

# PROSPECTS OF LE ROI

### Managing Director McMillan Looks For Upward Move.

### Outlook For Mining Generally—Departure For England.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Anthony J. McMillan, managing director of the Le Roi Mining Company, Limited, left last night for England, after spending a month in town looking into the status of the Le Roi mine and the Northport smelter. During that time he and S. F. Parrish, the general manager, have been exceedingly busy, many matters having been looked into. It is understood that a program of work has been mapped out for the future.

In answer to inquiries from the Miner representative, Mr. McMillan said that he was much pleased with his trip to Rossland. Mining generally in the district appears to be looking up. With reference to the Le Roi itself Mr. McMillan said that he was not in a position to say much, as he must naturally first report to his own directors and the shareholders. He was glad to state that the coke supply at Northport was improving, and he expressed the opinion that before long the results of work in connection with the company's business here would show a gratifying improvement.

Asked as to the reported ore discovery in a vertical diamond drill hole 150 feet below the 1350 foot level in the Le Roi, Mr. McMillan remarked that he did not feel like discussing this point at the present juncture. Mr. McMillan goes by the C. P. R. to Revelstoke, thence to Montreal and New York, and expects to be in London about the end of the month. In all probability he will return to Rossland again in the month of August.

A number of friends were at the station to see Mr. McMillan off and wish him bon voyage. Mr. Parrish accompanied him up the Arrow lakes to discuss further matters of business as yet unfinished.

## FOR CHILDREN'S DAY

### TRUSTEE NELSON COMES OUT STRONGLY FOR DOMINION DAY FETE.

### WANTS THE CHILDREN ENTERTAINED AND SUGGESTS A PROGRAM.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

"I do not know the sentiments of my colleagues in the school board, but personally I favor some recognition of our national holiday—especially for the school children," remarked W. J. Nelson yesterday when approached on the subject of sports for school children on Dominion Day. The question has vexed the city council for several weeks, and the city fathers manifest a disposition to assist to the extent of providing prizes for prizes. As a school trustee, Mr. Nelson was asked for his views on the subject.

"In my opinion it is wrong," continued Trustee Nelson, "to permit the 'First' to pass unobserved. I believe in inculcating in the minds of the rising generation a strong and healthy sentiment of loyalty and patriotism toward their native land. Advantage should be taken of Dominion Day to forward this laudable end."

"An interesting program could be arranged at slight expense, and it would afford amusement for adults as well as amusement for children. At this moment I would hesitate to outline such a program, but the task would not be difficult."

"Let the children be trained after school hours to sing the National Anthem, Harris' 'Land of the Maple' and 'The Maple Leaf Forever,' or other patriotic songs. A song which I wrote for a former entertainment—'While There's a Time in the Old British Flag,' or another written for the concert in honor of the lads returning from South Africa entitled 'Canada, Fair Canada,' would be appropriate. These are set to good music and can be readily taught to the youngsters. The sentiments expressed in both songs, sung in a chorus on a national holiday, could not fall of happy and edifying results."

"It would suggest that the school children be assembled on the morning of the holiday at the Black Bear grounds and sing the patriotic songs from the grand stand. Then the ceremony of raising the Canadian flag could be made entertaining if accompanied by rousing songs and the city band. A few of our best and successful experience as a smelter man. He is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, taking his degree of mining engineer and metallurgist in 1886. He is a life member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers and being a good American he is proud of belonging to the society of the Sons of the American Revolution, although that has nothing to do with his record as a smelter man."

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man. Mr. Wilson accepted and remained with him for three years, after which he accepted a position with the Boston & Montana company at Great Falls. Shortly afterwards Price Bros. of Quebec, who had invested heavily in the Boundary, engaged Mr. Wilson to take charge of their smelter at Boundary Falls and look after their interests there. He has been representing Price Bros. up to the time he received the position of manager of the Northport smelter.

## EVIDENCE IS LONG

### THE CASE OF HOPKINS VS. GOODERHAM LASTS ANOTHER DAY.

MUCH EVIDENCE SUBMITTED YESTERDAY BEARING ON ISSUE.

## TO START MONDAY

### CHINA CREEK MILL BUILDINGS UNDER WAY NEXT WEEK.

### PLANT PRACTICALLY ON GROUND —TO PRODUCE 30,000 FEET DAILY.

On Monday operations will be commenced by the China Creek Lumber company. The concern, as already stated in The Miner, comprises several of the mills on the Columbia river at China Creek timber limits and other considerable berths in the vicinity. Their holdings probably represent two hundred million feet of standing timber.

The company will set up a milling plant at China creek capable of producing 30,000 feet of timber per day and a considerable quantity of lath and other milled products. Work on the necessary buildings will be started Monday and operations will be pushed ahead as rapidly as possible.

The engine and boilers for the mill are already delivered, and the sawing and planing apparatus has been ordered for delivery at the earliest possible date. The company believes it will be in a position to turn out lumber within sixty days, and every effort will be made to accomplish this. The conditions of the lumber market are such that the company has what amounts to a guarantee of the sale of its entire output from a year from date. The product will be exported to the Northwest Territories.

Logging will not be started on the company's timber limits until the completion of the mill is within measurable distance, inasmuch as the company proposes to cut a considerable quantity of timber immediately contiguous to the mill buildings, thereby avoiding the necessity of piling up a reserve of logs. When logging is started on the company's upper limits the logs will be run down the Columbia river at high water to the eddy at China creek and taken up the high bank to the mill site by an endless chain conveyor.

## NORTHPORT CHANGES

### MR. WATSON'S RESIGNATION HANDS IN SEVERAL MONTHS AGO.

### HE CONSENTED TO REMAIN TEMPORARILY — THE NEW MANAGER.

E. J. Wilson, the new metallurgist at the Northport smelter, is now installed at the works. Mr. Watson, who has been in charge of the plant for some months, will remain there for the balance of the month, after which his future plans will be determined.

In connection with the change of management at the Northport smelter, S. F. Parrish, general manager of the Le Roi company, says: "Mr. Watson's resignation has been in the hands of the company for some months, but it was difficult to replace him at once, and he kindly consented to remain until arrangements were made as to his successor."

Ex-Manager Watson is probably the oldest employee of the smelting works. He was engaged on the construction of the plant, and rose steadily from one position to another until he attained the superintendency on the withdrawal of Oscar Szentogh. Mr. Watson is widely esteemed and respected for his sterling traits of character and ability as a smelterman.

Although a comparatively young man, being only 36 years of age, Mr. Wilson, the new manager, has had a long and successful experience as a smelter man. He is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, taking his degree of mining engineer and metallurgist in 1886. He is a life member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers and being a good American he is proud of belonging to the society of the Sons of the American Revolution, although that has nothing to do with his record as a smelter man."

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burg. Regrets for unavoidable absence were sent by Messrs. J. S. Deschamps, Lorne A. Campbell, S. F. Parrish, A. G. Larsen, J. S. C. Fraser and A. H. MacNeill, K. C.

## INVITES IDEAS.

### Provincial Mining Association Asks Advice on Various Points.

A communication from the Provincial Mining Association has been received by the local branch, in which an effort is made to promote closer relations between the central organization and branches throughout the province.

The central association believes that in strength numerical lies the strength moral of the organization, and solicits the assistance of the local branches toward bringing the membership in the province up to 12,000 before the close of the present year.

A carefully planned campaign for members is proposed, and the local branches are asked to give an opinion as to the merits of securing a general organizer, who shall give his whole attention to the work and operate throughout the province, as compared to local organizers appointed and remunerated by the various branches.

Attention is directed to the manner in which the legislature has acted on the representations of the association, notably the Conciliation Act, the six months redemption amendment to the Mineral Act, the readjustment of taxation on mines and the steps for securing same through advertising of public notices in the local press.

## MINES FOR TANKS

### INGENUOUS SCHEME TO SECURE NATURAL STORAGE FOR WATER.

### COUNCIL AKES UP WATER OF IMPROVING LOCAL WATER SYSTEM.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The improvement of the city water service is a problem with which the city fathers have grappled. Last night the fire, water and light committee convened to go into the question at the request of Mayor Dean, who holds decided views on the subject. Beyond a general discussion no action was taken. It is probable the committee will call for an expert opinion from the city engineer on the question and that the action of the council will be governed in a large measure by this and other considerations that may crop up later.

"After looking over the city's water tanks and the supply of water for concentration," says Mayor Dean, "I have concluded that it would be an excellent idea to have another tank nearer the town. This tank should have an elevation of fifty feet over the present reservoir, or such additional elevation as it is possible to secure, having in view the capacity of the water main to carry the increased pressure accruing therefrom. The idea is not only to increase our reserves of water for fire fighting, but afford a means of protecting property at a higher level than we are now able to cover. If it is practicable to secure the proposed increased level I believe the city will be in a position to protect the Centre Star headquarters and contiguous buildings. The addition of another tank to the system would also place us in a better position to repair, reculk, etc., any of the existing tanks which is now difficult of accomplishment, especially during the dry season."

"We are also considering the advisability of bulkheading some of the mine workings that are not being used with a view to having a still larger reserve. It is possible that one or more efficient reservoirs could be improvised by the adoption of this idea, much depending upon the formation being free from fissures that would permit of seepage. One property, for instance, that has not been worked for three years would contain over 700,000 gallons of water.

"There is not the slightest doubt as to our having all the water required for ordinary domestic and fire purposes, but our idea is to provide an ample reserve within the city limits for any extraordinary emergency that might arise. The development of our water resources with a view to assisting in the inauguration of concentration locally underlies all the council's aims in respect to the water question."

### EARNING LARGE MARGIN.

Le Roi Two Official Returns Indicate Per Ton Profit of Over \$10.

### MEETING POSTPONED.

The School Board to Transact Business on Monday.

The regular meeting of the board of school trustees should have taken place yesterday, but the session was postponed to Monday. No pressing business is on the tapis.

The trustees will probably discuss the matter of giving a public entertainment on July 1 for the school children, the offer of the city council to furnish most of the funds necessary having brought the subject up in concrete form.

Try a merchants' lunch at the Palace today. Only 25 cents.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The approaching departure of general Sam Tonkin and Mrs. Tonkin on their holiday tour was the cause of a big gathering of their friends at the War Eagle hotel on the hill last evening. Those who assembled to demonstrate their esteem and wish the worthy couple an enjoyable trip included Messrs. E. B. Kirby, James Hunter, R. R. Lester, Wm. Thompson, J. S. Clute, J. B. Johnson, A. E. Mackenzie, Carl S. Davis, N. A. Burnett, G. A. Mitchell, C. V. Jenkins, Keith Lacey, N. F. Townend, Oscar Baum, John C. Cosgrove, F. W. Strout, A. Sorenson and J. F. Lin-

# MORE PLANT FOR MINES

### White Bear, Spitzee and Green Mountain Purchasing Machinery.

### Significant Signs of Greatly Increased Activity in Mining Here.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

A significant sign of the times in the Rossland camp, and a happy augury of the fulfillment of predictions as to increased activity throughout the district, is the action taken by local mining companies in the direction of purchasing new machinery. In various directions mining companies are preparing to install plants calculated to enable them to develop and exploit deep workings. The tendency in all directions is to go to the deep levels, and this in itself is among the most important developments in the progress of the Rossland camp.

The White Bear company is securing figures for a twenty-drill compressor and a 125 horse power hoisting plant. The aggregate cost of this machinery, without buildings, is in the neighborhood of \$20,000, and the buildings necessary to properly house the machinery will cost not less than \$8,000, so that the company's confidence in the status of the mine is indicated in concrete form. The buildings and new plant are to be proceeded with this summer. The construction of the spur from the Canadian Pacific railroad to the mine is an important fact in the work to be undertaken, and the preliminary survey for the sinking has already been completed. It is understood the winding plant to be installed will suffice for the requirements of the mine to the 1200 foot level on the start, and that its winding capacity can be readily increased.

### SPITZEE MACHINERY.

The Spitzee company has already placed an order for a five drill compressor, to be installed at the mine at the earliest possible date. The cost of the machinery is in the neighborhood of \$8,000. The company also contemplates the immediate installation of powerful winding machinery capable of going to the 500 foot level without further additions. The cost of this machinery, with the necessary buildings, figures to a substantial aggregate, but the Spitzee will be enabled to strengthen its treasury materially through the sale of ore produced in the course of the development and mining about to be commenced.

### GREEN MOUNTAIN ADDITIONS.

W. L. Lairy, manager of the Green Mountain-St. Louis Consolidated, was in the city yesterday, leaving on the morning train for Spokane. His mission here was to arrange for the installation of the additional machinery required at the mine, but a sudden recall in connection with his company's interests in Idaho prevented the matter being disposed of at once. He returns to the city next week, and will then complete the arrangements specified. The company's intention is to put in an additional boiler and install a powerful hoist capable of going to the 1000 level. When this is accomplished the sinking of the main shaft will be resumed from the 450 level. It is proposed to carry the shaft down to the 600 level, where drifts will be turned off to open up the ore bodies disclosed in the 400 and upper levels.

In addition to the foregoing, the construction of a couple of concentrators and additional equipment at other mines are further signs of enhanced activity in the Rossland camp.

### MAY BE S. F. & N.

The siding to the White Bear mine may be from the Spokane Falls & Northern instead of the Canadian Pacific. Yesterday L. F. Maney, of Spokane, resident engineer for the S. F. & N., arrived in the city with a couple of assistants for the purpose of running lines from the main line of the road to the mine and locating a spur for the handling of ore. On his arrival Mr. Maney went over the ground with J. J. Warren, managing director of the White Bear company, and today the survey will be undertaken. The proposal is to commence the spur at the western end of the Black Bear claim, which gives a practicable route. The matter of commencing work on the spur is in abeyance, and awaits the action of the mining company, which now has the choice of connections with two roads.

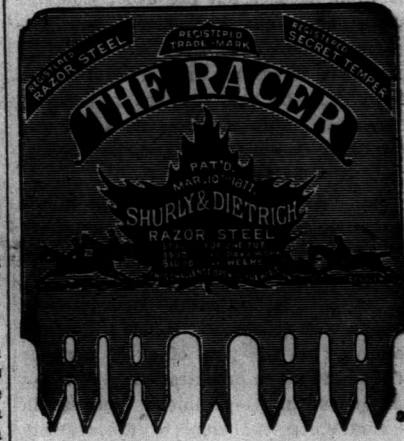
## ANCIENT BABYLON.

Some Recent Discoveries of the German Oriental Society.

The members of the Babylonian expedition sent out by the German Oriental Society have, in spite of heat, wind and dust, held out steadfastly at their post, and have brought to light many valuable memorials, which, with those already unearthed, will some day give a faithful picture of the ancient metropolis, its streets, temples and palaces, and its social, intellectual and religious life. Up to now 400 inscribed clay slabs have been found in the centre of the ruins of Babylon. Of only two of them are the inscriptions yet deciphered, but they are pearls of Babylonian cuneiform which explain Babylonian literature. One tablet contains a great part of a celebrated Babylonian cuneiform characters. It is a very ancient dictionary, of great linguistic interest and of exceptional value practically. The second tablet contains nothing less than the litany which was chanted by the singers of the Temple of Esagila on the return of the god Marduk to his sanctuary; Marduk, or Merodach, was the son of Ea, and one of the twelve great gods of the Assyro-Babylonian Pantheon. His temple, Esagila, "the exalted house," became the national sanctuary of the whole empire. He also had a sanctuary at Sippar. He is twice mentioned in the book of Jeremiah, and in Isaiah, as Bel. It was the custom to sing the litany which has now been found after the periodical procession to that grand pantheon which has been brought to light by the expedition, and which, it is hoped, by the winter will be completely excavated.

In the meantime Heren Koldewey and Andrae have made another important discovery, a temple of Ador, or Nib, the tutelary god of physicians, hitherto quite unknown. The German Oriental Society's account of these discoveries, which has just been published, also gives a minute description of an amulet, supposed to protect the wearer from the machinations of the demon Labartu. Labartu was an ashen-wood being, who made people pale with terror, drank human blood, caused great sorrow, and was accompanied by a black dog. This amulet was once hung around a child's neck in order to drive off the demon.—Correspondence of the London News.

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are black with dirt, and are hung with cobwebs. smells like the forecastle of a long voyage. Upstairs have a surprise in an art et spring lock. This room, and is kept clean and rked distinction to the rest lishment. The floor is cov- rted rugs, and the walls are pasteries. The owners de- any of these are costly and ily. The walls are adorned s bearing the signatures ho have won fame in two All this seemed very d- the bustle going on down- the hardtack boxes from as we get these off our as one of the proprietors, ing to do a big thing in We can sell an army tent cost the government \$78. is our business."

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