

THE MINING REVIEW

Christmas Holidays Interfere With the Camp's Ore Shipments. LE ROI STARTS UP WORK AGAIN. The mines idle part of the week—Shipments fail to 2,408 tons in consequence—Work resumed as the year closes—Year's Statement in Tuesday's Paper.

In its first issue in the new year—Tuesday next—the Miner will publish a review of all the mining work accomplished in the Trail Creek camp during the past 12 months, including the ore shipments, value, assessment and development work, roll men employed and the like, as well as a comparison of former years' work. The hurried compilation of the statistics have somewhat interfered with getting in the ordinary mining notes for the usual weekly review. Under any circumstances, the holiday season has interfered a good deal with the progress of development in some of the larger mines. The War Eagle and Centre Star management seized upon the opportunity to make some needed repairs and alterations to the mine machinery, and for three days the mines were closed down and no shipments were made. At the Le Roi mine the large shaft of the compressor plant, which has been giving trouble for some time, and which caused a temporary shut down some weeks ago, was replaced by a new one, and for five days the mine was closed down to allow of the change being made. The general manager stated yesterday that the all round expense caused by the change would be about \$2,000. It was stated last evening that the Le Roi would start up again during the night, or the first thing this morning, and if the machinery was found to run smoothly, the work would proceed as usual. The first of the year will find all the steadily working properties going on as usual. In the case of the West Le Roi properties, the Josie and the No. 1, machinery is being installed, and when that is completed, the staff employed will be largely increased, as stated by Mr. Bernard McDonald before Commissioner Clute last week. In the Columbia-Kootenay, a station is being cut out in No. 6 tunnel, and sinking will be commenced early in the year. In the Nickel Plate, sinking to the 800 level is in progress, and sinking is also being carried out in the Great Western. The new general manager of the B. A. C. has hardly had time as yet to survey all the important properties in his care in this camp, so as to speak for publication, but it is a safe statement to make that the opening months of the coming year will see a rapid advance in all the corporation's mines. No ore is being sent down from the second class ore dump of the Le Roi. The matter is temporarily in abeyance. There is every prospect at present that the opening months of the coming year will not only maintain the average shipment of 5,000 tons per week, but that this tonnage will increase, if anything. In the competition of the larger mines, the commencement of the summer should show a pronounced increase of the weekly output, and there is every promise that it will.

The Ore Shipments. The ore output from the Rossland camp for the last week of the year fell down to 2,408 tons, but the reason was clear, the Le Roi company found it necessary to put in a new shaft in the compressor plant, and the big mine was closed down for five days as detailed elsewhere in this column. The War Eagle and Centre Star took advantage of the Christmas holidays to make some needed changes and repairs to the machinery and on the 25th, 26th and 27th no shipments were made over the Columbia & Western railway. The Le Roi sent out 16 cars of ore on the 28th, the largest single day's shipment of the year, but only 29 carsloads were sent out during the seven days, hence the camp's output for the week is about one-half of the usual amount sent to the smelters. The close of the year, however, will find the Le Roi working full time, as the mine starts up again today. It will be noted that the estimated shipments for the year will exceed 183,000 tons. When the corrected figures are obtained there will of necessity be some slight change in the total. It will probably be found that the actual output of the Le Roi is slightly under the figures given week by week, while the estimated shipments of the War Eagle, Centre Star and other mines sending their output to the Trail smelter will be found to fall below the actual figures. Combined the tonnage given should be very nearly accurate—as nearly so as it is possible to get and quite so for all practical purposes. A full review of the year's shipments will be given in next Tuesday's Miner, the next issue of the New Year.

Appended is a detailed statement (approximately) of the camp's output for the week ending December 30th and year to date:

Table with 4 columns: Mine Name, Tons, Year, Total Tons. Includes Le Roi, War Eagle, Iron Mask, Evening Star, Deer Park, Centre Star, Columbia-Kootenay, Virginia, Mountain Trail, I. X. L., Coxy, Monte Christo, Giant.

Total tons 2,408 183,008. I. X. L.—In the I. X. L. drifting both ways on the lead on the 150-foot level is in progress. A station is being cut out to start an upraise from the lower to the middle level. The values continue to be good. The I. X. L. sent to the smelter last week a half ton of ore carrying free gold that gave a return of about \$1,200 or approximately \$2,400 per ton. The 22 tons, which were shipped the week before last, went \$35 to the ton. When a little more development has been done upon the I. X. L. it is the intention of the management to begin shipments upon a large scale. California.—Work is mainly confined to the surface. The foundation for the com-

pressor is ready, the gallow's frame is up and the hoisting engine is in position. It will be a month before the motor for the hoist comes to hand and a month and a half before the compressor plant will arrive. In the meanwhile work on the shaft will be in progress. Work on the tunnel continues, but the formation is hard and the progress is necessarily slow. Wallingford.—The annual meeting takes place at the office of the company in Toronto on the 8th day of January next. Excellent progress is being made on the property, a full force of men being engaged night and day. The tunnel is now eight feet beyond the vertical line of the shaft, and there remains but the dips of the vein to run, which will be from 20 to 40 feet additional, before it will be encountered. Iron Colt.—Work is being energetically pushed on this property. Upraising is still in progress from the tunnel along ledge No. 1. The ledge there is strong and the showing of ore continues to be good. One machine is at work on ledge No. 2. This is the north and south ledge and the showing there is of an encouraging character. Deer Park.—Work is being continued on the crosscut on the 300-foot level. During the week 25 feet has been made on this drift. For this distance the formation has been heavily mineralized and the face of the crosscut is strongly mineralized. From these indications it is presumed that the ledge, which the drift is being driven to intersect, is not very far away. New St. Elmo.—The compressor, which was shut down, was started up about the middle of the week and is now in operation. Certain duplicate parts have been ordered and as soon as these arrive and are put in place it is thought the compressor will give no further trouble. Work continues in the crosscut from the tunnel, which is being run to tap a lead which is parallel to the main lead. Coxy and Gertrude.—Work is being shut down on the Coxy, pending the receipt by the officers of the company of the report of Engineer Sandeman and other experts. If these are favorable, as it is thought certain they will be, a first compressor plant will be installed. Work on the Gertrude continues on the usual lines. Velvet.—Work continues along the usual lines with encouraging results. The management is greatly pleased over the prospect of a railway, as it will enable it to install a large compressor plant and to ship out ore. It is understood that the railway, which is to be constructed between Rossland and the Velvet, will be operated by electricity. Sunset No. 42.—The large hoist, which has hitherto been on No. 1 shaft, was removed during the week to No. 3 shaft. This stopped work on No. 3 ledge for that period. No. 3 ledge has been drifted on for a distance of 30 feet and there is considerable improvement in it, as more copper is coming in. Bunker Hill.—The work of handling the 10-stamp mill from Waneta to the mill site is in progress. The management now anticipates that the mill will be in operation by March 15th. Monte Christo.—Stopping of ore continues, but no shipments were made for the reason that the roads have been in a poor condition. Evening.—Work on the shaft continues. The ore is widening out a little and the showing is of an encouraging character. Portland.—Work continues on the shaft and tunnel. There were no developments of moment during the past week. White Bear.—Drifting is still in progress on the 300-foot level. The drift is in 150 feet from the shaft. Green Mountain.—The shaft is being deepened from the 250-foot level. Arthur.—Surface prospecting continues with favorable results. Jumbo.—The ledge on the 450-foot level is being crosscut.

VICTORY FOR MR. HELMZE. Decision Rendered in the Big Butte Law Suit. Butte, Mont., Dec. 28.—Judge Clancy, in the district court today, handed down his decision in the suit of the Montana Ore Purchasing Company against the Boston & Montana Mining Company, to settle ownership to certain veins of copper under the Rarus and Johnston claims, owned by the plaintiff, and the Pennsylvania, owned by the defendant. The decision is in favor of the plaintiff, the trial of the action was before the court without a jury and occupied 10 weeks. The judge has had the case under consideration two months. The suit is decided originated in the United States court here in an action by the Boston & Montana against the Montana Ore Purchasing Company, in which the former sought to enjoin the defendant and to close down the workings and to recover judgment for \$75,000. The Ore Purchasing company then instituted a counter-suit—that just decided—claiming ownership of all of the ore bodies in controversy and of other ore bodies which had not been previously mined upon by it. The original suit of the Boston & Montana for damages was dismissed by the United States court of appeals for lack of jurisdiction, after an injunction had been pending for about a year against the Ore purchasing company. A new suit was immediately instituted in the United States circuit court, in which the Boston & Montana company insisted upon the jurisdiction of the federal court. An injunction was again granted, and this suit was again dismissed by the circuit court of appeals, leaving pending upon the docket as the only suit involving the proprietorship of the ore bodies in question, the Ore suit which was decided today. The Ore purchasing people contended in this action for an east and west vein system apexing in their ground, and the Boston & Montana people contended on the other side for a north and south vein, which would cut off the rights of the Ore Purchasing company to follow the veins from their apexes upon the dip to the south. It is said the trial and preparation for trial in development work involved an expenditure of over \$500,000. The case will be carried to the supreme court of the state for review, and possibly to the supreme court of the United States. Attorneys for the plaintiff say the decision will be followed at once by suits for about a million and a half damages for losses sustained by reason of work being stopped while the Boston & Montana injunction was pending. It is also stated that as soon as several lateral points are

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Mr. Thos. Cooke, of Kingston, After Suffering Intensest Pain and Distress of the Heart for Seven Years--Is Cured Almost Miraculously by Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart --A Remedy Which Saves Lives Every Day That Have Been Proclaimed

By Physicians Beyond Human Aid--It is a Powerful, Harmless Heart Specific and Can Work Wonders in Half-an Hour. Kingston, April 26, 1899.—Mr. Thos. Cooke, 290 Johnson street, Kingston, tells this wonderful story of his sickness from heart disease, and what he consid-

ers his almost miraculous recovery by the aid of that good angel of modern medical science—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. He says: "I suffered seven years from a very acute form of heart disease. I experienced great weakness; had smothering sensations; palpitation, so badly that one in the same room could hear the heart thumps. I had great nervousness and de-

pression, at times, suffered excruciating shooting pains. Could not stand the slightest exertion or excitement. I tried many remedies recommended to me, and consulted physicians on my ailments, and nobody gave me any hope of permanent recovery. But one day I read of a cure by this wonderful remedy which seemed just to be my own case repeated. I got a bottle and derived great benefit from it. I concluded to continue, as it promised a complete and permanent cure, and when I had used six bottles not a vestige of the trouble remained, and although that is a year and a half ago there has never been the slightest symptom of a return of the trouble." You can readily verify this or any other testimony of the curative powers of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, for the commendations for it came spontaneously and unsolicited, and in ninety-nine

cases out of a hundred are given out of the "fullness of the heart" in being snatched from the snare of so distressing an ailment as heart disease in any form. If modern medical science has given to the world a remedy—a cure—that thousands have used and have tested the curative powers of after having suffered for years, and had been pronounced hopeless case—if, as a last resort, even it has proved such a boon, an amount of suffering would have been spared if when the slightest uneasiness of the heart is experienced Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart were used! It has never failed to go what it promises. It gives relief in the most acute forms of the disease in less than 30 minutes. It not only stimulates a healthy heart action, but it heals the diseased organs, gives vitality, tones the whole system, and it's not claiming too much to say "IT 'MOST WORKS' MIRACLES." Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder relieves cold in the head in ten minutes—it will cure the most acute and disgusting forms of Catarrh, no matter how long standing. Dr. Agnew's Ointment acts like magic on Itching, Irritating Skin Troubles, such as Eczema, Scald Head, Salt Rheum, and will cure Piles in from three to five nights—35 cents. Dr. Agnew's little pills for Constipation, Sick Headache and Biliousness—30 cents for 40 doses. Sold by Goodere Bros.

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OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. and Hope No. 2 mineral in the Trail Creek Mining West Kootenay district. To the southeast of the claim, lot 1,002, group district. That I, J. A. Kirk, acting as Iron Hope Mining & Mill-miner's certificate No. 33,774, in- from the date hereof, for the purpose of improvements, for the taking a crown grant of the take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of im- day of Nov., A. D. 1899. J. A. KIRK. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. Iron Chief, Cashier-Teller situate in the Trail Creek of West Kootenay dis- located: One-half mile minehana mineral claim, middle and west forks of that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as a Kraff, free miner's cer- tificate No. 33,774A, in- from the date hereof, for the purpose of improvements, for the taking a crown grants of the above take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of day of Oct., A. D. 1899. J. A. KIRK. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. a mineral claim, situate in ing Division of West Koot- Where located: On the Rover creek about three Kootenay river. That I, Kenneth L. Burnet, for William B. Townsend, certificate No. B 12,740, re, free miner's certificate No. 33,774A, in- from the date hereof, for the purpose of improvements, for the taking a crown grant of that take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of day of Sept., A. D. 1899. KENNETH L. BURNET. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. over No. 3 and Denmark situate in the Trail Creek of West Kootenay dis- located: About four miles that I, Wm. E. Devereux, S. Clute, Jr., free miner's certificate No. 33,774A, intend, sixty days hereof, to apply to the for a certificate of im- the purpose of obtaining the above claims. take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of day of Oct., A. D. 1899. W. E. DEVEREUX. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. cal claim, situate in the ing Division of West ct. Where located: Six- of Rossland, B. C., north the Copper King mineral that I, Wm. E. Devereux, for F. R. Blockhenger, M. A. George D. Root, F. O. A. Harry Hansen, Jr. certificate No. 33,774A, intend, sixty days hereof, to apply to the for a certificate of im- the purpose of obtaining the above claim. take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of day of August, 1899. W. E. DEVEREUX. OF IMPROVEMENTS. Notice. claim, situate in the Trail vision of West Kootenay located: About one mile and adjoining the Myr- west. That I, Wm. E. Devereux, H. Suckling, free miner's certificate No. 33,774A, in- from the date hereof, for the purpose of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above take notice that action, must be commenced before such certificate of day of Oct., A. D. 1899. W. E. DEVEREUX. C. R. HAMILTON LE MAISTRE Solicitors, Notaries. Rossland B. C.