

THE MINING REVIEW

The Mines of Rossland are Nearly all Working.

OUTPUT FOR WEEK 5,840 TONS

Mr. Bernard McDonald Succeeds Mr. Carlyle Today—Monte Christo Shipping Again—The Big Mines all Working Smoothly—Shipments for the Week.

The fact that the output of ore for the past week from Rossland mines exceeded 5,800 tons, should demonstrate clearly that the camp is prospering favorably. This is the second largest shipment for any one week ever made by the mines, the heaviest being that ending Saturday, November 29th, when 6,106 tons were sent out.

The management of the B. A. C. properties is at present in a state of transition. Bernard McDonald, the new general superintendent and mining engineer of the corporation, the successor to W. A. Carlyle, arrived in the camp late last evening, and will take charge at once. Major W. T. Collins, who came out here from England expressly for the purpose of appointing Mr. Carlyle's successor, will leave for England again on Tuesday next.

Mr. W. B. Wilson, the superintendent of the Le Roi, who fractured his left knee cap so severely ten days ago, is still confined to his room, and is not likely to be about for some weeks, although progressing favorably as the week closes. While Mr. McDonald has a general knowledge of the Le Roi and the other mines of the B. A. C., it will take him some time at least to acquaint himself thoroughly with all the working properties. Major Collins, on being applied to yesterday, said that the Le Roi and all the other properties of the B. A. C. were progressing favorably and the development work was being pushed as usual. He had nothing particular to say. The Major did, indeed, speak rather warmly of the persistent efforts of the bear clique in England to lower the stock of the Le Roi and British America corporation generally, and he seemed to think it likely that false information was sometimes sent out from Rossland for the express purpose of bearing the stock. The Major was informed that The Miner expressly desired to publish only accurate and definite information of the Le Roi and all the other mines of the camp from time to time, and preferred to obtain this information solely from headquarters in every instance.

That The Miner was not connected directly or indirectly with any stock movement in or out of the camp and only desired to give information that was constantly being asked for. Mr. Hastings was seen yesterday, but stated that there was nothing of importance to give out this week concerning the War Eagle and Centre Star. The shipments from the latter exceed 1,000 tons, and are the largest for any week this year. Mr. Edward Kirby will return to day after an absence of over six weeks in Montana. The electrical compressor continues to run both sides satisfactorily, and one side of the big hoist continues to be used. The temporary compressor plant at the head of the Centre Star mine shaft is about completed and housed, and the small hoisting apparatus at the shaft in the 250-foot level, is now in working order so that both properties are in fair shape to do good work from this time on.

The list of working properties in the camp now includes the Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Iron Mask, I. X. L., Monte Christo, Columbia-Kootenay, Number 1, Jumbo, Josie, Gertrude, Coxy, Virginia, Deer Park, White Bear, Sunset No. 2, Iron Colt, Evening Star, California, Mountain Trail, Velvet, Miscoot, New Star, Evening Nickel Plate, Great West, Paris Belle, Wallingford, Ethel, Green Mountain, Leiter and several others. There are more working properties in and adjacent to Rossland than at any time in the history of the camp, and the weekly output is now greater than ever before and steadily increasing.

The Output. The ore shipments for the past week show that the mines have been turning out well and the total amount is the second largest in the history of the camp. In all 5,840 tons were sent to the two smelters, of which 2,550 tons went from the Le Roi mine to the Northport smelter and 3,290 tons in all to the Trail smelter from the War Eagle, Centre Star, Iron Mask and Monte Christo mines. The feature of the week was the entrance of the Monte Christo property into the shipping list and as will be seen in the list of mines the preliminary shipments made during the past week will be increased as soon as the roads get into proper condition. The total of 5,840 tons gives a daily average of a little over 834 tons, which is getting rather close to the daily average of 1,000 tons a day, which is promised shortly, and really seems to be in sight. The daily average for the Northport smelter is a little short of 367 tons and for the Trail smelter nearly 467 tons. The Gooderham-Blackstock properties had a total of 3,060 tons of ore shipped during the week from the War Eagle and Centre Star, which was a total of 470 tons more than was shipped by the Le Roi, which still holds its own as the largest individual shipper.

The total for the week and for the year to date are as follows:

Table with columns: Week-Tons, Year-Tons. Rows include Le Roi, War Eagle, Iron Mask, Evening Star, Deer Park, Centre Star, Columbia-Kootenay, Virginia, Mountain Trail, I. X. L., Coxy, Monte Christo, Total.

Total 5,840 170,248. Giant—Messrs E. D. Sanders and Col. W. H. M. Ridpath were in the city during the week for the purpose of looking after the operations on the Giant. They said that they intended to at once commence the work of shipping the ore which is on the dump. About 400 tons of ore is immediately available. The roads are be-

ginning to get in such a condition that it can now be hauled from the Giant to the railway. "It is in the way of the buildings which we purpose erecting, and must be removed," said Col. Ridpath. "We are also making the necessary arrangements for installing the four-drill compressor, which we recently purchased from the Canadian Rand Drill company. This compressor is only a make-shift, and will be succeeded later on by a ten-drill plant. The plant has been at the depot for several days past awaiting the time when the roads would get in better condition. We have not fully decided on a plan for the development of the Giant, but think it very probable that we will use the old shafts and commence our underground exploratory work from these. One of these shafts, which is located on the copper ledge, is down for a depth of 100 feet. It is very probable that we will crosscut from this towards the vein. The other shaft, which has reached a depth of 45 feet, is on a quartz vein which carries gold and silver in paying quantities. This shaft will be deepened to 100 feet and a crosscut be made toward the ledge. The first attention will be given to the copper vein, but shortly after the plant is in operation we will give the quartz vein some of our time. We expect to work six men until the plant is up, and then the force will be increased as the exigencies demand. Six months soon run around, and we wish to know what the Giant is worth before our bond runs out. Let me tell you also that we are greatly pleased with the way the Giant is turning out.

Arthur.—A syndicate of local business men has been formed to take over the Arthur mine on Sophia mountain, about two miles from the vein. The terms have been arranged and the deal concluded. A company is being formed to be known as the Arthur Mines Limited. The promoters just as soon as the control was acquired sent out men to erect buildings suitable for a winter camp and these will be completed in a few days. Early this week it is intended that development work shall be commenced by running a tunnel on the main vein, which is four feet wide. The slope of the mountain is such that when the tunnel has been driven 100 feet it will have a depth from the surface where the original find was made, of from 100 to 125 feet.

Monte Christo.—The Monte Christo started shipping during the past week, and sent down seven boxcar loads of ore to the Trail smelter. The returns from these shipments have not yet been received, but the character of the rock is such that there can be no doubt of favorable results. Just as soon as the roads get into good shape the manager expects to ship two carloads of ore to the smelter. There are now nine men working in the mine developing and stripping out ore.

Big Four.—Work is still being pushed on the Big Four crosscutting the vein and the group is looking well. The ore is getting better with every shot and only 10 feet more has to be opened before the pay chute is reached. Work will be commenced on the boarding house on Monday. It is notable that there has not yet been a single share of treasury stock in this property sold and that it remains intact. All the funds for the development of the property have been provided by the vendor out of the sale of the pooled shares.

Deer Park.—In the Deer Park mine 22 men are at work regularly, and the south drift is being driven from the 350-foot level of the No. 1 shaft to tap the new find at depth. The men are working in three eight-hour shifts, and 31 feet was made during the past week, and the breast is now within 40 feet of coming directly under the new shaft, where an upraise will be started to connect with the new shaft. The property is looking well.

California.—The new buildings at the California are now nearly completed and work on them is being vigorously pushed. As soon as they have been finished and the hoist has been put in position it is intended to go ahead with the shaft. The arrangements that have been made will give this property one of the best and most complete plants in the camp. The tunnel had been driven yesterday 245 feet in. Fifteen men are at work underground and there are in all 32 men working above and below. In the mine itself Heather Belle.—Mr. Sam Forteaith, manager of the Heather Belle, says that he has a store of seven men at work, and a stock of supplies in, for the purpose of continuing work on the property all winter. The idea is to get out ore, of which there is a large body of shipping grade, and to commence raving and shipping to the smelter. The property is looking well, and Mr. Forteaith expects it will be on the list of shippers in the course of a few weeks.

Paris Belle.—The first shaft on the Paris Belle has been abandoned temporarily on account of surface water, and another started at the intersection of the northwest and main east and west ledges. No trouble is expected at this point on account of water, and assays already obtained at the surface indicate that the Paris Belle will form a valuable property as development proceeds.

Big Three.—Mr. W. Y. Williams has resigned his position of superintendent of this property on account of the pressure of other business, particularly in the Boundary Creek country. He decided after much deliberation that he could not do full justice to the property, in which he has every confidence. Mr. J. W. Hamilton has been appointed superintendent and is now at work.

Iron Colt.—It is now cleaning time at the Iron Colt property and everything is being put in shape to resume operations after the long shut down. An office is being built for the new superintendent, Mr. Alex. Sharp, and a blacksmith shop and other necessary buildings are being erected. Active development work will be resumed in a few days.

Norway Mountain.—The shaft on the Norway Mountain property is being continued down and the values have

doubled in the last 12 feet and are continuing to increase. The managers of the property are feeling confident that the mine will prove to be a most valuable one.

Evening.—Mr. Harry Hanlen, the superintendent of the Evening mine on Big Sheep creek, brought in a sack of ore from the vein, which, during the last week's work, has widened out to nearly nine feet with no hanging wall yet, the ore being of high grade as shown in the company's office window.

Virginia.—During the excessively wet autumn that has prevailed in the Kootenay, the water has been seeping into the workings of the Virginia, especially in the new shaft, and general development work has been practically stopped until the cold weather sets in.

Jumbo.—The tunnel on the Jumbo property is now in 450 feet, and work is being actively pushed with a force of five men. Mr. M. R. Galusha, the manager, who has been in the city for some days looking over the property, is satisfied with the general outlook.

Coxy.—A contract has been let for driving a tunnel on the Coxy as far as needed and six men are now at work under this arrangement. There is nothing new to report further excepting the character of the rock is looking better as the work progresses.

Gertrude.—Nineteen men are now working on the Gertrude property drifting north and south. There is a slight improvement in the appearance of the rock through which the work is being done.

Sunset No. 2.—In the Sunset No. 2 property, drifting on the No. 1 and No. 3 veins west is being actively prosecuted, and 27 men are at work. Two machines are running on the out look is daily becoming more promising.

I. X. L.—Work is being actively pushed in the crosscut from No. 3 tunnel in the I. X. L. The crosscut has been driven about 60 feet, and it is expected that the ledge will be reached shortly.

Dreaded Diphtheria

ITS AFTER EFFECTS FREQUENTLY SHATTER STRONG NERVES.

Mr. S. McDougall Suffered for Years and His Doctor Told Him Recovery Was Impossible—Again Strong and Healthy.

Farmer and "jack of all trades" is what Mr. Salter McDougall styled himself when interviewed by the News recently. Mr. McDougall resides at Alton, about 10 miles from Truro, N. S., and according to his own statement has been made a new man by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. When interviewed by the News man, Mr. McDougall said: "I am only too glad to give you any information you may want. Anything I can say will not be too good a recommendation or Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Up to the year 1888," continued Mr. McDougall, "I had always enjoyed good health. At that time I had a severe attack of diphtheria, the after effects of which left me in a deplorable condition. I was troubled with a constant pain in my left side, just below the heart, and at times dizziness would cause me to throw up my hands and fall on my back, or side. My face hands and feet would swell and turn cold. In this condition I could not move hands or feet and had to be moved like a child. My appetite all but left me and I got very little sleep. I was under the care of a doctor, but got nothing more than occasional temporary relief. Finally I got so low that my friends wrote for my father to come and see me for the last time. This was in January, 1895. That night the doctor told my friends that he could do nothing for me, and he doubted if I would live through the night. That night I took a severe fit of vomiting and raised three pieces of matter, tough and leathery in appearance, and each about three inches long. The vomiting almost choked me, and it required two people to hold me in bed, but I felt easier after it. I was in this deplorable condition when I was urged by a neighbor to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. It was a hopeless case but I decided to try them. When I told the doctor I was taking the pills he said they would do me no good; that I would never be able to work again. But he was mistaken, for the effect was marvellous. By March I was able to go out of doors, and could walk quite a distance. I can now use 17 boxes, and they have made a new man of me. My health is better than it has been for 20 years, and notwithstanding the doctor's prediction, I am able to stand any amount of hard work. I attribute my new manhood and regained health to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and gratefully recommend them to others in poor health."

VICTORIA.

The Charity Hospital ball held recently realized \$700.

According to statistics of the customs house over 20,000 tons of goods of various kinds were sent in to the Klondike, Atlin and other northern gold fields from Victoria during the season just closed.

At St. James' church, James Bay, Friday evening the rector, Rev. Mr. Sweet, performed the ceremony that made Miss Lucy Murrant, eldest daughter of Mrs. J. S. Murrant, the bride of Mr. Joseph D. Wingham of Seattle.

A number of mining men from Spokane and other points are at present in the city. They are understood to be engaged in an effort to bond or secure working options on as many West Coast properties as possible. A number of big deals are pending, which may mean much for the West Coast, but it is impossible as yet to secure details concerning them.

A meeting was held at Hotel Driard Thursday night for the purpose of forming a medical association such as has long been advocated among the practicing physicians of the city. The profession was represented by Drs. Holder, Oyster, Robertson, Milne, Fraser, Helmecken, Holden, Manning and Earnest Hall. A permanent organization was effected, the officers being J. D. Helmecken, president; R. L. Fraser, vice-president, and H. Robertson, secretary-treasurer.

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MUNROE & MUNROE MINES AND MINING 68 Canada Life Bldg., Montreal, Quebec. Mr. R. C. Pollett, managing director of the American Eagle Mining company, has returned from a visit to Ymir, where he has been overseeing operations on the Nevada, the property which his company is operating.

December 14, 1899 IMPROVEMENTS. 3 and Denmark in the Trail Creek West Kootenay one About four miles Wm. E. Devereux, Jr., free miner's intend, sixty days to apply to the certificate of impo- above claims. notice that action, be commenced be- such certificate of Oct., A. D. 1899. DEVEREUX, P. L. S. IMPROVEMENTS. raction mineral the Trail Creek West Kootenay. About north of Rossland, Wm. E. Devereux, mining, F. M. C. No. 13, F. M. C. No. 14, F. M. C. No. 15, days from the to the mining re- improvements, ning a crown grant notice that action, be commenced be- such certificate of of November, A. DEVEREUX, P. L. S. IMPROVEMENTS. situate in the Trail of West Kootenay one About one mile adjoining the Myr- Wm. E. Devereux, mining, free miner's and I. E. Suckling, No. 35,430A, in- the date hereof, to recorder for a cer- for the purpose grant of the above notice that action, be commenced be- such certificate of of Oct., A. D. 1899. DEVEREUX, P. L. S. IMPROVEMENTS. claim, situate in Division of West Here located: On eight miles easterly A. A. Wilkin, acting inelair, free miner's No. S. T. Langley, No. 13,092 A., M. certificate No. B. 18, days from the date the mining recorder improvements, for the crown grant of the notice that action, be commenced be- such certificate of of September, 1899. F. A. WILKIN. IMPROVEMENTS. claim, situate in Division of West Here located: Six- ssland, B. C., north Copper King mineral Wm. E. Devereux, R. Blockberger, F. George D. Root, F. Harry Hansen, F. intend, sixty days to apply to the certificate of im- purpose of obtaining above claim. notice that action, be commenced be- such certificate of of August, 1899. DEVEREUX, P. L. S. IMPROVEMENTS.