

THE EVENING STAR

The Work of Development Is to Be Pushed.

THE RESERVES OF ORE

A Trial Shipment Is to Be Made to Silicia—A Force of 18 Men to Be Put to Work on the Commander on Monday—Giant Vein Is Wide.

"We intend to go right along with the development of the Evening Star," said Jerome Drumheller, one of the largest stockholders in the company, to a MINER reporter last Friday. "The showing is very good. There is now about five feet of ore in the tunnel, and we are sinking on the showing in order to determine its extent. There is already some considerable ore in the reserves, and as soon as the B. C. Extraction company's plant at Silicia is completed, we shall probably make some shipments. At any rate, tests will be undertaken in order to determine the adaptability of the Evening Star to the process in use at the new reduction plant.

"As to the cost of carrying on work, we are drifting at 12 per foot, including all items, and that figure, I think, will compare favorably with any work in progress in the camp. As soon as the property gets thoroughly prospected, the present development is really prospecting work, we shall put as large a crew to work as may be needed to open the property thoroughly.

"On the Alberta," continued Mr. Drumheller, "we are now drifting to the east from the old tunnel, and we are rapidly nearing the workings of the Columbia-Kootenay. In fact, our miners already can hear the timbermen in the Columbia-Kootenay carrying on their operations."

RICH LARDEAU ORE.

Fine Silver-Lead Showing on the Wagner Group.

W. S. Rugh returned last Friday from an extended trip into the Lardeau country, where he was seeing to the surveying of the Wagner group, in which he, with D. W. Henley and Outler T. Porter of Spokane are interested.

The properties include 13 claims at the head of Hall creek, back of Trout Lake City, and about 18 miles from the head of navigation on the Duncan river. There is an immense showing of silver-lead on the group, and a tunnel driven 100 feet last year has shown between six and a half and eight feet of ore. Of this 20 inches is of very high grade, running between 40 and 50 per cent in lead and about 250 ounces in silver. The rest of the ore is a concentrating proposition, which will concentrate about seven into one.

The group is situated along the famous lime dike, from which it is separated by a deposit of slate. Mr. Rugh thinks that the property will make a fine mine when transportation facilities are secured, but until that time the district must remain in a prospective state. The C. P. R. surveyors, who are running a line between Thompson's landing and Upper Arrow lake and the head of Kootenay lake were about half way between Thompson's landing and Trout Lake City when Mr. Rugh left the camp.

Salmon River Country.

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On the Alberta, says Mr. Ingram, the new steam hoisting plant is nearly in place, and it will be running inside of 10 days. The shaft is now down about 60 feet, and it will be continued as actively as possible as soon as the power plant is working. The whole country in the neighborhood of the mine is being thoroughly opened up, and there are trails now leading from it in all directions. Some 15 men are at work on the property. The management is considering putting in a compressor plant next spring.

All through the Salmon river country, says Mr. Ingram, the prosperity of Rossland is heard everywhere, and the people there are confident that the camp here has a splendid future.

Rich Copper Properties.

R. A. Brown, of the Sunset mine in the Similkameen country and the Volcanic mine in the Boundary country, is in the city on a visit. There are two claims in the Volcanic country, and they have a surface showing that is simply phenomenal, and there is nothing like it in the Boundary country for width, continuity and permanence. The croppings are 1,000 feet wide. Mr. Brown has done considerable work on these properties. For a long time he has been engaged in driving a tunnel so as to tap the ore body at a depth of 1,300 feet. This tunnel has been driven a distance of 345 feet, and 30 feet further on it is expected that the ore body will be encountered. With a depth of 1,300 feet of back stop and such a large ore body there will be a chance for stopping out large quantities of ore. It is claimed by those who have visited the property that the Volcanic group is one of the richest copper ore bodies in the Dominion. The extension of the Columbia & Western railway will run within four miles of the Volcanic group, and thus will afford transportation for its ores to smelters.

The Sunset mine also has an extraordinary showing of copper, and it is said that it has the makings of a very valuable property. The Sunset requires development and transportation facilities, and arrangements are practically completed by which extensive work will be done on the mine in the near future.

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Work on the Giant.

A. D. Coplen, president of the Giant Mining company, is in the city on a visit. He reports that a crosscut is being made on the 50-foot level that cuts the vein. Though the footwall has not been reached the vein is already known to be 14 feet wide. The ore body is more or less broken and the ore will probably not give very high assays, but it is strongly mineralized. When a greater depth is reached it is expected that the values will increase. Mr. Coplen intends to soon visit the Slocan, and will return and give the development of the Giant more of his attention. He feels satisfied that in the Giant he has that, which with proper development, will make a valuable mine.

DEFIED THE POLICEMEN

A Half Breed Indian Out on a Rampage.

A Rough and Tumble Fight That Lasted for a Quarter of an Hour—Arrested on a Compromise—He Jumped His Bail.

Charley Richter, an Indian herder from the Similkameen, engaged the police force yesterday afternoon in a running fight that lasted for a quarter of an hour. At the end of the battle the Indian was seemingly in shape to continue hostilities all night, but he was induced to go quietly to jail, on the condition that his pony be carefully stabled.

Richter is a son of old Frank Richter, the half-breed stock raiser near Princeton, whose wealth in cattle and lands runs far into the thousands. Accompanied by two other Indian herders Charley came to town yesterday with a bunch of steers for F. Burns & Co. After disposing of their cattle the three started to spend the proceeds in getting drunk, and they were racing up and down the streets on their cayuses at a furious pace.

They ended at the Montreal house, on east Columbia avenue, and as they came out they were feeling decidedly quarrelsome. Some ladies were passing, but, heedless of this fact, the halfbreeds commenced a noisy and very profane criticism of everything in sight. Chief of Police Ingram, who was expecting some such outbreak, promptly ordered the Indians to behave themselves, but instead of doing so they started a wordy quarrel as to their rights when they came to town. Richter was especially all the time. At last the chief started to take him into custody, but the Indian, who by this time was on his horse, made a stubborn resistance, while the chief pressed him, and he was getting more turbulent all the time. At last the chief started to take him into custody, but the Indian, who by this time was on his horse, made a stubborn resistance, while the chief pressed him, and he was getting more turbulent all the time. At last the chief started to take him into custody, but the Indian, who by this time was on his horse, made a stubborn resistance, while the chief pressed him, and he was getting more turbulent all the time.

A Rough and Tumble Fight.

That was when the real warfare commenced. The Indian absolutely refused to be arrested, and he made a mighty interesting fight for his liberty. He was a magnificent built fellow well over six feet high and built like a bear. He was a powerful man, but he could do nothing with the Indian, who threw him off almost as if he were a mere boy. Of Mr. McPhee, seeing the trouble, came running up, and they were joined by Frank Raymer of the fire department. The three of them managed to get the half-breed on his back but that was very little satisfaction, for he fought them there as furiously as ever, and he was practically impossible to get him to jail. After five minutes hard work they managed by choking him to get one handcuff on him, but the halfbreed succeeded in keeping the other hand free, and with that he slashed at everything within reach.

The other Indians were intensely interested in the fight, and the younger of them did his best to have the officers free Richter. The herders, however, had a wholesome respect for the police, and they made no effort to interfere except when the chief was throttling the big buck on the ground. Then the younger breed reached nervously for his gun, which he was packing in his rear breeches pocket. Half a dozen times he was on the point of drawing it, but he always hesitated.

At last Richter, who was still fighting as vigorously as ever, agreed to give up, and he was taken to jail. He was taken to jail in for a few minutes and would look in after his cayuse. He had never been in jail, he explained, and he didn't want to break his record. Besides, he insisted, he hadn't done anything out of the way. On these terms a compromise was made, and the big fellow was led off to the lockup. In the evening he was let out on \$30 bail, which he secured, and the moment he was at liberty he made for his horse, mounting it, he rode off. There is a little chance that he will ever show up here again, and the city is that much richer.

School Will Open September 5.

Owing to the heat the school board has decided to adjourn the opening of the schools for a week. The school year, therefore, will begin on Monday after next, September 5. W. A. Blair, the principal of the schools, who spent the summer in the east, has returned. Miss McQueen, Miss Noble and Miss Rick are also back from their vacations. Miss Walker, Miss Moffatt and Miss Burns are all expected in the city today. The arrangement of the teachers among the different rooms has not yet been finally settled upon.

Honest Help Free to Weak Men.

The Rossland Miner is authorized to state by Rev. A. H. Macfarlane, Franktown, Ontario, that any man who is suffering from troubles resulting from overwork, excess or abuse, such as nervous debility, loss of vigor, unnatural losses, lack of development, etc., can write in strict confidence and be instructed free of charge how to be thoroughly cured.

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WILL BUILD A ROAD

A Transportation System That Will Tap East Kootenay.

A COMPANY IS FORMED

The Kaslo-Slocan Railway and the International Navigation & Trading Company Have Been Consolidated—Hill Is Pulling the Wires.

There now seems to be no doubt that the Nelson & Bedlington railway is to be built. A correspondent in London writes as follows concerning the company that has been formed there for that purpose:

"In the midst of an extremely dull season, a project of considerable importance is being brought before the notice of the British public. This is the Kootenay Railway & Navigation company, limited, which has been formed to consolidate and extend the railway and steamboat service in British Columbia, controlled by J. J. Hill. This company will acquire the Kaslo & Slocan railway and the steamers of the International Navigation & Trading company, which at present run between Kaslo and Nelson and connect with the Spokane Falls & Northern railway. A new line is to be built 55 miles long from the southern end of Kootenay lake to meet the Great Northern at Bonners Ferry, and in future the line of steamers will run from Kaslo to the southern end of Kootenay lake instead of to Nelson. The construction of this line of railway will be in the hands of local companies, which will build and operate the portions in Kootenay and the United States respectively. The capital of the Kootenay Railway & Navigation company, limited, is £500,000, which goes as purchase price for the existing lines of railway and steamer, and £480,000 in debentures is being offered to the public for subscription. The money thus raised will go to provide capital for the construction of the line of railway, and to obtain the control of the two local companies, which are to construct the new line of railway. Considering everything, this scheme appears to be a fairly reasonable one, and a knowledge gained on the spot by a knowledge of the facts of the case, the prospectus carefully hides the fact that J. J. Hill is the mainpring of the whole business, and holds half the shares capital. As he is known in England as a shrewd railway manager, one would have thought that the most would be made of his name. Of the board of directors George Alexander of the International Navigation & Trading company appears to represent the controlling interest; there is a director of the Bank of British North America, and H. W. Foster of the London & British Columbia Gold Fields, and A. C. Mitchell Innes. There is hardly any doubt that the strong contentions at the back of the company will bring in all the required money."

SHERIDAN CAMP.

The Little Clyde Changes Hands for a Consideration of \$10,000.

SHERIDAN CAMP, Colville Reservation, Aug. 25.—[Special.]—There is a great deal of excitement here over the mining outlook, and it is thought that this is destined to be one of the largest camps on the reservation. A deal was closed here yesterday by which a Spokane syndicate, for a consideration of \$10,000, acquired the Little Clyde claim, owned by Mr. Giles, a prospector of considerable promise. The new purchasers have already put a force to work on the Clyde.

O. S. Clarke and partner have begun the development of the Clara Belle, a promising property which adjoins the famous Clara M. on the north. It is claimed that the Clara Belle has the vein of the Zala M.

A Steamer Wrecked.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 27.—Further details confirmatory of the report of the wreck of the steamer Jessie and the barge Minerva, with the possible drowning of 14 men, known as the Columbia Navigation company, at the mouth of the Kuskowim river, Alaska, were received here today in a letter from Rev. J. H. Romig, Bethel, Alaska, a friend of the Rev. Weber, who was conductor of the party up Kuskowim river, writes: "A native, who has just arrived here, reports that just after a snow drifted over, six boats with sides stove in and half full of water and had no masts. To the tow post was the short end of a towing rope which had been cut with a sharp knife. Various boxes had been dropped open. One box had no top. The natives, after their custom, divided the wreckage among themselves. Our informant had a shirt from the cargo. Nothing has been heard of the river steamer for 17 days, and we fear all the miners are lost. If they are still alive they have weathered two severe storms. They were in dangerous waters abounding in sunken reefs and rocks."

Struck It Rich.

SEATTLE, Aug. 27.—News reached here today of the big party of New York Germans who made a spectacular departure from New York city last winter for Alaska. The party did not go to Dawson but drifted down to Lake Alton, opposite Pine creek, where they found gold in paying quantities. All had staked out claims.

IN A CRITICAL STATE.

The Least Overt Act on the Part of China May Cause a War.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—An authoritative confirmation has been received from Peking by the Daily Mail this morning asserting that the relations between the British ministry and Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister in Peking, are strained to the point of rupture, and Sir Claude has intimated that Great Britain will regard as cause belli failure on the part of China to observe Great Britain's wishes, and if necessary the British squadron now assembled at Wei Hai Wei, will support the British minister's demand.

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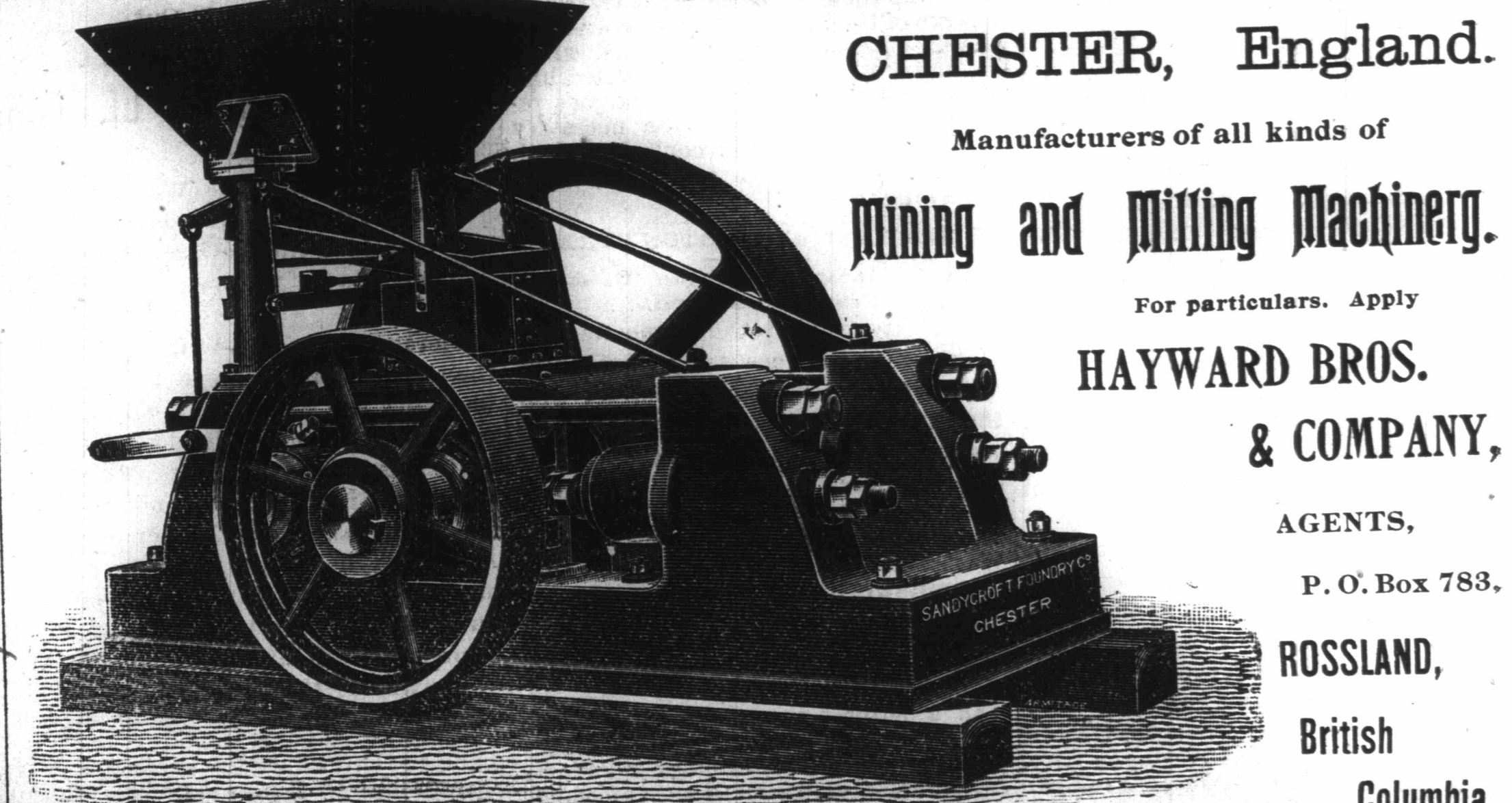
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