

## NOTES FROM MINING CAMPS.

## ROSSLAND.

Work has been resumed on the Homestake and Gold King properties. A shipment of ore is being made from a surface showing on the Homestake to the Trail smelter. The Gold King is south of and adjoining the Jumbo.

The concentration tests of ore from the Le Roi mine that have been in progress for several weeks have been completed and now the return to Rossland of the Managing Director is being awaited for an announcement as to the company's future policy in this direction. It is regarded as very probable that the company will shortly proceed with the erection of a concentrator at the mine, the works to have an initial capacity of about 100 tons per day.

## NELSON.

Special efforts have been made to secure a large and representative display of minerals at the Nelson exhibition, to be held during September. Several collections have been promised as competitors for the Challenge Cup to be awarded to the best exhibit, besides which individual mine-owners have arranged for space for the display of ores of different grades from their respective mining properties.

## YMIK.

The Hunter V. mine, Porcupine Creek, is shipping about 100 tons of ore a day to the Hall Mining & Smelting Company's smelter at Nelson.

Mr. E. W. Widdowson is again making a collection of Ymik district ores for exhibition purposes. A challenge cup is to be awarded at the Nelson exhibition, to be held this month, for the best mineral exhibit, and Ymik intends to win it if it can.

In the Wilcox mine a five-foot vein has been encountered in one of the tunnels, assaying up to \$24 in gold four feet of its width and much higher values for the remaining twelve to fourteen inches. There is enough ore of good grade in sight to keep the mill supplied for a long while.

## MOYIE.

The St. Eugene mine is working about 300 men and is shipping its ore, which contains a large percentage of lead, to the Nelson and Trail smelters to the extent those works can take, and the surplus is being sent to Antwerp, Belgium. A new hoist has been installed at the St. Eugene.

The passing of the Dominion order-in-council authorising the payment of a bounty of \$10 per ton on lead mined in Canada and shipped to Europe (but not to the United States) will benefit the St. Eugene mine, probably more than any other lead mine in the Province.

## SLOCAN.

Mr. Jas. Cromm, manager of the St. Eugene mine, at Moyie, East Kootenay, is reported in the district Press to have stated that he had been assured by the Government that money would be expended to develop zinc mining in the Slocan, but he was not at liberty to say what form the expenditure would take.

The purchase of the Mayetta group of nine claims, situated in the neighborhood of the Ottawa, in the Slocan City mining division, has been completed. The buyers are stated to be the owners of the Ottawa.

Messrs. D. T. Hodnett and H. P. Shiftell, of Bossburg, Washington, have secured a two-years' lease and a bond for \$10,000 on the Mountain Goat mineral claim, situate in the Jackson Basin and owned by Mr. A. T. Garland, of Krslo. Very little development work has yet been done on the claim, but there are some fine ore-showings exposed at the surface.

A new zinc separator, larger than the one heretofore in use at this mine, has been installed at the Payne, near Sandon, increasing the output of the zinc by-product from the silver-lead concentrator.

The Kootenay Ore Company is endeavouring to complete arrangements that will warrant the addition to its works at Kaslo of plant to raise the zinc contents of zinc concentrates to 50 per cent. zinc before shipment to Kansas or Belgium.

## POPLAR CREEK.

The lead lavelly cut in the lower tunnel of the Spyglass is reported to be gradually widening as development proceeds. The paystreak is about a foot in width and is rich in free gold and native silver. One specimen, about 12 in. by 18 in. shows native silver on all sides and free gold appears in places. This lead has been proved to a depth of 100 feet.

The Swede group continues to show much rich specimen ore, with gold frequently appearing in it.

High-grade galena ore has been met with on several properties, among others on the Mother Lode and on the Morning claim, the latter being on Rapid Creek.

A few men are making pay at placering on Lardeau River, taking out gold from fine dust to nuggets valued at \$2 to \$3 each. The results obtained by several are encouraging a renewal of placer operations on this stream, which is alongside the railway.

## LARDEAU.

The company owning the Mohican group, on Gainer Creek, North-east Lardeau, intends driving some 600 to 700 feet during the coming winter to tap the main ore shoot at a depth of 250 to 350 feet. The surface showing is a contact vein varying in width from 5 to 20 feet. The ore contains galena, copper, zinc and iron pyrites.

On the Bonanza group, in the Lucky Jim basin, east of Trout Lake, a tunnel is in 125 feet on a vein of carbonates and galena with grey copper. The paystreak varies from 3 to 12 inches in width.

## CAMBORNE.

The latest news from the mines about Camborne, which were in great danger of having all their surface works destroyed by fire, forest fires having done much damage in the neighborhood lately, is that after a hard fight with the fire for six days and nights rain came and extinguished it. The aerial tramway and mine buildings of the Oyster-Criterion properties of the Great Northern Mines Ltd., were saved; the upper terminal and some of the towers of the tramway and the mine buildings of the Eva mine were burned, and the Goldfinch suffered similar loss. The Eva expects to be in a position to resume work within a fortnight.

## BOUNDARY.

A 14-inch vein of ore was encountered last month in the shaft of Barbara, a claim adjoining the town of Greenwood on the east. The ore is galena, zinc-blende and copper in a quartz gangue. The claim was under bond to several miners last year, but after doing a lot of work without success they gave it up.

The main shaft of the Brooklyn, at Phoenix, one of the mines lately acquired by the Montreal & Boston Consolidated Company, is being enlarged and ore-bins for this mine and the adjoining Stenwinder are being erected alongside the railway.

Grading is in progress for three tracks to give shipping facilities for ore from the Granby Company's No 4 tunnel over the Great Northern branch line now in course of construction.

Preparations are being made to install a second large Farrel-Bacon ore-crusher at the B. C. Copper Company's Mother Lode mine, near Greenwood.

Ore shipments from Boundary mines for the current year now aggregate about 525,000 tons. The total for the whole of last year was 685,272 tons, so this year's increase should be considerable.

## SIMILKAMEEN.

A recent advice from Hedley states that a 10-ft. vein of ore assaying up to \$208 per ton in gold has been discovered on a claim on Sterling Creek, which flows into the Similkameen River south of Camp Hedley.

## YALE.

The Mount Baker & Yale Mining Company's 10-stamp mill at Siwash Creek, near Yale, is about completed, and will probably be in operation before the close of this month. The company has a group of eight mineral claims through which