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B.C. MINERS' UNION BROKEN

So Claimed Mr. T. G. Blackstock at the Centre Star Annual Meeting Here Yesterday.

GOVERNMENT MUST COME DOWN

Centre Star and Le Roi Are Now Starting Up Operations With Non-Union Miners.

The annual meeting of the Centre Star Mining Company was held in this city yesterday. The reports presented cover the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1901.

The work of the mine progressed without interruption up to July 12, 1901, when it was suspended by a strike which is still in progress. The mining of the year was therefore limited to about nine and one-half months.

During this period, under the contract system, and with the completed equipment, the costs of work were reduced to a much

lower figure than has hitherto been reached in this district. The tables of cost showing the average cost of the ore, and taking into account the cost of production and development, a total of \$3.53 per ton of ore mined.

About the Strike.

The general manager's report goes on to say: "On May 8, 1901, the meeting works of the Le Roi Mining Company at Northport, Washington, became involved in labor troubles, and were closed by a strike. Operations were gradually resumed with a non-union force, but eventually the mines at Rossland were brought into the conflict thru a sympathetic strike, which was begun July 12, and was declared to be for the purpose of aiding the Northport Union. The companies were further notified that the occasion was taken to demand an increase of wages for blacksmiths and trimmers, together with the adjustment of other grievances not specified, a reduction of hours for carpenters, together with increased pay for overtime, reduced hours for blacksmiths and a raise of wages for blacksmiths' helpers."

"The Centre Star and War Eagle mines were included in the strike and have remained closed. The Le Roi and allied companies have gradually accumulated a non-union force, which is now at work. The strikers, now entirely defeated, are already disintegrating, and the Centre Star mine will soon resume operations."

John Moore Writes.

Foreman for the Dominion Coöperage Co., Praises the Oxygen Preparation, Powley's Liquefied Ozone.

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"It is evident that the great scale of the vein and the comparatively small area explored makes it necessary to develop on the same large scale and to place this development far in advance. In order to attain this end the ore reserves should be present before the strike is called. I must therefore advise that the ore production be limited to a rate sufficient for these purposes. Dividends must evidently be deferred until the new explorations expose ore faster than it is extracted."

In Barren Ore. The main shaft of the mine is down 927 feet to the seventh level. The vein, so far as tested on the sixth level, is low grade or barren, but it is still possible that pay ore may exist in the unexplored ground of this level. Between the fourth and fifth levels \$9 to \$15 ore was found. The vein and the variations of the ore shoot are upon so large a scale that the conditions hitherto disclosed in the fifth and sixth levels are far from decisive in indicating the future chances of the mine. They may be due either to a large gap between the pay ore and the shoot, or to the fact that the latter has taken an eastward trend so as to throw its downward continuation into the unknown ground east of the shaft.

Ore Sales. The ore sales during the year are 80,419 tons, averaging \$14.64, smelter's gross assay value. The average assay contents were: Gold, 0.033 ounce; silver, 0.28 ounce; copper, 1.30 per cent. The present mine ore reserves are estimated at about 41,000 tons, with an average smelter's gross assay value of \$15. If, as is probable, the fourth level second ore body extends thru to the fifth level, and the third body continues 50 feet above its present back, these indicated extensions would contain about 26,000 tons, with an average smelter's gross assay value of \$9.50. The unknown downward extension of the third body will make some addition to this.

The total gross value of the ore produced by the mine to date is \$2,120,008.05. For the past year the net ore proceeds totalled \$894,643.71.

Miners' Union Broken Badly. After the meeting, Vice-President T. G. Blackstock made a few interesting statements reflecting on the handicaps under which British Columbia miners struggle along. He said that, owing to the action of the Miners' Union and to the British Columbia government's foolish legislation, most of the mines in the province had had to close down, and he could not think of a single British Columbia mine that was paying dividends to-day.

The union, which is controlled by ignorant foreign agitators, had made the labor situation impossible, and had prevailed upon the government to pass restrictive legislation that, together with the government's heavy royalty, rendered remunerative mining in British Columbia impossible.

It was under these adverse conditions that the Centre Star Company had closed down until the situation cleared up. Now the back of the union had been broken completely, and the Centre Star was being started up again. The Le Roi had resumed operations recently, but neither company would employ a single union man, and if any of this class got secretly into either mine they would be dismissed as soon as found out.

Mr. Blackstock reiterated the statement that the labor union was beaten, and if it were found that this were not the case down the mines would close again until that end were accomplished.

The Rossland mines are low grade properties, and in order to be made to pay they must be run economically. Under the present conditions and government oppression hitherto existing, the economical conduct of the mines had been impossible.

R. C. Government's Bad Laws. Mr. Blackstock stated that the British Columbia government had made to repeal its existing mining laws, which had been passed at the instigation of the unions. The Victoria administration had succeeded in crushing out the mining industry in British Columbia, and in

damaging the province in the eyes of English capital.

Up until now the miners had taken one portion of the product of the mines and the government had secured the rest for itself. Now the union had been defeated, the government would have to come down too and give the owners of the mines a chance to make the mines pay.

Leading Centre Star shareholders yesterday agreed with the policy of the management in closing down the mine and authorized them to go ahead and shut down again if the men gave any trouble. The War Eagle will likely start up again also, if the effort to start up the Le Roi and Centre Star with non-union men succeeds.

Those who wish to enjoy an excellent entertainment with pleasant surroundings should not fail to attend the Thanksgiving concert in Elm-street Methodist Church on Thursday evening. The artists who will take part in the program are: Miss May Mathewney, soprano; Miss Florence MacPherson, contralto; Mr. Allan B. Fisher, tenor; Mr. W. J. A. Carnahan, baritone, and Miss Jessie C. Perry, organist.

CAPTURE OF HORSE THIEVES

Motion to Appoint Vigilance Committee Rejected By County Council After Debate.

MATTER IS LEFT IN HANDS OF POLICE

Subject of Discrimination in Freight Rates Will Again Be Discussed.

The appointing of auditors, a discussion upon the detention of inmates in the industrial home and committee work upon the agreement between the county and the city in regard to the new Court House, were the features of yesterday's meeting of the County Council.

A Home, Not a Prison.

A resolution was introduced by Mr. Woodcock for the purpose of enabling the Warden to issue his warrant for the detention of persons committed to the Industrial Home, but the motion was lost, the members inclining to the opinion that the Industrial Home was a house of refuge, to be taken advantage of by those needing its aid. Compulsion to stay in the home was far from the county's object. The less inmates, the better for the county.

To Chase Horse Thieves.

Mr. Gardhouse moved "that the high constable be empowered, when a case of horse stealing is reported, to send a constable to investigate the case and to send the necessary telegrams, post cards and circulars to requisite points, and the County Board of Audit is empowered to pay for such services."

Mr. Johnston favored a system of vigilance committees by which the farmers would co-operate with the police in tracking horse thieves. It was urged that too much time was lost in communicating with the high constable and getting the present machinery in motion. A thief stealing a

horse in the northern part of the county would be in Muskoka before a constable appeared on the scene, said Mr. Johnston. He thought these vigilance committees should be organized by the county to the extent of \$5 per each conviction obtained by them.

No Aid to Vigilance Committee. Mr. Gibson favored the system of vigilance committees, but objected to the county giving them monetary assistance. If a night watchman is engaged to look after a warehouse or farm buildings, the owner must pay him, argued Mr. Gibson. The county has a system of police protection, and if the people desire to protect themselves in a manner the law does not provide for, they must pay for it themselves. There would always be the possibility of the county police and the vigilance committee coming upon a thief at the one time, and both claiming the reward.

Mr. Landy: "No, I don't see why a bounty should be given for a horse thief and not for a burglar."

De-Warden Stokes' Goat.

Mr. Stokes, who was presiding whilst the Council was in committee, stated that at King City, where he lived, they had a vigilance committee, and on a Sunday evening whilst a devout congregation were at church, a horse thief climbed the good and drove off with a horse and cutter, buffalo robe and whip, and also the committee and a man on his track within 20 minutes. The horse and rig were never recovered. Whilst the vigilance committee were in session, an upper room, said the chairman, some person went into the stable of one of the committee, and when the committee came out from the meeting, his favorite goat was found hanging outside.

Mr. Johnston's amendment was eventually withdrawn and the county constabulary, will, as heretofore, try to grapple with the horse thieves, so numerous during the winter season. Mr. Gardhouse's resolution was carried.

Discrimination in Rates. Mr. Landy gave notice of motion that on Thursday he will move to consider the advisability of petitioning the Dominion government to appoint a railway commission to enforce the provisions of the Railway Act, to prevent discrimination in freight rates and other matters.

The New Auditors.

S. T. Humberstone and Seneca Baker were appointed auditors of Public School and Industrial Home accounts, after six

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The Council will sit again this morning.

ENCOURAGING NEWS.

The Hague, Nov. 26.—An official bulletin just issued says Queen Wilhelmina has recovered from her recent illness, and will be able to go out in a few days.

BATTLE ABBEY SOLD.

London, Nov. 26.—Historic Battle Abbey and the estate surrounding it were sold at public auction this afternoon for £200,000.

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Passengers leaving Toronto and west via evening trains reach Chicago next morning, St. Louis next afternoon at 2 p.m., Kansas City same evening 9:30 p.m.

Thrift of \$1400 in Goods.

Chicago, Nov. 26.—Four employees of the Grand Pacific Hotel, Rose Mallin, Frederick A. Weiss, Phoebe Williams and Walter Johnson, have been arrested charged with the theft of \$1400 worth of silver, cut glass and other hotel material.

EATING HOUSES THAT FAIL.

San Francisco, Nov. 26.—The temperance restaurant proprietor, A. W. Dennett, who once conducted a chain of restaurants across the Continent from New York to San Francisco, has failed for \$22,000, with no available assets. He has nominal secured assets of \$20,000. Most of his creditors are women and missionary societies.

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