

the cyanide process seems to be peculiarly adapted to the quartz of this section of the province we may ultimately see a strong rivalry between the rock and gravel miners as to which will produce the greatest amount of gold. I think that everyone will agree with me that men who have sunk millions in a mining district 200 miles from a railway must have had very good evidence placed before them of the immense value of the properties on which their money has been expended. That they will reap a rich reward for their enterprise is not only the wish but the belief of the people of British Columbia.

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Coal Shipments.

FOLLOWING is the list of foreign coal shipments for the month of October, 1896:

NEW V.C. CO., SHIPPING.		
Date.	Name and Destination.	Tons.
3—	Str. Willapa, Juneau, Alaska.....	22
4—	ss. Peter Jebson, Pt. Los Angeles.....	4,654
4—	Str. Tacoma, Port Townsend.....	34
7—	Ship Elwell, San Francisco.....	2,290
7—	Str. Rapid Transit, Olympia.....	151
9—	Str. Sea Lion, Port Townsend.....	22
9—	Bark Wilna, San Francisco.....	2,366
11—	Str. Wanderer, Port Townsend.....	43
11—	Str. R. Holyoke, Port Townsend.....	60
13—	Str. Willapa, Port Townsend.....	44
16—	Str. Wanderer, Port Townsend.....	47
16—	Str. R. Holyoke, Port Townsend.....	63
17—	Str. Willapa, Juneau, Alaska.....	25
20—	ss. Peter Jebson, Pt. Los Angeles.....	4,709
23—	Ship J. B. Brown, San Francisco.....	2,341
24—	Str. Tyee, Port Townsend.....	33
24—	Str. R. Holyoke, Port Townsend.....	34
24—	Str. Fearless, San Francisco.....	217
26—	Str. Willapa, Port Townsend.....	50
30—	Str. Willapa, Juneau, Alaska.....	25
30—	Str. Sea Lion, Port Townsend.....	25
30—	Str. R. Holyoke, Port Townsend.....	50
Total.....		17,310

WELLINGTON SHIPPING.		
Date.	Name and Destination.	Tons.
3—	ss. City of Topeka, Sitka.....	100
5—	ss. Alki, Vancouver.....	350
10—	Ship Oriental, San Francisco.....	2,700
10—	ss. Signal, Astoria.....	567
12—	ss. Wellington, San Francisco.....	2,600
15—	ss. Progressist, San Francisco.....	5,250
19—	ss. City of Topeka, Juneau.....	100
20—	ss. Excelsior, San Francisco.....	700
24—	Ship Columbia.....	2,310
24—	ss. Alki, Mary Island.....	275
28—	ss. Wellington, San Francisco.....	2,600
Total.....		17,552

UNION SHIPPING.		
Date.	Name and Destination.	Tons.
5—	ss. Monmouthshire, Victoria.....	785
5—	Bark Richard III., San Francisco.....	1,640
5—	ss. Rapid Transit Port Los Angeles.....	271
5—	ss. Minneola, Port Los Angeles.....	3,200
17—	ss. Costa Rica, San Francisco.....	2,488
17—	ss. Minneola, Port Los Angeles.....	3,150
Total.....		11,534

RECAPITULATION.				
	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
New V.C. Co.....	24,986	18,384	14,206	17,310
Wellington	12,769	8,710	24,850	17,552
Union	11,269	6,198	9,565	11,534
Total	49,024	33,292	48,621	46,396

Mines Around Rossland.

AN assay from the strike on the Mabel gave \$39.80 in gold, silver and copper.

The compressor plant and drills are hard at work on the Monte Christo.

The ledge of the Maud S. is fifty feet wide and assays \$34 in gold, 40 ounces silver and 3 per cent. copper.

The Iron Colt shaft is down thirty-five feet and the ore body is widening as they go down.

On the tunnel of the Consolidated St. Elmo a large body of fine-grained rich-looking ore has been broken into.

Some fine showings are being uncovered by Mr. Moynahan on the West Le Roi and Josie. The ore is identical with that of the Le Roi.

The Homestake compressor and pumping plant is approaching completion.

A strong vein of iron-copper ore is being opened up on the Boulder.

The Le Roi and Crown Point compressor plants are well in hand.

The shaft of the Eric is all in ore.

Ore in the drift from the main shaft of the Josie is averaging \$75 per ton.

The Red Mountain is looking so well that the company has ordered a seven-drill compressor plant.

A magnificent body of ore well streaked with copper has been revealed on the Northern Belle.

No. 2 shaft on the Phoenix is down over thirty feet and shows ten inches of good ore at the bottom.

The Good Hope has struck from fifteen to eighteen inches of pay ore.

The ore in the Nest Egg is changing in character for the better, and is assuming a shipping grade.

The ore from the Alberta taken from the six and a-half foot vein averages \$20.

The Silverine shaft shows thirty inches of clean ore at the bottom.

The ore body on the Mascot has widened to five feet.

A new and promising ledge has been found on the Coluna.

The compressor for the Commander is being erected.

The new hoist for the Nickel Plate is being put in.

The St. Paul has a large, strong ledge, which is turning out well.

A discovery of very rich copper ore is reported from the Emma group.

The ore from No. 2 shaft Iron Mask 100 feet down is of very fine quality.

The San Joaquin is down sixty-one feet in six to eight inches of pay ore.

The Crown grant for the Palo Alto issued last month.

In the Deer Park the shaft is down 100 feet.

Six feet of ore is in sight on the Hattie Brown.

Assays of \$40 have been got from ore recently taken from the Mabel adjoining the City of Spokane.

Two feet of ore in the Southern Belle at a depth of twenty feet assays \$34.85 in gold and silver.