

WORK ON LOOKOUT

Several Properties Are Being Developed There.

GLASGOW GROUP BOUGHT

The Purchaser the Canada Gold Mining & Exploration Co.—The B. C. Bullion Company Will Commence Operations in July.

Seven men have been at work on the Pink and the St. Charles on Lookout mountain, just back of Trail, and a very satisfactory showing has been disclosed. Operations for the present are discontinued, owing to the heavy flow of surface water, but it is likely that work will be resumed soon.

The Pink is the property of the Lookout Mountain Mining company, which also holds the Joker, while the St. Charles is owned by R. T. Daniel. Mr. Daniel, who directed the work on both the properties, was in town yesterday, and spoke very enthusiastically regarding the showing on the two.

The work on the Pink was for the purpose of getting a certificate of improvements, and was confined chiefly to opening the lead, which is exceptionally wide and lies between diorite and porphyry, the formation most prevalent on Lookout mountain. The vein was opened in half a dozen places and some excellent copper ore obtained, giving, so Mr. Daniel says, very satisfactory values.

THE HOMESTAKE GROUP.

It is Said That D. M. Linnard Has About Closed the Deal for Its Sale.

Advices from London indicate that D. M. Linnard has about closed up the deal for the Homestake Consolidated Gold Mines. This company has a capital stock of \$800,000, and is a consolidation of the Homestake Gold Mining company, limited, R. E. Lee Gold Mining company, limited, and the Gopher Gold Mining company. The property consists of the Homestake, Gopher, Maid of Erin and the Robert E. Lee. D. M. Linnard, it will be remembered went to London over a year since and closed up a deal for the sale of the properties of the company, which all adjoining each other and are well developed.

The deal was apparently closed up and Mr. Linnard returned to Rossland and announced that the work of developing was shortly to be commenced. There was a hitch at the London end and Mr. Linnard returned to straighten it out. He had been for some six months working to bring about the result which it is now said will be consummated within a few days. There is a plant on the property and it will probably not be long after his return before operations will be resumed. The group is considered to be one of the best in the south belt.

30,000 SHARES SOLD.

There Was a Flurry in the Shares of the Monte Christo.

There was quite a little flurry in the shares of the Monte Christo Co. Friday, and locally some 30,000 shares of stock changed hands at 19½ cents per share. It is claimed that the cause of the demand for the stock is a rumor to the effect that the power plant is to be increased and that it is the intention of the company to begin before many months the shipment of ore. The local management of the company is reticent as to the affair. Work has been pushed on this property steadily for over a year. The site has been taken to a depth of 100 feet and the property so far as the shipment of ore is concerned it can be continued indefinitely. Those who have visited the mine say it is in first class condition and that there are some good ore bodies in sight.

Bought the Glasgow Group.

The Canada Western Gold Mining & Exploration company, which is being formed among some local and outside mining men, represented here by C. O'Brien Reddin & Co., has secured the Glasgow group, on the Lazar creek, about a mile from Ymir. The price is said to be about \$3,500, spot cash, and Messrs. Snider and McDonald were the lucky sellers. The group includes the Glasgow and the New Glasgow. A good six-foot ledge traverses the property, and so far as has been shown the ore body is about two feet wide. The ore is a smoky quartz, carrying a peculiar cubical iron pyrites, very light in color. Surface assays have been obtained going \$20 in gold to the ton.

Returns Fair Values.

Victor Monnier has just completed a 10-foot shaft on the Georgia fraction, between the Georgia and the Evening Star, and a good looking ledge has been disclosed. The vein is four feet wide and shows considerable copper, which is not common on the side of the hill. Assays made in Spokane returned \$32.50 and a little over \$12 respectively. Work has been discontinued on account of the water from the surface, which interfered with the sinking of the shaft. Mr. Monnier expects to resume operations when the weather will permit.

The Webber Reduction Works.

Lionel Webber, manager of the British Columbia Bullion Extracting company, which is installing the reduction works south of town, near the O. K., is back from a trip to Denver. Mr. Webber expects that the machinery for the plant will be here in a fortnight, and it will be at once installed. Active operations, it is expected, will commence about the first of July.

PERSONAL.

The British Columbia (Rossland & Slocan) syndicate has established its offices in the Guelph block on Columbia avenue. The offices are located on the second floor and will be large and commodious. A. J. McMillan is the manager for this syndicate.

ROSSLAND CASES.

Suits Against Le Roi and War Eagle Being Heard at Victoria.

The May sitting of the full court commenced at Victoria on Monday before Justices Drake, McColl and Irving. The first case heard was that of Pender vs. the War Eagle company. The plaintiff, an employee of the War Eagle mine, was injured by a drill falling on him, and commenced an action in the county court (mining jurisdiction) for \$5,000 damages. The defence claimed that he had been warned to keep away; that he was an old miner and should have known better, but he decided to take his chances, and was injured. At the trial before County Judge Forin and a jury, judge and jury visited the scene of the accident and took a view. While doing this the judge separated himself from the counsel and went under the platform at the bottom of the chute and satisfied himself of what could and what could not be seen from in under the platform. In consequence of his observations, which were not then communicated to the counsel engaged in the case, he, in his charge to the jury, contradicted the evidence of one of the witnesses for the defence. After the trial, in which the plaintiff got \$500 damages, the defendants sent down a surveyor who reported that the judge in his charge to the jury was mistaken in his facts. On this ground the defendants moved for a new trial, and the full court granted it.

A. C. Galt, Rossland, for defendants, and A. L. Belyea for plaintiff.

The full court next took up the appeal in Davis vs. Le Roi, an action for damages tried before Judge Forin and a jury who disagreed. The defendants now appeal from the judge's refusal to grant a nonsuit. J. A. Macdonald, Rossland, for defendants, and A. L. Belyea for plaintiff.

IT WILL BE A GREAT DAY

Elaborate Preparations for the Celebration of the Queen's Birthday.

Over \$1,000 Has Been Subscribed— Races and Athletic Sports—A Big Military Contest on the 25th.

The general committee to arrange for the coming celebration of the Queen's birthday held a rousing meeting last Friday at the Windsor hotel, when the preliminaries for the day's festivities were arranged.

The energetic subscription committee, Claude Oregan and Dan Thomas, reported that it had secured over \$1,000, with high hopes of raising this figure by \$200. Messrs. Oregan and Thomas have done extremely good work in getting funds for the celebration, and they received the hearty thanks of the general committee.

As horse racing will be one of the principal events of the day, \$500 was set aside for prizes, in order to bring out the best horses in the district. The athletic committee was allotted an equal sum, and it has promised to get together the finest amateur sports ever given here. In order to bring out suitable decorations of the business houses, \$500 was set aside, and out of this a first and second cash prize will be paid to the most handsomely adorned buildings in town.

Bands will be in attendance, and the committee will make an effort to secure the closing down of the mines upon that day. The celebration will close with a Queen's birthday ball in the evening at Dominion hall.

On the following day, May 25th, a military tournament will be held at the baseball grounds for the all-around mounted military championship of Canada. It will be under the supervision of the committee, and promises to be one of the most exciting sporting events ever held in the northwest. A gold medal will be presented to the winner, and two entries have already been secured—Staff Sergeant Fred Esmond of Rossland late Eleventh Hussars, and in the body guard of the governor-general of Canada, and Sergeant Major Elliot, late Royal Horse artillery. The latter now holds the mounted broadsword championship of Canada, as he won it recently at Victoria over the Russian, Ivan de Malchin. The tournament to come off here includes tent-pegging, Turk's head exercises, lemon cutting, the clearing the sheep and all the exercises known to crack contestants.

The following committees were appointed at the meeting last night: Claude A. Oregan and A. W. Strickland are respectively ex-officio chairman and secretary of each.

Printing and advertising—H. W. C. Jackson, A. B. MacKenzie, J. F. McCrae, P. McL. Forin.

Sports—Dan Thomas, chairman; E. W. Ward, Wilson McKinnon, E. A. Rolt, J. McKane, J. Squires, F. Ritchie, Wm. Harp, S. Hall.

Horse races—J. S. C. Fraser, chairman; J. C. Gordon, Chas. Hooson, J. C. Spellman, W. T. Oliver, J. M. Smith, J. W. Slatyer.

Finance—Mayor Wallace, A. Barrett, J. S. Clute, Jr., Ross Thompson, A. S. Goodeve, C. O. Lalonde, J. Edgren, J. B. McArthur, R. Hunter.

Committee on the celebration ball: H. S. Wallace, J. Ferguson McCrae, Robert Hunter, John McKane and J. Squires.

The committee on sports will meet tonight at the Windsor. The general committee will meet at the same place Tuesday night, when the program in detail will be arranged.

In addition to the general committee previously named the following members have been added: Sam Hall, Wm. Harp, J. Ferguson McCrae, B. M. Grogan, I. H. Webber, S. Garnham, T. M. Graham, J. Squires and J. B. McArthur.

THE MINING REVIEW

Shipments From the Camp Are Steadily Increasing.

2262 TONS THE LAST WEEK

Product of the Rossland Mines Since Jan. 1, 1897, Has Passed the 100,000 Ton Mark—Sale of the Le Roi—News From All Over the Camp.

The most important announcement in the way of mining news for many weeks past is the confirmation of the sale of the Le Roi to the British America corporation for \$5,000,000, payable \$500,000 down and an equal sum monthly thereafter, as told fully elsewhere in THE MINER this morning.

The ore shipments have steadily climbed until for the week just passed they reach the comfortable total of 2,262 tons, of which the Le Roi as usual heads the list with 1,268 tons, although the War Eagle comes a close second with 780 tons to its credit. Following in succession are the Iron Mask, 94, the Poorman, 75 and the Centre Star, 45. By the way, the shipments since January 1, 1897, just 16 months ago, have passed the 100,000-ton mark.

The Columbia & Kootenay.

The property has been thoroughly overhauled and the mine is in good shape. The compressor plant has been repaired and the steam pipes are being coated with asbestos to prevent loss of heat. In the tunnel Superintendent McDonald has re-established the grades of the tracks and repaired the tracks themselves. A drill is at work in the face of No. 2 tunnel and another is employed upraising from No. 3 tunnel. The latter work is for ventilation, but ore is met. On Tuesday another drill will commence work in the face of the tunnel. The new No. 4 tunnel, which is being driven further down the hill, is under cover, and a drill will be started in it this week.

The Sunset No. 2.

The shaft is now down 250 feet, and good bunches of ore are met, together with some red oxides and the calcite streak that usually accompanies ore chutes in the property. A particularly fine hanging wall is in sight and the ledge is about five and a half feet wide at the bottom of the shaft. The pump just installed at the 200-foot station works well. The tank, which is located in the foot wall, where it catches all the seepage in the shaft, is six feet high, and the pump is set just beside it, so that the pump is always primed when any water is in the tank, and no time is lost in priming when pumping commences.

The Deer Park.

The force has been doubled and 12 men are now at work under ground, while the surface crew has been correspondingly increased. Work has been resumed sinking the shaft from the 200-foot level, and timbering is being carried on in the drifts at the 150-foot level, where a streak of quartz about six feet wide has been met. Of this, two feet carries high gold values, and it will be sacked for shipment. The snow has almost entirely disappeared in the vicinity of the mine and the trail to it is again fairly passable.

The Waverley Group.

Four men are working on the Waverley group on Sophie mountain stripping the ledge by means of open cuts. The showing made is excellent and improves with each shot. It looks as though the Waverley is destined to be a valuable property.

The Great Western.

The Great Western was closed down for a part of last week preparatory to the completion of the new compressor that will be used to operate it and the Nickle Plate. It is expected that work in the shaft with power will start on Tuesday.

The War Eagle.

The War Eagle shipped 780 tons last week, of which 480 went to Trail and 300 to Nelson. Work is continued timbering the new main working shaft of the mine. The crosscut from the 625-foot level to the ledge is continuing.

The Le Roi.

The work of retimbering the 350-foot level in the vicinity of the recent cave-in continues very successfully. Notwithstanding the sale of the mine, work is continuing steadily, and the shipments last week amounted to 1,268 tons.

The Buckeye.

Surface prospecting continues, but work in the shaft will be started again shortly, as the surface water, which caused so much trouble at the latter point, has ceased to interfere.

The Evening Star.

The ledge which was lost for a time, has been recovered, and was met on Friday last. Not enough work has been done as yet to indicate its present character.

The Victory-Triumph.

An important strike has been made in the new drift from the tunnel level, where an ore body about four feet wide was met last week. Assays go from \$18 to \$32.

The Poorman.

Pending the transfer of the Poorman to the B. A. C. operations are proceeding slowly in the stopes. There is no change of importance.

CANADA,

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, No. 3.

In the Supreme Court. In the matter of

O. K. GOLD MINING CO.

Limited Liability, (Foreign). In Liquidation.

The Undersigned Official Liquidator

Will sell by tender, Subject to ratification by the Court.

The property known as the O. K. Mine and the buildings belonging to the said company. Also the entire mining and milling plant of said company, the whole situated on the south slope of O. K. Mountain, in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay, Province of British Columbia. The claim is surveyed and crown granted and known as the O. K. fraction mineral claim, official number 678. The property is about two and one-half miles west of the city of Rossland and close to the main wagon road and Red Mountain Railroad, both leading from the city of Rossland to Northport in the State of Washington.

The O. K. ore was at first largely free-milling, and to work it the first stamp mill in the district was erected. That mill, a five stamp one, has now been sold, being superseded by the new ten-stamp mill. The O. K. mine has been operated since 1893 and was a producer from the start. From January 14th to June 19th, 1897, 2472 tons of O. K. ore were milled, exclusive of several hundred tons of custom work for adjoining mines. The O. K. property is favorably situated for every mining purpose and for the development of a large custom trade for the mill. The new ten-stamp mill is thoroughly equipped for the economical handling of ore. It is connected with the mine by a 600-foot gravity surface tramway, with 20 wire rope carrying rollers, etc., complete, the elevation of the workings being 200 feet above the mill, one 3-wheel brake, with 650 feet ¾-inch steel wire rope, two self-dumping ore cars 18-inch gauge. The mill contains two 50-horse power Standard tubular boilers, each containing 54 12-foot tubes, an 85-horse power Corliss engine, one 10-stamp mill, one No. 6 Blake crusher, one grizzly 4 x 10, 3 x ¾ iron, two Challenge automatic feeders, one overhead Crawl with iron track, one 1-ton Weston differential pulley block, one gold retort, with cover, wedges and condenser pipe, one Rand straight line, class C, 12 x 18 air compressor, capable of running four drills, one 28-inch x 8 feet air receiver, one No. 7 Miller duplex pump, three 6-foot Fraser & Chalmers' Frue vanners, plain belts, one 4-cone hydrometric sizer, one Woodbury concentrator, one bumping table, and one Fraser & Chalmers' ore sample grinder, etc.

BUILDINGS.

The principal buildings include the following: The new mill building, containing 10-stamp mill, but designed and built to accommodate 25-stamps, engine and boiler house, office building, mess room, cook house and store room, manager's residence, etc. The development consists of three main tunnels, with one winze and numerous drifts, one shaft down 15 feet, at least two-thirds of the claim being as yet unprospected. Tenders are now invited for the sale of the property as a whole, including the new 10-stamp mill, the mine, four machine drills and entire plant, machinery and all buildings connected therewith. The liquidator reserves the right to accept or decline any tender, and to withdraw the property from sale at any time, and the further right to fix a reserve price upon the property and to make such other conditions as may meet with the sanction of the court.

The property is open to inspection, but an order for that purpose must be obtained at the office of the liquidator, 3 Imperial Block, Rossland, B. C., where an inventory can be seen and any further information obtained from the undersigned.

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The officers of the Old Gold Quartz & Placer Mining company take pleasure in announcing to the public that they have completed the purchase of the famous Silver King and Silver Queen properties of the Lardeau-Duncan country, and that the same have been amalgamated with the already promising properties of the Old Gold company. The Silver King and Silver Queen have two well defined and highly mineralized ledges running through the entire properties, each being over five feet in width. A number of assays have been made from the property, every one of which shows over \$100 in value and one reaches the magnificent sum of \$135.75. Average taken assays across the entire ledge give values of 102-37.

They are located only about one mile from the rich Gainer creek gold properties, are within three-fourths of a mile of rich placer grounds, are nestled among such well-known mines as the Bad Shot, Silver Cup, Wagner and Bannock Burn groups.

The Old Gold properties now consist of eight claims, (comprising about 400 acres of mineral lands) six of which are on the North Fork of the Salmon river, one of the most promising gold producing districts in British Columbia.

The last assays taken from the quartz ledges on this group give the satisfactory results of over \$20 per ton.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING FACTS: 1. A large area of rich mineral lands. 2. Low capitalization. 3. Shipping ore from the surface. 4. Water and timber in abundance. 5. No salaries to any officer until the property becomes dividend paying. 6. A careful, economical and honest management. 7. The company is out of debt, has money in the treasury, and nearly 400,000 shares of unsold treasury stock.

The above are some of the reasons why an investment in the shares of the Old Gold Quartz & Placer Mining company at present prices is the most profitable that can be made in British Columbia.

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