

It was not expected that work would be fairly started till a day or so after the latter had begun. This applies even with greater force to the Centre Star than to the War Eagle, as much of the machinery on the former mine is yet to be finished. The compressor room is fast approaching completion. The massive concrete foundation has now been set and is now in readiness for the erection of the plant. The headworks and galleys frame of the big hoist are still under process of completion but much remains to be done. The old engine house is being torn down and a larger domicile for the engine is being erected upon the same site. The rock chamber under the bridge is practically complete, a few men being employed in clearing up the floor.

THE IRON MASK.

Prosecution of the crosscut west of the big dyke on the 400-foot level has made it practically certain that the faulted ledge has been regained, and is in place under the upper levels of the mine. Superintendent Hall says that the face of the crosscut is looking very well, and that he is quite satisfied. This is in confirmation of the expectations raised by the break into the vein recorded in the "Miner" on Sunday morning as having taken place the previous day.

EVENING STAR.

The development work is being steadily pushed under the direction of Manager Chamberlain. The hauling of ore to the railroad has been recommenced, and three cars are being loaded at the siding. The ore is being stoped from the upraise between No. 2 and No. 1 level. Here the richest ore in the mine is found; in fact, the ore here is as rich as any found in the camp. The Evening Star is being rapidly developed into a valuable mine.

MONTREAL-OREGON.

Word was received yesterday from Manager Ingersoll, of the Montreal and Oregon mine stating that the mill had started crushing ore on Saturday; consequently the first clean up, will be looked for.

ORION GOLD MINING CO.

The Orion Gold Mining Co. held a special general meeting at the office of the company, Rat Portage on Wednesday last, for the purpose of considering the position and indebtedness of the company. The directors have been unable to place on the market any stock for sale since it was discovered that the company was incorporated in such a manner that no stock could be sold at a discount. Some stock has been disposed of but was sold by the directors before they discovered the error made by their American attorney. Mr. Otto Taubert, of St. Paul, who was treasurer of the company, felt himself called upon to liquidate the indebtedness of the company, which he has done to the extent of about \$1,000. Judgment was recovered by a contractor, Alex. Gordon, against the company for work done upon the property, and this Mr. Taubert paid. These matters being placed before the meeting, it was unanimously adopted that the company's properties should be transferred to Mr. Taubert in consideration of his paying the outstanding liabilities of the company, and this offer Mr. Taubert is disposed to accept. Some of the leaseholds of the company were offered for sale under execution to-day, and Mr. Taubert is the purchaser at \$3,000. It is supposed that Mr. Taubert intends to incorporate a new company and to issue treasury stock to all the present treasury share-

holders so that there may be no distress or loss by reason of the unfortunate incorporation of the company.

As soon as the new company is organized it is proposed to start active work upon the property. Over 100 feet of sinking has been done upon this property adjoining the Westerfield and the showing at the bottom of the shaft is superior to anything heretofore reached. —Rat Portage Miner.

CRIPPLE CREEK NEWS.

PORTLAND PRODUCTION.

At a time when various reasons have been assigned for the practical closing down of the Portland mine, the following extracts from a letter published in the Victor Record are of general interest. The letter in question was evidently from an inspired source and is doubtless intended as a reply to an article relative to the big Battle Mountain mine, previously published in the same paper. In this article, among other statements, was the assertion "that the development work was no in proportion to the production." The letter was signed "A Portland Miner," and in part says:

"You stated that the mine was belittled of its reserve by keeping up the large output of 3,000 tons a month; that the mine could not stand the continual drainage.

The fact of the situation is that the mine is capable of producing twice the tonnage you mention with the large tract of prolific ground to cull from. The Cripple Creek mines are in their infancy in point of tonnage, the Portland in particular. We could point you to mines that have been keeping up a record of 1,000 and 1,200 tons per day for the last 15 and 20 years, that at the same age as the Portland is to-day had no such showing. Neither had they the territory to draw from that the Portland has. If the present system is set up in sinking, developing, blocking out ore bodies, and bringing other new veins in line that the famous Battle Mountain mine is so full of, then in the not far off future we shall see the Portland mine producing 1,000 tons per day.

CRIPPLE CREEK MINING STOCKS

April 19, 1900.

| Capital. | Par Value. | Asked |
|-----------|------------|---------------------------|
| 1,500,000 | \$1.00 | Acacia..... .28 |
| 2,500,000 | 1.00 | Battle Mt..... . |
| 900,000 | 1.00 | Ben Hur..... . |
| | | Black Belle..... .11 |
| 1,500,000 | 1.00 | Black Lee..... .0 |
| 2,000,000 | 1.00 | Croesus..... . |
| 2,000,000 | 1.00 | Columb/Victor..... .17 |
| 2,000,000 | 1.00 | C. O. Cons..... .13 |
| 2,000,000 | 1.00 | C. O. & M..... .11 |
| 1,250,000 | 1.00 | Dante..... .14 |
| 2,000,000 | 1.00 | Damon..... .21 |
| 1,250,000 | 1.00 | Elkton..... . |
| 1,500,000 | 1.00 | Flower..... .4 |
| 1,250,000 | 1.00 | Findley..... .10 |
| 1,000,000 | 1.00 | Gold Coin..... . |
| 3,000,000 | 1.00 | Gold Sovereign..... .9 |
| 2,000,000 | 1.00 | Gold Stone..... . |
| 1,000,000 | 1.00 | Gould..... .40 |
| | | Hart..... .17 |
| | | Hayden..... . |
| 1,225,000 | 1.00 | Independ. T. & M..... .73 |
| 2,250,000 | 1.00 | Isabella..... .120 |
| 500,000 | 1.00 | Ida May..... . |
| 1,250,000 | 1.00 | Jack Pot..... . |
| 1,500,000 | 1.00 | Keystone..... .17 |
| 1,300,000 | 1.00 | Kimble..... .8 |
| 1,500,000 | 1.00 | Lexington..... .15 |
| 1,000,000 | 1.00 | Maton..... . |
| 800,000 | 1.00 | Moon Anchor..... .70 |
| 1,250,000 | 1.00 | Magnet..... .3 |
| 1,250,000 | 1.00 | Maria A..... .4 |
| | | Midway..... . |
| 1,000,000 | 1.00 | Mt'n. Beauty..... . |
| 1,000,000 | 1.00 | Nugget..... .22 |
| 1,500,000 | 1.00 | New Haven..... . |
| 1,250,000 | 1.00 | Orion..... .4 |
| 2,000,000 | 1.00 | Pappoose..... .07 |
| 3,000,000 | 1.00 | Portland..... .249 |
| 1,000,000 | 1.00 | Princess..... .00 |
| | | Raven..... .65 |
| 1,250,000 | 1.00 | Silver State..... .2 |
| 2,000,000 | 1.00 | Pinnacle..... . |
| 1,000,000 | 1.00 | Sacramento..... . |
| | | Tornado..... .48 |
| | | Union..... .49 |
| 1,500,000 | 1.00 | Work..... .32 |
| | | Zonobia..... .17 |

Phone Main 1842.

BECKIE & LIGHTBOURN,

GENERAL INSURANCE AGENTS.

Representing ONTARIO ACCIDENT INS. CO. and LLOYD PLATE CLASSING CO.

338 St. Paul Street, MONTREAL

W. A. FLEMING

IMPORTER

Camel = Brand = Hair

WATERPROOF

... BELTING ..

Hydraulic Hose, Steam Hose,

Fire Hoses, Mining Supplies.

57 ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER ST.,
MONTREAL.

PATENTS AND
TRADE MARKS.

OWEN N. EVANS,

Temple F. Bldg., MONTREAL
Telephone Main 3971.

Don't put your
Money into
Mining Stocks

until you have made special
enquiry about same from
the

EXCHANGE NEWS

Information Bureau

which is free to all subscribers.

457 St. Paul Street,

MONTREAL.