in the quartz yesterday. It is a rose quartz of the most beautiful description. Free gold was quickly detected yesterday by L. Warner, manager of the O. K., who was one of the visitors at the mine. All the ore is being carefully saved and there is already a dump of considerable proportions.

Now as to the great discovery of free gold in the O. K. The report in THE MINER yesterday morning was substantially correct. The quartz carrying the free gold is in the slope between level No. 11 and the new level known as No. 10, 60 feet above. The vein is five feet wide at this point and the very rich streak is about eight inches wide. Free gold, however, is found above and below the vein. The richest ore is on the hanging wall. The ore on the foot wall is heavily charged with copper and iron pyrites and will concentrate well.

The very rich ore has been a good deal excited. Much of it has got protruding from every part of its surface like so many pinheads. It has to be taken out with great care in order that all the gold may be saved. No blasting is done, but the ore is removed by gads and immediately placed in sacks. It is to be shipped to the United Smelting company's works at Great Falls, Mont., as it is too rich to be put through a stamp mill with economy. Manager J. L. Warner thinks the ore will run at least \$20,000 a ton and he has now been driving on the chute for three days. It is impossible to say, of course, how long it will last.

The tunnel on the I. X. L. is being extended towards a ledge 125 feet away from the point of beginning. The fine body of ore opened up some time ago is not being followed, but the tunnel is being driven straight ahead. Some ore is now coming into the face and it looks as though a good chute might be encountered at any moment.

Red Point Company Organized.

A meeting of the shareholders of the Red Point Gold Mining Co., Ltd. Ly., was held at the company's office Monday. The following were elected directors: J. K. Clark, J. Fred Ritchie and P. G. Nash, of Rossland; Hector McRea, of Ottawa, and Wm. McNally, of Montreal. A meeting of the directors was then held and the following officers appointed: J. K. Clark, president; J. Fred Ritchie, vice president; P. G. Nash, secretary and treasurer.

HIS HAND BLOWN OFF.

Premature Explosion of Dynamite Injures a Laborer on Columbia Ave.

Arthur Mann, a workman employed by Fred Linburg, a contractor who is excavating for a building on the east side of the Lewis building, met with a painful and serious accident Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mann was loading a hole preparatory to blasting when the dynamite exploded, throwing him several feet in the air, and tearing his right hand into shreds. No one else was near enough at the time to suffer from the explosion. Mann was taken to Dr. Bowes' hospital and his wounds were dressed.

Witnesses in a Murder Case.

Frank Marshall, better known as "Texas Steer," started for Ellensburg, Saturday, to give evidence in the case of the state against Tom Johnson, accused of the murder of Wm. Donohue in Bluet mining camp in Kittitas county, Washington, in June 1896. He did not reach his destination upon hearing that there was an important witness in Rossland, left behind and returned to obtain him. The witness is James McGrath, foreman of the Big Three Mining company, who has been ill several days with pneumonia. As soon as McGrath is able to travel he will be taken to Ellensburg to give his evidence in the case.

MAYFLOWER IS ALL RIGHT

Crosscut on the 100-Foot Level Strikes Clean Ore.

On the First Level from the Winze, 40 Feet Above, the Vein Was 30 Inches Wide.

The Mayflower seems to be all right. The ore has been found in the crosscut run from the 100-foot level. When the perpendicular shaft now being run was down to the 60-foot level a crosscut was run a few feet north and the vein was found with 30 inches of excellent ore. It was then determined to put in a steam hoisting plant and put the mine in first-class condition. This caused a delay of several weeks, but when the plant was in working order sinking the shaft was resumed, and when the 100-foot level was reached a crosscut was started north to cut the ore 40 feet below the upper level. It is not yet known how wide the ore is in the lower crosscut, since the men have just got into it through the foot-wall. The vein stands up pretty straight and the indications are favorable. Some of the ore brought over to THE MINER office looked very rich, though appearances do not always tell a true story as to Trail Creek ores. However, there is not much question about Mayflower ore since it has always run high. The smelter returns on the first shipment from the mine were \$56 in gold and silver.

The plan for further operations on the mine is to continue sinking the shaft to the 200-foot level, then crosscut again for the vein. In the meantime drifts will be run both ways on the vein in the 100-foot level and stopping ground opened up. The mine should be tied to the shaft by a sinking line a short time—probably within the present month.

The proving of the Mayflower vein to the depth of 100 feet and the finding there of a good body of high grade ore, has a most important bearing on the entire group of claims in the south belt—carrying ore with both silver and gold values.

THE BAPTIST PARSONAGE

Paris Belle Squatter Throws Its Foundation Into the Street.

The congregation was building on a lot it had fenced in—a Test Case Likely to Result.

Henry Eagles, a squatter on Paris Belle ground, has resisted the erection of the Baptist church parsonage which was commenced Monday afternoon by Contractor H. N. Taylor. A Swede prospector who squatted and built a shack on an adjoining lot, is also mixed up in the controversy.

About 7 o'clock last night the foundation for the parsonage, which was laid under the direction of Mr. Taylor, was torn up and thrown from the premises ordered by Mr. Eagles' orders, and the one rail fence which Mr. Eagles had built to enclose the property claimed by him, was repaired.

Mr. Taylor hearing of the affair immediately consulted Recorder Kirkup to ascertain if it would be proper to issue a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Eagle. He concluded after seeking legal advice to do so, charging Eagles with malicious destruction of property.

Mr. Eagles saw Recorder Kirkup when the construction of the parsonage was commenced and asked what rights he had in the matter. Upon learning that Mr. Eagles had not bought the property and held it simply as a squatter, Mr. Kirkup gave him no assurance as to his ability to hold the property, inasmuch as the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railroad company has a crown grant to the property dispute.

Mr. Eagles then consulted a lawyer and was advised that as he was in possession of the property he should not be intimidated but hold it against all the world except the real owner, and the real owner being unknown he should hold it until the controversy as to the ownership is settled in court and resist by all necessary force any attempt to dispossess him.

In accordance with this advice Mr. Eagles tore up the foundation laid for the parsonage and pitched it off the lot claimed by him last night. There were a number of sympathizing squatters present and all applauded his action. So far as the Swede prospector is concerned he offered to get off the lot upon which the shack is built for \$20, but that amount was refused. Mr. Eagles said that he had paid no money for the property, but was willing to when he was certain who to pay it to.

The Josie people are stoping in the big chute at the east end of the mine. The slope looks well.

THE REDDIN-JACKSON CO.,

LIMITED LIABILITY.

Agents for the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railroad Addition to Rossland.

We offer as special buys the following stocks:

Table listing various stocks and their prices, including 10,000 Pick Up, 2,000 Phoenix, 2,500 Vulcan, 1,000 Delian, 1,500 Jumbo, 5,000 Ivanhoe, 15,000 Celtic Queen, 1,400 Poorman, 5,000 Good Hope, 4000 Imperial, 4,000 Novelty, 500 Josie, 400 Nest Egg, 2,000 Monte Christo, 4,000 Caledonia, 5,000 Buffalo, 3,000 Delacola, 3,000 Beaver.

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SQUATTERS MEET AGAIN

The Old Committee Given Two Weeks More to Report.

An Executive Committee Not Wanted—Ragless, Eber C. Smith, Smith Curtis Did the Talking.

A large number of squatters on the Nelson and Fort Sheppard railway townsite attended a meeting at the International hall Sunday afternoon, but many of them complained yesterday that nothing was done to better their interests in the controversy. Two weeks ago a subscription list was started for the purpose of protecting squatters against possible eviction and no money has been paid in. One member of the original committee, Mr. Stewart, has not been seen and letters mailed to him through the local postoffice have failed to elicit a reply.

In the absence of G. M. Frank, who was elected chairman of the previous meeting, Wm. Ragless was chosen to act in his place. The original secretary was also absent. Mr. Frazier was chosen in his stead. Brief speeches were made by Messrs. Ragless, Eber C. Smith, Smith Curtis and Frazier. The chief controversy came up on a set of resolutions offered by Mr. Frazier proposing the appointment of an executive committee of 5 members, empowered to collect money to fight evictions, employ counsel and engineer the cause of the squatters. The resolutions incidentally accused Mr. Corbin of bad faith in the manner of disposing of lots and commended Mr. Dundee in his method of business. This resolution was voted down. Mr. Curtis strenuously objected to the adoption of this resolution, claiming that it cast a reflection upon the committee previously appointed. Eber Smith stated that so far as he is concerned he was willing that the old committee should stand as members of the executive committee proposed but the committee could not see it that way and the resolution was lost, about five people voting in the affirmative.

Smith Curtis, in the absence of Mr. Frank, chairman of the committee appointed at the meeting two weeks ago, stated that the committee desired more time in which to formulate a report; that legal advice from Victoria which would be valuable information to those interested was expected and asked two more weeks in which to present a report. The request was granted and a report will be made at a meeting to be held two weeks from last Sunday in the International hall.

John S. Baker, principal owner of the I. X. L., arrived from Tacoma yesterday. J. M. Calderwood, of Fraser & Chalmers, Chicago, arrived yesterday and will make Rossland his central point of operations in British Columbia for the immediate future.

PERSONALS.

Dr. D. E. Kerr, late of Chicago, has taken up his residence in Rossland and will engage in the practice of his profession, dentistry. He was a resident of Victoria before he went to Chicago and has already met with many old friends in Rossland.

Copper Giant Gold Mining Company, Ltd. Ly.

CAPITAL STOCK, 1,000,000 SHARES.

Fully Paid Up and Non-Assessable.

Treasury Stock 300,000 Shares

Officers.

PRESIDENT, H. B. SMITH (M. Inst. C. E., etc.), Rossland, B. C.; VICE-PRESIDENT, R. J. BEALEY, (of the R. J. Bealey Co., Ltd.) Rossland, B. C.; MANAGER, WM. G. MERRYWEATHER, of Rossland, B. C.; SECRETARY AND TREASURER, A. E. TORELLE, of Rossland, B. C.

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Engineer's Report.

Extract from a report by Harry Gager, mining engineer: "This group consisting of the Gray Copper, Copper Giant and Blue Copper, all being full claims, fifteen hundred by fifteen hundred feet, are situated on the southeast slope of Lookout Mountain, about ten miles south of Trail, four and one-half miles north of Waneta, on the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway, three and a half miles west of Paulton's Landing on the Columbia River and one and one-half miles north of the International boundary line, in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district, British Columbia, and adjoining the Trail & Waneta Gold and Copper Mining Company's property on the south."

Workings and Outcrop.

"The development so far consists of several open cuts along the center line on the outcrop, and a shaft on the Copper Giant six by ten feet on the surface by eight feet in depth, tapering to about five by eight feet at the bottom, in diorite, which is much broken on north and south sides and the east end. On the bottom and west end it was comparatively solid. The north and east faces of this shaft are cut irregularly with stringers of quartz, varying from one-half

to five inches in width, and giving evidences of having been forced up through the formation.

"These stringers, or quartz seams are highly mineralized, carrying iron and copper pyrites, malachite, galea and chlorides, assaying from samples taken from various places from a trace to \$4 in gold, 1 1/2 to 6 1/2 per cent in copper and from 15 to 49 2-10 ozs. in silver. One assay for lead gave one per cent. The general trend of these quartz seams or stringers is to the east, pitching at an angle of about forty degrees.

"In my opinion these stringers and the broken condition of the formation in which they are would indicate that they came from a large body of mineral lying below and to the east of the outcrop, which could be opened up either by a crosscut tunnel or by running an incline following along the course of these stringers."

Conclusion.

"The showing made on the Copper Giant is in my opinion sufficient to justify the expenditure of both time and money in either crosscutting or following the quartz seams as there is no doubt in my mind that by doing so a large and valuable ore body will be found."

TREASURY SHARES.

The company is of the belief that there is a fair chance to find a valuable mine in the property and has gone into the enterprise after a careful consideration of all the facts obtainable. The officers and directors are gentlemen of position who would not embark in an undertaking of this kind unless they believed there was a good chance for success. Fifty thousand treasury shares will be offered at 5 cents a share. There are no salaried officers and all the money paid in will go to the development of the property.

50,000 Treasury Shares at 5 Cents per Share.

Address A. E. TORELLE, Secretary, Rossland

C. P. R. TAKES HOLD

Railroad Situation in Kootenay to Be Radically Altered.

HAS HEINZE MADE A DEAL?

Building of the Slocan Road Will Give Him a Through Line to all Slocan Mines—C. P. R. Cars Could Go to Rossland and Spokane.

A well informed gentleman who has just returned from the Slocan lake district gives THE MINER some interesting information as to the probable outcome of the present active movements of the Canadian Pacific in that region. The C. P. R. in a special telegram from its Nelson correspondent, published last Sunday morning, gave news of the beginning of the building of the C. P. R. line from the foot of Slocan lake down the Slocan river to Slocan crossing on the Columbia & Kootenay road running from Nelson to Robson.

The developments which will probably follow the completion of an all rail line from Slocan Lake to Robson and connection there with the Columbia & Western, are now under construction from the first to the last. A city council for having a position of honor in the city council system was the original directorate and Milling demand for the east, and in the quota

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