

MINES AND MINING

What is Going on in... Shaft, Drift, Stope, Winze, Etc., Etc.

I.X.L. and O.K.

What is Being Done on These Two Mines. The New Vein.

Mr. John S. Baker, managing director of the I.X.L., yesterday visited the works of that mine. He also inspected the O.K. property. Mr. Baker reports that the vein recently uncovered on the I.X.L. is looking remarkably well. It has been developed for a distance of 40 feet by a drift tunnel. It is from 18 to 20 inches in width, with well defined walls. The ore is a quartz carrying free gold, and averages \$100 to the ton. The finding of this vein has increased the value of the I.X.L. to a considerable degree. The drift on the No. 2 level, which was within 100 feet of the line of the O.K., is to be extended into the latter ground, as Mr. Baker has indicated the O.K. mine and mill from the Old National bank of Spokane. Work is in progress on No. 4 tunnel. The ore shoot found in the Nos. 1, 2, and 3 levels is 185 feet in length. From this shoot ore continues to be stopped on levels Nos. 1 and 2. Besides the ordinary ore considerable of the very high grade ore is being taken out. Last month three carloads of this high grade ore was extracted. Mr. Baker is confident that he will be able to locate the ore bodies in the O.K. as he has those in the I.X.L.

Will Install a Cyanide Plant.

At the Ymir mine a small experimental cyaniding plant has been in operation and has proven successful in extracting the values from the ore. This plant is to be superseded by a larger one. A portion of the bigger plant has arrived from San Francisco. It is claimed that the cyaniding process will effect a further saving of \$1 per ton on ore passing through the mill, or save about \$600 per month.

Athabasca and Exchequer.

The deal by which the Athabasca Gold mine acquires the assets of the Exchequer Gold Mines company has been completed. The special advantage of having the Exchequer property operated by the Athabasca is that the latter's cyanide plant is adapted to handle Exchequer ore to better advantage than any other system of treatment available in the country.

Nine Carloads of Machinery.

The Canadian-Rand Drill company and the Jencke Machine company have already this month brought nine carloads of machinery into the Kootenays and Yale.

PORCUPINE CREEK SECTION.

Rio Grande, Eldorado Group and Other Promising Properties.

Among the most promising mineral districts south of Nelson is the section drained by Porcupine creek, east of the Nelson Tribrone. The stream is about ten or eleven miles long and joins the Salmon river a mile south of Ymir, after draining an area of approximately 100 square miles, bounded on one hand by the Hidden creek divide and on the other by the Bear creek divide. The section is mineralized from end to end, and the stream affords excellent water power at many points. For timber, the country is fairly well supplied with fir, spruce, hemlock, cedar and white pine, so that the essentials for mining operations are all at hand. The characteristic mineral is galena, sometimes carrying a few dollars in gold and copper-gold. As a whole the section has strong ledges of low or medium grade ore, although there are exceptions to this rule. The formation is diorite at the mouth of the creek, giving place to granite at the summit. The district was first prospected in 1891 and 1892, and is now staked more or less from end to end along the creek. Three and a half miles above the mouth of Porcupine creek the south fork branches off and runs toward the Hidden creek divide. Trails have been constructed from the mouth of the headwaters of the main creek and also to the head of the south fork, from which the trails have been cut to the principal properties. As a whole, the section is undeveloped, but a number of the propositions are in such shape that they are likely to become producers at a comparatively early date. Away the best known propositions along Porcupine creek are those referred to in the following:

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On the divide between Hidden creek and the south fork of Porcupine is the Big Four group, also a staked proposition. It has a strong vein, the ore in which will probably average \$40. A crosscut tunnel to tap the vein was recently finished for 50 feet and operations have now been suspended for the winter. Crossing the south fork and following the Trail for two and a half miles is the Union Jack group, which was located by J. Goodlad and Douglas Cameron, who are still interested in the property. This is a copper-gold proposition and considerable work has been done on the strong lead which crosses the claims. Further on is the Lake View, owned by Al Hughes, of Ymir, and others. It is a galena property and has a good showing. A big tunnel has been driven on the group and work will be resumed in the spring. On the head waters of the south fork is the Big Horn group, which is the only

one working at the present time in the section. It consists of nine claims and was staked by Edward Todd, W. M. Edgar, T. Wood, and S. DesBrisay in 1888. The Big Horn is a gold copper property. The ore from which will average \$24. The vein is about 22 feet wide on the surface with four feet of ore, the assays from which range from \$4 to \$274 in gold. Comfortable cabins, including bunk-house, cook-house, magazine and blacksmith shop, are erected and the mine is equipped with cars and other essentials. The property was stocked at a million dollars about a year ago. A crew of seven men under the direction of W. M. Edgar is now at work on the property. Two shifts are worked on a crosscut which is progressing at the rate of a foot per day. This property may ship during the winter. In addition to the foregoing there are scores of locations on the main creek and south fork which are reported to be first-class prospects, but on which work is not sufficiently advanced to give any indication of their value.

New Assay Office.

The new assay office which is being built on the hill just west of the new Le Roi hoist, is approaching completion. The company is about to install a first-class assay furnace, rollers, etc., which, it is said, will be, when completed, the finest in use in the camp. This assay office will be primarily intended for the Le Roi ore and will be run in connection with the sorting and automatic sampling plant now being placed in operation. The other assay office, near the general offices, will not be used in future for the Le Roi ore.

THE STOCK REVIEW.

While there is nothing of special importance on the leading mines of the camp, yet the reports from the Spitzee, Homestake, St. Elmo, Giant and others show that there is a good prospect of the numbers of those that are in the first class being added to during the coming year. The Iron Mask seems especially in a first-class condition, and the management report that machinery will be installed more capable of dealing with the output of the mine which will in a few months, just as soon as the machinery is in place, be much increased. With the first few months of the coming year the amount of machinery which has been installed during the past year, and which for far the greater part has not as yet come into effective use, will have a prodigious influence in the upward bound of the shipments for the coming year. An expensive plant has been installed at the Rossland Great Western, another at the Le Roi No. 2, another at the Centre Star, yet another at the War Eagle, and by far the largest one at the Le Roi No. 1. None of these, with the exception of the Centre Star, have been used, although in the aggregate upwards of a million dollars has been sunk. It is on this that the estimate of at least 400,000 tons for the output of the camp for the coming year is based. Ten months work with practically only two mines shipping has produced the total of 220,000 tons. One of these shippers in fact only worked five and a half months. With added machinery and with the Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Le Roi No. 2, Rossland Great Western, with the later additions of the Iron Mask and Kootenay mines, there will be a very much larger output. It is, of course, not counting in the minor mines, which may be counted on for another 10,000 or 15,000 tons.

The Output. The shipments for the present week have dropped somewhat below their usual mark. The Centre Star and the Iron Mask are contributing about their average, but the Le Roi shipped a dozen cars this week less than last. This is due to the fact that as alterations are going on at the Northport smelter there is no desire to press the plant there with too much ore which would only block up the yard, already full, and which would interfere with the work there to an inconvenient extent. Some allowances have been made this week for ore shipped to the Le Roi No. 1, but the different mines which have been somewhat overestimated owing to the fact that the cars are not always loaded, even at the same mine, in the same way, cars supposedly carrying 30 tons occasionally running a good deal below and often, much above, there being a difference between an estimate of a dozen cars and more in what is called by the C.P.R. a 60,000 pound shipment.

Appended are the shipments for the past week and year to date:

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Velvet—Work continues on the usual lines at the Velvet, 85 men being employed. The sawmill is being steadily run and lumber is being got out for the buildings which are under construction. A handsome residence (for the superintendent), stable and other buildings are being erected. All the machinery for the compressor plant has arrived at the Sheep Creek station. The road from the railroad to the Velvet is in poor condition owing to the soft weather and melting snow. The compressor plant cannot be hauled to the mine until there is a heavy fall of snow. The lack of snow is quite a detriment to the Velvet as it has been ready to ship ever since the road was completed, which is about six weeks. Had the road been in good condition the intention was to have hauled 25 tons of ore per day from the mine to the railroad ever since it was finished. It is hoped, therefore, that the road will be in condition soon. A large quantity of supplies are being consumed at the mines, and it

WILL LEAD IN TONNAGE.

Attention Is Being Attracted to the Boundary District—Many Deals Made. Greenwood, B.C., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—With three smelters in operation early in the spring, and the probability of a fourth being built some time during next summer, people on the outside are commencing to realize the importance of the Boundary Creek district as a producer of copper-gold ores. The district has long been noted for its truly enormous deposits. There has been no gain-saying that there is ore and plenty of it, but the question, until recently that remained to be solved, was the method of treating, to make these ore bodies profitable. This has been amply demonstrated by the success attained by the Granby smelter at Grand Forks, which today is treating over 600 tons each 24 hours, and its capacity is to be doubled immediately. Mining men, competent to judge, have unhesitatingly said, time after time that in a few short years the Boundary district would become the largest ore shipping district in the province. In a year, the one just drawing to a close, the shipments are second only to that of the Rossland camp. What will it be in another two months when both the British Columbia Copper company and the Standard Pyritic Smelting company are treating ores? These two smelters, in the immediate vicinity of Greenwood, will both be blown in about the first week in February, and will bring the total tonnage of ore smelted in the district up to 1,200 tons daily. By the end of next year, when the Dominion Copper company's proposed smelter should be built, the tonnage will be increased to not less than 300 tons daily, and the additional 600 tons added to the Granby plant will amount to over 2,000 tons each 24 hours. And this does not include any enlargement of the two local reduction works. With copper at its present price, or even down to 10 cents, with a large daily output combined with economical working and cheap smelter charges, there are dozens of properties throughout the district that can be made to pay handsomely. That mining operators on the outside are commencing to realize this nothing better can be cited than the numerous deals lately consummated for properties in Deadwood, Phoenix, Teahington and Summit camps.

Le Roi.—The work on the mine is proceeding much as usual. Stopes are being worked on the levels and crosscuts, being run in various levels to limit the drift motor. The mine is in very good shape and just as soon as the smelter is ready a larger force of men will be employed and a greater quantity of ore shipped out. Sinking is not started as yet, but will be some time before the end of the month or during the beginning of next. On the surface the water tube boilers on Black Bear flat are finally in place and now are merely awaiting the erection of the smoke-stack to be ready for service. The sorting tables, bins, ore-crushers with the sorting motors are now all ready and work is going on with the sampling mill machinery, the shaft of the main works being placed in position yesterday. The direct hoist is not as yet finished, but is nearly assembled and will probably be ready to turn over for the final adjustments this week.

Le Roi No. 2.—In the Josie shaft some changing over of the power pipes and the arrangements of the pumping mill with a view to the beginning of the sinking below the sixth level. It is now probable that this work will not be started till next week. A somewhat similar condition of affairs prevails on the N. 1, where sinking also is being delayed. The crosscut to the Annie has passed the point where the vein was encountered from the 500-foot level of the Josie and preparations are being made to raise for connection with the sinking from the surface.

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War Eagle.—The general manager, Mr. E. B. Kirby, has returned after an absence of several weeks, during which time a good deal of progress has been made with the development on the lower levels of the mine, where some new ore bodies have been located. On his return he made a prolonged examination of the mine and is said to be much pleased with what has been done. No further arrangements as to the marketing of the ore of this mine have as yet been made.

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CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Bluebell mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the west slope of Sophie mountain. Take notice, that I, Kenneth L. Burnet (agent for the New Goldfields of British Columbia, Limited, F. M. C. No. B 49,174), free miner's certificate No. B 31,110, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this twenty-fourth day of October, A.D., 1900. 10-26-111 KENNETH L. BURNET.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Leinster Light mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: Near the city of Rossland, adjoining the Montreal mineral claim. Take notice that I, Samuel L. Long acting as agent for Joseph B. McArthur, free miner's certificate, B7485; Thomas S. Gilmore, free miner's certificate, B30987; Patrick Burns, free miner's certificate, B36835, and Samuel L. Long, free miner's certificate No. B31476, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements. Dated this thirteenth day of December, A. D. 1900. SAMUEL L. LONG, P. L. S.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Gorilla mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Lookout mountain, adjoining the Emma mineral claim. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for Herman A. Keller, F. M. C. No. B 36377, Albert L. A. Keller, F. M. C. No. B 36378 and Frederick S. Agiers, F. M. C. No. B 29394, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 8th day of December, A. D. 1900. N. F. TOWNSEND.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Homestake, Park, Skylark, Gray Copper, Falls View and Victoria mineral claims, situate in the Goat River Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the forks of Priest river about twenty miles west of Ryker's. Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for the British Columbia (Rossland and Slovan) Syndicate, Limited, free miner's certificate No. B 41161, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claims. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 13th day of December, A. D. 1900. F. A. WILKIN.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Cruiser mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About four miles southwest of Rossland, to the west of Little Sheep creek, south of Silla. Take notice that I, F. W. Rolt, free miner's certificate No. B 41071, acting as agent for the owners, viz., J. W. Thornton, F. M. C. B 45075; D. F. Johnston, F. M. C. B 41073, and M. A. Graves, F. M. C. B 31187, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this fourteenth day of November, A. D. 1900. F. W. ROLT.

TO CALIFORNIA, OCEAN OR RAIL, VIA O. R. & N. CO. LINES. Elegantly equipped ocean steamers sail from Portland, Dec. 3 and every five days thereafter. Rates \$22.40 first class, \$18.40 second class from Spokane, including meals and berth on steamer. Only fifty hours, Spokane to San Francisco, via the all-rail route. Trains leave Spokane 4 p. m. daily, arriving at Portland 7 o'clock the next morning, making direct connection with Southern Pacific train arriving at San Francisco at 7:45 p. m. the second day from Spokane. For further information call on or address, H. M. ADAMS, General Agent, 430 Riverside Ave., Spokane, Wash.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the legislature of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate an association to be known as "THE BRITISH COLUMBIA MINING ASSOCIATION," the said association being founded for the following purposes, namely: First, to promote the art and sciences connected with the economical production of valuable minerals and metals by means of meetings for the reading and discussion of technical papers and the subsequent distribution of such information as may be gained through the medium of publication. Second, the establishment of a central reference library and a headquarters for the purpose of this organization. Third, to take concerted action upon such matters as affect the mining and metallurgical industries of the Province of British Columbia, and to encourage and promote these industries by all lawful and honorable means. Dated at Rossland, B.C., Dec. 15, 1900. DAILY & HAMILTON, Solicitors for Applicants.

NOTICE TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNERS. To George H. Godfrey, or to any person or persons to whom he may have transferred his interest in the Townsite mineral claim, situate near Rossland in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District in the Province of British Columbia. You are hereby notified that I have expended three hundred dollars (\$300) in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim in order to hold said mineral claim under the provisions of the "Mineral Act" and amending acts, and if within ninety (90) days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your portion of such expenditure, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said mineral claim will become the property of the undersigned, under section 4 of the mineral act, amended act, 1900. Dated at Rossland, B. C., this 13th day of December, A. D. 1900. 12-13-131. GEORGE E. PFUNDER.

NOTICE. Rossland, B.C., Nov. 9, 1900. To F. B. Salisbury: Notice is hereby given that I, Wm. Griffiths, intend to claim the one-fourth (1/4) interest in the "Olive" mineral claim situate on the west side of Sullivan creek, in the Trail Creek mining district, formerly held by F. B. Salisbury, on which I have done all the assessment work for the past three years, and for which the said F. B. Salisbury has not paid his share of the expense. This also applies to a certain bill of sale of said interest given to other parties. The action is taken under Section 4, of Chap. 45, of the Statutes of 1899 and amendments of 1900. Wm. B. Towns and Agent for Wm. Griffiths.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Magna Charta, Copper Bar and Grace Darling mineral claims, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the west bank of the Columbia river, about one and one-half miles above Fort Sheppard. Take notice that I, F. A. Wilkin, acting as agent for the British Columbia (Rossland and Slovan) Syndicate, Limited, free miner's certificate No. B 41161, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claims. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 13th day of December, A. D. 1900. F. A. WILKIN.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Caroline mineral claim, situate in the Grand Forks mining division of Yale district. Where located: Near the head of McCrae creek in the Christina Lake section. Take notice that I, K. L. Burnet, F. M. C. B 31,110 acting as agent for Ed Harlan, F. M. C. B 31,050, Fred Lange, F. M. C. B 31,055, and G. A. Paulson, F. M. C. B 41,031, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 1st day of November, 1900. 11-8-104. K. L. BURNET.

NOTICE. The Columbia and Western Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act assimilating its bonding powers in respect to its railway and branch lines west of Midway to the powers already given in respect to its lines constructed east of that point, extending the time within which it may complete its railways, and authorizing it to construct such branches from any of its lines not exceeding in any one case thirty miles in length as are from time to time authorized by the Governor in Council, and for other purposes. H. CAMPBELL OSWALD, Secretary.

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Kettle River Mines, Limited, plain vs. Beasdel and others, defendant Judgment of Mr. Justice Walker. The question I have to decide is one of considerable importance, especially, to mining companies. It is stated in a "Sp. Case," which, in substance, is that plaintiff company was first incorporated under the provisions of the "Companies Act, 1890," as the "Kettle River Mines, Limited," under the Companies Act, 1897, by virtue of section 5 of which a capital of \$1,200,000, represented that number of shares of a stated value of \$1.00 each.

Four hundred and five thousand shares in the original company were issued their par value, and with a special valuation that they should, forever, be assessable, to Hazelberg and Hager the price of the "Christina" mineral, which the company bought from them. Thirty thousand shares were set aside as "Treasury shares" for the development of the mine, but they proved to be saleable; and 495,000 shares, the balance of the 1,200,000, were reserved for promoters, namely, 330,000 for Fear Renass, and 165,000 for one Langley.

Fear and Renass sold 112,000 of allotment, for which certificates were issued, at their request, direct to the chasers and they abandoned the remaining 218,000 shares. This abandonment of their mind, is a most significant circumstance, for it practically means that they threw up a prospective fortune of 600, if there is a shadow of truth in the representations made by them to the public, first as promoters, and then as "Treasury shares" for the development of the mine, but they proved to be saleable; and 495,000 shares, the balance of the 1,200,000, were reserved for promoters, namely, 330,000 for Fear Renass, and 165,000 for one Langley.

I have now to consider Langley's in the transaction. Amongst other things, the defendants bought in each, the full faith of his personal investment, which turned out to be false of the further assurance of the company which was conspicuously printed on the face of the share certificates that were issued to them, and which also were untrue, and the shares so purchased were "non-assessable." And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. Dated this 13th day of December, A. D. 1900. F. A. WILKIN.

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