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**SITUATION AT LE ROI**

**Manager Mackenzie Tells About Resumption of Shipments.**

**Elmore Oil Process Cut Out R. P. C. Concentrator.**

"You may state that next week the Le Roi will resume shipping on a small scale. This will be for the purpose of sampling the mine to ascertain what stopes yield ores possessing the best fitting properties. A few of the men formerly engaged in stoping will be engaged at once for this work. We hope within two weeks to have the mine shipping its normal tonnage again. Beyond this, the situation has not developed sufficiently for me to discuss for publication."

The foregoing from John H. Mackenzie, acting manager of the Le Roi, outlines the present status of things in connection with the big mine and its resumption of work. Mr. Mackenzie was exceptionally busy yesterday, but took a moment to tell Rossland through The Miner how matters were shaping.

The situation at the Le Roi has naturally been the principal topic of discussion throughout the city during the past week. Incidentally the usual quota of alarmist reports have been circulated. One of these dealt with the number of men laid off at the mine in most exaggerated terms. It is sufficient to state that yesterday 217 men put in time checks at the big mine, and next week the operations outlined by Mr. Mackenzie will increase this 217 to 239 or 240. When shipments are resumed on the normal basis, the full crew will be restored, and it is sincerely to be trusted that the acting manager's hopes in this direction will be verified. The crew at the mine, previous to the suspension of shipments, totaled over 425, and it is gratifying that the setback encountered did not affect more of the number than was actually the case. It is notable that few if any of the Le Roi men have left the city. Some have gone to other points on visits, and a small number have gone to the States, where the majority have returned, but the large majority have remained here on the tacit understanding that the suspension of shipments is to be of short duration, as intimated by Mr. Mackenzie.

There seems to be every reason to believe that before the end of the present month shipments will be resumed, and that thereafter there will be a gradual increase in the maximum reached that will be the maximum reached that can be handled to advantage in the workings. Just as the present moment the situation concerning the mine is in a most favorable position, and it is believed that those who study the situation intelligently will reach the conclusion that the suspension of shipments is a loss in wages that aggregates a large sum, as might crop up under similar circumstances with any company, and that there is nothing in the outlook to create alarm.

The shortage of fluting ores at the smelter is the reason for the present situation, and when it is considered that with the exception of the Number One mine all the properties hitherto depended upon for shipments of the heavy iron ores required for the smelter, it is not surprising that the broken rods the solution of the question is reached. In combination with the fact that a considerable period practically all of the ore shipped to Northport have been smelted without roasting the suspended shipments are further explained. It will be remembered that on a previous occasion when a week's shortage compelled the smelter to close for a considerable period the mine maintained its shipments, and the product of the smelter has largely done away with, however, a continuance of shipments would mean that the ore must be placed in reserve with an additional charge of fifteen to twenty cents per ton for handling when the smelter resumed. This in itself would involve an additional expense of \$3,000 or \$4,000 per month for each month in which ore was so stored and such an item represents the profits on a considerable quantity of ore. The action of the management in suspending shipments pending the juncture when this loss could be avoided is readily explained.

In view of the optimistic reports in detail as to ore discoveries and values in the Le Roi for the past four or five months it seems incredible that the situation should receive more than passing notice, although it is indisputable that the miners' hold out will sustain a loss in wages that aggregates a large sum. In respect to shut-downs Rossland mines have been remarkably fortunate, however, and in the instance now under review there is consolation in the fact that substantially over 200 men were retained in the mine, almost as many as were employed during various months of last year.

In other respects the mining industry of the camp has progressed steadily. The expected resumption at the Number One mine did not eventuate for the reason that the mine intended shipping to the Northport smelter, and its suspension there led to a postponement at other mines operations as well, were maintained without special incident. The shipments for the week were naturally light owing to the Le Roi's output being cut in two.

**THE OUTPUT.**

The tonnage of ore shipped from and crushed at the Rossland mines for the week ending April 2nd is as follows:

Mine	Year	Date
Le Roi	234	73,390

**Per Year \$2.50.**

Centre Star	1411	19,021
War Eagle	918	14,743
Kootenay		2,230
Jumbo		3,906
Le Roi	600	9,000
White Bear		645
Le Roi Two (Elmore)	270	8,150
Spitzee		80
Total tons	6143	128,974

**AMONG THE MINES.**

**LEROI**—Although the men engaged in stoping ore to the number of 217 were 180 and 300 were laid off early in the week, the mine sent a considerable tonnage of ore to the smelter, this embracing the quantity in the bins and broken in the stopes. The present week's shipments from the big mine will probably be confined largely to the test consignments already referred to. The men retained in the mine are engaged in development, exploration, repairs. On the 500, 800 and 1500 levels the ore bodies are being opened up. The 500 and 800 levels are being connected by an adit, and the 800 level is being raised in the 900 ore body which shipping is resumed on a large scale, while the surface crew is engaged in laying a new six pipe line from the compressor plant to the handworks.

**LE ROI TWO**—In the Josie mine stoping operations were conducted on various levels down to the 600, and exploration and development was pushed ahead steadily in the western section of the property. As stated, the Number One mine did not resume, but the present week may witness a start made therein.

The concentrator is running steadily, with the exception of the Elmore oil machinery which will remain closed down till the end of the month, when the present test run will be completed. At present only the crushers and Wilfley tables are in use. The delayed shipment of oil for the plant has reached Rossland and will be delivered at the works today. The Trent mill in the plant have been equipped with new shoes and runners, while the grinding breakdown early in the week was readily repaired.

**CENTRE STAR**—The week has witnessed no changes in the operating plans at the mine. Stoping is under way as usual on the various levels down to the 600, while development is being maintained on the 500 and 700 levels. In both of which good progress and satisfactory results are being secured.

**JUMBO**—Out at the Jumbo the development work has made good advances during the past week. The intermediate level of the low drift is being pushed ahead rapidly and is steadily reaching the point where the downward strike of the ore sheet should be encountered. On the first level the blocking out of ore has been continued along the usual lines.

**WAR EAGLE**—From the mine the report is that no change has been made in the working plans. Stoping has been maintained on various levels down to the 700, with diamond drill exploration in deeper levels.

**SPITZEE**—The mine is again in position to ship ore, the snow having gone out of the railroad spur. Yesterday a car was "spotted" at the mine, and the mine will continue shipping indefinitely to the Great Smelter. Underneath operations are being conducted on the first level, where the ore body is being opened up. Expedition in this direction is being greater since the electric pump was installed and an extra drill added.

**X. L.**—The lessee expects to start the mill at an early date, although some of the machinery will be required before this can be satisfactorily accomplished. In the meantime a considerable tonnage of ore has been broken down in the mine for treatment.

**ROSSLAND POWER COMPANY**—The big concentrating works are being pushed ahead to completion as rapidly as possible. Sunday shifts being put on to expedite operations. Machinery is being installed and the cyanide building completed. The works are already beginning to wear the aspect of a well advanced project, and although it may be six weeks before the wheels commence turning. The management has stated authoritatively that the Elmore power will not be used in any feature of the concentrator. It has been intimated that the original methods of Manager Kirby have been proved correct, as effective as any other process, and that means an immense saving in the cost of the Elmore machinery. It is highly satisfactory from the view point of the Rossland Power Company. As the works of this company are destined to be by far the largest of their kind in Canada, it is unfortunate that the Elmore power will apparently be denied the very considerable advertisement of having their process included in the works, for it is highly desirable to have every economic feature of the plant in which ore was so stored and such an item represents the profits on a considerable quantity of ore.

**FIFTEEN MACHINES**

LE ROI HAS THIS NUMBER OF DRILLS RUNNING—MORE TOMORROW.

**HOW THE MACHINES ARE DISTRIBUTED DOWN TO DEEP LEVELS.**

From Wednesday's Daily.

A considerable number of men returned to work in the Le Roi mine yesterday, about fifty having been added in the last two days. Others will be put to work from day to day, the company's policy being to take the men back at the earliest possible moment, so that those who know the mine thoroughly will not leave the mine to date but have departed, and in the majority of cases those who went to the 500 level, some in Spokane or Nelson on pleasure jaunts.

A total of fifteen machines is now included in the daily report from the mine, or rather this was the number yesterday, for two more will be started tomorrow. The distribution of the machines is as follows:

Two on the 150 level, one breaking ore and the second developing.

Two on the 160 level, breaking ore and developing respectively.

The total of 15 is thus accounted for, and the other two are raising for the 700 level.

Three on the 800 level, all on development. One machine is working in the drift toward the south stopes and the other two are raising for the 700 level.

Two on the 700 level. One is in the drift in the black Bear stopes through the Josie dyke and the second is in the south stopes.

One on the 900 drifting on the south side.

Two in the Peyton, breaking ore and raising from the 150 to the 120 level.

One in the mid shaft breaking ore.

The total of 15 is thus accounted for, and this will be increased to seventeen tomorrow, when the two additional machines already referred to are started up.

**General News Of the Kootenay**

THE BOUNDARY.

George Collins, manager of the Atholton, announces that operations will be resumed at the mine in two weeks. By that time the snow will be gone to such an extent that hauling will be possible from the mine to the Winnipeg spur.

A shipment of twenty-four tons of iron was made from the E. P. U. to the local smelter last week. The character of ore which is being extracted from this property at present exceeds in values any former shipment.

Over 25 being pushed forward of the Elmore mineral claim, adjoining the Gold Finch. Up to the present about \$100 has been spent, principally in tunnel work. The claim is owned by local men.

Smith of Abanodon and Gauce and Wickwire of Greenwood, who have a bond on the Elmore claim, adjoining the E. P. U. property, are preparing to resume work.

The contractors on the Don Pedro are now down about 80 feet. The ore continues exceptionally high grade and choice samples discount anything yet found in the camp.

Diamond drilling of the volcanic vein on the north fork of the Kettle river has been discontinued for a short time on account of winter.

The lease mine in Summit camp will resume shipments to the Granby smelter this week.

The new roadway connecting the clay and copper quartz mines with the matte elevator at the B. C. Copper company's smelter is now completed. The dust chamber will be constructed with the steel converter stack by a steel firm.

The steam shovel at the Granby mines have not been in operation the past week on account of the snow, which has been piled up in front of the shovel for the reason that it was necessary to remove the overhanging surface surroundings. However, they will be put in commission next week and operated as usual.

The B. C. Copper company has purchased four acres of clay land from E. P. U. in the vicinity of the Boundary Falls and Midway. The land is valuable on account of its clay character, being of such quality as to be excellent for making and firing cement. A spur will shortly be built to the property.

Those interested in mineral claims in the Boundary area, who have been steadily held to the belief that their time of harvest is fast approaching, are feeling jubilant over the fact that the operations on the Boundary and other properties. The boundary area is being developed and the mineral claims are being opened up. There is said to be much water in the Boundary area, and the water is being gathered and the work of development will be vigorously pushed forward. The coming summer will in all probability see the Boundary area in a concentration achieved here recently. The shareholders should endeavor to get together on the proposed water project, and see whether the water showing does not merit further work and equipment.

**THE STOCK MARKET**

In the stock market the week has been extremely quiet, with a calmness in price worth noting. Business has also been of very limited extent. Cariboo McKinley has sold at 1, Centre Star at 12.5, War Eagle at 11, Sullivan at 11.4 and White Bear at 11.1.

American Bop.	3 1/2
Black Bear	3 1/2
Black Bull	3 1/2
Canadian Gold Fields	4 1/2
Cariboo McKinley	12 1/2
Centre Star	12 1/2
Crow's Nest Coal	3 1/2
Fairview	3 1/2
Fisher Maiden	3 1/2
Glacier	3 1/2
Granby Consolidated	10 00
Morning Glory	1 1/2
Mountain Lion	1 1/2
North Star	3 1/2
Payson	3 1/2
Quilp	3 1/2
Hambler-Cariboo	2 1/2
Sea Pool	3 1/2
Sullivan	11 1/2
Tom Thumb	3 1/2
War Eagle	11 1/2
Waterloo (Ass. Paid)	2 1/2
White Bear	11 1/2

Centre Star, 1904, 21.2; Cariboo McKinley, 2000, 1. Total, 2000.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

H. H. S. Latta, Iowa—We know the company you ask about, and our advice is, if you have invested in the shares don't take them, a present. This concern appears to be one of the rackets in the Pacific Northwest. The property near Nelson has been idle for years with the possible exception of some trifling surface work. The statements as to ore in sight, and the fact that the company has seen one of the company's advertisements published in eastern papers, and have concluded that the concern is a fake in the first place. It is now confidently expected that within the period mentioned by Mr. Mackenzie, if the company is to be full crew of 425 men will be restored to the Le Roi.

**AN "OILY" INDUSTRY**

WORK OF THE WILDCATTER IN CONNECTION WITH EAST KOOTENAY.

**PROPOSITIONS THAT MEAN ONLY THE SPENDING OF GOOD MONEY.**

From Saturday's Daily.

There is some amusement not unmixed with righteous indignation, at the attempts that have been made to bunco a large number of Rossland business men into paying for wildcat locations on the reserved coal and petroleum lands in East Kootenay. Those at all familiar with the situation know very well that all the land that shows the slightest indication of being valuable for either coal or petroleum deposits was staked and restaked as early as a year ago. All ground now open to location is only fit for the rankest kind of wildcatting. But in spite of all this there have been local men with sufficient "gull" to permit people to pay them to make such worthless locations.

The practice so far has been to approach the innocent victim with a proposition that he should put up \$100 cash "for expenses." In consideration of this the operators agree to make the location on the land, and to give the operator a 25 per cent. interest in the location. In consideration of this the operator agrees to make the location on the land, and to give the operator a 25 per cent. interest in the location. In consideration of this the operator agrees to make the location on the land, and to give the operator a 25 per cent. interest in the location.

**WHO IS TO BLAME?**

**FOR BLOCKING CONSTRUCTION OF ROSSLAND'S DRILL HALL.**

**MILITIA DEPARTMENT NEVER RECEIVED DEEDS TO SITE.**

From Sunday's Daily.

Local militiamen and citizens generally are disgusted at the delay in the commencement of work on the Rossland Lumber association to reduce the freight charge on lumber between Fort Current and Broadview 2 cents per 100 lbs. If the lumberman will reduce their price of lumber 31 per 100 feet, all customers out of Mackled.

The C. P. R. also offered to increase the rates on American lumber coming into Canada, over the 500 mile rate would be raised 2 cents per 100, and probably a similar raise would be made over the Canadian Northern. The lumberman declined the railway's offer and made a counter proposal agreeing to reduce their price as requested if the C. P. R. would reduce their rates 3 cents per 100 feet, and the railway agreed to do so where the matter stands at the present time.

**IN STATU QUO.**

The C. P. R. has offered the Mountain Lumber association to reduce the freight charge on lumber between Fort Current and Broadview 2 cents per 100 lbs. If the lumberman will reduce their price of lumber 31 per 100 feet, all customers out of Mackled.

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**SWITCHING FOREMEN.**

A number of changes in foremen's positions will shortly take place in the mechanical department of the Canadian Pacific railway, western division. R. Patterson, locomotive foreman at Kamloops, will be transferred to Port Hope, with the position of locomotive foreman to succeed W. Pitts. Mr. Pitts will be transferred to Moose Jaw, with the office of locomotive foreman. J. Anthony, general foreman at Port William, will be transferred to Revelstoke, where he will serve in a similar capacity, while J. Scott of Revelstoke will be transferred to Kamloops, and A. Mallison, now foreman at Moose Jaw, will be transferred to Port William as general foreman.

**A PLEA FOR LIBERTY.**

Ottawa, April 14—A curious petition has been received by the house of commons, in opposition to the hundreds presented by the Lord's Day Alliance. The new petition reads: "That some petitioners, representing in this behalf a large number of persons in the county of Westmorland and others, pray that your honorable body will endeavor to enact any legislation in respect to the observance of the first day of the week that will be a derogation of the right secured to all his majesty's subjects by a proclamation of Her Majesty Queen Victoria in 1858. This petition is presented in behalf of the Religious Liberty Association of Canada and your honorable petitioners pray that your honorable body will give careful attention to the accompanying documents."

**O. K. MINE SUITS.**

This is signed by G. W. McCredy, president. The accompanying documents include a copy of the late Queen's proclamation, and a list of names in which she enjoins all her officers and others to see that every subject has full power to worship in the manner he or she thinks proper without any hindrance. The petitioners are Seventh day Adventists.

**PLAYFUL CHILDREN.**

What treasure on earth is more to be prized than a bright, active, healthy playful child? In homes where Baby's Tablets are used you never find sickly, cross, sleepless children. If little one is ill the Tablets will promptly make it well. Ask any mother who has used the Tablets and she will tell you that this is absolutely true—she will tell you the Tablets always do good, and never do harm. You can give them to a child just born with perfect safety. They are gentle and good for young children. Mrs. Mary J. Moore, Hopworth, Que., says: "My baby has never been sick since I began giving her Baby's Tablets. They are a real blessing to both mother and child, and I would not be without them." Don't let your child suffer, and don't dose with any other medicine containing opiates. Give Baby's Own Tablets, which you can get from any druggist or by mail at 25 cents a box by the Grosvenor Drug Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

**PLACKE WAS EAST.**

The Big Hollander Soon Disposed of by Kid McCoy.

PHILADELPHIA, April 5.—Placke, the champion of Holland, made a sorry spectacle tonight in a fight with Kid McCoy at the Lenox club. Standing six inches taller and weighing 30 pounds more than his opponent, he was beaten almost insensate in less than four minutes. Placke never laid glove on McCoy's face, and McCoy never clinched. Before the first round Placke was covered with blood from his nose, and he was knocked out in the first round. He was carried to his room only to be knocked out ten seconds after the opening of hostilities in the second round.

Placke announced his weight as 123 pounds and McCoy 122.

Round 1. Placke led with his left left, fell short. McCoy landed a right in Placke's jaw, following it with a left and right. McCoy sent Placke down with a straight left to the chin, and the latter took the count of eight. McCoy dived in with a right and then with a hard left in his mouth. Placke was blinded. A vicious left dropped the Hollander, but the gong saved him. McCoy was not touched. Placke's exhibition was miserable, and was bleeding from month and nose.

Round 2. McCoy drove a vicious right to Placke's mouth and the latter slipped to his knees and refused to get up. McCoy sent Placke down with a straight left to the chin, and the latter took the count of eight. McCoy dived in with a right and then with a hard left in his mouth. Placke was blinded. A vicious left dropped the Hollander, but the gong saved him. McCoy was not touched. Placke's exhibition was miserable, and was bleeding from month and nose.

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