

*Alaska United*—March: Ready Bullion claim 120-stamp mill 27 $\frac{3}{4}$  days, 18,720 tons; estimated realisable value of bullion, \$25,454. Saved 345 tons sulphurets; estimated realisable value, \$12,161. Working expenses, \$28,336.

*Alaska Treadwell*—March. 240-stamp mill 27 $\frac{1}{2}$  days, 300-stamp mill 7 days, 38,148 tons, estimated realisable value of bullion, \$54,522. Sulphurets saved, 629 tons; estimated realisable value, \$35,520. Working expenses, \$52,090.

#### DIVIDENDS.

The Reco Mining and Milling Co., of Sandon, Slocan, has declared another dividend of two cents per share, or \$20,000. The amount paid to date in dividends is \$347,500, on a capital stock of \$1,000,000.

The Canadian Goldfields Syndicate, Ltd., has declared a dividend of 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  per cent on its issued capital stock. The dividend is for the quarter ending March 31, and is payable May 1. It amounts to \$8,955 and makes the total of dividends paid to date \$92,461.68. The syndicate owns 4,260 shares in the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. of Canada, Ltd.

The Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting and Power Co., Ltd., has declared a dividend of 3 per cent on capital stock, payable May 15. On December 1, 1905, the company declared 3 per cent, which was the first dividend since December 16, 1903, when 1 per cent was declared. The last dividend amounts to about \$405,000, and brings the total paid to date up to about \$943,000.

The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada, Ltd., owning the St. Eugene, War Eagle and Centre Star mines and the Trail smelter, a recent consolidation of several mining and other companies operating in British Columbia, has declared its first dividend, viz., one of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent for the quarter ended March 31, ulto., or at the rate of 10 cents per share per annum, payable May 1, prox. As the capital stock issued totals \$4,698,888, the amount of profits to be divided among the stockholders on this occasion is \$117,472.

The Le Roi No. 2, Ltd., has declared an interim dividend of two shillings a share on its 120,000 £5 shares, making a total of £12,000 (about \$58,200) for this distribution and £1 per share, or £120,000 in all, to date. The Le Roi No. 2, owing to the finding of valuable shoots of high-grade ore in its mines at Rossland, is in a position to make larger profits than in 1905, when it paid dividends to the extent of four shillings a share.

#### NOTES.

The Bear Hydraulic Mining Co. has been incorporated with a capital of \$250,000, divided into two hundred and fifty thousand shares of one dollar each. The objects of the incorporation are to take over the leases of LaSalle, Windle and Flint, known as the Bear hydraulic mine, on Cunningham Creek, near Barkerville, Cariboo.

It is stated that the Camborne Mining Co. will shortly commence operations on the Gold Finch, situate near Camborne, Fish River camp. The financial affairs of the company are said to be satisfactory and a manager for the property is being secured. The tram, terminals and bunk houses of the Gold Finch which were damaged by fire in 1904 will have to be repaired and alterations made to the stamp mill before ore can be treated, and it is anticipated that this work will be commenced shortly.

The Rosebery zinc plant is expected to begin work shortly on Bosun ore. The Bosun is owned by the Monitor and Ajax Fraction, Ltd., which also controls the Rosebery plant. A dock is being built at Slocan Lake to be in readiness for shipping the Bosun old dumps to the Rosebery plant.

Active operations have been resumed at the Payne Consol. Mining Co's mine and mill near Sandon, Slocan, with 25 men at work in the mine and the mill running night and day. A large body of concentrating ore has been met with between levels 4 and 5 and back fillings supplement this.

A special meeting of the shareholders of the Selkirk Mining and Milling Co., Ltd., will be held at the head office of the company, at Sandon, on May 22, for the purpose of con-

sidering, and if deemed advisable, of passing a resolution authorising the company to dispose of the whole of its property and assets.

Notice has been gazetted that Anthony J. McMillan, of Rossland, B.C., managing director of the company, has been appointed attorney for the Le Roi Mining Co., Ltd., in lieu of John H. McKenzie, whose appointment has been revoked.

Returns for April from the Tyece Copper Co's smelter at Ladysmith, Vancouver Island, were as follows: Smelter ran 13 days and treated 1717 tons of Tyece ore, giving a return, after deduction of freight and refining charges, of \$34,723.

#### CERTIFICATES OF INCORPORATION.

*British Columbia Dredging Co., Ltd.*, with a capital of \$600,000, divided into 600,000 shares of \$1 each.

*Bear Hydraulic Mining Co., Ltd.*, with a capital of \$250,000, divided into 250,000 shares of \$1 each.

*Conrad Electric Power Co., Ltd.*, with a capital of \$10,000, divided into 1,000 shares of \$10 each.

*Canada Western Oil Co., Ltd.*, with a capital of \$500,000, divided into 500,000 shares of \$1 each.

*Phoenix Amalgamated Copper Mines, Ltd.*, with a capital of \$5,000,000, divided into 500,000 shares of \$10 each.

#### REGISTRATION OF EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANIES.

*Diamond Drill Contracting Co.*—Head office in Spokane, Washington, U.S.A. Capital, \$15,000, divided into 50,000 shares of 30 cents each. Head office in British Columbia at Rossland. Attorney, (not empowered to issue and transfer stock) C. R. Hamilton, Bank of Montreal Chambers, Rossland.

*Lucky Jim Mining Co., Ltd.*—Head office in Phoenix, Arizona, U.S.A. Capital, \$1,000,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares of \$1 each. Head office in British Columbia at Rossland. Attorney, (not empowered to issue and transfer stock) W. B. Townsend, Rossland.

*Keeward Gold-Copper Mining Co.*—Head office at Spokane, Washington, U.S.A. Capital, \$1,000,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares of \$1 each. Head office in British Columbia at Princeton. Attorney, W. C. Lyall, Princeton.

#### PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

The following patents were granted to British Columbia inventors during the month of March through the agency of Rowland Brittain, patent attorney, of Vancouver.

To T. A. Fee, architect, of Vancouver, an allowance of a United States patent on an improved flour box for attachment to the door of a kitchen cabinet, and

To Layfield & Crisp, of Vancouver, a Canadian patent on an improved cement building block in which the outer and inner wall members of each block are secured together by a sheet metal tie, which effectually prevents the passage of moisture from the outer to the inner wall, and preserves an uninterrupted air space between.

The Director of the United States Mint, Washington, D. C., is stated to have predicted that the world's production of gold will average not less than \$400,000,000 per year for the next twenty years.

It is stated that copper mining is an industry which is rapidly decreasing in importance in Great Britain. In 1863 the production of copper ore and copper precipitate amounted to upwards of 210,000 tons, valued at more than £1,000,000 sterling, whereas in 1904 the production was only 5,465 tons, valued at £17,952. Cornwall is the main source of supply of this ore, and copper precipitate is being obtained from cupreous water pumped from old mines on Parys Mountain in Anglesey.