

WILL SHIP TO TRAIL

War Eagle Company Has Contracted For 100 Tons Daily.

NORTHPORT WANTED IT

More Than a Million Dollars Worth of Ore Ready For Shipment—Freight and Treatment Charges Said to Be \$7.50.

The War Eagle mine will soon commence the shipment of 100,000 tons of ore to the Trail smelter. Word was received from Northport Thursday that there was nothing in the rumor that the Le Roi smelter had been awarded the contract. They were simply bidding for it, and have been carrying on active negotiations for the past 10 days. But they did not make it. The statement that the War Eagle company has contracted with the Trail smelter has been corroborated, however, and shipments will commence at an early day. It is said that the treatment charge, covering transportation, will be \$7.50 per ton. It is said that the Le Roi smelter, in its anxiety to secure the contract, cut so close as to underbid the Trail smelter, but the War Eagle people, being such patriotic Canadians, preferred to pay a little more than to have the ore go to an American smelter.

The War Eagle mine is one of the wonderful properties of the camp. The report of General Manager J. B. Hastings, in November last, which, by the way, was one of the most comprehensive reviews of its character yet compiled in this camp, showed that the company was in shape to ship 100 tons or more daily, and that ore to the value of \$1,105,000 was in sight, at a smelting gross value of \$291,000, which would mean 38,000 tons. This gives an idea of the work in progress, and of the increased activity to result.

KETTLE RIVER RAILWAY.

Rossland Liberal Association Favor Giving It a Charter.

At the last meeting of the Rossland Liberal association, among the other business transacted was the following: It was moved by Smith Curtis and seconded by John S. Patterson, that the Rossland Liberal association heartily endorse the application of D. C. Corbin and others for a railway charter along the Kettle river valley in Southern British Columbia, believing that the competition and facilities such a line will give will be of inestimable value to the Boundary country served and also to all points in Southern British Columbia having railway connection with the proposed line; and the association strongly urges the federal parliament to grant such charter with such reasonable provisions as are necessary to protect the interests of the people to be served by the line. That copies of this resolution be sent to Premier Laurier and the members of the house of commons from British Columbia. This was carried unanimously.

NEW FIRE QUARTERS.

Building Will Be Ready For Occupancy in About a Week.

It is thought that the new headquarters for the Rossland fire department will be ready for occupancy in about a week. It will make a first class building for the purposes intended, and one of the features is the bell tower. In this tower a larger bell than is now in use in the town at the corner of Columbia avenue and Washington street will be installed. It has long been evident that the present bell was not large enough, as it was difficult to awaken the firemen at a late hour.

The building will have accommodations up stairs for 12 firemen, so that they will be ready for an emergency at any hour of night. Down stairs provision has been made for the hose cart, chemical engine and a man stipendiary. The horses have not yet been purchased, but the chief has a pair in view and says they are beautiful.

TRAIL IS ALIVE.

The Citizens of the Smelter Town Want a Few Things.

E. S. Topping, who came up from Trail Thursday, states that the people there feel much better since there has been something definite regarding the disposition of the smelter. A board of trade is being organized and a vigorous effort to advance the general interests of the town is being made. At a recent meeting requests on the provincial legislature were made for \$3,000 for a trunk road on Lookout mountain, and \$1,000 for the construction of roads and trails in the immediate vicinity of the town. The citizens also ask for a stipendiary magistrate, a registrar of births, deaths, and marriages, and for a record office.

Old Monitors to Be Repaired.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 5.—Work was begun today on the old monitors which for years have been lying in the back channel at the League Island navy yard. There are eight of these old fighters, each of 1,750 tons displacement. It is said that the monitors will be hauled out into the main channel so that it can be ascertained just how they will respond to the working of their machinery. While this test is being made the turrets will be turned and the guns put into operation. In the turret of each monitor are two 15-inch smoothbore guns, capable of throwing a 500-pound projectile.

A Railway Bridge Destroyed.

HAVANA, March 5.—The great iron railway bridge near Holguin has been partially destroyed by the insurgents. The damage to the structure, which was known as the P. & O. bridge, was effected by the explosion of two dynamite bombs.

Shoemakers on a Strike.

BERLIN, March 5.—There has been a large strike in a number of German cities. In Berlin 12,000 shoemakers have struck for a uniform scale of wages and it is thought that the shoemakers elsewhere will join.

MINING NOTES.

Dickinson & Orde, stock brokers of this city, have received private advice that a five-ton shipment of ore from the Winnipeg mine to the Northport smelter yielded \$74 in gold per ton.

Assay returns on ore from the Jubilee mine, near Ymir, have just been received here, which give \$657.32 in gold and \$18,1680 in silver per ton.

The average assays from the Porto Rico mine, in the Salmon river country, for the past week were \$58 in gold. The highest assay yielded \$182 in gold per ton.

The Mollie Hughes group, near New Denver, has been sold to a local syndicate. Three weeks ago it was purchased for \$2,500, since which time it has been bonded for \$40,000.

In the 250-foot level of the Dundee ore body has been encountered. A drift is being run on it, and as soon as this reaches a length of 100 feet stopping will be commenced. The ground is not hard and the drift is being driven at the rate of from three and a half to four feet per day.

The latest advices from the properties of the Salmo Consolidated Gold Mining company are to the effect that at every few feet of depth attained in No. 2 shaft, which now is down about 70 feet, higher grade ore is being encountered. It is the intention of the company to commence shipping as soon as the necessary arrangements for transportation are completed, which arrangements they are now engaged on.

Salmo Consolidated shares are active at present. M. E. Dempster yesterday received an order from London for 20,000 shares of the stock at 10 cents per share, and reports that this makes 50,000 shares that have been disposed of in the last two weeks. The other 30,000 shares were sold in Eastern Canada and in the United States. The shaft has now attained a depth of 70 feet and the bottom is in ore. The last assay of the ore revealed that it went \$56 in all values per ton.

The shaft of the Le Roi has been sunk to a depth of almost 700 feet and it is reported that in the lower workings a find of better ore than has yet been made. The company has ordered three additional power drills and this reveals that the intention is to increase the output of the ore. The dividend for March of \$50,000 has been declared and several of the lucky holders of shares in this city yesterday received from Spokane checks for their dividends and were showing them to admiring friends.

ROSSLAND DELEGATION.

It is in Victoria and Has a Big Task Before It.

VICTORIA, March 4.—The Rossland delegation arrived here today, having been delayed, while en route, through the necessity of making connections. The delegation has just had its first interview with the government, and it is already manifest that our coming was necessary in order to secure what Trail craves from the administration. We want from a great deal of pressure will be necessary in order to get what we desire and it will be only by the hardest kind of work that it can be secured. The government finds itself called upon to do so much from all over the province that its hands are full of tasks. We will do our best and by the most energetic efforts we hope to secure all that the people of the Trail Creek division have asked for. At the present writing it is difficult for us to determine how long the task will occupy us, but think that we will be able to do some effective work during the next few days.

THE TELEPHONE LINE.

Mr. Hodge Says It Will Take More Than Thirty Days to Build It.

Nelson, March 4.—(Special.)—George Caldenhead Hodge, district superintendent of the Kootenay Lake Telephone company and of the Vernon & Nelson Telephone company, has just returned from a trip to the Boundary country. Mr. Hodge was seen in relation to the statement that the intention was to extend the telephone line from Marcus through Cascade City to Grand Forks. He was also credited with saying that the line would be completed in 30 days. Mr. Hodge denies that he had said anything to anyone to the effect that the line would be finished in 30 days. The distance to be built over is about 60 miles, and on account of the deep snow, nothing could be done in the present way of construction at present, and even if the snow were off the ground it would take more than 30 days to build such a line. His visit to the Boundary country was for the purpose of looking over the situation, and any conversation printed has coming from him in relation to building a line into that country was simply made of whole cloth. He admitted that it was possible that his company might construct a line into the Boundary country, but there were many things to be considered before a final decision would be made in relation to the matter.

At the Hospital. Seven patients have been discharged from the Sisters' hospital during the past week. George Willard, whose leg was broken while wrestling a few days since, is resting easy and will make a fine recovery. The accident was an unfortunate one for him. He arrived in town in the middle of the day, and at midnight he was laid up with a broken leg. He claims that he was not to blame in the matter, and his friends are of the impression that the matter should be investigated by the police. Thomas Hind, who was operated on for appendicitis, is making a rapid recovery.

Prince Henry's Visit.

LONDON, March 5.—The surprise which was created at the time of Prince Henry's visit, when the German warships Deutschland and Gefion suddenly loomed out of the fog without having previously been sighted, has aroused the authorities to a sense of the necessity of taking additional precautions and they are now erecting quick firing guns and search lights at the entrance of Portsmouth harbor. There will be a light powerful enough to sweep Spithead and guns will be so placed that ships entering must pass under their muzzles.

Strike Declared On.

BIDDEFORD, Me., March 5.—The strike at the Papparel and Laconia cotton mills here has been declared off, and the operatives will resume work under the promise that the mills will not be the last to restore the old rate of wages. About 350 are affected.

AN IMPORTANT SALE

Evening and Morning Star Bought By an English Company.

THE PRICE IS WITHHELD

The Dundee Partially Holds Its Annual Meeting—Good Hope Contract For Shunting Let—A Profit to Be Made on the Ore of the Tamarack.

The purchase of the Evening Star and Morning Star mineral claims was consummated in Rossland on Friday by Messrs. Dabney & Parker for a new development company that is being brought out by their London house—Messrs. Parker, Kennedy & Co. These claims lie to the east of the Dundee, and the work already done on them demonstrates clearly that they have the famous Dundee vein running through them, and are considered by all who know them to be among the best properties of the Ymir district. The price paid is not given, but it is known to run into five figures of pretty good size. It was, moreover, a spot cash transaction. The development company in commencing with property of such unquestioned merit is to be a great success. It is understood to be the intention of the company to commence work on the property as soon as possible.

Annual Meeting of the Dundee. The annual meeting of the Dundee Mining company was partially held Friday in the office of the company in this city. There were 491,432 of the 1,000,000 shares of the company represented at the meeting. The bylaws make a majority of the stock issued a legal quorum. The report of E. T. Parker, treasurer of the company, was read and revealed that it is in excellent financial condition. There is some \$25,000 on hand available for the construction of a concentrator and for development work. Owing to the fact that all the directors were not present, it was decided to be impolitic to proceed with the meeting, and it was adjourned until the 17th of March at 8 o'clock, when it is expected that all the directors will be in attendance.

Steadily Pushing Work. The Winnipeg & Eureka Mining company is rapidly pushing its tunnel on the Summit claim on Forty-nine creek. The property is located on the divide between Forty-nine and Give Out creeks, and the ledge, which is about 10 feet wide on the surface, is a contact between the granite of Give Out creek and the porphyry on the Forty-nine creek side. Although the tunnel is being run through granite, over 65 feet have been driven since January 20. Already several stringers of quartz heavily impregnated with copper pyrites have been cut. The management does not expect, however, to tap the ledge with less than 200 feet of work.

Good Hope Shaft Contract Let. The shaft in the Good Hope is now down a distance of 54 feet, and the directors have let a contract to E. Anderson & company to sink another 50 feet. This will make the shaft 105 feet. The contract calls for the completion of the work in 60 days. The company has ordered a pump, which will be installed within the next three days. There is a seam of nice looking ore in the bottom of the shaft. The directors say that as soon as the present contract is completed another one will be let for an additional 50 feet.

A Good Profit For Ton. From a cross section assay of six feet of ore on the bottom of the Tamarack shaft at a depth of 112 feet, a result of \$18 per ton was obtained Friday. The ore in this vein is free milling, and it is estimated that can be mined and milled for \$6.50 per ton, which will leave a profit of \$9.50 per ton. Work on this property, which is located near Ymir, is being prosecuted every hour in the day and night, there being eight-hour shifts employed. All connected with this property are feeling very much gratified with the results that are being attained.

Columbia & Kootenay Sale Ratified. A meeting of the Trail Mining company was held in this city on Friday for the purpose of ratifying the sale of the Columbia & Kootenay mine to the British America corporation. Of the 2,500 shares more than 2,300 were represented. The directors of the company were instructed to arrange for the completion of the sale.

The company has received \$50,000 on the first payment. The balance is due on the 19th day of this month.

It Hurt Salisbury. LONDON, March 5.—The result of the London county council elections has been to inflict upon the Marquis of Salisbury the government the heaviest blow it has yet sustained. The whole cabinet descended in the arena and the Unionist cause pulled the party wires. The Primrose frames invaded the stums like a swarm of locusts, but London repudiated the attempt to interfere in her municipal concerns. Lord Rosebery's intervention on the women's side had led to a significant revival of the Liberal leadership. It is generally admitted that Sir William Harcourt's period of probation has been unsatisfactory, and many of the Liberals are quite willing to shelve him.

The Railway Fight. CHICAGO, March 5.—It was reported today that the Joint Traffic association was to get after the C. P. R. for alleged violation of the rules of the organization. It was said the association would make an effort to prevent access of the C. P. R. into the trunk territory over the lines of the Vanderbilt roads. The relation between the C. P. R. and the New York Central have been close, and it is said that pressure is to be brought to bear upon the New York Central to cause it to cease those relations. The story, although circulated with great energy among the western roads, could not be proven.

IS ALIVE AND WELL.

Patrick Higgins Denies That He Was the Victim of Dynamite.

Thursday THE MINER published an inquiry from Rat Portage, Ont., concerning Patrick Higgins, which was sent to Postmaster Waddis. The letter stated that Higgins was a miner and the report had reached Rat Portage that he had been killed by the explosion of a dynamite cartridge in one of the mines of this camp. Yesterday afternoon a young and hearty looking man walked into THE MINER office and stated that he was Patrick Higgins, and he inquired if he was not very much alive for one who had been killed by the explosion of a dynamite cartridge. So far as he was concerned, he said that it was his intention to keep away from dynamite cartridges as long as he could, and he thought he would be able to do so. He further stated that he had been in Rossland for the past two years, with the exception of last summer, which he spent in prospecting in the Fort Steele country. He had written to the writer of the letter of inquiry, who was his uncle, on several occasions, but the letters, he thought, must have miscarried. He sent him another letter yesterday.

THE HOTEL ALLAN.

Dining Rooms Open All Day For Short Order Service.

The Hotel Allan Thursday received one of the largest shipments of pheasants, quail, plover, prairie chickens, teal, squabs, ptarmigan and like game, that has yet come to the camp, and it is proposed to satisfy the public that they can enjoy a menu at this hostelry just as varied and as good as can be found at any table in the province. The regular hours, the dining room is open all day long with a special short order bill of fare. With this departure particular attention has been given to prices, so that one may enjoy an excellent lunch or meal at any hour at a moderate cost. In the kitchen, Mrs. King has installed the best meat and the best pastry cooks that money could secure, and at all times does this department have her personal supervision. The public will hereafter find that the Hotel Allan sets a table unexcelled, with charges most moderate.

HELLO! GRAND FORKS.

Vernon & Nelson Telephone Company Will Build Through Grand Forks.

Grand Forks, March 2. (Special.)—G. C. Hodge, district superintendent of the Vernon & Nelson Telephone company, is here in connection with the construction of the telephone system through Grand Forks. Mr. Hodge says that his system will connect with the American company's system in Cascade City. He is also authority for the statement that this telephone line will be in good running order in 30 days' time. Word has been received from City Treasurer Addison and City Clerk Wolston, who were recently sent to Victoria to try and arrange the municipal difficulty here. From the information to hand it seems that the matter will be arranged to the entire satisfaction of all parties.

WHITEWATER TO BE SOLD. Enormous Profits of a Slovan Mine—The Dividends.

A London company has been organized for the purpose of acquiring the Whitewater mine in the Slovan district. This property produced net profits during the four months ending December, 1897, of \$186,907, or more than \$4,000 per month. The engineer's report shows that 25 tons of \$50 per day can be obtained at a working cost of \$16 per ton. The selling price is \$110,000, payable in cash and shares. In October last a dividend of \$24,000 was declared from the Whitewater mine, and \$30,000 for each month of November, December and January.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Inquiry From Ontario. LINDSAY, Ont., Feb. 21.

EDITOR MINER—Sir: As parties from all over the continent are inquiring of you for information about Rossland I thought you would be good enough to give any information you could respecting the Northern Belle company and mine. Where is the mine and headquarters? Is it financially and what shape is it in? What development work does it have? What shape is it in financially and what shape is it in? I also feel obliged for any information sent the Yale mine and company. By answering these questions you would much oblige, J. W. WADE.

[The Northern Belle is located on Red Mountain, adjoining the Good Friday and the Good Hope. The tunnel is in 140 feet and there is a 15-foot drift each way. There is also a 20-foot drift. The assays are from \$8 to \$28, and the property is supposed to have the vein of the Good Friday as well as three other veins. It is impossible to learn when work will be resumed. The company was reorganized in Toronto about a week ago. The Yale is in the South belt, three-quarters of a mile from the Deer Park. No work has been done this winter. A shaft is down 65 feet and there is a 30-foot crosscut. The company owes nothing and has 200,000 shares in the treasury. The property is crown-granted.—Ed.]

Consul Dudley Reprimanded. WASHINGTON, D.C., March 5.—Senator Wilson of Washington called the attention of the state department today to a recent report of Consul Dudley of Vancouver, B. C., in which Canadian ports and routes to the Klondike were extolled at some length. He said the report had been used by the C. P. R. as an advertisement and was to the detriment of American shipping and American exports of the Pacific, which were being joined by a new outfitting business for the regions of Alaska. The state department has notified Consul Dudley that hereafter his reports must not favor foreign interests in competition with those in United States.

A Duel Fought. PARIS, March 5.—Colonel Picquart, disciplined for giving testimony favorable in the case of M. Zola at the recent trial, fought a duel with swords today in the riding hall of the military school with Colonel Henry, who testified against M. Zola. The latter was wounded in the wrist and arm. Colonel Henry succeeded Colonel Picquart as chief of the secret service of the war office.

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D. D. BIRKS, Secretary.

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