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ENWOOD NEWS.

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B. C., June 9th.—(Special.) ics, interest has again cen- bylaw for the annexation te of Anacosta within the its of the city of Green- time back Anacosta real- presented a petition to the ying for annexation. Nego- entered into and an agree- whereby the city is to ex- sum in improving streets dwalks and water connec- it gets the right to utilize water purposes. The mat- before the citizens in the law, which will be voted on the 21st. On the same day for the purpose of raising above the streets and walk- up for public vote. It certain that both will pass, is some little adverse talk within the municipal limits. comb of this city has been minion quarantine officer at

Fire Department Henton led to St. Paul, where his gressfully ill.

of the Rossland branch of Montreal, is in the city, relief clerk while the men- staff take their holiday. the Rossland broker, in connection with the Bran- Crown company, of which

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ITICAL GOSSIP.

a Fat Billot—Resuscitation Old Island Party.

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an unconfirmed report that n and R. G. Talbot, old on the Conservative party, ay already offered their as- H. Turner, a step viewed prise, especially as it has d from several mainland the resuscitation of the old would be anything but wel-

EMER BROWN!

umors as to Brown of New Westminster.

B. C., June 12.—(Special.)— sistent rumors tonight that called by the Lieutenant- form a ministry, while on nd rumors are abroad that in his portfolio to accept the customs at New Westmin- Beaven, in an interview said: "There is only one to Lieutenant-Governor Mc- st resign."

been given over entirely politicians to conjecture as to the outcome of the political his province. The premier playing a waiting game, and of his ministers who are in be ignorant of the purposes

Chinese Advices.

B. C., June 11.—Queen m the Ofient, brings fies a story that six weeks ago Russia were close to war ding of a Japanese trader, al was demanded by Russia War was said to be averted al of Britain to act with to the fact that she was south Africa.

The Flora.

B. C., June 12.—News fla city that the steamer Flora on her second trip on 5th inst. She broke all rec- the run from Dawson to 36 hours.

Machinery Sold.

an Rand Drill company has l commission plant to the mbia Exploration company, ludes a boiler, drills, bars, mplete in every particular. e mine at Nelson yesterday e drills, stoning bars, etc., dian Rand Drill company.

FROM OTHER CAMPS

Report on the War Eagle and Tenderfoot.

THE YEAR'S SLOCAN SHIPMENTS

Strikes Upon the Mascot and Sovereign of the Slocan and the Boundary Sunset—Notes of Interest From Many Camps—Prospectors Busy at Work.

There is an interesting report from the Kamloops district this week on the Tenderfoot mine, which, according to Mr. Monckton, is a first-class low grade proposition. From the Lardeau old timers will perse with interest the recent discoveries made upon the Primrose and Old Gold properties, which were considered good properties here a couple of years ago. The Nettie L. has uncovered a fine body of nearly solid galena ore. The B. A. C. are developing their property there, Mr. A. T. Pollett, reports good progress on the Hoskins group. At Ymir the same company have practically proved the possibilities of the Mist Fraction, and are said to be contemplating the introduction of machinery. Strikes are reported on the Mascot and Sovereign in the Slocan and also on the Sisset in the Boundary country, where some particularly rich gold-copper ore has been located. In the Similkameen the Royalty group is the latest which has attracted the attention of English capitalists.

KAMLOOPS.

Report on the Tenderfoot Mine—The Hill Top and Others.

The Iron Mask vein is being crosscut in the tunnel and some very fine ore is being encountered. Several feet of ore has been cut through. The crosscut is now 11 feet from the shaft.

The tunnel on the Kimberley is now in 254 feet, and 48 feet of ore has been driven through, of a value of \$12 to \$14 per ton. From the looks of the face the indications are that the main ledge will be struck as iron oxides are now showing in the seams.

The Delaney shaft is now down 60 feet. At a depth of 57 feet a crosscut has been driven to the south 18 feet, all of which will assay 2 per cent chalcopyrite. Twenty feet has been crosscut to the north, which has been encountered ore runs 2 feet between 6 and 10 per cent. This crosscut shows bismite and uraninite.

Three strong ledges of gold-bearing quartz have been shown up on the Hill Top claim during the six weeks that development work has been prosecuted. A number of shallow shafts and crosscuts have been made proving the size and existence of these bodies for a considerable distance. The lead is all parallel to each other and are within a zone of 100 feet. The values vary from \$3 to \$20. The width of the three veins is 16 feet, 4 feet and 4 feet respectively. It has now been demonstrated that the property is in a very fair way to become a very important one. B. C. Boillot, who owns a two-third interest and has been prosecuting the development work, will shortly leave for New York, where this property called the Wheel Tamar will pass into the hands of New York capitalists.

The following is a condensed form of a report on the Tenderfoot mine by G. F. Monckton: "The workings are situated 400 feet above the lake. They consist of a cross tunnel 98 feet long running N. 5 deg. W. to the ore body, and three crosscut 19 feet in ore, a shaft being sunk 100 feet. From the cross tunnel at 100 feet, a drift has been carried along the hanging wall E.S.E. for 24 feet, almost all N.E. 22 feet, which is in ore nearly to the end. From the point of the location of this shaft, a drift has been turned off west and thence carried nearly N. for 31 feet, which is in ore 27 feet. At the commencement of this drift runs S.W. 9 feet in ore and a little beyond in the hanging wall. These show a width of vein over 18 feet, and are the recent workings. The upper works are contained in a length of 150 feet and are all in ore, but none of them show the whole width. The work here shows about 14 feet and various prospect holes at the side of the incline point to the fact that it is not less than that throughout. A hundred yards east the ore crops out again and is of considerable width. The surface showing was the cause of the property first being located and from that slope 3 1/2 tons, value \$85 per ton, was shipped to the smelter, the ore being picked from high grade streaks. It is not, however, for its value, but for the low grade material running about 6 per cent in copper and a few dollars in silver and gold, which comprises three-fourths of all the ore take out. It is a concentrating ore, and a first-class location can be obtained on the lake shore for the mill, to which an aerial tramway could be made. I think it is a conservative estimation to say that there are immediately available over 6,000 tons of 6 per cent copper, worth \$72,000 for that metal, and something more, probably \$20,000 for silver and gold. The actual value could be exactly gauged by sampling the 115 tons of ore now on the dump from the new workings. The foregoing calculations of ore values, entails the question of cost. Mining would cost not more than \$2 per ton, allowing plenty for development, concentrating (7 to 1) \$1, shipping and smelting (1-7 of \$11) about \$1.60, total \$4.60, allow for loss in smelting and unforeseen expenses \$1.40 more, total cost \$6 per ton, leaving \$36,000 from copper contained in ore in sight, besides the value of the precious metals recovered. I think that the cash value of the property can not be put at less than \$40,000, as a company strong enough to build a concentrator could certainly repay their outlay from ore in sight, and that which can safely be reckoned on."

THE LARDEAU.

The Primrose and Old Gold—A Strike on the Nettie L.

The men working on the Ruby Silver a Lexington creek property, are getting some fine ore.

Two men are at work on the Alma group on Pool creek. The tunnel on this property, which is owned by Cory Menhinick, is being driven in solid galena ore.

Work will be begun on the Useless and Vallric shortly. This claim, which is located on Lexington creek, is owned by W. Price and has a lead exposing 8 feet of fine concentrating ore.

George Douglas, a prospector from the vicinity of Empire City, was in town last week. Mr. Douglas has two claims, the Bluebell and Bluebird, which adjoin, in that vicinity, and have two ledges traversing the entire length of each, one being 2 1/2 feet wide and the other 20 inches; no assays have been had as yet, although the quartz is generously spotted with copper and gold.

Mr. Douglas says they have been throwing out considerable stuff resembling carbonates, and it is to be tested by assays. Further over the "Bishop Boys" are working their claims; they have been drifting alongside the lead and are now crosscutting, or about to do so; the appearances at the present time, it is said, being quite satisfactory. Many prospectors are coming in either to search for mineral or work their assessments. The same conditions also apply to the Sand Creek district.

Y.M.I.R.

The Ymir Mine Returns—The Mist Group of the B. A. C.

W. F. Edgar and J. Gill left town last week with a pack train and crew of men to commence work on the Libe. This is a very promising prospect on Big Horn mountain, adjoining the Sophia and Happy Thought.

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Tests are now being made to determine the true nature of the rock. The Happy Thought is the prior location of Big Horn mountain, and its ledge is 17 feet wide, mineralized throughout that width.

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Every additional foot of development work done on the Wilcox mine is serving to show up the property better than the first lead discovered. Work was immediately stopped on the discovery lead and the four men put to work on the new find, which promises excellent results. They commenced work on the lead about 75 feet below the point where apparently the float had previously broken from and are already taking out ore. There is at least from 6 to 8 inches of clean galena ore on the foot wall and from 2 to 3 feet of high grade concentrating ore on the hanging wall.

George Hayes and Alec Bigger were down last week from Rob Roy. They have now entered the hanging wall of the No. 2 lead, but when they had to leave they were not quite in far enough to know exactly what there is at this point of the lead. They expect, however, to crosscut it this week and if instructions to the contrary are not received they will drive the tunnel right on to No. 3. In all probability though the company will start them drifting and take out enough ore to keep the shareholders in good humor.

Another shift may be put on to drive a tunnel further up the hill from the present workings, to tap the surface showing at a 25 or 30-foot depth to find out exactly the trend of the lead, and which one will pay to drift upon the best, in the absence of better transportation facilities.

EAST KOOTENAY.

The Hoskins Group—The North Star and Sullivan Shipments.

A. T. Pollett, superintendent of the development work in progress on the Hoskins group, near the head of Ferry creek, by the B. A. C., was in town last week.

He says good progress is being made on the work on the ones mentioned recently. He states that a large, strong lead is being developed, but as they have been making no assays he is not prepared to say anything regarding values.

An average of 7.8 carloads per day 2 tons to the car—have been shipped from the North Star mine and Sullivan group during the ten days ended last night. This is not a spurt, but steady shipments, which are increasing, and will continue to do so with greater rapidity when the Sullivan bucket tram is installed. The Cranbrook Herald has what it deems authentic information to the effect that net returns of the first shipment of Sullivan were \$13 per ton, which considerably exceeded expectations.

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amos Thompson is resuming work on for mining purposes.

The Slocan Star will soon commence a 2,000-foot crosscut tunnel. It will be opened a short distance from the mill and will be double-tracked. This will be the longest tunnel in the Slocan.

It was once thought that there was only one vein in the Noble Vein. Late developments have shown three veins within 140 feet of one of the levels. Work has been suspended until the flow of water from one of them ceases. James Daasmur will inspect the property some time this month.

The Graves company has commenced work on the Rockland, a claim not far from New Denver. The wagon road from the Galena Farm will be extended to the property and later in the summer a compressor will be installed. James Hamilton is manager and superintendent.

The Silver Bell, near the Last Chance in McGuigan Basin, is the latest property to start up. More work is to be done in the lower tunnel to crosscut the vein. It is in from 300 to 400 feet and is thought to be within 60 feet of the ledge. Mr. O'Neill, the locator of the Ruth mine, is in Kaslo. He says the recent find on the Hope is 30 feet on the Ruth company's ground. Mike Kerlin is above and certainly has the lead. Mr. O'Neill is now working the Chicago of which more will be said next week.

A strike of importance was made on the Sovereign when the Reco-Goodenough ledge was found cutting across the ground. Surface work has shown 12 inches of clean ore. Manager G. T. Ransom has started a tunnel 55 feet below the find. J. M. Harris and J. A. Whittier, who own the adjoining claims, the No. One and Twilight, have started a tunnel lower down to catch the ledge on their ground.

The Minnesota Silver company, which has been steadily developing its property at Sandon since 1892, recently placed an order with the Hamilton Manufacturing company for a 200-ton concentrator, which will be erected at the earliest possible moment. B. C. Ribblett succeeded in securing the contract for the building of the tramway at a cost approximating \$25,000. Altogether the company will spend \$75,000.

The manager of the Hazel mine says: "We have very good prospects on the mine. We have 100 feet depth and I am going to sink and try to strike the vein still lower. We shall sink 20 feet unless we strike it sooner. The Hazel consists of one mining claim and has one vein of ore, bearing ledge matter, running through the full width of the claim, and another vein, running through the lower part of the Porcupine claim, will dip into the Hazel, which can be struck by extending the present tunnel."

The best strike that has been made this summer was struck by Mike Kerlin early last week on the Masoot. Clean lead ore from 2 1/2 to 4 feet wide has been shown up on the Masoot ledge for 20 feet and is still continuing. The Masoot and Sunrise claims were the first locations on the Ruth Hill. Mike Kerlin drove the stakes early in the eventful year of '92 and, with his partner, Alex Waddell, has held them ever since. During the last few years they have done considerable work on the claim, and last June had the property bonded to George Alexander for \$7,500, but the bond was thrown up as nothing of value could be found. The existence of ore in the locality where it was found was not suspected until a few days ago, when Kerlin found some heavy lead float which he followed up with the fortunate result of a rich discovery. Curious as it may seem, the top of the ledge was shot off and ore blown out by the incident was not noticed at the time.

The Masoot adjoins the Hope and the discovery was made so close to the side line that it will be necessary to survey to show which claim the outcrop is in, but the dip of the ledge carries it into the Masoot ground.

May was the best month this year as far as ore shipments were concerned. The total that came to Kaslo either for the Kootenay Ore Company or en route to Everett and San Francisco was 1,518 tons, divided as follows:

Last Chance to Kaslo Ore Co.	400,000
Whitewater to Kaslo Ore Co.	859,000
Rambler to Everett	124,000
Payne, Everett & San Francisco	1,428,000
Soho to Everett	1,428,000
Butte to Kaslo Ore Co.	161,000
Coa to Kaslo Ore Co.	2,000
Dardanelles to Kaslo Ore Co.	30,000
Total	2,036,000

Compared with May last year the shipments last month lacked nearly half a million pounds.

The total shipments for the year to date are as follows:

January	1,498,000
February	794,000
March	1,717,000
April	1,550,000
May	3,036,000
Total to May 31st	8,595,000

THE MINING WORLD

Col. Wharton has Sold His Interest in the Cliff Mine.

SHIPMENTS FROM THE WINNIPEG

The Net Returns are Satisfactory to the Management—Work has Been Resumed on the Green Mountain—Progress of the Development of the Ca'lonia.

Colonel S. M. Wharton, one of the pioneers of the camp, is in the city from Georgia, on a visit. He, in the early days of Rossland, operated the Cliff mine, and extracted about \$25,000 worth of ore therefrom, and declares that there is plenty more there yet. He owned the mine jointly with Mr. John K. Cook, the well known capitalist, but some differences arose and the work ceased upon it about two and a half years since. An effort being made to have the Cliff incorporated, which, it is thought, will be successful. Colonel Wharton was asked if he knew anything about what is going to be done with the Cliff and replied that he did not, for the reason that he had recently disposed of his right, title and interest in it. He declared, however, that it had some excellent ore shoots and would, with proper development, make a mine, he thought, of prominence.

Colonel Wharton showed the reporter some large lumps of virgin gold of an aggregate value of \$250 or \$300. These, he says, came from his mine in Georgia, in which he had invested \$40,000 and which he had sold for a long time. "Skill," he said, "my interests are more in the west than they are in Georgia, and I consider my home to be in Spokane. I have made money out here and hope to make more, and notwithstanding my mining venture in my native state, I will spend most of my time out here looking after my interests."

THE WINNIPEG.

Good Return from Ore Sent to the Trail Smelter.

Work on the Winnipeg is making good progress, and up to date 14 carloads of ore have been despatched to the Trail smelter, and returns have been received for all but the last two sent. The three last carloads of ore recently sent gave returns as follows: No. 1, \$10.20; No. 2, \$13.98; and No. 3, \$14.05 per ton. This was after the freight and treatment had been paid. The net return for the three carloads was \$787.98, and the management is pleased with the result. Mr. Nicholas Tregear, formerly of the Le Roi, has taken charge of the Winnipeg, and under his superintendence good results are expected.

Granite-Poorman Consolidation.

At a meeting of the shareholders of the Granite-Poorman Gold Mines, Limited, held in London on Tuesday, May 28th, it was agreed to increase the capital of the company to \$206,000 by the creation of 80,000 new shares of £1 each. The new shares will rank pari passu with the existing shares, and may be issued and disposed of by the directors as if such shares were part of the shares in the original capital. Alexander McNab, the chairman of the company, who presided, explained that the increase had been rendered necessary by the purchase of the Poorman property, which did not possess sufficient capital to purchase the Poorman property, so obtained assistance from the parent company, the Duncan Mines, Limited, and it was to repay this advance that the new shares would be issued. The chairman gave an exhaustive account of the work done on the various properties owned by the company, and after the resolution authorizing the increase of capital had been adopted, the meeting adjourned.

The management of the Ymir mine places the profits of the company's operations for May at \$16,668. During the month 3,000 tons of ore were milled, producing 1,657 ounces of bullion and 175 tons of concentrates. The total receipts for the month are given at \$22,031, the expenses at \$7,763, and the value of outstanding concentrates at \$2,400.

Work Has Been Resumed.

Superintendent W. L. Lavry reports that work has been resumed on the Green Mountain mine after a shut down of about three months. The first work to be done is to unwater the workings, and this will occupy several days.

Work on the California.

Work on the California is making good progress. The tunnel is in for a distance of 530 feet, and the shaft has reached a depth of something over 170 feet.

Machinery Purchased.

A 20-horse power hoist has been sold by the Jenekes Machine company to the Evening Star.

The Knob Hill company yesterday ordered four 3.14 Little Giant drills from the Canadian Rand Drill company.

ANSWERS TO QUERIES.

English-Canadian Company, Limited.

Oswego, N. Y., June 12.

Editor Miner: Would you kindly answer in your paper whether the English Canadian Company, Limited, of London, England, are doing anything with the property absorbed by them, i. e., The English Gold Mine Consolidated Company, if they are working the Lily May or other mines, and also how they are doing with their placer ground in Oregon, and also their other mines at Alberni, Vancouver Island, and on Bonanza Bar.

Alaska, in all of which a few of us here hold stock. C. H. C.

(On inquiry of the local agent of the English-Canadian Company, Limited, it was learned that nothing was being done on the Lily May, nor on the properties of the Fourteen Gold Mines, Consolidated. As to the other ventures the company in Oregon, on Vancouver Island and in Alaska, he said he knew nothing.)

Monte Christo Is Shut Down.

Chicago, June 10.

Editor Miner: I write you for information regarding the Monte Christo Gold Mining Co. Are they mining, and with what prospects? What is the stock quoted at? EDWARD M. JOHN.

The Monte Christo shipped, during the early part of the year, 273 tons of ore to the Trail smelter. The ore was of low grade, and was taken by the smelter on account of the iron in it. Early in the year the property was shut down, and then it was stated that it was to start up later in the year. Mr. C. R. Hosmer, the leading spirit and later one of the larger stockholders of the company, is in Europe, and it is thought when he returns that operations will be resumed, on the Rossland stock exchange 4 1/2 cents is asked for Monte Christo shares and 3 cents bid.)

EAST KOOTENAY.

Three Big Mines There That Are Producing Ore—More Coke Ovens.

Mr. George C. Hinton, of the Hintoa Electric Company, is in the city, having just returned from a trip through East Kootenay. He reports that East Kootenay is flourishing. The North Star, near Kimberley, is shipping 100 tons of ore per day. Mr. Frank Robbins is in charge of the North Star, and is pushing the work upon it. The Sullivan is sending a couple of carloads of ore daily to the smelter. The St. Eugene is actively engaged in extracting ore and operating its concentrator. It is sending out a considerable tonnage of concentrates. Besides these banner mines a number of small properties are being developed, and the entire section is rapidly coming to the front. In addition to the coal mines there is considerable activity in coal mining and coke making. At Fernie the Crow's Nest Coal company has over 200 coke ovens in operation, and so great is the demand for coke that 50 additional ovens will be in operation before the close of the month.

Has Shipped 500 Tons.

The Brandon & Golden Crown Mining company has shipped 500 tons so far this month to the Trail smelter, and will be steady shippers from this on. Returns from their last shipments give \$24 gross to the ton. There are 8,000 tons of ore in sight in the chute at the 100-foot level, which the company are now raising ore from. This property is undoubtedly one of the highest grade, and most promising mines in British Columbia.

Paris Belle Dividend.

On the 16th inst. the Paris Belle Gold Mining company declared a dividend of \$4,000, and it is expected that another dividend of a similar or greater sum will be declared in the near future. It will be a matter of gratification as well with the camp generally as with those individually interested in the result of this company's operations to know that it has been entirely successful and the fact that the property of the company gives promise of great value is a matter of interest and satisfaction to every person in Rossland.

Work on the Bonite Bank.

A letter has been received in this city by the management of the Bonite Bank from Foreman Brewster, in which he states that in one of the claims hitherto unprospected he has located and opened on the surface a ledge of white quartz which carries galena and copper. Work has been resumed on the shaft of the Bonite Bank, and as progress is made the ledge is as strong and carries as good values as usual.

The Board of Trade.

There being no quorum at neither the executive or the general meeting of the board of trade in its rooms at 5 p. m. and 8:30 p. m. yesterday an adjournment has been made for the same hours on Wednesday next.

Too Familiar.

Colonel Collinridge Bing has just returned from a trip to the north fork of Murphy creek, where he and