

Two Dollars a Year.

ROSSLAND, B. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1896.

Second Year, Number 43.

AVERAGE WAS \$50

Four Feet of Fine Ore in the Giant's New Shaft.

A MAGNIFICENT SHOWING

Like the Deer Park Ore it is Highly Aluminous and the Gold Seems to be Associated with Molybdenum—No Sylvanite Found.

There is no longer any doubt as to the richness of the ore in the Giant shaft. An assay completed Tuesday of ore from the bottom of the shaft showed \$50 gold.

THE HANDSOME HILL TOP.

Abundance of Fairly Good Ore Found in the Hill Top. The Miner of Tuesday contained a note to the effect that some good ore had been encountered in the workings of the Hill Top.

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DEVELOPMENT IS NOT NECESSARY TO SHOW UP THE MINERAL EXTENT OF THE VOLCANIC PROPERTY.

Nature did this in its herculean days years ago. Large smelting works upon the ground and transportation facilities are all that are necessary to start work on the Volcanic property.

THE INDIAN QUEEN GROUP.

The Indian Queen group, situated to the east of the Volcanic, and owned by the Grand Forks Gold Mining Company, is being worked on a small scale by a prospect shaft on the Indian Queen mine.

THE COLUMBIA, SITUATED NEAR THE BONANZA.

The Columbia, situated near the Bonanza, is also being worked by a shaft in which a fine body of ore was recently uncovered. It is owned by Spokane parties and in charge of H. E. Beach, the locator.

ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE NORTH FORK.

One mile from the town is the Riverside group, where a tunnel is being run to cut the Riverside vein. A shaft is also being sunk on the vein to intersect the tunnel.

THE BONITA PROPERTY IS NOW BEING WORKED UNDER CONTRACT.

A 100-foot tunnel has been started and it is expected that at this point the ore body will be found to be about 40 feet wide. This property is owned by Spokane parties, who will continue work until they are satisfied with the value of the Bonita.

WORK WAS DISCONTINUED LAST WEEK ON THE CITY OF PARIS AND LINCOLN MINES.

White's camp, after sinking 75 feet and drifting 120 feet on the Lincoln, and a 65-foot shaft and a 75-foot drift on the City of Paris, the property is under bond to A. G. Hennage, and no cause is given for stopping the work. They have supplies enough in store to last them until the first of March.

THE MINER PUBLISHED A TELEGRAM FROM NELSON LAST WEEK ANNOUNCING THE FACT THAT THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY HAD PURCHASED ALL THE STEAMERS OF THE COLUMBIA & KOOTENAY NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Some additional particulars of this deal are now at hand. The purchase included all the steamers of the Columbia & Kootenay Navigation Company now plying on the Columbia river between Northport and Arrowhead and on Kootenay lake. Formal possession is to be given February 1, 1897.

This is one of the largest and most important deals ever made in the mining country. It signifies at once an aggressive policy on the part of the C. P. R. in southern British Columbia and may be prepared for some startling moves in the near future. The company seems at first to have weakened to the necessity of outfitting itself in a position to do at least a good share of the business.

From a gentleman who is in a position to know something of the inside facts of the situation it is learned that among the changes to be made in the navigation of the Columbia under the new management will be the establishment of a daily boat service between Robson and Arrowhead. With this end in view a steamer larger than the Nakusp is now being built at the town of that name on the Upper Arrow lake and will be ready for service in the spring.

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