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THREE FUNDS MADE

The Big Ledge on the Evening Found at Depth.

IMPORTANT SHOOT IN IRON COLT

It is Eight Feet Wide and the Ore is of a High Grade—Shipping Ore in the Coxy Lower Levels, and Other Notes of Interest.

The Evening Star yesterday shipped a carload of ore to the smelter. This is the first shipment this year, and the initial one under the new management. Mr. Chamberlain, the manager of the Evening Star, was seen, and stated that the ore was taken out of the 125-foot level from the good-copper ledge which was broken into to only a short time since on that level. The strike was made at a point 200 feet in the tunnel. The same ledge has been cut by a tunnel at a point 110 feet away, and so the ore shoot is known to be 110 feet in length, and 125 feet in depth, and from 10 to 12 feet in width. This is the same ledge, which on the surface is about 30 feet in width, and from which several hundred tons of ore were taken and sent to the smelter. The ore at this depth is of a pay grade, and if anything, is richer than it was on the surface. There is more copper in it than there is on the surface. Mr. Chamberlain is greatly pleased with the find, and is now convinced that there is considerable chance of the Evening Star making a mine of more than ordinary value.

The Hoist Is Working Well.

The new 150-horse power electric hoist on the Josie shaft, which was given a trial run last week for two or three days, is now in operation, and is working in a manner that is pleasing to the management. The shaft is now down 500 feet, and this hoist has a capacity sufficient for a depth of 1,000 feet. The intention is to take up the development work on the 300 and 500 foot levels, where it was left off for the purpose of installing the hoisting apparatus. Further on the shaft will be deepened to the 1,000-foot level.

A Find in the Iron Colt.

A strike of considerable importance has been made in the Iron Colt in the raise from the lower tunnel. In this place there has been met eight feet of ore, which is of a shipping grade, and it is much richer than has been so far encountered in any part of the mine. The upraise has been made for a distance of 80 feet through this ore. The ore shoot, therefore, is thought to be an extensive one. Superintendent Sharp says it is the most important find that has so far been made in the Iron Colt.

Progress on the Blackcock at Ymir.

A staff of men are carrying on work throughout the winter under the supervision of Engineer Renshi Macfarlane. Work is being pushed along in the lower tunnel which is being run to tap the main vein at the 200-foot level, and in doing this some promising stringers of mineral have been encountered which bear a marked resemblance to the main lead. Work is also being continued in the west drift of the mine, and a quantity of ore has been taken out which is intended to ship to the smelter in a short time.

Work on the Leo Mine.

Active operations on this promising property, which is situated between the Kern and Silver King mines, near Nelson, have been kept up for several months past. A shaft has been sunk to a depth of 75 feet, where it came into nice-looking ledge matter and mineralized rock. From the 75-foot level a crosscut has already been run in several feet and this is being continued to tap at depth the fine surface showings which outcrop at the surface of the ledge. The values are chiefly in gold, silver and lead, with a little copper. Recent assays from the ledge run from \$39.90 to \$273.80.

Speedy Development of a Mine.

The Chickamoon Stone is located on Sava river, in the Fort Steele district. On June 9th last work was commenced and has been continued without interruption ever since. The group consists of five claims, and the development of the property during the past summer has demonstrated that it is of great value. A main porphyry dyke extends through the country, and the other three are side claims. The work has been done principally by the shaft, and with a depth of 200 feet the shaft has become soft and easily worked. In the deeper workings other ore bodies have been uncovered. While the vein on the surface is 110 feet wide, the vein is at present dipping to the contact (slate and porphyry), and the theory is advanced that larger ore bodies together 500 feet of development has been done, thoroughly proving the property. Eight assays taken of the ore from the tunnel and shaft gave 9.75 per cent copper, 21.25 ounces silver and \$20 in gold.

Will Complete Two New Deals.

Ernest Mansfield leaves today for Kalo, says the Nelson Tribune of Tuesday, January 9th, to arrange with W. E. Soie for the purchase in cash of the Green Lakes, Twin Lakes, Crescent and Capes, a group of claims in Camp Mansfield bonded two months ago. The bond was for \$30,000 and \$4,000 has already been paid on it. The properties have also been systematically

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BY RAIL TO MIDWAY

The C. P. R. to be Finished There by Saturday.

MAKES IT AN IMPORTANT POINT

It Will For Some Time be the Chief Distributing Point for a Number of Neighboring Mining Camps—Prospects of the Boundary Country.

From Mr. E. Jacobs, editor of the Advance, Midway, who was in town yesterday, it was ascertained that the tracklayers are now at work completing the Robson-Midway extension of the Columbia & Western railway. Owing to a shortage of rails, tracklaying was stopped two or three months since at a point about a mile below Greenwood, and last week work was resumed here and on Tuesday morning, the 9th inst., the rails were laid beyond Boundary Falls, and to within four miles of Midway. If nothing occurs to prevent work being continued through this week, Midway should be reached by Saturday night.

It is anticipated that the completion of the railway to Midway will give that town quite an impetus, especially as it is unlikely that an extension westward will be undertaken this year. Mr. Jacobs points out that as the C. P. R. company already has connection with the Okanagan railway, over the Shuswap & Okanagan railway from Sicamous to Okanagan lake, and thence by its own steamer to Pentiction, it controls the freight and passenger trade of the lower Okanagan down to the international boundary line at Osoyoos, including that of Fairview, Keremeos and the eastern part of the Similkameen on the one side, and eastwards to Camp McKinney on the other, so it does not appear that there is sufficient to induce it to yet incur the very large outlay the extension of its railway westwards from Midway via Camp McKinney, the Lower Okanagan and the Similkameen to Hope or Spence's Bridge, on its main line, down to the Fraser valley, must necessarily involve, in point of fact, notwithstanding that C. P. R. survey parties have been engaged for several months past in examining the Similkameen country for the purpose of determining which is the best route for the projected extension through to the Fraser. President Shaughnessy stated last fall, both in Greenwood and Vancouver, in effect that having expended about \$4,000,000 in constructing the Robson-Midway line, his company would wait for some return before entering upon another large outlay.

In any case, Midway should for some time to come, be the chief distributing point for the mining camps of Republic, Sheridan, Toroda Creek, Myer's Creek and the American Okanagan south of the boundary line, and for the upper main Kettle river (with the West Fork and other tributary streams along which numerous mineral locations have already been made), Rock Creek and Camp McKinney north of the line. Further, C. P. R. officials profess to be favorably disposed towards Midway as the divisional point for the Boundary country, and with this end in view, the railway company has obtained from the townsite company a 400-foot right-of-way for more than half a mile across the latter company's land.

Speaking of the outlook for the Boundary Creek district generally, Mr. Jacobs says that if no check comes, through a tightness of money or labor troubles—the latter not being regarded as probable—the district should, during the ensuing year, make rapid and substantial progress. There are now between 20 and 30 mining properties under development, and most of these are either already equipped with power plants or will shortly be. Prominent among these are the Old Ironides, Knob Hill, Victoria, Brooklyn, Stenwind, in Phoenix camp; Winnipeg and Golden Crown in Wellington camp; B. C. Oro Denoro, and Maple Leaf (Rathmullen group) in Summit camp; Jewel and Enterprise and Anchor in Long Lake camp; Last Chance, Morrison, Buckhorn and the Gold Bug, in Deadwood camp; and the Colodona in Smith's camp. Quite half of these properties are preparing to ship ore, so that before the year 1906 closes there should be a satisfactory quantity of outward tonnage for the railway. Besides the properties named, there are as many more that give promise of becoming ship producers next year if meanwhile continuously developed.

In anticipating that the output will be increasingly large, it is assumed that the tests will demonstrate that the ore carries sufficient value to make it profitable to mine it; but it is necessary that one important fact be kept well in mind, viz: that as yet not more than 300 or 400 tons of ore have been sent out from the Boundary country for treatment. In the case of some of the properties named, regular and systematic assaying has been adopted, so that it is quite reasonable to expect good returns. And, too, values have in several instances, been shown to improve with depth, but since the permanent prosperity of the district depends entirely upon this assumption of the presence in the ore of sufficient value to leave a margin of profit above cost of mining and treatment being proved to be well warranted, ordinary business caution requires that results be awaited rather than it be taken for granted that occasional assay values will be maintained in bulk. There does not seem to be any reasonable doubt that quantity will be well maintained as development proceeds, and as regards quality, the indications are generally that this will prove to be equally satisfactory. With this vital question of value favorably determined, the Boundary country should, within the next year, too, become one of

HAS GOOD PROSPECTS.

Promising Group of Mines in the Ymir District.

The Ajax group of claims has been acquired by the National Gold & Silver Mining company, and it appears quite likely may develop into one of the big mines of the district, says the Ymir Miner. It has a big strong ledge about 40 feet wide which has every indication of carrying fair paying values. Besides the ledge, however, these claims, which adjoin the Tamarac, are generally credited with having the Tamarac vein, which in itself is sufficient to put a high value on the shares of the company.

The group consists of the Lookout, Ajax and Gold Drop claims, which lie immediately to the south of the Tamarac mine. On the Lookout a tunnel has been driven a distance of 20 feet on the vein, which crops up on the surface with a width of 20 feet, and is heavily mineralized with pyrites of copper and iron. On the Ajax claim the same vein has been run in by a tunnel of about 15 feet. The more recent development has been done in the shape of a crosscut tunnel which is now in 80 feet and has to be driven some 40 or 50 feet more to strike the vein at an approximate depth of 100 feet on the pitch of the ledge. J. E. Mitchell, superintendent of the Chateaux mine in the Slooan, who reported on the Ajax group, is of the opinion that a large body of ore will be struck on the completion of this tunnel. The big ledge can be traced on the surface through the three claims, although no work has yet been done on the Gold Drop.

On the Ajax is a parallel vein lying about 200 feet west of the big vein and with a surface width of four feet. The position of the Ajax group is extremely favorable to economical working as the veins can all be developed by means of adit tunnels, and the property can be connected with the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railroad by means of tramway over an excellent grade. The directors of the company are Arthur Painter, superintendent Hall Mines smelter; Melville Sims Parry, general agent Confederation Lumber Association; Robert Walker, J. L. Vanstone and Alex. Stewart, all of Nelson. Mr. Stewart is now in Toronto on business for the company.

The Find in the Gertrude.

The recent find in the Gertrude has been crosscut and is found to be about four feet wide. The ore is of a shipping grade. It is a pyrrhotite ore, the principal values being in gold and copper. The management is rather reticent as to the find, but as much as is in the above was learned on good authority.

THE PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY.

Pierce Attack on the Government by Hon. J. H. Turner.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Introducing a want of confidence motion as an addition to the reply to the speech, which had been moved by Tisdall of Vancouver, and seconded by J. M. Martin of Rossland, ex-Premier Turner today delivered the longest and strongest speech he has yet made in British Columbia politics. Contrary to his usual custom, he spoke altogether with out notes, and for upwards of two and a half hours, dissected and boldly attacked the government's weakness and inconsistency, paying special attention to the financial record of the administration, and drawing the deduction that British Columbia lost the confidence of the financial world under the present administration from the depreciated rating of the provincial securities, and the fact that there were no public applications for the last loan when it was put on the market.

He concluded by moving a want of confidence motion replacing all of the reply to the speech following the paragraph containing assumptions of provincial loyalty and devotion to the throne and flag. The debate will be continued by Premier Selwyn, and Higgins will follow him for the opposition, Joe Martin reserving his heavy artillery for the close of the battle. The earlier sessions of today's session were devoted to privilege questions, Helmecken on one of these moving the adjournment of the house in order to bring to the attention of the attorney-general a statement made from the pulpit by Rev. J. C. Speers last Sunday to the effect that a had been trampled under foot in a city saloon. The attorney-general denied that he could find any evidence of the existence of a pro-Ber agitation of any serious proportions here and promised if he could secure evidence to institute proceedings for treason.

Officers Elected.

The young people of the Presbyterian church have elected officers for the ensuing half year. They are as follows: President, R. W. Morrison; vice-president, Mrs. Humphrey; secretary, R. B. Brims; treasurer, Miss M. Hooper. Chalmers men of committees: Prayer, meeting, Mrs. Humphrey; Lockout, John Shaw; Social, Miss McLaughlin; music, Miss M. Lockhart; missionary, Mrs. Henderson.

Married in Nelson.

Mr. James Cowan, of the firm of Cowan & Dudgeon, was married at Nelson on Monday to Miss Lizzie Campbell of Scotland. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Robert Frew of Nelson. Miss Campbell came from Scotland on the steamship Parthian, landing on New Year's day. Mr. Cowan left Scotland less than a year ago, and Miss Campbell is the girl which he left behind him. The newly married couple will make their home in this city. Mr. D. J. Macdonald returned last night from a visit to the coast. Mrs. E. Jacobs, townsite agent of Midway, is at the Allan.

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8,387 52,338 60,725
6,997 47,609 54,606
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9,608 48,740 58,348
12,428 51,577 64,005
11,734 54,349 66,083
12,063 62,983 75,046
20,961 75,227 96,188
18,442 59,875 78,317
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Nil. 721 246,102
51,433 3,152 54,285
Nil. 3,349 267,180
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4,732 3,997 349,215
5,193 2,936 432,841
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