

THE GREAT WESTERN

James B. Jones Says He Is Ready to Pay the Dividend.

MUST SEND TO CHICAGO

He Makes an Exception, However, in the Case of the Burke Stock Holdings - Willing to Turn the Balance Over to Some One Else.

The MINER is in receipt of the following letter, dated Chicago, July 18, from James B. Jones, the secretary of the Great Western. Mr. Jones in it asserts that any Great Western stock on which the second dividend is due will be promptly paid if forwarded to the Commercial National bank of Chicago. This is the letter:

"All Great Western stocks on which dividends have not been paid (except the John M. Burke stock) if sent to the Commercial National bank of this place will receive the dividend payments as directors do not intend to hold the stock for collection. I may be absent or out of the city for ten days at a time, but in the event of the stock arriving while gone the bank will hold, until my return, unless otherwise instructed by the sender.

"The second dividend on the Burke stock (\$9,500 shares) will be paid less \$1,400, or \$1,100 with interest at one per cent since March, 1895, which comes to me and which I propose to collect. There is little, if any, stock outside of the Burke stock with the dividends remaining unpaid - a few small blocks. Before the trustees see fit to distribute the balance in my hands, I will be only too glad to turn same over to some one else, as I have never received cent or more on the Burke stock since the Great Western company.

Yours very truly, JAS. B. JONES."

THE GREAT WESTERN

Judge Richardson Refuses the Application For a Receiver.

The application of Henry M. Stephens before Judge Richardson of Spokane to secure the appointment of a receiver for the Great Western Mining company to disburse the funds now on hand and due the shareholders, resulted in failure. Judge Richardson decided that the allegations of the plaintiff were not sufficient to justify the appointment of a receiver, and consequently he refused to grant the application. At the same time the judge declared that the treasurer of the company James B. Jones, now of Chicago, is the proper person to receive the company's funds from Spokane, its registered office, to Chicago.

Two dividends have already been declared by the directors of the Great Western, making a total of \$6.50 per share. The first dividend was \$3.25 and the second \$3.25. It has been disbursed, but a number of smaller shareholders have not as yet received their second payment. As has already been told in THE MINER, however, Mr. Jones announces that he will receive their pro rata by forwarding their stock for collection through the Commercial National bank of Chicago.

After all the stockholders have received the \$6.50 per share already declared, there will still remain in the company's treasury some \$15,000, equivalent to a final dividend of about 4 1/2% per share, which will make the total payments about 11%. There is a number of claims against the company and the directors do not intend to exhaust the treasury until these claims are adjusted. The Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company, to which the Great Western disposed of its surface rights, is believed to owe the company an amount equal to the claims made by the directors. It is confident that the stockholders will ultimately receive the full 9 1/2% per share which was expected.

HAS MADE A DEAL.

Mines Development Company Acquires a Group of Copper Properties.

As announced in THE MINER a few days ago The Mines Development, Trust & Grantee company, limited, has acquired a group of copper properties of which the Swansea is the center, situated about one and a half miles from the village of Windermere, on the lower Columbia river, East Kootenay Mining district. Charles Parker, the consulting engineer of the company, recently proceeded to inspect the property, and after a most exhaustive examination of it has been able to recommend its purchase with confidence to his company. He brought down with him some hundreds of pounds of samples taken from all parts of the workings on the Swansea claim, and has had a large number of assays made therefrom, which have given most satisfactory results, some of the samples going as high as 38 per cent in copper, and the average of all the assays showing about 17 per cent. There is about 120 tons of ore on the dump, which will average 31 per cent copper.

The Mines Development company intends at an early possible date to bring out a subsidiary company to operate the Swansea and other claims acquired, and while it waits to immediately proceed with the development of the Swansea. This is probably one of the best properties that has been secured by Rossland men for some time past, and promises at no distant date to be a dividend payer. Those wishing to secure an interest in the property will have an opportunity of doing so for a short time only, as the secretary of the Mines Development company announces that only a limited number of shares in his company will be issued under the present series, the intention being that holders of stock in the first issue of M. D. T. & G. stock or series shall participate pro rata in the stock of the Swansea company when formed.

A TALK WITH BLACKSTOCK.

He Outlines the Plans of the War Eagle Mining Company.

The Toronto World contains the following interview with T. G. Blackstock, managing director of the War Eagle company regarding the progress on the property.

T. G. Blackstock of the War Eagle Gold Mining company has just returned from a trip to Rossland. Seen by the World, he stated that there was nothing new regarding the operations of his company, except that the hoisting plant is being installed and that meantime development work is being rapidly pushed forward.

Asked concerning the new plant, Mr. Blackstock said that under the contract it is to be completed by the end of September, and that it will have a capacity of 500 tons per day. Questioned further as to whether the War Eagle would in October begin to ship 500 tons per day, or the full capacity of the plant, Mr. Blackstock said that it all depended upon the judgment of the management. The company's policy would be to determine the amount of ore the mine could permanently and steadily ship each day and then to regularly produce that much. This would have a better result than turning out a big daily output for a while and then falling off to a smaller amount.

As regards the reports that the dividend on the mine will shortly be doubled, Mr. Blackstock said he could make no prophecy. The question of increasing the dividends would not be considered until the new plant spoken of above is completed in September.

Further, Mr. Blackstock denied the story that the War Eagle people are buying the Centre Star. The company, he said, is not increasing its holdings in Rossland.

Rich Ore From the Bonanza.

H. H. Anderson, who has been prospecting on the west side of Christina lake on Hamill creek, has returned to this city, and reports that he has five promising claims there. These are the Francis E., Dollie K., Heather Bell, Bonanza and Eureka. The ore from the Bonanza is similar to that from the famous Republic, being a decomposed blue quartz, carrying large values in gold. The vein from which the ore was taken was only an inch or so in width on the surface, and has widened out to 1 1/2 inches at a depth of 27 feet. Mr. Anderson feels certain that he has properties of merit in the group, and is evidently of high grade and of the free milling variety.

Pay Ore Treasury Sold.

The Pay Ore (B. C.) Mines, Limited, report the sale of its 200,000 of pooled treasury shares as well as the few promoting shares left unsold. These were all taken by B. Sawyer of Montreal who visited the property which is called the Pay Ore and lies about 14 miles north of Grande Forks, last week in only organized the company. Mr. Sawyer was so well pleased with the property that he took all the shares he could get. The company expects to begin active development work in a few weeks.

The Abe Lincoln.

The shaft on the Abe Lincoln is now down 132 feet. The ore body recently met, from which some unusually handsome samples were taken, was encountered at a distance of 14 feet. It dips and is carried out of the line of the shaft and it pitched out of the workings several days ago. Two shifts of men are at work, and the manager, W. T. McDonald, says the company is in shape to carry on operations for a year.

The Copper Giant.

Wm. Merryweather is back from Look-out mountain, where he was seeing to the development of the Copper Giant group. There are three claims in the group, and assessment is being done for all of them. A new shaft has been started, and is now down 19 feet. Some excellent copper carbonates are met, carried in a sugar quartz mixed with iron.

The Centre Star-Iron Mask.

Although Monday was the date set for the hearing by Justice Walkem at Victoria of the application of the Centre Star to be released from the injunction secured by the Iron Mask restraining the former from continuing its mine in the latter's ground, yet the case did not come up for hearing, and may be delayed for several days.

Widening of the C. & W. Began.

Already 100 men and 50 teams are at work on the widening of the Trail-Rossland end of the Columbia & Western railway. The work will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible, for the contractors will sustain a fine of \$100 per day for each day after October 15 before the job is completed.

Ore Shipments.

The shipments of ore over the Kaslo & Slocan railway from July 20th to July 22nd inclusive, were as follows:

It's Closed on Sunday.

The Velvet, under the management of James Morrish, is one of the few properties in the camp where work is suspended on Sunday. The whole crew, with the exception of the pump man, takes a rest on that day.

The Santa Rosa.

On the Santa Rosa, just west of Sheep creek, the tunnel is now in 315 feet and a big deposit of quartz is encountered. Copper assays as high as 10 per cent, has been uncovered. It is expected that the main ledge will be met within 85 feet further.

The Trail Smelter.

There are now close to 15,000 tons of ore on hand at the Trail smelter, and it is expected that one blast will be started within about a week, to handle 200 tons daily.

THE MINING REVIEW

The Camp Eclipses All Previous Ore Records.

BIG DEAL IN DEER PARK

The Josie Looking Very Well-Good Showing in the Masoot-The Showing On the Giant-Development of the War Eagle.

The ore shipments for the week ending at midnight last evening surpass all records in the camp. The output reached the enormous total of 2,685 tons, which is equal to a daily product of nearly 400 tons. The Le Roi, with 200 tons daily to its credit, led the list with an output of 1,400 tons during the week. The War Eagle came next in order, and accounted for 960 tons, while the Centre Star, producing 275 tons, came third in the list. The Iron Mask produced 35 tons and the Giant 15.

The greatest production ever turned out of the camp previous to this marvelous output was in the seven days ending July 10 of last year, when the product of the Rossland mines was 2,432 tons. This week's output however exceeds the previous record by no less than 253 tons. A telegram was received last night by Fred Mulholland, the manager of the Deer Park, from the head offices of the company in Toronto, announcing that all the treasury stock now offered has been sold to a syndicate of eastern shareholders for 20 cents per share. The sale places the company in excellent financial position, and it will be in shape now to install at once a compressor and a hoist on the property, besides carrying on all the necessary development work.

THE VELVET-The Velvet has been successfully floated in London by the New Gold Fields of British Columbia, as the Velvet Mines, limited. The new company has a capital of £100,000, of which the New Gold Fields retains a large holding. James Morrish will remain in charge of the property, and his son, John Morrish, is now enroute from London to take the assistant management of the property.

The development of the Velvet continues very satisfactorily. In the north drift, at the 100-foot level, some excellent malachite is being met, which is not often found in this camp. Much good copper ore is also being encountered, mixed with white quartz and black specular iron.

Twenty-four men are now at work on the Velvet, and the force is to be slightly increased. Captain Morrish is now getting together a shipment of about a ton of representative rock from the property, which will be shipped to the Gold-Extraction & Bromine Recovery company, limited, of London, to be tested as to susceptibility to the treatment of that company, which has been unusually successful in reducing smelting ores carrying copper, such as are found in the Velvet, and in fact over the camp. It is claimed for the new process that it is far cheaper than anything previously invented.

MASOOT-In the tunnel, where a crosscut is in progress to cut a ledge running nearly parallel with tunnel, the ledge has been penetrated, and proves to contain about 30 inches of solid ore, containing iron, chalcopryite and copper sulphides. The white iron returned an assay of \$27 in gold, while the copper gave 8 per cent. assays. The crosscut has passed through the ledge, and it is probable that work will be suspended there soon, and revived at the face of the tunnel which is to be pushed steadily ahead.

In the upper shaft which is now down about 32 feet, the bottom of the workings is in quartz and a stringer of high grade copper ore about two inches wide is met. New ore bins are being constructed.

IRON MASK-The development of the mine is being concentrated in the drift extending east from the bottom of the mine and in the raise to the west end of the property. Both places are producing good ore, and shipments are being made with intermission to the Trail smelter. The application made by the Centre Star to be released from the injunction secured by the Iron Mask, restraining the former from continuing the mine in the latter's ground, is now being awaited the hearing.

DEER PARK-The shaft is down about 260 feet, and the ore body, which had dipped out to the west for several feet past, is again being encountered in one side of the shaft. The showing is much the same as it has been since the 200-foot level was reached. The tenders for the new compressor and hoist will be forwarded this week to Toronto, where the contract will be let. The company is in good shape financially as all the treasury stock offered has been bought by the shareholders at 20 cents per share.

LE ROI-The ore shipments for the week amounted to 1,400 tons which was the new highpath stone in the west end of the 600-foot level furnished its full quota. The skips are now working successfully to the 700-foot level, and operations are actively under way at that point in the mine. It is announced that the B. A. C., which is now in control of the property, intends to reduce the output to 100 tons daily in order to carry on the development of the mine with the utmost speed.

CENTRE STAR-Although the output of the mine is restricted by want of wagons to get the ore to the railway, yet the mine produced 275 tons last week, which came largely from the development work under way in the property. As soon as the new shaft on the upper end of the ground is completed and in working order, it will be possible to handle almost any amount of ore, as the rail-

way track will be but a few feet from the shaft house and the cars can be loaded right from the ore bins.

WAR EAGLE-The main shaft is now down about 600 feet and operations timbering the shaft to the surface and building a new office just north of the shaft of the property, continue. Some ore is met in the 600-foot level, although not in unusual quantities. The new boarding house is nearly completed, and preparations are now under way for building a new office just north of the present one. The addition in office room is in answer to a need that has been felt for some time past.

COPPER WONDER-On the Copper Wonder on Sophie mountain, six men are engaged in running a tunnel. Superintendent A. G. White announces that the intention of himself and associates is to develop this property on a large scale during the next six months. As the necessary requires the force will be increased.

GREAT WESTERN AND NICKEL PLATE-The two properties, which are to be floated as the Earl of Mining company, are being continuously developed, but the B. A. C. carefully refrains from making public any information about the showing. The new compressor is nearly complete.

HOMESTAKE-The property is being thoroughly developed previous to the meeting of the company in this city on Tuesday, when an effort will be made to form a new assessable company for operating the Homestake group.

GERTRUDE AND COXEY-The properties are undergoing a complete mining survey. The bottom of the Gertrude shaft is showing very well, and no little ore is met. The Coxey crosscut is being continued.

GIANT-In the shaft, which is down nearly 25 feet, an excellent body of mineral is met, and the showing there is good. The tunnel is being pushed ahead. A shipment of 15 tons of ore was made to Trail during the past week.

WHITE BRAM-The shaft is rapidly nearing the 200-foot level, and some excellent copper ore mixed with talc is met.

JOSE-The development is of an exceedingly satisfactory character, and a fine chute of high grade ore has been met in the drifts at the 300-foot level. The ledge in the Virginia property had been encountered. This spread and created a demand for the shares and this advanced the price till they were worth 52 cents. It was definitely announced last evening that a strike of importance had been made, and this should send stock up around the \$1 mark, provided the strike turns out to be as important as it is represented to be.

Monte Christos are quoted at 30 to 31 cents. The fact that the mine has ceased to ship has affected the price. There are good reasons why this was done, which in no wise should affect the value of the shares or the worth of the mine. In the first place the ore had to be hauled, at a considerable cost, from the mine to the railway track. The necessity for doing this will be obviated when the Columbia & Western railway is widened, as a spur will be built to the Monte Christo. The ore chute of the Monte Christo contains a large percentage of iron, and when the shaft is at a depth of 40 feet will be paid on this ore, because the iron is desirable as a flux for ore that carry lead. The third reason is a lack of power. The power in the Monte Christo, and as the development of the latter property demands nearly all that is available, a new plant is to be put in and then there will be an ample supply for both properties.

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B. A. C. BUILDINGS.

Contracts Have Been Let for the Erection of Three Structures.

John Honeyman, architect for the B. A. C., has let the contracts for the erection of three buildings for that company. One is a general office structure, a second is a laboratory and assay office, and a third is a cottage residence for W. A. Carlyle, the chief engineer of the B. A. C. The three buildings are to be located on Nickel Plate flat, at a point not far from the Red Mountain depot. The contracts for the general office building and the laboratory have been let to McPhee & Dunlop, while W. R. Spence will build the cottage. The ground dimension of the general office building will be 68x88 feet over all, and there will be two stories. The ground floor will contain the offices of the general superintendent, the financial manager, the mining surveyor, etc. The upper story is to be used for residential purposes by some of the officers of the company. The style of architecture will be colonial. The cottage intended for the chief mining engineer, W. A. Carlyle, will have ground dimensions of 32 x 50 feet, and will contain five rooms. The assay office and laboratory will occupy 38 x 45 feet of space and be a one-story structure conveniently arranged for the purpose intended. All three of the buildings will be heated with steam radiators and the steam will be supplied from the compressor plant of the company. The pumping will be first-class. The terms on which the contracts were let are withheld.

THE DUNDEE.

J. L. Parker Reports That It Is in Excellent Condition.

J. L. Parker, M. E., has returned from Ymir, where he was engaged in making a careful examination of the Dundee. Mr. Parker took cross sections every 30 feet in the tunnel and had about 20 assays made, and these reached from \$2.65 to \$38.57, or an average of \$13.57 per ton.

THE STOCK MARKET

The Past Week Has Been the Liveliest in Months.

DEER PARKS SELL FREELY

Virginia Have Advanced at a Rapid Rate During the Past Week and the Number of Sales Was Large-Why Monte Christo Is Not Shipping.

The stock market during the past week has been a very lively one and the volume of transactions was larger than for several months past. The fact that last week was the banner one for the camp for ore shipments doubtless had considerable to do with this. The increasing faith shown in the mines of the camp by the large investors like the B. A. C., the Mackay-Hosmer syndicate, the War Eagle company and by the investors in shares all over the country is another factor that tends to promote business. The fact of the matter is that the areas in which shares in local companies are bought is widening, the business is growing rapidly and is one that is destined to experience a great deal of expansion.

Deer Parks are quoted at 20 cents, and it is confidently predicted that they will go still higher. The management is seeking for bids for a plant, and with machinery the mine can be worked to greater advantage than at present. The volume of transactions was very heavy and shows that the measure of public faith in this meritorious mine is large.

There has been a large movement in Virginia during the week and they have advanced from the vicinity of 40 cents to 52 cents. There was a well defined rumor about for the past six days that the ledge in the Virginia property had been encountered. This spread and created a demand for the shares and this advanced the price till they were worth 52 cents. It was definitely announced last evening that a strike of importance had been made, and this should send stock up around the \$1 mark, provided the strike turns out to be as important as it is represented to be.

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Will Increase Its Capital Stock.

John A. Finch, who was here to attend the meeting of the Rossland Water & Light company, returned yesterday to Spokane. The company has decided to increase its capital stock from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The company will by September 1, have expended some \$28,000 more than its issued capital, and the value of these improvements will be disbursed among the shareholders as a stock dividend.

ton. The shaft is 260 feet deep and there are some 285 feet of tunnelling. A wire tramway 1,300 feet in length has been completed. This runs from the mine to the site of the proposed concentrating mill. The contract for the concentrating mill has been let to the Allis Machine company of Wisconsin. The tramway has been paid for and one-third of the purchase price of the concentrator and of the engine and boilers to operate it has been paid and there is sufficient capital in the treasury and in sight to pay the balance. The property has hitherto been operated with steam drills. This has made working in the property an extremely hot and uncomfortable task and it therefore has been decided to put in a 10-drill compressor. Further on in addition to this a 50-horse power hoist will be installed. The entire plant will cost over \$20,000. When all this machinery is in place the work will be pushed with great energy, and it is anticipated by the management that inside of the next six or eight months the Dundee will not only be a heavy shipper, but that it will be a dividend payer. Mr. Parker visited the property, but made nothing more than a superficial examination of them. Tuesday Mr. Parker will go to Ymir and make a thorough examination on the Kenneth.

THEY WERE ADJOURNED.

Meeting of the Homestead, Gopher and Lee Companies Goes Over.

A. F. Corbin, secretary of the Homestake, Gopher and the Lee companies, says the general meetings of the companies, held Tuesday, were adjourned until August 3d, at the request of Toronto and Vancouver shareholders.

J. B. Hastings, manager of the War Eagle company, has been examining the properties of the various companies and laying out a scheme of development. His report has not yet reached Toronto, and the adjournment is to allow plenty of time for consideration before making the various companies assessable. It is expected that at the adjournment shareholders will be in attendance from Montreal, Toronto, Spokane and Vancouver, where upon the surface is how new franchises have already been received from all these places.

The Green Mountain Group.

W. L. Lawrie returned Tuesday from a visit to the Green Mountain group, in which he is interested and on which work is progressing, and he tells an interesting story of the development of the properties there. There are three claims in the group, the Crow Mountain, the Anacostia and the Jersey, and they lie on the north slope of Red mountain, about a mile and a half north of town, a little north of the Good Hope. Development was recently commenced by a syndicate formed by Dabney & Parker, and they intend to carry the work forward vigorously.

The ledge has been crossed for 20 feet and a fine hanging wall has been disclosed, but the footwall has not yet been met, and I don't know how wide the ledge will be. The surface cut went down 15 feet through the capping before the ore was met, but at that depth a fine body of iron sulphides was encountered, corresponding closely in character with the product of the big mines on the south side of the mountain. An average assay went \$14.40 in gold, and there is no little copper visible in the ore, although no tests were made for that metal.

It is the intention of the syndicate to sink to the 400-foot level, and as soon as the hanging wall has been found, sinking will be commenced upon it at once.

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\$110,000 PAID OUT

This Sum Disbursed Among Stock-Holders of the Josie.

THE PROCEEDS OF A SALE

The Distribution was on the Basis of 30.57 Cents Per Share—Old Company Had to Be Disincorporated Before the Money Could Be Divided.

Some \$110,000 was disbursed in Rossland Friday to the shareholders of the old Josie Gold Mining Company. It was the proceeds from the sale of the company's property to the British American corporation for \$262,500, and the division was on the basis of 30.57c per share. F. E. Snodgrass, the secretary of the company, made a special trip yesterday from Spokane to distribute to the Rossland shareholders the amount due them, and he was busy all day long in paying out funds and cancelling stock certificates. There was over 300,000 shares in the company held by Rossland people, and the amount paid to them will be of no little importance to the mining interests of the camp, as most of it will be put back into other mining properties around here. According to the laws of the state of Washington, under which the Josie company was organized, it was necessary for the company to disincorporate before the proceeds from the sale of the company's property could be divided. The company accordingly was disintegrated, and is now out of existence.

Mr. Snodgrass, the secretary of the company, will return today to Spokane. He is now in editorial charge of the Spokane Chronicle, which will in future be conducted as a straight Republican paper. Mr. Snodgrass has been a newspaperman more or less all his life, and already The Chronicle is taking on renewed life under his editorial charge.

THE GREAT WESTERN.

Secretary Jones Has the Funds of the Company in Chicago.

The action brought by G. M. Stephens before Judge Richardson a receiver for the Great Western Mining Company, to take the management of the property out of the hands of J. B. Jones, the secretary-treasurer, is developing some decidedly interesting features. The shareholders who are anxious for the second dividend of about five cents per share will not be a little engrossed in the proceedings. A session of the court was held Wednesday at Spokane. John M. Burke was on the stand. He is one of the trustees of the defendant company, but the tenor of his testimony indicated that his sympathies are with the plaintiff.

He testified that he had attended none of the meetings since he was elected trustee for the reason that he was in the minority, and chose to remain away and give those in control full sway. When asked who was in control he named J. B. Jones, C. H. Barry, L. L. Bertoneau, and R. E. M. Strickland. He said he could not recall that he had ever been notified of a meeting of the board of trustees.

He testified that only one dividend, the first one of 4 1/2 cents, was paid on his stock. The second payment of 5 1/2 cents was not paid. His stock is "in soak," quoting Mr. Burke, literally, in Montreal. He said that the parties holding it have sent it to the Traders' National bank for the purpose of securing the second dividend, but the money was not paid.

Mr. Burke also testified that the first distribution should have been 5 cents per share, instead of 4 1/2 cents. He said he remonstrated with Mr. Jones about this, but was told that the balance was reserved to pay outstanding debts.

THE MAYFLOWER.

Officers of the Company Hope to Resume Work on the Property.

Fred Oliver, who has been in the Boundary and in Republic on mining business, was among the arrivals in town yesterday via the Red Mountain train. Mr. Oliver, when questioned regarding the Mayflower company, in which he is one of the principal owners, announced that there was nothing new in connection with the property; everything stands in about the same position as it has for the past year. The company is out of debt and its treasury stock has only been slightly sold, but as the company is not working and as consequently there is little sale for its stock no effort is being made to place the shares on the market. The officers of the company, however, are doing all that they can to get the property at work again. The St. Elmo company, which is largely owned by the same persons who control the Mayflower, is in much the same position as the other, and there is no development of interest in connection with it.

Mr. Oliver says development is proceeding very satisfactorily on the Athelstane in the Boundary, in which he is interested.

A NEW COMPANY.

It is Formed in London to Operate in B. C. and Elsewhere.

A company called the Pacific Northwest Mining Corporation has been offered to the public in London. Its capital is £200,000, and its objects are to acquire a number of mining properties in Montana, British Columbia and Alaska for a sum of £62,000 in cash and £83,000 in shares. The properties have been selected by W. H. and A. A. Wynne of London, in co-operation with Howard C. Walters, an American mining engineer, and these three gentlemen will manage

B. A. C. IN CONTROL

It Secures 284,000 Shares in the Le Roi.

STOCK IS NOW IN ESCROW

A Half Million Already Paid—Shipments Are to Be Cut Down to 100 Tons Daily—Rumors About the Management.

Spokane, Wash., July 22.—[Special]—The famous iron clad pool of the Le Roi company, in which about four-fifths of the stock was held, has finally been dissolved, and the Peyton faction has sold its holdings to the British American corporation. The sale was on the basis of \$6 per share and involved 284,000 shares, so that as the capitalization of the Le Roi is only 500,000 shares, the B. A. C. now has a substantial majority in the company.

What the Peyton faction could not do by violent means has at last been accomplished amicably, and the pool was broken on Tuesday with the consent of the Turner interests under the clause of the pooling agreement which provided that, while the pool was to last for 10 years, yet it could be broken in the meantime by a majority vote of the shareholders interested in it. The majority vote favoring the breaking of the pool was secured on Tuesday, when the combination was dissolved by general consent. The Peyton faction, controlling nearly 284,000 shares, promptly turned in its pooled receipts, secured its stock certificates, and turned them over to the British American corporation, represented by a messenger from the Bank of British North America at Rossland. The shares are now held in escrow by that institution, and the B. A. C. has paid on account in escrow a half million dollars. The rest of the payment becomes due inside of six weeks, in one lump sum.

The B. A. C. had pooling receipts in escrow for several days previous to the meeting on Tuesday, when in accordance with the policy of the interests now at the head of the company, the superintendent of the mine, Nicholas Tregear, was given instructions to cut the shipments down to 100 tons per day. The output is now ranging around 250 tons per diem, and W. J. Harris, the present manager, who is closely connected with the Turner, or minority interests, lately announced that the shipments were to be increased to 350 tons daily. This reduction of the ore output, arrived at in the directors' meeting tonight, indicates that the Turner interests will soon retire from the management of the property. In fact, it is declared that the B. A. C. intends to make W. A. Carlyle, its chief engineer, the manager of the property.

The resigning of the directors for the cutting down of the shipments is that larger production retarded the successful development of the mine.

MOUNTAIN CLIMBERS.

Members of the Presbyterian Church Go to the Top of Mount Spokane.

A number of the members of the Presbyterian church made the ascent of Spokane mountain Friday, and had a merry time. The party left the Presbyterian church at 9:15 in the morning, and when two-thirds of the way up the mountain the lunch and rest were spread in a shady place and a rest was taken in the hands had been discussed. It was 1:25 when the apex of the mountain was reached. There the party remained admiring the splendid panorama of scenery spread before them and enjoying a rest from the fatigue of the ascent. A member of the mountain climbers had a kodak and pictures were taken of the scenery and of the party in picturesque groups. Miss Mabel Lockhart reached the point on the summit while Miss Louise Husband reached the highest point on the mountain first, and so the race between these two active young ladies was declared to be a draw. On the way down and the party took refuge in a cabin until the shower was over. William Aldrich shot a badger and a very enjoyable time was had. The party reached home at 6 o'clock last evening. Among those in the party were Mrs. D. E. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, Miss Cora Aldrich, Miss N. McKenzie, Miss Laura Husband, Mr. Clark, William Aldrich, Peter McL. Forin, Rev. Mr. Stevens, Miss Mabel Lockhart, and Miss Louise Husband.

GRAND FORKS STREETS.

They Are to Be Improved at a Cost of \$15,000.

Grand Forks, July 31.—Special.—The city council is passing a money loan by-law for the purpose of borrowing \$15,000 for street improvements. This by-law will be voted on by the ratepayers within the next three weeks.

Word reaches here from Camp McKinney that the Cariboo mine in that camp is about to be reopened. The purchaser is a well known London syndicate.

Residents in the vicinity of Cascade City report that the Dewdney trail for a distance of some 20 miles east of Cascade is in a bad condition and needs immediate repairs.

The founder, the pioneer brewer of this place, has sold out his entire interest in the Grand Forks brewery to Wm. Graham, the genial innkeeper at Edwards' Ferry, on the Marcus stage road. Much to the gratification of the citizens of Grand Forks, the C. P. R. survey through the town has been changed to run up Main street instead of cutting through the business portion of Cascade. By the present survey only a few lots on the river front are cut by the survey line.

FROM THE GAZETTE.

The Latest Incorporations, Appointments and Orders Issued.

The issue of the British Columbia Gazette of July 21 contains the following announcements: A certificate of incorporation of the British Columbia Southern Mines, Limited, non-personal liability has been issued. The capital stock is \$500,000 divided into 500,000 shares of \$1 each. The registered office of the company will be in Rossland. The objects for which the company is formed are: To purchase, acquire and operate mines, mining properties and mining claims, coal lands, timber lands, and to sell, convey, transfer, lease, mortgage, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof.

A certificate of incorporation has been issued to the Montreal Gold Fields, Limited, non-personal liability. The capital stock is \$800,000, divided into 3,200,000 shares of 25 cents each. The registered office of the company is situated in Rossland. The objects are to carry on a general mining and smelting business.

A certificate of incorporation has been issued to the Thompson Valley Power Company. The capital stock is \$25,000, divided into 500 shares of \$50 each. The registered office of the company is in Kamloops. The objects for which the company is incorporated is the acquisition and the rendering available for use of the water and water power of the streams and creeks flowing in the North Thompson river and the selling of electric power generated therefrom to the public.

O. R. Hamilton has been appointed attorney for the Caledonia Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company, Rossland-Red Mountain Gold Mining Company, Native Silver and Smelting Company and E. G. Jennings has been appointed attorney for the Giant Powder Company, consolidated, in place of Elmer E. Green. Mr. Jennings is a resident of Victoria.

The office or principal place of business of the Dardanelles Mining & Milling Company, limited, has been changed from Kaelo to the city of Victoria.

Application for certificates of improvement of the following mineral claims have been made: Conductor, Gold Hill, Home Rule, Mollie Hughes, Real Idea, No. 2, Pinto, Tyroua, Kinkora, Tootsie, Nellie, Rob Roy, Nightingale, Victoria, and Whoopoo.

Sealed tenders, properly indorsed, will be received by the chief commissioner of lands and works up to noon on Saturday, August 13th, for the erection and completion of a jail at Vernon. The drawings, specifications and conditions of tender and contract may be seen at the office of the W. S. Gore, deputy commissioner of lands and works at Victoria.

His honor the lieutenant governor has been pleased to make the following appointments: James McGregor, of the city of Nanaimo, Esquire, to be inspector of metalliferous mines.

Frank Robert Catford Beer, of Robson, Esquire, to be a justice of the peace within and for the county of Kootenay.

Hamilton Robert Foot, of the city of Victoria, Esquire, master mariner, to be a justice of the peace within and for the Alberni Electoral district.

Alexander D. MacIntyre, of the city of Kamloops, Esquire, to be a justice of the peace within and for that portion of the Province of British Columbia known as the mainland.

John Manning Scott, of the town of Revelstoke, Esquire, barrister at law, to be a notary public within and for that portion of the Province of British Columbia known as the mainland.

William Henry Morton, of the city of Nanaimo, Esquire, to be a member of the Boards of Licensing and Police Commissioners for the said city.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of Angus B. Johnston, Esquire, J. P., as a member of the Boards of Licensing and Police Commissioners for the city of Nanaimo, and of Arthur M. Wilcox, Esquire, as a justice of the peace within and for the West Kootenay Electoral District.

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Reindeer Milk

It is the intention of the company to operate continuously for 24 hours daily, the new schedule going into effect shortly. The power supplied to the city is generally appreciated by consumers on dark days. It was expected that the arc lamps for street lighting would have been here in time for the visit of the electric-regal party, but unfortunately a device in shipment occurred which made this acquisition impossible. The lamps are expected daily, however, and it is now only a question of a very short time ere the city will be illuminated in a manner superior to others having a larger area and population.

Athletic Club Improvements

Association May Take Over the Entire Building. At a committee meeting of the Rossland Athletic Association held Saturday it was decided to call a general meeting of the members of the club for Saturday evening next at 8:30 o'clock at the association rooms in this vicinity, and judge a scheme for the reorganization of the club upon a more popular basis.

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THE ORE SHIPMENTS.

Table with columns for item (Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, etc.) and amount. Total: 45,521.

Following are the ore shipments from the mines adjacent to Rossland from Jan. 1 to July 23, 1898: Le Roi, 35,270; War Eagle, 15,874; Centre Star, 1,871; Foreman, 1,938; Iron Mask, 140; Cliff, 465; Velvet, 416; Monte Christo, 15; Sunset No. 2, 15; Deer Park, 15; Giant, 15. Total, 45,521.

WESTERN FORTUNES.

The bulk of the large fortunes on the Pacific Coast have been made in real estate and mining. This is true all along the Coast from San Diego to Dawson City. The development along the Coast in the fifty years that have elapsed since the discovery of gold in Sutter's mill race in California seems more like a romantic story than an actuality, and reveals that truth is stranger than fiction. It has, indeed, been a golden age. The advance in the value of real estate in Victoria, Vancouver, San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego has produced a crop of millionaires in so short a time that it is hard to find it duplicated in the history of the world, where men have been made rich along lines that are legitimate. Then the output of the mines of the British Columbia, California, and other states of the Pacific coast has produced men whose wealth has rivaled that of opulent heroes of fiction, the Count of Monte Christo. In mercantile pursuits there may be found a man here and there who usually successful merchant princes retire on considerably less than a million. It was often the case that real estate advanced 100, 200, and 400 per cent, and sometimes more than that on the price paid for it, and sometimes even larger results than these were attained in mining ventures, while the merchant has to satisfy himself with a profit that runs from two to thirty per cent. This is the reason why mining and real estate investors have made the larger fortunes.

Take the Dunsmuir of Victoria, for instance. They operated coal mines and speculated in real estate and today that estate is the richest in British Columbia. The wealth of the Dunsmuir is estimated at some \$15,000,000. There are dozens of large fortunes in Victoria and Vancouver that have been made in lucky real estate speculation. In Portland, Or., there is the estate of William H. Ladd that is valued at \$22,000,000. Though Mr. Ladd was for a portion of his life a banker, still the major part of his big estate was the result of fortunate turns in real estate. Further down the Coast, at San Francisco, was the headquarters, years ago, of the Big Bonanza firm, which was composed of Mackay, Flood, Fair and O'Brien. This firm made its immense fortune, which was probably the largest ever gained by a firm made up of individuals, on the Pacific coast. It was claimed when John W. Mackay withdrew from the firm and transferred the scene of his activity to New York, that he had the largest amount of ready money to his credit of any man in the world. The immense sums accumulated by this quartet of capitalists was made in the silver mines of Nevada and on the stock exchange in San Francisco. When in the heyday of their prosperity they became bankers, but that was not until they practically had more money than they could invest as individuals, and went into the banking business so as to secure an enlarged field for investment. There are thousands of large fortunes in California that have been made in the mining and real estate business.

Here in British Columbia there is practically a virgin field for the mining operator and the real estate speculator and investor. With an area of mining territory greater than that of any country in the world, except, perhaps, Russia, the field is an inviting and promising one. The history of other mining communities will repeat itself here and there will be many millionaires made in the next decade whose fortunes will compare favorably with the best that have heretofore being made. The same may be said in regard to real estate speculation, as none of the towns of this Province have reached the maximum of their growth and will expand to such an extent that many fortunes of large dimensions will be made by far-seeing speculators. A word to the wise is sufficient.

TEMPLEMAN'S SENATORIAL QUALIFICATIONS.

The Victoria Colonist questions Senator Templeman's right to his seat in the upper chamber of parliament. The position taken by the Colonist is that to render the appointment of a senator valid, he must at the time of his appointment possess the qualifications prescribed by the British North America Act, 1867. These are:

He must be of the full age of thirty-three years.

He must be a subject of Her Majesty.

He must possess in freehold within the province for which he is appointed real estate to the value of four thousand dollars over and above all charges against the same.

His real and personal property must together be worth four thousand dollars above his liabilities.

He must be a resident of the province for which he is appointed.

The question is, Has Senator Templeman qualified on the real estate clause? It is contended that when he was appointed senator in November, 1897, the public records did not show that he owned \$4,000 worth of real estate, and that it was not until the end of last February that a deed was registered in his name at Victoria of two town lots, the purchase price of which was set forth as \$5,000.

It may yet be Senator McLagan of Vancouver.

THE VIRGINIA STRIKE.

Good fortune continues to attend the work of the miners of the camp, and one of the evidences of this is the important strike made in the Virginia. A vein of ore 28 feet in width has been encountered. It is known that nine feet of this vein is ore that will run over \$50 to the ton, and the foot wall has not yet been found. This is regarded as one of the most important finds that has yet been made in the camp. It further demonstrates the theory that has long been held by many, that there are many counterparts of the best mines that have so far been developed, and that all that needs to be done to find them is to delve in the right spot. It has been held by scientists like McConnell that the ore dikes occur chiefly at the point of contact between the great flow of gabbro from volcanic action, that covered this section, and the Paleozoic rocks, and the discoveries made so far leads one to the impression that this theory is the correct one.

All the finds of valuable ore bodies in this camp, including the one just made in the Virginia, are the result of an intelligent reading of the surface signs by men who have ability as miners, and while it is true that one man can see as far into the earth as another, there are certain unerring signs on the surface which indicate values beneath to men trained in the mining business. This, coupled with mining conducted on a proper scale and along scientific lines, is certain to produce profitable results. It shows the necessity of having men skilled in the art of mining to conduct the affairs of the properties of this or any other camp. On the other hand, look at the many monuments of the lack of skill and knowledge of mining that are to be found even in this camp. There is not a single property in the camp that is producing shipping ore that has not been developed by individuals who have not had a long previous experience in the business. Those who have had no former experience in mining have, without a single exception, made complete failures of the properties placed under their management. This fact should be a great object lesson and induce those who own mining properties to place only the best men available in charge of their development.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

AFTER many false rumors as to who will succeed the Earl of Aberdeen as viceroy of Canada, the press dispatches positively announce that the Earl of Minto is the man. Lord Minto has a splendid public record and his appointment will undoubtedly give general satisfaction in Canada.

THE Grand Forks Miner of July 23 contains an advertisement of notice of application for a charter for the Kettle River Valley railway. From this it would seem that the time is not far distant when a second railway will be in course of construction in the great Boundary Creek country.

ACCORDING to the latest reports with regard to the elections, protests have been, or will be entered in North Yale by Hon. G. B. Martin, in East Yale by Donald Graham, in Revelstoke by W. White, and in Nelson by A. S. Farwell. Mr. Graham is an Opponentist, Mr. Farwell is an Independent, and the other two, Messrs. Martin and White, are Government supporters.

FIFTEEN thousand tons of ore has accumulated at the Trail smelter in the short time that the company has been prepared to receive consignments. This enormous tonnage has been shipped from the Rossland camp without any solicitation on the part of the smelter company. It is mainly ore that has been taken out of a few of the large mines here while development work was progressing and preparations were being made for stopping on a large scale. Imagine what the shipments of this camp will amount to when stopping commences in earnest!

ONE touch of nature makes the whole world kin and in D. C. Corbin's action toward his employees last Sunday there was a touch of that better nature which makes the actions of man approach the divine. It is the superior part of human nature coming out of its selfishness and doing deeds which are as great as those of the boasted days of chivalry. To be sure Mr. Corbin had made something over a million by the sale of his railway system, but in his "pate" and his promise to help those of his men when they needed it he showed a generous disposition and a desire that they might to a certain extent share in his good fortune. His example is worthy of being imitated.

THE COAST PRESS AND KOOTENAY.

THE MINER heartily agrees with the Kootenay Press when it says that the Coast newspapers do not devote the attention to Kootenay that the resources of the district justify. It is a deplorable fact that the public press of Vancouver and Victoria has always neglected to report in detail the great progress that has and is being made in the development of the mineral resources of Southern and Southeastern British Columbia and the phenomenal results that have been achieved. It is reasonable to suppose that the people of the Coast cities would invest here to an infinitely greater extent and that they would make much greater efforts to secure our trade if they were fully posted by their home papers with regard to the correct mining news of this section. The increased interest would greatly benefit all concerned. Lack of interest in Kootenay has cost the capitalists and merchants of Vancouver and Victoria many golden opportunities. Let the Coast papers do their duty to Kootenay and the neighborhood in which they are published without further delay.

IS A PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

The Virginia Mining Co. is no longer a Foreign Corporation.

At the meeting of the Virginia held in this city yesterday the recommendations of the meeting held in Spokane were carried out. There were some 440,000 shares represented. Messrs. Kingmill, Hart and Smith represented 313,000 shares, and F. J. Walker of the firm of the Reddin-Jackson company, 125,000 shares. The secretary-treasurer, Harold Kingmill, was instructed to secure the incorporation of the company under the laws of the province of British Columbia for the sum of \$500,000 in \$1 shares, the same as the old company. It was decided to mark up the shares of the new company as having paid assessment to the extent of 25 cents. The new stock was made assessable to the extent of 75 cents per share. All the several motions made and carried were unanimous.

At the meeting in Spokane on Tuesday, when the project to disincorporate was considered, the transactions were company were substantially the same as at yesterday's meeting. The stockholders were unanimous in favor of forming a new British Columbia corporation, to be known as the Virginia Mining Company, limited, to which the assets of the present company should be transferred. At the same time the stock in the old company will be exchanged for scrip in the new on even terms.

Over \$50,000 has been spent in the development of the Virginia. A vertical shaft to a compartment shaft has been sunk 300 feet, and a drift to the east driven over 140 feet. It is in this drift that the recent great strike in the property was made.

THE LE ROI OUTPUT.

It Continues to Be at the Rate of 250 Tons Per Day.

The recent decision of the Le Roi directors to reduce the output of the mine in order to carry on more extensive development work, does not seem to have been applied to the property as yet. No orders to cut down the production have yet been received by the manager, W. J. Harris, or the superintendent, Nicholas Tregear, and the output is being continued at the rate of 250 tons per day and better. It looks now as if this week will break all records in the way of ore production in the mine.

Twenty-two machines are at work, and the payroll numbers just 218 men. Of the machines, just half of them, however, are in operation, while the other 11, are engaged in development work. The number of men will be increased to 24 about the 5th of next month, when, if nothing happens, work will be commenced sinking the shaft from the 700 to the 800-foot level.

Development is going ahead all over the mine, and the showing everywhere is most satisfactory.

Big Vein Found on the Josie.

The recent strike in the Josie has disclosed about 14 feet of mixed ore, carrying very satisfactory values. The find was made in one of the crosscuts from the west workings at the 300-foot level of the Josie shaft, and drifting along the vein will be commenced at that point. The strike is considered important by the engineers of the B. A. C., not so much because of the value of the find as because it is evident that the vein has been definitely met in the west workings. There was, as is well known, a large dike in the Josie vein at the point where the shaft was sunk, and the find demonstrates that the influence of the dike has been entirely left behind at that point.

One of the interesting features in connection with the find is the fact that it is the most easterly point at which the Le Roi and the Le Roi and the Centre Star has been opened at depth. The veins in these four properties are now opened at a depth of about 300 feet and for a surface distance of about 3,000 feet.

country to obtain exclusive information on all matters relating to mining, and the self-evident advantages which must necessarily result from combining to obtain the first and fullest intelligence with regard to the different mines, it is clear that any organization established with this avowed object is entitled to a very high position in the estimation of capitalists, and encouragement and support from the mining and financial press. Of all places in the world, the great money center—London—is the most suitable for a mining exhibition, and it cannot be gainsayed that such a body as the London Chamber of Mines, assisted by kindred societies, and the various institutions of mining engineers and metallurgists, are the proper parties under whose auspices it should be carried out.

To treat of the details of the undertaking would be, at present moment, out of place, as it is not sufficiently advanced to give particulars; but the few simple facts which we have stated above fully show the nature of the project, and its recommendation to the confidence of the mining public. Queensland has already notified its intention to exhibit, and the other Australian governments are considering the matter, and there can be no doubt but that they will in the end heartily approve of the scheme. The same may be said of South Africa. So far neither the Dominion nor the Provinces of Canada have taken up the matter. But it goes without saying that the Federal government and the Provincial authorities, as well as the various public bodies of British Columbia should give it their prompt attention and lose no time in making very extensive and elaborate preparations for an exhibit of the mineral resources of this country. The exhibition will, without doubt, be far-reaching in beneficial results for this country than anything of a similar nature that has yet been advanced.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

The framework for the new Presbyterian church is rapidly being completed.

W. S. Haskins, the superintendent of the Nickel Plate road, is at home in his handsome new residence on Nickel Plate flat, near the sub-station of the West Kootenay Power & Light company.

Rev. Mr. Irwin, who is now in East Kootenay with the archdeacon of Columbia, Rev. Mr. Pentreath, is expected in Rossland the latter part of this week.

A meeting of the English clergy of this district will be held in Kaslo next Tuesday, after which Mr. Irwin will return home, and Rev. A. Frocner, the present pastor in charge of the church here, will leave for his new field, East Kootenay, with headquarters at Ft. Steele.

WAS CORBIN'S TREAT

775 of His Employees Were His Guests For a Day.

BEER AND LEMONADE

There Were 1,000 Roast Chickens and Lots of Other Food For the Hungry - The Boys Give the President a Fine Watch To Remember Them By.

D. C. Corbin was the host and 775 of his employees were the guests of the picnic held at Loom Lake. The guests were bidden to come empty-handed, and there was an ample supply of creature comforts for their use. There were between 40 and 50 kegs of beer, and about as many of lemonade, and these liquids flowed like Big Sheep creek in a freshet. Among the articles on the menu were 1,000 roasted chickens, two large barrels of ice cream, hundreds of joints of roast beef, mutton and pork on the bushel, pies by the thousand, and scores of other good things in quantities sufficient to supply every guest with sufficient and plenty to spare. The guests had brought their appetites with them and did not all justice to the viands which first arrived at the lake. Then they began to play games, to dance to the music of a splendid orchestra, to swim in the lake, to rest in the shade; in short, they went in for a day of unmediated enjoyment and succeeded in having it. The tables were kept loaded all day with good things and the drinkables were on tap as free as air to anyone who desired them. With all this freedom there were no signs that the guests had taken more than was good for them. There was not an angry word spoken during the entire day, as all seemed to be on their good behavior.

A pleasant feature of the day was the presentation of a \$250 watch to D. C. Corbin by his employees. G. H. Martin, the auditor of the Corbin system, made the presentation speech, in which he requested Mr. Corbin to accept the timepiece as a token of esteem with which he was held by every man in his employ, and in order that he might at all times be reminded of the cordial relations that have existed between him and those who were working under him.

D. C. Corbin in accepting the gift said he had not expected such a handsome gift, and that he would accept it only because it was offered in such a spirit of kindness and good fellowship. He said he would rather have that watch than the check of any man in the United States for \$10,000, and promised to always wear it as a reminder of the many good fellows that he had with him who had stuck to him through sunshine and shadow, through panic and boom. Mr. Corbin paid a high tribute to his employees, and said there was not a more loyal and faithful lot of men in the United States. He intimated that he would give up the management of the system on or about the 1st of August, and although he would perhaps be elsewhere he would like to see them all. He wanted those who had been with him so long to feel that wherever he went he was still their true friend, and that they could call on him for a favor at any time. If the favor requested was in his power he would grant it, even if it was many years from now. The speech was enthusiastically received, and Mr. Corbin was frequently interrupted by loud bursts of enthusiastic applause.

The train from Rossland left at 4:45 on Sunday morning and did not arrive back till 2:40 on Monday morning, having been away only five minutes short of 23 hours. Various estimates have been put on the cost of the entertainment furnished by Mr. Corbin. As there were nearly 800 guests it is estimated that the transportation and entertainment cost did not cost less than \$5 each. At this rate the cost would be about \$4,000 to Mr. Corbin, and he paid for the freight and the feed.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

A Taxpayer Who Thinks the Civic Debt Should Be Kept Down.

EDITOR MINER:- Sir: I, as one having considerable property and being very largely interested in the future of Rossland, desire, through the medium of your valuable paper, to ascertain whether we are drifting financially? At present we are in debt to the extent of \$100,000; quite sufficient for a population of 6,000 people to bear, and still we are informed by the proceedings of last Thursday night's council meeting that we are to be still further saddled with a debt of \$7,000 for the purpose of improving the fire department, a worthy object, no doubt, to be voted on by the qualified electors, yea or nay. If it is necessary to make further expenditure to improve the fire department, why not do so out of the general funds of the city, and, instead, submit the useless expenditure of \$3,840 to grade Spokane street hill, between First and Second avenues, to a vote of the taxpayers? The answer is, "No." The city fathers know full well that the bylaw appropriating the money proposed to be expended on that hill at the present time, would be voted out of existence by a vote of 20 to 1. When the improvement (so called) on Spokane street is completed not one in 75 living on the hill in that neighborhood will ever use it as a thoroughfare, preferring, no doubt, to go to Washington street to make their descent to the business portion of the city.

We know very well that our council is composed principally of men doing business on Columbia avenue, and they are evidently making good use of their present lease of power to protect the interests of their business future against any encroachment that competition that may be made by any enterprising business men, who may feel inclined to build and open shops on Second avenue or other streets on the hill.

So far as the bluff on West Columbia avenue is concerned, it can readily be demonstrated that if any complaint has been made by the owners of the property through which the present road runs, or that any of them should be desirous of building up to the street line, they would have just cause of complaint, and the city, we presume, would be compelled to remove a portion of the rock or enough, at least, to enable them to make the desired improvements. In that case the cheapest method must be adopted. On examination of the list of

councillors, we find that five out of the seven are residents of the west end, and their business interests are situated there likewise. Dare we believe that they are narrow minded enough to increase the value of their own property at the public expense? One of the number (in his business interests) appears to be about equally divided between the east and west sections of the city.

Another, whose interests are situated (locally speaking) in the east end, evidently has not the courage of his convictions and allows his silver tongue to remain dumb when it should be used vigorously on behalf of that portion of the city which he is supposed to represent. Please do not think we are jealous because no improvements have been made in the east end, although we need work badly on the eastern residential portion, but still the residents thereof would be satisfied with a very small expenditure, at present, rather than the city should be further involved in debt. Out down the salary list to the lowest possible notch, commensurate with the proper discharge of our public functions.

There are several other doubtful expenditures notably the one in connection with the present fire hall. We think had the council been negotiating a deal of a similar nature in their own personal business interests the same conveniences would have been secured for a much less monthly rental. The city council have got along with a less expensive building and used a part of the money in erecting hydrants throughout the now unprotected portions of the city. If merchants want the sprinkler for the protection of their goods a frontage tax could be imposed on them for the same reason. Outside residents should not be compelled to pay for this convenience.

RATEPAYER.

Alderman Goodeve's Position.

EDITOR MINER, Sir: - "Ratepayer" complains in his letter of 26th inst. that the interests of Ward I have been neglected, and implies that I have failed to oppose the expenditure of money in improvements of which I did not approve. My understanding of my duty is that I am equally interested in the progress of every section of the city and responsible to each individual ratepayer in whatever portion of the city he may reside; that aldermen are elected for particular wards simply that all portions of the city may be looked after, not as opposed to each other but in their relation to the whole. If "Ratepayer" had read carefully the reports of the proceedings of the council in the daily press he would have seen that I opposed the expenditure of such a large sum of money in removing the bluff, not because it was in the west end but because I felt that 25 feet was all that was justified at the present time. He would have seen also that I opposed the grading of Spokane street north of First avenue, on the ground that the cost was not justified by the advantages that would accrue to the city, the west side being entirely destroyed for building purposes by Centre Star gulch, and those living on Nickel Plate flat being equally well served by the bridge on Second avenue and Washington street. Lastly that it is only two weeks since the funds from the debentures became available and already the board of works have a gang of men in ward I, and I have the assurance that they will proceed as rapidly as possible in making the improvements required on the various streets.

A. S. GOODVEE, Alderman, Ward I.

The Odd Fellows Install Officers.

The Odd Fellows had their installation of officers Monday in the hall on east Columbia avenue. District Deputy John Edgren conducted the ceremonies. The evening was enlivened by a lunch and a musical program. The officers installed were: Noble grand, J. E. Cummings; vice grand, Dr. D. E. Kerr; secretary, W. S. Murphy; treasurer, F. W. Preddy; warden, John Scrafton; conductor, A. L. Houston; right supporter of the noble grand, Walter S. Wilson; left supporter of the noble grand, J. Keanty; right supporter of the vice grand, J. B. Mansros.

ANSWERS TO INQUIRIES.

The Fourteen Con.

L. M. MORE, Brandon, Man:-The Fourteen Consolidated Gold Mines has sold its properties to a newly formed English company, the British Canadian Finance corporation.

The Two Friends.

INVESTOR, Rossland:-THE MINER unfortunately can give you no information about the Two Friends Mine or the Two Friends Mining company. Inquiries from this office directed to the secretary of the companies, C. O. Bennett, of Vancouver, fail to produce any information about the two incorporations.

A New York Inquirer.

E. L. FISHER, Rochester, N. Y.:-The property you mention is considered a very promising one, and is being developed vigorously, and the principal owners seem to have great faith in it. It is numbered among the producers of the camp.

The Ruth-Esther.

M. A. GOFF, Lathrop, Mo.:-The Ruth-Esther company was working its properties, the Ruth and the Esther, on Sophie mountain, continuously until about a fortnight ago, when operations were stopped, as the company was out of funds. It is, however, free from debt, and is in good shape otherwise. About 220 feet of work has been done, including a crosscut tunnel 180 feet long and a drift on the vein for about 45 feet. There is a good showing of ore, and assays have been obtained running as high as \$75 in gold and silver. The company hopes to resume work shortly.

The Three Famed Blacks

Of the world are Diamond Dye Fast Black for Wool, Diamond Dye Fast Black for Cotton and Mixed Goods, and Diamond Fast Black for Silk and Feathers. The results that each of these Blacks taken by the world are marvellous and pleasing. They are faded and dingy dresses, jackets, capes, coats, pants, vests, etc., that are now so useless and repulsive looking, can be made like new garments with the Diamond Dye Blacks. You faded, rusty and dead looking silks and feathers are made new creations by using Diamond Dye Fast Black for Silk and Feathers. Do not be deceived by bulky packages dyes adulterated with grease and other foreign substances; insist upon your dealer giving you the Diamond Dye, one packet of which will dye as much as three packets of any other make.

NEWS OF ALL SORTS

Cranbrook Is to Have a Smelter and Refinery.

A WOMAN SAVES A TRAIN

A Deal on Foot by Which the C. P. R. May Acquire Interest in the Cascade City Townsite - Big Bend Mail Contract Has Been Let.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has opened a branch at Cranbrook and will be operated at Fernie, Coal creek. The tote road west from Brooklyn is completed to the summit and will be pushed through to Cascade with all possible haste.

An estimate places the number of British investors interested in British Columbia mines at 15,000 to 20,000, and their investments at \$50,000,000. In order to handle the increased business caused by the resumption of work on the Payne and other properties this month the Kaslo, Slovan has found it necessary to run an additional train per day.

This is the time of the year when the prospector lives high. Berries are ripe and plenty of trout in the streams. He can't live like a king, and would like to know who wouldn't be a prospector.

E. L. Beer has resigned his position as cashier of the Bank of Montreal at New Denver, and after spending a month's holiday at his home in New Brunswick, will go to business in some Kootenay town likely Nelson.

While on her visit to Nelson Lady Aberdeen noticed some snapshot photographs taken and asked through the medium of the Nelson Miner what should the photographs be successful copies be sent to her.

Mike Grady killed a big cinnamon bear a few days ago about one mile from Silverton on the old Vancouver trail. Mr. Grady is a most successful bear hunter and he has the best pair of hunting dogs in the country, Buck and Silver.

A scene on the Rhine, done with paint, moss, sand and minerals, can be seen in the Victoria hotel at Silverton. It is the work of a girl. Working in her spare moments it took her eight months to complete the picture. A border runs round the frame made from mineral.

A deal is on foot whereby the C. P. R. may acquire a large interest in the Cascade City townsite, but the principals to the deal are very reticent as to the exact terms of the agreement which is acknowledged to have been arrived at between them as to the transfer of the townsite.

Butler was watching some men blasting stumps, near her house, and being curious to see just how the work was done, got as close as possible, and when the blast went off a stray piece of the stump struck her, knocking her down. She was picked up in an insensible condition and carried into the house.

The Cranbrook Herald states that arrangements have been made for the building of a smelter and refinery there and for the installation of a plant for generating electricity to the extent of 2,000 horse power. The same authority states that the Crow's Nest line of railway to the North Star landing has been altered and will be put in hand at an early date.

John Klavno of Salmo, had an unbecoming visitor in the shape of a large silver tip bear that made her a visit during the dead hour of the night. Mrs. Klavno heard her dog barking very loudly during the night and upon getting up to find out the cause she discovered a large silver tip bear perched upon the yard fence. The bear was also seen close to Salmo on the following morning.

Owing to the high water in the Upper Columbia river has put in a season that has been next to useless. It is not that there is not plenty of useful work to be done, for there is the dredging of the Kicking Horse, that might have been put in hand in the winter. A wharf is also urgently required at Carbonate, which is, next Windermere, the busiest point on the river. This is a work that might very well be done by the employees of the dredge. At present there is no proper method of landing passengers and cargo at Golden.

The map of Lardeau district and Fish Creek camp, which has been in course of preparation for some time, is now completed. It is 21 1/2 inches in size and contains the location of all the principal claims in that district together with a write-up of the camp and properties, which has been carefully revised. This map was compiled by Cory Menck, late mining resident of Lardeau, and is a most valuable piece of work for some time and is thoroughly acquainted with the location of all the properties, and is published by the Kootenay Mail, where they may be had at 50 cents per copy.

Mrs. Barrows, wife of Section Foreman Barrows of Wigwag, prevented what might have been a serious wreck for a Canadian Pacific freight train recently. The Mrs. Barrows happened to be looking out of her window at 4 o'clock in the morning, and noticed a huge tree lying across the railroad track. Just as she opened the iron door she heard a train approaching, and without even stopping to put on her shoes she ran the distance of nearly a quarter of a mile to the spot in time to see the train stop. As this spot is just at the end of a sharp curve and a long bridge, nothing but Mrs. Barrows' great presence of mind could have prevented a very serious accident and perhaps loss of life. The spot is between the 15 and 16-mile boards on the Arrow Lake branch.

As the result of Postoffice Inspector Fletcher's visit to Big Bend recently, arrangements have been made for a regular year's contract to deliver 12 mails a year (one of which has already been taken) at the rate of \$40 for the round trip, leaving Revelstoke on the following dates: July 20th, August 5th, 20th, September, October, December, February, April and May, each one trip on the 15th of the month, June to have two trips, on the 15th and 20th. The weight of mail to be carried each trip is limited to 100 pounds for summer and 50 pounds for winter months. If the amount of mail matter exceeds this amount so as to necessitate it, extra trips will be made at regular rates. The question of this mail service is one which

has been long pending and is one of vast importance to those interested in the development of the Big Bend country. Peter Egan and E. P. Poupore, who have the contract for furnishing the timber used in the construction of the proposed Columbia & Western extension into the Boundary country, are in the city while on their tour of inspection through this section for the purpose of estimating the amount of timber which will be necessary for the work in this vicinity, says the Grand Forks Miner. An inspection of the profile map of the proposed road shows that there will be an enormous amount of timber and rock work on the road. Just below Cascade City is to be a three-tier bridge nearly 2,000 feet in length, and which, it is estimated, will require in the neighborhood of 2,000,000 feet of lumber for its construction, while up the North Fork is another bridge nearly 1,200 feet long which will use up another 1,000,000 feet, and all along the line are numerous bridges which will require several hundreds of thousands of additional feet of timber; so that these gentlemen will have a big contract on their hands when construction is actually begun. From the profile map it will be seen that the road from McRae pass, at the head of Christina lake, to Midway presents difficulties which seem almost insurmountable. It is a series of cuts and fills, with two tunnels, one about 500 and the other almost 1,000 feet in length, about six miles up the North Fork. In fact, the line is practically all rock work, and its building will mean the employment of hundreds of men in this immediate vicinity for several months.

CORBIN LAND GRANT.

It Goes to the Purchaser of the Railways.

D. C. Corbin, president of the Spokane Falls & Northern railway, has gone to New York, and it is supposed that the object of his trip is to complete the sale of the railway system to the Great Northern Railway company.

There are conflicting reports as to what is included in the sale. From one source comes the statement that the Great Northern gets everything - the railways, telegraph lines and the Red Mountain and Nelson & Fort Sheppard railways land grants. The reason why it is claimed the land grant was sold with the railways is because there is a bonded indebtedness of \$2,000,000 on the railways, and the land grant is to constitute a first mortgage on the railways and the same and also on all the property of the different companies in the system. The purchasers of the railway assume that bonded indebtedness and that is why the land grant goes to the purchasers. There was only one reservation in the sale, and that is the commercial wire connecting Rossland and Spokane, and Nelson and Spokane. This is to become the separate property of the Spokane and the Nelson and is of Anstin Corbin the Second, and is understood will be operated by him. There is considerable business transacted over the wire, and it is thought it can be made to pay handsome dividends when operated separately from the railway.

A YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

Organized to Promote Christian Work Among the Churches. Delegates from the Rossland Epworth League, the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, the Baptist Young People's Society and the Trail Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, met Tuesday and organized the Trail Creek Union of Young People's Christian Societies. Its object is to form young people's societies in all churches in the Trail Creek district where such societies do not already exist. Union meetings, such as were held last winter in Rossland and Trail, will hereafter be conducted by the executive committee of the union.

At the meeting last night the following officers were elected: President, Dave S. Dunlop; vice-president, Mrs. W. Stewart; secretary, Miss Cora Aldrich; treasurer, L. Schmidt; chairman of membership committee, George Mackenzie; chairman of convention committee, Ralph Clark; chairman of christian work committee, Dave S. Dunlop.

The union constitution was discussed at length. Arrangements were made to begin temperance work in view of the coming plebiscite. The union offered to co-operate with the Sabbath observance operation of employees in a movement to close, so far as possible, all stores in the city at 8 p. m., was referred to the christian work committee with power to act, and with the urgent request of the union that such a plan of action be put into effect as soon as possible.

Frank Mendenhall, representing the Canadian Rand Drill company, has sold a seven-drill plant to the City of Paris in the Boundary.

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THE STOCK MARKET.

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Stocks were active yesterday, Virginia being most in demand. We had numerous orders for this stock but could not find any sellers. We had some orders for War Eagle but on account of the difficulty of getting hold of this stock here, and there being a small margin between the buyers' and sellers' price we were only able to sell 5,000. Deer Park was in good demand at 18 1/2 and Good Hope sold at 2 1/2. We think Virginia is likely to take a sharp rise and we advise our clients to hold this stock.

QUOTATIONS.

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name, Price. Includes Arlington, Rand & Co., Canada Western, etc.

We have the following bargains subject to sale: 2,000 Good Hope... 3 1/2; 1,000 Aboltsford... 2 1/2; 500 Victory Tri... 9; 500 Iron Coll... 9; 1,000 Iron Mask... 10; 1,000 Deer Park... 15 1/2.

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THE WEEK'S REPORT.

Business has been brisk with us during the past week and the Rossland Mining Market is becoming a more important one every day. The stocks most in demand have been Virginia, Abe Lincoln, Deer Park, Victory-Triumph, Giant, Canadian Gold Fields, Old Ironsides, Good Hope, and Cariboo (Camp McKinney). The Deer Park Treasury Stock is now all off the market, that offered having been sold on bloc at 20 cents per share; improved machinery has been ordered so this meritorious property will now soon be a developed mine. We recommend our patrons to buy Deer Park; we look for a rapid rise in Virginia and a sympathetic one in Monte Christo.

OUR MARKET QUOTATIONS CORRECTED WEEKLY.

Table with 4 columns: Name of Company, Price, Name of Company, Price. Includes Abe Lincoln, Arlington, Big Three, etc.

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS:

2500 Athabasca, 31c.; 1000 Big Chief, offer wanted; 1000 Big Three, 12 1/2c., 250, 12c.; 15,000 Blue Eyed Nellie, 6c.; 3000 Canadian Gold Fields Syndicate, 8 1/2c.; 10,000 Dardanelles, 5c.; 400 Dundee (in small certificates) 51c.; 5,000 Erie, 1c.; 5000 Eureka Consolidated (Rossland) 6c.; 2500 Evening Star, 6c.; 1000 and 500, offer wanted; 5000 Gertrude, 6 1/2c.; 36,185 Georgia, offer wanted; 2000 Georgia, 5 1/2c.; 9000 Giant, 6c.; 20,000 Giant, 6 1/2c.; 4000 Good Hope, 3c.; 700 Good Hope, 2 1/2c.; 5000 Good Hills Exploration & Development Co., offer wanted; 1350 Gold Hills, 11c.; 100 Hall Mines, \$6.00; 2000 Iron Mask, 66c.; 2000 Iron Mask, 65c.; 7000 Knob Hill (Boundary) 20c.; 2500 Knob Hill (Boundary) 21c.; 1000 Le Roi, \$6.50; 25 Le Roi, \$6.50; 200 London Hill (Slocan) 15c.; 4000 Minnehaha, offer wanted; 5000 Monte Christo, 28 1/2c.; 375 Monte Christo, offer wanted; 5,000 Mungump 5c. and 500 offer wanted; 25,000 Nelson-Poorman, 17c.; 3000 Noble Five (Slocan) 17c.; 1000 Northern Belle, offer wanted; 16,400 O. K., offer wanted; 1000 Phoenix (Rossland), offer wanted; 2000 Rambler Cariboo, offer wanted; 2000 Rambler Cariboo, 15c.; 4000 Rossland Red Mountain, offer wanted; 500 Silverline, 5c.; 500 St. Elmo, 5c.; 5000 St. Elmo, offer wanted; 5000 St. Keverne, 4c.; 1100 St. Paul, offer wanted; 10,000 Tamarac (pooled) 7 1/2c.; 1400 Tennessee (Ymir), 17c.; 3000 U. B., (Ymir) 7 1/2c.; 10,000 Utica, (pooled) 4 1/2c.; 5000 Andra, 4 1/2c.; 2000 Victory-Triumph, 8c.; 1000 Vulcan, offer wanted; 5000 War Eagle, \$2.50; 1000 White Bear, offer wanted; 5000 Winchester, (Fairview) offer wanted.

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THE STOCK MARKET

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THE CONFIDENCE OF THE PUBLIC

Has been secured by the Salmo Consolidated Gold Mining & Development Co. as evidenced by the fact that there is a continuous demand for their Treasury Stock at current prices. The management have shown that they have not overestimated their property in their statements to the public from time to time, as the present showing is conclusive evidence to the most casual observer that the Company have a mine and a very rich one. We thoroughly commend this security to the careful investor. Write us for all information. The price of this stock is now 15 cents and will shortly advance on the strength of the mine's intrinsic value.



Reduction in Telegraphic Tolls. The Canadian Pacific telegraph department announces a substantial cut in its commercial rates, to go into effect on the first of August. To all points on the British Columbia coast the day tariff hereafter will be 60 cents for each ten words and four cents for each additional word; night rate, 40 cents and four cents; to Washington postal offices, day rate, 50 cents and three cents; day rate, 30 cents and two cents; to California and Oregon, day rate, 60 cents and four cents; night rate, 40 cents and three cents; to Winnipeg and Eastern Canadian points, day rate, \$1 and 7 cents; night rate, 75 cents and five cents; to Arizona, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota and Wisconsin, day rate, 75 cents and five cents; to all other states the rate will be \$1 and five cents.

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"SQUARE" MINERAL CLAIMS.

At the convention of the International Mining Congress recently held at Salt Lake City a committee, appointed to report as to the advisability of amending the United States mining laws, submitted a majority and minority report. W. B. Heyburn, well known as a mining lawyer in Idaho and Kootenay, favored the minority report. He opposed the proposition of the majority to abolish the apex law and to substitute in its place the "square" claim, giving the locator everything within and beneath his lines. He said he lived near British Columbia, where, since 1891, the square claim has been the law. The people of British Columbia, he claimed, after an experience of laws based on the American laws, as well as of the square claim, now desire to change back once more to the American system. He argued that a difficulty of location would arise after the adoption of the square claim law. "In order to make a location," he said, "the law requires first the discovery of mineral in place. The man who has the apex can do this without difficulty, but the next man will be required to sink a shaft until he taps the vein before he will be allowed to even make a location. If a poor man, he is simply barred. The square claim worked all right in British Columbia," he continued, "until the original locators and workers of the vein reached their end lines. Then they were compelled to stop, and a neighbor couldn't locate because he hadn't made a discovery."

Mr. Heyburn concluded by urging that no recommendation be made to the national congress to change a law that has stood the test of a quarter of a century during which it has been interpreted at a cost of millions of dollars.

THE MINER is surprised to learn through Mr. Heyburn that the mining men of this Province desire to abandon the "square claim" law and change back to the American code which allows the following of dips, spurs and angles of the vein. So far as we know there is no effort being made to bring about this change, and we do not see the need of any. The system in use in British Columbia is much simpler than the one in vogue in the States. We acknowledge that this is rather rough on the gentlemen of Mr. Heyburn's profession, but what is their loss in such cases is the mining man's gain.

We cannot agree with Mr. Heyburn that a law that has cost millions to have interpreted, but which nevertheless is almost as much an enigma as when enacted, does not require amending.

Taken as a whole the British Columbia mining laws regulating lode mining are simple and just to all classes of mining men, and it is generally conceded by mining men, and particularly those who hail from Mr. Heyburn's country, that they are infinitely better than the mining code of the United States.

THE OPPOSITION CAUCUS.

The Opposition caucus at Vancouver Thursday does not seem to have been an unqualified success. The public is still in the dark as to who is the leader of the party. Mr. Semlin is supposed to have held that proud position since Mr. Beavan was turned down, but since Mr. Cotton's newspaper, the News-Advertiser, the chief organ of the Opposition, has referred to Joseph Martin as "the next premier," it is reasonable to suppose that Mr. Semlin's reign is rapidly drawing to a close. All signs point to the supplanting of Semlin, Conservative, by Martin, Liberal. It is an open secret that Mr. Martin is determined to lead the party, if possible, and in this he has the hearty support of every Liberal in the Opposition. In the Opposition the Liberals largely outnumber the Conservatives.

But how unpleasant this must be for Messrs. Semlin and Cotton! They, no doubt, realize now that it is too late to arrange otherwise, that with "Joe" Martin in the legislature they are no longer important factors in the councils of the party. Mr. Martin will be the boss of the show, and as it is next to impossible for such a pronounced Grit as he to work in harmony with two such dyed-in-the-wool Tories as Messrs. Semlin and Cotton, it is tolerably certain that a split between the two factions will occur before long. Yet Mr. Cotton seems to have foreseen this, for he has been working hard lately to avoid such a catastrophe. When he discovered that Mr. Martin was a stronger man politically than himself he ceased to antagonize him, and his once outspoken dislike and dread for the gentleman from Winnipeg has turned to fawning flattery. But it is not likely that this change of front on the part of the editor of the News-Advertiser will save his political bacon. His recent honied praise of Martin and his consequent disloyalty to Mr. Semlin will avail him nothing when the time comes for him to get his come. And it is safe to say that when Mr. Cotton is forced out of the Opposition all the other Conservatives in the party will have to go with him. It is, however, not likely that this will occur until Mr. Martin has succeeded in so surrounding himself with Liberal supporters that he can lack a majority in the legislature. He shows a Liberal majority is the only reason for Mr. Martin's present attitude towards Messrs. Semlin and Cotton, and none know it better than they do. They are tolerated by Mr. Martin because he

wants to use them for a while, but he will not delay in reading them out of the party when it is safe to do so. Meanwhile it is probable that Mr. Martin's ends will be served best by the nominal retention of Mr. Semlin as leader of the Opposition.

ROSSLAND ORE OUTPUT.

The ore output for the first six months of 1898 for the Trail Creek division was 39,365 tons, valued at \$1,277,079.11. This is a good showing and has been accomplished during a period when the Le Roi mine, one of the principal producers of ore, was shut down for a space of nearly two months. Had this not been the case the total would have been at least 7,000 tons greater than it is. The output for the first six months of 1897 was 3,008 tons. The increase in 1898 over 1897 for the first six months was 9,375 tons, and valuing this increase at \$30 per ton, a very low estimate, it makes the increase in dollars and cents for the first six months of the present year over the same period of last year \$290,710. If the same ratio of increase is kept up during the last half of the present year the increase will be over a half million dollars. It is certain, however, from the recent addition to the list of shippers of ore, that the increase will be much larger, and the prediction can with safety be made that the increase of the present year over that of 1897 will be in the vicinity of \$1,000,000, and there is a possibility that it will be even a larger sum than this.

THE INTERNATIONAL MINING CONGRESS.

The International Mining Congress holds its next annual session at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in September, 1899. Meanwhile it has been decided to establish headquarters and a bureau of publicity at Salt Lake City, Utah, till it is deemed expedient to move the office to Milwaukee. Although more than thirteen months will elapse before the Congress assembles again, THE MINER believes that it is not too early to commence to advance the claims of Rossland as the next meeting place after Milwaukee. By 1900 the development of the mineral resources of Kootenay will have advanced to such an extent that the district will then very probably rank as the premier mining region of the world. It goes without saying that Rossland will then as now be the leading camp of the district as well as the metropolis of Southeastern British Columbia. These are excellent reasons why this city should be the meeting place of the International Mining Congress in 1900. The citizens of Rossland should keep this matter prominently to the front, for not only would the convention be a splendid advertisement of the camp, but it would also mean by which over 1000 of the leading mining men of the world would thereby be gathered here at the same time.

A COMMENDABLE MOVE.

The recommendation of Lady Aberdeen to the women of this city that they found a branch of the National Council of Women in Rossland, is one that certainly should be carried out, and it is with pleasure that the fact is noted that the preliminary steps in this direction has already been taken. Its motto is to do "Unto others as you would be done by," and the members endeavor to carry out this golden rule in the conduct of its affairs. It has a larger scope than mere sectarian organizations and is in fact a central society made up from the several charitable and benevolent societies of noble women who are striving to do good unto others. It is a consolidation of the better forces of the community, and when it takes up a charitable task its potentialities are very great. In times of large public calamity, and where some large task of an eleemosynary nature is to be accomplished, it would be invincible. In a charitable and benevolent union there is strength, just as there is in all combinations for any other purpose. The executive officers of the national council have, for some little time, had their eyes on Rossland as a suitable place for an organization of this character. There are many noble, charitable and unselfish women in this community, and with such good material one of the banner unions of the Dominion could be formed here, if the ladies will only enter heartily and enthusiastically into the task of erecting and maintaining a branch of this great power for good here. There is plenty of work for it, too.

THE LE ROI DEAL.

The famous Le Roi iron-lead pool is broken at last and the control of the affairs of the company has passed into the hands of the B. A. C. The iron-lead pool under command of Senator Turner was not proof against the golden shells forced by Governor Mackintosh and was finally compelled to haul down its flag and surrender. The first sign of this surrender was the resignation of Colonel Peyton as manager of the Le Roi mine at a meeting of the shareholders held at Spokane Friday. This was a direct outcome of the dissolution of the pool Tuesday last and the issuance of the stock to the several shareholders in the pool, who in turn transferred it to the B. A. C. representative. Although W. J. Harris is now nominally superintendent of the big mine it is whispered that

he will shortly be succeeded by W. A. Carlyle, chief engineer of the B. A. C. The latter corporation has paid \$500,000 on 284,000 shares of the Le Roi stock. As there are but 500,000 shares in the entire capital stock this number will give the B. A. C. more than control.

It is a good thing for the future of the camp that the British America corporation has secured the control of the affairs of the Le Roi Mining & Smelting company. It has long been pointed out by those who know the London mining market best that it would be of great benefit to this camp if there were a local dividend paying company listed on the stock board there. Now that the Le Roi has passed into the hands of a British corporation it will be duly listed on the London stock exchange, and the fact that it is a regular dividend payer and one of the great mines of British Columbia will make it a splendid advertisement for the camp.

The British America corporation in securing this mine has made a coup that cannot fail to be of great benefit to that corporation both at home and abroad. It will silence the voices of the envious and stop the searchers after hush money. The money for the first payment, \$500,000, is ready in the bank with the stock and the balance will be forthcoming whenever it is wanted. The carping and envious critics, who have been declaring that the B. A. C. did not have in its possession enough money with which to purchase the Le Roi should now go and hide their heads for very shame for their paltry mendacity. The purchase of the control will help the B. A. C. all along the line and make it, indeed, a veritable tower of financial strength and stability.

As outlined in the dispatches the output for the present will be confined to 100 tons per day, but once the new men in control get the affairs of the mine in proper shape, this will be increased so that probably there will be extracted from 300 to 400 tons per day. It is hoped that there will be no more closing down, like the recent one of two months, by which the gross output of the first six months of the camp for the present year was shortened some 8,000 tons. The ore is in the mine, it is of high grade and should be made to yield its values of gold and copper as speedily as possible. Playing a waiting game may be all right under some circumstances, but keeping ore in stoves where it is of no benefit to anyone is not good policy.

ROSSLAND ADVERTISED.

The visit of Lord and Lady Aberdeen to Rossland has resulted in a splendid advertisement of the camp. The report of the elaborate preparations for the reception and entertainment of the party was telegraphed all over the continent by the Associated Press. This account of the affair was as complete as public interest demanded, and among other features it contained the remarks of the governor-general about the phenomenal mining resources of the Trail Creek division. Although His Excellency had the opportunity only to see a few of the more important mines of the camp, he was deeply impressed with the enormous amount of wealth that was shown him. This widespread publication of Lord Aberdeen's opinion of the camp will undoubtedly be productive of good results. But more important benefits will follow. Rossland has gained a firm friend and valuable exponent in His Excellency. He has promised that he will preach industriously the gospel of Rossland's magnificent resources to those whom he shall meet in his return to the mother country, after his term of office expires, and as his estimate in this matter will be received with respect by many of the wealthiest people of England, it is certain that a most desirable class of investors and the mineral resources of this district will be brought in touch one with the other to a very considerable extent.

LOCAL LEAD WORKS.

The silver-lead miners of the Kootenays are more interested in the establishment of manufactories of the products of lead in this vicinity than they think they are. This may seem paradoxical, but nevertheless it is true. If there were enough factories, turning out the products of lead, established at some central points in the district to use up the lead produced by the mines there would be no necessity for sending our galena ores to the United States for reduction, for the reason that it would be possible to carry on at a substantial profit here smelters for the silver-lead ores. This is not the case at present.

Why is this so and what relation has one to the other? The silver-lead ores of the Kootenays are sent to the United States for two reasons: One is because there is a market in that country for the pig lead, where it is turned into various valuable commercial products. The other is because the lead in the ore is subject to an import duty of one and one-half cents per pound, while on pig lead smelted in this country and sent into the United States, which is about the only available market, the import duty is two and a half cents per pound. This tax is virtually prohibitory, when it is considered that pig lead is only worth three and a half to four cents per pound.

In the year 1897 there was brought into Canada from foreign countries lead to the quantity of 10,858 tons. This was in the form of shot, lead pipe, paints,

tea lead, acetate, litharge, old scrap and pig lead. The imports of lead into Canada will be larger and grow with each succeeding year, as they will keep pace with the increase in the population.

It is, therefore, obvious that the miners of the silver-lead producing belt are deeply interested in the matter of locating manufactories for the products of lead in this vicinity and herein lies the true solution of a problem that has long vexed them. With lead refineries and factories located in this country in juxtaposition to the lead smelters the miners would save a great deal. In the first place they would not then be compelled to pay the United States duties on lead or on lead bullion, because it would be kept at home and manufactured into products of a much higher value, and would not only be used in Canada but could be exported to various foreign countries. Besides this there would be a great saving in the matter of freight. The short haul to the lead smelters located at home would be much cheaper than the long haul to the reduction works situated in the United States. It is, therefore, obvious that it is to the very best interest of the silver-lead producers of the Kootenays that manufactories of the products of lead be established in this country at the earliest possible moment.

BEARING GOOD FRUIT.

Some nine months since THE MINER began to systematize its reports on the mines of the camp by giving a weekly review of the progress made in those which were being operated. The dominant idea in this weekly review was so that the shareholders in the several mining companies at home and abroad might find in this paper just what the property he was interested in was doing and what progress it was making. Another idea that was followed out in this connection was to make these weekly reports strictly accurate, and to allow nothing but what could be substantiated to appear in them. Still another idea was that by a systematic review once a week, anyone interested in the mines need not search the paper over and over and perhaps miss the article he desired to find, as in the review, if the property was being operated, it would be sure to be found in its proper place. A fourth reason was that the news so prepared and in its proper place would be handy for the exchanges of THE MINER to copy, as it was condensed, accurate and truthful and just the thing for those papers which desired to say something about the camp.

In much the same way a weekly report of the stock market has been printed in the daily and weekly issues of THE MINER. When this review was begun the stock market was as dead as a door nail, as a result of the era of wild-catting. In this review the merits and value of the standard stocks were persistently yet modestly pointed out and a fair and impartial synopsis of the condition of the market given. If a stock was slumping it was so published. If it was advancing, by reason of its intrinsic merits, the cause of the rise was set forth quietly and truthfully. There was no discrimination except against those shares which are of doubtful merit. The effort was to make a market for the meritorious standard stocks of the camp and vicinity. In order that there might be no decrying on the part of anyone because of alleged favorable mention of certain individual dealers the names of brokers and others interested in the shares have been studiously kept out of the reports. This feature has added to the strength of the reviews because it is the business of the camp that THE MINER has been endeavoring to build up and not the individual broker or promoter. We are vain enough to think that this column has been of great benefit in building up the stock market in this city, for where there formerly were no transactions they now amount to many thousands of shares per day.

Besides this the papers of Toronto, Victoria, London and many other places copy those weekly mining and stock reviews, taking them either whole or in part, and a notice of a mine or a stock is sure to be reproduced in from one to fifty papers if it appears in the columns of THE MINER. The Toronto Globe, for instance, copied in full last week's mining review, and The Province of a few days since had a full copy of the last review of the Rossland stock market. Some of the London mining papers copy all their B. C. news from THE MINER. This is notably the case with the Financial News, Colonial Goldfields Gazette, The Empire, Truth, The World, Financial Times and the other financial and mining papers. It will thus be seen that the ideas had in connection with the inauguration of these two columns of THE MINER are bearing just the fruit that was expected when they were started.

THE STREET LIGHT BY-LAW.

There seems to be considerable dissatisfaction among the ratepayers concerning an agreement that has been arranged between the city and the West Kootenay Power & Light company, the terms of which are contained in a by-law printed in another column. This by-law will be submitted to a vote of the people for ratification or rejection on August 5 next.

In brief the agreement provides that the Power company shall maintain four arc lights for street illumination free of cost to the city, on the understanding

that the city shall pay for at least one additional light at the rate of \$125 per light per year for a period of ten years and exempt from taxation the real and personal property of the company actually necessary for the company to operate a lighting system within the city limits.

The original draft of this agreement was prepared by the Power company and submitted to the council by its representatives. As it practically called for a monopoly to furnish electricity for light and power within the confines of the municipality, it needed considerable amending. The council has eliminated many of the objectionable features, but it is still far from being satisfactory.

No provision has been made to supply street lights at a cheaper rate than \$125, an exorbitant price, nor to lower or in any way regulate the price to the consumers.

THE MINER advises every ratepayer to carefully read the by-law.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is generally conceded that the speeches of the B. A. C. contingent at the Aberdeen luncheon were as eloquent and forcible as any ever delivered in Rossland.

It is a safe prediction that at the close of the present year the number of shipping mines of the Rossland camp will be double what it was twelve months prior to that time.

THE Toronto Telegram is of the opinion that "British Columbia is not likely to produce a Clifford Sifton to grab the hide of the Turner government after Joseph Martin has helped to kill the bear."

The area of Canada is 3 1/2 million square miles— one twelfth the area of the world, and over a million square miles are yet unexplored. It will thus be seen that there will be employment for the prospector in this country for some time to come.

THE Vancouver Province, referring to the Provincial political situation, says that it "feels genuinely sorry for Mr. Turner." If this is not rank hypocrisy we should like to know what is. After the way The Province has abused, blackguarded and defamed the premier such a remark serves only to show that The Province is insincere and not reliable.

THE management of the Centre Star is to be heartily commended for undertaking the illumination of the immense workings of the property by the use of over 2,000 candles, in order that the viceregal party might see to advantage the great masses of ore. The visitors were thereby delighted and the vanity of the camp gratified.

THE newspapers of Toronto are again paying considerable attention to the mines of this district, and the people of that city seem to be adding extensively to their already large holdings of Kootenay mining stocks. Torontonians have closely watched the progress of the development of this district, and foreseeing a rising market are preparing to take advantage of it.

THERE can be but little doubt that of all the personal mention that Brer Jowett has given himself in the editorial and news columns of the Nelson Miner none affords him more intense satisfaction than his announcement that he, as secretary of the vice-regal reception committee, had been especially deputed by the Earl of Aberdeen to convey to the people governed by his acquaintance, Mayor Houston, His Excellency's full appreciation of the hospitality shown him on his recent visit to Nelson.

It may be interesting to many readers of THE MINER to know that at the recent elections there were two candidates who are not British born citizens, but who, nevertheless, are by adoption now loyal subjects of Her Majesty. The two gentlemen in question are Hon. D. W. Higgins, the defeated Opposition candidate for Esquimalt, and Hans Helgesen, one of the Opposition members elected for Cariboo. The former was a citizen of the United States, but he has resided in the Province since the early fifties. Mr. Higgins is as British in his sympathies as anyone ever born under the Union Jack. The other, Mr. Helgesen, comes originally from Scandinavia, but once having decided to make his home in this country he has sworn allegiance to the constitutional ruler of the British Empire, and lives up to his oath in a manner that has won him the esteem and respect of those who know him, and he is now one of the lawmakers of the Province.

THE WORK BEGUN.

Foundation for the Proposed Courthouse Being Laid. John Kirkup, gold commissioner for the district, has commenced the construction of the foundations for the new courthouse to be erected at the corner of First avenue and Monte Cristo street. Work with the new courthouses, the Baptist church, and the new Presbyterian church, all within a stone's throw of each other, that part of First avenue will be well improved.

Struck a Good Ledge. Stephen Brailo came in Saturday from a prospecting trip on Norway mountain. He reports that he has struck a good ledge of quartz carrying gold and silver on the Bonanza, a claim which is located on Iron creek, which is a branch of Big Sheep creek. Mr. Brailo brought several samples of ore from the Bonanza with him, which he left with an assayer to be assayed, but the result will not be known till tomorrow. He came in via the new government trail, and reports that there are some 80 men at work upon it. The trail, he says, is in excellent condition.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Whooop-Up mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Sophie mountain, adjoining the Velvet mineral claim. Lot 3,324 G.T. Take notice that I, R. E. Palmer, P. L. S., acting as agent for the British America corporation, limited, free miner's certificate No. 13,166A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. R. E. PALMER, P. L. S. Dated this 21st day of July, 1898. 7-21-101

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Rossland Homestake Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Rossland Homestake Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Tuesday, the 26th day of July, 1898, at the hour of four o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of considering and if deemed advisable disposing of the whole or any part of the assets, rights, powers, franchises and privileges of the company and upon such terms and conditions as the shareholders may deem advisable, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting. A. F. CORBIN, Sec.-Treas. Rossland, B. C., June 25, 1898.

Gopher Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the Gopher Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Tuesday, the 26th day of July, 1898, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of considering and if deemed advisable disposing of the whole or any part of the assets, rights, powers, franchises and privileges of the company to such person or company and upon such terms and conditions as the shareholders may deem advisable, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting. A. F. CORBIN, Sec.-Treas. Rossland, B. C., June 25, 1898.

R. E. Lee Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that a special general meeting of the shareholders of the R. E. Lee Gold Mining Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the office of the company, Columbia avenue, Rossland, B. C., on Tuesday, the 26th day of July, 1898, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of considering and if deemed advisable disposing of the whole or any part of the assets, rights, powers, franchises and privileges of the company to such person or company and upon such terms and conditions as the shareholders may deem advisable, and to transact such other business as may be lawfully brought before the meeting. A. F. CORBIN, Sec.-Treas. Rossland, B. C., June 25, 1898.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Mugwump mineral claim, situate in Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Red mountain. Take notice that I, A. S. Farwell, acting as agent for the Mugwump Gold Mining Company, limited, free miner's certificate No. 8,266A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. A. S. FARWELL. Dated this 4th day of June, 1898. 6-9-101

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Little Jim mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: Adjoining the Annie No. 1 mineral claim lot 1747 group 1. Take notice that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for the Little Jim Gold Mining & Milling Co., free miner's certificate No. 8,465 A, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. J. A. KIRK. Dated this 30th day of May, 1898. 6-9-101

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Seneca Fraction mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On the south slope of Columbia mountain, bounded by the Columbia, Alberta, etc. Take notice that I, Samuel L. Long, acting as agent for A. B. Irwin, free miner's certificate No. 8,749, intend sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. SAMUEL L. LONG. Dated this 26th day of May, 1898. 5-26-101

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Vernon mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Red mountain, between the California and Evening mineral claims. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for Ross Thompson, free miner's certificate No. 8,978A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 14th day of May, 1898. 5-14-101

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Emu Fraction mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On Lookout mountain, adjoining the Emu and Kurrjong mineral claims. Take notice that I, N. F. Townsend, acting as agent for F. McVior McVior Campbell (69 days) free miner's certificate No. 6,214A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. N. F. TOWNSEND. Dated this 3rd day of May, 1898. 5-3-101

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE. Annie Fractional mineral claim, situate in Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: East of and adjoining the Annie and south of and adjoining the No. 1 mineral claim. Take notice that I, Samuel L. Long, acting as agent for the British America corporation, limited, free miner's certificate 13,166A, intend, 60 days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements. SAMUEL L. LONG. Dated this 14th day of July, 1898. 7-14-101

Canadian Pacific Out Rates.

Parties going east will find it to their advantage to avail themselves of the low rates via the C. P. R. A. B. MACKENZIE, Ticket Agent.

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Modern in equipment. It is the
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Direct Route to Nelson,
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IN OUTSIDE CAMPS

Some Important Strikes Made in the Slocan Division.

PRIMROSE BOND LIFTED

Boucher Group in the Lardeau Bonded for \$150,000—An Important Strike on the Charleston Located Near Whitewater Station.

The summary of news from the several mining divisions this week reveals that important strikes continue to be made in the Slocan and generally in the silver-lead producing sections. The revival in the Boundary consequent upon the promise of transportation facilities is most markedly shown in the number of plants that are being put in by those who are operating properties there. Appended is the summary of the week:

NELSON DIVISION.

A rich strike of ore, of which there is five feet in sight, has been made in the Nelson-Poorman mine. The strike was made in the 600-foot tunnel, where the ledge was cut at a depth of 300 feet.

Load after load of air pipe can be seen daily going to the Dundee, Flossie R., Bullion and Tamarac mines. The indications are that every mine in the camp will soon be at work to its utmost capacity.

The balance of the machinery for the 40-stamp mill for the Ymir mine is expected to arrive any day. About 16 tons of this machinery has already arrived and there is yet about 80 tons to come. The Athabasca wagon road, near Nelson, has been completed, and the first carload of machinery for the new mill is being hauled to the mine. Shipping has been suspended during the installation of improvements.

A great deal of development work is being done on Wild Horse and Porcupine creeks.

J. W. Ross and Dr. Cartwright have been doing work on the Squealing Abe. This property is situated on Forcupine creek, close to the Porcupine mine. Some good assays have been obtained from this property, and Messrs. Ross and Cartwright have great faith that the Squealing Abe will turn out to be a first-class mine.

SLOCAN DIVISION.

The present force at work on the Golden Wedge has been increased by 10 men. Operations have just begun on the construction of a 150-foot tunnel. It is the intention of the owners, the B. O. Gold Fields company, to tap the ledge at a considerable depth on the Bonanza, a claim adjoining the Golden Wedge. According to the New Denver Ledger the ore sampler that was to have been built at Rosebery will not be continued, at least for the present.

Eight carloads of ore from the Enterprise mine has lately been shipped via Rosebery.

The Mollie Gibson is reported as having 14 inches of ore in sight. The Dardanelles mine is expected to re-open on the 15th of August.

The Silver Bell in the Best basin has a force of eight men at work.

Work will be resumed on the Lakeview when the water subsides in the tunnel.

In the shaft of the Bosum at a depth of 35 feet there is in sight 14 inches of solid ore.

Several parties are looking at the L. H., on Red Mountain, with a view to buying it.

A force of men has been started to work on the Mount Mable and development work will proceed steadily.

A contract has been let for 15 feet of tunnel on the Jim Black, making 115 feet in all, and probably cutting the ledge.

A rich strike is reported from the Tamarac, on Springer creek. It is said that a paystreak measuring three inches has been uncovered which will run 1,000 ounces in silver.

When J. C. Harris paid \$1,700 for a ranch and two mineral claims near New Denver, some wise people thought he was crazy. He received for \$7,500 for the claims, and still has the ranch.

Thus it is in this glorious country of silver and lead.

The East Chance has an immense amount of ore blocked out, but it is the mine a permanent shipper, but it is the intention to withhold heavy shipments until the Beco wagon road is constructed, just shipping a little over the Noble Five tram.

The Payne was a record breaker last week, shipping 24 cars of ore, and the recent strike of six feet of solid ore combined with the increased facilities for operating the mine, will no doubt gradually increase its shipments.

The Ajax mine is offering to let 1,000 feet of tunnelling, which means pushing work vigorously.

It is said a big strike has been made on the Emily Edith mine. Some very fine samples of ore are now on exhibition.

Assessment work has been done by Bert McMaugh on the Saddlerock claim on the North Fork of Lemon creek.

Operations at the Sovereign mine are going on quietly, and under the tools of the miners the seam is improving all the time.

The Annie L. claim on Porcupine creek is to be opened up again. Gus Schneider, lately of the Comstock mine, is interested in it.

Major Furlong and Patrick Russell have been looking up galena, dry ore and gold properties for a company of London capitalists, but have not yet closed any deals. The Rainbow group on Springer creek was sold to Black Grouse group on the north fork of Carpenter are, and have been investigated with a view of purchasing. C. J. Alford, the expert for the company, was in New Denver a short time ago, but found the country too rough for him to travel in.

He has returned to London and will send out one of his assistants. Mr. Alford is the expert in South Africa for the Rothschilds and Cecil Rhodes.

The Idaho mine, near New Denver, has shipped 3,008 tons of ore during the past year.

One ton of ore a day is being taken out of the Coin claim near Sandon. It averages 100 ounces in silver and 70 per cent lead.

A 30-foot ledge of dry ore, carrying galena, copper glance and carbonate of

gray copper running high in silver, has been exposed on the Gatineau and Simcoe claims, owned by Tom Reed and Chas. Smitheringale. These claims adjoin the Enterprise on Ten-Mile and are part of the Big Ten group.

A very rich strike was made by Mr. Davidson, manager of the Miller Creek Mining company, on Miller creek near the Wonderful mine, the other day. In driving a tunnel near the surface they encountered a 24-inch vein of very rich galena. If the mother lead of the Wonderful is found in that vicinity a most valuable property will be located.

A strike of a new ledge of rich dry ore is reported on the Tail Hole, which is situated on Gold Hill, near the Howard fraction. A large amount of work was done on this property during the winter of 1896-7, but persons who have been there lately say there is nothing nearly so good in sight as that recently uncovered. William Ferguson owns the property.

The Antoine mine shipped one car of ore recently to Kaslo, being the only shipment from McGuigan during this month.

The New Gold Fields of British Columbia, Sir Charles Tupper's company, may resume work on the Exchange group near Slocan City.

The Enterprise people are building a wharf at Ten-Mile to accommodate the loading of ore barges. The mine is shipping 1,000 tons of ore to Omaha.

The total ore shipped from the Idaho from August 1st to July 1st was 2,986 tons. The shipments last week were 90 tons, making a total to date of 3,088 tons.

The Queen Bees is getting ready for more extensive operations by building new dining rooms, assay office, etc.

AINSWORTH DIVISION.

Work is to be resumed on the old Skyline mine at Ainsworth. This fine property has been shut down for some time owing to an excess of water. Arrangements have been made to pump it out and resume shipments. The Skyline was at one time the biggest shipper of this camp and the ores being dry.

There is great demand at the smelter as fluxing well with the ore from other camps.

In the White Grouse mountain district over 500 locations have been made, notwithstanding its inaccessibility, and many of these are extremely promising.

The ore is chiefly gray copper and chalcopryite, carrying gold and copper, and also good values in silver, and 15 to 20 per cent copper. The most noted properties are the Copper King and the Flour King groups, embracing 22 claims, in which McKenzie & Mann, the railway contractors, are greatly interested. They have sufficient work done for crown granting, and as soon as the new trail is completed, active operations will doubtless be commenced on these and many other properties in this very promising district.

The Whitewater Mines, limited, have taken a working bond on the Slocan Boy, which is owned largely by Slocan parties. The price is said to be \$40,000. The work on the property will begin at once.

Hamilton Byers, the enterprising hardware merchant of Kaslo, last week secured the contract to furnish all the hardware to be used in the construction of the concentrator now being built by the Whitewater Mines, limited. Within the last month 14 ore cars have been sold by Kaslo hardware merchants to mines near that thriving town.

It is stated on good authority that a fine strike has been made on the Charleston, located back of Whitewater station. According to the story, J. E. Mitchell, the well known manager, has discovered an entirely new lead showing four feet of clean shipping ore, which is 500 feet. He only recently recommenced operations, having been forced to close down with the breaking up of winter, when he was rewarded with this fortunate discovery.

Fifty men are now employed at the Whitewater mine, and the force will soon be increased. The new concentrator will handle over 100 tons daily, and Manager Robertson states that there is enough ore in sight to keep it busy for at least two years to come.

REVELSTOCK AND LARDEAU.

The Boucher group of claims at the head of Mohawk creek, near Comaplix, owned by Boucher Bros. & Fulmer, has been bonded by a Mr. Beer for \$150,000, the first payment to be made in 60 days from date of bond, balance in payments extending over two years. Work commenced last week with two shifts.

H. Boss has rebounded the Trapper and Hunter group, situated on Pool creek.

Roseland parties have bonded the Lone Star from Messrs. Dunn & Magee. The price is said to be \$10,000 cash and 40,000 shares of stock.

O. D. Hoar is rushing work on the Glenary with good results.

Work is being done on the Nellie group.

Dunn and Magee have let \$400 worth of work to be done on the Ophir and Last Chance.

Cory Menhinick has several men at work on the Copper King and expects shortly to get out a shipment of ore.

The Lardeau-Goldsmith company is working two shifts on its group at the head of Pool creek. It now has a 50-foot tunnel.

Mining operations have again been renewed in the immediate vicinity of Revelstoke. Messrs. Turner, Fleishman and Picard have located claims on the mountainside, to the rear of the McCarty block. Work is being done on one claim, the Sultana, and the owners are confident that they have something good.

There has been considerable excitement at Isaac creek, near Wigwam, during the past couple of weeks. The discovery of very rich leads has been reported, and a number of prospectors are now on the ground. Several claims were staked in that locality last season, and with development good returns are expected. As a trail is being built up the creek, work will likely go on as to determine what is to be found.

A big strike of copper ore has been made on the Standard group, in Standard basin, at the head of the middle fork of Downey creek, in the Big Bend. The ore is principally copper, carrying gold and silver. There are eight claims in the group. There are several parallel veins.

BOUNDARY CREEK COUNTRY.

Part of the new machinery for the Mother Lode is now on the ground and the balance is expected to arrive in a few days.

The bond for \$7,000 on the Primrose Fraction, adjoining the Mother Lode in Deadwood camp, has been taken up by the B. C. Copper company.

Part of the machinery for 10 stamps to be added to the Cariboo plant, is on the ground and in course of erection. A large quantity of ore has been blocked out.

Ten wagon loads of mining machinery, to be placed in operation on various properties in Wellington, Greenwood and Deadwood camps, passed through Grand Forks this week.

The shaft on Tobin's Golden Eagle on Volcanic mountain, is now down 30 feet and shows the ledge to be widening and going almost straight down. Good ore is in sight.

There is now a fine showing of ore on the O.K.

EAST KOOTENAY.

The Golden & Fort Steele Development company is going to do extensive development work on its valuable mineral claims at the head of Toby creek. A party goes up there next week to commence operations.

The Dibble Group in the Fort Steele district, now has a double shift at work.

IT RUNS INTO MONEY.

The Camp Has Produced \$1,277,079.11 In Six Months.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The ore shipments this week promise to be the largest in the history of the camp. Although the week was hardly more than half gone last night yet the shipments for the four days amounted to 1,965 tons, of which the Le Roi furnished 1,075 tons, the War Eagle 700, the Centre Star 160, the Iron Mask 15 and the Giant 15. The last named, by the way, was the maiden shipment from the property this year. The Le Roi is now shipping as high as 265 tons a day and shipments range about \$30 in gold, three per cent copper and two ounces in silver, which gives a total value as follows: Gold, \$90; copper at 11 1/2c, \$7.05; silver at 50c, \$1.18; total, \$98.23. The shipments of Le Roi ore for the six months ending July 27, aggregated 22,970 tons, so that on this date the value of the ore would be \$75,846.10. The War Eagle during the first six months of the year produced 11,889 tons, and according to the last annual report of the manager, the value of the ore would be divided as follows: Gold, \$19.73; silver, \$1.93; copper, \$6.01; total, \$27.67. On this basis the value of the total ore would be \$328,988.63.

The other properties of the camp in the first half of the year produced 4,566 tons, which, while adding to the total output, would run close in metal contents to the Le Roi output. Applying the Le Roi valuation to this ore and the metal value of it are found to be \$172,294.38.

To capitalize the value of the output of the camp for the first six months of the year the result is:

Table with 3 columns: PROPERTY, TONS, VALUE. Rows include Le Roi, War Eagle, and All others.

FROM THE RECORDS.

Transfers.

Wallaroo, Carn Brea, New Orleans, on Sophie mountain, to Gilbert, R. W. Northern, option to George Parker.

Rimma 3/4, Maggie 3/4, on Lake mountain, S. L. Whopap, on Sophie mountain, C. H. Mackintosh to British American corporation.

Flora Temple, on Fish creek, R. M. Reeves to O. M. Chamberlain.

Jeff Davis 1/4, lower of Bear and Champion creeks, T. C. Link and Max Kuntz to T. C. Collins.

Free Coinage 1/4, between Champion and Bear creeks, T. C. Link and Max Kuntz to T. C. Collins.

Tourmaline, on east side of Columbia river, three miles below Trail, W. J. Hayter to C. H. Mackintosh.

Blockberg, Saram Corda, on Monte Cristo mountain, Fredrickson to Slocan Gold Mining company.

Los Vegas, on Dominion mountain, Allan Miller to Julia Kane.

Kitty Belle, on Murray creek adjoining Prince of Wales, Ellen Thompson to J. W. Thompson.

Commit 1/4, on Champion creek, George W. Maddetto to J. M. Pickett.

Cotswald, three miles west of Columbia river and three miles north of Murphy creek, H. F. Jackson to Mike Shick.

Livingston and Cotswald, three miles north of Murphy creek, and three miles west of Columbia river, Mike Shick to T. M. Wayne Daily.

Hidden Treasure, three miles west of Murphy creek, and three miles west of Columbia river, Charles D. Rogers to T. M. Daily.

Atlantis, Voltaire, Rena, Midget, Midgeth, Mogul, on the west slope of Sophie mountain, Richard Marsh to F. M. McLean.

Notice of W. M. Griffith's claim to a 1/2 interest in the same.

Clara B4, on divide between 15-mile creek and Cariboo creek, M. W. Brewster and C. L. Pearson to A. G. Lang, Esq.

Yellow Boy, Bright Star, Bright Dollar 1/4, situated one mile from Columbia mountain, adjoining Black, Arthur Gowing and Alex. Constantine to John A. Menary.

Records, British Columbia Exploration company, limited to Edward Massereene Edge Munne.

Certificates of Improvements.

July 12—Durham fraction, to Thos. Dunn.

July 15—Almaden, to Mary E. Schummeier.

July 17—Walker, Timber, to Wm. J. Harris.

July 22—Esmeralda, to the Riggar Gold Mining and Smelting company.

July 22—Baltic fraction to the British American corporation.

Favor the Nurses.

The provisional committee appointed by Lady Aberdeen to consider the advisability of establishing a branch of the Victorian order of nurses in Roseland, held a very successful meeting at Mrs. J. Kirkup's on Monday. A large number of prominent ladies was present, who heartily approved of the order, and the appointed committee representing the order, and societies to solicit subscriptions, in order to ascertain if a sufficient sum could be collected to warrant the establishment of a branch here.

Another meeting will be held at Mrs. Kirkup's residence on August 4, at 3 p.m., in order to receive the reports of the different committees, and if there is a sufficient amount subscribed a meeting of the subscribers will be called, and a board of managers elected.

A Big Catch of Trout.

G. M. King, of the Hotel Allan returned yesterday from a fishing jaunt at Slocan crossing. Mr. King enjoyed splendid sport and brought back with him nearly 75 pounds of fine fresh trout.

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ROSSLAND, B. C.

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MINING PROPERTIES DEVELOPED.

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS ON MINES.

Rossland, July 21, 1898.

Dear Sir:

All Rossland stocks are active. The market is more lively than it has been for two years.

There is nothing remarkable however about existing conditions. Everything combines to prove that Rossland is the greatest Gold-Copper Camp on the face of the earth. This is not boom talk but sober sense and has been acknowledged by some of the greatest living scientists and foremost mining experts. Large capitalists readily admit this but the man of small capital is slow to believe.

Why did the C. P. R. purchase the Trail smelter and C. and W. railway, and why does this gigantic corporation contemplate still larger investments?

Why did 'Jim Hill' purchase the Corbin system of railways?

Why did Sir Charles Ross and associates undertake the gigantic task of conveying electricity from Bonnington Falls to Rossland?

Why did Charles R. Hosmer and other magnates put thousands of dollars into Rossland mines?

Why did Hon. C. H. Mackintosh put millions of dollars into Rossland instead of into Klondike?

Why does the capital of the world seek investment in Rossland?

Ask yourself these questions, friend, and perhaps you too will 'take a flyer.'

As the best investments for men (and women too) of moderate means we recommend: Giant, Monte Christo, Novelty, Good Hope, Iron Mask and Deer Park.

Like real estate inside mining properties are the best. Confine your investments to Rossland stocks—Red Mountain properties preferred.

Others are not as good.

Sincerely Yours,

C. O'BRIEN REDDIN & CO.

WANT THE WATER

Council After the City Water Works System.

A CONFERENCE TODAY

The Aftermath of the Aberdeen Reception—Legal Fees in Connection With the Younglance Case—The Cemetery Project.

The city council at its meeting Tuesday night discussed at some little length the buying of the Rossland Water & Light company's plant. There was no difference of opinion over the proposition that the city should own its water system, but the question was whether it were better to buy the present system or to install new works of its own.

The final conclusion could not come to any final conclusion as it is not yet known how the gold commissioner will decide in the application of the city to take up the plant and the surrounding streams, but if he grant the application the city will be in position to install a water supply system of its own. The council decided to have a conference this morning with some of the officials of the present water company regarding the purchase of its plant and the price at which it can be secured. The aldermen do not care particularly to buy the present electric light system, but they want to get a municipal water supply, either by purchasing the present plant or by installing new works.

The wrath of the old sewer contract was conjured up by a letter from Daly & Hamilton, enclosing a bill of \$40.95 for legal services rendered by the city in connection with the suit brought by Katherine Younglance against W. B. Davey, Pete Costello and the city of Rossland for damages sustained by the death of her son, James Younglance, who was killed last fall by a cave-in of the Spokane street sewer. The bill was referred to the finance committee.

Some time ago the council requested the province to repair the roads leading to the Le Roi and the War Eagle. A reply was received last night from F. C. Gamble, provincial engineer, announcing that as the road is within the city limits it is within the sole control of the municipality, and the insinuation was that the province would do nothing towards repairing it.

G. W. Duncan, medical health officer of the province, to whom the city's plans for the proposed sewage system were sent several weeks ago, acknowledged the receipt of the plans, and promised to lay the matter before the provincial board of health, which will meet "at an early date."

W. D. Wilson applied for permission to move the Martin building from its present site on the lot on the corner of Columbia avenue and Spokane street, now occupied by Jerry Spellman's place, and the permission was granted.

The aftermath of the Aberdeen reception arose in the form of the finance committee's report, which included the bills in connection with the

reception. The largest item was the bill of the Hotel Allan for \$131.90 for the entertainment of the vice-regal party. The payroll and the salary list swelled the total amount of the bills allowed to \$2,343.21.

The south and the east sides of the town will get some attention in the way of street improvements that a bridge be constructed across Trail creek on Spokane street; that a sidewalk be built on Victoria avenue from Davis street west and that the street be graded west and that St. Paul street be graded west and that the line running east from Butte street from Columbia to Kootenay avenue be graded, and that a sidewalk be built on St. Paul street from the school house, and that a 10-foot sidewalk be laid up the street to the school building; that a sidewalk be built on Kootenay street from the line running east from Butte street between Le Roi and Kootenay avenues be graded, and that a sidewalk be built on St. Paul street from the school house, and that a 10-foot sidewalk be laid up the street to the school building; that a sidewalk be built on Kootenay street from the line running east from Butte street between Le Roi and Kootenay avenues be graded, and that a sidewalk be built on St. Paul street from the school house, and that a 10-foot sidewalk be laid up the street to the school building.

A by-law closing the alley in the block occupied by the new schoolhouse, was read for the first time. The council will utilize the ground used as an alley for a part of the school grounds.

The project to purchase a city cemetery was discussed, and the clerk was authorized to correspond with D. C. Corbin regarding the purchase of land for a burying ground on the line of Columbia avenue extended east. The council would purchase 80 acres, at \$25 per acre, to be used for a cemetery and for a public park.

A communication from the Trades and Labor council requesting the aldermen to make a grant for a city library was referred to a committee.

Men and Women Repaired.

A machine that is constantly and incessantly working needs repairs at certain intervals.

The human frame, worn by mental and physical toil subjected to the worries and cares of our modern life, has need of repairs and building up. In the hot summer weather nervous energy is at a low ebb, and as a consequence, nervous debility, terrible headaches, dyspepsia and a run-down condition make life a burden to thousands.

Paine's Celery Compound is the great repairer and builder when weakness and sickness prevail. This great medicine has the power of rapidly repairing the tissues and purifying the blood. It bestows the proper nutriment to all the weakened tissues, bringing strength and true vigor, thus averting breakdown and collapse.

Thousands of lives are now fast wearing out that can be prolonged and made happy by the present use of Paine's Celery Compound. Its use today will save months of sickness, misery and suffering. Take no substitutes; get only "Paine's," the kind that cures.

Chief McKinnon of the fire department, who recently gave orders that all buildings more than two stories high and used as sleeping houses should be equipped with fire escapes, has decided to proceed with its escapes, all owners of property who have not complied with the regulations.

Kennedy Bros. & Purgold

Stock Market.

The week has been an active one in the stock market. Virginia has gradually advanced till today it has reached 52 cents, and is very difficult to pick up even at this price. We think it more than likely that the stock will touch the \$1 mark, and advise our clients to buy whenever opportunity affords. Several blocks of Deer Park have changed hands on the report of a sale by the company at 20 cents, 18, however, is the prevailing figure. Monte Christo is steady at 30 cents. Iron Mask has shown a tendency to decline, and is offered today at 64. We consider it a good purchase at this figure in spite of the litigation with the Centre Star. Giant is the stock there has been most dealing in, and as the company is not only pushing development in both tunnel and shaft, but at the same time shipping to the Trail smelter, and obtaining returns of \$15 per ton, we are not surprised the public is taking advantage of the opportunity afforded them of buying shares at the ridiculously low figure quoted.

Below are very low prices for the week. The interest in the stock market is very high. The interest in the stock market is very high. The interest in the stock market is very high.

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