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MINING NOTES.

Since it was first blown in, the output of the Hall Mines smelter has been 470,000 ounces of silver, 1,750,000 pounds of copper and 200 ounces of gold. The approximate value of the total output is half a million dollars.

A. W. Moore & Co., of Victoria, and C. F. Clough & Co., of Spokane, have secured a controlling interest in the Norway. It is situated on the O. K. mountain.

Mr. J. B. Miller, a mining man from the east is fond of a joke and must have played one on the re-porter of the Algoma Pioneer. In all innocence the reporter got the best of the joke in the long run, and a great yarn about Trail Creek has gone the rounds of the press.

The easiest way to reach the Heather Bell is round by the mouth a Sullivan Creek, on the Columbia river. A trail has been cut in to the property and the distance can be made, on horseback, in four hours from Rossland. The organization of this company is nearly completed and the treasury stock will be for sale in a week or two.

A company has been formed to work the Argentine which lies to the south of the Gold Star. There is said to be an encouraging showing on it.

THE REVIEW is informed that the long dispute as to the title of the Monday mineral claim has come to and end at last, the title being now conclusively vested in the holders of the Monday. The Monday is the first western extension of the Homestake and the owners expect to open up a fine showing of ore now that they are free to work.

J. Smith, who is interested in the Galt syndicate's properties on Green mountain, has purchased six claims on Wild Horse Creek, where he has a force of men at work. He claims to have a very big showing and his rock assays up to \$52 in gold. Mr. Smith was a pioneer of Cripple Creek and was there before the camp had a shipping mine or a millionaire

On the first of October the second payment was made on the bond on the Iron Horse fraction, which is now controlled by J. W. Turner and partners, of Seattle. The claim is looking well. There are two feet of ore in the bottom of the shaft.

Some of the members of the excursion from Winnipeg have invested in the Slocan county, having bought the Rabbit Paw from J. L. Drumheller. The Rabbit Paw lies west of the Slocan Star. Trail Creek is a splendid advertisement for mines all over West Kootenay. Every district that has merit is sharing in its prosperity.

B. F. Shaubut has left for London taking with him options on several groups of property, the most important perhaps being the Prince of Wales group on Lookout mountain and the Paymaster group on Murphy Creek.

Work was started on the Morning Star last Thursday and by Sunday the shaft had been baled out and sinking began. The Morning Star lies between the Blue Elephant, the Chance and the Ida. There is a very strong outcrop on the surface and a shaft has been sunk 60 feet. There is a nice streak of mixed quartz and ore in the bottom, which runs \$18 in gold and 17 ounces in silver.

Mining is reported as much improved in Spokane. The strike on the Deer Park has had a good effect there, the stock being largely held in Spokane

The dispute over part of the Apache group in Waterloo between D. Stussi and S. Wharton has neen settled and is now a dead issue.

The promoters' stock of the Waneta and Trail Gold Mining Company, which has been formed to acquire and develop three claims known as the Copper Glance, Copper and Copper Belle, has been successfully placed. A trail has been cut in to the property from Fulton's landing and five men have been put to

work. The property shows a strong vein of which the cropping carry fair value in copper and silver.

The Iron Colt is proving a thoroughbred under development. A good body of ore has been discovered in the shaft.

Some of the ore from the new strike on the Mug. wump assays 131/2 per cent. copper.

Surface stripping on the Colonna Is every day improving the appearance of the showing.

The general range of assays on ores which comes from the north fork of the Salmon River and Wild Horse Creeks warrants the opinion that the last of that country has not been heard.

Some considerable stir has been raised over an advertisement of the Juliet Mining Company which appeared in a Toronto paper. As a matter of fact, that advertisement was so completely ridiculous that it advertised the company as a farce, whereas in reality the Juliet is a prospect which will legitimately stand development. Its present appearance is not discouraging and would not disgust an intending purchaser nearly so much as the foolish wording of the advertisement.

An eastern correspondent who has invested in Monte Cristo stock is anxious to find out why it is that that property is not more heard of at present. The Monte Cristo is not at work on ore and consequently there are no new developments to note. The machinery is not yet installed, but when it is Monte Cristo will be to the front again.

The War Eagle Gold Mining Company declared a dividend of 6 cents a share yesterday, making \$197,000 in all; \$3,000 less than the Le Roi's total.

The C.& C. has been sold through Messrs. Evans, Coleman & Evans, of Vancouver, to an English syndicate. Consideration \$25,000 in each and £30,000 in paid up stock of a company with £100,000 capital.

THE BOUNDARY CREEK DISTRICT.

Mr. W. A. Crane, the expert on whose judgment the Delaware was bought with most satisfactory results for the buyers, has spent three months of the summer in the Boundary Creek, regarding the possibilities of which, with more development and better transportation facilities, he has unbounded confidence. Mr. Crane has made a thorough examination of the district, including the north fork of Kettle River, Wellington, Greenwood, Copper, Providence, Summit and Long Lake camps and as far west as Camp Mc-

Most development at present is being done in the Copper camp, although the North Fork will not long be behind as numerous powerful companies have been lately organized to operate there:

Very promising showings have been opened up on the Snowshoe and Gold Drop, owned by a Vancouver syndicate, managed by Colonel Turner. A diamond drill has been used in prospecting the properties. Mr. Crane's opinion from all he has seen is that the Winnipeg and Golden Crown, situated in the Wellington, have by far the finest showings in the district and hid x. fair to make bonanza mines. The surrounding conditions and the character of the ove are almost identical with those of the Le Roi. It is a very rich chalcopyrite ore in a silicious gangue and carries from \$12 to sooo in gold and from 5 to to per cent. of copper.

Boundary Creek district has specially favorable characteristics as a mining country. Water and timber are abundant and good roads can be built anywhere very cheaply. The progress of the district is somewhat slow at present, because none will open up the mines without railway transportation and none will build a railway until the mines have demonstrated their ability to provide tonnage. Boundary Creek district is, therefore, in the same deadlock which kept back Kootenay so long, but with very good prospects of emerging from it in the near future.