

The Beaver Hat Gold Mining Company, in the same district, are still operating their five-stamp mill.

Cariboo District.—Mr. L. W. Getchell is working the Dixon property. About sixty tons of ore per month are being mined, and, as there is no stamp mill on the property, the ore is hauled to the Baltimore & Nova Scotia Company's mill for treatment. Mr. Fred. Darragh is in charge during Mr. Getchell's absence in the States. A large supply of cordwood has been secured, and a good summer's campaign is expected.

COBALT.

Mr. Rochester, of the Cobalt Lake Mining Company, who was in Ottawa last week, has returned.



A 4-INCH VEIN OF COBALT ORE AT THE EVANS MINE.

Mr. and Mrs. Adler, of the Foster Mining Company, have moved into their new house at the mine.

Mr. J. W. Evans, mining engineer of Cobalt, has taken Mr. J. T. Laidlaw, mining engineer of East Kootenay, B.C., into partnership. The firm will be Evans & Laidlaw, with offices at Larder Lake, Toronto and Cobalt.

Mr. Longwell, of the Coniagas, who has been in New York looking after the company's ore shipments, has returned to town.

Mr. R. W. Leonard, president of the Coniagas, is in town.

Mr. Culbert, of the O'Brien, has left on an extended trip to Mexico.

The McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mining Company have about completed their stamp mill and concentrating plant, and this plant should prove very successful in treating the low grade ores.

The Nipissing Mining Company are pushing the work of development on their veins underground, and have a large quantity of ore blocked out.

The Jack Pot Silver Mining Company have placed an order with the Allis-Chalmers-Bullock Company for a 20 horse-power boiler and hoist, and are opening up their vein adjoining the Nancy-Helen Mine.

At the O'Brien Mine, Manager Culbert is pushing the work on the company's new office and putting in extensive water works for domestic use and fire protection.

The Imperial Cobalt Silver Mining Company, operating near Portage Bay, are installing a three-drill air compressor, a 60 horse-power boiler, and are at present busy erecting a new boiler house. The management expect to have three drills working underground by the end of the month.

The Cobalt Lake Mining Company are getting out some very fine silver ore, and have a quantity already sacked in their ore house which assays \$3,000 per ton in silver. Their new boilers

and machinery are on the way, and Mr. Fraleek, the company's engineer, is getting the foundations prepared and rushing the work of installation. The shaft on vein No. 4 has been sunk to a depth of thirty feet, and the vein shows an average width of nine inches. Five inches of this is niccolite, containing wire silver, and four inches of it calcite, argentite and wire silver, and assays from three to six thousand ounces of silver per ton. On No. 2 vein an open cut is being driven into the bluff, and of five feet. No. 3 vein is solid niccolite from 12 inches to 15 inches in width, and, so far as known, is the largest vein of massive niccolite in the world. So far all of the six veins yet discovered on this property are of practically right angles to the lake, and continue, so far as known, under the lake. Soundings have been taken over three-quarters of the lake, which disclose a clay bottom of from twenty to forty feet thick. This insures the dryness of the shafts and drifts under the lake, and makes the conditions of mining on this property similar to that of the other mines in camp.

Larder Lake is still attracting the attention of the prospector and investor, and many rich samples have been brought down from this interesting district. It will be two months yet before intelligent examinations can be made and any idea arrived at as to the value of the claims already found. One good gold mine would be the making of Larder Lake, but as nine out of every ten claims have been staked on chance, in a depth of snow from two to three feet, little development work has been done as yet.

Numbers of men, with loads of supplies, are going there every day from all parts of the country, and it won't be for want of enterprise or careful prospecting if Larder Lake district does not show up well in summer.

Numerous finds of native silver have been reported to the west of Cobalt. Several finds have been made near Lady Evelyn Lake, and some rich samples have been brought down from them. Native silver is also reported to have been found in James township. This is very significant and shows the silver-bearing area much more extensive than was at first supposed. From a few miles square the area has now expanded to twenty-four miles by about ten miles, or 240 square miles.



SHAFT HOUSE—THE EVANS MINE, NEAR PORTAGE BAY, COBALT DISTRICT.

It is anticipated that more prospecting will be done this summer than any previous year in Cobalt camp.

THE PROSPECTUS OF THE TRUTHFUL JAMES MINING COMPANY.

The directors of this company expect to make ten times their money out of the public, as they do not contemplate putting their own hard-earned money into any mining enterprise. So far the company has two mining properties, for which they paid a total of \$130.