

continues very large. Lake copper is quoted at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ 16 $\frac{3}{4}$.

LEAD.

There is no change in the market. A good business is being done at last prices. New York quotations: 4.32 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ 4.37 $\frac{1}{2}$.

THE LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

SIGNS of an increased activity in the mining market are at last apparent. There is no sudden boom, no feverish desire on the part of brokers or outsiders to buy anything and everything that looks cheap, but just the same stocks that have an intrinsic value are being quietly picked up when they can be bought cheaply. Rambler-Cariboo is undergoing one of its periodical spasms, and is quoted anywhere from 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 29 $\frac{1}{2}$. Speculators, however, are a little shy about touching this stock, as the controlling interest of the mine have a happy faculty of dropping the public at the exact psychological moment. From all accounts however the mine is in excellent shape. Crow's Nest has touched 50 again and looks like staying at that figure until its dividend paying capability has been demonstrated or otherwise. There has been a big demand for Fairview at and around 4 cents; White Bear has also been largely dealt in, though we are satisfied the investments are of a purely speculative character. We still consider American Boy the best buy on the market at 10 or 11 cents. This will prove one of the Bonanza mines of the Slocan.

MACHINERY CATALOGUES.

WE shall be pleased to mail catalogues of any of the undermentioned firms to our readers free of charge, on application.

Ainsworth & Sons., Wm., fine balances; Armstrong & Morrison, riveted steel pipe ore cars, etc.; B. C. Assay & Chemical Supply Co., assayers' supplies; Braun & Co., T., assayers' supplies; Beatty & Sons, M., cables and tramways, dredges, pumps, etc.; Bennett & Co., Wm., fuse safety couplers, etc.; California Wire Works, cables and tramways; Canadian Rand Drill Co., drills and compressors; Canadian General Electric Co., electrical plants; Cooper Mfg. Co., The James, compressors, power and hand drills; Denver Fire Clay Co., assayers' furnaces, etc.; Fraser & Chalmers, mills, pumps, hoists, engines, etc.; Fairbanks, Morse & Co., steam and gas engines, compressors, etc.; Gates Iron Works, engines, boilers, crushers, etc.; Hamilton Mfg. Co., The Wm., crushers, mills, hoists, etc.; Hendy Iron Works, Joshua, modern mining machinery; Hinton & Co., Geo. C., electrical supplies and machinery; Hearn & Harrison, engineering, mining and surveying instruments; Hamilton Powder Co., explosives; Howells Mining Drill Co., drills, all kinds; Jeffrey Mfg. Co., elevating machinery; Jenckes Machine Co., hoisting and milling machinery; Krupp, Fried. Grusonwerk, mills, engines, pumps, etc.; Lexow, Theo., carbons; Link Belt Machinery Co., conveyors, elevators, etc.; McLennan, McFeeley & Co., belting, etc.; Mitchell, Lewis & Staver, compressors, drills, hoists, etc.; Perrin & Co., Wm., filter presses; Royal Electric Co., electric power, all kinds; Robertson & Co., James, wrought iron pipe, paints, etc.; Sturtevant Mill Co., ore breakers and mills; Stilwell-Bierce & Smith-Vaile Co., water wheels; Taylor & Co., John, assayers' supplies; Trenton Iron Co., cables and tramways; Taylor Air Compressor Co., drills, compressors, etc.; Union Gas Engine Co., gas engines, hoists, etc.; Whitstock, P. & R., mining engineering and surveying instruments; Wilfley Ore Concentrator Co., Ltd., concentrators.

The Hall Mining & Smelting Co., Ltd.

**NELSON,
B. C.**

SMELTING DEPARTMENT.

Purchases

**COPPER ORE,
LEAD ORE.
DRY ORE.**



BUREAU OF PROVINCIAL INFORMATION.

IN ORDER that the Government may be in possession of definite information with which to supply those seeking investments in this Province, I am instructed to invite particulars from those who have properties for sale, and who may feel disposed to forward such particulars to this office for the purpose in question.

In view of the proposed early re-organisation of the Agent General's Office in London, England, the desirability of having on file a list of farms and other properties for sale, with full and accurate details, is obvious. Properties submitted may include farms and farm lands, industrial or commercial concerns, timber limits, water powers, or other enterprises affording opportunities for legitimate investment.

It is not proposed to recommend properties to intending investors, but to afford the fullest access to the classified lists and all available information connected therewith, and to place enquirers in communication with the owners.

The fullest particulars are desired not only of the properties themselves, but of the localities in which they are situated, and the conditions affecting them. For this purpose printed schedules will, upon application, be forwarded to those desirous of making sales.

R. E. GOSNELL,

Secretary, Bureau of Provincial Information.



RE "COAL MINES REGULATION ACT."

EXAMINATION FOR CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY.

NOTICE is hereby given that an examination for Certificates of Competency as Managers of Mines will be held on the 12th day of December, 1900, at the Court House, Nanaimo, B. C., and also at Fernie, B. C.

Candidates, not under twenty-three years of age, desirous of presenting themselves for examination, must deliver to Mr. Thomas Morgan, Chairman of Board of Examiners, Nanaimo, on or before the 3rd day of December, 1900, notice of such intention, in writing, together with a certificate of service from their former or present employers, testifying to at least two years' experience underground.

The examination will be in writing and will include the following subjects, viz :

1. Mining Act and Rules.
2. Mine Gases.
3. General Work.
4. Ventilation.
5. Mining Machinery.
6. Surveying and Levelling.

Any further particulars required may be obtained on application to Mr. Morgan, Chairman of Board of Examiners, Nanaimo, B. C.

RICHARD MCBRIDE, Minister of Mines.

Department of Mines, 6th November, 1900.



NOTICE.

Appointment of Deputy Mining Recorder.

UNDER authority of Order in Council passed December 30th, 1899, the Honourable the Minister of Mines has been pleased to sanction, and I do hereby give notice that I have appointed, Justinian Pelly, of Chilliwack, a Deputy Mining Recorder of and for the District known as Chilliwack, in the New Westminster Mining Division, with sub-recording office at Chilliwack.

w, S. GORE, Gold Commissioner for the District.