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## ROSSLAND'S BEST DAYS

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rizon—Local Feeling  
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### Review of Past Week's Mining Operations—Shipments Large.

The feeling throughout the Rossland camp at the present juncture is decidedly buoyant. Matters locally are progressing most satisfactorily and it is generally realized that the outcome of the existing satisfactory conditions is bound to be a gradual but consistent and extensive increase in mining activity. A number of factors will assist in promoting the enhanced activity expected. The forthcoming winter will see the first signs of the improvement, while the early spring will see more rapid progress in the right direction.

Meanwhile there are various interests that must be kept alive and fostered so far as it lies in the power of the community as a whole. One of these is the effort to secure rebates of customs duty on oil and machinery required for concentrators. The Federal government in its attitude toward the lead producers of the Slocan has indicated a favorable disposition toward the mining industry of the Kootenay, and it is not too much to expect that the gold-copper industry of the Rossland camp will receive equal consideration and relief along the lines that may be deemed to afford the greatest results to the community as a whole. Then the matter of the Sophie mountain wagon road must be kept alive and given such wide publicity that when it is brought up on the floor of the legislature in the form of an application for an appropriation for road building the members of the house will already have grasped the magnitude of the proposal and will be prepared to take action on the merits of the proposition. The probable extension of the leasing system during the winter should have a beneficial effect, and in other directions, namely, the extension of milling operations in the silicious and iron ore belts, the outlook is excellent for future prosperity.

The past week witnessed no special change in the operation of the big mines of the camp. Activity was maintained, and if there was any change at all it was in the direction of slight-ly enlarged forces. The distribution of October payrolls saw more than \$100,000 disbursed in wages and salaries.

The interest manifested in the solution of vexed problems in connection with the profitable treatment of low grade ores has taken a decidedly practical form. The Kootenay mine sent ore to Denver for experimental purposes during the week, the Giant mine has forwarded a two-ton consignment to England, where tests for the profitable extraction of the cobalt and molybdenum contents will be conducted under the direction of Ferdinand Ditzsch, the company's new consulting engineer. Other ores have been forwarded to Spokane to be tested by the Hendry process.

At the concentrators progress has been made and practical results attained in the case of the Le Roi Two plant. Operations were maintained steadily, and the various points in connection with the reduction charges being worked out rapidly. The company now has a considerable tonnage of high grade concentrates ready for shipment, and it is possible the first consignment will be forwarded to one or other, or possibly all, of the various smelters purchasing ores in the Rossland camp. Excellent progress is being made at the Rossland Power company's plant. It goes without saying that expedition is being used in the work in order that the buildings may be advanced as far as practicable before the heavy snow arrives. Up to now the snowfall has been light, and much of what fell originally has vanished in the thaw of the past few days.

It is now practically assured that Rossland's next large shipper will be the White Bear. Expedition is being used in the completion of the spur line, and the hoisting and compressor machinery is understood to be en route from the manufactory. As soon as the plant is installed the company, as it is understood, will commence shipments, and the product will probably go to the Northport smelter.

### THE OUTPUT.

Shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending November 21 and for the year to date are as follows:	Week.	Year.
Le Roi.....	5,820	192,306
Centre Star.....	1,440	71,178
War Eagle.....	1,170	58,028
Le Roi No. 2.....	470	23,825
Le Roi No. 2 (milled).....	350	1,050
Jumbo.....	168	3,473
Spitzee.....	60	420
L. X. L. (milled).....	30	1,700
Kootenay.....	280	6,558
Giant.....	40	830
Iron Horse.....	2	40
Vetret.....	40	3,374
White Bear.....	27	287
O. K.....	25	25
Honestake.....	90	90
Totals.....	9,690	358,380

### AMONG THE MINES.

**I. X. L.**—The advent of frost put a temporary stop to the milling operations at the mine, but the thaw may enable the lessees to proceed with the balance of the work contemplated. Frozen water pipes necessitated a shut-down early in the week, after a day and a half's run since the last issuance of this review. The clean-up following yielded 172 1/2 ounces of bullion, valued at over \$2700. It is possible there may be some new development in connection with the mine at an early date.

**LE ROI.**—The operations at the mine were continued on the usual lines during the week. Stopping in various localities has been carried on with the results indicated in the tonnage accredited to the mine, all of which is first class ore as compared with the mixed consignments previously forwarded when the dump was being operated. The development and exploration operations in the 1350 level have also been maintained steadily.

**WAR EAGLE.**—No alteration in the working plan followed to date is announced at the War Eagle. Stopping and development have been carried on as usual and with most satisfactory results. It is probable that nothing of a special nature will eventuate in connection with the property until the completion of the milling plant at Trail, when the output will be considerably increased with a view to providing the product for the concentrator.

**CENTRE STAR.**—Development and mining was maintained steadily during the week without feature of special interest. The annual meeting of the company takes place in Toronto on Tuesday, when it is expected that a variety of information of interest about the past year's operations will be announced.

**LE ROI TWO.**—The mine was operated steadily in all levels during the week, and satisfactory progress was made in the development of new bodies and the utilization of ore already blocked out. No specially new work is announced. The annual meeting of the company takes place early in December, and in connection therewith it is expected that an interesting program for the ensuing year will be outlined. No concentrates have been shipped from the mine as yet, but this may be taken up during the present week. The No. 1 mine has not been reopened, but this also may be taken up practically in the next few days.

**JUMBO.**—The week's operations have been of a character tending to increase the importance of the property. In development, eminently satisfactory results were secured, especially in the new work intended to open up an intermediate level in the mine. The company contemplates increasing its output, and for this purpose some extensions were made to the ore bins during the week. The interrupted shipping operations for three days, with the result that the production for the past week is below normal.

**KOOTENAY.**—Throughout the week the work at the mine was along the usual lines. Stopping in the third and fourth levels was continued, and shipments would probably have been somewhat larger had the wagon road been in better shape earlier in the week.

**WHITE BEAR.**—The week's operations were of special interest by reason of the report of a discovery of a good ore body in the 1000 level. This was not so much a discovery as a demonstration of the theory that the better grade paybreaks opened on the 850 contour to the 1000, but the establishment of the fact is gratifying. The headworks are now practically completed and only await the arrival of the hoisting machinery. The deep level development will, of course, be suspended for a few days while the new hoist is being installed, but thereafter it may be expected that the White Bear will be permanently on the shipping list.

**SPITZEE.**—Good progress has been made with the work at the mine during the week just closed. The main shaft is rapidly drawing close to the 200 level and the close of the present week will see the second station almost reached. On the first level stopping is being continued, but no special effort is being made to produce on any large scale.

### BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS.

Shipments from Boundary mines for the past week and year to date were as follows:

	Week.	Total.
Granby.....	11,666	325,586
Mother Lode.....	2,976	114,743
Snowshoe.....	1,740	68,602
B. C.....	19,865	18,929
Emma.....	840	15,191
Sunset.....	70	12,833
Oro Denoro.....	292	3,385
Morrison.....	390	3,495
Atheistan.....	90	2,946
Whinnipeg.....	83	213
Elkhorn.....	213	18,764
Totals.....	18,764	585,189

### THE UNWILLING TURK.

Austria and Russia May Send Troops to Macedonia.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—A Vienna dispatch says it is authoritatively announced there that if Turkey does not accept forthwith the Austro-Russian demands the two powers will proceed with their own forces to establish order in Macedonia.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—The correspondent of the Times at Sofia reports that while negotiations are dragging at Constantinople, there is no remission of the severity practiced upon the unfortunate population of Macedonia, under the guise of a search for arms.

"I am informed," adds the correspondent, "that maltreatment of the peasantry is even worse than it was during the insurrection."

## General News Of the Kootenay

### THE SLOCAN.

The litigation of the Star Mining and Milling company and the Byron N. White company will come up for trial at Victoria on December 1st. Both sides are busy preparing for the court. A staff of mining engineers have been at work for some time surveying and drawing plans of the location of the ground in dispute and the underground workings of the rich Slocan Star mine. These are now about complete and upon these plans will rest the judge's decision in regard to the legal apex claim. Both parties are confident of winning, and in any event the case will be a costly one. The Star M. & M. company (the Rabbit Paw) is suing the B. N. White Co. for \$500,000 for ore, it is claimed, taken from the Rabbit Paw ground, and this with the apex case will be determined by the judge.

Three cars of zinc which had been on the C. P. R. Payne siding and were to have gone to Trail were re-shipped to the concentrator for magnetic treatment.

H. A. Harris has taken a leave on the Charleston group at Whitewater. A good deal of work has been done and some fine ore showings are exposed on the property.

The following are the ore shipments from Sandon for the week: American Boy, 20 tons; Ivanhoe, 22 tons; Sunset, 20 tons; Mercury, 21 tons. Total, 83 tons.

John Kinman received \$37.80 smelter returns on ten sacks of ore recently shipped from the U. & L. Ten-Mile.

At Whitewater in the early hours of the morning James Bell, well known around Sandon, perished in a fire. He resided in a shack near the hamlet, and being alone the origin of the blaze is unknown. It is supposed that Mr. Bell, who was somewhat advanced in years, made a good fire before retiring for the night, and while asleep sparks set the cabin on fire. John Lavin, a well known blacksmith, who was in the vicinity, mistook and died shortly afterwards.

### THE BOUNDARY.

William Yolen Williams, the superintendent of the Granby mines, has started on a vacation trip that will last for a couple of months. He will go east and visit his brother in Minnesota, also probably paying a visit to the large mines in Michigan. It is not unlikely that Mr. Williams will be somewhere in the south before returning to Phoenix, and take life easy recuperating from the indisposition with which he has of late been somewhat afflicted.

E. G. Warren is installing an electric plant at the Providence mine. The plant will be used in running drills and hoist and lighting the underground workings.

H. H. Shallenberger is preparing to work the Moore claim, in South Deadwood camp, this winter. It adjoins the Buckhorn and other well known claims, and has a 60-foot ledge with good copper values.

Hal Cole and G. F. Steele, owners of the Defiance, have extended the time of the bond given this year to William Fowler. The latter is starting for Scotland to spend the holidays, after which work on the Defiance will be resumed.

On the Riverside group, situated on the south side of Kettle river, near Westbridge, Ben Perkins made a valuable strike. The lead is about 40 feet wide, and the average assay is about \$20 in gold.

The Sunset mine, which was closed down because the smelter had so much custom ore that it was unable to handle Sunset ore, is again on the shipping list. Seven miners are at work under the foremanship of J. Johns.

### EAST KOOTENAY.

The suits brought at the instance of the Columbia & Western railway (C. P. R.) against the holders of crown grants, coal and timber licenses, on Lot 484 have been discontinued by the plaintiffs. The C. P. R. presented their objection to the suits, and the Dominion government would disallow "Bill No. 16" of the local legislature, and as the suits had no status in law from their inception the company took the only course open to it in withdrawing the actions when it found that the Dominion government would not interfere with the act of the local legislature. The names of some of those against whom action had been taken are: W. S. Keay, crown grant; S. F. Wallace, coal license; A. J. Farquharson, timber license; G. H. Scott, crown grant; J. D. Quail, coal license; D. V. Mott, Son & Co., timber lease and crown grant; Bentley, Kanouse and Graham, crown grant; William Fernie, crown grant; Fortie Manufacturing company, crown grant; C. H. Levers, crown grant; Kootenay Valley company, crown grant; George Walker, crown grant; Macdonnell & Foss, crown grant.

A serious row occurred among some Italians at the house of Enrico Coccoloni in the Italian quarters north of the Fernie town limits. As a result of the quarrel one was shot near the heart, another had his head cut open with a pitcher, and the prime cause of the whole trouble was badly cut with knives.

J. R. Martin, provincial timber inspector, has advertised the sale of two lumber mills for royal dues. These are the Carbon Creek mill at Michel and the Cedar Valley Improvement.

### THE LARDEAU.

Twenty-five hundred dollars was put in circulation in Camborne by the Northwestern syndicate paying its local indebtedness.

All that is lacking to complete the Camborne water system now is the arrival of two special angles from Spokane, when the pipe line will be connected to the reservoir and water turned on.

Messrs. Willis and Kennedy were in Camborne purchasing an outfit to build cabins on the Del Rey, which is under bond to J. A. Darragh and R. K. Floeter of Lima, Ohio.

The Alma group, situated on Pool creek about five miles from Camborne, has been acquired by Charles McCrossan of Los Angeles, Cal., from Mr. Jackson of Toronto, who purchased the property some two years ago.

Pipe laying for the Oyster-Criterion stamp mill power line is progressing, and as soon as this is completed the mill will start running, all the interior arrangements being completed.

The Northwestern syndicate stamp mill was again put into commission. The mill will only be in operation about two weeks, as the intention is to put through the ore on the 6000 Finch dump and in the bins, set on hand at the time of close down. The amount is about 200 tons. It is thought, however, that arrangements may soon be made whereby the Northwestern will again resume operations on a permanent basis.

### THE STOCK MARKET.

Centre Star has been the only noteworthy stock during the week. It made a substantial advance on account of the satisfactory showing in the annual report, going from 20 up to 24 1/2 in the sales. The Barber-Carlson made a corresponding descent, for what reason is not known. Some other stocks were also inclined to weakness.

	asked	Bid
American Boy.....	5	4
Ben Hur.....	3	2
Black Tail.....	5	4
Canadian G. P.....	3	3
Cariboo McK. (ex-d).....	6	5
Centre Star.....	26	24
Fairview.....	4	3
Fisher Maiden.....	3	2 1/2
Giant.....	24	23
Granby Consolidated.....	\$4 50	\$3 75
Morning Glory.....	2	1 1/2
Mountain Lion.....	20	18
North Star.....	9	8
Payne.....	12	11
Quilp.....	17	16
Rambler-Cariboo.....	31	29
Sar. Toll.....	2 1/2	2 1/4
Sullivan.....	5 1/4	4
Tom Thumb.....	3	2
War Eagle.....	12	11
Waterloo.....	6 1/4	4 1/2
White Bear (as. paid).....	4 1/4	3 1/2

### SALES.

Centre Star, 2,000 at 20 1/2; Cariboo McKimney, 500 at 6. Total sales 2,500.

War Eagle, 1,000, 11; Rambler, 1,000, 34; Tom Thumb, 400, 21-4. Total, 6,000.

American Boy, 2,000, 41-20; Centre Star, 1,000, 23; 1,000, 23-20; Tom Thumb, 1,500, 21-4. Total, 5,500 shares.

Mountain Lion, 2,000, 18-14; Centre Star, 500, 24; 500, 24-14; 1,500, 24-12. Total, 4,500 shares.

### TO BLOW UP MINES.

Adjutant General Bell Reports a Cripple Creek Plot.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 24.—Adjutant General Sherman Bell returned from Cripple Creek today and reported to Governor Peabody that a plot had been formed to blow up five mines. One of the prisoners, he said, had made a confession, and he believed that the conspirators would be convicted.

A milkman named Enderby, residing east of the city, is lying unconscious at his home, the result of a fall from his hayloft. Enderby fell four feet to the floor of the stable and sustained concussion of the brain. He had not recovered consciousness last evening, and although his case is regarded as precarious the attending physicians believe he will recover.

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## DUNDONALD COMING

ROSSLAND MAY HAVE VISIT FROM DISTINGUISHED GENERAL.

COMMANDS CANADIAN MILITIA—WILL BE AT NELSON ON MONDAY.

Lord Dundonald, general officer commanding the Canadian militia, may visit Rossland next week. He is expected in Nelson on Monday, with Colonel Holmes, D. O. C., and while no definite information is to hand it is quite probable he will come to the Golden City for a day to look into matters here relating to the militia service and to visit the premier mining camp of the Dominion. At Nelson Lord Dundonald will be the guest of St. Andrew's society at their annual dinner on Monday night.

Local militia officers are making a determined effort to have everything about the armory shipshape for the possible inspection of the General. Sergeant Roberts will be on duty in the armory tomorrow after 8 o'clock a. m., and it is specially ordered that all rifles shall be returned before Friday noon. Any member of the company failing to comply with these instructions will have a messenger sent after him for the missing rifle, and the charges for the service will be assessed against the delinquent.

General Dundonald's full title is Major-General Douglas M. Baillie Hamilton Strathcona, 12th earl of Dundonald. He joined the British army in July, 1870, and received his commission the following year. In April, 1873, he was promoted to captain, and he served with the Nile expedition 1884-5 in command of the Second Life Guards detachment of the camel corps. He was present at the action of Abu Klea and in the engagement at Gubata acted as the guide for the convoys which left Gubata on the evening of January 23rd and February 1st, and also the reinforcements of Abu Klea. Lord Dundonald also carried to Gubata the dispatches announcing the fall of Khartoum. For these services he was mentioned in the dispatches, received the brevet of lieutenant-colonel and the Egyptian medal, with two clasps, and the khedive's star. His commission as major bears date of January 12, 1885, that of lieutenant-colonel June 15, 1885, and that of colonel June 15, 1889.

The brilliant services of Lord Dundonald in South Africa are especially worthy of mention. From November 1890 he organized and commanded the mounted brigade of the Natal army, and among several other contingents, Lord Strathcona's corps of Canadians served during a large part of the time. Lord Dundonald's brigade defended the right flank of Sir Redvers Buller's army at the battle of Colenso, suffering severe losses. It seized Mount Alice and the Boer ferry boat over the Tugela, fought the Boers at Acton Homes and Vail Kloof, and getting behind the Boers' position at Dingodong, drove them off the hill and enabled the infantry to occupy it without loss. It assisted the infantry attack on Pieter's hill and led the advance into Ladysmith. It took part in the advance on Helpmakaar and pursued the Boer army for over 40 miles over the burning veldt. This was described by General Buller as "a very fine performance." Lord Dundonald's guns shelled the Boers in Laing's Nek and Majuba, being the first ones heard there since 1881. His brigade took part in the battles of Botha's Pass and Alman's Nek; it occupied Standerton, Ermelo, Carolina, Waterval, Boyven and other places, and pursued the Boers through Machadodorp. It also got on the heights above the British prisoners' camp at Nootgedacht, took part in the advance on Lydensburg and in all of the fighting on Mauchberg and Pilgrim's Rest. Lord Dundonald went back to England when the Boer army was broken up, and the Natal army was disbanded, and his brigade, as a brigade, ceased to exist. On March 7, 1900, he was promoted major-general for distinguished service on the field. Later he succeeded, as commander in chief of the Canadian militia, Major-General R. H. O'Grady-Haly, C. B., D. S. O.

### A MUSICAL EVENT.

The Cosgrove Concert Orchestra will play at the Miners' Union hall Friday evening, November 27th, under the auspices of the Knights of the Golden Horseshoe and the Rossland Hockey club.

The concert will be over at about 10:15 p. m., and a dance follows to ensue until 1:30 a. m. Admission to both \$1.00. Both the Concert company and dance orchestra are reported first class, and are drawing large houses everywhere they appear.

As the proceeds of this entertainment are to be donated to the Hockey club, it is up to the people of Rossland to pack the house and give the boys a start.

### DOMINION POLITICS.

A Liberal Utterance That Indicates an Election.

OTTAWA, Nov. 24.—A leading Liberal is quoted as saying today that the government will take six weeks to lay its record before the country; that it was not looking for a snap verdict.

### THE MEETING POSTPONED.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 24.—The adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Consolidated Lake Superior company this afternoon was adjourned until early in December. The date is not fixed.

## WORK MONTE CRISTO

POSSIBLE THAT WELL KNOWN MINE WILL RESUME OPERATIONS SOON.

CHANGED CONDITIONS AMPLY JUSTIFY THE REOPENING OF THE PROPERTY.

It is reported that steps are being taken that may lead to a resumption of activity at the Monte Cristo mine at a comparatively early date, not later than spring at longest. The property is controlled by Montreal capitalists, and it is intimated that recent developments in the shape of reduced mining and treatment costs have stimulated interest afresh in the mine, and that an effort will be made to place it on a profit-producing basis.

The Monte Cristo possesses large reserves of ore that were too low grade to be operated profitably three or four years ago, when the mine suspended work, but which will probably be well within the profitable scope of mining under the conditions appertaining at the present juncture. The ore can be brought out by horizontal workings, the mine drains itself, the product can be loaded on cars at a few cents per ton and the quantity of iron carried by the product enables the mine to command a low rate at the smelters.

The Monte Cristo Consolidated Mining & Development company owns the Monte Cristo and Buckley No. 2 claims situated on the west slope of Monte Cristo mountain and comprising 42 acres. The Canadian Pacific railway runs through the lower end of the claims. The development work on the group consists of 536 feet of work, and the maximum depth on the vein secured in the workings is placed at 600 feet. Three tunnels are driven on the ledge, one 1100 feet in length, another 515 feet and a third 550 feet. The equipment includes a seven-drill compressor, eighty horse power boilers and twenty horse power hoist. In 1898 the company shipped 420 tons of ore and in 1899 800 tons.

It has always been felt, as was the case with the Jumbo mine, that conditions would eventually work around to the stage where the Monte Cristo could be profitably worked, and apparently the people in control of the company have concluded that this juncture has arrived, just as the Jumbo company arrived at a similar conclusion last spring. The Jumbo company's decision has been amply justified by subsequent developments, and the Monte Cristo company will probably have the same experience.

## GRAND TRUNK FUNDS

FIVE MILLION DOLLARS DEPOSITED UNDER THE RAILWAY CONTRACT.

STATISTICS OF CANADA'S MERCANTILE FLEET—DEATH OF MR. RATHBUN.

OTTAWA, Nov. 24.—It is understood that the Grand Trunk Pacific made its deposit of \$5,000,000 to the credit of the Dominion government in London, England, today.

A bluebook issued today gives the total of Canada's fleet for the past year. There were on 31st December last on the register books of the Dominion 6386 sailing vessels, steamers and barges, measuring 652,613 tons register tonnage, being an increase of 44 vessels and a decrease of 11,870 tons register as compared with the previous year. The number of steamers was 2287, with a gross tonnage of 308,333 tons. Assuming the average value to be \$30 per ton, the value of the registered tonnage of Canada would therefore be \$19,578,980. The number of new vessels built was 286, of an estimated value of \$1,359,120.

A cabinet meeting was held this afternoon. All the ministers were present except Fielding, who is not expected from the Maritime provinces until Tuesday.

E. W. Rathbun, head of the Rathbun Manufacturing company of Deseronto, and one of Canada's millionaires, died this morning at his home in Deseronto. Mr. Rathbun was the entire firm, and practically owned the town of Deseronto. He was 60 years of age and leaves a widow and six children.

SHOT HER SON.

Deed of a Toronto Woman, Who Was Crazed by Drink.

TORONTO, Nov. 24.—Mrs. J. W. Galloway, wife of J. W. Galloway, quartermaster-sergeant of the Royal Canadian regiment, is under arrest charged with attempting to kill her four year old son. The shooting took place last Monday, but has been kept quiet. No one knew of it outside the family. The husband was in a quandy what to do. His wife recently became dejected through the effects of liquor, and the shooting was the result. The lad was shot through the mouth, the bullet coming out of his cheek. The shot was fired at close range. The husband finally decided to have her arrested as a means of preventing her doing further harm to himself and his children, or herself.