

Two cars of ore, containing seventy-five tons that was shipped from the Province mine, at Greenwood, during the present month, have given a return of \$14,000. Most of this ore has been mined from the stopes on the 400-foot level, which level is being extended with promising results. The 500-foot level is being developed and stopes are being opened out. The ore is said to be of a higher grade than that found on the 400-foot level. Shipping from this level will be started shortly.

The Princeton Mining & Developing Co., four miles east of Princeton, has completed the erection of boarding and bunk houses, an office and other buildings, and will instal an eighty horse power boiler and four-drill compressor as soon as the conditions of the road permit of hauling from Copper Mountain. The company consists of residents of Spokane and Everett, in addition to British Columbia mining men. The mine has been opened by three tunnels and several crosscuts.

More than 2,000 feet of work has been done on the vein, and a large quantity of concentrating ore disclosed. Returns of fifteen per cent. copper and two ounces of silver to the ton were obtained on a shipment to the Trail smelter. Picked samples from the high grade shoots assayed twenty-eight per cent. copper and twelve ounces of silver to the ton. The company intends to build a concentrator of fifty tons capacity, and to increase its capacity as to the development of ore proceeds.

Bounties on iron manufactured in the province now are payable until 1923, according to the Iron Bounties Act. An amendment to the act, introduced by the Minister of Mines, provides that the period for the payment of bounties shall be extended to 1925. The bounty payable under the statute is \$3 per ton on pig-iron manufactured in the province from iron ore manufactured in the province. A bounty of \$1.50 per ton is paid on pig-iron manufactured from iron ore produced outside the province.

Shipments of fluorite concentrates from the Rock Candy mill of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. at Lynch Creek, will run about a carload a day, and to handle business from the North Fork the K.V.R. has established a twice-a-week service, on Mondays and Thursdays.

The crew at the Rock Candy mine has now been brought up to full strength, employing about 35 men, and the tram-line is carrying about one hundred tons during the eight-hour day shift. At the mill, two miles distant, the roasters are kept in continuous operation, men working on three shifts at the decrepitating plant.

Fluorspar ore from the mine is running about 25 per cent. waste, so that the concentrates will work out close to 75 tons per day.

Shipments of fluorite concentrates are now being made to Eastern steel plants in Canada as well as to those at Gary, Indiana, which has received the bulk of the concentrates to the present. Last week shipments were made to the Canadian steel works at Hamilton, Ont. Previously shipments were made to steel works at Sault Ste. Marie and Nova Scotia.

A Vancouver man, Mr. R. W. Wood, has been made president of the Premier Gold Mines, Ltd. Mr. Wood was elected at the annual meeting of the company, held in Vancouver, at which representatives of the Keith and Guggenheim interests were present and was the unanimous choice of the shareholders.

Other directors were elected as follows: First vice-president, H. A. Guess; second vice-president, Minor C. Keith; secretary, W. E. Merris; secretary of company, L. A. Chapin; directors, H. B. Price, R. K. Neill and W. R. Wilson.

Mr. Guess is also vice-president and managing director of the American Mining & Smelting Co. of New York, while Mr. Keith is a vice-president of the United Fruit Co. of New York. Messrs. Merris and Chapin are both of New York.

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TO END OF DECEMBER, 1918

Has produced Minerals valued as follows: Placer Gold, \$75,436,103; Lode Gold, \$97,121,786; Silver, \$46,839,631; Lead, \$42,294,251; Copper, \$145,741,060; Other Metals (Zinc, Iron, etc.), \$13,278,058; Coal and Coke, \$187,147,652; Building Stone, Brick, Cement, etc., \$28,843,272; Miscellaneous Minerals, \$651,759; making its Mineral Production to the end of 1918 show an

Aggregate Value of \$637,353,581

Production for Year Ending December, 1918, \$41,782,474

The Mining Laws of this Province are more liberal and the fees lower than those of any other Province in the Dominion, or any colony in the British Empire.

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