

Provincial News.

SILVERTON.

The Roman Catholics of Silverton, though few in number, have erected a new church which will be dedicated to St. Patrick on Sunday.

ROSSLAND.

W. S. Deacon, the well-known barrister and partner of Mr. W. S. MacNeill, and his bride, arrived on Saturday night from their wedding tour through the East. They were married at Stratford, Ont., on July 18th.

NELSON.

Richard Hutchinson was drowned off the steamer Sloon on Tuesday morning. He was a deckhand and came from Plover, New Brunswick.

CHILLIWACK.

Mrs. Mary Brannick, of East Chilliwack, died on Saturday last at the residence of her son, Matthew Brannick. The deceased has for some time past been suffering with heart trouble. A brain attack she received a stroke of paralysis from the effects of which she never recovered.

SLOCAN CITY.

Robert Covington, one of the best known and most popular miners in the Slocan, died suddenly on Tuesday, 20 miles up Lemah creek from Slocan City. On Sunday Covington started up the creek with Tom Benton to represent a property for Oscar White. They reached their destination on Monday and Covington complained of feeling unwell.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Rev. A. E. Vert, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, united in marriage on Wednesday night with Miss Hopkins, teacher in the public school at Hopkins Bridge, and Mr. Gillard, C.P.R. section foreman at Keefer.

VANCOUVER.

John Jones, of Nineteenth avenue, Mount Pleasant, passed away at his residence on Wednesday at the ripe age of 71 years. Deceased, who was a native of London, Eng., for many years held the position of foreman in the Canadian Pacific railway machine shops in this city.

SHIP DUES WILL BE LEVIED.

Manchester, Eng., Aug. 9.—Chairman Bythell, of the Manchester Ship Canal Co., at a meeting to-day, informed the shareholders that Manchester, after the year 1900, would cease to be a free port, that ship dues would be levied on a moderate scale, and that ship owners would be obliged to pay for berths for their ships.

THE FORTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE I.O.O.F.

opened at Toronto yesterday, over 400 delegates being in attendance, representing more than 20,000 members. The graded scale of dues is among the principal matters to be considered before the Grand Lodge for consideration.

Mining News.

The Lardeau.

Perry Leake reports that he is working a pay gravel on the Consolation. Ed. Anderson is hard at work on the Columbia group, another Canyon creek property of great promise located adjoining the Pedro group.

FRUIT GROWERS' SHOW.

A Good Attendance Yesterday—Prize Winners for Fruit and Vegetables.

The attendance at the British Columbia Fruit Growers' exhibition yesterday was somewhat better than on the previous day. The prize winners in fruit and vegetables were as follows:

Russian Transparent Apples—1st prize, Eber Stride, Burnaby; 2nd, J. H. Arthur; 3rd, W. F. Stewart, Eburne.

Red Astrachan—1st prize, L. R. Authier, Abbotsford; 2nd, Jesse Love, Burnaby; 3rd, Eber Stride, Burnaby.

Any Other Early Variety—1st prize, M. J. Henry, Vancouver.

Duchess of Oldenburg—1st prize, H. Klipp, Chilliwack; 2nd, H. A. Wilson, New Westminster; 3rd, T. R. Pearson, New Westminster.

Gravenstein—1st prize, W. F. Stewart, Eburne; 2nd, Eber Stride, Burnaby; 3rd, H. Davey, South Vancouver.

Collection of Crab Apples—1st prize, A. W. Ogilvie, Vancouver; 2nd, H. Klipp, Chilliwack.

Bartlett Pears—1st prize, Chas. Nelson, Vancouver; 2nd, H. Klipp, Chilliwack.

Any Other Variety Summer Pears—1st prize, Chas. Nelson, Vancouver.

Sour Cherries—1st prize, H. Davey, South Vancouver.

Peach Plums—1st prize, Tom Davies, Burnaby; 2nd, Spott & Schou, Burnaby; 3rd, Jesse Love, Burnaby.

Breadshaw Plums—1st prize, H. Klipp, Chilliwack; 2nd, Eber Stride, Burnaby; 3rd, A. J. Douglas, South Vancouver.

Columbia Plums—1st prize, H. Klipp, Chilliwack; 2nd, Jesse Love, Burnaby.

Abundance Plum—1st prize, W. F. Stewart, Eburne.

Plate of Peaches—1st prize, Eber Stride, Burnaby; 2nd, C. C. Maddams, Vancouver; 3rd, H. A. Wilson, New Westminster.

Red Currants—1st prize, W. F. Stewart, Eburne.

White Currants—1st prize, Eber Stride, Burnaby; 2nd, Spott & Schou, Burnaby; 3rd, H. Klipp, Chilliwack.

Collection of Raspberries—1st prize, H. Davey, South Vancouver.

Red Raspberries—1st prize, Spott & Schou, Burnaby; 2nd, W. F. Stewart, Eburne; 3rd, Eber Stride, Burnaby.

Black Raspberries—1st prize, Tom Davies, Burnaby; 2nd, Spott & Schou, Burnaby; 3rd, Jesse Love, Burnaby.

Special Extra Grapes—1st prize, Eber Stride, Burnaby.

Best Packed Box of Apples, Pears or Plums—H. Klipp, Chilliwack, took the three prizes.

Bottled Fruit—1st prize, W. H. Lewis, Burnaby.

Collection of Honey and Comb—1st prize, W. H. Lewis, Burnaby; 2nd, M. J. Henry, Vancouver; 3rd, Spott & Schou, Burnaby.

Mr. E. Hutchinson, of New Westminster, was judge.

Vegetables. Windsor Beans—1st prize, Eber Stride, Burnaby; 2nd, W. A. Dashwood-Jones, New Westminster.

summit there is a large showing of concentrating ore, with about five feet of shipping ore on the hanging wall. Below the summit the slides and wash cover the vein, but boulders of ore weighing as much as 30 tons are scattered for hundreds of feet down the side of the mountain, and it is estimated that a thousand tons of ore, some of which is clean shipping ore, lie on the surface.

Some of this ore will be shipped this summer, as well as ore from the carbonate showing on the Silver Belt and the iron sulphide ore which has been uncovered near the line between the Silver Crown and Silver Belt. An assay along five feet of this ore ran \$8.80 in gold and 430 ounces silver.

There is considerable activity at the head of Sheer creek, where the divide at the north fork of Wild Horse, John P. Larsen came down from there on Tuesday week. He says: "But little work has been done on the John Bull group this summer, the work having been confined to the Carbonate group adjoining the Searchlight. The group consists of the Searchlight, Louise, Haskins and Statesman. The work has been done principally on the Searchlight, three tunnels having been driven 40, 20 and 15 feet respectively. The upper one is about 300 feet from the summit, and the other 600 feet, and the about 700 feet. A tunnel will shortly be started from an open cut 1,200 feet lower down. The upper tunnel is in ore showing galena and some copper, the other two copper and silver. In the various openings there is ore of a shipping grade on the dumps."

The Boundary. From the Midnight surface assays running as high as \$29 have been obtained and the showing is said to be one of the best copper oxides on the reservation.

John Mulligan has two men at work on the south fork of Plume, in Summit camp, sinking a shaft. The shaft is now down 35 feet, all in ore. Mr. Mulligan has the contract for sinking 50 feet on this property.

On Thursday week the ore body on the R. Bell in Summit camp was struck in the crosscut run at the 80-foot level. The crosscut is in 35 feet. The lead is about five feet wide of very rich copper bearing ore.

A rich strike of pyrrhotite ore has been struck on the Withe group of claims situate between South Deadwood and Smith's camp. The ledge is about four feet in width carrying good values in copper.

The Mountain View, in Summit camp, two shifts are at work running a crosscut from the bottom of the 65-foot shaft. Already about 50 feet has been run and it is expected to tap the ledge in another 20 feet.

While on a prospecting trip to McKinley camp on the east fork of the north fork recently, John Meyers located a claim, which he called the Standard. He struck a solid ledge at five feet. He was astonished to learn that one assay gave him a return of \$1,422 in gold and copper values.

J. P. Harlan has lately developed the Magnetite in South Deadwood. The work consists of 500 feet of surface crosscut, a 15-foot shaft. The ore is copper and iron pyrites in a blue diorite, and gives good coppergold values. The ledge is about 50 feet in width. The Magnetite is near the Buckhorn mine.

The Haykew gave some splendid surface showing of ore, showing so far over 10 feet of ledge, with the east wall not yet uncovered. A shaft has been put down 40 feet on the hanging wall and from the bottom of this is taken a beautiful lot of copper ore, with a strong indication that galena will be found when the ledge is crosscut.

Superintendent Dyer, of the Hambley group in Summit camp, reports having gone through a four-foot stringer of rich ore in the crosscut from the 112-foot level. The crosscut is being run to tap the main ledge, and it was not expected that an ore body would be encountered at a distance of 15 feet from the shaft.

Joe Gelinas and others have just been doing considerable development on the Montreal and Quebec claims, adjoining the city limits and just across the north fork from the business portion of Grand Forks. They have recently sunk a shaft to a depth of 30 feet, in which showing of iron and copper pyrites, which said to give excellent and constantly increasing assays.

Word comes down from the Strawberry that a most excellent showing is being made there. The crosscut from the 100-foot level in the shaft has struck the ore body and is being driven steadily ahead in ore of fine grade. On the 60-foot level this ledge was 28 feet in width, and as yet the wall has not been found on the deeper level, and it is confidently expected that it will exceed in width the upper showing.

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Le Roi No. 2.—Preparations for shipping in the immediate future are actively in progress on this mine. On the A. drift, which has been stopped for the present, it being the intention to go down another 100 feet and then drift westward in order to get under the fine looking outcrop visible on the far side of the gulch. The ore in this shaft maintains the high level which has characterized it from the very start. It may be said to be a high grade ore of exceptional value as regards the average ore of the camp and its assays will be well over \$100, as samples have been taken which have given 8 ounces in gold alone. On the Josie the winze is being sunk from the 300 to the 500 level. It is now down 140 feet, and is in ore the whole way. A pump is being cut at the 500 level in hand and is all timbered up. An intermediate level is being prepared for the preparation of another back stop. On the Poorman the upper stop is in all preparedness, chutes in position, and is ready to ship immediately.

Under the No. 2 drift, which is being made at present is near the foot wall and it is expected that the main body of this vein lies nearer the hanging wall. The north crosscut on this level is being driven to the north line of the property. A pump station is being cut at the 500-foot level, and in the completion of this it is the intention to proceed with the sinking of the shaft to the 800-foot level, so that the development of the mine will keep up with the extraction. On the 400 level the south crosscut is still in hand. On the 200 level a tunnel is being driven east so as to connect up with the workings of the mine in this direction, establish proper ventilation and at the same time render available the high grade ores found in the Golden Chert.

Engle.—Below the usual work is progressing. The shaft is being systematically sunk, and is nearing the 1,000 level. The north vein has been opened from the crosscut from the lateral vein on the seventh level and is being drifted upon. The crosscut from the same place to reach the southern lead has not yet penetrated to that vein, although good progress is being made. It should be opened up shortly, when drifting will be undertaken as in the northern ledge at the same development upper showing.

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the superintendent in order to ascertain how much of it can be shipped now that a wagon road is being built from Northport to open up the west slope of Soble mountain to transportation. Much of the ore of the mine is of a concentrating kind, and among the improvements which the company has in contemplation is the erection of a concentrator.

Evening Star.—The winze is down to a depth of 100 feet from the level of the lower tunnel. A station is being cut at the bottom of the winze. The intention is to drift along the ledge from the station as soon as it is completed. The winze is in ore of a pay grade for nearly its entire length.

Iron Mask.—Work on this mine is still proceeding on the lines laid down by the experts during their recent visit, and will be continued up till the time of the trial, which will come off now within a few weeks. After this is over it is probable that shipments will be resumed.

New St. Elmo.—The new cylinder for the compressor of the St. Elmo arrived on Friday and will be installed immediately. It will be a week before the machinery will again be in motion. Then the work of development will be resumed.

The Slocan. The Molly Gibson is shipping 40 tons of ore a week. The Colonel Sellers, at the head of Coffee creek, will be developed this summer.

Another strike of clean galena ore is reported from the Queen Fraction, situated on the lake shore west of the Galena Falls. Surface work is now being pushed on the Neglected, to exploit the ledge for surface outcropping of ore further up the hill from the lake shore.

The V. and I. group, on Ten Mile, is reported by Joe Sauter as looking very promising. It is owned principally by Pete Larson and C. D. Rand.

Small sacks of ore from the Fairy Queen, on Trout Creek, have been sent to San Francisco and Swansea for analysis. The ore carries considerable zinc.

The owners of the Northern Light group, situated about half a mile below the glacier, opposite New Denver, are doing considerable surface work on the ledge. Surface assays give values in gold, copper and silver.

Supt. F. H. Lauts has a contract for driving 500 feet of tunnel on the Lost Mountain property, and reports that they have 12 inches of ore in the face of the tunnel. They are accumulating ore on the dump for shipment.

The Midway group, on Twelve Mile creek, alongside the K. & S., is being opened up by W. White and J. A. Otto. They have uncovered the vein for 400 feet. It has a width of from one to four feet of carbonates and galena.

Thompson and Mitchell are doing assessment work on the Queen City, situated just west of the Sina group, where they made the rich strike of clean ore some time ago. They will resume work on the Sina in a short time.

Enough work to secure a crown grant is being put upon the C. P. R. by Wm. Meldrum for the co-owners. A strong quartz ledge with well defined walls and every indication of ore coming in is being opened up by tunnel and open cutting.

The Bosun, Hartney, Marlin and California are working steadily, producing ore and pushing development work. The Bosun is making regular weekly shipments, and the other properties named will be prepared to do likewise as soon as the wagon road up Silver mountain is built.

The owners of the Bellipse have started work in the old workings abandoned by H. T. Bragdon when he had the property under bond some 18 months ago. A crosscut tunnel was driven to catch the lead by Mr. Bragdon and drifting on the ledge was continued some distance before the bond was thrown up. Only zinc was encountered. Messrs. Allan, Corey and Ward started to sink the drift ahead, and had not driven more than two feet when gentlemen came to the face. Then have now a good ore chute showing in this drift.

The ore showing on the surface is eight inches in thickness. The drift taps the chute at a depth of 100 feet, and at this depth the showing is much better. The ledge was crosscut at this depth and proved to be about 35 feet from wall to wall with zinc and galena scattered through it. The Bismarck showing is a wonder. The strike was made about 20 feet to the right of the upper tunnel. A vein of galena was discovered varying in width from 4 to 12 inches. The vein has been stripped for a distance of 50 feet. The owners of the property are McAnn & McKay, G. B. Gerard and Charles Sampson. The latter is working at the mine, and the other day Messrs. Gerrard and McKay went up to the property to inspect the new discovery. Mr. Sampson shipped off several specimens "promiscuous like," and one was sent to Assayer Wilson. His assay gives 23.6 ozs. silver and 71.4 per cent. lead. This high showing in lead is a feature to be noticed, and if the vein proves to be permanent and the values continue the owners of the Bismarck will be rich men. This remarkable strike is not the only one to the credit of the Bismarck. A short time since a strike was made 50 feet above the galena. The carbonates assay 176 ozs. silver and 1 per cent. lead. It is worth while to note the difference in the lead showing in the two assays. The galena in the first strike was not assayed, the values being the same as in the lower workings. There are three tunnels at the Bismarck. The lower tunnel is 420 feet below No. 1. The total amount of tunnelling is 1,100 feet. There is a very good showing on the first tunnel and on the floor and roof of the second tunnel. In addition to all this there are two good surface showings of carbonates and galena above the No. 1 workings. Some work has been done recently on the No. 3 tunnel and promises well. The owners intend to make another shipment in a short time. It is their intention to explore the lower tunnel thoroughly. In the past the Bismarck has shipped about 75 tons of high grade ore, and if fortune favors the owners the mine will soon be on the permanent shipping list.

YELLOW JACK. (Associated Press.) Washington, Aug. 10.—Consul Solomon, at Tenerife, has reported to the state department that the French coast in the west of Africa, especially Senegal, also British Gambia, and the far down as Bathurst, have been declared under quarantine on account of yellow fever. The consul says he has been informed that the disease is of a very malignant type, and that persons attacked with it do not, as a rule, survive more than three hours.

VISITING OTTAWA. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Aug. 10.—Gold Commissioner Senkler, of the Yukon, is in the city to-day.

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