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INCREASED SHIPMENTS

The Output of the Camp Weekly Reaches Larger Figures.

Coming Days Expected to See Progress Maintained.

Another gratifying increase is noticeable in connection with the output of the Rossland camp for the week. The tonnage is well over the 9000 mark, due largely to an increase in the shipments from the Le Roi mine. The Spitzee appears again in the shipping list, and is likely to be there permanently. The reports from all the mines are of a most satisfactory nature and the opening of the fall season sees the camp in excellent shape.

The present week will see further advances in connection with the mining industry here. The feature of last week was the increase in the shipments from the Le Roi mine following the blowing in of the No. 5 furnace at Northport. The company is shipping quite extensively from its No. 1 dump and the product forwarded in this way is netting an excellent profit as shown by the cables reports of last month's operations. The resumption of shipments from the Spitzee also marks a new era for that property. The company's intention is not to make a specialty of shipping, but to realize on such ore as is broken down in the course of development work now being pursued.

Next week will see marked advances in connection with the unwatering of the Great Western, and the possible completion of the inspection contemplated by the management. In this and other directions interesting developments are looked for. It is confidently expected that an announcement will be made as to the site for the War Eagle-Centre Star concentrating works, and the commencement of construction will follow almost immediately. There seems to be a possibility of the plant being located outside of Rossland's corporate limits, and while this would be unfortunate, the city will reap the most substantial benefit accruing from the establishment of the works through the employment of considerably increased crews in both mines to break down the milling ore now blocked out in both properties.

THE OUTPUT.

Shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending August 22 and for the year to date are as follows:

Week.	Year.
Le Roi	123,085
Centre Star	53,275
War Eagle	38,115
Kootenay	5,154
Le Roi No. 2	13,214
Giant	903
Jumbo	30
Iron Horse	40
Spitzee	30
Velvet	3,876
I. X. L.	70
White Bear	297
O. K.	75
Homestake	90
Totals	245,457

AMONG THE MINES.

LE ROI.—The week has seen no special variation from the usual program with the exception of increased shipments. Stopping, development and exploration work is proceeding satisfactorily, and encouraging reports are to hand.

LE ROI TWO.—In the Josie mine stopping is under way down to the 500 level. On the 700 the drift designed to open up the ore body intersected with the diamond drill is rapidly proceeding. In the No. 1 mine the 300 level continues to produce remarkably high grade ore; some of the product taken from this stop has run as high as 11 ounces in gold. The concentrating works are progressing most satisfactorily, and it would seem that the company's expectation as to having the plant in operation by October 1st will assuredly be realized.

WAR EAGLE.—Work in the mine is largely confined to stopping, this being under way on the 200, 300, 400, 500, 600 and 700 levels. On the 200 level some particularly good ore is being broken down, while the stop on the 700 level is being opened up most satisfactorily. The fire on the 1000 or 1100 station during the week did not interfere with operations in the slightest, and has been extinguished. The ventilator pipes have been lowered through the seal at the 900 level for the purpose of drawing off the smoke accumulated while the timbers were smouldering.

CENTRE STAR.—Development work has been resumed in the mine and is being carried ahead steadily, together with stopping. Conditions are said to be most satisfactory. The greatest interest attaches to the matter of the concentrating works to handle the milling ores of the mine, and the commencement of construction is expected almost immediately.

NICKEL PLATE.—Good progress is being made with the construction of the watertight brick bulkheads on the 400 and 600 levels. A considerable force of men is engaged on the work.

GREAT WESTERN.—The unwatering of the workings is proceeding during the week has been on a comparatively smooth basis. The shaft is now clear almost to the 200 station, and for several days the pumps will be wrestling with the water accumulated in the horizontal workings at that depth.

WHITE BEAR.—Sinking in the main shaft has been followed up steadily throughout the week, and good progress is being made. On construction work a number of men are employed, and the company is rapidly getting matters into shape to become a considerable producer before the end of the year.

JUMBO.—Stopping on the first level and development on the second level constitute the regular program at the mine. An additional four-horse team has been put on the wagon road, and a loading station at the Josie spur has materially expedited this branch.

BEAN POT.—The owners of the property are still pursuing development. A station has been cut at a depth of 75 feet and a drift has been started to open up the vein. The operations will be maintained during September.

SPITZEE.—Development has proceeded most satisfactorily during the week. On the first level the main drift has been advanced consistently, and the ore extracted in the course of the work has been hoisted for shipment. A crosscut has been started on this level also, and advanced some feet. In the shaft good progress has been made also.

GIANT.—The work at the mine is of a fairly small scale. Shipments were not large, and it is probable the management will conclude to proceed with extensive diamond drilling before enlarging the scope of their operations.

MURPHY CREEK.—At the St. Joseph's and other properties operating in the district steady advances are reported for the week. Nothing of special interest is reported in connection therewith.

BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS.

The Granby smelter treated 7893 tons of ore last week, making a total of 211,986 tons for the year.

Week.	Year.
Granby	223,797
Mother Lode	71,007
Snowshoe	28,142
Le Roi	19,885
Emm	501
Sunset	430
Ore Denoro	561
Athelstan	150
Providence	645
Elkhorn	129
Totals	377,235

THE MEXICAN BOOM

ALEXANDER SHARP, M. E., FRESH FROM OLD MEXICO CAMPS.

PAT BURNS' IMPORTANT AND VALUABLE INTERESTS THERE.

Direct from Old Mexico and Lower California, where mining is booming, comes Alexander Sharp, M. E., well and favorably known to residents of Rossland. Mr. Sharp is mining expert for Pat Burns, the Calgary millionaire, and it was in the interests of Mr. Burns and his associates that Mr. Sharp spent the past five months abroad. Large amounts of English and American capital are seeking investment in Mexico and Lower California, according to Mr. Sharp, and the boom engendered is general throughout the mining districts. The Burns interests control valuable copper properties in various sections of the country.

The most important of the Burns properties at this juncture is the Esmeralda, low shipping to the Paine smelter at Alameda, Cal. The ore runs 15 per cent copper and \$2.50 in gold. The property is located 25 miles from the Gulf of California, and the ore is hauled to the seaboard in wagons at a cost of \$1.50 per ton. The labor of the country is skilled and unskilled. Many mine managers are graduates of McGill university, while the foremen and shiftbosses are usually American. The principal miners are Americans, Englishmen and Canadians, who appreciate the excellent climate and good laws. Other labor is performed by peons, who are paid 85 cents per day. The standard wage for white men is \$3.50 in gold, mechanics, blacksmiths and carpenters receiving \$4 per diem.

Mr. Sharp leaves in a few days for Orient, Wash., to resume his duties at the First Thought mine, of which he is manager.

THE PHOENIX EXPLOSION.

Granby Compressors Were Not Very Seriously Damaged.

PHOENIX, Aug. 25.—A careful examination of the two 30-drum compressors in which the cylinders exploded a few days ago at the Granby mines, shows that the damage is not as serious as was at first anticipated. It is now expected that one of the huge machines will be in running order again by the latter end of this week, while it will take some little time to secure the new castings for the other compressor from the east.

General News Of the Kootenay

THE SLOCAN.

Wm. Clarke has a force at work on the Wild Rose. Manager Garde of the Payne has returned from the coast, accompanied by Mrs. Garde.

Drewry & Twigg have just finished the survey of the Silver Chord, adjoining the Noonday on Cody creek. M. Osopode, P. Hirsch and W. Remington, with C. J. Ryan, are checking up the smelter situation in the Slocan. Messrs. Milloy, Melvin, Seal and Rogers returned from the gold fields on the Lardo river this week, satisfied that that is the most promising yellow metal cap in B. C.

Bob Canning is showing some very rich gray copper and silver ore from the north shooting on the Mercury. He is increasing the force, and hopes to be able to ship ore in a short time. Larry Knowles has bought out his partner, and is now sole lessee of the Arlington hotel in Slocan City.

Work on the Howard fraction was resumed last week. A 1000 foot tunnel is to be driven on the property. Another party of campers, from Sandon and Rossland, are enjoying the pleasures of "roughing it" at the Bosen camp grounds.

Lemon Creek has not a gold excitement, but it has a boom on. It has never experienced such activity as is now being felt.

The freight and treatment rate on dry ore from Slocan has been raised from \$9 to \$11 a ton in Nelson, and from \$11 to \$12 at Trail.

J. F. Colom claims an interest in Prof. Park's method of treating dry ores. This might delay the erection of the Arlington mill, on Springer creek.

Andrew Jacobson returned from a trip to the Poplar creek camp last Friday. He was so well pleased with the outlook that he is going to build a hotel here.

H. G. Dyer, Ph. D. of the United States natural history museum of Washington, accompanied by his wife, daughter and A. U. Candell, are leaving Kaslo for home this week. For three months they have been collecting and studying the moths and insects of Kaslo and vicinity, ably assisted by W. J. Cooke, the well known entomologist.

The townsite of Poplar has been purchased from the Kaslo & Slocan railway by John Keen of Kaslo, who has put it upon the market. The plan is to divide the townsite into lots. Of these 70 have already been sold to persons who are now building houses and stores. One hotel and five stores are up and doing business. An agent is located on the ground. O. T. Stone is selling in Kaslo and other agents will be appointed in Rossland, Nelson, Ferguson and Trout Lake. The property has been placed on the market at popular prices for cash.

Some of the finest ore ever struck on Slocan Star group is being taken from the deep workings of the Silver-Smith.

The Three Forks lacrosse team is almost in tip-top condition and eager for fame.

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Marquette and Gilbert were offered \$40,000 cash for their Poplar creek claims by Montana parties last week. The offer was refused. The holders want \$75,000 and claim to have \$15,000 worth of ore in sight on the dumps.

Another smelter scheme is looming up in Kaslo. This time with more hope of emitting smoke than going off in a blow of wind.

Cheery news greeted J. L. Retallick on his way to inspect the Washington last Saturday, after his lengthy absence in the east. Mr. Retallick has been in Eastern Canada some months past in connection with the lead bonanza, and his success is known to all.

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ore is being taken out. Some shipping is still being done from the Morrison, in the same camp.

C. W. H. Sansome has bonded the Gold Finch claim, in Skylark camp, to D. W. McVicar and W. T. Hunter, manager of the Hunter-Kendrick company, Greenwood. Mark F. Madden of Chicago holds a small interest. The property will be worked in connection with the E. P. U. claim adjoining it.

Foreman Holman, of the Mother Lode mine, has been doing some remarkable work lately in ore extracting. With a force of only 55 men he has for ten days or more supplied sufficient ore to keep two furnaces at the smelter in operation—some 600 or 700 tons daily. He wanted, and still needs, 15 or 20 additional men.

Richard Armstrong, formerly manager of the Grand Forks townsite company, but now of Chicago, was in the Boundary last week accompanied by Messrs. Long and Brennan, two Chicago capitalists seeking investment in the west.

Phoenix is making elaborate preparations for the third annual labor day celebration to be held in that city on September 7 and 8. Prizes amounting to \$2,000 are offered for various sports and the affair promises to be one of the longest and most successful of the kind ever held in the Boundary country. The committee has largely advertised the celebration throughout the Boundary and adjoining districts, and a large crowd is sure to be present to witness the sports.

REVELSTOCKE.

The Arrowhead Lumber company is running the DeKew mill to its full capacity, and, in addition to shipments made, is cutting the lumber for the new mill which the company will erect at Arrowhead, east of the C. P. R. station. The company's operations are under the management of W. R. Beatty, recently manager of the Dominion Lumber company of Nova Scotia, and for some time a member of parliament for PARRY SOUND, where, by his ability and integrity he became so highly esteemed by his constituents that he was returned by increased majorities at each subsequent election. Mr. Beatty is one of the best and most experienced mill managers in Canada, and it is safe to say he will make a thorough success of the great enterprise of which he has taken the management at Arrowhead. At present the company is cutting 20,000 feet a day. Besides the circular saw, the plant of the DeKew mill consists of two planers, a moulder, shingle machine and edger, mitering machine, sticker and moulding machine, resaw shaper, band saw for scroll work, slab slasher, turning lathe, pony surface planer and moulder for shiplap, drying room heated by a Boston blower with engine for running blower, lathe mill and bolter, two steam fire pumps, conveyor to carry shavings to boiler room. The motive power is supplied by two boilers and an engine with cylinder 20x30 inches. The new mill which the company proposes to put in at Arrowhead will be one of the most up-to-date in the province. It will be a double cutting gang mill, with a stock gang of 40 saws. Mr. Beatty went to the coast to see the latest ideas in milling machinery and equipment as in mill to him in putting in the best plant he can get for the new mill.

THE LARDEAU.

The Eva stamp mill is rapidly nearing completion. Crushers are in place and ready to dry. The four pumps are all set up and the floor in the vanner room laid. Shafting is being put in place and the three Pelton wheels are in position. The house covering the lower terminal is almost completed. At the mine three shifts of men are at work and good headway is being made.

At the Ophir-Lade stampmill and compressor plant, much progress was made during the past week. The main parts of the compressor plant are all in position, the air pipe is creeping up the mountain and the building is being covered with metal roof. At the mill, crusher and stamps are in place, and the tram cable is being put in position.

Grading for the reservoir is finished and timber are being framed. Plank is all cut and will be hauled up the first of next week. Pipe is ordered and, as an evidence of Cambour's growth, 600 feet of additional pipe had to be purchased since the estimate of the amount required was made about a month ago.

A free gold group of prospects consisting of the Nelson, Goldfink, and Gold Medal, lying at the head of Tensile creek, near Sable creek divide, was purchased last week by Cory Menhick, Gus Sandham and George Young, the vendors being Archie Currie, Ed. Hillman and Fred Morrison. One thousand dollars cash was paid for the Nelson claim alone, on which there is a lead ten feet wide of more or less decomposed quartz from which gold can be panned without crushing. Several borings have been made in the Miner office, all showing colors in good quantities.

EAST KOOTENAY.

Grain has ripened rapidly during the past two weeks, and harvesting has begun in the Kootenay valley. The season for berries is at its best and good full pails are brought in every day.

The prospects of the local Conservative party are growing brighter every day, and great confidence is expressed that Thomas Cavin will be returned. On Bull river there has been constantly increasing activity during the past week. Next week some 15 men will be employed in cutting out a route for the big ditch.

The Morrissey mines have been averaging over 1100 tons daily for the past ten days. A case of smallpox is reported at the old town of Morrissey. It is reported that parties are contracting for the building of a hotel at Fort Steele Junction.

It is said that Captain Dalgarondo, of Fort Townsend, will build a steamboat this fall to ply between Tobacco Plains, Wassa and intermediate points. The Perry creek gold fields will no doubt receive considerable attention during the remainder of the season. Mine owners in that vicinity are much chafed with the showings that have been made during the past few months. Placer operations are being extended, and a number of mining deals consummated. At this time there is no reason to doubt that Perry creek will make a great gold camp before the season is ended.

A bunch of nineteen coal licenses for claims up Elk creek above Michel have been sold out to F. H. Gilpin of Cranbrook. Mr. Gilpin has been looking for a lumber proposition for some time, and will devote his time to this line of business in the future. He left for Morrissey on Tuesday and is securing a crew preparatory to getting the mill started. He contemplates some improvements and will give the business his personal supervision. For the present his family will remain in Cranbrook.

ROWLEY'S SHORTAGE.

ST. THOMAS, Ont., Aug. 26.—Further examination of the books of Geo. Rowley, ex-manager of the Elgin Loan and Savings company, now serving a sentence in the penitentiary, reveals the fact that his shortage will approach the quarter of a million mark.

PASSES ON COAL LANDS

Mining Association Executive Adopts a Resolution.

Also Deal With Other Important Matters Yesterday.

Possibly the most important resolution passed at yesterday's session of the executive of the Provincial Mining Association of B. C. was the one dealing with the question of East Kootenay coal and oil lands. In addition other matters of material import to the mining industry were gone into and dealt with in resolutions.

The members of the association put in most of the day at the court house, concluding last evening at 10:50 for the day. No time was devoted to social amenities, although the local members and the officials of the Rossland branch had arranged various features for the entertainment of the visitors.

The sitting of the executive will be concluded today. This evening a banquet will be given at the Lancaster house in honor of the visiting members.

The resolution dealing with the East Kootenay coal and oil lands was as follows: Moved by E. B. Kirby, seconded by S. S. Taylor and carried: Resolved that this executive of the Provincial Mining Association of B. C. urge such government as may be in power after the pending provincial elections to formulate without delay a policy for the opening up and development of all coal lands.

And further resolved that this executive suggests that with respect to coal lands in South East Kootenay (not affected by any valid, existing legal claim or right of any person or company) the government retain the title to all such and develop the coal measures therein contained, by a system of leasing to actual operators; such leases to contain stringent provisions for proper equipment, development and continuous operations; and for the full protection of the British Columbia consumers of coal and coke as to supply and price.

And further resolved that the policy above suggested be extended to all coal and petroleum lands of the province.

BOILER INSPECTION.

The question of boiler inspection discussed on Monday was brought in again, and disposed of in a resolution recommending that the government immediately investigate the workings of the act and provide information for the new legislature at next session in accordance with the recommendation of the association in February last.

ASSESSMENT ACT.

Objections having been registered against the operation of the Assessment Act, 1903, inasmuch as lands patented a day or two prior to the 30th of June annually are taxable for the entire year, a resolution was passed asking for an amendment to make the tax apportionable and that no person should be so taxed for any period of time prior to the date of the crown grant.

WATER CLAUSES ACT.

Considerable time was spent in discussing the statute under this heading. Messrs. Galt and Howe moved that amendments be asked for as follows: (a) To remove the ambiguity of the expression "unrecorded water;" (b) to repeal sub-section 2 when the water is asked for by the owners of a crown-granted claim to be used for development of such claim; (c) requiring applicants for water records to advertise in local papers; (d) to abolish the dual jurisdiction of gold commissioners and assistant commissioners of lands and works; (e) to provide payment of costs in disputed cases; (f) to amend the provisions relating to power companies to remove several doubts existing; (g) to amend the heading and arrangement of Part VI to remove glaring anomalies. The conclusion was that the act required careful revision and amendment at once.

Messrs. Taylor and Brown moved that the foregoing resolution be amended (1) by striking out paragraphs A. C. and E.; (2) by providing that section 23 govern the matter of precedence in records.

It was concluded to send both resolution and amendment to the branch associations, with the suggestion that branches take action thereon.

The matter of an ore exhibit at the Nelson mining and agricultural exposition was brought up and referred to E. B. Kirby, who undertook to expedite the proposition.

A suggestion to have an exhibit of mining machinery at Victoria during the next annual convention was laid on the table. It was apparent that the proposal was impracticable.

A resolution was drafted expressing the appreciation and thanks of the association for the passage of the lead bonus by the federal government.

The executive resumes this morning at 10 o'clock to consider the balance of the matters on the business sheet.

THE STOCK MARKET

The past week saw very little business done on the exchange, and but few changes in the quotations. Yesterday there was no session. Payne and Rambler-Cariboo were slightly lower on Tuesday, other stocks remaining as they were. The sales for the week were 23,000 shares. Following are Tuesday's quotations:

Stock	Asked	Bid
American Boy	5 1/4	4 1/2
Ben Hur	5 1/4	4 1/2
Black Tail	4 1/2	4 1/4
Canadian G. F.	5	4 1/2
Cariboo McKinney ..	11	10
Centre Star	26	23
Fairview	5	4
Fisher Maiden	3	2
Giant	3	2
Granby Consolidated ..	\$4.50	\$3.75
Morning Glory	2	1 1/2
Mountain Lion	30	25 1/2
North Star	11 1/2	9 1/4
Payne	16	14 1/2
Quip	31	28
Rambler-Cariboo	35	30
San Foll	5	4
Sullivan	5 1/4	4 1/4
Tom Thumb	4 1/2	3 1/2
War Eagle	11 1/2	10
Waterloo	7	5 1/2
White Bear (ass. paid)	4 1/2	3 1/2

SALES.

War Eagle, 500, 11; Fisher Maiden, 2000, 2; White Bear, 1000, 4. Total, 4500.

Fisher Maiden, 2000, 21-4; Mountain Lion, 1000, 26 1-2; Sunset Copper, 2000, 11-3; Payne, 500, 16. Total, 5500.

Mountain Lion, 2000, 26 1-2; North Star, 1000, 10; Morning Glory, 3000, 17-8. Total 6000.

Mountain Lion, 1000, 26 1-2; North Star, 1000, 10; White Bear, 2000, 4; Morrison, 2000, 21-2. Total, 7000.

DICKENS' BIRTHPLACE.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—A dispatch to the Times from London says the sale at auction of the birthplace of Charles Dickens on Commercial road, Portsmouth, is announced.

COTTON TRADE DEPRESSED.

BOLTON, Eng., Aug. 26.—The cotton trade is in a worse state than for 15 years past, in consequence of the shortness of the supply of cotton. Heavy demands are being made on societies owing to the large number of persons who are idle.

DINE WITH THE KAISER.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—Emperor William has invited to dinner in the castle and on the grounds at Cassel on Friday ten thousand civil officials and prominent inhabitants of the province of Hesse Nassau. His majesty tomorrow will entertain at dinner all the local officers from the rank of major upwards.

FIRE AT CACOUNA.

RIVER DU LOUP, Que., Aug. 26.—The St. Lawrence hall at Cacouna was destroyed by fire. No details have been received, the telegraph office being in the hotel. The loss will be at least \$50,000.

FELL OUT OF BED.

HALIFAX, Aug. 26.—Private H. Levesey, 36 years old, of the Royal Garrison, died from fracture and dislocation of the spinal cord sustained by falling out of bed.

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A. M. THOMAS,
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