

# NEWS OF KOOTENAY

## Letters From The Miner's Special Correspondents.

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Interesting Items From Kaslo, Sandon, Slocan City, the Boundary Country and Nelson—They Contain Much Valuable Information.

The Miner gives a batch of letters from its special correspondents at five points in Southern British Columbia, viz.: Kaslo, Sandon, Slocan City, Grand Forks and Nelson. It will be noted with satisfaction that the eight-hour labor law is not likely to cause further trouble in the Slocan. The miners and the men apparently understand the situation and there is an evident disposition to come together and avoid anything approaching an open rupture. The government has plainly intimated that it does not desire to enforce the act and suggests that the whole question can be profitably brought up at the next session of the provincial house, when both of the parties interested can be fully heard. In the case of the Athabasca mine, the Miners' Union of Sandon offered to send union men to Nelson to work the property and the offer was accepted. From the Boundary Creek country the news is that the section is busily engaged in preparing for the season now close at hand. The spring tide of travel is everywhere in evidence, and it is safe to say that at the present time a portion of the mining industry in the Kootenay district.

### NEWS OF KASLO.

**Suspension of the Eight Hour Law—Ore Shipments From Kaslo.**  
Kaslo, April 15.—[Special.]—The partial suspension of the eight-hour law for 2 1/2 months has given the mining community a breathing spell, and work is going on in the meantime as usual, except in the case of properties where development on a large scale has been contemplated, all of which will be in abeyance until the question is settled.

The law as it stands does not evidently convey the full meaning of its promoters, which would be expressed by an additional clause as follows: "Provided, that for every such day's work or shift no less rate of wages shall be paid than the sum of \$3.50." The inherent unworkableness of such law is the circumstance that delays the advent of the millennium.

The invitation sent out by the Rossland board of trade asking other boards in Southern British Columbia to send representatives to a joint meeting, is probably the beginning of a movement which will affect history. The peculiar conditions that have sprung in the Kootenay since the era of mining development begun, have not as yet been anywhere adequately represented, and in a local parliament, which such a convention would be, it is possible that some of the more prominent needs of the district would be formulated, and such a common understanding in regard to them arrived at as would lead to common action. From the favorable reception accorded the proposition, it may be inferred that the first parliament of Kootenay and South Yale, will assemble in Rossland in January, 1940.

M. S. Davys of the Hall Mines company, arrived in Kaslo on Saturday. It is believed that the difficulty between the company and the Trust and the company will be adjusted, and that promising property will be speedily developed into a permanent mine.

The men employed at the Leviathan have completed their tunnel contract, and the company has decided to continue the tunnel 50 feet, the indications being such as to warrant further expenditure.

The shipment of ore for the week ending April 15th via Kaslo, are as follows:

Pounds.	Tons.
Payne.....	628,000
Last Chance.....	240,000
Whitewater.....	130,000
Slocan Star.....	125,000
Dardanelles.....	40,000
Rambler.....	32,000
Jackson.....	32,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,235,000</b>

This was distributed as follows:

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Omaha.....	628,000
Aurora.....	240,000
San Francisco.....	40,000
Everett.....	185,000
Kaslo, S. D.....	162,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,235,000</b>

Or 617 1/2 tons.

### OUR SANDON LETTER.

Notes of the Mines—Shipments of Ore to Date—Silver-Lead Question.

Sandon, April 15.—[Special.]—"Old King Winter" made a very determined but abortive attempt during the early part of the week to regain his foothold in the "Sunless City." Fortunately the attack was valiantly repulsed by holding a "hot time in the old town," and now the curriers are looking very glum because the chances of a curling match on the 24th of May are growing smaller and beautifully less.

its institution may be found in the eight-hour enactment, although this is not by any means the principal reason for its formation. The silver-lead industry possesses peculiarities all its own and the time has now arrived when the protection of its interests calls for the organization of an association with that object in view.

The Bousin at New Denver is a fine proposition, steadily increasing in value. A force of 35 men is now working, with an early increase contemplated. The English owners express themselves as being more than satisfied with the results to date, and Mr. Sandford, who has charge of the property, confidently promises still greater satisfaction.

The victims of the drowning accident in Slocan lake, F. B. Jeffery and J. O. Todd of New Denver, were well known throughout the district, and their loss is deeply deplored. Their bodies have not yet been recovered. Only the overturned boat and a few articles of clothing remain to show that two more fellow beings have been claimed by, and are held in the mysterious depths of the Slocan lake.

Sandon is following the example of other large cities like New York, by employing the electric current to keep frozen water mains. The Sandon Water & Light company are "onto their job."

Wonderful treasury stock cannot now be bought at any price, the recent district of four feet of solid galena having made the owners believe that the Wonderful is a mine. Those readers who took the pointer regarding this stock, given a couple of weeks ago, ought to be thankful that they live in an age of truthful press correspondents.

If Her Majesty Queen Victoria could receive direct news from the Slocan, she ought to be highly gratified, no less than three towns within a radius of 30 miles, being desirous of commemorating the 24th of May, New Denver and Silver Lake are all overwhelmingly anxious to demonstrate their loyalty by means of a celebration. The pleasure seekers of Sandon are looking for a comfortable means of transportation in order that each one of their patriotic burghs may be honored by their presence, and no hard feelings entertained on account of jealousy. Sandon people, but more particularly Sandon people, being apparently in demand, judging from the numerous delegates present during the past week from the rival towns.

Tons.	Tons.
The Payne.....	3,120 1/2
Last Chance.....	1,440
Reco.....	200
Ivanhoe.....	111
Ajax.....	40
Overgreen.....	20
Trade Dollar.....	18
Sapphire.....	12
Madison.....	12
<b>Total for Sandon.....</b>	<b>5,039 1/2</b>

Tons.	Tons.
Queen Bess.....	984 1/2
Idaho.....	640 1/2
Monitor.....	62
Wild Goose.....	15
<b>Total for Three Forks.....</b>	<b>1,072</b>

Tons.	Tons.
Whitewater.....	750
Bel.....	320 1/2
Wellington.....	11
<b>Total for Whitewater.....</b>	<b>1,126 1/2</b>

Tons.	Tons.
Rambler.....	290 1/2
Dardanelles.....	40
Great Western.....	48
<b>Total for McGuigan.....</b>	<b>418 1/2</b>

Tons.	Tons.
Marion (N. D.).....	300
From Silverton.....	20
Wakarusa.....	580
Vancouver.....	320
Comstock.....	120
Emily Edith.....	60
Fidelity.....	3
<b>Total from lake points.....</b>	<b>1,403</b>

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Lake points.....	1,403
McGuigan.....	418 1/2
<b>Grand total.....</b>	<b>9,869 1/2</b>

Tons.	Tons.
Payne.....	250
Last Chance.....	102 1/2
Slocan Star.....	62 1/2
From Whitewater for the week ending April 7.....	32
Idaho.....	160
Monitor.....	20
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>418 1/2</b>

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erty is a dry ore one, carrying gold and silver. Mr. Mansfield, who is working the Joker under bond to a company of Frenchmen, has been forced to temporarily stop work owing to surface water, but work will be resumed as soon as possible. They intend to extensively develop this property, and have sunk a shaft 100 feet deep, and have also drilled some 70 feet on the edge. This property is near the Molly Gibson, and the work so far has been most encouraging.

The crosscut on the Black Prince has reached the ledge, and the first shot discovered a pay streak of 18 inches on the foot wall. The average from several assays went 100 oz to the ton in silver. There is also some copper, but no assay was made for this.

Work on the Golden Wedge on Lemon creek is still in progress, and the intent starting up their new stamp mill next week.

On the Alexandria, on the second north fork of Lemon creek, a small force has been at work since last year on development. They intend to increase the force shortly.

Shipments from Slocan lake ports for the week ending April 15th, 1939: New Denver—Bosum, 40 tons; New Denver and Silver Lake—Bosum, one-half ton to San Francisco; 500 pounds to Ottawa.

### KASLO NEWS.

**O. P. E. Moving Into the Duncan-Lardo County—Kaslo Shipments.**  
Kaslo, April 11.—[Special.]—A corps of C. P. R. engineers numbering 15, with A. E. Donnet, chief, and the Messrs. Garden assistants, were in Kaslo early in the week.

They were taken on Wednesday by the steamer Hercules to the head of the lake and landed on the west or Lardo side. The mission is the location of a railway line from Kootenay lake to Trout lake. Primarily the valley of the Lardo proper is to be the scene of their operations. But they were very anxious to get information as to the valley of the Duncan as well, and they refer to the construction of the line between the two valleys. However, quite as a possibility for this year.

It is reported that the party is quite independent of the local C. P. R. authorities, receiving instructions only from general headquarters, and making their own arrangements for outfit, transportation, etc., entirely on their own responsibility. It is hoped here that the Kootenay Railway & Navigation company will be able to assist by the enterprise of their rivals.

A mining deal of some importance has been successfully consummated. The Lucky Jim mine at Bear Lake has been sold by the Braden brothers to a syndicate of English capitalists, represented by A. R. Brown, who has been in Kaslo for a past few months. The syndicate has paid \$45,000 for the mine, and the Lucky Jim has a record as capable of a large output of ore, which has been hitherto seriously depreciated in value by its zinc content. A strong team with about two years ago and some 1,500 tons of ore shipped, but it has been lately standing idle. Mr. Brown is sending a gang of men to the mine to develop the property to ship the ore to Great Britain via the Pacific coast. The deal was made through the agency of A. J. Smith of the Surprise mine, and, for some time, an option on the property. Mr. Smith leaves for Toronto today in connection with some other mining deals which he has on the tapis.

The plant and good will of the Kootenay newspaper has been acquired by a syndicate of prominent business men, who are applying for registration as a joint stock company. It is understood that the company are looking for a competent Canadian journalist to take charge of the paper.

The ore shipments for the week ending April 8th via the Kaslo & Slocan railway, are as follows:

Pounds.	Pounds.
Payne.....	625,000
Last Chance.....	240,000
Whitewater.....	128,000
Slocan Star.....	120,000
From Whitewater for the week ending April 7.....	32,000
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Monitor.....	20,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,279,000</b>

This is distributed as follows:

Pounds.	Pounds.
Omaha.....	625,000
Aurora.....	152,000
Everett.....	158,000
San Francisco.....	130,000
Kaslo Sampling Works.....	1,224,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,279,000</b>

\*Ultimately to Great Falls.

### MONTREAL STOCKS.

**Morning and Afternoon Sales on the Mining Exchange—Stocks Active.**  
Montreal, April 19.—On the Stock exchange this morning 500 War Eagles sold at \$3.00 1/2, and 500 at \$3.61. Afternoon board, 200 Payne sold at \$3.80. The Mining exchange, morning sales: Big Three, 500 at 21 cents, 100 at 21 cents; Old Ironsides, 250 at \$1.10; Montreal & London, 200 at 70 cents, 250 at 71 cents; Decora, 100 at 26 cents. Afternoon sales: Montreal & London, 1,000 at 21 cents, 1,250 at 20 cents; Morrison, 2,500 at 18 cents; Virtue, 1,000 at 69 1/2 cents, 1,000 at 70 cents; 1,000 at 71 cents, 1,000 at 70 cents; Decora, 100 at 26 cents. Afternoon sales: Montreal & London, 1,000 at 78 1/2 cents, 2,450 at 69 1/2 cents, 500 at 70 cents; Monte Christo, 4,000 at 11 cents, 500 at 11 cents; Novelty, 1,000 at 4 1/2 cents; Virtue, 5,000 at 12 1/2 cents, 500 at 73 cents; Burley, 5,000 at 14 cents.

**Certificates of Work.**  
To Pat Sullivan et al on June fractional mineral claim.  
To C. Knutson, on Mountain Trail mineral claim.  
To C. F. Miller, on Jumbo No. 2 mineral claim.  
To A. Swanson, on Silver Tip mineral claim.  
To C. E. Becker, on Sylph fractional mineral claim.  
To Kenneth L. Burnett, on Utah mineral claim.  
To Ben Pot Gold Mining company, on Forest King mineral claim.  
To Joseph E. Walker, on Emma Weber mineral claim.  
To Abbottsford Gold Mining company, on Noonday mineral claim.  
To Abbottsford Gold Mining company, on Diamond mineral claim.  
To J. D. Blevins, on Knoxville mineral claim.  
To D. B. Bogle et al, on Iron Hill mineral claim.  
To D. B. Bogle et al, on Wolverine No. 2 mineral claim.  
To T. B. Garrison, on Hamlet fractional mineral claim.  
To L. O. Hedland, on Fleetwood mineral claim.  
To R. Greckwell, on Oliver Twist mineral claim.

**Transfer.**  
Anthony J. McMillan to the British Columbia Mining company, limited, Le Blanc group, No. 1, 2 and 3, Drill and Northern Light, on the divide between Champion and Bear creeks, also the Bannock Red Top and Edith mineral claims on the north fork of Bear creek, \$5.

## THE RATHMULLEN, LTD

Annual Meeting of the Company Held in Rossland.

Satisfactory Report—Work Done and Assays Obtained—Election of Officers.

There was a large and influential attendance upon the occasion of the second annual meeting of the Rathmullen Consolidated Mining Development company, limited, held in the office of W. J. Whiteside, Columbia avenue, Rossland, on the 25th ulto. The reports of the secretary-treasurer and auditor were received and adopted. The balance in the bank to the credit of the company, owing to recent treasury sales, shows a very satisfactory amount, sufficient for the requirements of the company for some time to come. Vice-President Wood addressed the meeting upon the past year's work, the results of which were very encouraging. W. H. Jeffery, M. E., read his report, made from a recent inspection of the work done upon the Maple Leaf claim. Stating "that the result of the crosscut made at the depth of 68 feet, was that the foot wall of the ledge was encountered at 45 feet, and the ore at 51 feet, where nine feet of solid ore in a quartz gangue was cut through and at 61 feet three feet of quartz is cut, and the face of the crosscut or drift is in quartz again, with hanging wall in sight, so that the ledge shows to be over 28 feet in width."

A great improvement is noticed both in the mineralization and texture of the quartz, the ore bodies or pay streaks are getting wider, and the gangue or vein rock more silicious. The ledge instead of having a decided dip to the east as mentioned in a former report, is now nearly vertical, and shows a tendency to remain so to the west. Mr. Jeffery recommended sinking the present shaft 100 feet before again crosscutting, and the erection of a steam hoist and steam pump. The result of the assays, which were not completed at the time the report was made, are as follows: These assays were made upon average samples carefully taken from the nine feet of ore, referred to in the report. The assays were made by Hugh Hastings, F. I. C. F. S. C. I., London.

Sample No. 1.—Concentrates, 19 to 6, gold, \$8; silver, \$1.56; total per ton, \$9.56. Gangue, gold, \$1.20; total per ton, \$1.20. Sample No. 2.—Concentrates, 5 to 2, gold, \$2.60; silver, 38 total per ton, \$2.96. Gangue, gold, \$1; total per ton, \$1.

Sample No. 3, two feet wide—Concentrates 4 1/2 to 2, gold, \$38; silver, \$36.72. Gangue, gold, \$1.20; silver, \$1.20. Sample No. 4.—Not concentrated; gold, \$5.80; silver, \$2.28; total per ton, \$7.88. The result of the assays was received with great satisfaction. As depth is attained the ore bodies are getting wider and showing higher values, and when transportation arrives (expected by June of this year) the Rathmullen will be in position to ship with profit.

It is the intention to carefully prospect the entire property this year, besides continuing to sink upon the Maple Leaf claim. W. J. Whiteside will also be continuing upon the Ben Hur claim. Recent assays from this claim show, gold, a trace; silver, 5.5 ounces; copper, 9.5 per cent; assay \$33.40 in all values.

Mr. B. Henderson, Grand Forks, and C. S. Wallis of Rossland, were elected directors to replace W. C. McDougall and C. L. Hayward, who retire. Directors elected were: J. M. O'Toole of Rossland, president; J. B. Henderson, vice-president; and L. H. Moffatt, secretary-treasurer. These gentlemen, together with W. M. Wood, W. J. Whiteside and C. S. Wallis, all of Rossland, and A. W. White of Dundee, Scotland, comprise the board.

### THE YMR CAMP.

**F. J. Davey Says It Is One of the Best in British Columbia.**  
F. J. Davey, M. E., in speaking about the mining section around Ymir yesterday, said that there was among the camps in British Columbia. There is a number of properties there, he is certain, will, when developed, make producing mines. In his opinion the Ymir is one of the best mines in British Columbia. This is so, he thinks, because it has large bodies of ore that are of good grade and easily and cheaply extracted. The ledge averages 11 feet in width, and the Ymir, he says, will yield a large number of dividends for its shareholders. Among the properties of promise, there are the Porto Rico, Wilcox, Black Cock, Elise, Good Hope, Dumas, Musketeer group, Union Jack, Tamara, and others. The Ymir camp has to a certain extent been overlooked. Mr. Davey says, but notwithstanding this fact it is certain that it will, by the very richness of the mining properties there and the ease with which they can be worked, attract more and more attention. It is his opinion that this camp has even richer mining properties than the Boundary country, about which so much has recently been said.

### NELSON MINES STRIKE

**The Trouble at the habasca Mine.**  
**Though Somewhat Short-handed.**  
Nelson, April 14.—[Special.]—The miners at the Athabasca struck today. The reason given was that the management, who, since April 1st has been running eight-hour shifts, wanted to revert to 10-hour shifts until was settled whether the law would be enforced or not. The men were notified on Thursday night and after it was explained that all the other mines in the Nelson and Slocan districts were working 10-hour shifts agreed to the change. During the night, however, a new hand worked on the night shift and a bad feeling was aroused. This morning many of the men would not work, and threatened violence to those who wanted to. Foreman Riley made them stand aside from the mouth of the tunnel, saying that those who would work would be protected and the others would get their checks. Finally many of the men went to work. Twenty-five were paid off, 31 considered the pick of the men, remained. The Athabasca company pays \$3.20 a day, 10 hours, and 10 cents a shift. Heather Bell, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000, 7000, 8000, 9000, 10000, 11000, 12000, 13000, 14000, 15000, 16000, 17000, 18000, 19000, 20000, 21000, 22000, 23000, 24000, 25000, 26000, 27000, 28000, 29000, 30000, 31000, 32000, 33000, 34000, 35000, 36000, 37000, 38000, 39000, 40000, 41000, 42000, 43000, 44000, 45000, 46000, 47000, 48000, 49000, 50000, 51000, 52000, 53000, 54000, 55000, 56000, 57000, 58000, 59000, 60000, 61000, 62000, 63000, 64000, 65000, 66000, 67000, 68000, 69000, 70000, 71000, 72000, 73000, 74000, 75000, 76000, 77000, 78000, 79000, 80000, 81000, 82000, 83000, 84000, 85000, 86000, 87000, 88000, 89000, 90000, 91000, 92000, 93000, 94000, 95000, 96000, 97000, 98000, 99000, 100000.

**The Bout at Davenport.**  
Davenport, Ia., April 19.—Tommy Ryan, the welterweight champion, and Billy Stiff of Chicago, are both in splendid condition for their fight here tonight. The bout will be pulled off under the auspices of the Tri-City Athletic club, will be a 20-round affair, the men to weigh in at the ringside at 162 pounds. A large delegation of sports from Chicago is expected here late this afternoon to witness the fight.

# Rossland Mining Market

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### THE WEEK'S REPORT.

During the past week the market has brightened up somewhat and a fair volume of business has been transacted. Wonderful in the Slocan district, fell off a couple of points. St. Keverne, Winnipeg, Brandon & Golden Crown, Republic, Summit, Mountain Lion, Evening Star, Okanagan, Van Anda, Dundee, Oro de Nora and Iron Mask have all more or less been sought after. There is considerable speculation in the last named as to the outcome of the suit between that company and the Centre Star; buyers for the stock are numerous, but the sellers are very scarce. We would recommend as investments, not as speculations, the following: Winnipeg, Brandon & Golden Crown, Iron Mask, Knob Hill, Old Ironsides and Waterloo. Other good buys, but more speculative, are: St. Keverne, Rossland Homestake, Novelty, Giant, Van Anda, Rambler-Cariboo, Dardanelles and Rathmullen.

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Can. C. F. S. 2000.	Novelty, 5000.	King, 1000.
Commander, 3000.	Poorman, wanted.	Knob Hill, 1600.
Rathmullen, 5000.	*Brandon & G. C. 5000	London Hill, 7200.
Evening Star, 5000.	Cariboo-McK.	Lone Pine, 2000.
Gertrude, 2000.	Dardanelles, 3000.	Orion, 5000.
Giant, 8000.	Deer Trail No. 2, 5000.	Noble Five, 2000.
Good Hope, 2500.	Dundee, 2000.	*Winnipeg, 5000.
Grand Prize, 2753.		
Homestake, 5000.		
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Iron Horse, 2000.		
*Iron Mask, 2000.		
Jo Jo, 5000.		
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