NELSON.

A company has been floated in Nelson to acquire and operate the May and Jennie mine on Forty-Nine Creek. It is proposed to install a stamp-mill at once, it being estimated that there are 60,000 tons of ore in sight at the mine.

At the recent annual meeting of the Juno Mines, Limited, it was decided to continue active development of the property.

The Queen mine on Sheep Creek, in the Ymir district, is to be worked at once, the owners having secured a lease of the Yellowstone mill The Porto Rico mill is also again in operation.

ROSSLAND.

The latest reports from Rossland are of an eminently encouraging nature, the February profits of the Le Roi, after deducting costs of mining, smelting, realization and depreciation, being estimated at $58,500. The manager furthermore expresses the belief that another fine body of ore has been opened up on the 700-foot level which may probably connect with the south vein on the 800-foot level. Construction work at the Rossland Power Company's new large concentrating mill is proceeding rapidly, and it is believed that the plant may be ready for operation within two months from this date. Preparations are also being made for the early erection of an Elmore concentrating mill at the White Bear. Meanwhile, in an interview, Mr. Claudet, manager of the Canadian Ore Concentration Company at Rossland, is reported to have predicted that the cost of concentration by oil in that camp should ere long not exceed $1.25 per ton.

BOUNDARY.

An important strike is reported to have been made late last month at the Emma mine, in the Boundary district, a shoot of high-grade copper ore having been encountered in the new tunnel recently started near the old workings. Heretofore the Emma has been worked for the iron contained in the ore, which is shipped to the Nelson smelter and used for fluxing purposes. Ore from the Providence, one of the many high-grade mines near Greenwood, is now being sent to the Trail smelter without sorting. During the winter the main shaft has been deepened from the 183-foot level.

The Alameda, a claim adjoining the B. C. Copper Company's Mother Lode mine, was recently sold to Minneapolis purchasers.

Steps are being taken to incorporate a company to acquire the Athelstan and Jackpot claims in Wellington camp. A company has also been recently formed in Chicago with a capital of $500,000 to acquire and work the Nellie Cotton group of claims in Phoenix camp. The. B. C. Copper Co., last month bonded the Bruce group of five claims near Midway. Work is to be carried on continuously for eighteen months. Mr. J. P. Graves, general manager of the Granby Company, is reported to have stated the other day in an interview that the company was working on plans for increasing the capacity of its smelter plant at Grand Forks from 2,100 tons to 4,800 tons a day.

A circular has been issued to shareholders of the Morrison Mines, Limited (Boundary district), announcing the sale of the assets of that company to Mr. Andrew Laidlaw, for the sum of $24,166.76, or at the rate of 2 cents per share, shareholders have the option of selling outright for this sum, or of exchanging stock for stock in the Montreal & Boston Co., in the proportion of thirty Morrison shares to one of Montreal & Boston.

CAMP M'KINNEY.

A good deal of disappointment is felt at the failure of the Waterloo Company operating at Camp McKinney to pay a dividend as promised so long ago as December last; but instead shareholders have received a notice calling upon them to pay an assessment of a mill a share, which seems almost like adding insult to injury. It is unofficially stated that the vein has faulted and that there is not sufficient high-grade ore in sight at present to keep the mill supplied.

THE NEW ALSEK DIGGINGS.

We extract the following information from a circular recently issued by the Traffic Department of the White Pass & Yukon Railway Company:

"The principal creeks on which important gold strikes have been made in the Alsek district are distant about 200 miles from White Horse in a north-westerly direction, and can best be reached *via* White Horse. A very good trail, which can be used both summer and winter, has been made from the latter point to the diggings.

"At the present time those who are engaged in hauling passengers from White Horse to the new district are quoting a rate of $100 to Bullion Creek, the centre of the new strike, and $75 to Ruby Creek. These rates do not include roadhouse expenses while *en route*. The time required to make the trip by stage from White Horse to Bullion is about seven days. Meals at the various roadhouses along the route are $1.50 each, and beds $1 per night.

"Freighters in White Horse are now asking from 25 to 30 cents per pound for the delivery of freight to Bullion and other creeks in the immediate vicinity, and it is fair to presume that the above will be about the average rate charged during the sledding season, which will probably close about April 10th.

"During the sledding season, upon reaching Marshall Creek, 125 miles from White Horse, it has been found necessary by freighters to abandon their heavy two and four-horse sleds and ultilize a smaller, single horse sled known as the 'double ender' to complete the trip. About 800 pounds constitutes a load for a 'double ender.'

"After the opening of navigation, however, one can best reach the diggings by taking the steamer from White Horse to Mendenhall Landing and proceeding overland from that point, thereby saving some 75 miles of a journey by trail. The boat service to Mendenhall Landing will be established immediately upon the opening of navigation on the Tahkeena River, which will be about June 1st, and will be continued until approximately October 1st.

"The freight and passenger rate in summer time, it is believed, will be about the same as that prevailing in winter."

COMPANY NOTES AND CABLES.

LE ROI (Rossland).—The manager cabled the following report for the month of February: "Shipped from the mine to Northport during the past month 19,244 tons containing: Gold, 8,379 ounces; silver, 9,663 ounces; copper, 490,317 pounds. Estimated profits on this ore after deducting costs of mining, smelting, realization and depreciation, $58,500. Expended on development work during the month $11,000. I have reason to believe we have opened up a fine body of ore on the 700-foot level which may probably connect with the south vein on the 800-foot level. The present appearances are most encouraging on the 900-foot level. The vein matter assays very well indeed. The diamond drill hole between the 900-foot level and 1050-foot level looks most promising. On the 1350-foot level we are now hard at work making airways. Hope to be able to report more valuable discoveries during the present month."

TYEE COPPER (Mt. Sicker.)—In February the smelter ran 25 days, and treated 5,392 tons of Tyee ore, giving a return after deduction of refining charges and freight of $60,007.00.

KING EDWARD (Fairview.))—The latest addition to the list of incorporated mining companies in British Columbia is the King Edward Mines, Limited (non-personal liability), capital $500,000; head office, Fairview, B.C. in the Boundary district. The company's shares are divided into 200,000 vendors' shares, which have been taken up entirely by the original owners of the property in acquiring the mines of the new company, and 300 000 treasury stock shares, part of which is now being offered for public subscription at 10 cents per share with the object of enabling the company to start work and build a concentrator at the mines and do some further development work on the property. When the proposed railway through the Similkameen Valley is an accomplished fact, this com-