

THE MINING REVIEW

The Columbia & Kootenay to Be Opened by a New Tunnel.

VERTICAL SHAFT ON NO. 1

Shipments Commenced During the Past Week by the Monte Christo-War Eagle Holding Its Own-The Gertrude Looking Well.

The shipments for the past week amounted to 1,195 tons, of which the War Eagle furnished 1,050 tons, the Centre Star 15, and the Iron Mask 65, while the Monte Christo, the recent addition to the shipping list, was represented by 65 tons. The shipments, with the exception of 45 tons, went to the Trail smelter.

The British America corporation is pushing operations extensively, and besides starting a new vertical two-compartment shaft on the No. 1, it will proceed this week with a new tunnel on the Columbia & Kootenay, which will open that property at still lower depth than any of the present workings. The foundation is being laid for the new 12-drill compressor at the Nickle Plate, and it will be pushed as actively as possible.

THE MASCOT.—Excellent progress is being made in the new shaft, which is now down 37 feet. The quartz body has widened somewhat, and is now about 20 inches in width. The ore is a coarse grained iron, carried in white quartz. Numerous improvements have been made in the appliances around the shaft, and a new ventilating pipe has been installed, while a smelter is under way. In the tunnel an ore stringer has been met a stringer of ore varying in width from an inch to three inches, but no assays have been made from it, and it is not expected that the ledge will be met for some time.

THE SUNSET NO. 2.—The east drift at the 300-foot level, which had been run diagonally towards the vein, got into the ledge yesterday and some ore was disclosed. The east drift is now about 20 feet from the foot of the shaft. The west drift, which is also being driven diagonally back to the ledge, is in about 15 feet, but has not yet reached the country rock. Sinking in the shaft will be resumed as soon as the two drifts are a little further advanced. Work is under way in the discovery shaft, which is down about 25 feet. The ore body continues about two feet wide.

THE LE ROI.—Development work is proceeding actively all over the mine. Work will commence this week extending the skipway to the 700-foot level, which, by the way, is almost exactly 700 feet deep, although 138 feet below the so-called 600-foot level. The shaft is short about 36 feet of being the depth indicated by its name. The mine was never in such splendid shape as now, and when stopping is resumed the property will employ more men than ever.

THE WAR EAGLE.—The surface improvements are proceeding rapidly, and the excavation for the new bank and mess houses is nearly completed. Mess houses are nearly completed. Mess houses are nearly completed. Mess houses are nearly completed.

THE GOOD HOPE.—A force of men have been busy during the week stripping the vein of the Good Hope. It has been found to be four feet wide. It runs across the claim for a distance of 600 feet. The ore is a chalcopite and lead, and the vein on the surface is strongly mineralized. The intention is to sink and determine further the value of the find. For the present, at least, work will not be resumed in the old shaft.

THE COLUMBIA & KOOTENAY.—The upraise to connect the No. 2 and the No. 3 tunnel, in which some excellent ore was recently struck, will be completed shortly. Work in the No. 4 tunnel is proceeding rapidly although the ledge has not yet been met. A new tunnel to be known as the No. 5 will be started further down the hill this week. This will open the property in five levels.

THE MONTE CHRISTO.—Shipments last week, the first to be made by the company, aggregated 65 tons, and the assays of the first two carloads showed that the ore went \$31.10 per ton. Things are being arranged all around with a view to the economical and rapid production of ore. The volume of the shipments is to be increased.

THE GERTRUDE.—A new cabin is being built on the property, and a blacksmith shop has been erected. The shaft which is of the double compartment variety, is now down about 25 feet. Some very fine looking ore is being raised, and the property is in promising shape.

THE GOOD FRIDAY.—The tunnels are being actively pushed. An extension has been secured by the Voigt syndicate on its option of the stock held by the promoters of the Good Friday company.

THE CENTRE STAR.—The west shaft, which is now down 500 feet, will be converted into a hoisting shaft, and mineral will be raised clear to the surface instead of being taken out through the tunnel as at present.

THE IRON MASK.—In the winze good ore continues to be met, while in the upraise the showing is satisfactory. The shipments last week amounted to 65 tons, all of which went to Trail.

THE VIRGINIA.—The vertical shaft is being continued and a station is being cut at the 300-foot level. No attempt will be made to open the vein at this point.

THE NICKEL PLATE.—The operations on the property are being concentrated in the drifts from the shaft, where three drifts are at work. No information is given out as to the showing.

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THE NO. 1.—A new vertical two-compartment shaft has been started on the property; it is expected to tap the ledge at a depth of about 300 feet.

THE SANTA ROSA.—The showing in the tunnel continues to promise well, and a big ledge of concentrating ore is being met.

THE VICTORY-TRUMPET.—The showing in the ore bodies in the tunnel is increasing, and the mine was never in better shape.

THE VELVET.—The north drift is improving, and the showing there is fine. Work is under way timbering the shaft between the 100- and the 160-foot levels.

THE GREAT WESTERN.—Some ore is met in the shaft, where two drills are at work sinking.

THE SOUTHERN BELLE.—Work is proceeding in the tunnel and a little ore is being met.

THE JUMBO.—Drifting is continuing, and some ore is being met.

RETURNED FROM THE COAST.

Archie B. Mackenzie Gives His Impressions of the Seaboard.

Archie B. Mackenzie, local ticket agent of the Canadian Pacific railway, has returned from a visit to the coast. While away he visited Vancouver, New Westminster and Seattle. "The coast towns," he says, "are in a fairly good condition. The Klondike boom is over, but while it lasted it was beneficial as it left considerable money in the hands of the residents. The result is that this money has spread through all the avenues of trade and has been beneficial to all classes. This has enabled a number of people in Vancouver to pay interest, taxes, bills, and in some instances to lift mortgages, and has had generally good effect. There is still some Klondike trade, and next year there will be more people going into the Klondike, although it is not anticipated that the rush will be as great as it was this season. In addition to this there are considerable supplies of all kinds being sent north at all times, and this is a great help to business. In another way, the Klondike movement has been beneficial to Vancouver. This is because a number of those who came as far as that city on their way to Klondike have remained there. The result is that there are no vacant stores or houses in Vancouver. There is no doubt either that Vancouver is destined to be a large city.

"The people of the coast cities are beginning to fully recognize the fact that there is a mining district of importance in this province in the Kootenays, and in the manner in which the merchants, business and professional men talked I am certain they are determined to cultivate more intimate and friendly relations with us. What they want now is the trade of this section. It seems to me that there was a time when they did not recognize its full importance, but that is not the case now.

"The travel out of Vancouver is large and the service of the Canadian Pacific is excellent. The cars in use are models of elegance, convenience and comfort, and it is hard to beat the service. In conclusion let me say that I am very much pleased with my visit and had a pleasant time on the coast. The climate there this season of the year is almost perfect, and it is a pleasant place to visit. However, it is the place to do business in, and there are many things that I like it for, and I am glad to be home again."

Slocan-Liberty-Hill Sale.

A local deal of considerable prominence that has recently been successfully consummated at Spokane, was that in which a large interest in the Slocan-Liberty-Hill Mining company and the Trust Mining company was transferred to Messrs. W. B. and Peter McGerry. Instead of turning the money over to the buyers will proceed at once to do 1,200 feet of development work. The larger portion of this work will be the completion of a crosscut tunnel already started, and the balance in drifting and general prospecting work.

The claims owned by these two companies are situated on the south fork of the Kaelo creek, about six and one-half miles from Kaslo. The Slocan-Liberty-Hill owns two claims and the Trust Mining company eight. A large amount of work has already been done on these claims. The original owners, the Briggs brothers, first opened them up, then they were transferred to the companies mentioned, who continued development work.

Eastern holders of treasury shares in both these companies will be pleased to learn of the deal, as the development work now to be done, will place both the properties on a shipping basis.

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A marked revival of interest in the Trail Creek country is indicated by the fact that after an interruption of nearly a year the Toronto World has again instructed its resident correspondent, R. Macdonald, to furnish it with daily telegraphic advices of the mining situation here.

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Ernest Kennedy Gives a Good Account of the Ymir Camp.

A TOWN THAT IS GROWING

Successful Flotation of the Pay Ore (B.C.) Mines, Limited—Many Shares Have Been Sold—Assays of Lardeau-Goldsmith Ore.

"After an absence of six months, it was amazing to note the improvements around Ymir," said Ernest Kennedy Saturday after returning from a trip into the Wild Horse country. "The town of Ymir has grown wonderfully, and four new buildings are now under way on the main business street. While the little city is still ahead of the surrounding mines, it is nevertheless in a very promising condition.

"On the Dundee, the ramway from the mine to the mill is nearly completed, and the concentrator itself, which is a 50-tonner, made by the E. P. Allis company, will be complete according to the terms of the contract by the first of August. The shaft on the property is now down 264 feet, and 160 feet erty is now down 264 feet, and 160 feet of drifting has been accomplished.

"The Tamarac shaft is down 152 feet, and there is 300 tons of ore on the dump, and some of which is already sacked. An average assay went \$16. Despite the prediction of the prophets who forecasted that the ore would turn base with depth, it is still a decomposed, free milling quartz at a depth of 152 feet.

"A boiler and a hoist is already on the property, and our engineer, Mr. Parker, says that there is enough ore now in sight to pay for a 10-stamp mill, which will be installed as soon as sufficient treasury stock is sold. The present treasury stock is sold. The 300-foot level before drifting is commenced.

"The Walters company, which has secured the Black Cock, has put a force of men to work, while at the Ymir the wagon road is nearly completed to the new 40-stamp mill which will be put up there. The Porto Rico will also put in a mill of 10 stamps as soon as the snow gets off the ground. The shaft on the Jubilee is down 50 feet, and the showing is good."

TITLE IN DISPUTE.

Presbyterian Church Lots Alleged to Be on a Mineral Claim.

There is a little trouble over the title to the lots on which the Presbyterian church is being constructed on the corner of First avenue and Lincoln street. The title to the land in question is in dispute, part of the lots being on one mineral claim and a portion on another. The church authorities in order to secure the title to the lots are \$280 give the site paid the squatters \$280 to give them possession, and also offered to purchase the lots. They also offered to give D. C. Corbin for them, but he could not give a title. Last Saturday, when contractors McPhee and Dunlop began operations in the morning they found that a fence had been constructed across one of the two lots. As it interfered with their work it was removed.

Then it was learned that J. J. Hengar claims the outside lot as a portion of the Lincoln fraction mineral claim. Mr. Hengar began the work of sinking a shaft in the street and was compelled to stop by C. O. Lalonde, chairman of the board of public works. Afterwards he put three men at work sinking a shaft on the lot claimed by the church. Mr. Hengar claims that the mining laws have been removed contrary to the law. The church authorities say they have possession of the inside lot and that is all they want for the present, as they do not intend to build on the outside lot for some time to come, and by that time the title may be in better condition. They also allege that the Lincoln fraction mineral claim carries with it no surface rights.

B. C. Chamber of Mines.

VANCOUVER, June 9.—The work of getting the British Columbia chamber of mines into shape is progressing rapidly. An office has been rented and the fittings ordered. In a short time the place will be in condition to throw open to the public and the real work of the organization will begin in earnest. There appears to be no doubt in the minds of the promoters but that the venture will prove a success now that the preliminary difficulties have been overcome. The work of such an organization can be made of the utmost value in a country where the mining industry has assumed the proportions that it has in British Columbia. They have been found an absolute necessity in every other mining country, and the only wonder is that so much time has been allowed to lapse before the formation of such a body.

THE MILITARY BAND.

Intention Is to Make It First Class in Every Respect.

Captain Forin's advertisement calling for musicians to join the militia band will be found in another column. It is his intention to establish a band which will be a first rate one and a credit to the city. The organization will be in charge of Mr. Fielding, who has had years of experience, both in England and in Canada, in managing military bands. Least there should be any mistaken impression it may be stated that the musicians will not be compelled to drill; they will be just as free as though they did not belong to the militia, but they will, ultimately, have their uniforms provided and also instruments and music. In the meantime it is the intention to apply to the city council for a grant in aid, and before long there will be as good a band right here in Roseland as can be found in any other city of the same size, and a better one than can be found in many cities much larger.

It is now said that the Kootenay Power & Light company will have all its connections made and will be enabled to deliver electric power in ten days from date.

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