

Two Dollars a Year

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BOUNDARY.

Group, Hard Cash, City

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by B. C. Brown and

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SIMILKAMEEN.

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This Section.

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will work some prop-

Hedley on 20-Mile creek, in

terested. This is the camp

Daly's famous group, the

is being developed.

FROM OTHER CAMPS

Much Activity in the Larceau and Northern Districts.

EAST KOOTENAY DEVELOPMENT

A General Review of the Mining Industry Over the Outlying Camps—Notes From Larceau, East Kootenay, Moeve and Boundary Sections.

Nothing of any importance has been planned this week from either the Kamloops or the Ymir mining divisions.

From East Kootenay there is something very like an exhaustive report of the mining properties and claims in that division.

With the close of the labor troubles in the Kootenay the shipments are improving

In the Boundary, for the first time in its history, have the local press thought it worth while to start an account of its daily exports of ore.

THE LARDEAU.

The Pedro and Ruby Silver Group—The Nettie L. and Silver Cup.

The two standbys, Nettie L. and Silver Cup, never looked better.

The Old Gold and Franconio properties are improving with development.

EAST KOOTENAY.

A General Review of the Properties of This District.

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It is expected that work will be resumed on the Minnie M. and Tiger before many weeks.

On the Star group on Bull river development work is being pushed at a great rate.

Several men are working on the Estella and the reports from the property are all favorable.

The Dardanelles has over 400 feet of tunnels and drifts, with an average of 50 feet.

The Bill Nye is opening up finely. The tunnel is now over 70 feet, showing gray copper and galena.

Tom Roberts is making a clean-up on the property leased by J. E. Humphreys and others on Wild Horse creek.

George Kerr has a claim on Boulder creek divide which has a strong lead 60 feet in width. The ore is gold quartz.

The group will also be surveyed this season.

Outler T. Porter and F. W. Kellam, accompanied by John McCarney, went up to the Wagner group on Thursday last.

G. W. Crothers and G. Meldrum are busily engaged developing the Dewey, a promising location on Murray creek.

Another property is rapidly coming to the front, namely, the Tritone wide and shallow, situated a half mile northwest of the Silver Cup.

The Dupont group is another free gold proposition, and is situated on the east side of the creek, directly opposite the Big Chief.

Messrs. Scale and Walsh have returned from Toby creek, where they staked the Surprise and Horse Shoe Bar mineral claims.

The Shakespear claim is situated on Perry creek and has several large leads that run through the property.

The Keystone mine, which is situated at the head of Maus creek, on y six miles from Fort Steele, is one of the most promising mines in this section.

W. S. Rogers, who has been in town for several days, says he purposed to develop the Golden Five in a thorough manner.

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The Arlington Mines will soon have a water power saw mill, and out the lumber required in the mine.

W. Horton and Malcolm Nicholson are driving a tunnel on the Condor group for the owners.

It was reported in Kaslo that the Sun-set had been the scene of a strike of ore, but had not permit of a visit to W.

The total shipments for the year to date are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Month, Pounds. Rows for January to July.

THE BOUNDARY.

Ten cars of ore are passing through the City of Paris.

The cage and hoist has arrived for the B. C. mine.

D. Gillis has taken a contract for 75 feet of work on the P. O. claim.

A rich strike has been made on the Ellen Ray, belonging to the Rathmullen group.

J. H. Smith was in from Long Lake camp last week, where he is working on the Ethiopians.

Two shafts are crosscutting from the 60-foot level on the Butcher Boy in Deadwood camp.

Irvine Feeney and A. S. Embree left for the Main river on Wednesday. They will be gone a couple of weeks.

Work is progressing very favorably on the Carmi and Sally groups, and rich ore is being found on both.

Stofing is going on at the 100-foot level of the Golden Crown, and shipments average about eight cars weekly.

John Muligan has two men working on his contract of a 50-foot shaft on the Silver Plume. The shaft is down 33 feet, all in ore.

Frank Dalton is working on the Cable, a claim lying south of the R. Bell. The ore body is quartz, carrying good values.

On the Summit there are two shafts cutting on a 30 feet in depth, and a 130-foot tunnel. The ore body is 40 feet in width, of quartz, carrying copper and gold values.

Parties who have lately come from the Iron Horse, in South Wellington camp, state that the reports of much free gold on that claim have not been exaggerated.

On the Sunset group in Deadwood camp work is being done on the discovery of about a month ago. It is now believed the ore body is the same as that on the Mother Lode.

On the Mountain View two shafts are running a crosscut from the 65-foot shaft. The crosscut has been run 50 feet, and indications are that the lead will be encountered in the next 20 feet.

The Snowshoe shipped a car of ore last week to the Trail smelter. This is the first shipment since last December, when two cars were hauled to Greenwood and put on the cars there.

The City of Paris in Central camp claims to have ore that assays \$1,144.98 from average rock. It was found in line of the tunnel being run at the 250-foot level.

A rich strike of pyrrhotite ore was struck on the White group of claims, between South Deadwood and Smith's camp the past week. The ledge is about four feet in width and carries good values in copper.

The Winnipeg is stopping ore at the 53-foot level, and is steadily shipping. A good force is employed with Nick Tregear, the superintendent, who has been in charge since active operations were started.

J. R. McIntosh was down from the B. C. mine last Thursday, and states that the new cage for the mine has just arrived from Montreal and will be installed in working order within the next few days.

The other new machinery recently put in consists of a new hoist and two 80-horse power boilers are being operated and are working smoothly.

A depth of 289 feet has been attained in the shaft, and the principal development work at present is in the way of drifts and crosscuts. A force of 69 men is employed and the mine is shipping at the rate of from two to five cars per day.

Duncan Murray is down from Telluride camp, where he, in company with Ed. McMynn, is working on the Bryfogle claim. This claim is owned by Murray, McMynn and N. Balle. Already a 60-foot tunnel has been run.

At a distance of 54 feet the ledge was encountered, which proved to be five feet in width. It is a white quartz, carrying gold and copper, and although no assays have yet been made, it is thought, from the character of the ore, that it will give very good values.

The Bryfogle is situated close to the international boundary line and adjoins the famous Southern Belle.

News of a great strike comes from the City of Paris, in Central camp, where the tunnel at the 250-foot level last Tuesday week ran into a body of ore, a sample of which gave assay returns of \$1,144.98; and this was not a picked specimen.

Either South of the main tunnel, in the east drift which was run for exploration purposes, a ledge of galena was found last winter and was followed for 800 feet.

From this lead a trial shipment was made to the Trail smelter a short time since and gave returns of \$18 to the ton. Thus it would seem that the City of Paris is a mine in more ways than one.

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Work is being done on the Queen Fraction.

The Molly Gibson is shipping two carloads of ore each week.

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The Wakefield shipped two carloads of concentrates last week.

The Vancouver is shipping, with plenty of Last week the Slocan Star shipped 40 tons, Payne 150, Last Chance 102.

The Hampton, on Spranger creek, will make a trial shipment to Trail this week.

By sluicing the ledge, ore has been found in two places on the Fairy Queen, Trout creek.

A mill will be erected at the Chapéau just as soon as the machinery can be brought in.

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WILL DO GOOD WORK

What the Associated Boards of Trade Have in View.

IT MEETS IN NELSON AUGUST 2

IT FAVOR Provincial Redistribution, the Cpe ng up of New Camps by Wagon Roads, and Other Measures for Building up the Province.

A meeting of the board of trade was held yesterday for the purpose of giving instructions to the delegates who are to represent the board in the forthcoming second annual meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of Eastern British Columbia.

The executive committee of the Associated Boards of Trade, which consists of President J. S. C. Fraser of Rossland; vice-president, Roderick Robertson of Nelson; second vice-president G. O. Buchanan of Kaslo, and Mr. J. A. Harvey of Fort Steele; Hon. T. Mayne Daly of Rossland, Col. E. S. Topping of Trail, Mr. T. L. Haig of Revelstoke, and Hon. Smith Curtis, representing Grand Forks, will meet at Nelson on Wednesday, August 2, at 8 o'clock, to prepare bylaws for the association, and it is likely that resolutions will be prepared which will be laid before the association when it meets next day.

The association is composed of all the boards of trade in Eastern British Columbia, and when President Fraser calls the meeting to order at 11 a. m. on Thursday, August 2, it is expected that there will be two delegates present from each of the following boards of trade: Cranbrook, Fernie, Fort Steele, Golden, Grand Forks, Greenwood, Kamloops, Kaslo, Nelson, Phoenix, Revelstoke, Trail, Vernon and Rossland. This includes all of the boards of trade in the province except the four at the coast cities.

A very large number of questions of importance, affecting the general welfare of the interior, will come up, including provincial redistribution, the opening up of new mining camps by means of wagon roads, the perfecting of school system, the securing of a resident supreme court judge in Kootenay and other officers.

It is anticipated when the association adjourns that a delegation will be sent to Victoria to present the views of the board before the legislature, and to endeavor to secure legislation on the lines suggested.

The board will be entirely non-partisan in all its actions, and no legislation of a contentious or party nature will be favored; on the contrary, it will endeavor to favor only such measures as are best calculated to result in the development and upbuilding of the country.

At the meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade held in this city from August 3rd to 5th, 1899, a number of resolutions were adopted, many of which were the following:

That the provincial government designate the mineral region occupying the Kettle River Valley basin as the Boundary district; that the district boundaries be defined and so named upon the maps of the province. Another resolution was adopted, which was to issue quarterly bulletins, giving information with reference to the mines.

Asking for better mail facilities in Kootenay and Yale. A separate Dominion member for Kootenay was asked for, and a separate member of the provincial legislature for Boundary was requested.

The following was adopted: Resolved, that it is the sense of the Associated Boards of Trade of Eastern British Columbia, that the largest possible amount of relief would be given the lead mining industry of British Columbia by a reciprocal arrangement with the United States by which lead in bullion and in ore would be admitted free of duty into the markets of the United States, and that we shall continue to urge upon the Canadian commissioners to the international conference the paramount importance of securing such an arrangement pending the conclusion of such a treaty, or in the event of the final failure of negotiations for such a treaty, it is the sense of this association:

(a) The lead smelted in Canada and refined abroad should be readmitted duty free into Canada; (b) That import duties upon lead coming into Canada should be increased to a parity with the duties levied upon other manufactured goods; (c) That the bounties already earned by Canadian smelters under "the Act for the Encouragement of Silver-Lead Smelting" 1885, should be immediately adjusted and paid.

A resolution favoring the location of a high school in this district was adopted. Requesting the government to set aside 20 per cent of the royalty paid by mines for the construction of and maintenance of wagon roads to those where they are located inside of incorporated cities.

The following resolution in relation to wagon roads was adopted: Whereas, there is in many parts of Kootenay, Yale and Cariboo urgent need for the construction of wagon roads and trails in order that mining properties now being rapidly developed can be reached by pack train and wagons so that machinery and supplies can be readily and cheaply got into the same; and, whereas, the immediate expenditure of a large amount of money in the construction of said roads and trails is an urgent necessity and would be a judicious and remunerative investment; and, whereas, the present scale of royalties collected by the provincial government from the mining districts of the province and is barely sufficient for the repair of existing roads and trails, and is such as to give no warrant for the hope that within any reasonable time the needs of these districts which are now imperative and pressing, will receive due consideration at the hands of the government; and, whereas, the system under

which provincial grants for road construction is expended is not such as to secure results commensurate with the outlay, but is inferior in economy and efficiency to a system under which such work would have the benefit of local supervision and control; therefore, be resolved that it is the sense of this association that the government should borrow on the credit of the province a sum of money sufficient to build and maintain the roads and bridges which are at present urgently needed throughout the mining districts of this province, and that hereafter they should adopt a system under which provincial grants for road construction in the mining districts in the province will be largely increased, the same to be commensurate with the revenue derived therefrom, and the expenditure of the same be made under the supervision and control of a local board of commissioners elected by the people; and failing the adoption of some such new and adequate system, the provision should be made by provincial enactment for a form of district or county organization by which any of the districts in the province could if the residents therein see fit, be organized into municipalities either on the lines adopted by the older provinces of Canada or otherwise, with the right in such municipalities of collecting and appropriating for its uses an equitable proportion of the revenues and taxes at present levied and collected by the provincial government, and particularly such as is derived from the mining industries, including recording fees, free miners' licenses and a percentage of the royalty on the output of the mines.

Owing to the fact that the last provincial legislature failed to do anything before it was dissolved, no action was taken on the resolutions addressed to it. Under the circumstances, at the present meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade, it will be necessary to go over the same ground as was traversed last year.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Resolutions for Nelson—The Question of Quarantine.

There was a special meeting of the board of trade last evening which was called for the especial purpose of instructing the delegates to the associated board which is to meet in Nelson next Thursday. There was a fair attendance, the president, Mr. C. O. Lalonde, taking the chair.

Before coming to the real business of the meeting the question of the quarantine imposed by the Dominion government upon traffic from the United States was gone into. The telegram and letter written and sent according to the instruction of the board at the last meeting to the government at Ottawa was read out by the secretary, Mr. Lalonde made an explanation saying that Dr. Sinclair, the Dominion quarantine officer here, had come to him and had asked him to delay the despatch of the telegram and letter. He showed that he had a letter from Butte showing the prevalence of smallpox at that city and also that there were cases in Springfield. On looking at these letters Mr. Lalonde said he found that the Butte letter set forth that there had been 180 cases in that city but that there was none there at the time, the first day of this month. The communication sent from Mr. Percy Wright, the Dominion officer traveling between the Boundary and Nelson, stating that he had heard that there had occurred a solitary case at Springfield. Mr. Lalonde said that in his opinion the doctor had not shown sufficient cause for delay, and had consequently done nothing to prevent the despatch of the communications to Ottawa.

No resolutions were brought forward by any of the members with a view of preparing resolutions for the associated board with the exception of two that were drafted by Mr. A. J. McMillan and which meeting with the approval of the board here, were recommended by that body to be presented by its delegates at Nelson.

The first of these was that the board strongly approved of the action of the provincial government in appointing a commission to enquire into the working of the mineral and water rights acts and were of the opinion that the government should widen the scope of the enquiry so as to be able to ascertain the best means of raising funds in order to build the necessary roads and bridges for opening up to the best advantage the mineral wealth of the district.

The second resolution was deprecating the action of the Land and Works department in levying royalty on timber cut on mineral claims irrespective of the uses for which timber so cut was put; whether in the mine or whether for open sale. It further went on to state that the sums so levied, and which had often been paid only under protest should be refunded.

This closed the business before the meeting, and it accordingly adjourned.

The Bridge Collapsed.

A bridge on the Spokane Falls & Northern railway, between Marcus and Myer's Falls, collapsed on Monday afternoon at 6:45 p. m., and an engine and four cars loaded with wood were precipitated into the gulch. Engineer Bacon and the fireman received fatal injuries. The bridge is so badly wrecked that it will take ten days to repair it. Passengers and mail during that time will have to be transferred around the bridge. The bridge has been repaired.

Mr. H. R. Kirkpatrick, of the Ingeroll-Sergeant company, is in the city on a visit.

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