



Eholt, Boundary's Railway Town.

Eholt may be considered the railway divisional point of the Boundary branch of the C. P. R., as it is here that the largest amount of ore traffic converges, and here that the majority of the ten or fifteen train crews have their homes. The town itself is located on the divide between Grand Forks and Greenwood, being 17 miles from the former and nine miles from the latter. It has several hotels, and two good stores, doing an excellent business with the families and several mining camps in the vicinity.

It is at Eholt that the railway branch, ten miles long, diverges to Phoenix, and all the ore traffic from Phoenix camp, no matter where bound, passes through Eholt. The railway company has machine shops and round houses here, as well as its district coal bunkers and ice houses.

This railway business practically makes the little place what it is today, a lively village, with progressive citizens. But the mining interests contiguous to Eholt are by no means insignificant. Summit camp, the mines of which have so far shipped over 150,000 tons of ore, is but two miles distant. For a long time the chief producer was the B. C. mine, but latterly the two chief shipping mines have been the Emma and Oro Denoro, in the same camp, both of which are now on the active list, and likely to remain so. The Emma is being operated by the Hall Mining and Smelting Co., of Nelson, and the Oro Denoro by the Denoro Mines, Ltd., the ores of both being much sought after by the different Boundary and Kootenay smelters on account of their excellent fluxing qualities. There are probably 100 men

employed between the two properties. Long Lake camp, where are some well known properties, such as the Jewel, North Star, Ethiopia, Lake View, Roderick Dhu, Gold Drop, Boulder, etc., is easiest reached from Eholt, and will some day be a busy scene, as many of the ore bodies are of comparatively high grade.

Eholt has, of course, daily mail facilities, with telegraph and telephone systems. A public school is maintained and religious services are held. The town first began its existence when the railway into the Boundary from Rossland was built, in 1889-90, and has been growing ever since. The payroll of the railway is estimated to be something like \$10,000 monthly, while that of the mines in the vicinity is several thousands of dollars more, and is growing.

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