

RECEIPTS AT KASLO

Nearly 700 Tons of Lead Ore Delivered Last Week.

RAMPART CARIBOO STRIKE

Has Nearly a Full Face Spade Galena—It Is Now in the Upper Workings—A Sad...

KASLO, B. C., Dec. 23.—[Special Correspondence.]—The receipts of ore at the Kaslo station of the Kaslo & Slocan railway have taken a decided jump upwards during the past week, being considerably larger than during any previous week of the season. The following are the returns for the week ending December 24:

Mines	Pounds
Washington	25,000
White	20,000
Last Chance	20,000
Whitewater	20,000
Wellington	20,000
Payne group	20,000
Slocan Star	20,000
Keco	20,000
Jackson group	20,000
Blue Bird	20,000

This makes very nearly 693 tons in all. The ore from the Washington, Ruth, Last Chance, Whitewater and Wellington goes to the Puget Sound Reduction works at Everett, Washington. The Payne group and Slocan Star send their output to Pueblo, Colorado, and the Keco consigns to Denver, in the same state. The Jackson group and Blue Bird are, with one car-load from the Whitewater mine, were run through the sampling works of the Kootenay Ore company at Kaslo, and subsequently shipped to Everett to be smelted.

An unusually sad occurrence took place at the Hotel Slocan on Wednesday night last in the death of W. J. Warren, of San Francisco. Mr. Warren came here about a week ago as the representative of the Excelsior Stave Pipe company, which has a contract from the city for supplying the stave conduit pipes. He had superintended the manufacture of the staves at Vancouver, and had come to Kaslo to direct the putting together of the pipes. He was ailing when he arrived, but was thought to be improving and on Wednesday seemed to have passed the crisis, but later in the evening he was attacked with a hemorrhage of the bowels, from the effects of which he never rallied. He was about 47 years old, and leaves a wife and family in San Francisco.

The Rambler-Cariboo company is again in luck, another rich find of high grade ore having been made this week in the lower tunnel. For some time they have been drifting in about two feet of ore, and on Wednesday they were beneath the ore chute in the upper tunnel, when they struck a body of high grade ore, which almost entirely fills the face of the tunnel. Samples are in the office of the company, which present a very rich appearance. Assays will at once be made, from which great results are expected.

Reports from the Noble Five Con-

solidated company are to the effect that the preparatory work, somewhat delayed by the non-arrival of machinery, is now progressing favorably, with reasonable expectation that the new concentrator and tramway will be at work by January 20. The Finlayson tramway, manufactured by the Colorado Iron works at Denver, is nearly complete. The towers are all up and the wires in place. The automatic buckets are also in place. When complete it will have a capacity of 480 tons in 24 hours. Mr. Finlayson, the inventor of the tram, is himself superintending construction. The last of the concentrator machinery has reached Kaslo, and will be placed in a short time. At the mines a force of 45 men are engaged in development work, so that there may be no lack of ore products when all is in readiness.

A number of mine managers and miners from the hills spent Christmas day in the city, while some citizens were entertained by some of the managers at the mines, where great preparations were made to make the day joyous. John G. McGinnis and Frank Cutler, manager and secretary of the Noble Five, were down from Cody for the day.

THE FISHER MAIDEN.

Frank Watson Has Evidently Struck Something Good in the Slocan.

J. C. Drewry yesterday received the following dispatch from Frank Watson, dated Silverton, B.C., December 24: "Open a bottle of wine to the health of the Fisher Maiden. We have cut the ledge."

The Fisher Maiden is located near the head of Four Mile creek which empties into Slocan lake at Silverton, four miles south of New Denver. It was one of the first claims in the granite to be worked in the Slocan country and has produced some very rich high grade ore. It was once bonded by a syndicate headed by John Davenport. There are said to be several hundred tons of ore in sight in the workings now. We understand it is owned by a Spokane company of which Frank Watson is manager.

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Two Big Strikes Made In Mask Yesterday.

ANOTHER BIG MINE A

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The Iron Mask is again itself plenty of ore, and good ore, no directions. Those outside of the who are interested in the Iron have shown some impatience to the condition of the mine, and letters of inquiry have come. No very satisfactory information could be given for the certain, necessary developments was in progress, which had to be completed before shipment of ore resumed.

It must be remembered that Mask is a new mine. Early present year a shaft was started, near the War Eagle's line. This shaft was put down and was in ore from the bottom of the body was not over wide at first. Drifts were run ways on the vein on the 90 feet and in places the ore body was five or six feet. The ore was a grade, high in both gold and much of it running as high as \$8.

Later in the year a ledge was discovered on the wagon road, just south of the War Eagle compressor now in Centre Star gulch. The War company commenced at this place long No. 3 tunnel, to run through Iron Mask ground and into the Eagle, constituting the third level later property, and having a length of 2,500 feet.

This tunnel was started on the Mask showing in Centre Star gulch soon left the ledge as it was best to drive it in a straight line was driven 800 feet and to a point an upraise was started to connect the 90-foot shaft which had been on the west end of the Iron Mask tunnel at the point where the was started was 200 feet below the face, and 110 feet below the bottom of the shaft. It was expected that upraise was started the ore chute in the shaft above would be intersected but the dip of the vein was not as expected and the ore was not till yesterday, when it was encountered in solid mass. The ore chute is vertical and the ore found is identical with that in the shaft and is there shipping quality.

At the same time of coming on in the upraise good ore has been in a drift being run on the vein from a 150-foot shaft sunk at the of the long tunnel in Centre Star. The solid ore is from three to four wide and is rich in appearance, about five per cent copper and

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THE GOLDEN DR

The Golden Drip is situated in the Trail Creek camp, adjoining the is an old location, has the right to veins through its side lines and is

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CHARACTER OF THE

About \$7,000 has already been expended more than a mere prospect. It was public to subscribe to the treasury shares was established. This has been done tunnel 150 feet, by the making of an upraise and by the driving of about 50 feet of three distinct veins were encountered to four feet. The ore found in these veins being seen from time to time. The gold—the average being about \$18. Drift ore bodies and ore taken out for milling.

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Description of Property. The Bluebird mineral claim covers about fifty acres and is situated on Green Mountain, four miles northwest of Rossland and about a mile from the Gold Star mine.

Plan of Development. The management proposes to start a tunnel on the vein beginning at the crosscut above described. The ground slopes sharply at this point and a depth of 100 feet will be gained in driving the same distance.

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Payne Mine Expected to Ship That Much This Winter.

BOTH TUNNELS ARE IN ORE

High Grade Galena, Too—Capt. Fitzstubs Has Gone to New Denver On a Chinese Mission—Mountain Chief and Best.

KASLO, Dec. 28.—[Special.]—The Payne group of mines has taken its place as one of the largest shipping properties in the Slokan, being a close second to the Slokan Star. Last week it sent forward to Pueblo 346 tons of high grade ore, and it is expected that shipments will amount to a thousand tons each month. The upper tunnel on the Payne mine proper, is in over 500 feet and has been running on ore all the time. There are three feet of ore in the face of the tunnel at the present time, and it averages about 235 ounces. Another tunnel much lower down is in 200 feet and is also in ore. The Payne employs about 35 men, with Scott McDonald in charge. The property is said to be developing into one of the most valuable mines of the Slokan.

Geo. W. Hughes is working the Mountain Chief and Best. He has a small force engaged at the former, and is getting about three tons a day or about five tons a month. At the Best he is doing development work entirely, and will not ship during the present winter. The property, however, was never looking so well, and when the contemplated work is completed, it will prove a most valuable property.

D. J. Munn, president of the Kaslo & Slokan railway, arrived in the city on Christmas evening, and will spend some days. The period within which the company must have its land subsidy selected and surveyed will soon expire. In spite of the snow they have several parties still engaged in surveying. Two are working at lands on the Kootenay, and the snow is found so deep that snowshoes have been forwarded them for packing purposes.

The remains of the late W. J. Warren are to be sent to San Francisco for burial, by order of D. C. Hinney, manager of the Exelsior Woodpipe company of that city. The deceased had been for some time in the employ of the company, and had put their pipes together in several of the cities of California and elsewhere.

Capt. Fitzstubs went to New Denver the other day to arrange a little difficulty that is disturbing the lake town. It seems that a club of bachelors have employed a Chinaman as cook. Certain citizens took objection to the presence of the Mongolian and undertook to make his life burdensome. So much did they terrorize him, that it was unsafe for him to make his appearance outside the house. An appeal was made to the authorities, and hence the government agent's visit.

The Ilex Mining and Development company of Slokan, limited liability, has received its certificate of incorporation from the registrar. Its capital stock is fixed at \$300,000. Its properties embrace four full claims, the Ilex, Triana, Ledlendale and Gilt Edge, situated four and one-half miles from Whitewater station on the Kaslo & Slokan railway. The vein, it is said, has been traced by open cuts for a distance of 1,500 feet, with a width of vein four feet six inches, showing from six to 19 inches of galena. Manager Bryan of the Kaslo & Slokan railway reports that in view of the increased business of the road it has been found necessary to place an order for additional rolling stock. Twenty cars have already been shipped and may be expected to arrive in the near future.

GOT A GOOD ASSAY.
St. Paul Ore Went Nearly \$20—Steam Drill in the Tunnel.
A steam drill is to be put in the St. Paul tunnel this week. This will expedite the driving of the 200-foot tunnel very much. Some of the fastest work in the camp is being done by the steam drill in the White Bear. A steam drill can be made very serviceable in the opening of prospects. The St. Paul is reported to be looking very well. Captain Adams, who was recently here from Toronto, took some of the ore home with him to have it tested there. He wired to Moynahan & Campbell yesterday that the assay gave \$19.20 in gold.

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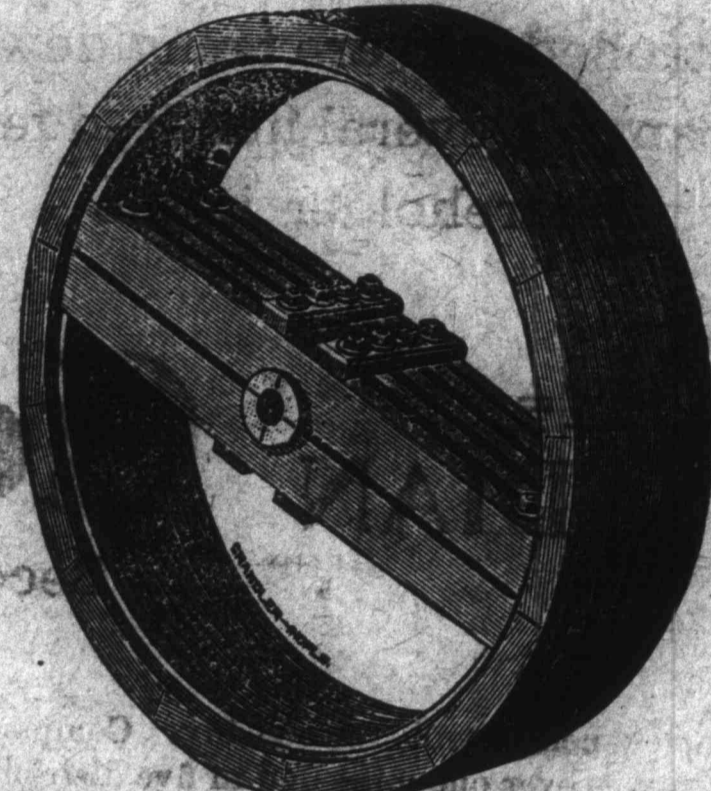
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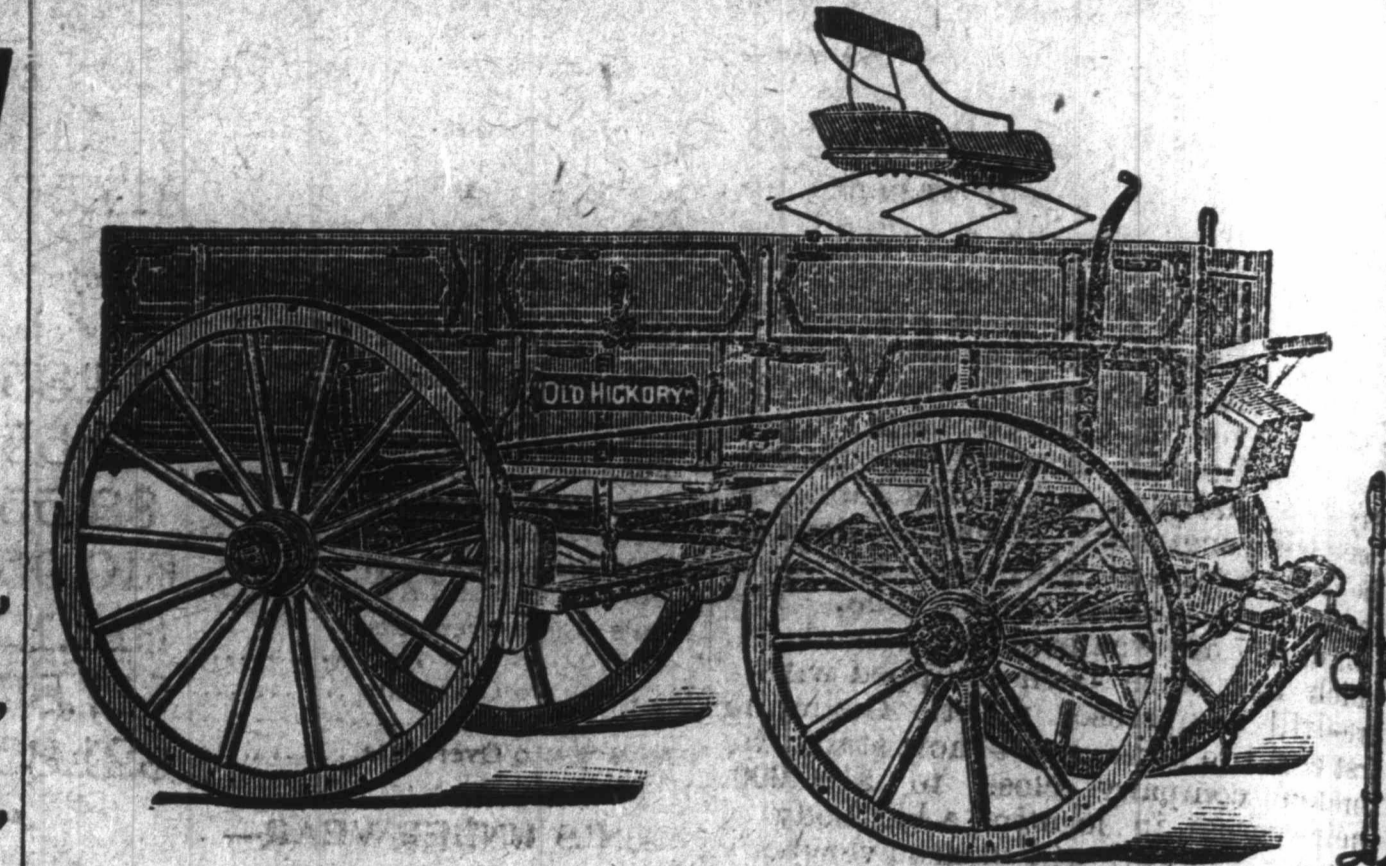
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This is the most unfavorable part of the year for the operation of the northern route and yet there is an average of 100 cars of freight every week coming from Revelstoke into Kootenay. This means five trains of 20 cars each train each week. So important has Kootenay business become on this line that it comes over the line in six trains. These trains when they over the Rocky Mountain division made up of five or six cars each, more can be hauled over the grades. Three of these Kootenay come over the Selkirk every day week, and at Revelstoke they leave main line and are brought down to Arrowhead. At this point those destined for the Slokan country are conveyed to Nakusp on barges, and transferred to the Nakusp & Slokan railway. Ore from the Nakusp & Slokan is taken back on these barges Arrowhead and sent through the point of destination without break.
The freight for Trail and Rossland transferred to steamers at Arrowhead. It has been suggested that the C.P.R. now that it will have entire control of the river, may try to ship freight loaded for Rossland and Trail on barges on the completed the Heinze railroad, and by transferring them to that line get them to Trail out breaking bulk. In case the new gauge between Rossland and Trail broadened to a standard gauge it will bring them through to Rossland. It is hardly probable this will be done, as the C.P.R. has no intention of narrowing, that portion of the Columbia river between the Lower and the Arrow lakes. It is not believed that loaded with freight cars could be successfully through the narrow at low water. For this reason it will be necessary to break bulk freight coming to Trail and Rossland from the C.P.R. until the railway built from Slokan lake to the Columbia River railway.
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 Be Able to Do as Much for Rossland
 Shortly.

The announcement in THE MINER of
 the purchase of the steamers of the Col-
 umbia & Kootenay Navigation company
 by the Canadian Pacific company has
 excited very general attention. It means
 that the Canadian Pacific is going to put
 itself in the very best possible position
 to get its share of the Kootenay busi-
 ness, and even under the most adverse
 conditions the Kootenay traffic on the
 C.P.R. has, during the past year, in-
 creased enormously.

This is the most unfavorable portion
 of the year for the operation of the
 northern route and yet there is an aver-
 age of 100 cars of freight every week
 coming from Revelstoke into Kootenay.
 This means five trains of 20 cars to the
 train each week. So important has the
 Kootenay business become on this road
 that it comes over the line in separate
 trains. These trains when they come
 over the Rocky Mountain division are
 made up of five or six cars each, as no
 more can be hauled over the severe
 grades. Three of these Kootenay trains
 come over the Selkirk every day of the
 week, and at Revelstoke they leave the
 main line and are brought down to Ar-
 rowhead. At this point those cars des-
 tined for the Slovan country are con-
 veyed to Nakusp on barges, and then
 transferred to the Nakusp & Slovan rail-
 way. One from the Nakusp & Slovan
 railroad is taken back on these barges to
 Arrowhead and sent through to the
 point of destination without breaking
 bulk.

The freight for Trail and Rossland is
 transferred to steamers at Arrowhead.
 It has been suggested that the C.P.R.,
 now that it will have entire control of
 the river, may try to ship freight in-
 tended for Rossland and Trail down to
 Robson on barges on the completion of
 the Heinze railroad, and by transferring
 them to that line get them to Trail with-
 out breaking bulk. In case the narrow
 gauge between Rossland and Trail is
 broadened to a standard gauge it could
 bring them through to Rossland. But
 it is hardly probable this will be done,
 owing to the bad navigation through the
 narrows, that portion of the Columbia
 river between the Lower and the Upper
 Arrow lakes. It is not believed barges
 loaded with freight cars could be brought
 successfully through the narrows during
 low water. For this reason it will con-
 tinue to be necessary to break bulk in
 freight coming to Trail and Rossland
 from the C.P.R. until the railway is
 built from Slovan lake to the Columbia
 & Kootenay railway.

The building of the Crow's Nest Pass
 railroad, which will be accomplished
 within the next two years, will, whether

the C.P.R. builds it or not, change the
 whole situation so far as the Kootenay
 business from eastern points is con-
 cerned. The use of the Arrow lakes be-
 tween Arrowhead and Robson is there-
 fore but a temporary arrangement.

A PEOPLE'S ROAD.

The speech delivered at Calgary Sat-
 urday by the Hon. A. G. Blair, minis-
 ter of railways and canals, will be read
 with pleasure by the people of Kooten-
 ay. He has declared himself, after
 looking into the question, thoroughly, in
 favor of the government building, own-
 ing and operating the Crow's Nest Pass
 railway and building it at once. He has
 expressed the opinion that the coal and
 timber along the route of the projected
 railway must not be permitted to fall
 into the hands of corporations. This is
 all that Kootenay asks, and Canada as
 a whole will insist on Mr. Blair's policy
 being carried out as soon as the urgency
 of the matter is fully understood in the
 east. Meantime we urge Mr. Blair to
 stand pat and he will find the people are
 with him.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is rumored in Rossland that several
 company promoters are selling prom-
 oters' stock under the guise of treasury
 stock through eastern brokers. If THE
 MINER can get any evidence that this is
 being done it will be pleased to give the
 facts the widest publicity. The differ-
 ence between promoters' stock and
 treasury stock is radical. The proceeds
 of the one do not go into development of
 the mines while the proceeds of the
 other are devoted entirely to that object.

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 property is excellent. On the famous Victory ledge, which runs nearly 2,500 feet through the claims, there
 are several open cuts and a working tunnel now in over 40 feet. In this there is a large body of solid ore,
 carrying gold, silver and copper, average assays running near the pay limit, while the ore improves from day to
 day, as depth is gained. On the Triumph there is a copper ledge, crossing the Victory vein at nearly right
 angles. This has the finest surface showing of copper ore carrying gold ever seen in the camp. On December
 5th, when starting a working shaft on this ledge, the miners uncovered ore which assayed over 22 per cent cop-
 per. Work on this shaft and the Victory tunnel will be continued without cessation, the promoters having
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Promoters' Shares.

Are pooled until August, 1897, so it will be impossible for original holders to offer their stocks on the market at any price.

Development Stock.

The first issue of 50,000 shares has been taken up during the past few days almost entirely by local buyers, which is a guarantee of the estimation in which this property is held in the immediate locality. The directors have ordered a further issue of 50,000 Shares to be placed on the market at

10 Cents Per Share.

(Price subject to change without notice.)

Description of Property.

The claims have a well defined and strong ledge running through the whole length and cropping out about 20 feet wide at the surface.

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Development.

A shaft was recently started on the main ledge and is now down 75 feet. It has shown nearly solid ore from the surface and is now in solid ore all the way across the bottom. It is one of the finest looking ore bodies ever opened in the camp. The ore is identical in appearance with that now being taken from the Kootenay mine.

At this date, Dec. 21, the shaft of the Iron Colt continues to be in solid ore. The vein has not yet been crosscut and its width is unknown. A crosscut will be run at the 100-foot level and preparations are now being made to run a tunnel from the side of the mountain below and contracts are now being made for power drills.

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ON SALMON RIVER

First Buildings in the Town of Salmo Erected This Month.

HAS GOT A GOOD START

About 3,000 Mineral Claims Have Been Located Within Six Miles of It—Hopes to Be a Mining Centre—Sawmill Arranged For.

John Davies and H. A. Jones, the residents agent of the West Kootenay Land company at Salmo, arrived in Rossland yesterday and registered at the Allan. Speaking of the embryo city of Salmo Mr. Jones said last night: "On Dec. 1 the townsite of Salmo was an unpeopled landscape. Since that time two hotels and two stores have been completed and occupied and a third will be completed in ten days. A building contract has been made for 12 new buildings to be finished within 90 days. The management of the company made a contract yesterday for the erection of a sawmill on the townsite and a deal has been made with the owners of the timber lands adjoining for logs to supply the mill. The mill will be in operation in 30 days.

"Nearly 3,000 claims have been recorded upon the Salmon river and its tributaries within a radius of six or eight miles of Salmo. Frank Jackson, owner of the pack train, has discovered a trail from Salmo to the east branch of the North Fork of the Salmon placing these mines within a radius of six or eight miles of Salmo. He says that if the trail was made he could make the round trip in a day. Locations have been made on the following creeks: Snowside, Copper, Granite, West Fork, East Fork and Whiskey Creek.

"Claims on Mount Pitcher at the source of the River and Whitewater creeks show ore similar in appearance to that of the Silver King. South from that point the silver increases and gold is more in evidence."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Give the Devil His Due.

ERROR MINOR.—Sir: Are you not just a trifle too hard on the member for the north riding of West Kootenay district? You claim he has neglected the interests of his constituents, more particularly those who reside in the southern portion of the riding. Mr. Kellie's constituents are almost wholly dependent on the mining industry, and if your contentions are based on facts Mr. Kellie has neglected to look after the interests of prospectors and mine-owners.

Mr. Kellie was elected to the legislative assembly in 1890, taking his seat on January 15, 1891. He was elected as an independent, and one of the issues on which he made the race was the repeal of section 13 of an act entitled "An Act in Aid of Certain Railways." The section gave land grant railway companies, the names of which were given in the act, the right for 25 years from the completion of the respective railways to extend and collect five per cent over and above working expenses on gold and silver extracted from ores found upon any of the lands embraced within their grants. The grants covered every mineral district in the province. The section was repealed in 1891, and as he was elected on that issue, Mr. Kellie must be given credit as a factor in bringing about the repeal.

In 1891 an act was passed granting aid to the Columbia & Kootenay railway. The aid was 200,000 acres of land, to be selected in 10,240-acre blocks from unoccupied crown lands anywhere within East and West Kootenay. Soon after the passage of the act, the railway company began selecting the blocks. One was selected which covered nearly every mineral claim at Ainsworth, then the only mining camp of importance on Kootenay lake; another covered the townsite of Nelson and adjoining premises; others covered well-known mineral claims, like the Blue Bell, in different sections of the district. The railroad company contended that it was entitled not only to make such selections, but that it was entitled to lands in lieu of any acreage that might be already occupied or held as mineral claims within the blocks selected. The people contended that the act gave the railway company no such right, and Mr. Kellie made their fight in the legislature, and won.

At the time of Mr. Kellie's election, locators of mineral claims on land embraced in the "railway belt"—28 miles on each side of the Canadian Pacific railway—had no end of trouble in recording their claims and obtaining crown grants. The Dominion government claimed that the locations must be made in accordance with the laws of the Dominion, and as the nearest Dominion land office was at Calgary, Alberta, the expense of going to that place to record a location was no small sum. Prospectors and adjoining proprietors contended that the province of British Columbia had not parted with the right to search for and mine the precious metals in making the grant to the Dominion of Canada, and that mineral locations should be made under the laws of the province. Through Mr. Kellie's efforts, the government took up the question, and today there is little more difficulty in acquiring mineral claims in the "railway belt" than in other sections of the province.

The depression in 1893, resulting from the fall in the price of silver, hit many claim owners in southern Kootenay pretty hard. There was little work in the mining camps, and hundreds of claim owners had to seek work in the United States. Many were unable to return in time to do the annual assessment work on their locations. Mr.

Kellie made an effort to give them relief by the passage of an amendment to the Mineral Act, extending the time for performing the annual assessment work for the current year until July, 1896.

In 1891 Mr. Kellie introduced a bill, which, if it had become a law, would have saved hundreds of thousands of acres of land to the people since granted to aid in the construction of railways. The provisions of the bill allowed the building and operation of railways anywhere in the province without first obtaining the consent of the legislature. The bill was re-introduced in 1892 and was defeated by one vote. Seeing that he could not secure the passage of a general railway bill he introduced a bill which finally became a law, which is operative in East and West Kootenay, Yale, Lillooet and Cariboo districts, namely, the Tramway Act.

Mr. Kellie is charged with aiding the government in passing a bill that amended the assessment act to the detriment of the mining industry. Mr. Kellie is no more blameable in that connection than are the mining men who hurried from Rossland to Victoria to prevent the passage of the bill, and returned volubly vowing that Premier Turner was an intuitive statesman and Minister of Mines Baker a far-seeing politician. Had they "stood pat," and not been awed into complacent compromise, the government would have been forced to either impose a like tax on the output of coal mines or drop the tax altogether.

Mr. Kellie introduced and secured the passage of a bill establishing a provincial bureau of mines, which is not working to the disadvantage of the mining industry. When an independent, Mr. Kellie secured fairly liberal appropriations for West Kootenay, and since he became an adherent of the government, the appropriations for the north riding of West Kootenay have been much larger than those for the south riding, where the representative in the legislature votes with the opposition.

Mr. Kellie may not be an ideal representative for a riding that has within its boundaries so many men who imagine themselves divinely gifted, yet the interests of the common people of the riding may be worse neglected in the future than they have been in the past.

JOHN HOUSTON.

MR. KELLIE'S RECORD.

In another column will be found a letter from John Houston of Nelson on the subject of the parliamentary record of J. M. Kellie, M.P.E., for this riding. Mr. Houston's experience in provincial politics is much more extended than our own, and he is besides recognised throughout the province as fearless and independent in the expression of his opinions. We therefore attach a great deal of weight to his statements, and Mr. Kellie's letter is circumstantial and indicates that the tramway act is not the only useful piece of legislation with which Mr. Kellie should be credited.

We are still of the opinion, however, that Mr. Kellie is out of touch with his constituents, especially that portion of his constituents for whom it is our duty to speak. Without going into ancient history we desire to draw attention to the fact that at the last session of the provincial parliament he was singularly neglectful of the free miners' interests. He took no steps to safeguard their rights in connection with the wholesale grant of lands in aid of the Columbia & Western railway. He did not insist on precious metal miners, whether employers or employees, being put on the same basis as regards taxation as coal miners, a failure which in our opinion showed undue subservience to the Turner government to the detriment of his constituents. Though a member of parliament for many years we find the late amendments to the mineral act almost invariably aimed to deprive the free miner of rights necessary to the economical working of his claim. In the matter of appropriations, however well he may have served the upper portion of the riding, he certainly fell far short of securing grants for the most necessary public purposes in and around Rossland.

The action of the so-called delegates from Rossland is, in our opinion, no excuse for Mr. Kellie's course in connection with the amendments to the assessment act last session. Mr. Kellie was a British subject and a member of parliament. The delegates were for the most part aliens and therefore in a very delicate position when it came to objecting to taxation. The interests of the delegates, vast as they were, did not represent a tithe of the taxable property in West Kootenay and the very fact that the men who went from Rossland were unable by reason of their alienage to speak forcibly on the question, should have made Mr. Kellie doubly anxious to safeguard the mine-owners of Kootenay. We have always considered that a great mistake was made in sending non-voters to Victoria to protest against inequitable and unjust taxation.

In conclusion we would say that in view of the defense of Mr. Kellie which Mr. Houston has now undertaken we are inclined to think that he is inconsistent. His journal, when he edited one, was not nearly so favorable to Mr. Kellie in its general tone as in his letter in this issue. If we have been at all prejudiced against Mr. Kellie we fear a portion at least of the blame for it must rest on Mr. Houston's shoulders.

SMELTER IS CLOSED

Silver King Mine Is Not Able to Keep It Running.

EXCHEQUER LOOKS WELL

Main Ledge Not Yet Cut, But Tunnel Is In Good Ore—Contract Let to Drill 1,000 Feet on the Silver Queen—Paul Johnson Surprised.

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 28.—[Special.]—The Hall Mines smelter blew out at midnight, Christmas eve and will not fire up again for a few days. Work is being pushed at the mine as rapidly as possible and it will only be a few days now before the lower tunnel can be used. It is hoped that the mine will then be able to keep the smelter busy.

Mr. Paul Johnson, superintendent of the smelter is very popular with his men and on Christmas eve they made him a present of a handsome set of silverware. O. M. Rosendale accompanied the presentation with a neat and appropriate speech.

Fred Stone has secured the contract to prospect 1000 feet with a diamond drill on the Silver Queen mine which adjoins the Hall mines. The owners expect to strike the same class of ore that has been found in the Kootenay Bonanza.

The Exchequer mine on Road mountain in running three shifts and will work all winter. They are running through well mineralized rock, the last assay of which went \$78. Much low grade and some high grade ore is being taken out and a number of tons are now on the dump. The company has decided not to ship any of the ore until spring. They are running through seven feet of pretty good rock and expect to strike the main lead in a day or two.

LOOKS LIKE BUSINESS.

Nelson Is to Have a Second Electric Light and Power Company.

Nelson, Dec. 28.—[Special.]—A new electric light company is being formed here with a capital stock of \$20,000 and it is understood that \$10,000 have already been subscribed. The machinery will be ordered and work commenced just as soon as the necessary water rights have been secured. The company will have one 5,000 light machine, step up and step down transformers, long distance system which will furnish 2,200 volts in town; also one 50-horse power machine. Power will be furnished during the day for motors, cooking and heating, and any subscriber will be entitled to buy one share of stock. Water power is to be secured from one of the adjacent creeks.

STRAIGHTENING OUT MATTERS.

Lost Creek Development Company Will Resume Operations in the Spring.

Nelson, Dec. 28.—[Special.]—Mr. William Archer of New York, vice president of the Lost Creek Development company, is in town straightening out the affairs of the company's mines on South Fork of the Salmon river. He states that active development will be resumed in the spring. On the Montreal 100 feet of tunnelling has been run and 50 feet on the Addie. Mr. Archer states that work on the Pend d'Oreille hydraulic mining claims will be resumed in the spring.

Nelson Brevities.

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 26.—[Special.]—Christmas was generally observed in Nelson and all places of business were closed.

The installation of officers of Masonic lodge No. 23, A. F. and A. M., of Nelson, took place Wednesday evening. V. W. District Deputy Chipman was the installing officer, and after the ceremony the officers were entertained at a banquet at the Clark house.

MINES AND MINING.

Another Lookout Mountain Incorporation—Claims Near Slovan Crossing.

Trail, Dec. 26.—[Special.]—The Lookout Mining company has been incorporated and elected the following officers: President, Charles Dundee; vice-president, William Claff; secretary and treasurer, E. T. Daniel; assistant secretary, George Naden. These gentlemen with W. A. Campbell, D. M. Drumheller, W. W. D. Turner, James Moynahan, M. Murphy, Angus Beaton and Ralph White Beatty is the superintendent. The company was incorporated for a million and a quarter and the property, the Joker mineral claim, will be developed continuously. The shaft is now down 15 feet and will be sunk to 100 feet. Three shifts of men are at work and the property will undoubtedly prove one of the most promising on Lookout mountain.

Negotiations are about closed for the purchase of the Red Bird and Silver Queen on Salmon river.

A half interest in the California and Archer has been purchased by Bruce Oraddock and J. Dawson. These two claims are at Slovan crossing on the Kootenay river, between Nelson and Robson.

The Big Four group, also at Slovan crossing, is being operated. They have two tunnels, one of which is in 18 feet and the other 25 feet. The ore assays \$18 and work will continue through the winter.

A three and a half foot vein of good ore is in sight on the Cable and Tenbrook claims on Whiskey creek, running into the north fork of the Salmon. It is owned by Charles Ross. The shaft has been sunk 35 feet.

NEW SMELTER SITE

R. E. Lee Company Has Offered Ground on the Maid of Erin.

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The Miner is able to state that a movement is on foot for the building of a smelting plant very near Rossland and that the site most in favor is a flat piece of ground on the Maid of Erin claim on the south branch of Trail Creek and a little above the junction between it and the north fork. The topographical and economic advantages of this location will be apparent to anyone who is acquainted with the ground. The place is a sort of basin and it is down hill to it from every direction but one.

The R. E. Lee, Maid of Erin, Gopher, Homestake, Hill Top, Palo Alto, Blue Bird, Alf, Mayflower, Red Eagle, Nest Egg, Sunset No. 2, Phoenix, Hattie Brown, Curlew, Lily May, Josie Mac, Hattie and Zlor, all under active development, would be within a mile of a smelter so located. There is not another spot in the camp which has so many active mines about it and which could be so inexpensively reached. In almost every case the ore could be delivered with gravity tramways.

The Miner is not permitted to divulge the name of the man at the head of this movement, but it can be said he is one of the most successful smelter men in the country—that he has made many tests of Trail Creek ore and that he promises to treat these ores if the proposed smelter is built at a cost not to exceed \$750 a ton.

Part of the capital for the proposed smelter is to come from the outside, the source being American, and part of it is to come from the mine owners of the camp. One of the subscribers is D. M. Linnard. Mr. Linnard informs the Miner that he has been authorized by the R. E. Lee Gold Mining company to give the smelter company all the ground it needs for the new plant. This ground is already said to be on the Maid of Erin which belongs to the Lee company. Mr. Linnard is about to leave for London, but this will in no way interfere with the progress of the new undertaking. The Miner hopes to be able to announce the completion of all arrangements for the new plant in a very short time.

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It is to be Driven Through the Gopher and Homestake.

Work has been started on the long tunnel to be run through the Gopher and the Homestake to make connection with the working shaft of the Homestake. This follows close upon the purchase of the Homestake property by R. E. Lee, Linnard and associates. As already announced in this Miner the R. E. Lee, Maid of Erin, Gopher and Homestake are to be worked together under one management. The new tunnel will run 800 feet on the Gopher and 400 feet on the Homestake. It will connect with the working shaft of the Homestake at a depth of 300 feet from the surface. The shaft is now down 90 feet and will be immediately put down 210 feet further.

This is one of the longest tunnels ever run in the camp and shows that the people who have charge of the Gopher and Homestake mean to thoroughly develop these properties.

An air pipe has been laid from the new Homestake compressor down to the mouth of the Gopher tunnel and the power drill now at work is supplied in that manner.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The Delaware Company.
SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 24.
EDITOR, ROSSLAND MINER.—Sir: The Delaware property lies near the Jumbo mine, on Gold Hill mountain. Last summer the rich assays from the Delaware caused great interest and many persons visited the property to examine the enormous ledge and take specimens from the tunnel. The company decided not to press forward the sale of treasury stock until a crown grant was obtained. This is now in the possession of the company and the stock is selling freely in Toronto at 12 cents. The company own and have fully paid for three claims adjoining each other, namely, the Delaware, Mogul and Olympia. W. A. Crane, the well-known mining expert, in his report on the property says, "from its great strength of vein and high value of the ore it is the greatest prospect I have ever examined in British Columbia."

Nine assays taken from different parts of the tunnel on the Delaware gave results in gold alone of from \$40 to \$60 per ton.

The president of the company is S. S. Gidden, president of the Old National bank of Spokane and also president of the Tiger Poorman Mining company. David Glass, Q.C., Rossland, vice president. The capital of the company is \$1,000,000, divided into shares of \$1 each. Treasury stock, 200,000 shares. It is the intention of the company to prosecute the work of development at an early date.

Yours truly,
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Harry Gager, Mining Engineer.

The Old Flag Gold Mining company is the owner of the Bureka group of mineral claims, consisting of the Bureka No. 1, Triumph, Generala, Old Flag and Omicron, situate on the south slope of Lookout Mountain, in the celebrated Trail Creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Good surface showings have been found on each, amounting from a trace to \$5.50 in gold, \$2.95 in silver and from 14 to 17 per cent (28 to 34) in copper.

This property was purchased on the report of Mr. Harry Gager, mining engineer, on the Bureka No. 1. The following is his report in full:

Report on the Eureka No. 1 Mineral Claim.

LOCATION.—This property consisting of one full claim, fifteen hundred by fifteen hundred feet (500 x 1500), is situated on the east slope of Lookout Mountain (7) miles below and south of Trail, B. C., and one (1) mile west of the Columbia river, at Ponton's landing near old Port Sheppard, and from two (2) to two and one-half (2 1/2) miles north of the International boundary line, Trail Division, West Kootenay district, British Columbia.

FORMATION.—The general formation consists of granite, diorite and andesite, with dykes of porphyry running parallel with the granite, the trend being almost due north and south.

Veins on Lead.—The vein or ledge is of the same character as those found near Rossland. Known in a general way as "iron capping," the gangue consisting of diorite mixed with quartz, carrying essential iron and iron pyrites and copper chalcocopyrites, more or less on the surface. At the discovery there is a small outcrop near the hanging wall which is well mineralized, but in bunches. This however, is a good indication of what may be expected upon development, as samples of this have given assay values of \$5.50 to \$5.50 gold and from 17 per cent copper and also some silver. The principal outcrop is about eighty (80) feet north of the discovery, and is very strong, showing it to be fully fifteen (15) feet in width, and it shows for fully thirty (30) feet in length, being comparatively free from side rock or drift for that distance. This outcrop stands out boldly from between the walls, under an almost perpendicular bluff. The surface is slightly oxidized, the entire ledge being mineralized, but not sufficient to carry much value, yet assays have been taken near the footwall showing from a trace in gold and copper to \$2.45 gold and one and one-half per cent copper, which is a good showing for surface.

Small particles of native copper have been found near the hanging wall at this point. The ledge shows to be in contact between granite and porphyritic granite.

Workings.—The only work done on this property at the present time is a small open cut at place of discovery, and a cut made at the principal outcrop as a assessment work. This cut was made through the foot wall and into the ledge for a short distance.

General Remarks.—This is in my opinion a most promising prospect, and upon development it will prove a very valuable property.

The surface showings of many of the principal mines in the district and in the vicinity of Rossland were not as good as this, and like these it will require development to demonstrate its value. A wagon road can be made almost to the property at a small cost, and by that, the ore could be transported to the smelter at Trail or Northport, Washington, by steamboat, or ferried across the Columbia river and loaded on cars at Waukegan, B. C., and from there taken to the smelter at Nelson, B. C. or to the states via the Nelson & Fort Sheppard and Spokane Falls & Northern railway.

Respectfully submitted,
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The by-laws of the company provide that the directors shall not contract any debts without having sufficient money on hand to meet same when contract is entered into.

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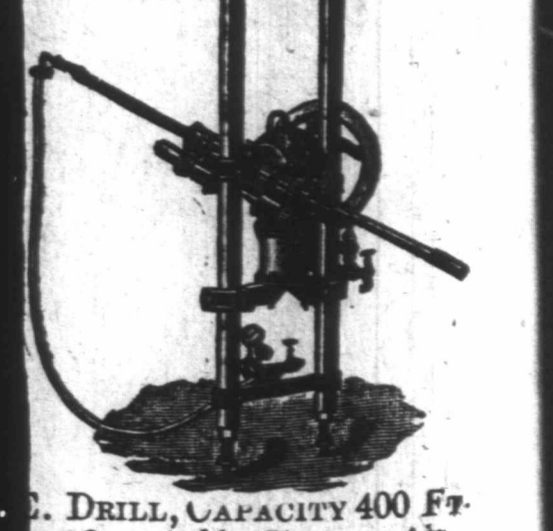
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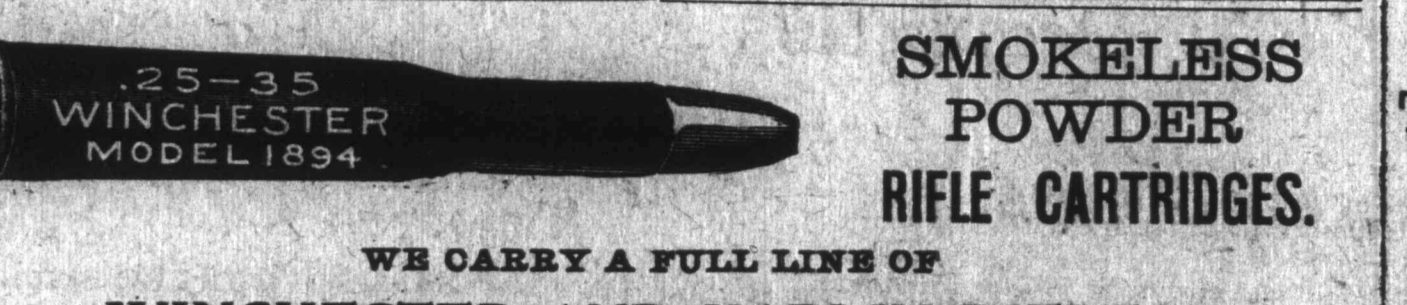
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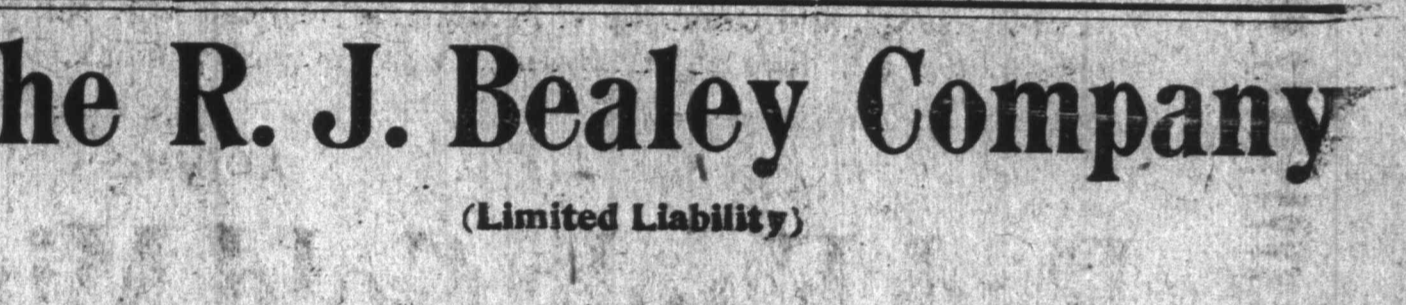
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The Red Eagle Gold Mining Co.'s Properties

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The Red Eagle.

The Red Eagle mineral claim is situated on the east slope of Deer Park mountain, between the Mayflower and Curlew claims. There are three known ledges crossing this property. These veins are known as the South vein, the Curlew vein and the Mayflower vein. The South vein, which has produced some of the richest surface ore ever discovered in the district, is six to eight feet wide with a 24 inch pay streak, assays from which gave returns of \$18 to \$285. This vein was but recently discovered by workmen grading for a tramway across the claim for the sawmill company, and is generally regarded as the most important of recent discoveries in the south belt. This vein is traceable across the entire width of the claim a distance of over 1400 feet. On the Curlew ledge an open cut has been made exposing a vein of ore four feet wide, from which assays of from \$14 to \$161 per ton have been secured. This vein has been exposed by a number of shallow pits and crosscuts for several hundred feet. The Mayflower ledge, from which this well known mine is now shipping such high grade ore, crosses the Red Eagle claim for a distance of 300 feet.

The Red Pole.

The Red Pole is situated one-half mile south of the Red Eagle and east of the Silver Bell mine. The Silver Bell ledge crosses the Red Pole mineral claim. Assays from this vein have shown over \$100 per ton of gold and silver.

Treasury Shares.

The company have secured the survey and are applying for the Crown grant, and will continue developing the property all winter, and fully expect to be able to find pay ore to cover the development almost from the surface. But to prepare for all mining emergencies and to fully equip the property with machinery we have placed 500,000 shares in the treasury, a limited amount of which we offer to the public at the rate of 7 1/2 cents, and when the paid limit is reached the company will close their books and reopen in the course of ten days at an advanced rate for further stock.

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Description of Property.

The Snowdrop is 3 1/2 miles from Rossland in the South Belt. It is distant from the Crown Point about three-quarters of a mile. Adjoining it on the east is the Summit. A shaft on this claim shows a large ore body assaying \$12 per ton in gold. This vein runs through the Snowdrop. A site has been selected for a tunnel and work on the Snowdrop will be continued all winter.

Shares.

The remainder of the First block of Stock has been advanced to

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J. A. Scaman, Secretary-Treasurer; W. H. Fife and W. J. Green,
Trustees.

Description of Property.

The company owns the Trail Hunter and Cromwell mineral claims.

The Trail Hunter is situated in the South Belt about 1 1/2 miles from Rossland and about 1/2 of a mile from the railroad on the Red Eagle. A strong iron-capped vein crosses the property and in the bottom of an 18-foot shaft there is a fine showing of ore. A wagon road has already been built to the property and development work will be pushed as rapidly as possible. Assays \$20 per ton.

The Cromwell is a full claim located on the North Fork of the Salmon River and joins the Lizzie B. and Porto Rico, two claims which were recently sold for \$63,000 and \$45,000 respectively. Assays have been obtained from the surface of the Cromwell running as high as \$140 in gold per ton.

It is the intention of the company to push development as rapidly as possible and has placed the unusually large sum of 500,000 shares in the treasury for that purpose.

The company is now offering the first block of stock at the low price of

Three and a Half Cents.

For shares, prospectus or other information apply to

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CAPITAL STOCK 1,000,000 SHARES

Par Value \$1.00 Fully Paid and Non-Assessable.

Treasury 350,000 Shares.

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Description of the Property.

The company owns the Annie Fraction and the Comet No. 2 mineral claims. The Annie Fraction is situated between the California, San Francisco and Black Bear, the latter of which is the property of the great Le Roi Mining & Smelting company and is the first western extension of the Le Roi mine. The vein of the Le Roi can be traced through the Annie Fraction and men at work on this property have tapped an ore chute at a depth of 40 feet from which assays gave returns of from \$14 to \$20.

The Comet No. 2 is a full claim, 1500 feet square, and lies about three miles north of Rossland. It has two strong well-defined ledges running through it. A prospecting shaft now down 10 feet shows nothing but vein matter the whole mass being well diffused with copper and iron pyrites. Assays averaging \$6 to \$8 have been obtained from this showing.

Shares.

The entire capital stock of the company excepting treasury shares has been pooled. The company now offers 50,000 shares of treasury stock at the low price of

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The sale of the War Eagle mine, subject to the ratification of the company at a meeting called for January 20 was concluded this week. The various articles on the subject appearing in this issue of THE MINER are from the daily edition of different dates.

Further particulars of the big War Eagle deal are at hand. The new company is to be known as the War Eagle Consolidated Mining company, capital \$2,000,000, with \$350,000 in the treasury for development purposes. There are to be 2,000,000 shares of the par value of \$1. George Gooderham, president of the Bank of Toronto, is to be president; the Hon. George Coxe, a member of the senate of Canada and president of the Bank of Commerce of Toronto, will probably be vice-president, and two of the directors will be T. G. Blackstock and W. H. Beatty of Toronto. Mr. Beatty is vice-president of the Bank of Toronto, president of the Toronto Silver Plate company and representative of the Wortz syndicate. Both Gooderham and Blackstock are pretty well known in Kootenay, owing to their connection with the Crown Point mine here. Coxe and Beatty are both wealthy men. The syndicate as now made up is a very strong one financially, and any move it may make will command attention.

The properties to be included in the consolidated company are the War Eagle, Crown Point, White Swan, Hidden Treasure, E. Lee (not Robert E. Lee), Tiger, Uncle Sam, Richmond, Star View, Empire, Watson and one quarter of the Summit. The last five are silver mines and not in this camp. It is presumed they are in the Sloan country, and that at least some have been passed on by Mr. Beatty, the expert of the War Eagle mine, and Blackstock.

It is understood that T. G. Blackstock will arrive here from Toronto between now and the 20th. He, and perhaps Mr. Gooderham will be here when the final transfer of the mine is made. Nothing is yet known as to what plans the new company may have as to the working of the War Eagle. One thing is certain, they will find the property in fine condition. The mine now being sunk from the floor of the No. 2 tunnel is down 80 feet and the ore in the bottom is very rich. It is by far the highest grade ore ever taken from the mine. If it holds out as it is now to the level of the Iron Mask tunnel now being run in, which will require the mine to be 175 feet deeper, the War Eagle will rank among the richest and greatest mines in the world and will be worth many millions of dollars.

MAKES A GOOD REPORT.

Superintendent Peterson of the Waneta-Trail Creek Company Pleased.

P. W. Peterson, superintendent of the work on the Waneta & Trail Creek Gold Mining company's property is in town. A meeting of the directors of the company was held last evening at which Mr. Peterson was present. His report was exceedingly satisfactory.

The company has one shaft down 30 feet following a stringer of galena ore from which an assay of over \$29 has been obtained. In another place they have a tunnel in 25 feet from which they have sunk 15 feet upon a vein of copper ore a foot wide of a very good grade. Three mining engineers have looked at the property and each expressed the opinion that the company has a mine, and all that is needed is further development.

The company's new prospectus is out and contains a picture of the property and all the surrounding mountains together with a view of the town of Waneta and a sketch plan of the Trail Creek district.

IDA QUEEN ASSAYS WELL.

It is a Lockout Mountain Property and Runs Best in Silver.

George Nelson, the general manager of the Ida Queen Gold Mining company, operating the Ida Queen on Lookout mountain, has some fine looking specimens of the ore that is now being extracted. The mineral in the quartz has a curiously dark cast. Assays of the ore gave 66 ounces in silver and \$14 in gold. Active mining development will continue throughout the winter.

TWO MEN INJURED.

Dynamite Explosion at the Monte Cristo Mine Last Night.

Luther Campbell and James Hatch, two men working in the Monte Cristo mine, were hurt about 9 o'clock last night by an explosion of dynamite. They had gone into the mine after a blast and were picking about when one of them struck a piece of dynamite which had been left in a hole partially