

The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. recently shipped a trial consignment of 2,000 tons of coal from No. 2 mine at Coal Creek, for use on board the steamer *Dakota* on her maiden trip to the Orient. Should the coal prove satisfactory, a large bunker is to be built at the Great Northern Company's wharves at Seattle, from which the company's steamers will be regularly supplied with fuel from these collieries.

A very fine specimen of coal from the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co.'s No. 2 mine, Coal Creek, measuring 3 x 4 x 7 feet, has been placed on exhibition at the Lewis & Clark Exposition at Portland.

It is reported that the use of loose blasting powder is to be discontinued in the Crow's Nest Pass Co.'s mines, and one of the explosives sanctioned by the Provincial Government—probably roburite—substituted therefor.

The situation at the Western Fuel Company's collieries at Nanaimo remains practically unchanged, the feud between the United Mine Workers and the Western Federation of Miners showing no abatement. The local members of the United Mine Workers recently attempted to call out the men working at the Brechin and Northfield Colliery if the company still refused to officially recognize this labour organization. The Western Federation, however, have issued a notice stating that this organization has no grievance with the company in respect to the Brechin workings, and the miners of these collieries have decided by vote to continue working.

At the Wellington Extension collieries, on Vancouver Island, production is now being made at the rate of about 1,200 tons per day. It is probable that the company will shortly increase the working force at these mines if the San Francisco market holds good, as, owing to the trouble at Nanaimo, only about 800 tons of coal daily is being produced there.

An improved system of ventilation is being installed at the Departure Bay coal mine, Vancouver Island, while other changes are also being made to enable the loading of ships at the wharf by the use of automatic screening and loading machinery to displace manual labour. It is intended to equip the mine with German coal-cutting machinery, and the coal will be mined so that there will be no waste.

A recent despatch from British Columbia states that the United Mine Workers have succeeded, in spite of the opposition of the Western Confederation of Miners, in closing down the Western Fuel Co.'s Brechin colliery, thus all the coal mines at Nanaimo are now inoperative.

Mr. W. H. Hall, who is superintending the development work on the coal properties at Quilchena, owned by the Diamond Vale Coal Company, states that the seams uncovered aggregate some 60 feet of workable coal. The company is now exploring the property with a diamond drill.

MINING MEN AND AFFAIRS.

Mr. S. Davis, of Butte, Montana, has assumed charge of the Cork mill in the Slokan district, B.C.

Mr. W. B. McInnes, the new Commissioner of the Yukon, has arrived at Dawson, where he received a very hearty reception.

Col. H. M. Pellatt, the well-known stockbroker of Toronto, was elected a director of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., at a meeting of directors held in Montreal on July 11th.

Professors McKay and Murray, of Dalhousie University, visited Sydney during the month to make arrangements for the establishment of classes in mining and civil engineering at Glace Bay and Sydney.

Mr. Burdette G. Elliott has assumed charge of the Northern Development Company's "Paymaster" property at Manitou. The shaft at this mine is now down 198 feet, and reported to be in good ore.

Mr. J. N. Patton has resigned the superintendentship of the Creighton mine, Copper Cliff, having left during the month for New York. The property will, in future, be in charge of Captain Travers.

Dr. Frank D. Adams, Professor of Geology, McGill University, Montreal, who has been spending the summer holidays in Italy, expects to reach Montreal by the first of August.

Col. Geoffrey Porter, R.E., Director of the Calcutta Mint, India, is, it is announced, shortly to visit the Sudbury nickel mines on official business, the Indian Government having recently passed an Act authorizing the issuance of nickel coins.

Mr. B. F. Pearson, who has been prominently identified with the Dominion Iron & Steel and the Dominion Coal Companies since their inception, recently resigned his directorship on the Boards of these companies.

The Canadian Government recently appropriated \$5,000 to be expended in the entertainment of the Institute of American Engineers in the Yukon. The money will be spent under the direction of Major Wood, Acting Governor.

Mr. Gustave Loeb, of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of New York, spent, last month, several days in the Boundary district of British Columbia, visiting the Mother Lode mine, operated by the British Columbia Copper Company.

At the recent quarterly meeting of the Halifax Board of Trade, Mr. A. A. Hayward was elected chairman of the mine committee. At this committee's recommendation, the local government have now under consideration the appointment of a mining engineer to investigate the occurrences of iron ore in the province.

At a meeting of the Paint Section of the Canadian Manufacturers, it was decided to petition the Dominion Government to allow existing contracts up to June 30th, for white lead and lead in oil, to be carried out under the previous Customs regulations. This concession has since been granted by the Government.

Mr. R. H. Batty, who has acted as managing director of the Triune mine, near Ferguson, B.C., has resigned from his duties, on the ground that he is tired of the inconsistent actions of the board of directors. Mr. Batty's successor is a gentleman named Morton, who is said to have been a successful farmer.

Mr. A. C. Garde, who recently visited the valleys of the Upper Kootenay and Upper Columbia Rivers, in a recent interview expressed a very optimistic opinion concerning the future of the Windermere district. Mining developments here, however, are at present not making great headway, owing to the inaccessibility of the district.

In an interview, Mr. L. Pratt, of Sandon, who was largely instrumental, or rather who took a leading part in securing from the Dominion Government a bounty on lead produced in Canada, now expresses himself as opposed to any renewal of the bounty on lead ores exported.

Mr. Russell, the new manager of the Slough Creek Gravel Gold, at Cariboo, arrived at the mine last month from England, and in a cablegram to the London office states that he found the property in excellent order, and is satisfied with the general outlook. The company is now pumping 1,100,000 gallons of water every 24 hours.

The death occurred in Nelson, on July 7th, of Mrs. Blakemore, the wife of Mr. W. Blakemore, the well-known mining engineer. Mrs. Blakemore was a lady of charming personality and many accomplishments, and much sympathy is felt for Mr. Blakemore in the great loss which he has sustained.

The Brown Alaska Co.'s smelter, at Hadley, Prince of Wales Island, Alaska, the construction of which has been carried on under the direction of Mr. Paul Johnson, will, it is stated, be blown in in September. Mr. J. L. Parker, who was formerly in charge of the Brookllyn group in the Boundary district, and of the North Star mine at Kimberley, is now acting as this company's mine superintendent.

In consequence of the retirement of Mr. Longley, Attorney-General of the Nova Scotia Legislature, who was recently elevated to the Supreme Court Bench, the Hon. Arthur Drysdale, Commissioner of Works and Mines, has been appointed Attorney-General for the province, while the Hon. W. T. Pipes has accepted the portfolio of Works and Mines.

The Rossland Miner states that Prof. Brock, of the Canadian Geological Survey, is making good progress with the structural survey of that district. A reconnaissance has been made of the area to be mapped, in order that an idea of the areal distribution of the different rocks may be more readily formulated. The bases for the triangulation work have been fixed, and preparations have been made in other respects.

The Dominion Coal Company is to be congratulated on having secured the services of Mr. Chas. Fergie, as superintendent of mines. Mr. Fergie is one of the most experienced and well informed authorities on coal mining in North America, and for the past sixteen years has acted as general manager of the Intercolonial Coal Company, of Westfield, N.S. Mr. Fergie's predecessor was Mr. Austin King, of Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. W. Fleet Robertson, Provincial Mineralogist, British Columbia, is officially visiting the Bulkley Valley section in Northern British Columbia this season. This section is supposed to be rich in coal and mineral, but no authentic information is at present available concerning these resources. Mr. Robertson's report on the district will therefore be awaited with much interest, particularly as in the next few years the country will be opened up by the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Mr. R. W. Brigstocke, formerly manager of the Hunter V. and Fern mines, in the Nelson division of British Columbia, has been offered, and has accepted, the management of the Timmis property, in the Temiskaming district of Ontario. This property was recently described by Mr. Hardman in a recent article contributed to the Mining Review. Mr. Brigstocke arrived from the west during July and is now at the mine.

Mr. A. De Romeau, an eminent French geologist, bearing with him letters of introduction from the French Cabinet, is about to visit Canada with a view to studying the geological conditions of this country. Mr. De Romeau, who will, on his arrival, be the guest of Mr. B. A. C. Craig, of the Canada Corundum Company, is especially interested in corundum deposits, of which he has made a special study, and arrangements have been made to enable him to join parties of both the Dominion and Provincial geologists employed in field work in Ontario this year.

The spirit of conciliation and compromise which has characterized the attitude of the new management of the War Eagle and Centre Star mines towards its employees, is undoubtedly appreciated by the local Union, whose executive recently addressed a letter to Mr. T. G. Blackstock, of Toronto, thanking him on behalf of the Union for the friendly and generous settlement made in respect to the judgment the company had obtained against the Western Federation of Miners and the local Union, and expressing the belief that there would in future be industrial peace at the mine.

Mr. W. A. Stadelman, eastern agent of the Wellman-Seaver-Morgan Company, and who has been in charge of the eastern office at 42 Broadway, New York City, has been appointed general sales agent of the same company, with headquarters at Cleveland, O., taking effect July 1st. Mr. Fred Stadelman has been appointed assistant manager of the New York offices of the Wellman-Seaver-Morgan Company. Mr. Harry V. Croll, M.E., for the past eight years with the E. P. Allis Co., and their successors, Allis-Chalmers Co., of Chicago, has resigned and accepted a position with the Wellman-Seaver-Morgan Company, of Cleveland, O.

The Alumni of King's College, Windsor, have voted the sum of \$3,000 towards the erection of a brick building in the town of Sydney, to be used as a new school of engineering. The report of the executive committee of the Alumni, concerning the college's efforts in the direction of establishing a college of engineering and school of mining in Cape Breton, was presented at a meeting held on June 21st. Mr. Hiram Donkin, in a speech, referred to the school of mining at Glace Bay, and stated that there were 7,000 men employed at the mines here within a radius of three miles. He anticipated that there would be a regular attendance at the school of 200 students. The establishment of a college of engineering and school of mining in Cape Breton is a new development. The advantages within reach at Sydney and Glace Bay make it possible to extend the engineering course so as to include not only civil engineering, but mechanical, electric and coal mining engineering. The work will be in charge of Prof. Dahl, who will reside at Sydney.

The Canadian Westinghouse Company, Limited, had a neat and attractive exhibit at the recent meeting of the Canadian Electrical Association. The headquarters were in Room No. 4 of the Hotel Windsor. Distributed at various places in the hotel were reproductions of the company's trade mark formed by electric light combinations. The company had on exhibition a line of their induction motors, direct current motors, OD transformers, series and multiple AC arc lamps, lightning arresters fuse blocks, portable testing instruments, etc. Distribution was made of a complete line of the company's literature illustrating and describing