

THE ALF GOLD MINING COMPANY, Ltd. Lb'ty.

Incorporated under the Laws of British Columbia.

Mines Located at Rossland, Trail Creek Gold Mining District, British Columbia.

CAPITALIZATION 1,000,000.

Shares par value \$1.00 each. Fully-paid and Non-Assessable. 250,000 shares have been placed in the hands of a reliable trustee, who is responsible for the proper return to the company of the proceeds of any sale made by him of such shares.

All other shares are now pooled in the hands of the said trustee, so that purchasers of above stock need have no fear of promoters offering private stock below the market price.

LLOYD HARRIS, Esq., Brantford and London, England, President.
W. G. ELLIOTT, Contractor, Brantford, Ont. Vice-President.
W. E. PHIN, Contractor, Brantford, Ont., Secretary-Treasurer.

STOCKHOLDERS (Shares Pooled.)

H. McK. Wilson, Q. C., Brantford; Robt. Scott, Esq., Prop. Victoria Whee Works, Galt; U. M. Stanley, M. D., Brantford; Thos. Nihan, Esq., Steam boat owner, St. Catharines; Thos. Woodyatt, P. M., Brantford, Ont.; J. A. Smith, Esq., Broker, Rossland. D. J. Waterous, Esq., Mait. Brantford; H. King, Esq., Rossland.

BANKERS -BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA, Rossland, B. C.
Offices: ROSSLAND B. C. Columbia.

The Alf gold mine was located April 17th, 1895, recorded May 1st, 1895 and has since been purchased by the Alf Gold Mining Company, (Limited Liability). It has been surveyed, and is fully paid for. See government Records at Rossland, B. C. The Alf is situated in the South Belt of the Trail Creek district about one mile from Rossland, B. C., and adjoins such well known properties as the Hill Top and Mayflower. Close to it also are such well known mines as the Curlew and Gopher, and not 1,500 feet away are the Maid of Erin and R. E. Lee properties. We have a limited number of Shares to offer at 10 cents. The price is subject to advance without notice. For shares or further particulars call on or address.

The Smith-Hewitt Company

P. O. Box 20, ROSSLAND, B. C.

ORPHAN BOY GOLD MINING COMPANY.

Limited.

Incorporated under the Laws of the Province of British Columbia.

OFFICERS.

E. H. WEDEKIND, Trail, B. C., President.
J. W. HASKINS, Revelstoke, Vice-Pres't and Manager.
F. C. WHITNEY, Revelstoke, Secretary-Treas.
H. C. BELLINGER, Trail, Director.

Capital Stock 700,000 Shares. Par Value \$1 Each
FULLY PAID AND NON-ASSESSABLE.

Treasury Stock 200,000 Shares
TO BE SOLD FOR DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES ONLY.

The Orphan Boy Mineral claim is situated about five miles from Gold Stream up McCulloch Creek on the West Fork, or commonly known as Barrett Creek, and about 65 miles north from Revelstoke, B.C., in the country known as the Big Bend of the Columbia River.

The company will push the development of the Orphan Boy with all possible dispatch. The Orphan Boy being a free milling and Cyanide property it does away with all expense of shipping ore to be treated or smelted outside. The surface showings being of such high grade, guarantee excellent results and steadily increasing stock values as development progresses.

Four assays from surface returns were respectively \$6.50, \$10.00, \$72.00 and \$140.00. A mill test recently made shows \$39.20.

A limited number of Treasury Shares will be disposed of at 10 cents per share for first cash requirements, subject to advance without notice.

For Prospectus and Engineer's Report apply to Secretary-Treasurer or Manager at Revelstoke, or

Barrett, Newell & McDonald, Rossland, B. C.

MINING IN TASMANIA.

The report recently issued by the Secretary of Mines of Tasmania for the year ending June 30th, 1896, shows improved prospects, together with actual progress both in mineral outputs and mining developments. In some of the leading fields of the colony, such of Zeehan Dundas, Mount Lyell, Mount Bischoff, Mount Reid and others, good work is apparently being done and these districts are perhaps all the more flourishing because there is nothing sensational to report. Of the four branches of mining that are of chief importance to the colony—namely, gold, silver, tin and coal—three exhibit a substantial improvement over 1895-96, tin alone showing a slight falling off.

The gold output is given as 63,861 oz. for the year 1895-96, valued at £239,479, as against a production of 58,301 z. for the previous year. The following gold-fields contributed: Beaconsfield, 44,686 oz.; Mathinna, 15,663 oz.; Lefroy, 10,160 oz.; the balance coming from other localities. In the Beaconsfield gold field the greatest portion of the output comes from one well-known mine, the Tasmania mine, which has now 105 stamps in operation. This mine produced during the year 30,093 oz. of gold, and in the last quarter of the year no less than 11,118 oz., while a still greater output is confidently anticipated. On the Mathinna gold field the principal mine is the Golden Gate. It may be mentioned that nearly the whole of the gold obtained in Tasmania is from vein mining, only some 4,000 oz. a year being produced from alluvial sources.

The output of silver is nowhere given in this report; but the colony produced 21,300 tons of silver ore in 1895-96, as against 19,665 tons in the preceding year, the ore being in both cases valued at the estimate of £10 per ton. The report does not declare the probable amounts of silver, lead and other metals that this quantity of ore is expected to yield. The bulk of this silver ore comes from the Zeehan-Dundas field, upon which there are a number of mines in active operation. There is not much information obtainable about them; only in one case, that of the Zeehan-Montana mine, are we informed that the ore averages 68 per cent. of lead and 109 oz. of silver to

the ton, and that its output for 1895 was 1,688½ tons. It is stated that there is now no doubt of the Mount Lyell company being able to work its splendid ore deposit at a profit, while general development and the construction of tramways, railways and other works in that district are proceeding actively.

The output of tin for the year is given as 4,198 tons, as against 4,236 tons in the preceding year, being a small falling off of 38 tons. Owing, however, to the lower price of this metal, the value of the production, which is given as £260,270, shows a diminution to the extent of £15,070. The diminished output seems to be directly due to the low price of tin, at which there is but little encouragement for prospectors or miners to search for or open up new deposits. The output of alluvial tin seems to be falling off slightly. Of the lode mines, the most important is the Mount Bischoff, which maintains its steady output, this mine has been in existence for 23 years, has produced 48,500 tons of tin, and has paid its shareholders £1,419,000 in dividends.

The colony produces a small amount of coal, but the development of the coal-fields seems to be hindered by their unfavorable position, their product having to be transported for a considerable distance to the markets. The output for the years 1895-96 was 30,274 tons, valued at £32,047, and shows an increase over the year previous to the amount of 5,711 tons.

Deposits of other minerals, notably ores of copper and nickel, are also known to exist, and some work is being done upon them, especially as regards copper. The report seems fully to bear out the conclusion expressed by the Secretary for Mines, "that the work of the year affords evidence of distinct progress, and justifies the anticipation so freely expressed on all sides that there is a prosperous mining outlook for the future."—Engineering and Mining Journal.

All placer claims legally held in the South Riding of West Kootenay and in Trail Creek mining division are laid over until June 1, 1897. In the Revelstoke division of West Kootenay from November 15, 1886, to June 1, 1897.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

CAMBRIDGE MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: About 4 miles south east of the town of Rossland on Violin Creek.

TAKE notice that I, N. F. Townsend, as agent for H. S. Wallace, No. 73,495; John Elliott, No. 75,017; and Ernest Miller, No. 72,357, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that action under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 10th day of October, 1896.

N. F. TOWNSEND

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

VICTORY MINERAL CLAIM.

Where located: On Sophie Mountain in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District of British Columbia.

TAKE notice that I, A. R. Macdonald, acting as Secretary of Victory-Triumph Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, free miner's certificate number 77270, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice, that action under section thirty-seven must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1896.

12-2-96

A. R. MACDONALD.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

TRIUMPH MINERAL CLAIM.

Where located: On Sophie Mountain in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District of British Columbia.

TAKE notice that I, A. R. Macdonald, acting as Secretary of Victory-Triumph Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, free miner's certificate number 77270, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action under section thirty-seven must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this first day of December, 1896.

12-2-96

A. R. MACDONALD.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

EMERALD MINERAL CLAIM.

Situate in the Trail Creek Mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: East of and adjoining the town of Rossland.

TAKE notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for Hirschel Cohen, free miner's certificate number 73804, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section thirty-seven, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1896.

12-2-96

N. F. TOWNSEND.