British Columbia.

ROSSLAND.

Rossland Miner.

On the Iron Colt a body of high grade ore has been opened up on what is known as the south ledge. The ore is much like that of the Kootenay, but is richer in copper..

Last Saturday the well known brokerage firms of A. W. More & Co. of Victoria, and C. F. Clough & Co. of Spokane, Wash., secured a controlling interest in the Norway mineral claim from D. J. Hughes and W. F. Case. The price they paid was on a basis of $10,000 for the whole property. The Norway is one of the oldest locations on O. K. mountain and is situated a short distance south of the O. K. mine. It is a pretty well developed property, everything considered. The vein has been opened in two places. Near the lower end of the claim a crosscut tunnel has been driven in 40 feet. The vein at this point shows three feet of quartz, which averaged $6.50 of gold per ton. Higher up the hill and nearer the centre of the claim a 30-foot shaft has been sunk on the vein showing about four feet of quartz carrying practically the same values as the ore opened up by the tunnel. The vein runs nearly north and south and shows great strength. It has been traced all the way across the claim.

The Nest Egg should now take rank among the foremost properties of the South Belt. The lower shaft is down 50 feet and has had for some time about two feet of ore which has an average value of $30 to $35. There are now in the bottom of the shaft two feet of clean, fine-grained iron sulphide which runs about $28 in gold, from 3 to 6 per cent. copper and a few ounces in silver. The Nest Egg ore carries more copper than any ore in the South Belt.

Charles Teasdale is down from the Silver Chief mine on the summit of the divide between Wild Horse and Clear Creeks in the Salmon River country. He says that it is one of the finest poor man's propositions he ever saw. The ore is high grade from the grass roots, and a test shipment to the smelter is now being made.

Brokers have been just as busy during the past week as in any of the three or four preceding ones. Strikes and rumors of strikes have kept the local market in quite a feverish condition and brokers in many instances have met with great difficulty in filling their orders. Spokane, which at one time was loaded to the guards with Trail creek stocks has now been pretty well cleaned out and often it is no easy matter to secure stock for delivery in large blocks whereas a few months ago brokers could get all they wanted by simply wiring their Spokane agents. Most of the stocks in our lists have been steady in price during the week. The most notable advance is in Great Western, which has jumped to 25 cents. The Miner expressed the opinion for several weeks past that the stock would go to that figure shortly, but we did not expect to see it rise quite so quickly. Red Mountain has advanced to 25 cents, and will probably go still higher. Deer Park, which our readers will remember is an old favorite of ours, is now quoted at 16½ cents, which will represent a very nice profit for those who bought this stock at any time during the past three months. Crown Point has recovered a point or two and is now at 50 cents again. Caledonia has gone up to 8½ cents, and when work is started will be almost sure to go to ten cents or even higher. War Eagle properties have been steady, as has Josie. Wolverine has advanced to 20 cents. St. Elmo has been more in demand than at any time for a month past. The strikes to-day on the Colonna and Mugwump will make both of these stocks good sellers. This week has been a good one for buyers all along the line.

Mr. Williamson is not now attempting to take any ore from the old shaft on the Crown Point. He has commenced a new shaft about 150 feet west of the old one. The ore comes to the surface at this point and the vein is very wide. The shaft will be sunk in solid ore. A little further along on the ledge to the west the vein has been uncovered and a solid mass of ore 12 to 14 feet wide is in sight. It is without question the finest body of ore ever seen so near the surface of any mine in the Trail Creek camp. It is enough to inspire the enthusiasm of any mining man in the world. The ledge just below this point has been attacked by a porphyry dyke but it is not yet clear that it cut through.. The ledge appears beyond and has been uncovered at points for 700 feet down through the ground of the Tiger.

The Evening Star is shipping two carloads of ore a week. The ore is delivered to the Columbia & Western railroad at the depot to which point it is hauled in wagons. A spur will be put in shortly within half a mile of the mine and when this is done the shipments will be increased.

Miners on the St. Elmo tunnel, still on the ground of the Consolidated St. Elmo, have uncovered a stupendous showing of pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite ore. The solid ore body is fully nine feet wide and dipping west. The ore is of a grade much better than anything hitherto encountered in the mine.

On the Phoenix two shafts have been sunk. No. 1 shaft is down about eighty feet and has had ore nearly all the way down, though not a solid body. The assays from the bottom of the shaft run up to $20 and a little over, so that what ore is found is of shipping grade.

A strike has been made on the Flossie L., a claim on the west side of the camp, just south of the Jumbo. The tunnel has been in mineralized rock for some time, and last Wednesday the face was in almost solid ore. Some large pieces were brought down to town and attracted much attention. On Thursday morning the face of the tunnel looked very well, showing much ore in every part, and already indicating a solid mass near by. The ore has some quartz running through it, and shows little or no copper. It is a fine grained pyrrhotite, resembling that from its neighbor the Jumbo.

The Iron Horse company has decided to sink a double compartment working shaft near the centre of its claim.

A new shaft has been started on the main vein of the Sovereign, and is now down 15 feet. It is all oxidized iron the ledge matter so far, with some good ore scattered through it.

The Mabel tunnel is now down 15 feet and a decided change has taken place in the character of the ore. The carbonate ore in which the drift was run for 30 feet from the face of the crosscut and which prevailed in the winze is now giving out and solid ore is taking its place.

The Enterprise is the next mine on the list to be equipped with machinery. W. A. Ritchie, manager of the company, is here this week figuring with representatives of the eastern machinery houses on a complete plant, which he expects to contract for within a few days and to have the plant installed in about 30 days, ready for operation this winter.

Some ten days or two weeks ago a new vein was discovered on the Silverine, which adjoins the Evening Star on the north. It was found in the southwest portion of the claim and runs northwest and southeast. It has now been stripped for a distance of 150 feet and the process is still being continued. The work so far done has disclosed a vein from six to thirty inches in width. The ore is a solid arsenical iron and runs from $6 to $20 in gold. The stripping will be continued until a suitable place to sink a shaft has been discovered. The work on the old vein has been discontinued in the meantime.

John Moynahan, who has charge of the Monita put ten men to work Thursday morning. He will continue sinking the old Monita No. 2 shaft and will build a wagon road from the shaft to the present War Eagle road. This road will first serve the purpose of getting machinery on to the ground. A steam hoist will be erected as announced last week and a three-drill compressor from the Rand company will be put in.

The Georgia shaft was run down about 25 feet when a crosscut was started to the west as the ledge seemed to be in that direction. This crosscut has been run about 14 feet and the last eight feet are in the ledge with five feet of ore on the hanging wall side. The ore is evidently in a large mass. It is too early to say how large it is, but the strike is a very important one. The ore is the usual pyrrhotite carrying a little copper. It has a clean, bright appearance, and should carry a fair value in gold. The diamond drilling in the lower tunnel is proceeding satisfactorily. The drill has cut through one ore chute five feet in width and is now passing through a dyke beyond which another ore body is expected to be found. There is a large showing of ore on the Georgia at the present time.

While S. S. Bailey, of the Payne mine, was in Rossland he was asked what he would estimate the production of the Slocan district at this winter. He said: "From Oct 1 to May 1 the Slocan will ship 25,000 tons of ore of the average value of $100 per ton or a total value of $2,500,000. In case the price of silver is raised the output will greatly exceed these figures, but at present prices the production will be about as stated. The progress in the Slocan country in the past season is almost beyond belief."

The bond on the Gold King, taken several months ago by D. M. Linnaird in the sum of $15,000 has been lifted. Mr. Linnaird has incorporated a company with $1,000,000 capital to take over and work the claim. It is between the Flossie L and Little Darling and Jumbo.

The Empress, lying to the east of the Crown Point and Wolverine has been sold to a Victoria syndicate represented by Ewen Morrison. The surface showing on this ground is reported to be very handsome. The price paid was $8,000.

In the Red Mountain mine a rich body of ore was opened last week. Since that it has widened to fully two and a half feet while the ledge appears to be about five feet wide. Five assays have been made. The total of the assays is $427.44 and the average value to the ton $85. These assays were made from ore taken from a depth of five feet.

On Thursday evening the face of the cross-cut from No. 2 shaft in the Mugwump at the west end of the claim showed signs of coming into ore. On Friday morning the entire face was in fine copper ore similar in appearance to the west, the Gem or Pilgrim, as it is variously known. The ore on the latter carries $30 to $50 in gold, five to seven ounces in silver and 10 per cent copper to the ton.

Information is received of a very rich strike on the Colonna. A ledge 12 feet wide has been uncovered with four feet of solid copper ore. Samples showed native copper, black oxide of copper, chalcoprite and copper glance.

A nice body of ore has been opened up at 18 feet depth in the new shaft on the Argentine. The shaft is being sunk on a white quartz ledge, and will be put down seventy-five feet this fall, after which a deep tunnel will be driven to cut the ledge at 200 feet.

A story has been started that typhoid fever is alarmingly prevalent in Rossland. This is absolutely false. The Miner sent a representative to the provincial health officer, Dr. Bowes, to obtain from him an authoritative statement on the subject. He said: "There have been but two deaths in town altogether from typhoid fever and there are not now over half a dozen cases."

The Kootenay tunnel is still in a full face of ore, several feet of which continues to have an average value of about $50 per ton. Owing to the angle at which the tunnel is being driven it is now apparent that the ore body is at least 20 feet wide. Connection was made on Thursday with the Kootenay shaft. Like both tunnels and shaft, the upraise was all in ore.

The High Ore company has let a contract for 50 feet of tunnel work on its claim. The tunnel is now in 56 feet, so that the new work will carry it past the 100-foot station. The contractors are the same as those now driving the Jumbo crosscut and they take stock in payment of their work on the High Ore. The tunnel is only about 30 feet from the Jumbo's end line.

James L. Wise is down from Rover creek. He brought in some ore from a claim on the Kootenay river, right opposite the mouth of the Slocan river. The claim is called the Big Four, and was only located last month. A surface cut has been run in about six feet on the vein on the property, and a body of ore five feet wide has been discovered. The ore is a solid iron sulphide, and assays up to $18 in gold.

The work of extending the main tunnel of the Centre Star on the central ledge towards the Le Roi east end line, has continued until the face of the tunnle is now within 300 feet of the western limit of the claim. When this tunnel is completed it will be about 1600 feet long. The claim itself is 1500 feet long, but the ledge is about 100 feet longer because it takes a somewhat diagonal course. The tunnel follows the ledge and has been within the ledge walls ever since it was started.

An assay made of the Palo Alto ore last Thursday showed $19.20 in gold. There is a very good showing in the shaft. The hanging wall continues to be perfectly smooth, and the general appearance of the vein is satisfactory.

J. J. Henager sent three miners on Monday to begin work on the Falkner, a claim lying near the Elise on Wild Horse creek in the salmon river country. He states that there is a strong six-foot vein exposed. The ore is quartz and runs well in gold.

The Great Western has suspended work in its new shaft, which is looking very fine in the bottom, and has put its force of miners to prospecting the surface, to locate new ore bodies before snow flies. A contract has been let to sink the present shaft on the Golden Chariot to the 70-foot level.

The Young America, opposite the O. K., on Deer Park mountain is making an excellent showing. The lower or No. 2 ore vein, has been stripped for over 400 feet, showing a continuous ore body all the way. The ore is a massive copper sulphide, a select surface sample yielding $14 in gold and four ounces of silver per ton.

The lower tunnel of the Jumbo has developed the most stupendous mass of solid ore ever seen in the district. Shipping values have not yet, however, been found on this level, but as the ledge is not fully crosscut, and no drifting has been done, the chances of finding pay ore near the present crosscut are still very good.

The drift started from the bottom of the Josie shaft at the depth of 90 feet is now in 40 feet on the vein with ore in the face. The east tunnel continues to look well. The returns from recent shipments have been very satisfactory. It is generally believed a dividend will be paid by the Josie company at no distant day.

The Waneta & Trail Creek Mining Company, which owns a group of three claims adjoining the Copper Giant group, two miles west of Fulton's landing on the Columbia river near Waneta, has sent a force of five men to begin development work on its property. The claims show a well defined ledge carrying copepr pyrites and assaying well in silver. The company has just been organized by W. C. Archer and almost all the stock has been subscribed locally.

Under the direction of G. E. Pfunder three shifts were put to work on the Morning Star shaft. This shaft is now down 66 feet in a body of chalcopyrite ore in a healthy looking quartz gangue. The ore assays from $4 to $32 in gold and averages 7 per cent. copper.

The customs collections in Trail and Rossland for the month of September amounted to $15,331.86.

A big ledge has been uncovered at the southwest corner of the California claim, but there is a doubt whether it runs through the California or passes into the Evening.

REVELSTOKE.

Kootenay Mail.

J. C. Montgomery, who is associated with E. N. Bouche, of Rossland, on Keystone Mountain, came down from a long trip in the Bend on Monday. He made several new locations between Downie creek and Gold Stream on a strong iron capping.

It is reported that the parties who went up with J. H. Hoar are going to bond five of the Vancouver syndicate's Big Bend properties and will spend a considerable amount of money in their development this season. What with the Orphan Boy company and this outfit there will be considerable activity in quartz mining this winter.

A new discovery of much promise has been made about 18 miles down the Arrow lake on Canyon creek, and about six or seven miles from the lake shore. A strong lead of very good ore has been found here, on which eight claims have already been located, amongst which are the Broken Hill, Bessie, Bradford and others. A sample of ore from the Broken Hill was sent to the Revelstoke Board of Trade for exhibition, which went 157 ounces in silver and 80 per cent lead. This location at Canyon Creek was discovered three years ago but abandoned.

ASHCROFT.

B. C. Mining Journal.

Mr. Kirkpatrick has some good looking ore from Highland valley on exhibition at the fair. Some fine samples of copper rock (bornite), carrying as high as 27 per cent. of copper. Kirkpatrick and Shulor will do development work in some of their copper lands in that section, beginning soon.

Col. E. Deylones, of Seattle, came up on Saturday and took the Monday's stage for Cariboo. In the Colonel's company was Mr. Delatier, a mining expert, living at Denver, sent up by a company of French capitalists to see some Cariboo properties. If favorable report is made as seems reasonable to expect large works will be the result of the French company's mines on Quesnelle river.

Mr. Johnson, president of the Cariboo Gold Mining and Exploration Company, who has been on Antler creek, where the company's mining property is, came down Tuesday on his way to Seattle, his home. Mr. Johnson says that his company will work on an extensive scale next season and that the result of their work this season has been to prove that the ground owned by them to be of value, and that from the present showing there is no fear of that part of Cariboo not turning out well.

Clarence Miller and wife, registering from Blackwater, came over from Lillooet on Tuesday's stage. Mr. Miller informs us that the Blackwater camp, although only known as such for the past three months, now has quite a number of prospectors, and that thirty-five locations have been made, all or nearly all adjoining the big gold, silver and copper ledge that was discovered by Mr. Miller and partners some months ago. This mammoth property measures in actual width 230 feet and is distinctly traceable and is located for three or four miles. A one-half interest in one of Mr. Miller's claims has been sold to parties in consideration of their agreeing to put up $10,000 for development work, and a 200-foot shaft will be sunk on the ledge. The company's joint claims, three in number, are under bond to Frank J. Raines and Walter Pears, of Vancouver. There is no question of the value of the Blackwater section as a mining country, and it is bound in the near future to come to the front. A road is now being constructed from Howe Sound to tap this section. The road is now completed about 40 miles inland and 25 or 30 miles more will complete it. This will throw the Blackwater country, now 375 miles, via Lillooet, Ashcroft, etc., to within about 100 miles of Vancouver.

BARKERVILLE.

B. C. Mining Journal.

During the last few weeks a great many quartz locations have been made, and it is expected that something definite will be done to test the value of many quartz ledges that surround the district. A. D. Whittier, acting for an English syndicate, is spending a large amount of money in development work. A house has been built at Proserpine mountain that will accommodate about 14 men, and it is expected that operations will commence there soon. Under the same management a camp will be built on Snowshoe mountain, and operations carried on there during the winter. The same company is also working on Grouse creek, and it is expected that good paying ore will be struck this winter on all of these locations.

The Cariboo Gold Fields Company are still working their hydraulic claim on Williams creek. They are preparing to clean-up, and it is expected they will finish in about three weeks. A shaft has been sunk on this claim close to the creek, where the bed rock is too low to be worked by the hydraulic process. Good pay has been struck and a shaft house will be built at once, so that operations can be carried on during the winter.

The Black Jack hydraulic claim, situated next to the C. G. F. Co. claim, has just completed the clean-up for the season. This claim has been considered worked out for years, but the turnout this year has been a surprise to all, they having cleaned up 200 ounces. They have struck a back channel in the hill, and it has proved to be rich all through the gravel, and the owners are well pleased with their new find.

All the hydraulic claims in this part of the district sent in more favorable reports this season than they have done for years. Most of the claims are just getting in good shape to work, they are reaching bedrock; consequently they are getting more gold.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

It is reported on good authority that Mr. Joe Shirley, of this city, had disposed of his mining claim at Shoal Bay, Thurlow Island. It is understood the purchase price was $20,000, and the new owners the syndicate of which Mr. P. N. Smith, late of the tramway company, is secretary. This company also owns the Chaune mines, which are supposed to be a very good property. Lord Sudley and other wealthy Englishmen are supposed to be interested in this company.

Sixteen more mining prospectors left the city for Pitt lake, lured by the late report of rich strikes in that city.

Three more cannery companies are applying to the council for water frontage rights. This makes four new canneries which will positively be built for next year's business, with an aggregate capacity of 75,000 cases.

Mayor Shiles has proclaimed next Thursday a civic holiday and Mayor Collins will proclaim the same day a civic holiday in Vancouver to allow the business men of the twin cities to spend a day at Queen's Park

VANCOUVER.

While hunting for stolen goods in a shack on Sunday the police ran across Smith, the burglar, who escaped the other day from the lockup by climbing a fence. Two other tough companions were run in. They are suspected of being implicated in the Burns robbery at Steveston on Saturday night. Mr. Burns' bedroom was entered and his trunk taken out in the road and rifled. The thieves secured $450 in jewelry and money.

One hundred and ten thousand dollars' worth of stock has been sold for the projected automatic can factory. As soon as the site is decided upon construction will be commenced.

NELSON.

Nelson, Oct. 3.—The carrying out of the sanitary arrangements is not running smoothly. Dr. Watt, when he was here chose for the city dumping ground, a small piece of land in the corner of the government townsite, almost inaccessible and quite close to the road of the Nelson & Ft. Sheppard station, and also close to private residential property, of which it materially affects the value. Complaints have naturally arisen, and some other arrangements will have to be made. Meanwhile Mr. Wolley, the sanitary inspector, is carrying out his work energetically and well. There have been a few cases, perhaps twenty, of alleged typhoid in the town, but many of them are of so mild a nature as to suggest the possibility that they may be simply malaria or mountain fever. There have been no deaths.

Nelson Tribune.

The option given by Tom Collins and partners on the Ottawa mineral claim adjoining the St. Mary's in Rossland, was taken up this week. As a result Tom and his partners divide $2,000 between them.

R. I. Kirkwood and his partner McKinnon, the lucky locators of the Enterprise on Ten-Mile creek, in the Slocan, were in town this week. They received the final payment last week on the Enterprise bond of $25,000 and contemplate a trip east on the proceeds.

The Idaho mines paid another $20,000 dividend this week, and the announcement is made that regular monthly dividends of from $15,000 to $20,000 may be expected. These mines have paid over $60,000 in dividends heretofore.

The action of the school trustees in giving the department of education the choice of finding sufficient money to run the school or accepting their resignations, will no doubt have the desired effect. The department is now making inquiries as to the necessities of the school, something it has not done for the past two years.

The negro prisoner, known variously as William Walker and William Walters, who was serving a four months' sentence in the local jail on a conviction for theft, made his escape Tuesday evening and has not been heard of since. It is believed that the prisoner had outside assistance in making his escape.

An important strike has been made on the Bluebird mine in the Slocan. This strike is on a new vein, which is from two to four feet wide, and assays from the ore run as high as 270 ounces in silver and 50 per cent. lead. The Bluebird has not been worked for the past two years, various accounts being circulated as to the causes of the shut down. It is now stated that previous to the recent strike the mine had run out of ore.

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The smelter will resume operations in a few days. The crucibles in the furnace have been overhauled, and as soon as ore comes down from the mines the smelter will be ready to blow in.

D. W. McVicar, manager of the Nelson Hydraulic Mining Company, operating on Forty-Nine Mile creek, is in the city. The work of the company has been very satisfactory for the season. Although just commencing operations the company secured sufficient returns to pay all expenses thus far and the outlook for next year is very gratifying.

The Kootenay country is being visited by a gentleman whose travels through this region are likely to redound to its advancement. That gentleman is Alex. McLean, of the firm of McLean & Co., 138 Leadenhall street, London, E. C., who arrived in Nelson last week. The fact that the report of the riches of British Columbia have attracted the attention of this firm is a matter of congratulation to the district. The house of McLean & Co., dealers in mines and mining properties, is one of the oldest in the metropolis. They have offices and deal in mines in Australia, New Zealand, Africa, Montana and the Brazils, and are known as one of the most prominent and successful firms in the business.

KASLO.

The Kootenaian.

The Washington mill is working only part time on account of the scarcity of water, and will for that reason soon close down for the winter.

Dunc and Dan McPhail, Phil McDonald, Harry Griffith, and Neal McFadden, are rejoicing over an assay certificate which gives them 3,500 ounces of silver from an average sample of several inches of ore in a strong vein on one of their Hall creek claims, near the Bannockburn.

A report was current last week to the effect that the Slocan Star had been sold to a big eastern syndicate. The Spokesman-Review secured a wire denial from President Smith at Milwaukee, but the rumor is still rattling around. Now it is said that an eastern man has been given an option on the property at $2,250,000, the market value of all the stock.

Hugh Sutherland, of Hudson's Bay railway fame, has bonded the Topaz and Silver Nugget lying between Eight and Ten-Mile creeks, and belonging to Swan and the Clough brothers. The figure was $30,000, usual terms. During the progress of the deal a most despicable attempt, which happily failed, was made to jump the property. Operations have already begun on the property, which is said to be most promising.

Thursday a party of trail builders, under Foreman Woods, arrived in Kaslo from East Kootenay, having completed a trail from Salmon Flats on Toby creek, to Glacier creek on the Duncan river, a distance of 65 miles. The party has been out nearly three months. This trail has been built by the government, and will be improved next year to the extent of $2,000. The country which it traverses is all mineralized, and the opening up of new mining camps will doubtless follow next year.

This week the Wonderful discontinued sluicing operations on account of the scarcity of water, and will not resume until next spring. When Manager Field began sluicing last spring, his idea was to wash away the mountain side with the object of finding the lead. Float in shipping quantities, lying in a broken mass of slate and shale on the line of the lead was soon uncovered. Since June 20th the sluicing operations have produced 400 tons of ore, the average net value of which was $85 per ton. As a tax on the ore marketed, which was only a part of the amount produced, the company paid the government $200. They have been holding their ore for some time, and will continue to hold it until the advance in prices, expected after the presidential election, makes it more profitable to ship. It is the intention of Manager Field, however, to continue the output.

The Read and Tenderfoot group is located on a divide between Four-Mile and Carpenter, and consists of the following claims: Read, Tenderfoot, Nettie Fraction, Reinza and Carnation. The property was purchased in July by C. W. Callahan for a London syndicate, made up of forty of England's wealthiest men. The well known firm of Evans, Coleman & Evans, of Vancouver, are the agents in British Columbia. The showing on the property is one of the best surface showings ever found in the Slocan country, and consist of a body of concentrating ore varying in width from 20 to 60 feet, with a streak of high grade, clean ore from six inches to two feet that will average close to 200 ounces of silver to the ton and 78 per cent. lead. The ledge, which has been known as the Read and Robertson, can be traced on the surface over nine claims, and is beyond question the best defined ledge in the district. A force of men are now at work on the property developing it, and a shipment of clean ore will soon be made. The property will be crown granted at once. A water privilege has been applied for and a mill will be built in Sandon, with a tram connecting it with the mine. The owners will, it is reported, start off with a working capital of $50,000 over and above the equipments.

SLOCAN LAKE.

The Nelson Miner.

Situated at the foot of Slocan Lake the rival towns of Brandon and Slocan City are progressing rapidly. On Sunday last, at Slocan City, the new Presbyterian church at Slocan City was formally opened. Rev. Mr. Beaty looks after the flock here, and has a hard proposition to work.

There are quite a number of prospects on Springer Creek and Ten Mile Creek being developed, and which will, in all probability, ship considerable ore during the winter. The Enterprise, on Ten Mile Creek, is undoubtedly a mine, and so far work done on other properties has shown good results.

The Old Glory, worked by a Seattle company, is taking out ore and will ship in two weeks. The Bachelor has been bonded by Mr. D. Bremner, and he is working three men on it. The Two Friends and Arlington are doing well.

The Topaz and Trenton claims have been bonded to Mr. Hugh Sutherland. The Little Giant is bonded to Mr. Plunkett for Vancouver parties. Messrs. A. McDonald, Drewery and Riley, members of the Winnipeg board of trade, bought lots in Slocan City.

Under Mr. Campbell-Johnston's able management much work is being done on the Bondholder group. This is a stock company owned principally in Vancouver. The group consists of four claims. Work was commenced on August 20th and twenty-two men have been at work continuously since, and as soon as the ground will allow more will be put on. Surface cross-cuts show up the vein the full length of the claims, 6,000 feet, and assays on the surface were as high as 316 oz. in silver. The ore is a dry ore carrying a small percentage of lead, zinc and copper. On the Pine Log claim a cross tunnel has been run 40 feet, cutting the vein, a drift run 30 feet on the vein in shipping ore, from 6 to 15 inches wide, and a shaft is down fifteen feet also showing ore. Near the junction of the Pine Log and the Bondholder a tunnel has been run 50 feet along a spur of the main vein, to tap the main vein, which shows up 100 feet higher up on the bluff. A crosscut tunnel is also started 125 feet lower down the hill, which is expected to cut the vein in 83 feet. There are two parallel veins showing above the main lead which carry argentite and sulphides of silver.

BOUNDARY CREEK.

Boundary Creek Times.

Mr. J. P. McLeod is moving into a new office recently erected near Col. Weir's house at Anaconda.

It is reported that both the Lincoln and City of Paris have been bonded and development work is to be commenced shortly. The bond is controlled by an English company.

Mr. Rutherford, representing English capital, is staying in Greenwood. He has already purchased property in the North Fork.

All the water has been removed from the Stemwinder shafts. Sinking is in progress on one shaft and a drift is being run at the foot of another.

After a few days' work last week on the Cracker Jack, in Greenwood camp, copper ore was found beneath an iron capping. The ledge was stripped for some 11 feet; no walls were found.

Jack Farrell, while prospecting on the Buttercup, in Wellington camp, the other day, found a small quartz lead which has since widened out to nearly three feet. The quartz carries copper sulphurets, and runs well in gold.

As the result of a little surface prospecting of the new iron-capped leads up Lost creek, pyrrhotite has been uncovered. This is particularly the case on the Ballarat, located by Robinson and McArthur, where they are preparing to sink on a large body of it. While the gold tenure is at present undoubtedly low, it is encouraging to note that the true sulphide ore has been found under the oxydized cap.

The option on the Stemwinder expired on the 24th ult. It is understood that the owners have received word that a sale has been consummated but the final payment has not yet been made.

W. T. Shatford and A. Cosens last week located the Slamax, in Camp McKinney, with fairly good surface indications. The vein is quartz, with a paystreak of clean galena.

The bond on the Morning Star expired on Thursday.

A good prospect was located last week by Messrs. Dufour and Fisher in Skylark camp, adjoining the Lulu. The claim was called the Barrow, and from all accounts has a big surface showing. The ore is iron-stained quartz carrying free gold and copper pyrites. Mr. Fisher is a newcomer and has had practically no experience as a prospector—here is, therefore, another example of the luck of the tenderfoot.

Mr. McIntosh, of Winnipeg, bought a three-quarter interest in the Big Six from Alexander Wallace this week. There is a good showing on this claim, upon which the assessment was recently done. The assays run above the average.

Fourteen men have been put to work on the Old Victoria in Camp McKinney. The claim was among the first locations—if not the first—staked in the country. One of the owners resides in Victoria, and another interest is controlled by Mrs. Dowding, of Rock Creek. The property is likely to prove valuable.

Heretofore it was generally believed that there was no placer ground on Boundary Creek above the old workings near Jolly Jack's creek. A claim was, however, recently located by Mr. Hanrahan between the ranches of Messrs. Kerr and Roy, and from all reports, contains good pay dirt. On an average the gold runs from five to fifty cents to the pan. Systematic work will be commenced next week, meanwhile sluice boxes are being put in place.

Mr. W. W. Gibbs recently returned from a trip up Kettle river, visiting both Canyon and Cedar creeks. He says that the condition of affairs there now is similar to what was experienced in Boundary in '91. The country is a promising field for prospecting, the characteristic formation being diorite. Mr. Gibbs was particularly impressed with the showing of a claim owned by Ed. Sullivan and Alex. Waddel, some 28 miles up the river from Rock creek. The ore resembles that of the Winnipeg and is solid pyrrhotite with the brownish shade imparted by copper. Assays by Mr. Gibbs gave an average value of $12, which from surface rock is very fair returns. The owners intend to put in three or four months developing the property this winter.

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