

RICHES OF ROSSLAND.

The "Josie" One of the Great Gold Mines of the World—The "Georgia."

Columbia and Western Railroad—The War Eagle Smelter—Activity on Bear Creek.

(From the Rossland Miner.)
The Le Roi company declared a dividend of \$50,000 Tuesday evening, May 6. This makes a total of \$150,000 in dividends from this mine in less than a year. There is reason to believe the mine can easily pay \$50,000 a month after this.

Reports from Bear Creek, on the east side of the Columbia river, indicate that there will be considerable activity this summer.

The showing on the Fool Hen continues to improve. It looks as though the Bannock syndicate have acquired a valuable property in this claim.

Work on the Commander was begun last Monday. The Commander is likely to develop into a mine.

Gen. C. S. Warren, of Butte, is back again in Rossland. Since his last visit he has sold the California to a London syndicate.

The lower tunnel of the Cliff shows three feet of high grade ore in the bottom which extends to the roof of the drift on one side.

Joe Traynor, for a long time foreman at the Le Roi, has been engaged as superintendent on the Mountain View.

The owners of the Crown Point are going to build a wagon road to the narrow gauge railroad so as to begin shipments to the Trail smelter. They have recently encountered some fine ore in their west drift.

In addition to the Iron Horse the Enterprise has been sold to a Spokane syndicate. This cleans up the Iron Horse group. Each of the three claims which were so long linked together is now owned by a separate company, the price in each case having been \$25,000 cash.

As nearly as we can learn, an option has been given on the War Eagle which runs till August 15. Since this option was given an offer of \$800,000 has been made for the property.

President Corbin, of the Columbia & Red Mountain, has ordered three ten wheel locomotives for service on the line between Rossland and Northport. He proposes to use the best road that can be built and to have equipment to correspond.

The main tunnel of the Centre Star has had a full face of solid sulphide ore for the past two weeks. The ore has been of a satisfactory grade right along, but the full face is now high grade shipping ore.

The Columbia and Western railroad will be built for the purpose of meeting the C.P.R. which insures the backing of that corporation. By the construction of this line from Rossland to Penticton the C.P.R. will secure a short line to the Okanagan branch of the C.P.R. by means of steamers on Okanagan lake.

Mr. Gutelius, president and general manager of the road, said: "I do not think any construction will be done this year. We have two survey parties in the field now and we could not possibly locate a line until we have more exact information about the district. Besides, it is absolutely essential that we should have a Dominion survey of the area before the Provincial government. We fully intend to go ahead with the work as soon as we can."

J. H. Sussman, mining expert for the C. P. R., went down to Spokane early in the week for the purpose of meeting the War Eagle people and endeavoring to induce them to build their projected smelter somewhere in British Columbia preferably on the line of the C. P. R. to Rossland. He is in a position to offer good inducements on the proposed C. P. R. branch from Robson. It is well known that the War Eagle people have reconsidered their determination not to build a smelter at present.

The final payment on the Georgia, amounting to \$15,000, was made by Joseph L. Warner on Monday. Under the terms of the bond it was not due until May 23, the previous payment having been made as follows: \$1,000 on April 8, and \$9,000 April 13.

The Georgia now belongs wholly to Hedley Chapman and associates of Victoria, and they will proceed to incorporate at once. The mine itself is looking very well. Since work was started on the new tunnel they have driven about 25 feet, and have a full face of ore. It is mostly silicious, but it assays very satisfactorily. The Georgia now ranks as one of the best speculative properties in the camp, and its stock will most likely be eagerly taken as fast as the company offers it for sale.

The Josie mine is a hummer. Its prospects have been constantly improving of late, and now there is no room for doubt that it is one of the biggest mines in the camp and will eventually be one of the great gold mines of the world. In the main tunnel they now have a full face of perfectly clean ore which will average over \$60 in gold and 5 per cent. in copper. Frank C. Loring so informed the Miner yesterday and his statement can be accepted as a very conservative one. Talking of the mine he said: "We have had a good deal of trouble in our main tunnel owing to the fact that two veins met at a fault. We did a good deal of work in ore there and followed one of them down to the bottom. Then we concluded that we were not on the main vein, as it neither dipped nor trended in the right direction. We then came back about 40 feet from the fault and followed the vein about 100 feet to the south wall of the drift. We have since followed this vein about 25 feet, and it has shown a continuous body of high grade ore. On the recent discovery of a parallel vein 150 feet to the north we have made three openings 150 feet from each other. All three shafts, one of which is down 10 feet, show five feet of ore, three feet of which is solid copper and sulphide. The whole five feet in the three shafts will average \$30 to \$40 in gold and 4 to 5 per cent. in copper. There is no doubt now that this vein runs right down the hill and

is fully as strong as our main vein. We have now started a crosscut tunnel on our south line in the direction of our main working shaft, which is 250 feet north. This tunnel will open up the Le Roi vein where it runs through our ground, and also the main and north veins. If there are any more east and west veins on the ground it will open them up, too. The machinery which was ordered from the Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill Company last January is nearly all at the mine now, though part of it is still on the road from Trail. This machinery consists of a 7-drill compressor, 40 horse-power hoist, sinking pump, etc. The manufacturers are to deliver it to us in running order, and Mr. Sword, their British Columbia agent, is now on the way from Montreal to superintend its erection. Our new office is completed and we have moved into it, and we expect to have the machinery in running order in two weeks time."

(From the Spokane Spokesman.)
Construction work on the Trail Creek and Rossland tramway still lags behind, but it is doubtful if the road will be in operation at all before the 1st of June. The construction company are using every available means to get the road completed.

In addition to the good strike reported yesterday in the Crown Point, Finch and Campbell who have the Tiger, adjoining the Crown Point on the east, say they have caught the main vein in an opening which is just being made. The vein is being crosscut about 100 feet from the old tunnel. About six feet of ore, solid copper and iron sulphides, has already been uncovered. The very top one from this opening gave assay returns of 7 per cent. copper, 12 ounces silver and \$3 in gold to the ton.

Probably the largest price yet offered for a non-liquidated property in the Trail Creek district was made to the owners of the Great Western, for 600,000 shares (a controlling interest) of the stock. It is said 25 cents a share for the block was offered. Messrs. Burke and Warren accepted the offer, but J. B. Jones declined to entertain it.

The Curlew, to the south of the Home-stake and Neet Egg claims, was sold today by the original owners and locators to what is supposed to be a Chicago company, for \$7,000 cash. The Curlew has a strong lead with ore of a good quality.

Excavations for the building for the Cliff compressor have been made, and the work of construction will now go rapidly forward.

Rossland presents the most encouraging field for diamond drill work of any camp discovered for many a day. At least four drills, besides those in use at present, will be in operation by the 10th of June.

T. C. Collins and partners, owners of the well known Free Coinage group on Champion creek, have given a 15 days' option on the group for \$12,500 cash. The ore is an auriferous arseno-pyrite.

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Let it be distinctly understood that there is but one well-marked course open to all who seek the new life; it calls for the use of Paine's Celyery Compound, a great physician's discovery, prescribed by the best living physicians, and always successful when honestly used. It is not a patent medicine; it is not a sarsaparilla; it is not a bitter or a nerve, it is as far beyond them all as health surpasses suffering.

To the thousands on the broad road of suffering from troubles such as rheumatism, neuralgia, dyspepsia, indigestion, constipation, liver and kidney affections, nervousness, heart and blood diseases, we would say, use a few bottles of Paine's Celyery Compound faithfully according to directions. It will surely cure you and restore you to your former good health.

Remember that delays are dangerous; the symptoms of today may to-morrow result in misery or death. To be well and strong, and able to battle successfully with life's duties, cares and troubles, you must use Paine's Celyery Compound, the medicine that has done such marvellous works for thousands in the past.

When buying Paine's Celyery Compound, be careful to avoid the dealer who, for the sake of profit, would have you take a worthless medicine. Keep clear of such mercenary dealers who would deceive you and imperil your life.

Mr. A. Budd, of Shanty Bay, Ont., who was quickly and wonderfully cured by Paine's Celyery Compound, writes as follows:

"For the benefit of sufferers I gladly give my experience with Paine's Celyery Compound. After suffering from dyspepsia for thirty-five years, and meeting with many failures with other medicines, I decided to use Paine's Celyery Compound, having heard of so many cures effected by it. The Compound, after I used it for a time, produced marvellous results and banished my troubles.

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver Horticultural Exhibition to Be Held July 30 and 31.

Westminster Assizes Concluded—Chilliwack Creamery—What Kootenay Miners Are Doing.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER.

Horticultural Association last night resolved to ask Mr. M. J. Browning to accept the honorary presidency, and to solicit his co-operation in the endeavor to obtain the Hotel Vancouver lawn for the purposes of a flower show. The exhibition will be held on the 30th and 31st July.

D. Ross, W. F. Kent and A. E. Suckling have been fishing excursion up the Stave river, where they were exceedingly fortunate, and brought back 113 pounds of fine trout. Mr. Ross killed a brook trout which tipped the scales at 14 pounds. A modern fishing craft has been built by the Dominion Fish Co. for the hall-bait trade, and will be launched on Saturday.

Louis Fullerton returned from Texada Island on Tuesday. He reports that mining on the island is booming, there having been several claims bonded while he was there. Fishing and hunting is splendid.

A. C. Wells, the well known Chilliwack farmer, is largely interested in the creamery which is being started at Chilliwack. The machinery is now on the way from the East and the creamery will be in operation before long. It will have a capacity for using the milk of 600 cows and will be so arranged that its operations can be doubled without much additional expense.

VANCOUVER, May 15.—When Mr. G. H. Cowan was nominated for the Board of Commissioners, he stated that he would require that his nomination be ratified at a mass meeting to be held on a subsequent date. Col. Prior yesterday telegraphed his desire of being present at the meeting, and the date is to be fixed to admit of his attending. The Colonel is looked upon here as a possible peace-maker for the party. Mr. Cowan has opened his committee rooms and is selecting chairmen of the ward committees.

Chief Justice Davis presided in chamber yesterday.

The board of the College of Violinists, London, England, have appointed George Dyke their representative here.

Lieutenant-Governor Kirkpatrick and party returned East yesterday.

An unknown man attempted to take his life yesterday at Mission City by cutting his throat with a razor.

He was respectfully dressed and intelligent; his name is unknown.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, May 14.—In the Potts sedition case before the Westminster assize yesterday, the defendant was acquitted. The business of the assize has been concluded.

The survey court of revision will be held in the town hall, Cloverdale, on Saturday next.

The new sluice chamber of which the city council recently authorized the construction, has been put through the dyke near the eastern end of Lulu Island. The chamber is 40 feet long by 3 feet high by 6 feet wide. A new tide-gate has also been provided, the old one having collapsed entirely. The dyke has also been placed in thorough order excepting a small piece near the foot of the bridge, which is to have attention right away.

From a reliable source we learn that the orchard crops growing on the Mud Bay flats are very promising for a good yield. The present season is a backward one, nevertheless the larger fruits are doing very satisfactorily and small fruits promise excellent returns.

WESTMINSTER, May 15.—A Methodist camp meeting will be held at Chilliwack shortly.

The grand jury in their presentment highly commended the efficient staff at the asylum and jail.

Judge Boile dismissed all the court of revision appeals with respect to value of land assessments, but reduced by 15 per cent. the valuation of the land.

The bonders of the Princess have been successful in their appeal in all cases in which an appeal was taken.

DUNCAN.

DUNCAN, May 15.—The trout fishing season is now in full swing at Cowichan lake.

Among the recent arrivals at the Lakeside hotel are: Mrs. M. F. Watson, Messrs. D. Gregory, W. H. Heywood, P. W. Stanhope, Henry Croft, W. A. Robertson, H. Keast, F. L. Wilmer and E. A. Price.

The approaching Dominion election has not attracted much attention up to the present.

NELSON.

(From the Miner.)

R. R. Hedley has taken charge of the Fern mine, where the force at work on behalf of the bonders will be very much increased.

The contract for grading and cribwork on the new railway spur at the smelter has been let to Andy Dolan, while W. Chisholm has secured the contract for laying the track and fixing the scales.

The bonders of the Princess have brought in a diamond drill from Vancouver. Work will be pushed forward rapidly on the claim.

Stanley & Gerrard have got their tunnel in feet and are commencing to still driving, with prospects good.

W. F. McCulloch and his partners have bonded two-thirds of their claim, the Golden Eagle, to Edward Cordingley, of Victoria, for \$2,400, receiving \$1,200 in cash, the remainder to be paid on November 1.

Mr. M. D. Cummings, who holds the bond on the Star claim on Toad mountain, has got four miles of his work done in the 100-foot tunnel. As the work proceeds the force will be increased. The next payment on the bond is due on the 1st of August.

There are indications that a good deal of work will be done this year on Toad Mountain and the adjoining hills. The

discoveries made last fall about the head of Eagle Creek will be further exploited. Nearly all of these finds consisted of free milling gold quartz, and from the fact that the Porman has such a satisfactory ledge in the same locality it may be hoped that some of the newer claims may be equally fortunate.

The negotiations which have been proceeding for some days over the proposed purchase of the Noble Five by the Messrs. Gooderham of Toronto, came to a conclusion on Thursday. Unfortunately the parties were unable to come to mutually agreeable terms and the deal fell through. Messrs. Blackstock, of Toronto, and J. B. Hastings, of Boise, who had been acting on behalf of the Eastern capitalists, left yesterday for Rossland.

Late last fall some claims were located high up on the divide between the head waters of Lemon creek and the Kootenay outlet. The town of Nelson was visible from the spot. The claims were reported to contain a ledge of free-milling gold quartz, samples from which assayed as high as 26 ounces in gold, and a ton of ore yielded \$1,400. The claims were owned by W. K. Richmond and Max Hecker, who were grub-staked by H. Clever and Charley Faas, of New Denver. Two of these claims, the Highland and the Swiss, have been bonded to R. Marpole for \$35,000; \$400 was paid in cash, \$2,600 is to be paid on July 15, \$10,000 on October 1, and the balance in a year. Mr. Marpole has asked for \$14,000 from the group for \$25,000. Plumbet & Dunbar, of Vancouver, have bonded the Bondholder, Pinelock, Rosebud and Lone Star for \$40,000, paying \$500 cash. Their claims are situated on the divide between the Kootenay and Cariboo creeks.

On Wednesday the Cariboo Mining & Smelting Company declared its tenth dividend of two cents a share, amounting to \$16,000, payable on the 10th. This company has paid \$79,000 (including this dividend) in fourteen months. For the information of outside readers, it may be mentioned that this company has nothing to do with the great hydraulic company of almost similar name in the Cariboo country. The Cariboo Mining & Smelting Company is situated at Camp McKinney on Boundary creek. It possesses a free milling quartz claim and has a ten stamp mill continually at work. The returns are (or were recently) about \$18 to the ton. It is decidedly unfortunate that the word Cariboo should be used so often in christening mining claims. It would not be surprising to see the Cariboo name in hydraulic claims in the North credited with the satisfactory results of the Boundary Creek mine.

(From the Nelson Tribune.)

Phil Aspinwall, who is back in Nelson from a trip to the Boundary Creek country, says the indications are good, but that there is not much work being done. There is a great amount of freight going in from Marcus, and the country is alive with prospectors.

Five hundred advisers are being received from different sections of the province regarding the British Columbia Miners' Association. A branch has been started at Revelstoke, and has already twenty-five members. Another branch will be started at Illecillewaet, and another at Trout Lake. Within six months there will be branches in every mining division in the province.

Up to this time the deal for the Noble Five mines has not been closed, and it is not likely that it will be. The representatives of the Toronto syndicate are unwilling to pay the option price.

Nelson is not booming but growing. The chances are more substantial but the mine will be erected this year than ever before.

J. J. Kingsmill, Q.C., of Toronto, has been in the city during the week and left for the hills on Wednesday last. He, in connection with W. C. Clewett, another Tontonian, has agreed with Charles E. Race, who has an option of purchase on the Hera, Heba and Oppor to mineral claims, to form a company for the purpose of developing these properties. The capital stock of the company is fixed at \$50,000, of which the promoters will have a controlling interest; the vendor received the remainder fully paid up.

"Tom" Grey is getting the Nelson planing mill in shape. It is lighted throughout with electricity, so that it can run night and day. The first shipment of lumber received by the new steamer Kokanee was from this mill, and was made up of sash and transoms consigned to Kaslo.

The work of rebuilding the burned portion of Ainsworth has commenced. A. A. Minnow and Charles Olesch have jumber on the ground for hotels. The former will rebuild on the old Vancouver hotel site, and the latter will rebuild on the site of the Club saloon.

Backward as yet is the Northern Belle group of mines, in Jackson basin, to George Alexander, of the International Trading Co., for \$60,000. It is understood a very considerable sum of money has changed hands.

The Hall Mines smelter runs as if it had been in operation for years instead of a few weeks. Four shipments of matte were made during the week. Three hundred tons of the coke shipped from Wales has arrived at Vancouver and will reach Nelson next week. An effort is being made to hurry up shipments of ore from Trail Creek, but the roads between the mines at Rossland and Trail are in bad shape.

Residents of Spokane have just been made richer by \$66,000, every dollar of which came out of two mines in British Columbia, the Le Roi and the Cariboo.

W. F. McCulloch has completed arrangements by which he will be able to keep a force of men on the Golden Eagle all season. This claim is situated about four miles west of Nelson, between Sandy and Eagle creeks, about one and a quarter miles easterly of the Porman. The ore taken out assays from \$20 to \$75 in gold. The claim gives promise of being something permanent and profitable.

TRAIL CREEK.

(From the Trail Creek News.)

General Warren was in town this week and started men to work on the Sovereign, which was recently acquired by himself and others on a bond. This claim is about one and a half miles from town, on Lookout Mountain, and it is expected good results will come from the work.

One of the good looking prospects near at hand is the Morning Star, just back of town, up Gorge gulch, just off the town-site, on which work is being pushed. The rock shows considerable gold, is well mineralized and is fast going into quartz. Across the stream is the Golden

Star, on which but little work has been done. The mines belong to Workman & Gillas.

Colonel Topping has sent men and supplies to the Blue Chip on the mountain back of town. He expects to spend considerable money in development work this summer, and feels confident his work will be rewarded.

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KASLO.

(From the Kootenai News.)

Commissioner Fitzsimmons was here on Tuesday. He is looking over the country with the view of ascertaining its most urgent needs in the way of trails and other improvements.

The Noble Five deal, which ten days ago was near being closed, and which involved a cash payment of \$100,000, is off, and the Gooderhams, the prospective buyers, are now en route home.

Five hundred thousand feet of logs arrived from the mouth of Kootenay river yesterday for G. O. Buchanan's mill. A million feet will arrive in a few days from the Cariboo, thus giving the mill 1,500,000 feet, or about three months' supply.

The Northern Belle group, including the Northern Belle, Kootenay Star, Dublin Queen and the other claims, was sold Saturday to Mr. George Alexander. Sixty thousand dollars was the figure, and though the terms were private, it is understood that there was a large cash payment. The property is considered one of the best in the country.

Saturday D. W. Moore sold to D. J. Munn, president of the Kaslo & Slokan, the McCloud interest in the Montezuma and Mexico. Figure and terms private. C. E. Race, lessee of the Hera, Heba and Appella, has leased those properties to Judge Kingsmill and H. C. Chewett, of Toronto.

Monday of this week Jack Thompson bought from Charles Kent his one-eighth interest in the Chambers group, which comprises the Chambers, Wellington, Eureka No. 1 and the Jay Gould claims. The consideration was \$1,000 cash.

Saturday William Moles sold to Jack Martin for \$1,500 the Echo, at the head of Jackson basin, and later Mr. Martin bought a one-eighth interest in the Trade Dollar from J. J. Lynch.

NEW DENVER.

(From the Ledger.)

It is reported that several claims on the upper Arrow lake have been jumped by parties who ought to know better.

Several men are working on the Bunker Hill. Four men, with Charles Faas as foreman, are developing the Crusader.

Nineteen miners' certificates were issued in New Denver on Monday.

Chas. Kent has sold Jack Thompson an eighth in Chambers' group for \$1,000. Rob. Jackson has sold his Northern Belle group for \$60,000 to George Alexander.

W. Merkley and J. McLeod are doing assessment on several claims on Cariboo creek.

The Tiger, on Ten Mile creek, is owned by Chas. Martin and John Popham. The Mattawa, an adjoining claim, is owned by Tom Collins and W. H. Brandon. A deal is on to bond both of the properties as soon as the snow is off the ground, to Walsh, of Golden, for \$20,000.

The Humbolt, on Springer creek, is showing up well, as is also the Excelsior, situated near the Nancy Hanks.

The owners of the Exchange have commenced development work on the Boise, Morning Star No. 6, and a location made this spring called the Peerless.

Judge Kingsmill, of Toronto, is negotiating with Brunner, Schmidt and Harrison for the purchase of the Buena Vista, a claim adjoining the Roulette, on the north fork of Carpenter creek.

MIDWAY.

(From the Midway Advance.)

The irrigating ditch which is to bring water upon Mr. F. Corryell's ranch, and upon which many months' work has been expended, is gradually nearing completion, and will soon be in active operation.

Brick and lime are in active demand at the present time, and as a consequence Messrs. Winters and Leplante intend burning a kiln of brick upon their ranch near Boundary Falls.

The B. C. Miners' Association at its meeting at Nelson decided to contest the legality of the tax on gold quartz mining, as it discriminates in favor of placer and coal mining.

Geo. B. McAuley, of Spokane, has purchased 164,000 shares of the Cariboo Mining Company's stock from C. B. King, of Coeur d'Alene city, Idaho. The price was 17 cents a share. The company is capitalized at \$700,000 and its property is situated at Camp McKinney. This company has paid 13 per cent. in dividends during the last year and will pay a dividend of three per cent. on May 1. Evidently Mr. McAuley, who previous to making the purchase held a large number of shares in the company, is thoroughly satisfied that this stock is a really good investment. It is understood that at a depth of about 200 feet the vein of ore is nearly 10 feet wide, and it is generally conceded that as long as the crushing plant is not increased in capacity, three or four years' ore is in sight in the mine. This being the case, it is only reasonable to suppose that shares in the company will advance in price very materially in the future, and certainly will they do so if the property continues to pay 13 per cent. on its capital stock, as it did the past year.

OUR OTTAWA SPECIAL.

Important Changes in the Divisions of Canada's Great Northern Territory.

Conservative Candidates for Ottawa City—Cavalry and Infantry Inspectors Appointed.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, May 15.—The new official map of the Dominion will show marked changes in the political divisions of the great Northern territory. Heretofore the entire country about Hudson's bay and stretching away to the shore of the Arctic ocean, has been variously designated and altogether unmarked by a distinctive appellation of any sort. The new maps will show the whole of the Far North regularly subdivided into districts, with the names of Ungava, 588,000 square miles; Franklin, 300,000; McKenzie, 58,000; and the Yukon, 225,000.

Major Less