

THE MINING WORLD

Mr. W. A. Campbell Thinks Well of the Boundary Section.

IT IS A DISTRICT OF SURPRISES

He Thinks the Output of Ore Will Surpass Even the Most Optimistic—On a Few of the Companies Have Placed Their Stock on the Market.

Mr. W. A. Campbell, who was formerly an alderman of this city, is among the guests at the Allan. He was formerly an operator in mines here, and is still interested largely in the St. Paul and other properties. Recently he took up his residence in the Boundary country. He has just returned from a visit to Spokane, where he was looking after some deals in connection with properties in the vicinity of Greenwood. He was seen by a representative of the Miner yesterday and was asked:

"Are you going to locate in the Boundary country, Mr. Campbell?" "Yes, I have concluded to stay with the Boundary country and make Greenwood my headquarters for my future operations. That has been a district of surprises as regards its mineral deposits, but when the ore begins to be shipped and the tonnage is made up, the most sanguine anticipations of the believers in the outcome of the Boundary district will be exceeded. This will, however, take time, and we cannot expect the output to reach large proportions till after next year. We must wait till proper development takes place. We sometimes expect too much, and that too quickly in the mining business. The mines of the Boundary are being developed in a proper manner by men who stand at the head of their profession, and production is going to be restricted to the detriment of the properties for the purpose of boosting the stocks of the mines.

"I have only to mention the names of some of the mining men who are in charge of different mines to convince anyone who will investigate the matter, that I am correct in my conclusion. Mr. Keefer, M. E., has charge of the Mother Lode; Mr. Frank Robbins, M. E., has charge of the Brooklyn and Stenwinder, and the other properties belonging to the Dominion Copper company. Mr. W. Y. Williams looks after the development of the Ironsides, Knob Hill and the many other properties owned by the Graves syndicate; Major R. G. Edwards Leckie, M. E., is engineer in charge of the famous B. C. mine in Summit camp; Mr. R. E. Brown (Barbarian) looks after the Monarch; I, myself, the Rathmullen, Gold Drop and Winnipeg, the Brandon & Golden Crown, the Snowshoe, the Jewel, the Sunset, the Beckhorn, the Morrison, the Enterprise and Anchor, the East Chance and the Greyhound, are each in charge of successful, competent mining men.

"We have the mineral, and when the mines begin to pour out their reserves of ore, I venture to predict that development will be large and continuous. The C. P. R. carefully surveyed the situation before building their extensive network of railway into the Boundary district, and they will, I think, look as carefully after the smelting industry of the Boundary. In a few years we will have a smelting industry that will be the equal of any in the world. The whole of the vast Kootenay and Boundary mineral development is yet only in its infancy and one can hardly venture an opinion as to the immense possibilities that will be attained during the next ten years, and the Boundary country will be sure to hold its own in this development.

"One thing is, that in the Boundary the mines are being opened up mostly by capitalists who generally know what they are doing, and a very remarkable feature which should not be overlooked, is that there are only about five of the mines of the Boundary, whose stock is at all on the market, viz: the Winnipeg, Brandon & Golden Crown, Oro Denoro, Rathmullen and Morrison, and the first three or four are hard to get at 30 cents a share.

"Yes, you will see the public realize within the next six months the extent of the vast mineral deposits and possibilities of the district, and many new properties will give good account of themselves. The public at large will make a great deal of money in Boundary properties during the next two or three years, and Greenwood will be the center. We have in our city the finest equipped hotel, the Armstrong, in the country, three of the largest banks in Canada, several large dry goods, hardware and grocery houses, four or five large brick blocks and one of the best residences of a solid place, very many fine residences.

"Those are a few of the reasons why I am going to devote my energies to the advancement of the Boundary district and make Greenwood my headquarters. The development I am looking forward to will do a great deal also to advance your bright and bustling city, as your people are already interested and will be in the near future, be greatly interested in the Boundary mines, and will share in the wealth that will be made there," concluded Mr. Campbell.

Will Soon Make a Trial Run.

The Philadelphia Mining company has of late given considerable attention to the Lone Star mineral claim, which lies near the Mountain Trail claim. On the Lone Star a shaft is being sunk which has now reached a depth of 47 feet. One of the double compartment shafts on the Mountain Trail is now down 90 feet and the other 70 feet. The trial run of the concentrating mill has not yet been made. This is because the road from the concentrator to the mill is so soft from the rains that a load cannot be hauled over it. As soon as the frost hardens it the ore will be transported to the concentrating mill and a trial run made.

Arthur to Be Incorporated.

The Arthur claim, adjoining the Evening on Sophie mountain, has been purchased, and will be incorporated in a few days by Messrs. Ouimet and Saucier. It is expected that work will be commenced next week.

PAY ROLL FLOAT.

Very High Assays Obtained from It. The Highest \$1,533.20.

Around Palmer Mountain in East Kootenay are gravel beds and boulders which, if there was water, would pay to mine. This was one of the rich sections of East Kootenay in the early sixties, when placer mining yielded such large returns. On the properties of the Pay Roll, which is owned by the Pay Roll Mining company, are large deposits of this float, some of which come from the veins on the property. Yesterday Mr. Saucier had Messrs. Hastings and Parker assay four samples of this float, and the result was as follows: One assay went \$24.40, a second \$44, a third \$72 and a fourth \$1,533.20. The samples were assayed solely for gold. The government has built a wagon road to the Pay Roll property, and there is none of the stock on the market.

PROSPEROUS BOUNDARY.

Work Started on the Christina and Last Chance Claims.

Mr. S. Thornton Langley has returned from a visit to the Grand Forks and Boundary country. While there he started work on the Christina and Last Chance mineral properties, which are owned by the Kettle River Mining and Development Company, Limited. Captain Frank D. Howe is consulting engineer of the company. The vein on the Christina is 18 feet wide, and with the work already done the company has between eight and 10 tons of ore on the dump, and the ore goes about \$36 to the ton. The ore carries about one ounce in gold and from 30 to 40 ounces in silver. These properties adjoin a townsite on the north fork of the Kettle river which is about 14 miles from Grand Forks. The townsite is owned by Messrs. Charles Cummings, F. C. Harper, C. A. Hagberg and S. Thornton Langley. As this is the only townsite in that section, those owning it have arranged for placing its lots upon the market at an early date, or as soon as the platting is completed. Summit City in Summit camp, in which Mr. Ross Thompson and other prominent Rosslanders are interested, is also likely, Mr. Langley says, to be a very busy camp, for the reason that it is known to be a section that will produce large quantities of high grade ore. Mr. Langley did not have time during his short stay to visit all the camps, but will return in a few days and look over them. Mr. Langley says he was pleased to find so many former residents of Rossland in the Boundary country, and all of them seemed to be doing well.

Work Started on the Evening.

A force of five men have been put to work on the Evening, which adjoins the Arthur claim on Sophie mountain. The shaft, which is now down seven feet, is to be deepened. The ore assays \$36.19 in gold, silver, copper and lead.

MINING NOTES.

The foundation for the four-drill compressor plant on the Giant is now being put in. It is probable that the work of hauling the plant to the site on the Giant will commence today. The work of stripping the ledge continues, but as soon as the plant is installed the sinking of the shaft will be commenced. The Rio Grande Gold & Silver Mining company is to be reorganized, and a meeting for that purpose has been called for December 29th. The property of the company is located a mile from Ymir and has a fair showing of ore.

Mining Deal.

A deal has just been closed whereby the Arthur mineral claim situated on Big Sheep creek, which belongs to T. C. Hartman, has changed hands. The deal has been negotiated by Messrs. Hastings & Parker, the property being taken up by a local syndicate, who are sending a force of men out to commence work at once, and it is their intention to carry on work all winter. The property adjoins the Evening, the property of the Evening Gold Mining company, and the Copper King, belonging to the B. A. Co., and adjoining the Santa Rosa group.

Work Started on Katie D. Green.

A letter just received from the foreman of the Katie D. Green property, states that the boarding house, bunk house, shaft house and ore bins have been finished and a full force of miners started to work in the shaft yesterday. The public will be kept posted weekly as to the development of this property.

Work on the Green Mountain.

Superintendent Lowry reports that on the Green Mountain good progress is being made with the work, although the work has been considerably interfered with by the water. On the 200-foot level a drift has been run for a distance of 115 feet. From the middle of this drift there was recently run a crosscut a distance of 35 feet, which cut a ledge two feet in width. The ore is of a fair grade in this ledge.

The White Bear Development.

Mr. John Y. Cole, manager of the White Bear, reports that the drift on the 300-foot level is in for a distance of 122 feet and ore is coming in. In fact, half of the face of the drift is in ore. Assays of the ore found in this drift run as high as \$18.90 in gold and copper. Two per cent of the value is in copper. At a point on the drift 70 feet from the shaft, a crosscut has been driven for a distance of 40 feet.

Mill Building Nearly Completed.

On the Bunker Hill, late advices from Mr. J. J. Warren, who is in charge of the work, is to the effect that the work of erecting the mill structure is still in progress, and it is approaching completion. The balance of the plant for the mill is now expected to arrive at any moment.

Work on the Evening Star.

On the Evening Star preparations are under way by which the mine is being put in shape for active work. It will take time to get things in such condition that

MINES AND MINING

Progress of the Development on the Commonwealth Gr. up.

RIVERSIDE HAS HIGH GRADE ORE

There is a Streak of Galena in the Ledge That is From Four to Six Inches in Width That Runs to Over \$400 to the Ton—General Mining Notes.

Messrs. R. S. Lyon and George Lemon arrived here Saturday via the Dewdney trail from the Boundary Creek country, where they have been for the past six months. They report that the trail is almost closed to travel, as there is 15 inches of snow on the Cascade summit. This runs down to six inches on the Rossland side of Sophie mountain. The trail is practically closed, as the trip from Cascade City occupied two days and was a very trying one. Had it not been for the fact that they were going to see the men employed on the Evening claim on Sheep creek they would have suffered considerably. The hotel at Sheep creek has been closed for some time.

They have been engaged in developing the Commonwealth group of claims situated five miles above Rock creek, on the main Kettle river. This group is owned by an eastern party and managed by Mr. Hugh Reed. A shaft has been sunk vertically 75 feet, which passed through ore at a depth of 35 feet. From the bottom of the shaft a crosscut has been run north for the purpose of cutting the ledge, but it has not as yet reached it and work was suspended last Monday for the winter. There is a large surface showing on this group, but the values are not high.

Below the Commonwealth group, and only a few feet from the river, Mr. B. Perkins has opened a new ledge on the Riverside claim. The ledge is about eight feet wide, mostly well mineralized quartz, with a stringer of galena from two to six inches wide and which assays \$400 to the ton. The ore carries its largest value in silver with a small percentage in gold. The ledge has been stripped for 20 feet and has been opened by an open cut to a depth of 10 feet. There was quite a stampede up the main Kettle river and the west fork during the summer and several handsome stakes have been made by prospectors who located promising prospects and sold them for good-sized sums. On the main river the most promising prospects are copper positions, while on the west fork the claims have ledges which carry galena. The prospectors on the west fork and the main river are anxious to see the C. P. R. extend its line up there on its way to the coast. Considerable ore could be shipped from there, as it is mostly of the smelting kind. It is claimed that there would be no particular advantage in constructing the railway to Camp McKinley, for the reason that it is a free milling camp, whereas the ores from the main river and the west fork would have to be shipped to the mill and smelter, and the railway company would derive more advantage from it if constructed to Camp McKinley, which is in the midst of a free milling belt, and therefore, would furnish but little business for a railway.

Mr. Lyon says there is considerable deer a few miles north of the Commonwealth group. The Indians from the Colville reservation on the American side, have been coming in lately and have killed the deer for their skins, which is contrary to law. The authorities at Midway should look after these aboriginal marauders. The whole Boundary Creek country, since the railway was completed, is booming, and as great as the activity has been it will be still larger in the spring.

THE POLAND-CHINA GROUP.

Occurrences in and About Greenwood Camp.

Greenwood, Dec. 1.—J. D. Sword, representing Montreal capitalists has bonded the Poland China group of claims on the head of Mary Ann creek, Colville reservation, near Chesusav, from Messrs. Nadun & Hawkins. It is understood that the amount of the bond is about \$20,000. The claims, which are now being developed, are being constructed and 20 men will be employed all winter.

George B. Meabam of the Fairbanks Cameron company, Montreal, has purchased from Jas. Bain of Chesusav, the Anaconda group consisting of six claims lying north and east of the Fairbank claim close to the War Eagle and Wisconsin groups, and has also purchased the Chesusav group from Dan Cameron and the Australian group from W. L. Clark, in all 16 claims. There are good surface showings on all of the foregoing and it is the intention of the purchaser to map, prospect and secure the ledge which runs northwest from the War Eagle and Wisconsin properties.

Word has been received at Chesusav from Washington, D. C., to the effect that the reservation is to be thrown open for settlement in January, and already a number of land buyers are prospecting so as to be ready on opening day.

There are now at work in the mines and on the claims about Chesusav, Myers creek, the following:

Crystal Butte mine.....	35 men.
Crystal Butte sawmill.....	10 men.
Waldrons sawmill.....	6 men.
Independence mine.....	6 men.
Wisconsin mine.....	16 men.
War Eagle mine.....	20 men.
Review mine.....	20 men.
O. K. mine.....	6 men.
Ben Wharton mine.....	6 men.
Buchhorn mine.....	6 men.
Queen Charlotte mine.....	20 men.
North Star mine.....	6 men.
Poland China mine.....	15 men.

Besides many other smaller properties that are working from two to four men. As illustrative of the amount of business done in the city of Greenwood during the first month since the arrival of the railway and the opening of the customs house, the figures of the latter show the collections for the month of November to be \$8,500 and for inland revenue 2,500 for the same period. Freight receipts of the C. P. R. at this point were \$80,000 and the passenger receipts average \$100 per day.

Jack Harlan, one of the pioneers of the Boundary district has returned from Manila, where he has been actively engaged and where he did service in the Philippine campaign as a sergeant in the South Dakota regiment. Sergeant Harlan was

in all the engagements with his regiment and he says that the war is practically ended—the fighting being kept up by bands of marauders. There is no political organization worthy of the name, and Aguinaldo is in hiding.

The preliminary list of voters for the city has been completed, showing 168 votes in the North Ward and 213 in the South Ward or 381 in all. This will be materially augmented at the final revision.

Rev. Wm. Robins, M. A., for six years in the parish of St. Mary's, Redcliff, England, has arrived in the city to take charge of the work of the Church of England in Greenwood and Eholt. Rev. Mr. Irwin, familiarly known as Father Pat of Rossland, will be stationed at Phoenix and from that point as headquarters will administer to the various mining camps in the district.

Alexander Sharp, for some time manager of the Gold Bug mine here, left today for Rossland, where he has gone to take charge of the Iron Colt at a largely increased salary.

Another very rich strike has been made in the Summit camp. A new discovery by the Summit Gold Mining company in opening up a crosscut on their property about two miles from Eholt and near the railway track, exposed a vein of solid copper ore 12 feet wide. As the property is situated on the edge of the railway track it will have excellent shipping facilities when it has been developed.

The ore cars for the B. C. and Oro Denoro mines at Summit have arrived from the east, and regular shipping should commence from the B. C. to the Trail smelter on the first of the month.

Dr. Kingston, graduate of Toronto Medical School, has been appointed physician for the principal mines in Summit camp, including the B. C. and Oro Denoro, and will erect an hospital at Eholt.

Word has been received from F. W. Peters, district freight agent, Nelson, to the effect that a monster excursion consisting of representatives of the various Boards of Trade throughout the province will visit Greenwood on the 7th December. A meeting of the Greenwood Board of Trade and club was called last evening for the purpose of making arrangements for the reception of the visitors, who will number between 125 and 150. Very elaborate preparations will be made for their entertainment.

E. J. Coyle, passenger agent of the C. P. R. of Vancouver, and W. F. Anderson, travelling representative of the C. P. R., were in the city today. In conversation with our representative Mr. Coyle said he did not think that the passenger and freight service would be taken over from the construction department until about the first of March, and the line which had on the spur lines and the road completed to Midway. The principle obstacle, however, at present is the Bull Dog tunnel, which will not be completed for some time yet. The representatives of the C. P. R. were greatly pleased with the amount of traffic so far handled on the line which had largely exceeded their anticipations.

The contracts in connection with the installation of electric light in Greenwood has been duly signed. George C. Hinton of Hinton & Co., Victoria and Vancouver, representing the Royal Electric company, has received the contract for the necessary equipment, wires, etc., etc., and H. B. Gilmour, representing the Waterhouse Engine company of Brantford, the contract for the engine and three 80-horse power boilers, pumps and attachments necessary. The whole contract amounting to \$20,000. All the machinery is ready to be shipped, and the lights will be installed within 90 days. Street work for the year is about completed. The public works carried on during the year have been of a very important character. Waterworks were constructed and 8,800 feet of main laid. Two and a half miles of street grading has been done and one and a half miles of sidewalk laid during the season—the work mainly affecting the central part of the town. Over a quarter of a million dollars worth of buildings have been erected or in course of erection.

THE COURT SITTING.

Hon. Mr. Justice Irving Presides—Cases Heard and Disposed Of.

The sitting of the supreme court, adjourned over from October by Mr. Justice Martin owing to his being obliged to attend the sittings of the full court at the coast, opened in the city hall at 10 o'clock on Monday. The court chamber as arranged, makes a very fair substitute for a proper court room. Sawdust was laid over the floor at the northern end of the room, where the general public found accommodation, and inside the railing matting has been laid so that there was no noise to interrupt the proceedings. A constable stationed at the door, opened and closed it noiselessly for anyone's entrance or exit. There was plenty of heat and good ventilation and light, and ample accommodation for Mr. Registrar Schofield and the members of the bar. Deputy Sheriff Robinson sat in state to the right of the court, and maintained due order. An American "cousin," present as an interested spectator, and who has previously expressed some rather decided opinions concerning "wigs" and "gowns," etc., said that he was a good deal impressed with the manner in which the proceedings were taken. "I think," said he, "that if I had an important case to be tried I would like to have it disposed of in just such a court as I saw today."

Of the 14 cases on the list, the following were disposed of:

Paulson vs. Harris; settled out of court and case withdrawn. A. H. MacNeill, Q. C., for plaintiff, A. C. Galt for the defendant.

Leitch vs. Reiler; settlement pending case stands until today.

Bank of British North America vs. Ovington and Beeton; judgment for the plaintiffs for \$11,315.68 and costs. Defendants' counter claim dismissed with costs. J. A. Macdonald for the plaintiffs, Langley et al. vs. Fear and Repass; judgment for plaintiff for \$316.78 and costs. A. H. MacNeill, Q. C., for plaintiffs.

First National Bank vs. Williams. Judgment for plaintiffs for \$2,518.14 and costs. A. H. MacNeill for plaintiff.

B. C. Mercantile & Mining Co. vs. Reynolds and Branson. Case settled out of court and action withdrawn.

Pavler vs. Snow. An action to adverse the Eva fraction vs. the Little Beas claim in the south belt. Case partly heard when the court rose for the day at 5 p. m. W. T. Nelson for the plaintiff and

A Sterling Whisk.

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A. H. MacNeill, Q. C., and W. S. Deacon for the defendants. When he first came to this province he held for a time the position of deputy attorney-general. Subsequently he practised at the provincial bar in partnership with Mr. E. V. Bodwell, Q. C., and was raised to the bench as a puisne judge by the Laurier administration on the 18th of December, 1897. He has, therefore, occupied his present position for very nearly two years.

Change of Office.
Messrs. L. H. Moffat and C. S. Wallis have removed their offices from the Wallace building, 128 Columbia avenue, east. The companies represented by these gentlemen are the Rathmullen mine, Empire Mines, Black Opal syndicate, Kootenay Land & Exploration Co., Peterboro Township company and Wallis Haultain syndicate.

Hon. P. A. Irving, the learned judge who is presiding over the present sittings of the supreme court here, is a visitor to Rossland for the first time.

He is the second son of Aemil Irving, Q. C., of Hamilton, Ontario; was educated at Trinity College school and Trinity University, and was called to the Ontario Bar in the early

THURSDAY

THE LUMBER

It Completed its Organizing Office

NO INTENTION TO

Louis Blue and A. Fisher of Peter Genelle & Co. of the Capital Stock of Details.

The Kootenay and Ymine completed its organizing the following officers: Louis Blue; first vice-president; second vice-president; secretary, Mr. Genelle; and treasurer, Mr. Fisher. The intention is to have a meeting held in the city and at Greenwood office will look after the section, and the Green the interests of the company Creek country. The as follows: The companies combine is seen to be \$280,000 goes to Messrs. A. Fisher, and the other Messrs. Peter Genelle & Co. City controlled by the mine mills located as follows: Ymir, Nakusp, West two at Greenwood and addition to this, the new large timber reserves in the Boundary Creek.

Mr. J. E. Poupore, the combine, was seen yesterday. "Our object is not to lumber, but rather to invest. As a result of this, there has been no lumber business for some time. The price of lumber will be at West Robson's mill at Greenwood, and has two-thirds included in the order in it be filled? Formerly it was filled if the mill man at an additional expense to make the sizes happen to have. This the other mill men might fill part of the order, we will send a part of other mills to be filled. profit killing competition. Then, orders for filled at the point nearest to be used. There are in the combine which are to be mentioned. I think we will be assured of a and at the same time the lumber just as cheap concluded Mr. Poupore.

ARE TALKING

People in the Old Countrying Their Owns in

Mr. J. Ferguson McCrea from a four months visit try. While he was away and England. He was Kitchener, where he had where he had a merry time in Newcastle and London. He found the favorable to Canada and by the case when the Don send a contingent to South Africa, where the Cape Town were came send more troops from Africa. The people felt Canada had done the job was indeed a part and pipe. Mr. McCrea thinks should travel more and to the Old Country the too modest and should and her great resources occasion. "I did all that form of missionary work citizens of this Dominion," said Mr. McCrea, "is a considerable talk in London. This was the case more visit than during my for they most want are mines and they are con them in the Le Roi an Kootenay mines. He de that the English have chasing heavily in South Africa. The belief is pre there will be a great rev industry in South Africa over and that larger pro there.

THE BOARD OF

Delegates Elected to the Greenwood

A special meeting of the of trade was held at hall. The attendance was there being but a little present, a majority probably not having fatigue incident to have the St. Andrew's banquets evening. There were tions of importance to be first, was the selection of recent the board of trade excursion to Greenwood. Twelve members were p and the following delegates: Messrs. James McEldrie, J. W. Johnson, Marsh and J. W. Spring of any of those gentlemen to attend the excursion, be taken by J. W. Hartley or W. H. Jones, who w notes in the order name.

The other matter was rates to points in the Salt and the secretary was in municate with the Great way officials with a view more favorable rates. Nelson & Fort Sheppard especially to Ymir.

A FATAL ACCI

A Train Runs Wild and
a Death.

A fatal accident happ afternoon while a train w the switchback on the re