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J. KIRKUP.

Assessor and Collector.

Jan. 18th, 1900.

OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice.

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NETH L. BURNET.

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THE MINING REVIEW

An Unpleasant Week in the Camp's History.

LE ROI, WAR EAGLE, CENTRE STAR

All Ore Shipments Have Stopped and Both Smelters Have Closed Down—Earning Power of the Camp Decreased But Good Pay Roll Still Exists.

Just a week ago the indications for a prosperous end of the winter months, with greatly increased mining activity in the succeeding spring and summer months, were everywhere visible in Rossland camp. The shipments of ore to date for the year had been unusually large. The temporary plant at the War Eagle and Centre Star mines was working well so far as the outside world knew, and arrangements were nearing completion to convey the necessary steam power from the temporary plant to the level of the big mine on the hill. While but one side of the electric house was running, it was understood that both sides of the electric compressor were and had been for some weeks working full time. Further, the temporary hoist on the main shaft at the 250 level appeared to be affording the purpose for which it had been installed, and there was no suggestion that either of the companies contemplated such a serious step as the ceasing of all shipments and the consequent stoppage of monthly dividends. The War Eagle company has been a steady dividend payer for some months, and the Centre Star company, after an unusually long wait, and presumably with a full knowledge of the existing state of affairs, declared a dividend of one per cent last month. Indeed, what was almost universally expected was the doubling of the War Eagle dividends, and this was looked for all over Canada. The stock of both companies rose in anticipation of the event which it was thought would be announced at the annual meeting to be held in Toronto on the 21st of the month. When the question of either mine being affected by the eight-hour law or the well known difficulties encountered with the machinery was discussed, it was pointed out that the management had made a large expenditure in making temporary arrangements to tide over the existing troubles, and that they would not have done so unless they intended to go steadily forward. The announcement made public last Tuesday, therefore, was most unexpected, and has given rise to a great many rumors, some of which at least are probably unfounded. The result so far as the shareholders are concerned, has been that the market price of the War Eagle stock has dropped over a dollar, and the mining investing public who has always been ready in the past to blindly follow Messrs. Goodenham and Blackstock and their immediate associates in mining ventures, have expressed rather a rude shock from which they will hardly recover for some time. Beyond doubt some explanation further than that which has already been given, will be made at the annual meeting in Toronto on the 21st.

Eastern Canadian papers, commenting on the occurrence, strongly advise shareholders not to sacrifice their holdings at panic prices, but to take matters quietly and wait until the meeting takes place. Mr. Goodenham has expressed his absolute confidence in the properties, and their ultimate resumption of shipments and dividends, though, like the manager here, he at present declines to name an approximate date.

Whether there is anything behind the statements made by Mr. Kirby to the directorate on the 16th of last month, no one in Rossland at all familiar with either of the properties has any doubt of their value or puts any faith in the rumors industriously circulated that the mines themselves have depreciated or in any way have fallen away from what was expected of them.

When the new machinery is installed and the mine development has reached the stage now alleged to be necessary by the manager, it is probable that the output, the dividends, and, of course, the force of men engaged, will be considerably larger than ever before.

The camp, however, is not so much concerned about the fall in stock as it is about the monthly payroll. It has been estimated that the services of some 200 men will be required during the non-shipment period, whatever that time may be, and while it is a great reduction in the money earning power of the camp, it represents a very respectable sum in itself.

Hardly had the camp recovered from the news announced on Tuesday when the Le Roi company laid off some hundred and sixty men and announced that all ore shipments would at once cease until all the new plant ordered last fall had been installed. Mr. Macdonald, the manager, claims that the plant in use was no longer available for economical mine working at the present depth attained in the Le Roi. Like the manager of the War Eagle, the Le Roi manager declined to fix any date for the resumption of shipments, but stated that work would be found for about 200 men. He further added that he did not think there would be any further material reduction in the Le Roi force other than might be necessary to accommodate the mine service to a non-shipment standard and that the other mines owned by the British America corporation would probably run along as they were at present. This latter statement was made yesterday in response to a question based on the rumor that the No. 1, Jose, Nickle Plate and Columbia Kootenay had or were about to close down entirely.

The closing down of the Nelson smelter and the Silver King mine there, announced on Friday, and claimed by the Nelson Miner to be avowedly on account of the working of the eight-hour law, this convinced a great many people in this city that behind the alleged machinery deficiencies, is the labor question, and no statement to the contrary will convince them that the whole movement had not been arranged by a combination of the mine owners.

One result of this camp's ceasing to ship is the closing down of both the local smelter at Trail and Northport, which will entail a loss to the railways of some \$14,500 per month, a sum they would otherwise have earned by hauling ore.

So far as Rossland is concerned, the earning power of the camp has been seriously diminished, but if the worst has been made public, and it was authoritatively stated yesterday that it had, a very respectable sum will still be disbursed every month until the shipping commences once more. Meanwhile, until some assurance is given that the camp has reached the end of the matter a good deal of uneasiness will continue to prevail.

The Shipments.

For the week just ended the camp's output exceeded 4,300 tons. The Le Roi did not send down any ore yesterday, and presumably all shipments have ceased for the present to Northport from this mine. The War Eagle and Centre Star sent down their usual quota during the week, and it was stated yesterday that for some days yet the sending of ore will be continued, but practically shipments are closed down indefinitely.

As will be noted, over 30,500 tons have been shipped from the camp during the first six weeks of the present year. When summing up the situation just a week ago, there was every indication that the first six months of the year would show a marked increase in the camp's output, and that in the last half of the year the increase would be still greater. No matter what later developments may take place, this pleasing outlook has completely disappeared, and this year's shipments will probably be considerably under those of last year, unless the managers of the three large producers materially alter their plans in the meantime.

In the figures given in the tabulation hereunder, the smelter weights of the February shipments for the Le Roi, I. X. L., Evening Star and Giant are given. The shipments during the current month for these mines, and the shipments from the other properties for the year to date, are approximations. Appended is a detailed statement of the camp's output, (approximately) for the week ending February 3, and year to date:

	Week.	Tons.	Year.	Tons.
Le Roi.....	2,162	12,202		
War Eagle.....	1,344.5	10,237		
Centre Star.....	787.5	6,804		
Iron Mask.....	94.5	1,165.5		
Evening Star.....	—	55		
I. X. L.....	—	98		
Monte Christo.....	—	273		
Giant.....	—	42		
Total tons.....	4,378.5	30,876.5		

Anaconda Consolidated.—Work continues in the tunnel, which is now close to 100 feet. Small stringers of copper ore have been met with, but none of these have been followed, as it is the intention to first work through to the first of the three parallel leads opened up by shafts, from which good values in gold and copper were obtained. This lead is now about 120 feet distant, and the other two will be intersected at 100 and 200 feet further in. The depth from the surface will be 230, 300 and 350 feet respectively, and it is reasonably expected that the ore will be much richer than that found in the open cuts and shafts. Two months' supplies are packed out, and nine men will be put on as soon as the sale of stock replenishes the treasury.

Evening.—At the bottom of the 50-foot shaft a crosscut was made on the excellent showing at that depth. The hoisting was so expensive that it has been decided to abandon sinking for the time being. At the east side of the claim the ground is broken by benches and cliffs, and the vein outcrops at the foot of the lowermost cliff. Here a tunnel, when it is run in on the showing will gain a depth of about 200 feet in a very short distance. Work upon this tunnel has been started, and it will be run to the shaft, a distance of about 250 feet, and an upraise will be made to connect the shaft.

Velvet.—Mr. J. L. Morrish, superintendent of the Velvet, is in town for the purpose of conferring with the city council in relation to the building of the electric railway by the British Electric Traction company, from this city to Sophie mountain. Mr. Morrish will confer with the mayor and councilmen as to the amount of ore which he could furnish to the proposed railway. The work on the Velvet at present is confined to the main shaft, which has now reached a depth of about 278 feet.

Douglas.—A double shift is engaged in extending the lower tunnel, which has now been driven in for a distance of 250 feet. There are three tunnels on the property, each of which has been driven on the ledge, which is 12 feet in width. The upper tunnel is in 150 feet. The middle tunnel is in 375 feet and at its end a crosscut has been driven across the ledge. The ore averages about \$8 to the ton, and is of the concentrating variety.

California.—The machinery ordered several months since is expected to come to hand pretty soon. Because of the lack of machinery only a small force is at work, and it is engaged in extending the tunnel. Work on the shaft has been abandoned, pending the arrival of the compressor plant.

I. X. L.—Drifting on the lower level continues. Stopping continues between the upper tunnel and the surface. It is expected that a couple of carloads of ore will be sent to the smelter during the coming week.

Iron Colt.—Work continues to be energetically pushed. The station that is being cut out for a shaft on the level is at a point 800 feet from the portal, is almost finished, and the work of sinking the shaft will be commenced early this week.

Jumbo.—Drifting along the vein on the 400-foot level continues. The vein has been drilled on for 80 feet and a crosscut made for 40 feet. The showing is of an encouraging character.

Sunset No. 2.—Drifting along the No. 3 vein on the 100-foot level continues. The ledge matter is showing some little signs of being of a more permanent character than when it was first encountered.

Evening Star.—Stopping and drifting is in progress. The drift on the lower level is in for a distance of 28 feet. There was no development of ore during the present week.

The People's Unbounded Eulogy

Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder Has Had an Almost Universal Endorsation As the Greatest Healer of the Most Insidious and Common Disease of the Country.

Gatarrh is a Menace to the Face—The Precursor of Much Suffering and the Forerunner of Incurable Throat and Lung Troubles.

BUT THIS GREAT REMEDY CURES AND PREVENTS COLDS, DRIVES OUT CATARRH GERMS AND FREES THE WHOLE SYSTEM FROM THE FOULNESS INCIDENT TO CATARRH.

No remedy yet compounded for the healing of catarrh has received the unbounded eulogy from people in high posi-

tions, socially, publicly or professionally, as Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder is a specific for catarrh. It gives almost instant relief, not only in the acute forms, but chronic cases of many years' standing vanish under its persistent use. It will break up a cold in the head in almost quicker time than it takes to tell it. It is a pleasant, powerful and potent protec-

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Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder is the permanent eradicator and perpetual exterminator of this most insidious and yet common foe of humanity generally. If you are a sufferer take counsel of the thousands to whom it has been a sovereign balm—the beacon to show the way to health and the haven of health.

Mrs. J. H. Tarte of 223 Church street, Toronto, in telling of her faith in the cure of this wonderful remedy, says: "I cannot speak too highly of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. For years I suffered intensely and constantly from catarrh in its worst form. I took everything I could purchase that promised me a cure, without any permanent results until I tried

Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. The first application of it—and it is so simple to apply—gave me great relief. I persevered in the use of it for eight months, and today I am fully restored, not the slightest symptom of the malady remaining, and I am thankful to be able to give this testimony for so worthy a remedy after trying so many so-called catarrh cures, only to add disappointment to disappointment."

Have you a cough? Is the voice husky? Is the breath foul? Are you losing flesh? Do you ache all over? Do you take cold easily? Is the nose stopped up? Does your nose discharge? Do crusts form in the nose? Do you cough sometimes until you gag? Is there pain in the back of the head? Is there a pain across the eyes? Is there tickling in the throat? Is your sense of smell leaving you? Are you losing the sense of taste? Is there a dropping in the throat? Is there a burning pain in the throat? Any and all of these symptoms indicate the presence of catarrh, and while some of them may seem but trivial, you cannot afford to treat them lightly, for, remember, dire consequences may result from neglect, for all victims of throat and lung troubles have been subject to catarrh. Dr. Agnew's Ointment puts out the fire from distressing skin troubles, such as Eczema, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Tetter, and will cure Piles in from three to five nights.

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TITLE TO LANDS TO BE SETTLED

THE MEMORIAL FROM THE CITY COUNCIL STIRS MATTERS UP.

Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway Company Paris Belle Company, Great Northern and W. S. Rugh all Anxious to Settle.

The memorial sent out by the special committee of the city council to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company and other land owners, asking them to complete their title to certain lands within the city limits, has had some effect. The reply of the railway company has been already published, and the letters from the Paris Belle company, Mr. J. J. Hill and Mr. W. S. Rugh, follow.

Mr. Withrop, on behalf of the Paris Belle Gold Mining company, writes as follows:

Spokane, Feb. 8, 1900.

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your favor of the 2nd inst, with enclosure as noted.

While the statement is not definitely made in the memorial, the implication seems nevertheless to be that the Paris Belle company have been equally as much to blame for the delay in quieting the Rossland titles as has the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company. I desire to inform you that the Paris Belle company has perfect title to its land within the boundaries of the Paris Belle addition, and that it has never offered or sold a single lot within the limits mentioned or elsewhere in Rossland, nor has it ever attempted to collect rental upon any lot, the title to which was not entirely vested in said company or which could not immediately be registered at Victoria in the Land Registry office. By virtue of the agreement of settlement between the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company and the Paris Belle Gold Mining company is to have certain lots, located in the Paris Belle addition, and the Paris Belle company is to have certain of the lots located in the railway addition. The exchange of deeds between the two companies should have been made on or before November 14th, 1898, but the railway company has claimed not to be in a position to remove certain complications from the title to the lands to be conveyed to the Paris Belle company, and consequently a delay of more than a year has now occurred in carrying out the exchange of deeds mentioned. The railway company now claims to be entirely ready to carry out the exchange of titles comprehended in the agreement of settlement, and the deeds have been prepared by both companies. I therefore apprehend that there will be but little further delay in fully executing all the terms of the settlement agreement heretofore referred to. I also desire to assure you that the Paris Belle company has in no wise been the cause of any of the delay which your memorial states has resulted in much annoyance to the citizens of Rossland.

I will esteem it a favor if you will kindly give this reply the same prominence as you did the resolution which was passed by the council.

Yours very truly,
J. W. WITHEROP.
V. P. Paris Belle G. M. Co.

Mr. James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway company, writes the city clerk as follows:

Many people consider mining stocks a gamble. So they are. So is everything we invest in.

How often have we known of a man purchasing a farm for say three, four or five thousand dollars. Then he has got a job for himself, wife and family the remainder of his life and in order to make a bare living, often putting all his money into the purchase of the farm, he must needs be up in the morning at 4 or 5 o'clock, and if he has good luck himself and family will get through their day's work at 9 or 10 p. m. At the end of the year if the crops have been fair with hard work and judicious management they will have a fair living and if they do this year after year for 10 years they may be able to get eight or ten thousand for it. That is, if well fenced, cleared, good orchard, good house and barn and outbuildings.

We say hang the mine that would not beat this for an investment. Now we will cite with interest our every day business man, the salt of the earth. He stands in his shop from 7 a. m. to 8 or 9 p. m.,

then an hour over his books. After that he can hardly afford a day to fishing. Still we find that about 95 per cent of those people have made a failure in business in the last 10 years. An onlooker would say it was high time those people would take a hint to themselves and invest their money in some more profitable way, finding that there was too much odds against them in the gamble they were playing. If mining did not offer 10 to one greater inducements than any of the above it would be hard to get men and women to go into the wilderness as so many of us have down in search of wealth; risk our health and even our lives; if it did not, as we say, offer 10 to one greater inducements than any other great industry, as it may be called. Sorry to say we have not at hand the full and complete mining statistics of British Columbia. Though young as the industry is the bullion taken from the mines and the assets at a very reasonable estimate is something enormous compared with the amount of money invested and expended thereon.

There is no disputing the fact that everything has its drawbacks.

The farmers crops may fail. The manufacturers goods may spoil, or our shopkeepers, whose stock of goods may go up in flames in one hour, or the bank could break. There are reverses in everything, even the British army. We say to the working class, the producers of our country, save your money and buy British Columbia mining stocks. We do not say for you to buy at random, for all stocks are not good, but find out the most desirable from reliable sources. A good way to keep posted is to take the Rossland Weekly Miner, which gives the mining news from all the British Columbia mining camps in detail and in valuable volume of news to any one interested in mining or contemplating the same. Now we will venture to say to the world that if any person is desirous of investing any money they can get more returns, two to one, from the purchase of some of our British Columbia mining stocks at the present time and price than any other buy, we care not what it is.

We will be pleased to send prospectus or circulars and quote prices and give full particulars on application concerning the stocks of which we speak. Yours respectfully,
J. R. CRANSTON & CO.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 9, 1900.

Dear Sir: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst, covering copy of a resolution adopted by the municipal council of your city, in regard to the land grant of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company. I have referred the matter to Mr. J. N. Hill, president of that company, for consideration.

Yours respectfully,
(Signed) W. S. RUGH.

SAW THE TROOPS OFF.

Rossland Contingent Returns From Nelson—Well Treated.

Messrs. A. Dick, Hector McRae, John McKane and Dr. Edwin Bowes, who left here on Friday last for the purpose of seeing the Kootenay members of the Strathcona contingent off from Nelson, returned on Sunday night. They report that the people of Nelson showed the utmost hospitality. The banquet given to the departing members of the Strathcona Horse was an elaborate affair. There were 55 members of the contingent and 2 invited guests, or a total of 57 in all present. All the expenses of this banquet were paid by Messrs. J. W. Stewart and George C. Tunstall, Jr. Mr. J. Edwards Leckie has secured a commission as lieutenant with the Strathcona Horse. He is now on his way to Halifax by way of New York, and will join the troop in a few days.

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stand ready and willing, and in fact, am anxious to make confirmatory deeds to any person or persons to whom I have hitherto sold any of the lands in question, excepting, of course, such as have not paid the purchase price.

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east and accompanied the troop. His persistence was rewarded by his being accepted at Cranbrook. It is anticipated, when the troop arrives at Halifax, that some of those who were accepted here will be turned down there, because they do not come up to the required standard.

A Frozen Water Main.

There was a break last week in the new water main which has been carried across the bridge on Second avenue and which ends on the west side of the gulch, opposite the Centre Star Hotel. The hydrant at the end of the main should have been flushed every day, but for some reason this was not done, and as a consequence, during the recent slight cold spell, the main became frozen at the east end of the bridge.

Yesterday Superintendent Fellows applied to the West Kootenay Power & Light company for assistance in the matter, and the company at once brought down some transformers and extra wire and with these Mr. Fellows got a short circuit working on the main and thawed out the pipe. The electric current was then used to cut out the section of damaged pipe, and by noon today a new piece will be in place, and the water will be turned on again. In future the hydrant in question will be flushed out at least once a day, and there will be no likelihood of its freezing a second time.

FROM THE "SNEEZY" STAGE.

To the Chronic and Deep Seated Catarrh—Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder Relieves Quickly and Cures Permanently.

Mrs. Elmer S. Archer, of Brewer Me., writes of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder: "I have used this wonderful remedy with most excellent results. It cured me absolutely of chronic catarrh in my head, and for cold in the head have found it invaluable in our family. Sold by Gooden Bros."