

its objective the Queen Vein, at about 1,500 ft. From the intersection of the cross-cut with the Yellowstone vein, a drift has been carried in an easterly direction for 200 feet, proving the ore on this vein to be variable in grade. A W. McCune, who has the entire Queen property under bond, from the Queen Mines Incorporated, is responsible for the foregoing information. The object of the present development is to gain depth on the Queen vein, which has produced much good milling ore in the past. The Queen has a twenty stamp mill and a compressor, both operated by water power.

The Orinoco group of mineral claims in the Nelson district is reported to have been sold to United States capitalists for \$60,000. A considerable body of copper silver ore has been exposed by ground sluicing and open cutting.

West Kootenay.

The Perrier Group of mineral claims, situated near Nelson, B.C., are being examined by Trevor Starky, the mining engineer of London, England, on behalf of capitalists who are considering bonding them. The proposed financial consideration has not been stated but it is said that if the negotiations are consummated, between \$50,000 and \$60,000 will be available for the further development of the property. These claims have been opened up to the extent of sinking a shaft on hundred feet, drifting 150 feet, and a small raise. Some difficulty was experienced at the outset with water which necessitated the installation of a hydraulic automatic pump. Ore and concentrates shipped in the past amounts to about 40 or 50 tons, and about \$4,000 has been taken out in the form of bullion. The ore is averaging about \$14 a ton.

Another property near Nelson, B.C., receiving attention is the Emerald Mine on Iron Mountain. A small concentrator with a capacity of 30 tons of ore running two shifts a day is to be installed.

Sandon, B.C.

The Blue-Bird and Rawdon claims on Reco mountain, near Sandon, B.C., have been purchased by Clarence Cunningham and associates, from the Montgomery heirs in New York for \$35,000, under a bond and lease for three years. Operations already have commenced in developing and putting the property on a shipping basis.

It is reliably reported that the Rambler-Cariboo Mines has purchased claims adjoining its present holdings. The property which is situated near Three Forks, B.C., consists of two claims, the price of which is said to be in the neighborhood of \$75,000. The claims acquired contain about 1,600 ft. of the vein from which the Rambler-Cariboo Company has produced a considerable quantity of good paying ore.

A strike of some importance is reported to have been made on Silverite property, owned by Clarence Cunningham. In drifting on the vein an ore shoot has been encountered with high values in silver. This property is situated in the vicinity of the old Queen Bess mine, out of which Mr. Cunningham made a considerable stake.

Revelstoke, B. C.

O. T. Bibb, president of the Multiplex Mining and Power Company, speaks very optimistically as to the

future of the district adjacent to the town of Revelstoke, from a mining standpoint. He says that excellent progress is being made in the development of the Woolsey group of claims, and that the Lanark mines at Illicellewaet is also showing up well. This property has been under development for a number of years, and the company has installed a modern concentrating plant. Recently a new body of ore was discovered which decidedly increased the output. Some shipping, both of ore and concentrates, has taken place. In the North Bend District (north of Revelstoke, the Mastodon Mine, which was closed down for a time, has again opened up. This is a silver, lead and zinc proposition. In the Lardo district several parties of engineers are at work who are interested particularly in properties in the neighborhood of Goat Mountain. Prospects are being inspected by other parties in the Fergusson and Trout Lake Districts. Mr. Bibb states that his company proposes installing a concentrator on its property near Revelstoke as soon as possible.

The Silver Creek mineral claims situated near Revelstoke have been bonded to W. H. Eldridge, formerly of the Trail smelter, who proposes to proceed with developments.

Marblehead Quarries to be Reopened.

Having been closed down practically throughout the war the quarries of the Canadian Marble and Granite Works, located at Marblehead, will be reopened immediately. G. B. Wilson, the manager, recently returned from the east, where he was in conference with James Carruthers, his principal. Mr. Wilson has left for Marblehead with a crew of men to commence sawing operations. In a short time a polishing crew will be employed. A considerable quantity of stone is already quarried and only awaits finishing. The huge seam or bed of marble at Marblehead, said to be really almost a marble mountain is unique and one of the wonders of the country. A thoroughly modern plant was installed some years ago. It includes at the quarry derricks, oilers and hoisting engines, three drills and three channelling machines; at the mill four gangs for sawing marble; in the polishing shop which is operated by electricity generated by steam power, rubbing bed, planer and polishing machines; and machine shop.

Merritt, B.C.

The Aberdeen Mine on Ten Mile Creek is being unwatered preparatory to a careful examination of the property by engineers representing British interests, while T. J. Corwin, manager of the Aberdeen Mine Syndicate, is not prepared to make a statement as to the property's future, it is understood that in the event of the engineers making a favorable report, finances will be available for the reopening of the mine and equipping it with a concentrator and a mill.

Kaslo, B.C.

The Index Mine, situated on the South fork of Kaslo Creek is to be provided with a very complete operating plant. The equipment includes compressor, Pelton wheel, rails and ore cars. A dam and water flume already has been constructed. There are four leads on the property which are being developed by a cross-cut, which is now in the first lead and which ultimately will give a depth of a thousand feet on the fourth