

Last May the *Canadian Mining Review* published the statement of "an esteemed correspondent" that at the Le Roi mine, Rossland, "McMillan, it is believed, is 'gutting' ore bodies, and economising on development." A few days ago the *Rossland Miner*, which cannot by any stretch of imagination be considered as disposed to do Mr. McMillan even the most scant justice, said: "That the Le Roi is in first class condition and particularly from the 1,350 to the 1,550-ft. level is evidenced by the fact that preparations are under way to deepen the main shaft from the 1,350-ft. level, its present terminus." A strange association indeed—guttured ore bodies and a mine in first class condition. Who'd ha' thought it?

In reply to an enquiry "Is Granby stock a good buy at present as an investment?" the *United States Investor*, of Boston, New York, and Washington, replied in its issue of September 9:

"It is believed by many that Granby is a fair purchase at present prices, its friends maintaining that the time is not far distant when Granby may be placed on a dividend basis, as equipment is now being put in to handle an enormous quantity of the low-grade ore with which this property abounds. Inability to handle the ore at the smelters alone restricts the product of the Granby mines. Earnings are rapidly increasing on the present high price for copper, and while this security is slow to advance in the stock market, higher prices for the stock at no distant date are predicted by some. Bought now and laid away for a year or two, the investment may prove profitable."

The editor of the *Anaconda News*, published at Anaconda, Boundary district, after having, two or three weeks ago visited the exposition at Portland, Oregon, made the following comment in his paper: "The *News* man had a long hunt at the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland to find the Canadian exhibit. In a far corner of the Foreign Building, occupying a space about 20 by 30 ft., was the entire showing. It consisted of a case of ore from British Columbia, furs, and a few pamphlets about Victoria. The editor noticed a rock labeled 'Winnipeg, Greenwood,' which constituted the main exhibit from the Boundary. Had the authorities any energy, they would not have allowed the only ore from the district to be from a mine that has been shut down for years."

In Mr. Norman Carmichael's interesting article on "Lead Mining in the Linares District, Spain," published in the August number of the *MINING RECORD*, he was wrongly made to state (on page 297) that some 30 mines at Linares support a population of about 300. This was an obvious error. Stated more clearly than in the original manuscript, the meaning of which was not plain, the position is that the Linares mines, while having an output of practically the same tonnage as that of the St. Eugene, in British Columbia, employ about 3,000 men and sustain a population of 30,000 to 40,000 people, while the St. Eugene em-

ploys about 300 men and largely sustains the population of the town of Moyie—say 3,000 people. The Linares mines therefore sustain nearly ten times as many people as does the St. Eugene.

The *Sandon Standard* takes a favourable view of the outlook for the Slocan. Among its late comments are the following: "The recent rich strikes in the mines close to Slocan City have brightened up the little town wonderfully." "Times are improving around Silverton. Over 80 men are now at work and the working forces are being steadily increased." "Since his appointment as manager of the Payne property Mr. G. F. Ransom has steadily pushed development, paid up several thousands in old bills floating around and sent a few thousands more to the Montreal office. The recent strikes have greatly improved at the mine, and in the not distant future we expect to see activity once more about the old big dividend-paying mine."

The directors of the Hastings (B.C.) Exploration Syndicate, Ltd., of London, England, have granted a bonus of one month's salary to the company's officials in British Columbia, and to the miners and other men working at the company's Arlington mine, at Erie, Ymir district, a bonus of two and one-half shifts. This is in appreciation of the excellent results achieved from mining at the Arlington, which have enabled the directors to pay the stockholders a dividend of one shilling per share. In comparison with the public disparagement of their company's general manager by two directors of the Tyee Copper Co., and the unjust treatment of the late managing director and general manager of the Le Roi Mining Co. by other directors of that company, the commendable action of the directors of the Hastings Syndicate stands out in strong and creditable contrast.

The management of the Spokane Interstate Fair, at which the mineral display has for years been a prominent feature, has this year made extra efforts to secure a creditable collection of mineral exhibits, to which end it has sent a representative to mining camps to seek the assistance of mine managers and others. Exhibits have been sought from camps in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia. A handsome silver cup has been offered for the best display from any camp, and specially designed diplomas for the best exhibit in each of twenty-five enumerated classes. Diplomas will also be awarded for unenumerated exhibits that shall be adjudged worthy of them. The fair will be held in Spokane, Washington, from October 9 to 15, inclusive, and it is expected that the mineral display at this, the largest fair held in the north-west, will be in keeping with the general variety and excellence usually marking its other departments.

The report of the Eva Gold Mines, Ltd., printed on page 355 of this issue indicates an encouraging condition of affairs at the Eva mine, at which Mr. A. H. Gracey has been doing good work for some time past. Not only at the Eva, but as well at other mining prop-