and hand-sorting, brings up the contents to shipping values. The percentages are not exactly fair, as I think the wider ore bodies were the richer. So far, there has not been any large bodies of lower grade ore than this discovered in the War Eagle. About the rest of the camp, I have not the requisite information to judge. They would occur in the:

Centre Star Cliff Cons. St. Elmo
Columbia & Kootenay Monte Cristo Great Western
Iumbo Deer Park Iron Horse

Future Working Following the present lines for the immediate future is the best. An enlargement of compressor plant and hoisting engine will be necessary. _This will not be practicable until next spring, when the proposition of a vertical shaft can also be met.

Cost of Mining

This is fully set forth in the monthly statements rendered, and others herewith attached. The driving expense is comparatively high, and the country rock, a dark augite porphyrite, as comparatively hard; the costs of ore extraction are not so bad.

Richmond Group

Only the necessary assessment work has been done on these claims. They have also been surveyed, and application made for Crown grant.

In conclusion, I wish to call the attention of the Board to the cheerful and efficient services of Mr. John Fitzwilliams, the foreman, and Mr. Charles V. Jenkins, the accountant.

Yours truly,

JOHN B. HASTINGS.