

# ROSSLAND WEEKLY MINER.

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## IS MADE ASSESSABLE

### The Okanogan Free Gold Mines to be Reorganized.

## THE STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

### The Capital Stock to be Increased From 1,000,000 to 2,000,000 Shares—Mill to be Enlarged and Water and Electric Power to be Installed.

An extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Okanogan Free Gold Mines was held in the office of the company in this city Tuesday. Hon. T. Mayne Daly, president, was in the chair, and there were a large number of stockholders present, and great interest was manifested in the affairs of the company. The necessity of reorganization and the making of the stock assessable to the extent of two cents, was explained at length. The company needed to do some advance development work and also to put in water power and electric power so as to materially cut down the cost of the reduction of the ore, and also to pay the indebtedness. The high price of wood makes milling cost considerably more than would be the case if the cheaper water and electric power were in use.

Mr. F. J. Walker thought the stock should be made assessable to the extent of five cents a share. The opinion of the majority was, however, against such a course, and thought two cents would be ample for all necessary purposes. After a long debate it was unanimously resolved by a vote of 1,097,875 shares out of a possible vote of 1,885,000, to reorganize, make the stock assessable to the amount of two cents, and to increase the capitalization by 400,000 treasury shares. This will make the new company have a capital stock of \$2,000,000 divided into 2,000,000 shares of the par value of ten cents each. Of these shares, 1,600,000 will be divided among the present shareholders, share per share. The remaining 400,000 shares will be placed in the treasury as a reserve fund. The 1,600,000 shares will be issued at eight cents per share, the balance of two cents to be payable by assessment as follows: One cent on surrender of the old certificates and issue of new ones, and the balance in three months from such date. The first call of one cent will realize \$16,000, which will be used in payment of the company's liabilities. The balance, together with the last call of one cent, will realize another \$16,000, which it is proposed to use in development work in increasing the capacity of the mill and to install water and electric power.

The resolutions passed yesterday will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to another extraordinary general meeting of the above named company, which will be held at the office of the company in the Wallace block, on Wednesday, the 18th day of April, 1900, at 4 o'clock p. m.

### Is Rich in Copper.

Mr. Hector McRae Tuesday had an assay made of some of the ore which he received from Northern California from the property of the Siskiyou Copper company, in which he is interested. The ore proved to be very rich, running 21 per cent in copper and \$1.90 in gold. The vein from which this ore comes is from four and a half to five feet in width and has been well opened up. The intention of the company is to commence shipping ore next month. The ore is sent to the Selby smelting works, near San Francisco, for treatment. The cost of freight and treatment is \$21.80 per ton.

### Ore Is Getting Richer.

Mr. E. N. Ouimet, of the Cascade Gold Mining company, Tuesday received a letter from Messrs Brailo and Terzick, who are in charge of the development work on the property of the company, which is located on Grenville mountain. They state that the development work is making excellent progress. The tunnel is in 115 feet, and the quantity of porphyry in the ledge is increasing, and the ore seems to be of a higher grade than any which has so far been met in the property.

### Interesting to Prospectors.

Mr. Justice Martin has handed down judgment in the case of Grutchfield vs. Harbottle, an action of peculiar interest to prospectors and mining men. The defendant had purchased the May Day and Equalizer claims from W. T. Beadles of Selmo, and subsequently to the sale but before it was recorded, Mr. Beadles' miners' license ran out. In the meantime the plaintiff restaked the claims, and Justice Martin's decision confirms him in his possession of them.

### VENUS MINE.

Great Showing For the Year's Development Work.

Monday was anniversary day at the Venus Camp, on Morning Mountain, just one year ago the first work, consisting of one year's development, was commenced, says the Nelson Miner. From that time until the present the development work has been pushed and today the Venus company, after but one year of work, have enough ore actually blocked out to justify the erection of a 10-stamp mill, the amount of ore now ready for stamping being 17,000 tons. This amount of ore has been blocked out by three tunnels which have been run in on the vein, and connections made by upraises which have proved the ore to be of a high grade and continuous throughout all the workings. No. 1 tunnel is in 185 feet, No. 2, 128 feet and No. 3, 519 feet, upraises and crosscuts 249 feet. Total development,

1,295 feet. The vein is about six feet in width with an average pay streak of two feet and is between well defined walls, lying at an angle of about 38 degrees. The ore is decomposed gold quartz, carrying iron and a small percentage of galena, and the average values over the whole mine are about \$31 to the ton.

Development work will be continued with a full force. The company are awaiting returns from a shipment of ore sent to a California firm to determine the best method of treatment, and will, probably commence the construction of a mill within the next three months. The Venus company are the owners of the mineral claims Venus, Jupiter, Orion, Mars, Astral, Cosmopolitan and Cambridge. All the development work so far has been done on the Venus claim and further exploration will no doubt lead to the discovery of other veins of good value on the group. This property is undoubtedly one of the best in the district and will go far toward making Nelson known as a mining center.

### TROUT LAKE.

Shipments From the Silver Cup—Big Assay Returns on the John L.

Thompson and Carter are pushing work on the Union Jack group at Seven-Mile. E. M. Morgan is busily engaged doing assessment work on the Cashier.

On the Silver Queen the tunnel is being driven alongside the vein with crosscuts at intervals exposing the thickness of the chute and the quality of the ore contained therein.

Jack Sweeney and Howard Turner came down Monday from the Rosebery. They speak very well of the property, there being a strong three-foot lead at a depth of over 500 feet, and will go back again about April 15th.

Manager Poole says there are now about 100 tons of Nettie L. ore sacked. At the mine there are 500 sacks, at the ore house on the Eight-Mile road there are 150 sacks, and the balance is at the Landing. The shaft is now down 50 feet and is in ore of exceptional value.

James Rutherford holds a bond on the John L. and has had the ore tested very thoroughly. The ore is free milling and gave returns on the plates, \$20.30 12 ton into one concentrates \$200.46, tailings, \$3.65. Mr. Rutherford is now in London trying to place the property.

Up to the present time the Silver Cup has shipped over a thousand tons of ore, which, valued at the usual average of \$145 per ton, gives a gross return of \$145,000. During the time this was being taken out, development work exceeding 2,000 feet has been completed, placing the mine in position, when cheap transportation in the shape of a railway, shall have become a certainty, to make huge monthly shipments to the smelter. A large quantity of concentrating ore is lying on the dump, and in the near future a mill will have to be erected to treat it.

### Y.M.I.R.

Work Upon the Tamarac, the Atlin and the Nevada.

The winze in the adit on the Tamarac is now down 112 feet. A sump of 12 feet has been left, and drifting to the northeast commenced from the 100-foot level.

Four men have gone up to work the shaft on the Atlin claim down to the 100-foot level. This is a very promising prospect, lying within a thousand feet of the Dundee shaft. It is owned by Messrs. Coffey, Daly and others, who have already sunk the shaft down to 40 feet. The vein is over 15 feet wide and carries iron sulphides and a little galena. It is the intention of the owners to run crosscuts from time to time across the width of the vein.

A good strike has been made on the Nevada mine, owned by the American Eagle Gold Mining company. The lower tunnel has been run some 200 feet towards the vein, and at that point crosscutting was commenced. After crosscutting about 70 feet from the end of the tunnel, the vein was encountered, and some very fine ore disclosed, carrying principally an extremely fine-grained galena together with iron pyrites. Up to the time of writing the full width of the vein has not been determined nor have any assays as yet been obtained.

### RED MOUNTAIN RAILWAY.

Train Arrives Three Hours Late—The Wrecked Cars Take Fire.

A double relay of men are working hard on the destroyed viaduct on the main line between Northport and Spokane, rebuilding the bridge broken down in the recent accident. The wreckage of the cars took fire, and 22 cars were burned, including two cars loaded with Roseland freight. A large consignment of whisky and another of ice were a total loss. The loss will be about \$45,000.

The incoming train from Spokane was, in consequence of the enforced transfer at the scene of the accident, reported three hours late at Colville, and did not in fact reach this city till past 6 p. m. This evening an equal delay will probably occur, but by tomorrow the bridge builders expect to have their work finished, and the afternoon mail will probably come in upon time.

### Nine Hundred Men at Work.

The force of men now engaged in the Balfour extension is over the 900 mark, says the Nelson Tribune. By the end of this month Engineer Proctor estimates that four miles of grade at the Balfour end and two miles this side of the Balfour Point will be completed. The ship at Proctor will take fully two months yet to finish. Considering the number of men employed, the work has been extremely free of accidents. The hospital is practically empty, and all the cases treated to date have been of a comparatively trifling nature.

## FROM OTHER CAMPS

### Mining Notes From all Over the Kootenays.

## EAST KOOTENAY IMPROVING

### More Mines Joining the Shipping List—News From Kamloops, Revelstoke, Stocan, Fort Steele, Ymir, Greenwood and the Boundary Country.

On looking over the progress reported through the columns of The Miner daily and weekly, and in the mining journals of the Kootenays, as given in the present weekly review, the large amount of mines that are actually working or are just about to start cannot fail to be noted as phenomenal. From every section comes news of great activity, and reports of properties which are showing up as time proceeds their real worth. This is not taking into account a large percentage of properties which, rarely heard of at present, are bound to come forward as the season advances.

### KAMLOOPS.

Four Claims Next to the Lucky Strike Group Bonded by B. C. Syndicate.

Messrs. Argall and Morrish, mining engineers, representing the B. C. Exploration Syndicate, have closed an important mining deal. They bonded four claims adjoining the Lucky Strike group, owned by Messrs. J. H. Morrison, Boston, Lambert, and McArthur & Harper, for \$25,000, and have paid a first installment on the bond in cash. The terms of the bond are that work on the properties shall be commenced within fourteen days, and prosecuted continuously during the life of the same. It is the intention of the syndicate to put on a large force of men at once to sink a 50-foot shaft.

### THE SLOCAN.

Shipping Returns From Slocan and Sandon—The Rockland Group.

The head office of the Arlington mine has been changed from Kaslo to Nelson. The Bonum's ore shipments aggregate 120 tons for the month of March.

The Rambler-Cariboo shipped from McGuigan 102 tons of ore during the month of March.

The Victor claim, on the east hill, after running two shafts for a short time, struck six inches of clean galena.

Shipments from the Last Chance are on the increase.

Four men are sinking a winze on the Ajax under contract.

Another shipment of ore has been made from the Florida.

Four carloads of high grade ore have been shipped by the Queen Bees.

The London and B. C. Goldfields will declare a dividend of 20 per cent.

Another new shipper is booked in the Gibson, which has six tons to its credit.

The Enterprise enters the shipping list this year with 140 tons to its credit.

About \$40,000 is to be spent in additional development at the Rambler.

The Chapleau Consolidated Gold Mining Company Limited, has recently been registered in London, Eng., with a capital of \$75,000, in 25 shares, for the purpose of acquiring and developing the Chapleau group, on Lemon creek. All the signatories are resident in Paris.

Amos Thompson and his partners recently shipped 67 tons of ore from the Capella claim, on Goat mountain. It had been taken out during development this past winter. The ore was sent to the Trail smelter. The gross returns were \$820.64. After deducting \$93.87 for freight and treatment, this leaves \$726.77 for the labor of mining the ore.

Sandon ore shipments for the week ending March 30 were as follows: Payne, 308 tons; Last Chance, 80 tons; total, 388 tons.

Slocan Ore Shipments.

The total amount of ore shipped from the Slocan from January 1, 1899, to June 30, 1899, was 15,113 tons. From July 1, 1899, to December 31, 1899, the shipments were 4,310 tons. Following are the shipments from January 1, 1899, to March 24:

Week.	Total.
Payne.....	182
American Boy.....	61
Last Chance.....	60
Sunshine.....	20
Queen Bees.....	84
Rambler.....	421
Surprise.....	20
Lucky Jim.....	73
Florida.....	18
B. N. A.....	16
Gibson.....	6
Bosum.....	20
Hartney.....	7
Capella.....	20
Emily Edith.....	20
Vancouver.....	20
Enterprise.....	140
Arlington.....	180
Black Prince.....	60
Total tons.....	526
	3,929

The Rockland group of three claims on Eight-Mile creek has been bonded to Jay P. Graves, now operating so largely in the Boundary camp. The vendors are Frank Watson and Judge Spinks, who retain a third interest in the group. Graves pays \$75,000 for the balance, which sum goes toward development and the purchase of new machinery. In addition to this the Graves people agree to pay up all indebtedness on the property. Frank Watson says: "The croppings are over 100 feet wide. We have done considerable surface work on the ledge

in the shape of open cuts, short shafts and tunnels. We have run a tunnel in 67 feet, and the vertical depth at the face of this tunnel is 100 feet. The average value of ore, according to working tests, is \$17.37 to the ton. We have got assays as high as \$50. The ore is a quartz, carrying sulphide and native copper. The values are in the shape of two ounces in silver, three per cent copper and from \$10 to \$15 in gold. The property has a splendid location on the side of a mountain, so that it can be operated to a great depth by a series of tunnels. Judge Spinks and myself have the greatest faith in it, and would not have considered any proposition which would have compelled us to part with all of it."

### EAST KOOTENAY.

At the Empire mine splendid ore is being taken out.

The tunnel on the Quantrell is now in 42 feet, with an excellent showing of galena.

Arrangements are being made to start the big St. Eugene concentrator about the first of April if possible.

About 100 tons of North Star ore was brought down last week.

At the Dupont the work is still going on with encouraging results.

There is considerable activity in Isadore Canyon. It is learned that work on the Copper Crown and Excess will be resumed. A winch will be put on the property.

Mr. W. R. Wilson, of Pittsburg, Pa., the new mine superintendent for the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company, arrived on Sunday week from the East and at once took charge of affairs.

The machinery for the property of the Golden Placer and Quartz Mining company at the mouth of Canyon creek has been taken up the river and placed in position. Work will be commenced in the course of a few days.

The work on the Carrie Lee is going ahead. A new shaft is being sunk and is now down 25 feet, and the vein is widening out with depth. The principal value in the ore is copper, although some galena is found.

The Delphine mine has improved very much with the development now going on, the ore here being full with high grade ore and a large amount blocked out in the mine. The ore will be shipped to the Trail smelter in the near future.

E. A. Watts goes out in a few days to commence work with his diamond drill on the Mastodon property on Perry creek. He has a contract for a thousand feet, and as the ledge is an immense one, a low grade of ore will make a profitable mine.

At the Black Bear drifting is progressing on the 30-foot level, the drift being in 40 feet. The incline is now down 100 feet, and a drift of 45 feet on the 90-foot level south, and 23 feet on the same level north, making altogether 208 feet of development work on the property. Excellent ore has been taken from all the work.

The Old Abe is improving with every shot. Some fine specimens of native copper have been encountered in the crosscut. So far the cross-cut is in over 15 feet and the foot wall is not yet reached. It is not improbable that the company will make a colossal shipment inside of 30 days. There is a large quantity of shipping ore on the dump, and the workings being in ore insure a plentiful supply.

The Montana M. & M. company has let a contract for 75 feet of tunneling on the Montana. There is already a 100-foot shaft, of which the lower 45 feet is all in ore. There are five feet of concentrating ore and a pay streak of good rich shipping ore, which consists of galena carrying silver, running up to \$60 per ton.

The Tracy Creek Mining company, operating the John L. group, is developing its property with a small force. The incline is now in 100 feet, and crosscutting under the big dyke has commenced. At this point the ledge is 40 feet wide, shows values across the vein.

Work was resumed on the Golden Five last summer and has been continued during the winter with a small force. The new tunnel has been driven on a cross vein to tap the main vein, upon which a shaft was sunk several years ago. In running this tunnel a body of ore cutting the formation has been followed on the hanging wall, varying in width from six inches to one foot. Mr. Thomas is of the opinion that in 25 feet he will tap the main ledge, which will give a depth of 100 feet; at this point he expects to find at least four feet of free milling ore. He will drift on the vein to a point under the shaft and then uprise to connect. The vein upon which he is now working increases in width as the work progresses. The old workings on the shaft in the main ledge also increases in width, the ore chute on the surface being only one foot in width, and at 50 feet it is two and one-half feet wide. The ore from the tunnel and shaft will average in value \$35 to the ton.

### GREENWOOD.

The Maple Leaf-Cariboo's Mill to be Increased to 40 Stamps.

Operations are to be resumed on the Winnipeg.

The ore body has been struck on the 70-foot level of the City of Paris.

A contract has been let for development on the Mountain View.

Boundary ores pay \$7 per ton freight and treatment to the Trail smelter.

A strike of 18 feet of good ore has been made on the Banner claim, on the north fork of Kettle river.

Development work is to begin shortly on the Red Rock and Bald Eagle, owned by the War Eagle people.

Drifting is in progress on the 100-foot level of the Norfolk, owned by the London & B. C. Goldfields.

Two tunnels are being driven on the

Gold Drop. By July the large new compressor plant will be in position.

The shaft on the St. Lawrence is down 75 feet and will be continued to the 150-foot level before drifting commences.

Twenty men are at work on the Norfolk in Central camp. This property joins the No. 7, and is owned by the London & B. C. Goldfields company.

A. G. Davis, superintendent of the Rambler mine in Summit camp, reports that the shaft has reached a depth of 70 feet. After passing through 23 feet of a porphyry dike they are again in good ore. He hopes to materially increase the force after the first of the month. Sinking will be continued to the 100-foot level.

Joe Trainer, superintendent of the Strawberry, in Brown's camp, north fork of Kettle river, reports that the main shaft is now down 75 feet, and that a crosscut will be driven from the 100-foot level to catch the ore body 28 feet wide that was encountered in a cross-cut on the 55-foot level. A winch was put in a few days ago.

Seventeen men are employed at the War Eagle in Greenwood camp. The main shaft is down 90 feet. The new compressor and hoist are working satisfactorily.

The Jewel mine in Long Lake camp recently sent an experiment shipment of one ton of ore to England for treatment. It is owned by an English company.

A ledge of almost pure lime stone nearly 100 feet wide was recently discovered on John A. Manly's property, about one and one-half miles east of the city. It is situated on the slope of a hill near Echo creek, and can be reached by an easy gradient less than a quarter of a mile from the route of the proposed extension of the Granby smelter spur to McCool's.

The Lavozer is making a fine showing, and both properties are giving promise of becoming mines when further developed.

Dave Evans reports development on the Hartford claim, Wellington camp, steadily proceeding. They are crosscutting from the 100-foot level, and expect to tap two other leads at that depth within a short time.

At a meeting of the directors of the Cariboo company, held in Toronto last week, after careful consideration it was resolved that it was desirable to proceed to increase the number of stamps in the mill from 30 to 40, the necessary money being set aside for this purpose. A dividend of one per cent was declared for the quarter ending April 30, 1900. The new stamps will be ordered at once and should be running within a couple of months. The action of the directors is based on the manager's report that a three years' supply of ore is at hand, and that to do justice to the property the capacity of the mill should be doubled.

J. P. Flood of Camp McKinney says there are more men working in Camp McKinney than ever before. The following properties are being worked: Cariboo, Waterloo, Sailor, Lemon and Dayton. The Cariboo is employing 55 men. Work on the Fontenoy will be started immediately, and a prosperous season is looked for.

Development work on the Golden Eagle claim consists of two shafts. No. 1 has been sunk to a depth of 90 feet, 70 of which followed an ore body from one to six feet in width. An average of four samples taken from this body amounted to \$45.64. At the 70-foot level a crosscut was run north about 30 feet, where another vein was encountered, giving values of \$34.20. At this point a winze was sunk 60 feet, and at 30 feet of the depth a drift on the ledge shows it to be from five to ten feet wide, the paystreak being from two to five feet in width. At the bottom of the winze the ore body is four feet wide. About 30 feet north of No. 1 shaft No. 2 has been sunk to connect with the winze, giving this working a total vertical depth of 130 feet and affording ventilation below. The ore from these veins, although being essentially a copper ore, gives excellent values in gold, some samples going as high as \$22 per ton. The average of all assays taken from the different workings amounted to \$33 per ton.

The Maple Leaf claim of the Raimbault group is one of the best showing mining properties in the partially developed stage of the Boundary country. Active development has been prosecuted on the claim for several months. It is opened up to the 200-foot level, at which depth there is a splendid body of ore in sight. On the 60-foot level a crosscut run to the vein showed a body of very fine ore 20 feet in width and most of which carried shipping values. Considerable ore has been stoped at this level, and it was intended to make a trial shipment to the smelter just as soon as the railway spur was extended up to the claim from the B. C. mine, about 2,000 feet away. At the lower level the ore was found considerably increased, both as to body and values, and there is every indication that the property is the making of a mine. The company owns a group of 14 claims, the foremost of which are the Maple Leaf and Ben Hur, mentioned in the dispatch. The Ben Hur adjoins the Maple Leaf and is believed to have the same lead. It has not been developed to any extent, but there is every indication that when depth is gained it will prove as good or better than the Maple Leaf.

New Hotel For Greenwood.

James Dallas & Co. expect to open the New Windsor hotel in Greenwood about the end of April or the commencement of May. The hotel building is a nice three-story structure. It is provided with bay windows, electric bells, fire alarm, hot and cold water, baths, steam heat and in fact, all the modern improvements. There are well lighted sample rooms for commercial travelers, and telephonic connection with Phoenix and Midway. It is to be run on the combined American and European plans, and the guests can take their choice of these two systems.

## LARDEAU COUNTRY

### The Fish Creek Section Has Many Valuable Properties.

## PLENTY CAPITAL GOING THERE

### Thirty Claims Have Been Sold to the Representatives of Canadian, British and American Capital—Butte is Heavily Interested—Characteristics of the Country.

Mr. H. O. McClymont, M. E., speaking of the Lardeau country yesterday, said: "Undoubtedly one of the coming mining camps in West Kootenay this summer will be Fish Creek, beginning at Comaplex and Thomson's Landing, and ending with Camborne. Now that the C. P. R. has arranged to build the long talked of road from Trout Lake to Fish Creek, many prominent groups of claims are likely to be extensively developed by outside capital. Canadian representatives of American, Canadian and British capital have already secured over 30 claims situated on well known main leads on Pool, Lexington and Fish creeks, and as the money (a sine qua non for successful mining) behind these syndicates is right up to millions, there are likely to be several shippers in the northwest Lardeau next year.

"The Eva group, now being taken hold of by a Butte syndicate, after six months active development work, has proved that the high gold values found on the surface, go down. The vein is of quartz between slate walls, and any piece of quartz taken from the vein (which averages five feet), goes all the way from \$20 to \$600. The properties adjoining the Eva and on the same lead, are being sought after at good prices. The group lies between Fish and Lexington creeks, and is one of the most recent finds in the district. Many more such discoveries are likely when more of the almost innumerable ledges have been more carefully prospected by men new to the district, especially in view of an early spring and summer.

"One London mining man spent eight days on Pool and Lexington creeks, which resulted in his buying four groups of claims for part cash and part stock. Great things are hoped for the whole four groups, as his principals are not among those would-be mine owners, who expect to have a mine on spending a couple of thousand dollars on it in work.

"The fact of several shrewd Butte men buying heavily into the district is a fairly good augury of the possibilities of the camp.

"One remarkable and unusual feature about the Lexington ledges is that in every case where any depth has been attained the gold and silver values have both greatly increased. The Lardeau Queen is a case in point. The surface values showed but 80 cents in gold and 30 ounces in silver, whilst now, at 60 feet, the galena ore carries \$16 in gold and 51 ounces in silver, with a correspondingly low value in lead. On the lowest lying ledge considerable grey copper and copper pyrites are met, but the highest values in silver have been found on the extensions of the center Lardeau Queen vein under the roof lapping.

"On the west side of Fish creek, on promising properties, amongst which the Lost Cup stands out conspicuously, the formation there is slate and schist, and the veins are of quartz carrying gold, silver and copper in highly payable quantities. The last named property and others on Scott creek are at a correspondingly low altitude, and besides having unlimited supplies of good timber and water, will be within easy distance of transportation on the early advent of the new Canadian Pacific road.

Many experienced prospectors have been holding on to their claims there since 1888 and there is a universal hope amongst them that 1900 will find them enjoying the reward of their patient working and waiting."

### A SHIPMENT.

A Train Load of Ore Leaves This Morning for the Northport Smelter.

Since the hoist at the Le Roi has been placed again in working order, some clearing up of timber and other work round the drifts and galleries of the mine has been done which had somewhat fallen behind during the rush immediately preceding the present lull. In the course of this work the ore come upon was brought to the surface and there sorted. The bins, with a capacity of 200 tons, and the ore pockets at the sorting table, which contain nearly as much more, got full. These have been cleared up in readiness for a fresh start, and their contents discharged into the ore cars. Twelve cars containing 372 tons of ore were sent yesterday afternoon to the siding and will be forwarded this morning to the smelter.

### Work to Be Resumed.

A meeting of the shareholders of the Mother Lode Mines, limited, was held yesterday, with Hon. T. Mayne Daly in the chair. It was decided that work should be resumed in a short time on the property of the company, which consists of the Mother Lode, Daly and Ajax mineral claims in the Burnt Basin section. The shaft on the property, when work was suspended four months since, had reached a depth of 100 feet. The vein is eight feet wide, and assays have been obtained running from \$35 to \$80.

Mr. Neil Cochran, superintendent of the Oro Denora, who has been in the city for the past four days, left yesterday for Spokane.

Mr. Frank Watson, mining man, left yesterday for Spokane.

at she is the 'centre of an wide and invincible.' The fusion of the proceedings being "God Save the Queen."

### AT GLADSTONE.

mining Development—Snow Disappearing.

March 23.—[Special.]—Owing sun and rain of the last the snow is rapidly disappearing, which has for or four months enveloped its mantle of white.

has been suspended at principally developed claims pushed forward and ore seller at Trail.

summer we hope to see the Mother Lode and a good lead, also other within the vicinity a little capital and labor them to bring them better.

Information respecting claims will be gladly given proprietor of the Gladstich, by the way, affords accommodation to visitors stop-over.

investors should not over-camp, situated, as it is, in the best valleys of the Boundary that is more to the pursued by rich prospects, and in ten minutes walk.

here would find employment accommodation for

supply of pure water is sheltered as it is on all claims, makes it a very desirable for the supply of miners' lots. Lots can be secured at the present, \$150 to \$200 asked, but this will only be owing to the shipping properties all round here. Forstward of the camp, so tending speculator should be now offered, unprecipitated history of the Boundary that is what the Gladstich. A telephone could be trifling expense between the

other valuable properties I to mention are Mr. Cooper and the Havannah claim, ship ore shortly.

men carried on at the John at the winter, the length now exceeding 200 feet.

good a fresh contract has T. Makinson on the same cutting purposes.

### UNPLEASANT COMPLAINT.

Division of Affairs Between Forks and Republic.

C. March 26.—[Special.] on of affairs now existing on Forks and Republic. As follows: All passengers, right of all kinds, can be public without any delay, single man, horse, or wagon, but the birds, can cross line into British Columbia ash, on account of the Republic. People from Republic, Myer's Falls and the to Rossland and to Grand only a few more hours ride, expense, and they are in Columbia all the same. no protection at all. Why quarantine entirely, or access of health at Nelson the Northport? The officer at in refuses to allow papers African customs officer at or Wash, to be taken across B. C. There is a small addition of affairs ties up all this point to Republic, yet hundreds of tons of freight for and Forks, billed for Republic's PLATFORM.

### Ownership of Railways Finances Are Better.

B. C. March 27.—[Special.] ter Cotton has published of his party. While favor- ership of railways, he con- vince at present not able assume the liabilities of mil- to carry it out. He ad- in railways as adopted in States with option of pur- province at stated future pe- platform is generally approv- a practical policy suited ments of the province.

Irwin, who was formerly a or in this city, arrived here m. Spokane.

### Free Gold Mines, Limited.

reby given that an extraor- nial meeting of the above y will be held at the office y, Wallace block, Columbia y of Rossland, on Tues- day of April, 1900, at 4 afternoon, for the purpose of the reconstruction of the if the resolutions which are they will be submitted for special resolutions to an- dinary general meeting of ed company, which will be ce of the company on Wed- 8th day of April, 1900, at 4

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