

ROSSLAND'S MINES

Continued Active Development In All the Properties.

ORE SHIPMENTS OF WEEK

They Amounted to 1,395 Tons—Work In the War Eagle—Development of the Sunset—News From All Over the Camp.

From Sunday's Daily: The development of the camp during the past week was steady and continuous. No extraordinary strikes are to be reported, but the improvement in all the working mines has been uninterrupted.

It seems likely that operations will soon be resumed on the Homestake Consolidated group, for D. M. Linnard, the promoter of the company, is now on his way to London to complete arrangements for commencing work and he is confident of success.

The Deer Park, in the South belt, is also to be started up immediately, and Lew Mulholland, who represents the company, is expected in Rossland about Friday.

The ore shipments for the past six days amounted to 1,395 tons, of which the Le Roi furnished 1,300 tons, the Cliff 20 tons and the Iron Mask 75 tons.

The Poorman. Four men are at work on the Poor man, cleaning out the old stopes in preparation for continued development. It is thought that shipments will be made soon. In connection with this the miners have just received the following from Chas. Litchfield, the secretary of the company: Now that work has been started again at the Poorman mine and that consequently extraction and shipment of ore will be immediately in order, it is again creating interest among the stockholders of the camp.

The office is being deluged with letters as to the standing of the company and as to how many assessments have been levied and if any may be expected in the future. As your paper is probably taken by many stockholders of the company in the east, and you welcome statements from those managements that have no secrets to withhold from the public, I, as secretary, desire to state through the columns of your paper, that but one assessment was ever levied, viz: on October 1st, 1896, for one cent per share.

The new directors of the company believe that sufficient ore can now be extracted and realized upon to thoroughly pay for its further development, and therefore do not expect to have to again assess the Poorman stock.

We are out of debt, with considerable cash in the treasury. I will be pleased to mail a printed statement of the company to any one who is interested in the property.

The War Eagle. A crosscut has been completed across the vein from the winze at the 500-foot level in the main tunnel, and the vein was found to be 15 feet wide. On Friday work was commenced continuing the winze to the 625-foot level. The winze is being carried down in the hanging wall, about 30 feet from the vein.

In the War Eagle extension of the Iron Mask tunnel drifting is being conducted along the vein, and an upraise is being made to connect it with the main tunnel. Manager J. B. Hastings is knocking down about 30 tons of ore daily, which is being stored in the stopes.

The Sunset No. 2. The new compressor plant which was started up on Monday last, has been moving along most successfully and progress in the main adit, where one machine is at work, is being made at the rate of five feet per day. The adit is now in 205 feet, it is expected that either Monday or Tuesday it will break into an ore chute which outcrops at this point. The adit will be continued to the 245-foot station, when an upraise will be made to connect with the shaft, which has been sunk at this point. After that it is expected that a shaft will be sunk, but the point on which it will be started has not yet been selected.

The Le Roi. Work on the Le Roi was interfered with somewhat this week by an accident to a skip, but everything is again proceeding favorably. About 200 tons of ore per day is being raised. The new three compartment shaft under way on the vein to the rear of Colonel Peyton's cottage is progressing rapidly, as is the tunnel started on the west end of the claim. Two new Ingersoll-Sergeant drills have been purchased through Jas. D. Sward, the local agent, for use in the development of the mine.

The Iron Colt. The drift in which the recent strike was made has been extended to a distance of about 45 feet, and the ore chute is now about seven feet wide. Of this about two feet is of fine grained quartz assaying about \$20, and the remainder is of white iron, carrying values of about \$6. The main crosscut tunnel is being steadily extended towards the second lead.

The Cliff. The surface workings on the Cliff which have been operated of late are showing up some very good ore, and a shipment of 20 tons is being made. Colonel S. M. Wharton, the manager of the property, is expected in Rossland at any time now.

The Evening Star. The adit which is being used in opening up the vein is now in 200 feet, and the ore chute continues to show up well. The surface work on the vein below the shaft is disclosing some good pyritic ore.

The Josie. Work is being continued in the workings from the 300-foot level in the shaft. The west drift is being continued as is also the crosscut from the end of the east drift, but there are no developments.

The Velvet. Eighteen men are at work on the Velvet and the prospect shaft is now down 14 feet. The showing is very favorable. A shipment of 10 tons to the Trail smelter is being made and the first consignment was packed in yesterday.

The Elba. The Elba, in the South belt, is being opened up in two places now. A double force of men is at work in the main shaft, and Saturday another force was put to work on a fine surface showing lately discovered on the property.

The Crown Point. The sinking of the shaft from the tunnel level has not yet been commenced, but it is likely that it will be undertaken at once, and an increased force may be put to work.

The Iron Mask. The Iron Mask came forward this week with shipments of 75 tons to its credit. Operations are being continued in the workings adjoining the Centre Star's side line.

The Deer Park. Lew Mulholland, of the newly organized Deer Park company, is expected in Rossland next Friday, when work on the property will be at once undertaken.

The Como. A 10-foot assessment hole on the Como, near the Sunset No. 2, on Deer Park mountain, has exposed a promising body of ore 2 1/2 feet wide.

The Abe Lincoln. The new wagon road to the Abe Lincoln will probably be completed by Tuesday. A crosscut is being driven from the 60-foot level in the shaft.

The Lily May. The new compressor plant on the Lily May is being rapidly installed, and it will probably be in running order in a week.

The Monte Cristo. Considerable development work has been done on the Monte Cristo during the past week, as a full force of men is at work.

The Centre Star. Development is proceeding favorably on the Centre Star. Oliver Durant, the manager, left yesterday for Butte.

The Red Mountain. The compressor on the Red Mountain has been shut down, pending the completion of the survey of the property.

The Coxy. The long crosscut tunnel is being continued, but it is not expected that the ledge will be met for some time.

The Jumbo. Ten men are working the Jumbo. It is expected that the ore chute will be tapped in 80 feet.

The Nickel Plate. A full force of men is operating the Nickel Plate.

PROSPECTORS RETURN. They Have Made Four Good Locations on Carnes Creek. Lee George and James Kelly are back from Carnes creek, where they have been since April last. This creek is located 25 miles above Revelstoke and some 10 miles from the Columbia river, and pretty high up in the Selkirk mountains. They report that they have made four locations there, on which there are three veins. One vein is a foot wide, another is three feet and the third is 18 inches in width. The widest of the ledges has been uncovered for a distance of 2,000 feet. The ore from the wide ledge carries gold, iron and a trace of silver and copper. An assay reveals that it carries \$28 in gold. The weather was beginning to get a little cold, and Messrs. George and Kelly were afraid that they might be snowed in, and concluded to return to Rossland before such an event occurred. In the spring they will return and resume the work of developing the property. J. W. O'Connell, F. L. Mosher and A. J. Bertrand each have an interest in the property, and they think that they have a big thing, as the facilities for shipping the ore out are good.

The Electrical Power Company. Robert Jamieson, the chief engineer of the West Kootenay Power & Light company, which is putting in a big electrical plant on the Kootenay river, is in Rossland looking after his company's interests. He says work is being pushed in all departments of the enterprise, and the company expects to be supplying power in Rossland by December 15. The sub-station, where the current received from the trunk line, will be transformed into use for distribution to the mines, will probably be located on the Lookout claim on Monte Cristo mountain. Mr. Jamieson says that not more than 11 1/2 per cent of power will be lost in transmitting the current from the Kootenay river to Rossland.

A Big Proposition. W. H. Fletcher, accompanied by his brothers, Alfred and Hamilton, returned Saturday from the Fort Steele country, where they were prospecting the past season. Mr. Fletcher is the locator of the famous Coronado group, about 18 miles east of Fort Steele, which has one of the most remarkable leads on record. The vein is nearly 125 feet wide, between porphyry and granite, and has been traced for three miles. There is a good cropping, the ore on the surface assaying as high as \$102 in gold, silver and copper. About \$10,000 worth of work will be done on two of the claims this winter.

A New Mining Incorporation. The Canadian Mining syndicate, limited, has been registered as an extra provincial company, and is published in the last issue of the British Columbia Gazette. The capital stock of the company is \$50,000, divided into 50,000 shares of the par value of \$1 each. The head office of the company is at No. 23 John William street, Huddersfield, county of Yorkshire, England. The head office of the company in this province is located in Vancouver. The object is to carry on a general mining business in British Columbia and in other parts of Canada.

BOTH WERE REMOVED

Council Believes From Office Chief Squires and Assistant Winsor.

VOLUNTEERS MAY RETURN

It Looks as if Harmony May Be Restored—The Aldermen Want to Borrow \$10,000 More—Hose and Reels Returned.

It looks now as if the difficulties between the city council and the volunteer fire department will be speedily reconciled. At a special meeting of the aldermen held Saturday afternoon, both of the present officers of the paid department were relieved from their positions. Saturday, too, the volunteers met and reorganized, and announced that they were willing to return to the service of the city if sundry details could be arranged. Incidentally, Elling Johnson, David Stussi and William Austin returned to the bell tower one of the reels and half of the hose, which were removed from there by the volunteers on Thursday morning.

The special meeting of the council was held at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Through the call was not announced until a few minutes before the hour, there was a large attendance present when the council convened. The members in attendance were Mayor Scott, Aldermen Johnson, Wallace, Raymer and McPherson.

The spectators, who included most of the volunteers, were disappointed if they expected to see a lively session of the council, for the board had hardly convened before it suddenly adjourned, to go into secret session in the mayor's private office. Only the members of the council were admitted. Alderman Fessner was notified of the executive session and at once joined the other councilmen.

It was 6 o'clock before the private session adjourned. Then it was given out that by a unanimous vote the board had decided to dispense with the services of Fire Chief Squires and Assistant Fire Chief Winsor, and the two were formally notified to that effect by the city clerk a little later. The reason assigned by the council for this action was that during the services of the officers, and further, that as no horses were available for the fire apparatus paid officers were unnecessary.

Then the councilmen took up the question of presenting a money bill to the ratifiers. As the meeting was a special one called for another purpose, the council could not formally decide upon such an action, but it was informally decided among the aldermen that at the earliest moment they should call a special election to secure, if possible, the authority of the voters to issue additional city debentures to the amount of \$10,000. If this sum were secured the present administration could end its term of office without difficulty, but otherwise considerable trouble is anticipated in making both ends of the municipal finances meet until the next election.

The special money bill cannot be submitted until after the meeting of the council of revision on November 1, and after that it must be advertised, so that it will probably be eight weeks before the question is put to vote.

In case the money bill is secured, the council intends to secure horses for use in connection with the newly purchased fire apparatus, and in that event it would be necessary to have paid firemen who would be in constant attendance at the fire headquarters.

Shortly before noon yesterday, Elling Johnson, David Stussi and Wm. Austin dragged back to the central fire tower one of the carts and 600 feet of the hose which had been removed from there by the fireboys.

FORTY-NINE MILE CREEK. Mr. Bennett Thinks Lots of Gold Will Be Found There. NELSON, Oct. 8.—[Special.]—The company that has taken the lease of the hydraulic claims on Forty-Nine Mile creek, just above the Nelson Hydraulic company's property, evidently means business. Ten feet of the shaft has been sunk in an effort to reach bedrock. Mr. Bennett came in town today for the purpose of taking more men out with him. He believes that bedrock will be reached in 50 feet and a big clean up may be made. It will take at least six weeks to get the shaft down to bedrock. At present some water is being pumped, but this will be disposed of by the hoisting system. The fall of the creek is about 10 per cent, and it is the intention of the new company to start in 500 feet below it, necessarily and drift up to the main shaft for the purpose of draining it. Mr. Bennett is of the opinion that bedrock has never been reached at Forty-Nine Mile creek and that the Nelson Hydraulic company and other companies have been working on rim rock. This theory is borne out in part by the work of the Nelson Hydraulic company during the past year. Mr. Bennett believes that at a depth of 50 feet they will find gold in such abundance that the marvelous find at the Klondike will pale into insignificance.

Transfer of the Queen Bees. There have been a great many reports in regard to the transfer of the Queen Bees group in the Slocan. It is asserted that none of these reports have been correct. The fact of the matter is that C. K. Milbourn bonded the group for \$110,000, of which \$35,000 was cash for the past ten days or two weeks, they have been enjoying the sport of shooting ducks. Although the season is early, they report sport fairly good. The expert to return when the season is at its height.

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NEWS OF TRAIL.

The Electric Plant Has a Governor—Personal and General. TRAIL, Oct. 9.—[Special.]—The Trail electric plant is now controlled by a governor, which has just been installed, and which obviates any variation in the steadiness of lights, which has been occasioned heretofore by the motors at the smelter. When certain rock was being crushed the force of the big Blake crusher was taxed more than when rock of a softer composition was going through, and this caused an overload on the motors. Now the momentum of the two-and-a-half-ton fly wheel will carry the load through without any variation in the lights.

Trail Brevities. Among the Trail visitors to Spokane are Colonel Topping, Mrs. Callahan and children, Mr. and Mrs. Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Archambault, Dr. Raymore and Mr. and Mrs. George White.

Ed Rigney is home from an extended stay in Nelson. He has been employed on the Fern mine.

Mr. F. M. Brown is home from Spokane, where she has been attending the fruit fair.

Premier Turner was expected on today's boat, but failed to arrive.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt are now residents of Sandon. Mr. Hoyt was formerly interested in the Globe hotel.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Steele.

Professor and Mrs. Dewar are visiting at Waneta.

Captain W. K. Brown has sold his hotel at Waneta and will leave in a few days for England.

Plasterers have been busy renovating the Methodist church, and that edifice is now ready for service again.

A survey of Colonel Topping's Gray Gliff mining claim on Lookout mountain, has just been completed by J. D. Anderson, who is also engaged in surveying the St. Croix.

W. de V. le Maistre has gone east for a short holiday.

A ladies' art league has been formed in Trail, and met this week at the home of Mrs. Moran.

Miss Maggie Lewis of Revelstoke, who has been visiting friends in Trail, was honored the past week by two very pleasant gatherings, one at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stansell, and one at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walley.

IS BEARING FRUIT. Sir Charles Tupper's Visit to Slocan Is Already Beneficial. SLOCAN CITY, Oct. 9.—[Special.]—Sir Charles Tupper's recent visit to Slocan City is already bearing fruit, as more men will be put on at the Exchange group, owned by Sir Charles' company, at once, and there is a report going the rounds to the effect that the company will put up a locomotive at an early date. The Exchange is being thoroughly prospected and developed in a systematic manner, and when they commence taking out ore heavy and continuous shipments may be expected.

C. N. Bancroft, who built the Lemmon Creek trail, is now turning his attention to mining. He has recently acquired a one-sixth interest in the Kilo and Wedge fraction on Lemmon creek, and has also taken a lease of the same. He will start work on these claims at once and push operations with his accustomed vigor.

The steamer Slocan brought down another scow laden with rails and timbers for the railway on Thursday, and trucking from this end of the line will soon be begun.

E. W. Gibson, of Birtle, Man., owner of the Boston and Concord mineral claims on Lemmon creek, is in town.

The Evening Star No. 3, on Dayton creek, is rapidly coming to the fore. Ore is being taken out right along, and packers are making daily trips down laden with some excellent ore. More men will be set to work, without delay and operations vigorously pushed.

Mr. Brasch, one of the owners of the Pioneer group, came down from the hills on Thursday bringing with him some very fine samples of rock full of free gold. He says he struck a ledge of very fine ore about 18 inches wide, very much richer than anything heretofore discovered on their claims.

The owners of the Get There Eli, on Twelve Mile, started work on that claim last week and are already sacking up ore for shipment.

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BACK FROM BOUNDARY.

James D. Sward Tells of the Rich Mines There. James D. Sward, the energetic and active agent of the Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill company and other prominent companies, is back from a visit to the Boundary country. Mr. Sward keeps in the closest touch with the mining interests of the country, and no man in the Kootenay travels more than he does. In speaking about the Boundary country yesterday he said, among other things, that it is reported that work has been resumed on the Steam property near Greenwood. The plant which was recently placed on the Ironside is in operation, and the plant which was recently ordered for the Brandon will be installed. In the vicinity of Fairview there is a great deal of activity and the promising properties around there are held at good stiff figures. The placer operations in the neighborhood of Grand Forks from which so much work is expected, have been suspended because of the inability of the miners to save the gold, which is rather fine. At the B. C. which has one of the largest crops of showings in the Province, a force of 20 men are employed and the outlook for the property is a most promising one. The amount of copper in this claim when it is fully developed, is, it is believed, showing no made holes at all.

A LIFE SAVER TO MANKIND

is what Mr. George Benner, Warton, Ont., styles

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Fire Department Trouble in an Altercat

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When the Police Went A Was a Row—Messrs Stussi Summoned For With an Officer.

The trouble between the and the volunteer fire department the possession of the hose by the latter nearly culminated in a fight Thursday morning.

was brought about when Ingram, acting under the mayor, attempted to take of the hose and reels stored in building next to the east west end of Colu

Elling Johnson, the fire whom the apparatus had by the volunteers, refused chief of police to remove it in question. Warm words force was used. The material about 500 feet of hose, which ceded was the property of ality, but leaving undisputed in dispute. Elling Johnson, the fire whom the apparatus had by the volunteers, refused chief of police to remove it in question.

The trouble is the result satisfaction existing among the volunteers over the city council appointing the members.

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