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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Following are the ore shipments from the mines adjacent to Rossland from Jan. 1, to Aug. 13, 1898:

Le Roi	27,721
War Eagle	20,186
Centre Star	2,577
Poorman	453
Iron Mask	2,143
Cliff	140
Velvet	350
Monte Christo	416
Sunset No. 2	30
Deer Park	6
Giant	83
Total	22,846

The ore shipments for the seven days from Aug. 6 to Aug. 13. inclusive, were as follows:

War Eagle	1,450
Centre Star	200
Giant	16
Total	1,666

The total shipments from the camp since Jan. 1, 1897, aggregate 126,158 tons.

A ROSSLAND PIONEER.

In disposing of its interests in this camp to Mr. Gooderham, the Centre Star Mining company ceases to be an important business factor in Rossland, and in all probability it will shortly go out of existence; but Oliver Durant, the general manager of the company, will continue to play a leading part in mining circles in the Trail Creek division. Mr. Durant is as heavily interested in the Idaho Gold Mining company as he was in the Centre Star company. The Idaho company owns the Idaho mine, which adjoins the Centre Star on the east, and is generally supposed to be a very valuable property, having the same ore bodies that traverse the Centre Star mine. Mr. Durant informs THE MINER that he intends to develop this ground on lines similar to those which he adopted in opening up the property that he has just sold.

This is, indeed, good news. The ability that Mr. Durant has dispalyed in his mining operations in this camp proves him to be one of the most competent and tarsighted mining men in America. He was one of the first to become interested in the camp, and since his advent here has shown unerring judgement in all that he has undertaken. Confronted by many complicated and perplexing geological features, hampered at the outset by lack of facilities with which to carry out his ideas of mining and laboring under many other serious difficulties, he has never wavered in his belief that he would ultimately make a splendid success of his operations here. He has accomplished what he set out to do in the Centre Star and the fact that he is determined to repeat the achievment in the Idaho speaks volumes for his faith in the mineral resources of Rossland. Mr. Durant has followed the arduous occupation of mining for many years and in many places, with the result that he is now a very rich man. It might, therefore, be expected that he would retire from such a calling and enjoy the fruits of his labors unharassed by the cares and worries that necessarily surround a miner, and pass the balance of his life in a more acceptable manner than can as a rule be experienced in mining camp; but he tells us that he will continue to reside principally in Rossland and invest his capital entirely on this side of the international boundary. The people of this camp are deeply indebted to Mr. Durant for what he has done to develop the mineral resources of Rossland. No one has done more than he to make the camp famous the world over, and in expressing the hope that his sojourn here will be attended by no worse financial successes in the future than he has experienced in the past, THE MINER believes that it voices the sentiment of the people of this city.

THE PARIS BELLE CASE.

It does not appear that the Paris Belle case is yet settled or that the Zenith ground is in shape for sale to the citizens of Rossland. In view of the rapid growth of the city and the great desirability of substantial homes being erected this is a serious injustice to Rossland.

The supreme court of British Columbia by unanimous judgment has declared that the Paris Belle company is entitled to this ground, but the Provincial government continues to delay placing the company in a position to make use of it.

This delay has hitherto been attributable to the apparently vindictive and hostile attitude of D. C. Corbin towards the Paris Belle company, but the situation has changed since the Red Mountain land grant has passed into the control of the Great Northern Railway company. This great corporation, it is fair to assume, desires to do business and be on good terms with the people of this district, and will not continue a hopeless fight for the Zenith ground after all the judges of the highest tribunal of the Province have decided that it belongs to the Paris Belle company. President J. J. Hill of the Great Northern, is one of the most prominent, if not the most prominent, railway men on this continent, and his proverbial shrewdness will at once suggest to him that a continuation of the personal policy of Mr. Corbin will be most detrimental to the interests of his new purchase.

THE MINER is pleased to observe that C. W. Shields is the new general manager, and J. D. Farrell one of the directors of the Spokane Falls & Northern railway's system. Both these men are well and favorably known throughout the West, and there can be no doubt but that from this time forward the miners of this camp will be treated in a spirit of friendship and fair play as to surface rights and otherwise.

The fact that the Zenith ground is tied up and not open for sale is a serious drawback to the growth of Rossland.

THE BOUNDARY CREEK RAILWAY.

Hugh Sutherland, a partner of Mackenzie & Mann, the owners of the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway, is reported as saying that the construction of the Penticton-Boundary Creek branch of the V., V. & E. will not be commenced until next year. THE MINER regrets to say that it has good reason to believe that Mr. Sutherland has spoken with definite knowledge in this instance. This delay in completing the railway to Penticton will seriously retard the development and settlement of South Yale district. The general supposition was that an agreement existed between the railway company and the Provincial government whereby the company was to receive a subsidy of $4,000 per mile for constructing the road from Penticton to Boundary Creek, and that construction was to have been commenced by August 8, 1898. But it seems that this agreement and the promises of the Provincial government to the people are to count as nothing. The excuse offered by the railway company is that a Dominion subsidy is required as well as the Provincial grant, before work will be commenced, and that a new arrangement has been made with the Victoria authorities whereby the time has been extended until next year. We would like now to hear what excuse the Government has for conceding this extension of time. It is manifestly the duty of the Government to insist on the immediate compliance of the railway company with the terms of its agreement with the Province. The subsidy was voted as an inducement for the early completion of the road, and there would be no sense in granting it if this object is not attained. Public patience with regard to the railway situation in the Boundary Creek country is almost exhausted.

ROSSLAND STOCKS.

Toronto exchanges tell of a great increase recently in the business done in the mining stock market of that city, especially in British Columbia shares. They state that Rossland and other western buyers are invading the market and are picking up all the loose stock of an active character that is being offered for sale.

The richest and shrewdest men of Montreal have already invested hundreds of thousands of dollars in this camp, and are adding to their already large holdings. The same may be said said of the same class of men to be found in Toronto.

What are the thousands in the East and elsewhere who have money to invest going to do? The prices of the standard stocks of this camp are as low as they will ever be until the mines are worked out. If they are good enough to catch the money of five-sixths of the people of Rossland and the most successful business men of Montreal and Toronto they should be good enough for others to invest in. Now is the time to acquire interests in the Rossland mines, if a safe and profitable investment is required.

MINISTER OF MINES.

Four of the members of the Provincial cabinet have been named and still the most important portfolio, that of mines, remains in the gift of Premier Semlin. The magnitude of the mining industry and its great potentalities demand that the minister of mines be a man who is in close touch with it, and has a proper conception of the responsibility that is placed in his hands when he assumes the duties of the office. In this Province it is a constantly increasing trust, owing to the rapid growth of the industry. It is meet and proper, too, that an individual from the most important mining center in the Province should be selected for this responsible ministerial office. If he is in close touch with the greater mining interests and is able to handle them to the best satisfaction of those concerned it follows naturally that he will be able to carry on the affairs instrusted to him to the satisfaction of those whose mines are located in places of lesser size. What is wanted for this important position is a man who has grown up, so to speak, with the mining interests of the Province, and who, through long residence, is in close relation with men who mine, and who knows to a nicety just what measures will be necessary for the better fostering and development of British Columbia's most important industry. He should be a man who is so acquainted with the topography of the mining section of the Province that he will know just where trails, roads and railways could be constructed to best subserve the interests of the mining portion of the community. In this position a man of business, of affairs, and of practical, everyday knowledge, and not a dreamer or mere theorist is required A man is wanted who has had personal experience with the workings of the mining laws, both from the standpoint of the mine owner and prospector, and is, therefore, fitted to understand the merits and defects of the mining legislation and is competent to suggest beneficial changes in the statutes relating to mining. THE MINER thinks that such a man as has been described is to be found in James Martin, M. P. P.-elect for the Rossland Riding.

M. Martin has spent the better part of his life in the mining sections of this Province and is well qualified for the position of minister of mines. The question is one that rises above and beyond partisan politics so far as the interests of this section are concerned. Who is there among the 19 members of the new Government party who is better qualified for the position than he is, or who has more opportunities for acquaintance with the mining resources and possibilities? So far as can be observed he is the one man in the legislature who is peculiarly suited for the position, and it should be offered to him by Premier Semlin at once. It is certain if he was awarded this honorable position that Mr. Martin would devote to it that same energy and attention that he has given his own business and at which he has been so successful. The attention of the public bodies of the city, such as the city council and the board of trade, is respectfully called to this important matter, and they should meet at the earliest possible moment and petition Premier Semlin that Mr. Martin be made minister of mines.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE scheme for a fast trans-Atlantic service of Canadian steamers seems to have fallen through, at least for the present.

THE electors would like to know by what means Governor McInnes ascertained the information that Hon. J. H. Turner conld not meet the legislature with a majority at his back.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR MCINNES informs the country that he has dismissed Mr. Turner from his position as prime minister of the Province. Mr. Turner says he has received no dismissal.

IT is not improbable, think the London newspapers, that the Prince of Wales may visit Canada next summer, and include British Columbia in his tour. His Royal Highness would get here a most enthusiastic reception.

THE business of the supreme court of British Columbia suffers because of the delay in appointing a successor to the late Chief Justice Davie. The appointment should be made without further delay.

THIS is the season when the careless camper destroys millions of dollars worth of timber by allowing his camp fire to spread. During the dry season the utmost care should be exercised by those who make fires in the open to see that they do not get beyond control.

HON. GEORGE E. FOSTER'S reference to the advisability of conducting the politics of British Columbia on party lines is important, inasmuch as it is the utterance of one of the foremost men in Canadian political life, and we would not be surprised if his suggestions had a far reaching effect in Provincial politics in the near future.

THE Colonist has discovered that Vancouver is going ahead by leaps and bounds. There is no doubt about that. Vancouver is the greatest leaper and bounder in Canada.

The foregoing is from the Vancouver Province. It is very evident that the editor does not appreciate the rapid rate at which Rossland is growing, or h would put it differently.

Bathing in the pool to the west of the city on Black Bear flat should be prohibited. The water, before it reaches the pool, passes through a bog that is filled with decayed and decaying vegetable matter in which disease germs grow, thrive and have their being. There are several cases of severe illness whose origin, it is believed, can be traced to bathing in this pool. Parents should warn their children against the practice of going into this wrter, as it may save them from an attack of fever or some other disorder.

MUCH annoyance has been occasioned by the manner in which the Provincial authorities have seen fit to arrange for the payment of Rossland taxes for 1897, and many taxpayers have been put to an unnecessary expense. Cases are numerous wherein the cost of paying for the advertising of what the authorities chose to call delinquent taxes amounts to to more than the taxes themselves. Much of this might have been avoided if the government had properly notified the public by an advertisement in due time in the local press.

THE extension of the Columbia & Western railway into the Boundary country will be of benefit in that section and and this in other ways besides the simple development of the mining industry. In and about Grand Forks and Midway there is a country which is suited to the raising of fruit and considerable is already grown there. Much of the fruit that is used in Rossland comes from California and Washington and all that arrives from outside the Dominion, of course, has to pay duty. When the railroad communication between here and the Boundary country is established the horticulturists there can greatly increase the number of trees and vines as it is certain that all fruit they can raise will be consumed here and elsewhere along the line of the railway. It will be cheaper for the consumer, too, for the reason that there will be no duty to pay upon this fruit as it will be a home product. It will be fresher and more wholesome, too, than fruit which comes from places hundreds of miles away and which is often weeks in transit.

IN this issue is published a letter from C. Kingsley Milbourne of the Dominion Mining Development and Agency Company, limited, in which he says that his company has nothing to do with the Duncan Mines group. In this connection Mr. Milbourne makes the statement that similar and misleading reports have appeared at various times in all the prominent mining papers published in Canada, and that he is reluctantly forced to the conclusion that the false representations are being made with the apparent object of obtaining some benefit therefrom. In this particular instance, however, Mr. Milbourne is mistaken in his impression and deduction that some benefit was to be gained by printing the reference to his company in this paper. The allusion to his company was printed in the London letter and if there was a mistake it was made unwittingly by the London correspondent who is usually very careful of his facts.

IT IS most inconvenient to have the city plunged into darkness and the company that is furnishing electric lights to the citizens should have some means by which these incidents should be less infrequent than they are. For three successive nights there have been periods when there were no lights. On the first two nights the lights were restored after a period of darkness, but last night there were no intermissions—the lack of illumination continued all night. To be sure it was due to an accident, but these are liable to happen frequently, unless more precaution is taken to prevent them. If it could be so arranged that the old electric lights works in this city could be connected with the light system during the time the Bonnington Falls' line is down it should be done. Either this or something else that will prevent stoppages of the illumination would be welcome to suffering citizens. If the West Kootenay Pewer & Light company expects to supply power to the mines around this city it cannot afford to have many more of these interruptions, as it will give the company such a bad reputation that perhaps some of the mines will not care to take power where it is liable to such frequent interruptions.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Dominion Mining Development Co.

NELSON, Aug. 15, 1898.

EDITOR MINER—SIR: My attention has just been called to a statement appearing in your London letter published under date of August 6. In this letter reference is made to the Dominion Mining Development & Agency company, limited, and the Queen Bess Proprietary company, limited, and the assertion is made that "both these companies belong to the Duncan group."

Inasmuch as this and several other misleading reports have appeared at various times in all the prominent mining papers published in Canada, I am reluctantly forced to the conclusion that false representations are being made with the apparent object of obtaining some benefit therefrom.

As pointed out in a similar contradiction published in the Aug&st issue of the Mining Record, the connection of the Duncan Mines with the Queen Bess company is purely a secondary one. With the Dominion Mining Development company they have nothing whatever to do. Yours truly,

C. KINGSLEY MILBOURNE.

A NEW MEMBER.

Dr. R. E. McKechnie Made a Minister Without a Portfolio.

VICTORIA, Aug. 17.—There is little change today in the political situation, the new ministers are taking their time to familiarize themselves with their departmental work, and but one addition to the cabinet being announced. This is Dr. R. E. McKechnie, physician to the new Vancouver Coal company, who has just been elected from Nanaimo city, this being his first political venture. He is a native of Brockville, Ont., born in 1861, and a McGill gold medallist of his year. He was sworn in this afternoon a member of the executive council without a portfolio. Although not yet formally announced, it is generally understood that Premier Semlin's cabinet will consist of six instead of five members as heretofore.

The reply to the petition against the return of Hon. James Baker raises some interesting points affecting the whole of the petitions filed. It is made by Tupper, Peters & Potts, as counsel for Colonel Baker, and asks that the petition be dismissed on the grounds, among others, that the supreme court has not had conferred on it any authority to try election petitions; that the officer required by the act to be appointed by the chief justice to attend to the preliminaries in such cases has never been appointed, and that while the act requires the security for costs to be deposited in the Bank of England the money has not so been deposited.

I have on Kettle River, two miles below Midway, 190 Jacks and Jennies for sale. 8-18-4t E. BAILEY.

The Cariboo Creek & Canadian Mining & Development Co.

LIMITED LIABILITY.

Incorporated Under the Laws of British Columbia.

Capital, $2,000,000. Par Value Shares $1.

Treasury, $500,000.

All Shares Fully Paid and Non-Assessable.

This company has perfect title to

10 Valuable Mineral Claims

(Nearly 500 acres of ground.)

In Cariboo Creek Camp, Slocan Division, West Kootenay, B. C., lying just west of the well known Silver Queen mine.

Active development work was begun on these properties under their present ownership, July 2nd, 1897, and work has never stopped during the year that has since passed. It will be continued unceasingly until we have a mine.

Mines Are Made, Not Found,

and we are making this a mine. The tunnel upon which we are now working has reached a depth of over 230 feet, and the vein which it has followed for a long distance is a strong and rich one from which average samples, smelter tested, have given splendid returns; while from picked specimens assays running into the thousands have been obtained.

We Court the Most Thorough Investigation

Of this property and of its management. This is the FIRST PUBLIC OFFERING of shares in this company; the bulk of the stock being held in large blocks, among the holders of which may be found the names of some of the most conservative investors in Rossland and other points in the West, also in Eastern Canada, to whom we will be pleased to refer you. A block of this stock is now offered at 5 cents per share. Subscriptions for less than 500 shares will not be considered. For full particulars or for shares, address

EDWARD C. FINCH - - Rossland, B. C.

IN THE SUPREME COURT, IN THE MATTER OF

O. K. GOLD MINING COMPANY

Limited Liability, (Foreign). In Liquidation.

The Undersigned Official Liquidator Will Sell by Private Treaty Subject to Ratification by the Court

IN ONE LOT

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. 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.

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. store room and manager's residence.

The development consists of three main tunnels, with one winze and numerous drifts, together aggregating over 1,500 feet of work.

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 further information can be obtained. Under an order of the court heretofore issued the undersigned is authorized to give a short option or working bond on the mine.

Telegraphic and cable address, Plewman, Rossland Bedford McNeill's Code.

RICHARD PLEWMAN
Official Liquidator

Gold Cup Group of Claims

IN THE PEND D'OREILLE DISTRICT

The MARGUIRETE GOLD MINING AND SMELTING CO., now operating this valuable property, offer for sale 125,000 shares of Promoters' Stock at 5 cents per share in blocks of not less than 500. Considerable development has been done with splendid results. The ore now on the dump will be shipped as soon as possible

Certificates can be obtained at the office of the Company.

W. B. TOWNSEND, Prest.

No. 230 Columbia Avenue, Opposite to the Mining Recorder's office

ROSSLAND Stock Market

Yesterday's market was quite active and a number of sales were made. Iron Mask was held at $1, while Virginia sold at a little less. Dundee, Sunset No. 2, Giant, Lerwick and R. E. Lee are good sellers. We advise our clients to buy all the Deer Park they can handle.

We offer the following bargains subject to sale:

Cariboo Creek Can.	.05	Lerwick	.20
Dundee	.36	Lilly May	.30
Deer Park	.19	R. E. Lee	.01½
Evening Star	.06	Salmo Con	.15
Good Hope	.03	Monte Christo	.32
Iron Colt	.10	Virginia	1.00
Iron Mask	1.00	War Eagle	2.90

List your stocks with us. We have buyers for all standard stocks.

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Notice to Shareholders.

Take notice that there will be a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Good Hope Mining & Milling Company, limited liability, at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, on Friday, the 9th of September next, at 5 p. m., for the purpose of authorizing the disposal of any or all of the company's assets and for such other business as may come before the meeting.

EDWARD BAILLIE,
Secretary of the Good Hope Mining and Milling Company.

Rossland, Aug. 15, 1898.

Rossland Mining Stocks

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MARKET FEATURES.

Yesterday's market was active, and considerable trading was done in the standard stocks of this camp. A few small deals were made in Virginia, but buyers as a rule will not pay the price asked. Monte Christo continues to be very erratic. On the 16th it advanced 4 cents and fell back 2 cents yesterday. It is one of the most active and speculative stocks in the market. Deer Park is firm and is considered by good judges to be one of the surest and best investments in Rossland. We have buyers for Deer Park, Virginia, Poorman and Eureka Consolidated.

Commander	9½	Lily May	.20
Cariboo Creek Can.	5	Monita	.14
Canadian G Fields	.10	Noble Three(silver)	.10
Canada Western	.10	Monte Christo Con. Min. & Dev. Co.	.32½
Castle G. M. Co.	.10	Pick Up	1
Canada M. M. & D.	.20	Poorman	.12
Deer Park	.19	Red Mountain View	5
Dundee	.40	Roderick Dhu	.10
Edgar	5	Salmo Con	.15
Ellen (silver)	7½	St. Elmo	6
Eureka North Star G. M. Co.	.10	Silverine	6
Evening Star	6	Silver Bear	.10
Falls View G & S M	3½	Silver Queen	.20
Good Hope	3	Twin	.25
Grand Prize	3	Virginia	.95
High Ore	4½	White Bird	2
Iron Colt	.10	War Eagle	$3.00
Iron Mask	1.00		

We can also supply Republic, Ymir and Slocan stocks at lowest prices.

Snaps for Today.

We offer today subject to sale the following snaps:

2,500 Monte Christo	30½	5,000 R. E. Lee	4
1,000 Virginia	98	1,000 Deer Park	18½
300 Iron Mask	96	1,000 Jumbo	40
4,000 Monita	11		

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