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MINING NOTES.

J. McMartin has made a good strike on the Trilby in the new shaft at a depth of 15 feet. The ore is galena pyrrhotite and quartz, and will compare favorably with anything in the south belt.

The western portion of the south belt has grown enormously in public favor lately, and with good reason. From the Deer Park to the R. E. Lee there are a number of properties which have passed the experimental stage. The Sunset, Nest Egg, Gopher and Zilor have made vast strides in the direction of producing ore.

A very fine specimen of ore from the Colonna, weighing over 400 pounds, is on exhibition at the office of the Company.

The Canadian Goldfields Syndicate has been one of the most successful promoters in eastern Canada. It had much more to recommend it than many development companies floated there.

The Iron Mask is in a fair way to recover lost ground. A strike of ore has been lately made on it which gives the stock a value very much higher than that at which it is quoted.

A good grade of ore is reported in the Center Star, which ought to leave a margin of profit, even at present freight and treatment rates. It is said to average over \$100 to the ton.

The last returns from the greatest depth yet obtained in the Le Roi give the highest average values in gold ever obtained in the history of the mine.

The Victory tunnel, at 150 feet, is again in solid ore of apparently good grade, although assay returns have not yet been made. The last assays from mixed ore showed very high values—over \$80 a ton.

A special meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on Friday night to discuss the proposed amendments to the Companies' Act.

F. W. Rolt has just returned from the Quartz Creek camp in Wild Horse district. He reports great activity there. The Ymir, Tamarack, Dundee, Elise and Tennessee are working full blast. On the Ymir 25 men are on the pay roll. Quite a lively little camp is springing up, the development of which, however, is retarded by the fact that no title can be acquired to land which is owned by the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway Company. Jerry, the Greek, well known to Rossland pioneers, is mayor of the town, and runs a combination store, hotel and restaurant. The Ymir is being developed by an English syndicate and is under the supervision of S. T. Fowler.

W. A. Campbell has returned to Rossland from a trip through the Slocan.

The utter want of reliance to be placed on high assays was never more strikingly shown than in the case of the Hall Mines at Nelson. Frequent assays were obtained there of as high values as \$10,000 to the ton. The ore, as a smelting proposition, averages about 3 per cent. copper and 21 ounces of silver, and big money can be made out of it at that.

A splendid strike has been made on the Olga, a claim on Big Sheep creek, in which G. N. Taylor is largely interested. This claim lies below the Victory and close to it. A magnificent surface showing of carbonate ore and galena has been laid bare. It carries \$42 value to the ton. A pack train of supplies left town to-day for the Olga.

A party of surveyors from J. C. Ellacott's office went out on Tuesday to survey the Daddy and Mother Lode on the west slope of Big Sheep creek.

Following on the development of the Victory-Triumph, Big Sheep creek as a camp is coming to the front quicker than any other section of Trail Creek district, except possibly Quartz creek.

Two new mining companies were registered in San Francisco, Cal., in the week ending February 27th. During the same week 32 were registered in Victoria, British Columbia.

LALONDE FOR MAYOR.

The following requisition has been presented to C. O. Lalonde to become a candidate for mayor. Mr. Lalonde has accepted and will be a candidate:

ROSSLAND, March 2, 1897.

To C. O. LALONDE, Esq.

SIR We, the undersigned, having full confidence in your integrity and business ability, and feeling assured from your past record as a pioneer citizen of this community that you have the best interests of our growing and prosperous town at heart, and well knowing that if you are elected to the office of chief magistrate thereof you will do your duty honestly, faithfully and efficiently, hereby respectfully request you to allow yourself to be nominated as a candidate for mayor of Rossland.

We promise you our votes, and pledge you our heartiest support.

Yours respectfully,

I B McArthur	T B Morrow	Geo Owen
Jno R Cook	John W Smith	Chas R McDonell
C O'Brien Reddin	Fred T Suckling	Eugene Croteau
W B Herbert	H W Atkinson	Harold Kingsmill
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Chas Dempster	J B Johnson	Wm Woods
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R M Culloch	David B Bogle	J C Campbell
Finley McDonald	W L Germaine	Jas F Walker
J A McLean	H Wm Fellows	David Keefe
Hugh O'Donnell	D Campoll	Garrett Keefe
Ros Thompson	Q C Williams	J Wilmhurst
H S Wallace	W H Finlaison	Alex Lynch
R C Watterson	R Darby Morkill, Jr	William Gibb
C M Cowper-Coles	Samuel Fortearth	A N Paterson
P O Rodler	H E D Merry	W H Bell
C R Killam	D F Johnstone	A T Monteith
E J Bowes	Edward Bosquet	J H Robinson
W C Clute	W J Whiteside	Thos W Stack
Jerry C Spellman	W P Dockroff	
A J Long	J McMartin	

Mr. Lalonde's Reply.

ROSSLAND, March 3, 1897.

GENTLEMEN—After taking your requisition into consideration and finding thereon so large a number of voters, I feel that I am obliged to accept the candidature for the mayoralty. While doing so, I am certain that I am not considering my own interests, as, should I be elected, I will be obliged to devote a great deal of time to public affairs that I should give to my own business.

However, I am willing to accept the nomination as requested, and if elected I shall give that very important office the time required, and with the aid of a good council shall do my utmost to conduct the municipal affairs in such a manner that you will not regret having elected me.

I consider it the greatest honor that could possibly be conferred on any one, to be elected the first mayor of Rossland, the greatest mining centre in Canada, if not in the world, and I appreciate the honor of being selected as a candidate for this office.

I remain, gentlemen, yours truly,

C. O. LALONDE.

IN OTHER SECTIONS.

The Yale & Homestake Gold & Silver Mining Company's property is fifty-six miles northeast of Kamloops by wagon-road. It is an incorporated company, with head office in Vancouver. The capital is \$400,000, divided into 1,600,000 shares of 25 cents each. Sufficient treasury stock has been disposed of to provide for development and to start operations this spring free from debt. Mr. Pellew-Harvey, the Vancouver expert, says that there are 60,000 tons in sight, mostly low grade ore. Already 60 tons of the high-grade ore has been taken out. This averages over 100 ounces in silver, and from \$4 to \$120 in gold. The low grade ore averages about 15 ounces in silver and \$1 in gold. With a view of working this extensive property (seven full claims) to the best advantage, Mr. Pellew-Harvey has been commissioned to visit Europe, taking with him bulk samples for treatment at Swansea, Glasgow and Freiberg, and it is probable that as a result of his investigations a cyanide plant will be put in at once.