

THE MINING REVIEW

A Number of Properties Have Resumed Operations.

IRON COLT BEING WORKED AGAIN

The Ore Shipments This Week Reached a Total of 4,562 Tons—The St. Elmo Compressor Started—The Giant Plant Will Soon be Installed.

The mining situation is showing marked signs of improvement. This is evidenced by the fact that work has recently been resumed on a number of properties. The Evening Star, for instance, has resumed operations with mining men of experience behind it. The work is being done on an extensive scale, a plant is to be added and many miners to be employed. Then there is the Iron Colt, on which development work is to be pushed with energy and with the aid of a steam plant. The California mine soon have its 10-horse power compressor plant ready for operation, extensive buildings have been erected and soon the development of this property will be in full swing. The present the small force employed is operating by hand and the progress made is necessarily slow. When the plant is put in operation a considerable increase in the force may be expected. The five-drill compressor plant of the New St. Elmo started on Friday last from now on the development of this promising property should be rapid. There is a very fair showing of ore and a good grade in the New St. Elmo and results should be attained before many months. Work has been commenced on the Evening Star, a promising property on Sheep Creek. This property was recently acquired by the Evening Mining company. Work has been resumed on the Iron Colt after a shut down of nearly two years. The company has been made the manager and as each assessment yields \$25,000 there will be plenty of money for development purposes. With ample funds, a good plant and a competent man in charge a pay ore shoot should soon be found in this property.

The Ore Shipments.

Owing to the shutting down of the War Eagle compressor for a short time last week the ore shipments for the past seven days have fallen down to a small extent from the reports of the previous week. Then 4,884 tons of ore were sent out from the different mines, and this was thought to be low. This week 4,567 tons of ore were shipped before six o'clock, but there were eight cars on the track, and these would have brought up the total to 4,810 tons, or approximately the same as last week. As soon as the cold weather sets in many of the mines which have been obliged to be shut down will be resumed, and as these are able to send down good grades of ore and have quantities stored out, it may be fairly expected that before the cold weather sets in permanently the smelters will have all they can do to handle the ores offered them.

The following are the shipments of ore from Rossland for the past week and for the year to date:

Week, tons.	Year, tons.
Le Roi.....2,425	86,017
War Eagle.....1,260	58,308
Iron Mask.....51	5,136
Evening Star.....1,088	10,088
Deer Park.....18	1,018
Centre Star.....788	13,045
Columbia-Kootenay.....111	1,111
Virginia.....100	1,000
Mountain Trail.....75	750
I. X. L.....20	200
Coxey.....20	200
Total.....4,562	164,408

Iron Colt—Operations were resumed on the Iron Colt yesterday after a shut down of practically two years. There was only one break in this when a little work was done last winter. The work has been done under the direction of Mr. Alexander Sharp and consists principally of getting the building and machinery in order so that there may be no shut-down after the work of development has once been started. It is thought this preliminary work will be finished in about three or four days. Mr. Sharp is peculiarly fitted to carry on the operations on the Iron Colt. For three years he worked in the Columbia-Kootenay and was a foreman there up to the time of the resignation of Mr. D. J. Macdonald as superintendent. He is therefore, well acquainted with the peculiarities of the formation, the nature of the ore shoots, and other matters important to know. As the Iron Colt is situated immediately to the west of the Columbia-Kootenay this knowledge of the local situation will be of great help in the development of the property, as the properties have the same formation and general characteristics. Under the circumstances the management of the Iron Colt is to be congratulated upon the fact that it has secured a man who is calculated to develop the Iron Colt to the very best advantage.

Giant.—Mr. Nick Tregear, superintendent of the Giant, reports that he is grading out a site for the smelter plant. The four-drill compressor plant, which was in the warehouse at the railway depot, is in the warehouse at the Giant on account of the softness of the roads. The taking of ore from the surface continues, and there is about 400 tons ready for shipment to the smelter. The spot on which the inclined shaft is to be sunk has not yet been selected, as Mr. Tregear wishes to thoroughly prospect the surface so as to find the richest ore shoot. It is much better to spend a little money on surface prospecting and to thoroughly know the location of the ledges than to spend many thousands of dollars in groping around under ground searching for pay ore at depth.

Iron Mask.—In the Iron Mask mine they are stopping ore in the 400-foot level west, breaking a vein 17 feet wide of first class ore. In the face of the 300-foot west drift, where the management was driving last week through a streak of lean ore, a good ore shoot six feet wide and enlarging has been struck. This vein is of good paying value. On the 350-foot level the ore continues to increase in value and width, so much so as to have

nearly doubled in both instances. The No. 5 fault on the 400-foot level has been actively pushed, and it is expected that a very fine body of ore will shortly be struck judging from the level above. The general work of development is going steadily ahead, and the shipments of ore to the Trail smelter are being kept up, and will continue to increase from this time forward.

Centre Star.—The new steam auxiliary plant which has been recently installed in the Centre Star mine was slated up during the past week, only, however, to give it a thorough test. The plant has five small compressors which will, average, to work, successfully, seven drills each, or 35 drills in all. The run that was made, proved very satisfactory, and the plant will probably run steadily from some time this week until the permanent machinery is installed. In the meantime sinking on the shaft is being vigorously pushed and new stations are being cut out. The shipments from the mine vary but little from those of last week, but when the temporary plant is regularly at work these shipments will be increased but the permanent machinery is expected to make this mine one of the greatest shippers in the camp.

Deer Park.—Three shifts are at work in the south drift on the 300-foot level, and will tap the shaft on the new fine at a depth of 180 feet. The breast of the drift is now 75 feet from where it will be directly under the shaft. The face of the drift is well mineralized and is changing in character, as more copper than hitherto is found in it. Twenty-eight feet was made in the drift last week. Owing to the trouble caused by surface water coming in the work on the new shaft has been temporarily stopped, pending the letting of a contract to further deepen it. There are 22 men at work on the Deer Park.

Columbia-Kootenay.—On the Columbia Kootenay mine work is going on in cutting out a large station in the No. 6 tunnel preparatory to sinking a three-compartment shaft to any desired depth. The station is being cut about 1,000 feet from the mouth of the tunnel, and the management intend to crosscut at each 300-foot station and continue down until the whole value of the mine has been ascertained. The shaft is being sunk through the belt where ore has been found above, and it is expected that the property will prove to be one of the best in the district.

The Josie.—Work is now going on erecting new hoisting works at the Josie mine, and it is expected that these will be completed very shortly, when development work can be carried on very rapidly, and it is expected that the Josie and Annie properties will join the ranks of shipping mines with ore carrying good values.

The No. 1.—The development work on the No. 1 mine is going along very satisfactorily and the indications point to this property shortly taking rank among the most valuable in the camp.

New St. Elmo.—The West Kootenay Light and Power company extended its pole line during the week to the compressor plant on the New St. Elmo. The necessary connections were made on Friday and the five-drill compressor plant was started on that day. It has run in a very satisfactory manner since. Now that the plant is in operation the work of developing the property will be pushed more rapidly than ever. The New St. Elmo is the most promising property. It is close to the Cliff, a mine that has quite a record as a shipper.

Deiter.—Mr. A. G. White arrived in the city yesterday from the Leiter on Sophie mountain and reports that the lead has been crosscut for a distance of 10 feet and the hanging wall is not yet in sight. The ledge matter so far encountered consists of porphyritic quartz carrying copper pyrites. No assays have been made as yet to determine the values. The intention is to sink a winze on lead No. 2 at a point 80 feet from the portal of the tunnel. The purpose is to explore the vein at depth.

War Eagle.—Sinking in the shaft of the War Eagle is going steadily along and the development work is being pushed as rapidly. The compressor has been closed down for awhile to make some changes, and this has interfered to some extent with the shipments, and has reduced the amount rather materially. This is, however, only a temporary lull, and the property will during the coming week send its full quota to the Trail smelter for treatment.

Evening.—Five men are at work on this property, which is being operated by the Evening Mining company, under the direction of Mr. Harry Hanson. The property is located on Sheep Creek. A shaft has been started and has now reached a depth of 12 feet. The shaft is sunk on the ledge. The ore carries gold, silver, copper and lead and an average of 1.5 per cent of gold. It runs 84 to the ton.

Green Mountain.—Water has interfered somewhat with the operations during the past week. The drift on the 200-foot level is now in a distance of 175 feet. From a point midway between the shaft and the breast of the drift a crosscut was recently run for a distance of 35 feet. In this crosscut a ledge two feet in width was recently met.

Nickel Plate.—A new boiler is being put in place on the Nickel Plate property, and pending the completion of the work but little is being done, except to keep the pumps going to remove the water which has been accumulating during the wet weather that has prevailed here for some weeks past.

Great Western.—The principal work now being done on the Great Western is on the lines of pumping out the water that has seeped into the levels during the recent heavy rains. Other than this there is nothing new to report.

Paris Belle.—The shaft on the Paris Belle is now 25 feet deep, but on account of surface water work will be temporarily discontinued until the ground freezes. In the meantime prospect work will be done on other ledges of the claim.

Big Four.—Work is making good progress in tunnel No. 2. Some ore of a high grade is being met in the tunnel. The management is well pleased with the outlook.

Bunker Hill.—Work on the mill structure continues and it is nearing completion. One carload of the mill plant has arrived and the other is expected at any moment.

White Bear.—The drift on the 350-foot level has been extended to a length of

125 feet, and half of the face of the drift is in ore of a good grade.

Ethel Group.—On the 68-foot level the crosscut is now in for some little over 30 feet. The face of the crosscut continues to be heavily mineralized.

Monte Christo.—A siding is being constructed by the C. P. R. and as soon as this is completed work on the Monte Christo will be resumed.

Mascot.—Work on the Mascot continues along the usual lines. There were no developments of importance during the past week.

California.—Work on the main tunnel and crosscuts continues. The buildings for the compressor, etc., are about completed.

Gertrude.—Two crosscuts, one to the north and the other to the south are being driven from the bottom of the shaft.

Wallingford.—Work continues steadily in the drift, with no new developments during the past week.

Coxey.—Work is progressing in the long tunnel, which has been driven for a distance of about 750 feet.

THE RAILWAY STATIONS.

Wants of Travelers That Should Be Attended to Promptly.

All this year there has been a very heavy tide of travel over both the lines entering the city. The high rates charged and received by the railway companies should entitle the traveling public to a first class service at all times, but this is not the case. The station and surroundings at the Great Northern railway are sadly in need of renewing and being put to rights. There are no lights about the station, and as the train more frequently arrives late than on time, at this season of the year passengers have to grope their way off the apology for a platform in the darkness as best they can and at the risk of a bad fall. In addition it is impossible for the customs officers to examine the baggage, and passengers are thus often put to great inconvenience and expense. The whole arrangements are of such a character that should a bad accident happen, the company would more than probably be called upon to pay heavy damages. The Great Northern may find that the very strict economy they are now practicing is not a paying policy in the long run. Rossland deserves more generous treatment at the hands of the big railway.

It is complained that many people go to the Columbia & Western station to meet friends coming in on the evening train, and that as the train is usually very late in arriving, a long wait each night is inevitable. Those who have been obliged to wait say that so fire is kept up in the waiting room, to the extreme discomfort of all concerned.

STOMACH TROUBLE

A FREQUENT SOURCE OF THE MOST INTENSE MISERY.

Mr. Harvey Price, of Bismark, Suffered for Years Before Finding a Cure—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Restored Him.

Those who suffer from stomach troubles are truly to be pitied. Life seems a burden to them; food is distasteful, and even that of the plainest kind is frequently followed by nausea, distressing pains and sometimes vomiting. Such a sufferer was Mr. Harvey Price, a well known farmer and stock-grower living at Bismark, Ont. To a reporter who recently interviewed him, Mr. Price said: "I have found Dr. Williams' Pink Pills of such incalculable value in relieving me of a long siege of suffering that I am not only willing but anxious to say a good word in behalf of this medicine, and thus point the road to health to some other sufferer. For five years I had been afflicted with stomach trouble and a torpid liver. I doctored and also denied myself of many kinds of food pleasant to the taste, but neither the medical treatment nor the diet seemed to help me to any degree. In January, 1898, the climax of my trouble appeared to be reached. At that time I was taken down with a gripe, and that, added to my other troubles, placed me in such a precarious position that none of my neighbors looked for my recovery. My appetite was almost completely gone, and I experienced great weakness, dizziness, vomiting spells and violent headaches. I was also troubled with a cough which seemed to rack my whole system. I shall never forget the agony experienced during that long and tedious sickness. Medical treatment and medicines of various kinds had no apparent effect in relieving me. After existing in this state for some months, my mother induced me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. In May last I purchased three boxes, and before these were gone I was able to get about. I continued the use of the pills, and with the use of less than a dozen boxes I was again enjoying the best of health. I can now attend to my farm work with the greatest ease. My appetite is better than it has been for years, and the stomach trouble that had so long made my life miserable has vanished. I have gained in weight, and can safely say that I am enjoying better health than I have done for years before. I feel quite sure that those who may be sick or ailing will find a cure in a fair trial of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

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Paddy, the intelligent Irish terrier belonging to Mr. J. S. C. Fraser of the Bank of Montreal, had to have several stitches taken in his head, Sunday, as the result of a kick from Mr. Gordon's horse. He followed that gentleman to Trail and got tangled up with some of the smelter city dogs in close proximity to the charger's heels, and was placed hors de combat.

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