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MINING NOTES.

Scarcely more than a third of the Deer Park stockholders were represented at the meeting in Spokane today. The offer of \$500,000 for the property could not be considered, there being no quorum, but a majority of the shareholders present were opposed to the idea of selling the mine at that figure.

The Pure Gold Mining Company has been organized, with these officers. Walter C. Archer, president; James O'Toole, vice-president; D. D. Birks, treasurer, and A. P. Hunter, secretary and manager. The company owns three lode claims, the Pure Gold Escort and Trilby, at Christina lake, and has six men at work.

Ore shipments over the Red Mountain Railway are very large.

The crosscut tunnel which is being run on the San Francisco is expected to cut the lead very soon. This property is being operated by Winnipeg men.

The power drills of the St. Paul are in full operation.

The White Bear shaft is down about 100 feet. A good shaft house has been built.

Double shifts are working on the Mabel, and the lower tunnel, which is intended to crosscut the ledge, is in about 180 feet.

Judging from Secretary Carlisle's attitude, there is no likelihood of the United States government establishing sampling works at Northport.

The vein of free milling ore on the Golden Drip has widened to two feet.

The following are the Trail Creek stocks which, so far, have been listed by the new Spokane Mining Stock Exchange: Butte, Commander, Crown Point, Deer Park, Evening Star, Great Western, High Ore, Iron Mask, Josie, Jumbo, Le Roi, Lily May, Mayflower, Monita, Monte Cristo, Novelty, O. K., Phoenix, Proman, Rossland, Red Mountain, St. Elmo, Silverine, Virginia, War Eagle, West Le Roi and Josie, White Bear.

A 25-foot drift has been run in a westerly direction 65 feet from the mouth of the Southern Belle shaft, and a crosscut tunnel is being driven 500 feet to the south on another lead. The breast of this tunnel is all in ore and pyritic vein matter.

From the bottom of the Sunset shaft a drift is in 14 feet. The stock of the Canadian Gold Fields syndicate, which is working the Sunset, is selling freely.

Three or four days ago a new body of high grade free milling ore was struck on the O. K. The vein was then eight inches wide. It has since widened to over two feet, and several tons of ore has been taken out. It apparently carries very high values in free gold. The ore will be treated in the O. K. mill by means of the new automatic sampler and amalgamator.

On the Monte Cristo there is now a four-foot ore body averaging \$23 in gold to the ton.

The crosscut tunnel being driven on the Retalation, owned by the Montezuma company, is in 45 feet. Another 25 feet in, it is expected, the lead will be tapped.

The owners of the I. X. L. have decided to drift on their ore body and ship the product immediately, assays having shown good values in gold. The ore is too base for treatment by means of the stamp mill and will be sent to the Tacoma smelter.

The electrical plant which is to supply power for the Trail smelter, and for other purposes in that town, is now on the ground.

The Silent Friend, a 35-acre claim adjoining the Belleview, has been purchased from Duncan McRae by a Toronto syndicate, which will form a strong company to develop the property.

The occupants of lots at the townsite of Nelson on the reservation, according to an exchange, are sinking shafts in their back yards in order to "get ahead" of the Indian Agent, who has threatened them with eviction on the grounds that the reservation is only open to prospectors or miners. Some of these placer "claims" have actually yielded gold.

Ever since Messrs. Gooderham and Blackstock got the War Eagle-Crown Point deal under way, says a Toronto advice, English and American capitalists have been making offers of purchase. The last bid was made the day before yesterday, when a representative of a London, England, syndicate submitted an offer to Mr. George Gooderham, following him to his private residence in the evening to do so. The agent effected no purchase, however, nor is he or any other man likely to do so for a while. Mr. T. G. Blackstock has authorized the statement that the new owners of the mines were absolutely resolved not to sell out, but to develop them themselves. He added that for a month past the cable and telegraph wires had been kept red hot by people who wanted to get hold of the consolidated properties.

An effort is being made, it is now reported, to organize a syndicate in London for the purchase of the Cliff mine for \$400,000. The REVIEW's informant states that there is a strong probability of the deal going through.

FOREIGN EXPERTS COMING.

Scarcely a day passes now that does not bring to Canada some British mining expert who has been interested in the gold fields of Australia or South Africa or years past, but is forsaking them for the rich resources of Algoma or British Columbia.

The latest arrival of this class is Mr. A. Cairns of London, England, who has just passed through this city on his way to Rossland.

Mr. Cairns has for year been identified with the famous Coolgardie fields of Australia, and he says there is plenty of gold on the Antipodean continent yet, much of it free-milling quartz, but the scarcity of water there is the main difficulty, the only stream of any considerable size accessible to the Coolgardie property being 300 miles distant. A company with £2,000,000 capital has been formed to pump the water that distance.

Considering that Western Ontario and British Columbia have comparatively excellent facilities as regards water and fuel supplies, Mr. Cairns' prediction that London's attention will largely turn to our country's mines in the spring would appear to be well founded.—Toronto World.

A MUCH-WANTED REGULATION.

Mining men will be glad to know that the following order-in-council is now in effect:

Any person or joint stock company, being the holder of any mining property, who may apply for relief against the forfeiture of his or its interest in such property by reason of his or its omission to obtain a new free miner's certificate on or before the day following the expiration of the lapsed certificate, shall, upon the production of an affidavit setting forth the circumstances of such omission, and full particulars of the property affected, together with the declaration of the gold commissioner or mining recorder for the division or divisions in which such property is situated, to the effect that no records adverse to the applicant's interests therein have been made by him during the time in which the said applicant was not in possession of a free miner's certificate in good standing; and, further, upon the payment to the minister of mines of a fee of five dollars, be entitled to receive the relief sought for; and the minister of mines may thereupon give instructions for the alteration of the date of the expiration of the lapsed certificate, and may also give instructions for such amendment to be made to the records affected as may be considered requisite.