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PUTTING IN MONEY

Montreal Is Buying Considerable Mining Property.

THEY ARE BRANCHING OUT

Among Their Purchases Are the B. C., the Republic and the Payne, All First-Class Mines—Mining Engineers to Visit Rossland.

Major R. G. Edwards Leckie, the well known consulting mining engineer of the Montreal Gold Fields, and the representative of the British Columbia of McQuaig, Rykert & Co., has returned from a hurried business trip to Montreal. Mr. Leckie was seen at his office yesterday by a Miner reporter. In reply to a question he said: "A very lively and substantial interest in British Columbia has lately been manifested by the leading capitalists of the commercial metropolis. It is a well known fact that the larger mining operators in the province up to the beginning of the year were under Toronto people, who were first in the field. This has all been changed. Montreal people, always very conservative in their mining ventures, have within the past few months invested heavily in dividend paying and developed properties, and only after very careful and thorough investigation was it that properties of actual merit were placed upon the market by them. On January 1st, the B. C. mining camps were purchased by our people. Judging by the reports received from the mine since my return I am glad to say that the developments now being opened up are fully up to the most sanguine expectations. One development now continues to open up good shipping ore. About 20 men are employed on the B. C. mine, and the force will be increased as the work progresses. An auxiliary 20-horse power engine has been shipped and a large and complete plant ordered, and it will be installed as soon as the completion of the railway will permit. The Montreal people are looking for highly pleased with the rise in the price of copper. The B. C. is undoubtedly the best copper mine yet developed in British Columbia."

THE ORE SHIPMENTS TO DATE.

The ore shipments from the Rossland camp for Jan. 1st to the 25th of March, amounted to 16,107 tons. During the year so far the largest shipments have been shut down for lengthy periods and have not resumed shipping in the quantities they have shipped in the past. It is in consequence of this that the shipments will, each month, be largely in excess of the figures for the three months. The shipments are as follows:

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THE ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

A Modus Vivendi Submitted by the United States.

Washington, March 29.—The modus vivendi to be recognized on the Alaskan boundary, as proposed by the United States, has been referred to the Canadian authorities, as well as to the British foreign office, and until word comes from both quarters, whether the modus is to be established. The impression prevails, however, that as soon as Canada has expressed approval, the British foreign office will speedily give official assent.

BRITISH AND RUSSIAN INFLUENZA IN CHINA.

London, March 30.—The Paris correspondent of the Morning Post says: "At the meeting of the customs committee of the chamber of deputies today the ministry announced that the negotiations resumed with the United States were approaching a successful conclusion. Under the commercial arrangements, likely to be confirmed, the United States government will grant the minimum tariff on 60 classes of goods in return for a similar French concession."

ATLANTIC SEALING FLEET.

St. John's, Nfld., March 29.—The sealing steamers Leopard, with 12,000 seals; the Vanguard with 25,000, and the Neptune with 22,000, arrived here today. They report that the remaining 10 vessels of the northern fleet are almost loaded, and that the Walrus will probably secure a full cargo. The fishery is likely to prove the most successful on record.

THE HUMMING BIRD AND O. K.

These Claims Have Been Bonded by Smith Curtis.

Smith Curtis of this city, has bonded the Humming Bird and O. K. claims, which are located 12 miles north of Grand Forks on the North Fork of the Kettle River. Mr. Curtis was seen yesterday in relation to the bonding of these properties, but said the terms would not be made public, but it represented a very handsome sum. The following particulars concerning these properties were obtained from Mr. Curtis:

These claims were located by Maurice O'Connor in July, 1895. The Humming Bird is traversed for 1,300 feet by a vein of pyrrhotite ore. This vein has been disclosed by openings on it for a distance of about 700 feet, and has also been uncovered on the property to the north. It is well defined and shows a width of two and a half to three feet of pay ore, with indications of widening with depth. The ore is massive, fine grained pyrrhotite very free from silica, and will therefore give a high percentage of metal. It is essentially a gold ore, the copper and silver being generally a trace only.

The values are very uniform, being mostly from \$30 to \$40 in gold. A large sample carefully selected gave \$24.80. Mr. Curtis expects to have 15 or 20 men at work on this vein next month. He proposes to drive tunnels 25 feet in length at intervals of 100 feet on this vein. This will take about six weeks, when he computes that there will be at least 3,000 tons of pay ore in sight, taking the average width of the pay streak at only two feet. On this basis the ore body disclosed will be 700 feet by 25 feet by 2 feet, or 35,000 cubic feet, equal to 5,000 tons. While satisfied, the average value will be \$25 per ton and that \$10 will cover the cost of mining, freight and treatment. Mr. Curtis estimates the net profit at \$10 per ton, or net profit of \$50,000. This ore can easily be taken out in a couple of months, and meantime an equal or greater amount blocked out in a similar manner. All who have visited the property are satisfied that this plan is perfectly feasible and that the estimates as stated are very conservative. Although there has been \$800 spent on the Humming Bird, and that mostly in stripping the vein, there are 75 tons of shipping ore on the dump ready for shipment. The O. K. has a vein across it parallel and similar to that of the Humming Bird, but very little work has been done on it, except where some good ore has been closed, giving assays of \$106 and \$25.60. It is intended to open up this vein without delay.

BUILDING OPERATIONS

Work on the Bank of Montreal Building Progressing.

A Number of New Buildings to be Erected During the Summer, Including the Club.

The pleasant weather of the past week or two has stimulated the building trade and enquiries are being constantly made from the architects as to the cost of cottages, houses and other buildings, and in a few cases these enquiries have resulted in orders being given for plans and tenders have been asked for the erection of structures of various kinds. Work has been resumed on the Bank of Montreal building and the steel trusses or beams on which the floor of the bank proper, that is the first floor will rest, have been laid. The mason and bricklaying work will be resumed just as soon as the frosts cease. When this is done the structure will be rushed as fast as it can be completed with the best of materials. The opposite corner will also be ornamented with the fine structure to be erected by the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, as plans are being prepared for the building.

THE ROSSELLAND CLUB HAS DEFINITELY DECIDED TO BUILD AS SOON AS THE FROSTS ARE OVER.

Architect John J. Honeyman is now preparing the plans of the building. The foundations are already completed and the designs are for a very handsome and commodious structure with every modern convenience. When all the heating and lighting apparatus are in and the interior fittings are complete the building will have cost in the neighborhood of \$90,000 or \$100,000. It will be more convenient than the building now in use in location and will be a handsome addition to the city. The Monitor mine shipped another three cars to England last week. The ore runs 30 per cent zinc. It is stated that Boston capitalists have put up \$100,000 for the acquisition of the Monitor mine. This should revive hope in Slovan City. Until the snow goes and packing commences ore shipments from the Monitor mine will be very light. The trains are breaking up and travel is getting out of the question. The reports about the Comstock mine modelled and added to, so that by the shutting down of the Mitchell, the concentrator contractor, has been satisfactorily settled. The sale of the Enterprise mine on Ten Mile is again rumored, but so far it is not decided. It is known that the experts of the London and B. C. Goldfields have experted the mine. Another strike of ore is reported from the Yellowstone Mining company, which is operating the Yellowstone group near Salmo, two 30-horse power boilers, a hoisting engine and two Rand drills. The four-drill compressor was sold to the Yellowstone company by the James Cooper Manufacturing company. The Oloek Stopped. People of Rossland have been in the habit of relying their time on the big clock in the window of J. W. Spring's jewelry store, next door to the Miner office, which has always been considered reliable. The unexpected happened, the clock stopped short at 12:34, but unlike the other clock it will probably go again this morning, and again give reliable time. One Hundred Lots Placed on Sale. J. B. Johnson & Co. are the sole agents in this city for the Kimberly townsite. Today 100 lots in that promising center will be placed upon the market. Kimberly, it is claimed, is to be one of the towns of East Kootenay. It is close to the Sullivan, Stenwinder and North Star mines, and the Canadian Pacific has surveyed the line through the town. It looks as though the investment in Kimberly would prove a profitable one.

IN OUTSIDE CAMPS

The Mining Industry Is Showing a Steady Increase.

THE GOLDEN ROD BONDED

The Slogan Shipments of Ore Continue to Be Up to the Proper Mark—A Group of Claims at Camp McKinney Bonded for \$120,000.

The reappearance of winter weather does not seem to have affected the mining business in Kootenay. Travel everywhere is brisk and well in advance of former spring seasons. It has become necessary in many instances to write or wire for rooms in advance in order to obtain accommodation. The mining business shows a steady increase. Many transactions are reported, the Boundary Creek country coming in for a large share of the deals. Below will be found items of interest from the camps mentioned:

CAMP MCKINNEY.

The shaft is down 40 feet on the Admiral ley claim, in Camp McKinney, and good values are being obtained from the rock. The rich showing lately reported in the Little Cariboo, in Camp McKinney, continues. The vein is 88 feet deep, all in ore, which assays about \$25 to \$30 per ton. On the O'Shea, in Camp McKinney, the shaft has reached solid quartz, and four and a half feet of high grade ore are found in the bottom of the shaft. Clive Pringle of Greenwood, has bonded the Helen H. Gardner, Copper Farm, Vancouver and Humbolt claims from C. A. Saunders, George Wolf and J. Miller for \$120,000, five per cent down. The properties are located on Copper mountain, in the Similkameen country, and are said to have remarkable ledges of copper ore. The Minnehaha mine, near Camp McKinney, is to have a five-drill compressor plant shortly. The 200-foot level has been reached and drifting commenced. It is said that the management contemplates the installation of a 10-stamp mill in the near future. The new mine, in Camp McKinney, has 10 men at work. The showing is a six-foot ledge of white quartz. A five-stamp mill has been ordered and is now on the way, and a dam and 1500 feet of pipeline to convey water to the mill having been just completed. The recent strike of a rich ore body in the 300-foot level in the Cariboo, in Camp McKinney, has been reported. It will be for the 20-stamp mill for some time to come. Doubtless, this will also make certain the continued declaration of dividends by the company.

SLOVAN DIVISION.

The Payne shipped 470 tons of ore last week. The Monitor mine shipped another three cars to England last week. The ore runs 30 per cent zinc. It is stated that Boston capitalists have put up \$100,000 for the acquisition of the Monitor mine. This should revive hope in Slovan City. Until the snow goes and packing commences ore shipments from the Monitor mine will be very light. The trains are breaking up and travel is getting out of the question. The reports about the Comstock mine modelled and added to, so that by the shutting down of the Mitchell, the concentrator contractor, has been satisfactorily settled. The sale of the Enterprise mine on Ten Mile is again rumored, but so far it is not decided. It is known that the experts of the London and B. C. Goldfields have experted the mine. Another strike of ore is reported from the Yellowstone Mining company, which is operating the Yellowstone group near Salmo, two 30-horse power boilers, a hoisting engine and two Rand drills. The four-drill compressor was sold to the Yellowstone company by the James Cooper Manufacturing company. The Oloek Stopped. People of Rossland have been in the habit of relying their time on the big clock in the window of J. W. Spring's jewelry store, next door to the Miner office, which has always been considered reliable. The unexpected happened, the clock stopped short at 12:34, but unlike the other clock it will probably go again this morning, and again give reliable time. One Hundred Lots Placed on Sale. J. B. Johnson & Co. are the sole agents in this city for the Kimberly townsite. Today 100 lots in that promising center will be placed upon the market. Kimberly, it is claimed, is to be one of the towns of East Kootenay. It is close to the Sullivan, Stenwinder and North Star mines, and the Canadian Pacific has surveyed the line through the town. It looks as though the investment in Kimberly would prove a profitable one.

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are in Victoria and will interview members of the government today in regard to the mining interests of their section of the province—Tas province. During the month of February 2445 tons of ore were run through the Whitewater concentrator, producing 276 tons of concentrates. The shipments were 283 tons and the returns from 242 tons amounted to \$12,590. The approximate profit on the month's working was \$4250. For the eight days ending March 3, the following were the results of operations at the Hall Mines smelter: 2458 tons of Silver King ore and six tons of purchased pre-ore smelted; containing, approximately, Silver King ore 34 tons copper, 30,800 ounces silver purchased ore etc. one ton copper, 130 ounces silver, seven ounces gold.

The Ruth company is making arrangements to commence the construction of their tram and concentrator at an early day. While away Mr. Riblet made arrangements for the necessary material for the concentrator at the works of the Comstock and many other concentrators in this country, has the contract for this. Mr. Sandilands, who has undertaken the task of rearing the small dwellings in the way on the side hill, finds himself in considerable of a hornet's nest, but the work has got to be done. As soon as the road work will be commenced in dead earnest. Mr. Hickey says the Minnesota Silver company is, for a certainty, going on with their tram and concentrator also in the early spring. On account of the distance they will have to adopt the aerial gravity system, like that of the Last Chance, most probably. During the last week of winter had the effect of adding considerably to the amount of ore shipped from this point. Three mines have been taking advantage of the winter weather, and down the roads, loaded with ore and supplies. On Saturday of last week and Sunday, the Comstock teams were worked to their full capacity, and succeeded in bringing down 60 tons of concentrates. The ore was sent out on Monday to the Trail smelter. The Vancouver management have succeeded in getting down 20 tons of ore from Sandon. Another car is coming down from the Emily Edith mine.

These last shipments bring the total shipped from Silvertown from the beginning of the year, well over the 1,000 mark—Silvertownian. Mr. Warner, in charge, has just completed a map and report on the Madison group, near Sandon. The property lies just south of the Last Chance and the Noble Five, and is crossed at the lower end by the Cody branch of the K. and S. P. It is, therefore, most convenient and well situated for shipping. The group consists of the Great Eastern, Madison, Maroon fraction and Argenta claims. It is now being worked by the Vancouver management, which ore of excellent quality is already found, and it is confidently believed, crossed by the Last Chance and Noble Five leads from their strike on the mountain side. The property is owned by C. E. Eaton, late of the Whitewater mine, and is under lease by the Coin Mining company, with W. W. Warner manager. The property was very dry and opened up, and as the past winter has been spent in development work only, everything is in readiness for heavy operations at the start of the season. The following are the ore receipts at Kaslo for the week ending Friday, the 24th March:

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TROUT LAKE.

The first load of ore from the Nettie L. arrived in Ferguson last week, which will be sent to the smelter just as the weather breaks up on the Arm. Everything is in readiness to commence the series of shipments contemplated by the company. From everyone yet who has seen the new strike and the amount of ore in sight, the verdict has been obtained that the Nettie L. is one of the best of Trout Lake's developed prospects. From recent assays obtained the ore contains 38, without exaggeration, to be the richest, on the average, of any yet exposed in the district. The work of raveling the Beatrice ore commenced last week. The trial and Malcolm Beat on will have 14 horses taking out ore during the next few days. To demonstrate the practicability of the route a small load was taken down last week by Hugh McPherson and J. T. Luthers, Alderman Beers of Nelson, are expected shortly, accompanied by his mine foreman, and it is his avowed intention to put on a large working force and commence on a thorough system of development with a view to placing the property on a permanent shipping basis. The work on the I. X. L. at the head of property in a very satisfactory manner, and it is expected by the end of next season that a large amount of ore will be lying on the dump ready for shipment. The Tower, lying near the Cup, will also, during the next season, be in a position to commence steady shipments. A Messrs. C. A. Woods, general manager of the Last Chance, J. L. Milburn, general manager of the Queen Bess, and B. J. Perry, general manager of the Noble Five,

indications of increasing in bulk as depth is gained.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

Liberty Hill up South Fork, sent down 15 tons of the Kalo sampler this week. The Leviathan M. & D. Co. let a contract for 40 feet of tunnel Wednesday to J. O'Connor. He took four men up Thursday and started work. Work at the Dardanelles was resumed last week, after the break in the machinery had been repaired. It is reported that they have made another big strike. The Hall Mines, limited, is making ready to ship about 20 tons of ore from the Iron Blue mine to their smelter at Nelson. Returns from the shipments will be awaited with considerable interest, as the successful operation of the property means much for Kaslo, as well as for the smelter. R. Covington expects to have his contract on the Joker group, on South Kaslo creek, completed early next month. The Joker is the center of Camp Mansfield and is owned by an English company. It carries high values in gold. Mr. Covington states the claim is looking fine, the ledge having increased in mineral.

KETTLE RIVER DISTRICT.

The Slnbad fraction in Wellington camp, is reported to be bonded to an English syndicate at a good figure. The property adjoins the Golden Crown. J. H. McFarlane, superintendent of the Sunnysiding group, has purchased all interests from Ned Benet and Frank N. Greenwood in the Pioneer and Revenue, in Deadwood camp, for a substantial sum, represented by C. L. Hoffman. The location of the claim is most fortunate for all concerned. Willerson and Johnson, who have been working on the Mystery group, close to the Boundary Basin, have this week found a fine ore chute, carrying gold and copper, with some galena. The ledge can be traced for 300 feet. Work is being done in the Brooklyn and Stenwinder, in Greenwood camp, is now 300 feet deep, and a double pumping plant has been ordered from the Jacksons Machine company, with a capacity of 300 gallons per minute each. It is believed this outfit will keep the mine clear of water. Mr. Wallace of the Blue Bird, Skylark camp, was down Monday and reports that the Blue Bird is improving right along with depth, the shaft being down about 47 feet. Work is progressing favorably on the Golden Eagle, L. Moulton Barrett's property in Greenwood camp. The shaft is now down 100 feet on a fine body of ore, averaging \$25 in gold. The property is owned by J. E. Bielenberg has bonded the Golden Rod, in White's camp for \$10,000, of which 10 per cent is to be paid June 1st. Spraggett of Grand Forks, was the owner of the property, which was opened up, and as the past winter has been spent in development work only, everything is in readiness for heavy operations at the start of the season. The following are the ore receipts at Kaslo for the week ending Friday, the 24th March:

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The Mammoth-Diamond Hitch Gold Mining company, limited, has been incorporated in the office of the company is Grand Forks, and the capital stock \$100,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares of the par value of 10 cents each. The incorporators are Evan Evans of Spokane, S. F. and James Ralston of Grand Forks, and Frank Gue of Columbia. The properties owned by the company are the Mammoth and Diamond mines, situated about 14 miles from mineral centers on Pathfinder mountain, in the center of a group of the best known camps in the Kootenay district, consisting of the Milda, Conqueror, Three-One, Little Minnie and Pay Ore. There is a nice body of ore on the claims. Between \$3,000 and \$4,000 worth of development work has already been done on the properties, consisting chiefly of open cuts and shafts, and there is not a claim in the district which has a better showing for the amount of work done than this property. The last three assays made gave returns of \$70.40, \$80.62 and \$81.60 in gold. Assay work was resumed last week, and a large force of men will be employed and the work will be pushed from now on. A group of claims coming rapidly to the front is the Blue Jay group in Skylark camp. This property, owned by the Kane brothers, E. S. Edwards and D. Clune, has been worked more or less the last two years and there are two ledges on the property, one a two and one-half foot lead of quartz, carrying galena and copper pyrites. A 40-foot shaft has been sunk on this lead at the bottom of which values of \$25 in gold, silver and copper were obtained. The other lead is heavily iron capped for over 100 feet, with carrying values of \$4 in gold. Work is being rapidly pushed, and from present indications the owners will be greatly disappointed if they fail to open up one of the big mines of Boundary Creek.

Troubled by Water.

In the Great Western shaft there has been an inrush of water during the past few days. The water has gained on the pumps and it is probable that a much larger pump than the one in use will have to be installed to keep the workings clear of water.

Borrowing Parents.

Six months ago a boy and girl (twins) came to the home of Albert Hutton and his wife on West Columbia avenue, and there seemed every hope that they would grow up to be a comfort to their parents. The boy, Percy Lorne, however, lived only three months, and yesterday the girl, Edith May, died. The funeral will take place from the home of her parents at 2 o'clock.

THE STOCK MARKET

There is a Revival of Interest in Deer Parks.

THEY ARE FIRMLY HELD

War Eagles Went Up 10 Points During the Week on the Receipt of the News That the Big Ore Contract Had Been Let.

The stock market is experiencing one of those lulls which occur with regularity every now and then. The last flurry was a long one and lasted through January, February and most of March. This period was as good as any experienced by the brokers of this city, and it is doubtful if there was any like space of time during which the brokers generally transacted the same amount of business, or when they made so much money. There were days during these months when individual firms made as much as \$500. For the past 10 days there has been a lull, and though all are doing some business there is no rush, and the brokers are resting on their oars and taking a much needed rest. One of the leading brokers in talking about the lull yesterday said that he thought it would last about a week, or perhaps 10 days, and then stocks would move higher than ever. The business has not got so good of a start and the area in which shares are dealt in is too large for lulls to last long. When the next flurry comes it will be greater than the last one and each succeeding one will be larger. The possibilities of the stock business are only faintly understood. Deer Parks were the feature of the week, as high as \$100 per share, and from 7 1/2 cents to 12 1/2 cents, at which latter figure they were firm last night. The report of John B. Hastings on the Deer Park property was forwarded to Toronto several days since, and should be there by this time. It is thought by some that the news is favorable, and this causes the demand for the stock. Whether this is true or not there is no means of verification here. The local management is reticent as to whether it knows or not the tenor of the report, and refuses to commit itself. The local holders of the shares are not inclined to take the price granted, and as high as 15 cents in some instances for their holdings of Deer Park. Rathmullens fell off a point and a half during the week, but on the excellent reports that come from this property they recovered and are selling around 7 1/2 cents and have an upward tendency. There was something of a flurry in Giants, owing to the reported sale of the property to a Montreal syndicate at the price of \$100 per share, as high as 1 1/2 cents. They have fallen off a little and yesterday were quoted around 5 1/2 cents. There has been some trading in Lone Prospect shares, which were selling at 37 1/2 cents. There is a fair demand for Novelities around 5 cents, and the trading in these shares has been fair. The Tamara are selling at 36 1/2 cents, and there was some dealing in them during the week. Recent reports from the property indicate that it never was in better condition, and more ore exposed. It was thought at 430 feet the enormous ore body was reached. The wall turned out to be only a narrow dyke, and the tunnel is once more in solid rock. The new famous Winnipeg mine, in Wellington camp, is to do development in future on a basis commensurate with the immense bodies known to exist there. To do this a seven-trill air compressor, of the latest pattern, has been ordered from the Jacksons Machine company of Sherbrooke, Quebec, Frank R. Menhall being the Rossland agent. The management of this property feel confident that this will prove to be one of the biggest propositions in the district. Recently a number of 30 cents per share for 50,000 shares, was refused. The Mammoth-Diamond Hitch Gold Mining company, limited, has been incorporated in the office of the company is Grand Forks, and the capital stock \$100,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares of the par value of 10 cents each. The incorporators are Evan Evans of Spokane, S. F. and James Ralston of Grand Forks, and Frank Gue of Columbia. 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SCHOOL OF MINES.

By Chas. V. Jenkins. The second and last of the special series was delivered last evening by Charles V. Jenkins of the War Eagle, when he handled in an able manner "Mine Accounts." That the subject was one of very general interest was evidenced from the fact of the crowded attendance, and amongst those present were R. E. Palmer, M. E., W. F. Ferrer, M. E., A. A. Cole, M. E., and others. After introduction by J. C. Gwillim, Mr. Jenkins in his opening remarks commented upon the necessity of the mine manager having an education, commercial as well as technical, for under his charge was placed large capital contributed by people situated often at great distance from the actual scene of operations. Mine bookkeeping, he said, did not differ from that of ordinary commerce, the principles underlying both being essentially the same. That system was the best which employed the least number of books and copies, but which at the same time afforded a correct and accurate statement of the costs—the essential feature of successful mining. Thereafter he went on to explain the use of the ledger and journals, and particularly the voucher system, a local place from the home of the miner, the general application, detailing the manner of posting the disbursements to the various special accounts, such as compressor plant, rolling stock, supplies, mine labor, etc. By the use of a table, illustrated on the blackboard, he explained in detail the statement of costs, and the means it afforded of comparison of one month with another, as to the costs of work and material used. Mr. Jenkins was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his lecture, the text of which "The Miner will produce in a few days.