

THURSDAY June 14, 1900

THE MINING REVIEW

The B. A. C. Orders Another Forty Drill Compressor.

THE SMELTER TO BE ENLARGED

The Second-Class Ore of the Le Roi is to be Sent to Trail, as the Northport Plant is Too Small to Handle the Output of the Le Roi.

The feature of the week in mining circles was the calling by the B. A. C. for proposals for an additional 40-drill compressor plant. The corporation already has a 40 and a 12-drill compressor in use and is erecting a 40-drill plant, all of which has not arrived from the factory.

When, however, the one which the company is about to order is installed, the compressor plants will have a united capacity of 132 drills. This will give the B. A. C. the largest compressor capacity of any quartz mining company in Canada.

The residents of Northport and the Velvet Mines, limited, have formed a combination, and the result is that a wagon road is to be immediately constructed from Northport to the Velvet mine on Sophie mountain. This step was decided at a recent meeting of the Northport board of trade, and a Mr. Ogilvie has been appointed to take charge of the construction of the highway.

The output of ore for the past week, owing to various causes, was limited to 3,020 tons, which all came from the Le Roi. The falling off was due to some changes in the train made necessary by the erection of an extra ore bin of 500 tons capacity, which was put up at the head house. Since this was finished there have not been enough ore cars to make up for those which could not be shipped in the early part of the week.

Table with 2 columns: Week Tons, Year Tons. Rows include Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Iron Mask, Evening Star, Monte Christo, I. X. L., Iron Colt, Giant, and Total.

Le Roi.—Considerable work is in progress, both on the surface of the mine and at the headings below. The output has been somewhat retarded by the shortage in ore cars, and in a measure by insufficiency of the extra necessary by insufficiency of the smelter in Northport under its present capacity to take all of the shipment.

War Eagle.—The tramway is now being placed in thorough repair, as it has shown weakness in several places during the past fall and winter, and indeed, has given constant trouble through certain defects in its original construction.

Velvet.—Drifting on the 300-foot level continues. The vein has been drifted along on this level for 120 feet. An upraise is being made from the 300-foot level to the 250-foot level, and there are five feet of clean ore in the upraise. As soon as the upraise is finished the intention is to continue the main shaft from the 300 to the 400-foot level.

Columbia-Kootenay.—Recently much attention is being paid to the large ore bodies existing in the No. 5 tunnel, west level. In addition to the body of ore encountered, crosscut and proved, as reported last week, another lead has been encountered not far from the mouth of the tunnel on the north side, and it, in its turn, is being proved. Work is also going forward on the vertical shaft from No. 6 tunnel, which is now proceeding down to the 400 level below that drift.

Nickel Plate.—There is no sign of immediate shipment from this mine. On the surface the hoist engine is being prepared to do the work of the mine in future, and the smaller hoist is to be removed. A level spot has been selected for the sorting floor and part of the shipping bin. Carpenters are at work placing the weather boarding over the hoist.

Joe.—Like the No. 1, this mine is preparing for shipment. As is well known, it is only awaited, as its development is sufficiently advanced, for the necessary compressor, the gravity tramway and the railway spur. Of these the tramway has, with its accompanying ore bins, been finished for some time; the compressor is nearly erected and the spur will be built in shortly.

I. X. L.—Stopping on the No. 2 level continues. The I. X. L. last month sent considerable ore to the smelter at Northport and received a net return of \$6,000 therefrom, while the operating expenses were only \$700. Mr. John S. Baker, the managing director of the I. X. L. company, is here, and before he returns to Tacoma he will double close the negotiations, which have been pending for some time, under which a long tunnel may be driven through the Midnight ground, so as to tap the I. X. L. vein at depth.

Evening Star.—A station has been completed in the lower tunnel which is 20x40 feet. The work of sinking the winze in this station has been commenced. The winze is to be sunk on a vein of ore that is seven feet in width. It is clean shipping ore from wall to wall. Two machines are at work. During the week a frictional hoist and a hoisting engine will be installed in this station over the winze.

Mountain Trail.—Mr. S. W. Anderson, of the Philadelphia Mining company has been in this vicinity for the past three or four days, and it is understood that he intends to have work resumed on the Mountain Trail. When work was suspended on this property a few weeks since there was a good showing of copper ore in the drift from the main tunnel. The intention is to develop this shoot of ore. The Philadelphia Mining company has spent about \$100,000 in the development of the Deer Trail and in the erection of a concentrator.

Northern Belle.—Mr. R. E. Palmer has been placed in charge of the Northern Belle and has got some men to work cleaning up around the old workings and getting things in shape for a resumption of work. Early this week a contract will be let for a drift along the ledge. The intention is to do considerable work during the summer and in the fall, if the development warrants it, to put in a plant and push work on a large scale.

No. 1.—Development work is proceeding in the usual way all over the mine. The management is, however, now getting ready to take advantage of the installation of the compressor now fast approaching a finish, and are making arrangements for shipping. The short spur to the foot of the bins from the main railway track, it is understood, is about to be built in.

Iron Mask.—The work on the east end of the mine is still in progress. Drifting is also proceeding from the levels at the bottom of the two development shafts lately opened. The mine is making a good showing, and it is trusted that shipments may be able to be resumed before long, as the development work has now uncovered quite a large amount of backs.

intention is to commence marketing the ore as soon as the road from Northport is finished.

Annie.—Progress is being made upon the shaft, which is now down some 80 feet. The ledge is maintaining its width and the values still give the same high results as have heretofore been obtained.

Cascade.—Drifting along the ledge continues. The drift tunnel is in for a distance of 135 feet, and the showing of ore continues to be of an encouraging character.

Portland.—Work on the tunnel continues, and it is in for a distance of 580 feet. It is being driven to tap the main ledge on the property.

California.—Work continues in the tunnel and in the shaft. A good sized force is employed and the work of development is making good progress.

White Bear.—Arrangements are being made to do some prospecting on the White Bear by means of a diamond drill.

Big Four.—Work continues in the lower tunnel and the showing of ore there is of an encouraging nature.

Iron Colt.—The shaft is being timbered up and one machine is drifting on the north vein.

St. Elmo.—Work along the usual lines, but there is nothing of importance to report.

A FINE FRUIT RANCH.

Mr. W. T. Kelleher, of Hunter Brothers, a few days since, returned from the Kettle River valley, and while there visited the ranch of Mr. Covert, which is the finest in that section. The land is rich bottom and is irrigated by water from Fourth of July creek. The entire place is in a high state of cultivation.

THE STANFORD TEAM.

It Will Play the Rossland Club on the First of July. Mr. M. B. Bridgford, of the Rossland base ball club, has received a letter from the management of the Stanford team, requesting a date on July 1. There are some details to arrange yet before the contract will be closed, but Mr. Bridgford is confident that the club will play here and hopes to have the Rossland team so strong by that time that it will be able to defeat it. This would be quite a feather in the cap of the home team, as the manager of the Stanfords has stated that he expects his team to defeat all but professional clubs during the journey from San Francisco to Rossland.

New C. P. R. Schedule.

A new time schedule goes into effect on the Canadian Pacific railway today. Under the new schedule the train for up river, main line and other points leaves Rossland at 7 a. m., including Sundays. For Boundary points, Nelson and points east via Crow's Nest, the train leaves at 2:55 p. m. Returning, the train from the up-river and main line points arrives at 11:05 a. m., and from Nelson and the Crow's Nest at 7:10 p. m.

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A PROMISING LEDGE

It Has Been Located on the Black Iron Claim.

IT HAS A WIDTH OF EIGHT FEET

Work Has Been Resumed on the Borneite Bank—Nelson Division Excited Over a Find of Free Gold—The Development of the Bonus is Progressing Favorably.

Messrs. Hugh E. Macdonald and David McDermott arrived in the city yesterday from the Black Jack, on Sheep Creek, where they report rather an important strike. They had sunk through the iron capping for a distance of six feet, when they put in a couple of holes and the ensuing blast disclosed a vein carrying gold copper, iron and quartz. The find is eight feet wide. Mr. Macdonald shouted to his partner, "This is a great find," and he said they felt like cheering over the good luck. They concluded, however, to come to town and tell the good news, and so that they could be here on election day. Mr. Macdonald has owned the property for several years. Last year he tried to sell it, but the assays of the iron capping were not high. Now, he says, it is his intention to operate the property himself, provided the ore assays high enough. He is causing an assay to be made. The vein, he says, is a strong one, and runs for a considerable distance through the property. The Black Iron is located about 200 feet to the east of the Arthur. The same ledge runs through both properties. Mr. Macdonald will return on Monday for the purpose of resuming operations on the Black Iron.

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A WIDOW EVICTED.

She Was Put Off a Lot Last Night by Officers of the Law.

A large crowd collected last evening at the corner of First avenue and Spokane street to witness the last act of the eviction of Mrs. L. Hill, who was conveyed to the lockup by the police authorities in order to provide her a lodging for the night, as she wished to remain on the street to guard her furniture and the clothes entrusted to her to wash. Her two children found an asylum in the Spokane hotel.

Mrs. L. Hill came to the town penniless about 18 months since. She is a widow with two children and is lame. Mayor Goodeve got up a small subscription for her and she bought some shacks on an otherwise unoccupied piece of land on the northwest corner of Spokane and First avenue. Here she found means to support herself by washing and mending. Not being able to do much walking, she chose her dwelling in the location indicated, as she would thus have a better chance of getting clothes given to her for washing than if she was living in an outlying suburb of the city. It must be understood that she was paying no ground rent for the land occupied. It is alleged that she was in constant receipt of charity from the city, but Alderman McKenzie, chairman of the health and relief committee, states that at all events since he has been in office she has received no charity, and as far as he is aware she has received none. It is also alleged that Mrs. L. Hill is fond of whisky.

With the passing of the fire limit by-law the owner of the property found that this piece of ground was included within the area, and that if he did not start to put up a wooden building before the 27th of this month he would be precluded from erecting other than a brick or stone house. He, in consequence, told Mrs. L. Hill to get off the ground. She refused. He promised to let her have her miserable shacks if she would move them off as she had no money. Still Mrs. Hill refused to budge. Mr. W. S. Rugh then filed proceedings in the supreme court, who issued an order to Sheriff Robinson to put him in possession of the property. This was on the 26th of May. The sheriff saw Mrs. Hill, and then pitying her case, waited 14 days before executing. In the meantime Mr. Deschamps, hearing of the

matter, promised the widow and her children, that if she would move up to Fourth avenue and Monte Christo street he would give her a lot rent free on which she might place her property. The mayor in addition went to see her, in company with Alderman McKenzie, and arranged with Mr. Wilson to shift her shacks for \$25, which they declared the city would itself pay. Mrs. L. Hill stated that if she were sent to that part of town she would not be able to obtain any washing, as she was lame, and the city would have to support her and her children. She refused to be shifted.

Yesterday morning the sheriff told her that she must agree to move or he would put the writ into execution at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Hill would not go. She said she would camp on the disused end of First avenue in a tent and use the old lumber for firewood. The sheriff, with two men, proceeded to execute his writ, and tore down the house, removing the furniture into the street. A neighbor offered a room to Mrs. Hill. She refused, saying that she would remain on the ground all night, guarding her property.

The chief of police then interfered. He sent the woman to the lockup for the night, and then proceeded to house the odd remnants of furniture and bedding in the municipal lot shed, against which they had been placed and which itself stands in the middle of First avenue, west of Spokane street.

MR. DURANT'S AT HOME.

It Was Greatly Enjoyed by a Number of His Friends.

Mr. Edwin Durant, business manager of the B. A. C., entertained a number of his friends at an At Home on Sunday afternoon. There were music, games and refreshments, all of which were heartily enjoyed by those present. Among the guests were the following: Hon. T. Mayne Daly, Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, Mr. C. St. L. Mackintosh and wife, Mr. R. Dalby Morkill and wife, Mr. R. Lucke, Mr. Hector McRae and wife, Dr. McKenzie and wife, Mrs. Dr. Armstrong, Miss Troup, Miss Kinnear, Mrs. Long, Miss Long, Mr. F. H. Oliver and wife, Mr. T. Courson and wife, Mrs. Kingmill, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. G. Abbott, Mr. John M. Smith, Alexander Dick, H. F. Myrton, Mr. Dalby Morkill, Jr., Mr. Arthur Marsh, Mr. D. J. Macdonald, Mr. J. S. C. Fraser, r. Ellis, Mr. W. F. Tye, Mr. A. H. MacNeill, Mr. A. B. Mackenzie, Mr. J. B. Kerr, Mr. N. F. Townsend, Mr. Wm. de V. le Maistre.

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