

LE ROI MINE AND SMELTER TO BE SOLD

Announcement Made by A. J. Macmillan, Managing Director of Corporation

Vancouver, Oct. 25.—The historic Le Roi mine, once the banner producer of the province, and its smelter at Northport, Washington, just south of the international boundary, are for sale. Anthony J. Macmillan, managing director of the Le Roi Mining Co., a British corporation, made the announcement yesterday. Mr. Macmillan, at a recent meeting of the directors held in London, was appointed sole liquidator, and was authorized to dispose of the properties to the best advantage. He will leave to-day for Rosland, where a small working force is still at work. Extensive exploratory work carried out during the past two years has failed to locate any ore or rich ore. Thousands of dollars were expended in diamond drilling and other underground work. The mine has large reserves on various levels, but the values being low and the costs of extraction and treatment being considerable, the question of securing a profit has been considered very problematical.

"The affairs of the company are not in a bad shape. It does not owe a cent, and there is a balance in the bank. The assets, exclusive of the mine, comprise the most complete mining plants in existence, costing, as it did, probably nearly one million dollars," said Mr. Macmillan to-day.

LOST IN THE WOODS

Nanaimo, Oct. 25.—Further reports of the experiences of young Reece of Umanland, who was lost in the woods for four days, indicate that he had anything but a pleasant time. Leaving his companions he had but ten cartridges and a few matches. He shot deer and carried it around until he was nearly exhausted, and eventually sat it while swimming a river. He asked for four days and nights with absolutely nothing to eat, spending most of his time in a swamp, and ended in fog. On one occasion he decided to rest beside a log, where the loss looked warm and inviting, but as he was about to throw himself upon the ground he was struck by an old bear and several clubs almost to his feet, the mother bear ready and willing for action in defence of her cubs. On the fourth day Reece could hear the search parties firing signals, it was unable to answer as his supply of cartridges had run out. He was only able to make his way to the No. 1 mine before collapsing. Here he was found by his friends and carried home, where he was put under the doctor's care. It was found that he was in a terrible condition, his legs were swelling badly, and his feet out of shape. He is still confined to his bed as the result of his experiences.

FREED IN THE END

Vernon, Oct. 25.—The third trial of Albert and Chasley, for murder, which took place before Mr. Justice Gregory, ended in acquittal. The result a personal triumph for their counsel, Messrs. Henderson and Macdonald, who charged with the murder of an Indian man in a debate near Queneston, at that place they were found guilty and sentenced to death. Henderson argued an appeal before the court of appeal in Victoria and secured a new trial. A second trial at Queneston a few days ago ended in a disagreement between the jury, who got a change of venue to this county.

LIFE SAVING STATION

AT HOSMER MINE

Apparatus Available for Use at Michel or Coal Creek Collieries

LIBERAL ASSOCIATION

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Fernie, Oct. 25.—R. F. Tolmie, deputy minister of mines, and F. H. Shepherd, life mine inspector of the province, just completed the establishment of the first life-saving station to be installed by the provincial government since the recent passage of the act authorizing the adoption of the system. The station has the honor of being the first place where the station is established. Others will follow at Middlebrook and at Nanaimo.

The system consists chiefly of a motor oxygen apparatus, which is used for resuscitating the lives of miners and others who may have become temporarily overcome by deadly gases in mines after explosions or other unforeseen accidents.

To the Western Fuel Company, Nanaimo, belong the credit of the introduction of the system in this province. The government getting its inspiration in this particular from that company. The station established at Hosmer consists of one of the Draeger oxygen apparatus manufactured by Draeger Oxygen Apparatus Company of Pittsburgh, Pa., which has a 60-hour capacity, flanked by two motors, resuscitating devices with a 15-minute capacity each. These apparatus have cylinders of 100 cubic feet of oxygen capacity and are of the 100 model. Four electric safety lamps, recharging device, and a water gauge for testing the gas are also part of each apparatus. Mr. Mungrum of Pittsburgh, brought the apparatus and supervised the installation in at Hosmer.

This Hosmer relief station will be available for each of the large collieries in the district, always being in readiness for instant use, and in case of an emergency, the Michel or Coal Creek mine upon receipt of an urgency call from either of these government stations are to be promptly by actions placed at the mine, in accordance with government requirements, by the mining companies. Mr. Mungrum will give instructions for the use of the apparatus before leaving them in charge of local men.

PUBLICITY

"The advertisements speak enthusiastically of your new book."

"Yes," replied the sensitive author, "the world, especially the world of letters, is more interested in the book than in the man."

"If they were discussing a book, it would be a new kind of soap."

Washington Star

BIG BALLOON STILL MISSING

SEARCH IN FORESTS PROVES FUTILE

Hope for Safety of Men Who Sailed in the America II Abandoned

(Times Leased Wire.)

Montreal, Oct. 25.—Hope for the safety of Pilot Allan Hawley and Aide Augustus Post, of the balloon race America II, was abandoned when hunters from Fort Wayne, Ind., arrived here to-day telling of having seen the balloon Wednesday 35 miles north of Kippewa. The country all about Kippewa is uninhabited, rugged and covered with an impenetrable forest. That the aeronauts should ever find their way out after landing is considered an impossibility. The hunters declared there could be no doubt about the balloon they saw, being the America II.

Officials Receive Report.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 25.—A balloon seen passing over Chapeau, Ont., on Thursday night and which afterward was heard to crash into the forest near Rumpsee lake, 32 miles north of Biscotasing, is believed to have been the America II, by officials of the Aero Club, conducting the search for the crew of the missing balloon.

The balloon was seen by the agent of the Canadian Pacific railroad at Chapeau and several others, headed eastward. Guides were within a short distance of the spot where it was believed it landed. They fired guns and searched diligently for the balloon or its occupants, but were unable to find trace of either. Leaving provisions on the shore of the lake, they abandoned the search and returned to Chapeau where they reported the occurrence.

The balloon is almost certain to have been the America II, as all the other balloons in the race had landed before Thursday.

Will Continue Search.

St. Louis, Oct. 25.—Pilot Van Pugh, with Joseph O'Reilly as aide, left for Chapeau late to-day, taking with them the balloon St. Louis III. They will make the ascent in search of the America II, from Chapeau.

No Trace of Balloon.

Chapeau, Ont., Oct. 25.—Louis Spindler, representing the Aero Club of America, arrived here to-day to supervise the search for the balloon reported to have landed near here Thursday. Those who saw the balloon are certain that it was the America II, and that it landed in a dense forest, probably 35 miles from here. Searchers have been out since last night, but at a late hour have no trace of the balloon or aeronauts have been found.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE CHARTER MARKET

Demand for Steam and Sail Tonnage Steady and Situation is Firm

With a continued good demand for both steam and sail tonnage, Australia, thereby lessening the offer for the Pacific Coast market, the freight situation here shows a continued firmness, says the San Francisco Commercial News in its weekly review of the coast charter market. The immediate available steam tonnage has been pretty well cleared up by time chartering, and there is none left for the grain trade, making a rather better outlook for the wandering French sail tonnage. There is still a large amount of grain to be shipped from the Pacific coast, and the demand for sufficient tonnage has been secured thus far, although immediate needs are cared for. Rates may therefore be expected to rule firm, while a marked advance is not the case of the grain trade. Lumber chartering has shown rather more activity during the past week, especially on Australian account. For Sydney 25, 60, has been paid for a couple of home owned vessels. Santa Rosalia has been done at the usual figure of \$5, and Hawaiian Islands at \$5, and Salina Cruz at \$6.25.

Coastwise rates remain weak at former figures.

Offshore lumber rates are quoted as follows: Lumber from Puget Sound or British Columbia to Sydney, 35 3d to 38 3d; to Melbourne or Adelaide, 35 3d to 38 3d; to Port Pirie, 35 3d to 38 3d; to Fremantle, 40 3d to 43 3d; to Valparaiso for orders, 42 3d to 45 3d. With 60 less to direct port; to South Africa, 40 3d to 43 3d; to United Kingdom or Continent, 44 3d to 47 3d; to Guaymas, \$5.25; Mazatlan, \$5.25; Santa Rosalia, \$5; Honolulu, \$5.

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FOUR STEAMERS FOR B. C. COAST

G. T. P. NORTHERN AND C. P. R. PLAN ADDITIONS

Capt. Mackenzie to Purchase a Steamer for G. T. P. Service to Islands

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ALEXANDRA CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

SATISFACTORY REPORTS FROM ALL DEPARTMENTS

Club Has an Assured Place as a Centre of Women's Activities

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

A middle-aged man, was arrested shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon on Fort street and is now held by the police while his operations are being investigated. He has been under observation for some days, during which time he has been found to be disposing of a quantity of valuable jewelry in Victoria. The police, believing that the goods may not have been honestly come by, propose to investigate the career of the man in Victoria further.

LOCAL NEWS