

Mining News

Promising Properties Near Ymir.

Situated at the head of Hidden creek, in a large basin, are a number of properties of merit which have the indications of making mines. The distance is only about eight miles from Ymir and the results continue as they have heretofore there will be two or three shipping properties from that locality. The Silver Lake group, composed of the Union, Silver Lake and Progress claims. These claims were located in the summer of 1898. The ledge, which is composed of quartz and a galena running very high in lead, can be traced down the face of the hill for a distance of some 700 feet and in about four miles on the surface. The ground is covered with metal float and this is what led the original locators to investigate it and stake the property. They have done considerable work uncovering the ledge, and besides that have run a tunnel which is 65 feet in length; the mineral is evenly distributed among the quartz and is free from the foot and hanging walls which are slate, the ledge being undoubtedly a true fissure. At the present property does not run very high in gold or silver, but there is every encouragement to believe that with further progress the values will increase. An average of about \$100 can be got while picking assays will run up well. The site is an excellent one as the mountain rises up nearly perpendicularly.

Opposite this property, that is on the other side of the gulch, is the Big Horn group, which is being worked by Boston that this month and will commence running in a few days' time. The new management has taken hold of the property, and it is expected that the plant will now be run steadily. Nelson Miner.

Slocan Mineral Float.
The Ruth train has been completed. Some work is being done on the Coriath and Silver Bell.
A contract has been given for 100 feet of tunnel on Ruth No. 2.
Last week the Waterbury shipped 73 tons and the Sapphire 15 tons.
The Smiths are working a small vein on the Silver Bell. Eight 300 ton cars.
The force on the Wakefield has been increased and now numbers about 20 men.
About 20 men are working on the trail along the north fork of Carpenter creek.
Work on the Mero claim across the creek from New Denver, is going satisfactorily ahead, with fair showing.
An important strike has been made on the Dalhousie, on Ten Mile creek, a short distance from the Enterprise. The ore is four inches or more in size. The owners of the property will continue development work.
Work on the Queen Fraction, on the lake shore, is in 50 feet. The ledge continues strong and rich, and is steadily increasing in width and promise.
A trail is being cut to the big galena ledge discovered at Nelson last year. This ledge is of great length and carries plenty of concentrating ore.
A carload of ore was shipped last week from the Tamarac mine, on Springer creek, to the Nelson smelter. Six men are at work on the property.
The force at the Arlington now numbers 14. Development work is going ahead satisfactorily, and indications are favorable for this to be made an early shipper.
Work on the Sarah Jane, another New Denver property, adjoining the Neglected, was resumed this week. A strong ledge, similar to that on the Neglected, is being shown up.
A brief delay work was resumed on the Neglected Thursday last. The tunnel will be pushed in on the lead 50 or 100 feet further, and open-cutting of stripping done on the ledge farther up the hill.
The C. E. Kool, a very dark looking fellow, employed this week hauling ore from the Queen Bell to the railroad. There are in the ore sheds probably 4,000 sacks of ore which will be shipped this month, greatly swelling the output from that property. New Denver Ledger.

Kaslo.
The contractors of the Kaslo and Ladoucan railway are by no means allowed to get the grass to grow under their feet as far as construction is concerned. G. A. Carlson who has the contract for building the first 15 miles of the road is getting in additional supplies with a view to increasing the force of men employed by 500.

The Boundary Country.
Two shifts are now working on the John Bull near Gladstone.
The 20 stamps in the Cariboo, in Camp McKinnay, are being tripping steadily.
A magnificent body of copper ore has been opened up on the R. Bell in Summit camp.

The small stamp mill erected on the Ono Pine near Fairview, is now in operation.
The Waterloo is installing a new steam hoist and a No. 5 Cameron pump. The management is getting estimates for a new steam mill.
The Fontenay is putting in place a 6x8 double cylinder steam hoist, a No. 5 Cameron sinking pump and a machine drill.
The Cariboo-Amelia company is getting a new 10-horse power compressor in place of the old 4-horse one.
The Minnehaha is putting in a new 4-horse compressor, with a 30-horse power hoist and three new machine drills. They are now down a 100 feet on this property.
An assay was made from the bottom of the mine on the Princess Maed about 10 feet below the tunnel level which yielded

22 ounces gold and 140 ounces silver, a total value of \$538.95 per ton. This is the highest value ever obtained in the mine and the highest silver assays ever obtained in the camp.
R. A. Brown has started work on the Volcanic, which is again his individual property, and he feels confident that the big tunnel he is driving to cut the lead at a depth of over 1,000 feet, will encounter the ore body within the next few weeks.

The Victor, an adjacent claim to the Oro Denoro in Summit camp, is showing up most promisingly. Within a few feet of the surface the vein shows four feet of solid ore.
Recent assays from the Pag Ore, on the north fork of Kettle river, gave \$163 in gold. A new contract to extend the 70-foot tunnel has been let.
The Seaforth claim of the Ballard group, on Norway mountain, has a 40-foot ledge, which has been reached by a rock tunnel.

On the Copper King and No. 5, Crown Point camp, a fine showing of copper sulphide ore is reported and the owners are pushing development vigorously with the expectation of opening up a mine.
Work will be started on the Great Hope in Deadwood camp, owned largely by Peter Larsen and T. Greenough. It was worked years ago as a free milling property, which turned to base ore with depth.
On the Lucky Fraction, on Copper mountain, the boys have sunk a shaft 18 feet and the bottom is in solid mineral, with no walls in sight. On the surface, the ledge has been stripped in several places as high as 20 feet. The ore averages 10 per cent, and also carries substantial gold values. The shaft is down 175 feet. The ledge has been crossed at 115 feet and a drift run. The shaft will be continued at different levels established. Nelson Tribune.

Kamloops Ore.
Mr. J. A. Donaldson, of Kamloops, foreman on the Pot Hook property, is in town spending a few days. Mr. Donaldson owns or has an interest in several claims adjoining the Pot Hook, two of the principal ones being the Truth in sample of the Truth ore is on view in the Miner window. The ore runs 15 per cent copper and \$5.00 in gold, and was taken from a point 35 feet down the shaft. Other samples from the Kamloops district, brought in by Mr. Donaldson, comes from the Gordon claim, 13 miles from Kamloops, on the South Thompson river. This rocks shows about \$30 in gold and from 15 to 18 ounces of silver.

The Pot Hook property is the leading mine of the district and is owned and operated by the Scottish Copper Mines syndicate, limited, a Scottish mining syndicate. The syndicate will put in a 30-horse power hoisting engine and a 30-horse power boiler and arrangements have been completed to erect a concentrator early in the spring. The ore will concentrate about 70 to 1.

Twenty-two men are employed on the property and a good deal of work has been accomplished during the past 19 months. A double-compartment shaft 100 feet level has been sunk. At the 70-foot level a crosscut has been made for 45 feet; at 100-foot level the crosscut has been run 245 feet. At 215 feet in this crosscut an 18-foot vein was encountered that showed an average value of 5 1/2 per cent copper and from \$3 to \$20 in gold. A drift was run on the vein for 60 feet and a body of bonite was struck. This is the first strike of bonite on the property. Mr. Donaldson left for his trip and the extent of the find was not known. The bonite runs about 55 per cent copper and carries from \$3 to \$20 in gold. A drift has been run on the 120-foot level and it was in this crosscut that the native copper was found. The copper is in strips and shreds, and it looks as if it had been partly smelted.

Mr. Donaldson says that the Copper King, about 14 miles southwest of Kamloops, is working seven men with good results. A shaft has been sunk 50 feet and a tunnel run in to cut the ledge over 20 feet. The Erin has a shaft down about 97 feet, the ore assaying 16 in gold and as high as 18 per cent copper. The Python, three miles southwest of Kamloops, is preparing to start up. The owners have commenced to build bunk houses and have almost completed a road. Rossland Miner.

Rossland Output.
For the week the output was 3,554 tons, all told. The following are details for the week ending July 22nd, and for the year to date:

Mine	Week	Year
	Tons	Tons
Le Roi	1,248	45,296
War Eagle	1,473	23,628
Evening Star	180	1,615
Deer Park	21	178
Centre Star	62	3,187
Total	3,584	73,790

Around Ymir.
Sixteen-mile creek is beginning to give a good account of itself.
On the Wilcox, Phil White and his force of men are as busy as beavers.
On the M. & M. mineral claim, up Wild Horse creek, assessment work is being done.
On the Rio Grande an eight-foot ledge has been struck of concentrating ore in the crosscut.
At the Big Horn group Tom Woods is busy with his force of men doing both tunneling and shaft sinking.
President Brewster has been in town for inspection of the Wilcox group, and says everything is going on famously. The shaft is now down 45 feet and in solid ore.
The shaft on the Trask is now down a little over 30 feet. The vein is 10 to 12 inches in width and has a pay streak of 22 inches. It assays \$38.53, almost all gold. Another ledge will be opened shortly. It is 30 feet wide and gives good shipping values.
The main shareholder in the Simcoe company, went up to the Big Horn group recently and expresses himself satisfied with all he saw.
L. J. Winslow and W. Bannan have sold their properties situated up Hidden creek, viz., the Jessie M., Republic and Klondike mineral claims, for cash to the Standard Mines of E. C. Limited, which has its head office in Rossland, and has principal shareholders are Toronto cap-

italists. It is the intention of the company to proceed with development work at once. It has a 50-foot ledge and assays from the surface went \$32.
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