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## FROM OTHER CAMPS

### Smelter Propositions in the Neighborhood of Kamloops.

## IMPORTANT LARDEAU DEALS

### Notes of Interest From Kamloops, Lardeau, Big Bend, South East Kootenay, Sandon, Alasworth and Boundary—Renewed Activity in Mining.

The approach of spring is being signified by the renewal of mining activity which is being reported all over the country. In Kamloops what is principally occupying the attention of the mining public is the advent of a smelter. It is thought as to its advisability, but a question as to the greater or less desirability of the various sites propounded. Lardeau seems to be most concerned over the approaching railroad and there is a distinct tendency evinced to await its coming before much shipping is done. Indeed with the disappearance of the snow rawing will cease and the transport of ore over the difficult wagon roads is an expensive luxury.

From the Slovan reports arrive that the Kaslo smelter is likely to be up and running before long and the mind of the denizens of Kaslo seem chiefly exercised over the imputation that there are not sufficient dry ores in the neighborhood to admit of the successful running of a lead stack. This is strenuously denied and the capability of the mines in the neighborhood supplying from 500 to 1,000 tons daily of dry ore is strongly asserted.

From the Boundary the news is chiefly confined to the progress of the smelters though it is to be noted that there is a great deal of machinery ordered and in course of installation.

## KAMLOOPS.

### Activity in Smelter Sites—A Prospective Dividend Payer.

Mr. B. Fowler has arranged for the purchase of the Mission property for \$60,000 for a smelter site and intends to lay out a townsite.

The Iron Mask people are reported to have bought a smelter site near the head of Kamloops lake. This is the fifth site secured so far. The Tenderfoot mine is being developed rapidly and there is about three or four feet of good ore showing at the head of the tunnel. The ore is chiefly copper pyrites and bonite.

The different smelter projects are being actively pushed and the only question is who will have their smelter built first. As soon as a smelter has been blown in, it will find the ore ready for it.

Crosscutting at the Copper King is showing a hitherto unsuspected large body of ore. A crosscut from the drift is now in eight feet in uniformly good ore all the way. This, with the width of the drift, makes a total width of 13 feet of ore.

It is not easy to obtain information of the work on the Iron Mask, as the proprietors are not speculators, and are striving to any business firm goes.

There is, however, a large force of men at work, and the ore being raised is from the 158-foot shaft and is excellent. The Noonday is a claim that is coming to the front. The Noonday is a free smelting proposition, and the greater the depth reached the better the quartz is looking. It would be no surprise to those who know, to see the Noonday pay the first dividend of any claim near Kamloops.

The tunnel on the Sunlight is in 35 feet, and it is expected the vein will be in another 25 feet. The tunnel is being driven at about 200 feet below the old workings, and if the same ore body has struck of equal value, the company will have a bonanza. The assays taken from the old workings run from \$16 to \$20 in gold, silver and copper values.

The materials for the dredges are being hauled up the river every day and good progress is being made. The pontoons are now nearly constructed and there is every reason to believe everything will be in readiness for work before the middle of April. The experts engaged on the business seem perfectly sure of success, and comparing the Thompson river with the New Zealand rivers they have good grounds for coming to that conclusion.

## THE LARDEAU.

### The Black Warrior—Some Important Deals Put Through.

Ole Sandberg has sold his interest to Wa. Wa. on Laforme creek, to W. B. D.

E. A. Allan of Calgary, has transferred his interest in the Chilcat, Noble and Treadwell, Wa. Wa. and White Elephant claims to the Double Eagle Mining and Development company.

The Double Eagle Mining and Development company have sold to Alfred Metavious Kirby of London, England, the White Elephant, Treadwell and the Three claims, and an eighth interest in the Wa. Wa. and Chilcat claims on Laforme creek, Big Bend, and also a third interest in the Moscow claims on Pool creek.

J. J. Young of Calgary, and W. B. Pool of Revelstoke, have sold their interests in the Moscow and Ottertail claims on Pool creek, and the Silver Snow, Butte and Black Diamond on Lexington creek, and in the Treadwell, White Elephant, Wa. Wa., Chilcat and the Elephant on Laforme and Carnes creeks, to A. O. Kirby of London, Eng., who is understood to have formed a company to take up and develop these properties. It is believed that the deal will result in operations of an extensive

character and which will be of great importance to Revelstoke. Mr. Kirby being expected from London next month to make arrangements.

The Black Warrior group is situated on the head of McDonald creek and is reached by a good pack trail at a distance of about nine miles from Ferguson to Black Warrior cabin. There are four claims in this group, with a fine showing of ore on three of them. There is also abundance of timber on the fourth for mining purposes. The ledge lies in a wide belt of slate about seventy-five feet from one of the strata of lime which runs through the country. A considerable portion of the ledge has been uncovered of from sixty to seventy feet in length and two and a half to three feet in width, lying along the contact. The ore consists of galena and runs 150 oz. in silver, \$8 in gold and 50 per cent lead. Thomas Horn, the owner and locator, has started a tunnel to tap the ore chute at considerable depth. It is now in about 210 feet. Mr. Horn expects to reach the ore chute in about 70 feet more, drifting and crosscutting. There has been ore coming in on the last 15 feet of work and indications look encouraging.

## BIG BEND.

### Work Starting Up in Readiness for the Spring.

The French Creek company have a man looking after their property.

There are not over 20 men altogether working in the Big Bend this season. Raymond Allen on Goldstream takes out more or less gold with his small hydraulic plant.

Messrs. McCallum and two men are working on the McCullum group on Carnes creek.

J. D. Boyd, who came in from the Bend last week, says this is the duller season he has known in the section.

The men working on the Standard had gone through six feet of concentrating ore by latest accounts, but had not reached the wall.

Harry Howard ran an open cut last season on this placer claim on Smith creek and is getting in shape to work this property in the spring.

On McCullough creek caretaker Caesar is getting the rifles in readiness to start work in the spring on a property owned by an English company.

## SOUTHEAST KOOTENAY.

### The Estella, Anchor, Beaver, Copper Giant and Other Properties.

The Estella, it is said, is looking remarkably well. Late reports from the property are to the effect that if there is a mine in the country it is the Estella.

It is reported that a deal has been consummated on the Blue Grouse, one of the well-known Sand creek properties. The details of the transfer have not been made public.

Work is progressing on the Anchor property at Kitchener, and as they approach the lead the prospects look brighter. It begins to look as if the company had a mine in that property. Active development will continue.

Bishop Bros., the owners of the Jessie, are engaged in developing that claim. The tunnel is now in 230 feet, and in prospecting work a large body of quartz has been crosscut which will run well in gold.

McBain and son are developing the Beaver. The shaft is now down 35 feet and in a crosscut at that depth the lead has been encountered. The ore is copper, carrying gold. The work so far is showing up the property in good shape.

William Langley returned from a visit to Sand creek Friday last. He reports considerable work going on in that section. At the Waterfall Breckenridge & Landvase a small force is employed.

The tunnel is now in 110 feet. There has been a change in the formation and small seams of talc, iron and quartz are coming in, which is a strong indication that the lead is not far distant.

John Hutchison has secured a bond on the Copper Grant, the promising copper property near the boundary, located by M. Phillipps. An assay from Treadwell shows 23.2 per cent copper and \$3 in gold. Mr. Hutchison is negotiating with a Boston syndicate that may take up the property. There seems to be no doubt that there is a great copper belt along that district, and that there will be some rich properties developed in a few years.

## THE SLOVAN.

### The Shipments for the Week—Work on the Sunset.

A full force of men is being put on at the Hillside.

The Sunset is developing into one of the best properties in the camp.

A shipment of 15 tons of ore was made last week from the Chapleau.

The Ruth is the largest property that has stopped shipments owing to the smelter trouble.

The Payne, Last Chance and Ivanhoe are getting their round timber from McGugan.

The Red Fox is being worked through the old Antoine tunnel. Ten men are employed. Ore is being sacked from the upper workings.

Thirty-eight men are on the Rambler-Carbo payroll. The shaft from the 300-foot level is down 200 feet, and will be sunk another 100 feet.

The Whitewater mine is working full handed, but shipping no ore owing to the smelter difficulty. There is about 800 tons of ore awaiting shipment.

The force at the Hartney has been increased to 30 men. All the tunnels are being driven on ore. The shipments will be as large as can be brought down over the roads.

Work has been resumed on the Four Mile claim, which is situated about two and a half miles up the creek. A new cabin is being built and considerable development work will be done upon it this spring.

C. C. Bennett, representing Vancouver capital, has taken a bond on the Prescott. Work will be commenced at once, the bond calling for the expenditure of \$10,000 this year.

Reports from the Hartney are of the most encouraging nature. They have ore in all their workings, and in the lower tunnel the shoot as increased in width and richness. It is high-grade steel galena.

As was predicted by the experts familiar with the Chapleau ore, it has been proven to the satisfaction of the management that the mill recently installed on the property will not save the values in the ore, and, in consequence, the property has been closed down.

At the Emily Edith mine ore is being brought down from the mine to the flat at the head of their wagon road and ore shipments from that property may be begun at any time. The Emily Edith is working a force of about fifty men and has developed into one of the biggest concentrating propositions in the Slovan.

C. Dempster of Rossland, last week bought the Republic group, situated close to Slovan City, paying cash for the property. Five years ago Dave Sudher and Tom Montgomery staked the property, and have since put a great amount of work on it, showing up two leads carrying pay ore.

At the Pinto, one of the Mollie Hughes group, work is going steadily toward the tunnel has been driven on the lead 50 feet, and ore has been taken out most of the distance. That a deal will soon be made on the property whereby eastern Canadian capital will be interested is almost a certainty.

When the Ivanhoe can get a sufficient supply of water, which will be as soon as the weather softens, the mill will be operated night and day. The class of ore being shipped down gives a ten per cent feed after the clean ore has been picked out on the conveyor belt. The loss in the tailings is only 3-10 of one per cent lead and three ounces silver.

The cross tunnel being driven upon the Silverton Boy claim, near the Emily Edith is now in over 300 feet and the lead is expected to be encountered within the next few feet. The surface showing on this vein of rich galena ore is excellent, and if the tunnel, being in the center as good a showing below it will not be long before the Silverton Boy will urge on our shipping list.

Under the supervision of Angus McLean some prospecting work is being done upon the Iron Horse claim on Ten Mile. A shaft lately sunk has disclosed a paystreak of over eighteen inches of clean high grade ore. As early in the spring as practical a full force of miners will be put to work upon the claim and development work pushed ahead as fast as possible. The Iron Horse for the amount of work done upon it gives promise of developing into a very valuable property.

Mr. J. C. Drewry, managing director of the Canadian Gold Fields syndicate and the company's mining engineer came down from Whitewater on Tuesday last and are registered at the Kaslo hotel. The company is operating the Sunset at Whitewater and have a force of 17 men at work on that property.

Each part of the machinery in operation will have to be subject to some slight adjustments as use discovers the weak points. On the bins over the railway track aprons of iron are being so adjusted that they will be worked in sets of three (one set to each truck) by cylinders governed by compressed air. In this way the movement of a lever fills a 50-ton car in a few minutes, and three such cars can be loaded simultaneously. The aerial tramway has a capacity of 100 tons per hour, leaving plenty of time for the shifting of the cars under and from the bin shoots.

## LE ROI NEW SYSTEM.

### Operations Have Now Commenced, but Not in Steady Working Order.

The new system of work described lately in the columns of The Miner is now in full operation. There are still one or two details to be attended to which will be settled as the system under investigation is perfected. The hoist for the waste running in the new shaft, in its two western compartments, is not at present in place.

The machinery has arrived in camp and will be on the ground this morning. The concrete foundations are ready, and the plant will be immediately assembled upon them. Before, however, it can be turned over some time will have elapsed to allow of the proper setting of the concrete bed.

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## THE BOSUN MINE.

### A Slovan Property That Has Paid From The Grassroots.

Mr. Wm. H. Sandiford, M. I. M. M., manager for the Bosun Mines, Limited, which is operating the Bosun group of six claims near New Denver, was in the city for several days recently accompanied by his son, who is the assistant manager. This mine is one of the successful ones in the Slovan. It has paid from the grassroots. The ore, which is silver-lead, averages about \$100 to the ton. It has been developed, Mr. Sandiford says, by a series of six tunnels, one below the other. The sixth, or lower tunnel, which was driven 600 feet through a soft formation, has finally intersected the ledge, and this places the mine on a firmer basis than ever before. Mr. Sandiford and son while here visited several of the mines, and said they were most favorably impressed with the large tonnage of gold-copper ore which there is in sight.

## Remarkably Rich Ores.

Current statement is made of a recent discovery in an Eastern Oregon gold mine of a vein 25 feet wide in which from a "streak" of ore 12 inches in width "several chunks of ore, each as large as a man's head, have been taken out, which yield one-third gold." With no more than passing reference to the statement, which may or may not be true, it is a matter of record that a rich ore streak will produce great stores of treasure from a very small space. Over \$2,500,000 has been taken from a space "the size of a three-room cottage." From one little "pocket" in the Moose mine, near Alma, Colo., about \$1,000,000 was taken. The same holds good regarding several old deposits in Placer, Tuolumne and other California counties. The Rhod's claim, near Murphy, Calaveras county, Cal., produced \$250,000 from an area 40x100 feet; twenty pounds of gold were taken out in twenty-four hours. A similar area in the Janieson claim, Iowa Hill, Placer county, Cal., yielded over \$500,000; the Dardanelles claim, Forest Hill, in the same county, yielded \$2,000,000; near Springfield, Tuolumne county, Cal., single miners' carloads of "pay dirt" yielded out \$1,000 each. This constitutes one of the charms of mining. Development of a "prospect," proper working of a "mining claim," may make each of its 1,500 feet worth more than the most valuable 1,500 feet work property on Broadway, New York.—Mining and Scientific Press.

Mr. D. J. Macdonald has returned from a visit to California.

# WAR EAGLE MINE

## With Lower Charges will Increase Its Output.

## HINGES ON TRAIL SMELTER DEAL

### Blackstock's Hopeful Assurances at the Annual Meeting—Too Much Stress Laid on Results in Seventh Level—Lean Zones Not Uncommon—Aid Wanted for Silver.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—The annual meeting of the War Eagle Mining company was held here at noon today. In moving the adoption of the report of the directors, T. G. Blackstock, vice-president of the company, said: "It would be useless for me to attempt to disguise the fact that the result of the year's operations has been in a measure disappointing.

"On the other hand, it may be said that quite too much has been of adverse circumstances encountered in the development of the seventh level.

"We have, during the past year, passed from the richest level into the leanest. As we have seen from the report submitted, the development of the sixth level which was continued during the earlier part of the year, had shown that level to have the finest ore bodies so far opened up in the mine. Subsequent work, however, has shown that these ore bodies are not continuous in size and grade down to the seventh level, but have been broken up into several smaller shoots of lower grade.

"Nevertheless as this is an occurrence which happens in almost all mines at some level or other without prejudice either to the size or richness of the ore bodies below, it was in a way to have been anticipated.

"Both in the Le Roi and Centre Star mines similar lean zones have occurred, while below them as rich and even a richer ore bodies than those above have been picked up.

"Mr. Kirby's assumption, therefore, of values to be found below the sixth level would seem amply justified and to be much more probable than those extremely pessimistic views which have been apparently entertained and currently circulated by candid friends.

"None of us can see into the ground. We can only draw conclusions from what we see above, and nothing that the Le Roi and Centre Star mines, within a few yards distance, have opened up some of the finest ore bodies at a depth of as much as 300 feet below our seventh, or lean level, we may infer that the conditions favorable to the deposition of high grade ore still exist in the mine.

"With reference to the accounts, over \$243,000 of the increase in the indebtedness is due to the taking over of a controlling interest in each of the following properties, namely the Montie, Pilgrim, Muggump and Roseland Red Mountain. These properties adjoin the War Eagle on the dip side of its vein and were acquired for the company upon the recommendation of the late manager, J. B. Hastings.

"The directors are satisfied there will be no difficulty in disposing of the company's interests in these properties for more than their cost as soon as the smelter question is settled and the mine is shipping at its full capacity. These claims, however, are so important to the War Eagle that it is probable it will be found better to make some arrangement regarding them which will prevent the indebtedness from standing in the way of paying dividends later on, rather than to part with the control of them entirely.

"Early in February, 1900, shipments were stopped on the recommendation of Mr. Kirby, our general manager, for the double purpose of enabling us to introduce certain economies and to increase our development. For reasons which have already appeared from the manager's report, shipments were not resumed until the end of the year.

"The labor troubles which were in an acute stage at the time of the last annual meeting, have since been settled. This settlement has enabled us to introduce the contract system under which the costs of mining have been reduced by from 30 to 50 per cent, while the rapidly with which the operations of the mine can be carried on has been greatly increased.

"Next in importance to the question of mining costs and our relations with labor, is the question of smelting. This has engaged the attention of the directors during the last three months. Under the existing contract this mine and the Centre Star were bound to deliver 100,000 tons at a charge for freight and treatment of \$6 per ton.

"After about 80,000 tons had been delivered the C. P. R. offered to cancel this contract and substitute another for the delivery of 600,000 tons at a rate of \$5 for the first 300,000 tons and \$4.50 for the second 300,000 tons. Your directors were unable to see their way to accept this proposal because it would not place the mine in such a good position in regard to the treatment of low grade ores as if they owned and operated their own smelters. The result has been that negotiations have been going on for the past six weeks for the purchase on behalf of the War Eagle and Centre Star mines of the Trail smelter.

"Your directors, recognizing the importance of this question, were fortunate in securing the services of well-known smelter experts, Messrs. A. R. Ledoux of Le-doux & Co., and W. H. Deveroux, both of New York. Deveroux and a chartered accountant are at Trail examining the smelter and their report is expected shortly.

"Mr. Kirby in his report has confined his estimates, no doubt, to the ore bodies which would stand present costs of mining and freight and treatment should the negotiations, which are now being conducted, result in the cancellation of the existing smelter contract by the acquisition of the Trail smelter. Such a reduction would follow on the costs of freight and treatment as will enable the mine to greatly increase its output, thereby making a further reduction of the cost of mining and development ratably per ton. With these reductions on the cost of mining and treatment, and having regard to the very extensive scheme of development now being carried on, the mine will be enabled to put out a maximum tonnage with a minimum of cost and as it seems from present indications altogether probable the War Eagle and Centre Star mines will soon have their own smelting plant. I feel that our shareholders are justified in expecting the current year to be one of prosperity.

"In conclusion, I beg to refer to the necessity that exists for our government giving some such encouragement to the production of pig lead in Canada as has been given to the production of pig iron and steel. The smelter at Trail is equipped for the smelting of several hundred tons per day of a charge containing about 20 per cent of lead ore. This, of course, is in addition to the copper furnace which have a capacity of matting about 500 tons a day.

"There are large quantities of low grade silicious ores in Rossland which are suitable as a flux in lead smelting and as four tons of these Rossland ores are used to one of lead, it will be seen that the Rossland mines are greatly interested in the encouragement of lead smelting at some near point to which ores can be conveyed at a small cost, such as Trail."

## FIRST SHIPMENT.

### Rosland Great Western Sends Its First Ore to Northport Smelter.

The first shipment of ore made by the Rosland Great Western mines since their purchase by the British America Corporation was sent on Monday, when ten carloads, averaging about 25 tons apiece, were sent to the Northport smelter. This ore is that which was lying in the ore bins with some waste, put in while certain alterations were being carried out below. As soon as the bins are empty the mines will begin filling them with unmined ore, so that there will be no sorting necessary before placing the ore in the cars. Regular shipments from the mine will not be commenced until the Northport smelter is in completion, when the probable amount will be in the neighborhood of 100 to 150 tons daily. This amount will be increased later on, and by the end of a twelve-month after the beginning of regular shipments a larger amount is to be looked for.

## LOW GRADE ORES.

### Successful Working of the Treadwell at Juneau.

The official report of the Treadwell mine at Juneau, Alaska, for the year ending May 31st, shows that during the year 557,950 tons of ore were mined, and bullion sold to the amount of \$1,153,368, or an average on the ore crushed of \$2.067 per ton. The year's working profit was \$673,901, and four dividends were paid, amounting to \$300,000, or six per cent upon the capital stock. The average expense was a trifle over 80 cent a ton. The ore in sight is estimated at over 4,000,000 tons.

These figures only emphasize the fact that the greatest gold mines in the world always have been, and doubtless always will be, producers of low grade ores. The Treadwell is one of the many. The most striking illustration of this truth, however, is found in the operations of the Homestake property at Lead, in the Black Hills of South Dakota, which has been worked for years on ores that average two to four dollars a ton.

W. P. Dallett, Philadelphia, is a guest at the Allan.

THE MINING REVIEW

The Development of the Vein on the Annie.

STRIKE ON THE HOMESTAKE

Progress of Work Upon the Northport Smelter—An Additional Furnace Blown in—Inspection of the New System at the Le Roi Mine.

There are three events of interest to be marked in the annals of the week. The first in importance is the strike upon the Homestake, the second is the blowing in of the fifth furnace at the Northport smelter, increasing the nominal capacity to 1,250 tons a day, and the third is the definite location of the Annie ledge at a depth of 500 below the surface.

The strike upon the Annie assumes its importance principally from the fact that the continuity of the north Le Roi vein is practically demonstrated to the west of the big granite dyke which is known as the Josie dyke. It is therefore a permissible inference that the other Le Roi veins will also be found to continue beyond the dyke named. This in turn will affect such properties as the White Bear, which are thought to be located on a continuation of the Le Roi westward beyond the dyke. Also it is to be noted that the strike was made in an apron from the 500-foot level of the Josie mine and demonstrates particularly the continuity of the vein from the surface, whence it was followed down to over 140 feet to the level mentioned. As this vein has been found to preserve its values at this depth and as it will be remembered that assays obtained from this ledge have run higher than any others in the camp a valuable asset has evidently been added to the Le Roi No. 2.

The Northport smelter, blowing in its fifth furnace on Friday, making the nominal capacity of the smelter upwards of 1,250 tons per diem. It has happened that almost simultaneously furnace No. 4 has run down and repairs have to be made to its water jacket. This will take some time. It thus chances that the blowing in of the fifth furnace, owing to the coincidence of the running down of one of its fellows, does not increase the actual capacity of the smelter for the time being. The fourth mechanical roaster is in operation. The new engine for the supply of air to the blowers has been installed and is in operation. On the other hand it has become necessary to place the old engine in repair. One side has been taken down, the high pressure, and the low pressure side will follow. Thus more time will be expended. The track has been completed and the orebins for the reception of the Le Roi have been built and are in operation.

The strike on the Homestake is the most important that has been made for many months in this camp, inasmuch as the mine is located in the south belt, which has been under a cloud, so to speak, owing to the lack of results which have so far followed the work done there. The pay ore shoot in the Homestake has been drifted on for a distance of 33 feet and the full face of the drift was in length of a pay grade last evening. The strike is certainly one which is of great moment to the camp.

The Output. There were seven shippers during the past week, the Velvet and Portland having dropped out pending completion of the arrangements at the Northport smelter. The Giant is shipping nothing and will not do so until the pending transfer of the property is completed and work begun again. The Le Roi shipments are 2,000 tons under its average, mainly due to the changing order of the systems in operation at the mine. This will adjust itself after a time but it need not be expected that the Le Roi shipments will come up to the amount calculated to be shipped right along on a regular basis for several weeks to come.

Appended is a list of the shipments of the past week and the year to date:

Table with columns: Week, Tons, Year. Rows include Le Roi, Centre Star, War Eagle, Le Roi No. 2, Iron Mask, Velvet, I. X. L., Spitzee, Giant, Portland, Total.

Homestake.—The pay ore shoot found a week since in the Homestake had been drifted on up to last evening for about 33 feet. The full face of the drift was in ore of a pay grade, and carrying more copper than when the ledge was first encountered. A Miner man visited the Homestake yesterday and the strike was better than even he expected. The ledge is in place and as far as the sides and face of the drift tunnel were concerned they also were of ore. A feature of the strike is that the pay shoot is solid and unbroken and is strongly mineralized throughout. The gangue is a white quartz, carrying gold, silver, lead and copper. From the face of the drift to the dike, towards which the drift is being driven, the distance is about 87 feet. Should the strike continue that far, and it is almost certain that it will, it will be over 100 feet in length. The dike, which is to be met 87 feet from the present base of the tunnel, is only 12 feet in width and it is more than likely that the pay ore shoot will be picked up on the west side of it, the present drift tunnel being to the east of the dike. There is a very strong surface showing east of the dike and the probability is that the ledge will be richer and wider west of the dike than it is east of it. After the connection is made by the upraise with the shaft and shaft is deepened another 100 feet blow the floor of the present drive, which will give a depth of from 400 to 500 feet on account of the sloping nature of the hill included in the Homestake ground, still richer ore should be obtained. Altogether the outlook on the Homestake is most encouraging and there is every reason to believe that it will make a valuable mine, when the work of drifting along the ledge for 200 feet and the upraise has been made connecting the tunnel with the shaft has been completed. This work will occupy about ten weeks.

Le Roi.—The last work for some time to come has been done upon the old shaft through which so much money has come for the shareholders of this mine. Yesterday might have been seen the spectacle of the new system in full operation on the new shaft. The closing down of the old shaft practically cuts off the whole of the eastern workings of the mine from shipment. There is no thorough system of connection between the two workings. Hence until such time as the old shaft has been put into thorough order the shipments of the Le Roi will be considerably curtailed. Drifts run from the old shaft, naturally were made with a grade running to the shaft so that the transportation of ore on the loaded trucks could be performed with facility. As the drifts from the new shaft was made on the same principle it follows that wherever the workings are connected a carload of ore from the eastern end of the mine would have to be pushed up hill in order to get into the western end. All the new workings will in future be run from the new shaft but the old workings will first have to be cleaned out. This will be done from the old shaft. As there is much ore in the stopes referred to the old shaft will be in work for many months to come. What is to be done at the present moment is the taking out of the nump in the middle of the old shaft, which interferes with the working of the mine and also to a serious degree endangers the life of those using the old shaft. Proper guides will be put in along the shaft and stakes placed in the skips which latter will be entirely renewed.

Le Roi No. 2.—There is very little work being done in the No. 1 with the exception of the sinking of the shaft which is making fair progress. There is only one drill at work stopping and the only reason for its presence is that a certain amount of ore must be sent down from the No. 1, situated higher on the hillsides than the Josie, in order that the Josie may be able to send down its ore over the flatter grade of the gravity tramway existing between the latter mine and the orebins on the railway track. The work on the Josie is principally on the Poorman shaft at its various levels, in the sinking of the shaft and in the continuation of the upraise into the Annie shaft. The Annie vein has been discovered to possess the same values at the depth now being worked at as on the surface and the possession of a new and well provided oreshoot is added to the wealth of this promising mine.

Rossland Great Western.—The shaft is well nigh completed. Work is in progress cutting out the station at the 800-foot level. No ore has been shipped yet and owing to the center of the shaft had run down furnace it is probable that the expected first shipment will be delayed for a while. The work of assembling the machinery for the motor for the 40-horse electric compressor has been started. The huge bedplate of the motor was yesterday placed in position. The concrete foundations are thought to be sufficiently settled to permit of the dead weight of the machinery being placed upon them. No turning over will be possible for several weeks as the setting will hardly be solid enough to permit of any jarring.

New St. Elmo.—The north drift is in 123 feet from the north crosscut and the ledge is five feet wide and near the footwall there is five feet cmfwp shrdium wall there is two and a half feet of ore that will average \$18.50 to the ton. This shoot of pay ore is about 25 feet in length and still continues in the face of the drift. The ore taken from the pay shoot is being saved and will be shipped later on. The south drift is in 325 feet from the south crosscut.

Spitzee.—There is a good showing of ore of a high grade in the drift which is being run on the 50-foot level. The ore is being met is of a white quartz carrying excellent values. The drift is in about 13 feet and is in ore all the way. One carload of ore was sent to the Trau smelter during the past week and about the middle of the present week another will be shipped to the same place.

Kootenay Mines.—There is nothing of importance transpiring at the mine. The shaft is down to the station level at the bottom of the sinking and the station itself is being commenced. This work will have to be completed and the timbering placed in the shaft before drifting can be commenced on the lowest level in order to explore the vein. The bottom and sides of the shaft are still in ore.

Centre Star.—Shipments are being continued on a steady basis. The development work is steadily in hand and the mine is now well abreast all round in its work. The surface buildings are practically completed and nothing more will be done with the yard until the snow disappears from the ground.

War Eagle.—There is every expedition used to hasten shipments from the mine which are expected because of the better showing at a lower level than that which obtained in the middle workings of the mine may be made. The exploration of the levels of the two lower floors is being continued.

Evening Star.—The developing of the ore bodies on the No. 3 level is in progress and there is an excellent showing. In order to get rid of the ore which is on hand shipments will be commenced this week.

I. X. L.—The work of extending the lower tunnel is in progress. Stopping corners from No. 2 tunnel. A carload of ore was sent to Trail from the I. X. L. during the week, as the Northport smelter has again consented to take ore.

Velvet.—The work of developing the several ore bodies in the Velvet continues. In the meanwhile the 18-drill compressor is being put together and should be ready for operation in a short time.

Iron Mask.—Work continues along the usual lines. The Iron Mask sent 113 tons of ore to the smelter during the past week.

Rossland Bonanza.—Work on the drift tunnel is being pushed and the showing of ore continues large and the values are of a satisfactory grade.

Cascade.—Work continues along the usual lines, but there were no developments of note during the week.

Douglas-Hunter.—Work on the lower tunnel continues and good progress is being made.

Retland.—Drifting on the 100-foot level continues and the showing of ore is satisfactory.

Northern Belle.—The crosscut tunnel is in for 271 feet and the face is in ore of a low grade.

Wallingford.—Drifting on the ledge is progressing and the showing of ore is fair.

SOME RICH CREEKS.

Districts Tributary to Kaslo and Their Prospects for the Year.

The long crosscut which was commenced a year ago to tap the Payne lead at a depth of 1,000 feet will be completed in about three months and will be 1,700 feet long. It will open an immense stoping ground, and will double the workings of the Payne lead. The Payne lead has not been mined before the 550-foot level. Mr. W. E. Zwickley, manager of the mine, was in Kaslo this week en route to Sandton from the East, and gave the Kootenayan some interesting information regarding the property. One hundred men are at work and the shipments amount to about 500 tons a month. No difficulty is encountered in marketing the ore as the Trail smelter has contracted to take the Payne's output for the year. Last year about 1,000 tons a month was the regular shipment, and the increased charges of the smelters has reduced it by half. Mr. Zwickley says the Payne will make no effort to make large shipments on account of these increased charges, but will devote the larger amount of attention to development. When the eighth level is completed the mine will be in a position to make very large shipments when the price of lead again reaches a point when increased shipments will be an object. The decision will be made as to future development after this ore has been encountered in the long tunnel until the company sees what it has.

South Fork of Kaslo. The new wagon road up the South Fork of Kaslo Creek will probably be kept busy with traffic this year by the army of men who will be working at the camp which it opens up. Camp Mansfield will be opened up on a larger scale than ever and the Jokers worked in a manner that will prove its richness. The tunnel will probably be run from one of the lower claims to supply drainage and to tap the lead at a much greater depth than the present shaft and crosscuts. Some remarkable assays have been obtained from the Joker, and the great width of the vein proves it to be one of the richest properties in the province. It is understood that the experts will make the examinations of the property for the Old Country owners during the winter, have reported that it gives promise of remarkable richness, and in view of these reports a large staff of men will be put to work to develop it to a shipping stage. The vein has been traced for a mile on the north side of the mine, and very high assays have been obtained from ore taken from the different open cuts. When the Joker is opened up and its richness made public the lead of the South Fork will probably see much active development. Along the creek the Bismarck and the Cork have been actively worked all winter. Two properties adjoining the Silver Bell are also being worked. On one of them a winze has been sunk 100 feet, and a very satisfactory showing has been made. It has the rich Silver Bell lead. A group of claims adjoining the Cork, and owned by Messrs. H. Gierich, Chas. Dickson, J. P. Miller and R. B. Briggs of Kaslo, will be worked in the spring. They have the Cork lead, and the work already done has opened a fine showing of concentrating ore. The Liberty Hill group, across the creek, is now mixed up with litigation, but when matters are straightened out men will be put to work. The showing is very promising and among the best on the creek. There is every reason to believe that the Black Fox will be worked again this year, as development work has been done which has proved it to have a very rich vein. Then there is always the hope that somebody with money will get hold of the Montezuma and place it where it should have been long ago, among the richest properties in the district. The Gibson, which is located on the Silver Bell lead, and which has been worked for some time, will be opened up in all probability. There is now every concentrating ore in sight to warrant the company in erecting a concentrator, for which they have sufficient water power crossing the property. There have been several shipments of clean ore made from the Gibson, and the vein is rich in silver, lead and 60 per cent lead. There are three distinct veins running through the property. The New Chum and Noble Friend claims, owned by J. P. Miller and partners, will receive some attention. They have a seven-foot lead, highly mineralized and containing one foot of clean ore. There are also innumerable other claims on the South Fork, and development work on them this summer will probably open up properties of considerable richness. In event of the smelter being erected at Kaslo there will undoubtedly be an effort made to develop the South Fork properties on a large scale.

Woodbury Creek. One of the most promising creeks tributary to Kaslo is Woodbury. When the smelter is in operation here the Woodbury properties will undoubtedly make large shipments of ore to Kaslo. For the last three years ore has been shipped from Woodbury Creek, and all the work has opened up promising properties. Commencing at the mouth of the creek is the King Solomon Mining Company, which has a group of 40 claims, which cover a great deal of ground. The company has been working a large force of men for nearly a year. The chief development work has been confined to sinking a winze in the old workings of the former owners. A depth of about 150 feet was obtained, and drifting commenced both ways on the vein. In three other places tunnels are being run on the vein and the showing is very encouraging. The company is composed of American people, who have made every preparation for mining on a very large scale. An air compressor, has been installed and work is done by machinery. The buildings are very complete and commodious ones. This year work will be proceeded with more energetically than ever, and if the ore is there the company will become a very large producer.

Above the King Solomon group are three claims owned by Sam Underhill and partners. The vein has been tapped at five different levels. It is eight feet wide, very strong and well defined, and as assayed from the paystreak gave 240 ounces in silver. It is a dry ore proposition, which further work will undoubtedly prove to be one of great value. A force of men have been at work all winter.

On the opposite side of the creek is the Grant group of claims, which has made several shipments of very high grade ore. A small force of men are now at work on the group, which is owned by the Grant brothers and Charles Rosseter of Answorth. It is a silver-lead property.

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Frank Clapp, on which 100 feet of tunneling has been done, in ore all the way. It is a small vein, about 2-1/2 feet wide, and has assayed 140 ounces in silver. The Silver Spray, owned by Charles Moore of Kaslo, the next property. Considerable work has been done on it, and native silver encountered. The group comprises five claims, which give considerable promise, as the lead is wide and well defined and carries high values.

The Tecumseh and Pontiac are well known properties, and are now being worked by Charles Caldwell of Kaslo. The ore is very high grade, and during the winter a large amount of ore has been taken out for shipment. There is 1,000 feet or more of drifting on the vein, and the shipments already made have given very good returns.

Adjoining these claims, on the same vein, are the Daniel, Seranton and Bird, owned by Kaslo people. The vein is very prominent through the claims, and on the Seranton is the biggest surface showing on the creek. It assays very high, \$80 in gold and 340 ounces of silver having been obtained from samples taken from the showing. Also on the same vein is the Woodbury group, consisting of several claims and owned by an American company, represented by Mr. Caldwell. From this group several carloads of ore have already been shipped, giving very high returns in gold, silver and lead. Development has been confined to drifting on the vein, and will be prosecuted energetically during the summer.

Further up are the Hill Top, Vernon, Lucky Bill and Lucky Bill Fraction, Olds and several other claims, with very good showings. On the other side of the basin containing these properties is the Native Silver group consisting of four claims, and owned by J. P. Miller of Kaslo and others. Considerable work has been done on them, opening up a vein eight feet wide, with a paystreak eight inches in width. Native silver is very prominent in the rock, and assays as high as 7,000 ounces have been obtained, and none have gone lower than 250 ounces. Eighty feet of a tunnel has been driven on the vein, in ore all the way, and a crosscut has been made to determine the width of the vein. It is a dry ore proposition.

This brings the traveler to the head of the creek, and over the summits is Camp Annsfield, where work already done has shown that the Saw Tooth range does not cut off the belt of rich ore. All the properties on the creek are easy of access, a very good trunk trail following the creek to its head. Some day Woodbury Creek will be known as one of the greatest ore producing districts in the province, and Kaslo will reap rich benefits therefrom. Schroeder Creek.

Among the many mining districts tributary to Kaslo, which give promise of being opened on a large scale in the near future is Schroeder Creek, a few miles up the lake from this city. It is about two years ago that showings carrying considerable values were found, and the discovery led to the sinking of the desirable ground. Energy, thus far, has been chiefly confined to assessment work, although on some claims considerable work has been done. The claims are almost entirely owned in Kaslo. The showings are of silver-lead, with wide, well defined leads. The district is easy of access, the creek is abundant, and very high assays have been obtained. The group upon which most work has been done is owned by A. Lindberg, Gus Carlquist and others of Kaslo. It comprises seven claims, and through all of them the vein has been traced. On one claim 120 feet of tunnel has been driven and very good ore encountered in the last 25 feet. On another claim 50 feet of a tunnel has been driven on the vein, which shows from 8 to 18 inches of solid gangue. It has assayed 64 per cent lead and 150 ounces in silver, with some copper. Active development work will be proceeded with this spring.—Kootenayan.

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"H.M.S. Pinafore." At a meeting of the Executive committee of the Rossland Amateur Operatic society, held last evening, it was decided not to go on with the opera.

Crow's Nest Dispute. It is reported here that the Canadian Pacific has refused to lift Crow's Nest coal cars for Montana or other American points, until such time as the coal company has fulfilled its promise to supply British Columbia.

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Notice. Latest Out mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of Kootenay district. Where located: Adjoining the Nest Egg mineral claim. Take notice, that I, J. A. Kirk, acting as agent for John Powers, Free Miner's Certificate No. B. 30695, 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. Dated this 10th day of January, A. D. 1901. 1-24-10. J. A. KIRK.

Notice. Take notice that a general meeting of the Winnipeg Mining and Smelting Company, Limited, will be held at the office of the Company, at the "Winnipeg" Mine, near Phoenix, B. C., on Saturday, the 23rd day of March, A. D. 1901, at the hour of eight o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Liquidator showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and for the purpose of taking such action upon the same as may be deemed advisable. Dated this 20th day of February, 1901. RICHARD PLEWMAN, Liquidator.

Major Leckie's Visit. Major R. G. Edwards Leckie, general manager of the Republic mine, passed through the city yesterday en route to Spokane, for the purpose of closing contracts with several mining companies operating in Republic that want their ores treated at the Republic mill. The Major denied the report respecting the failure of the new reduction plant. He added that in the prospective contracts he was prepared to guarantee the recovery of 90 per cent. of the assay values of custom ores.

Notice. "Bonanza No. 3," "Our Hope," "Bonanza No. 3 Fraction," "Our Hope Fraction," situate in the Trail creek mining division of West Kootenay district. Where located: On St. Thomas mountain, near Grenville mountain. Take notice that I, Wm. B. Townsend, F. M. C. No. B30938, acting as agent for the "Rossland Bonanza" Gold Mining & Milling company, limited, non-personal liability, Free Miner's Certificate No. B42028, 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. Dated this 27th day of December, A. D. 1900. 1-3-10. WM. B. TOWNSEND.

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WAR EAGLE AND CENTRAL WIN IN SUPREMACY

Chief Justice McColl Refers Commissioner Matters of Records With Power to Order of All the Parties

Chief Justice McColl in court yesterday rendered judgment in the appeal of the Central Star Mining and Smelting Co. Ltd. against the decision of J. A. T. and Commissioner at Nelson concerning water rights of the company, which in its water rights on the creek occupies a position analogous to that of a riparian proprietor.

At the hearing of the argument Mr. Galt appeared for the Central Star company and A. H. McNeill for the Hon. T. Mayne Daly for the Nelson side. Mr. Galt pointed out that the Water Clauses Consolidated Act applied in this case, that the Nelson side was not entitled to interim relief, and that the Nelson side had stated in its pleadings that it gave power respecting the records and the quantity of water allowed.

His Lordship interposed that if the Nelson side was not satisfied with the decision of the Nelson side, it might have been taken to the law, in his opinion.

Mr. Galt reminded the city of Rossland had not objected to the granting of the order, and that it was not provided that it was the respondent company's matter of the other Rossland side.

There was nothing mandatory in the order, and therefore the Nelson side was not entitled to the order, and the Nelson side was not entitled to the order, and the Nelson side was not entitled to the order.

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B. C. TO THE FORTH. The Empire, a journal published in London, and which is largely devoted to mining, has the following, which shows that British Columbia is looking up in the eyes of the British investor.

The shrewd financier is eminently right in his deductions as to British Columbia becoming one of the leading mining centres of the world.

Amendments to the mineral act are promised in the speech. We believe that no radical changes should be made in the mineral act because such changes have a bad effect on foreign investors who complain that every time the legislature meets changes are made in the mineral act.

NO SMELTER COMBINE YET. The Mining and Scientific Press says that thus far there has been no combination of all Pacific coast smelting interests.

AN IMPORTANT STRIKE. The finding of ore of a pay grade in a body of considerable size on the Homestake is an important event in the mining history of this camp.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE. In the telegraphic columns will be found the speech from the throne delivered yesterday at Victoria on the occasion of the opening of the provincial legislature.

crowd out of existence those which cannot meet the minimum price charged by the favorably located and economically conducted plants.

MANY MINING DEALS. Mining deals continue to be frequently made. Yesterday, in this city, \$20,000 was paid on a deal which involved \$65,000.

CHARTER SHOULD BE GRANTED. A crusade is being carried on against the entrance of the Great Northern railway into Southern British Columbia.

poor quality. It is the desire of the management of the railway to secure a better supply and the Crow's Nest measures are the nearest at hand.

OPEN DOOR POLICY. The Nelson and Greenwood Boards of Trade have very properly instructed their delegates to the Associated Boards of Trade of Southern British Columbia.

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and the Boundary section from the roundabout way via the Arrow lakes and the C.P.R., which has made the trip to and from the coast such a long and expensive one.

This state of affairs, we believe, will result in the concentration of the smelters in a few favored localities. For this reason those who put up smelters in the future must be most careful as to the selection of favorably situated sites and at the same time have the plant up to date and furnish them with the best and most economical labor-saving devices.

It is not better to grant this charter to Mr. Hill than to refuse it? The coal which he carries will be extracted from the mines by the residents of Canada and should in time furnish employment to hundreds of miners.

It must be considered in connection with the matter at issue that the Great Northern is not asking for a dollar of subsidy in money or land for extending a railway line into East Kootenay.

If a majority of the people are willing to foster a great carrying monopoly which will overshadow every other and dwarf every other interest in the Dominion it becomes so strong, so powerful, so potent, that nearly every other interest will be merely subservient to it.

We hope the census commissioner for British Columbia will be able to enter upon his important duties in the spirit of the same official from Quebec, thus described by the Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Star.

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THE CITY. The Motion as to the Alarm.

B.C. SOUTHERN RY. A Sheet of Communication People - The Alderman Unattached - The Stussel-berland Disaster.

At the meeting of the evening at 8 o'clock in mayor and all his aldermen with the exception of Alderman Stussel.

A communication was made by the city clerk saying that the two notices by the city could not be of old date, which was in figure. An order was made by the city clerk.

The Phoenix city council set of resolutions which were passed by the city council.

A letter was received from the Winter Carnival committee for a similar grant of \$350.

The board of works reported that the sum of \$25 had been received from the city council.

Mayor Lalonde drew attention to the fact that the city council had passed a resolution.

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GROUNDLESS FEARS

Necessity of Railway From Crow's Nest to South.

ENTIRELY IRREFUTABLE FACTS

Ample Coal and Coke for Domestic Needs--Reserves Available are Unlimited and Incalculable--Export Trade Expected to Reach 2,000,000 Tons Annually.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—(Special).—An interview appears in this morning's issue of the Toronto Globe. It will read with great interest by the people of the Pacific provinces. Mr. Elias Rogers, managing director of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company and one of the applicants for the Crow's Nest Southern railway charter, being asked by a reporter whether he expected the charter to be granted or not, said: "I fail to see any possible grounds on which any government could refuse to give a charter for a railway from the Crow's Nest coal fields to the boundary. It goes without saying that the interests of the whole country demands that everything possible be done to promote and extend our trade and commerce. Our boards of trade all over the country are organized for this very purpose. Our governments, both provincial and Dominion, have been subsidizing railways, building canals and expending enormous sums of money for the purpose of providing railway facilities that will promote our trade with other countries. "There is an universal cry for the cheapest possible transportation for wheat and farm products as well as for manufactured articles. Why then? Because we have a surplus of these products over what is required for home consumption. We want to make the conditions as favorable as possible to enable us to meet the competition we find abroad. The coal and the proposed railway is just a parallel case. We have an unlimited supply of coal in the Crow's Nest Pass district and we want to obtain sale for as much of it as possible.

"According to the general reports there are about 250,000 acres of land and a number of workable coal seams, aggregating 150 feet in thickness. Supposing there are only 200,000 acres, aggregating 100 feet in thickness, there would be 200,000 tons of coal, which at 4,000 tons per year would last just 5,000 years; or supposing we cut the quantity in two again it would last half that length of time, or 2,500 years. "That is probably as far as there is any occasion of our looking ahead at present. The British Columbia market cannot reasonably be expected to take over half a million tons per year from this coal field for a long while to come. That amount is nearly double what it can take at present. "What about the statement made in the Nelson Tribune and copied in Eastern papers to the effect that Lethbridge coal is now going to that market because the Crow's Nest Coal company cannot supply the British Columbia demand?" asked the reporter. "Oh," said Mr. Rogers, "there is nothing in that. The woods are full of that kind of thing. It is all inspired from interested sources. That is a part of the opposition campaign. The Lethbridge coal is a good coal and for some purposes it is preferred to Crow's Nest coal. It has always gone into that market since the railway was first opened and will undoubtedly continue to go there for the next ten years and these mines can be developed to the capacity I have mentioned, within two years. "Our present arrangements contemplate an expenditure of \$335,000 during the coming summer. If we secure a direct entrance into the American market as proposed in the railway charter we are asking for, long before the railway can be completed we will be able to turn out more than double what the Canadian market can take. "We have the money and the moment we secure a charter, brick, coke ovens, line buildings, plant, etc., we will go at once with the construction of at least 300 additional houses. This is a small town itself and means over 2,000 people, as many of the houses will take in miners as boarders. We are asking for no subsidy and no favors of any kind, simply the right to build the railway with our own money for the purpose of creating an export trade, which will bring millions of dollars into the country. Was a railway charter ever refused in any country? Besides, it is quite possible that there has been some scarcity of Crow's Nest coal from the fact that we had an accident to our power engines at the Coal Creek mines and were very much delayed, until we got a new engine installed a few days ago. That delay was only temporary and we are now every day making more room and increasing our output. When we have the coal and the conditions, we will find them in the Crow's Nest Pass. It is only a question of time that money and men to develop mines to any capacity that may be required. The company's operations are already so far advanced that we are at present able to turn out over 1,400 tons per day. The Coal Creek mines, which will be more than doubled within in year. We have a large, new plant nearing completion at Michael, twenty-four miles from Fernie, where mine development work is going on and some coal is now being shipped and where there will ultimately be a capacity of over 5,000 tons per day. We also propose opening mines at another point with a capacity of at least 5,000 tons per day. When fully developed these mines will have a maximum capacity of

RECRUITING IN ROSSLAND.

Twelve Applications for Baden-Powell's South African Constabulary Provisionally Accepted.

Recruiting in Rossland for Baden-Powell's South African Constabulary commenced yesterday by Lieut. G. S. Beer of the Nelson Rifles. Of fifteen applications, including three from Greenwood and one from Phoenix, twelve were provisionally accepted. The riding and shooting tests will take place Monday. Ottawa will be the rendezvous. The medical examining officer is Dr. Kennedy of Fort Macleod, N.W.T., formerly of the Northwest Mounted Police. The minimum chest measurement and height required of applicants are thirty-four inches and five feet six inches respectively. The pay is five shillings per day, the period of enlistment being for three years. Discharges may be purchased in the first, second and third years for \$100, \$75 and \$50 respectively.

Beer, who expects to enlist in the force, is stopping at the Allan. He stated that the majority of the local candidates are of good physique, but few of them have had any military training. On Monday it is proposed to submit them to the riding test, and a shooting test at the rifle range. Lieut. Beer will also receive enlistments at Nelson and Fort Steele. The successful Greenwood applicants were W. S. Keith, M. E., formerly editor of the Greenwood Miner; F. B. Smith, formerly of the Jewel mine, and John Trimm. The Phoenix applicant, Jones, is late of the Imperial army and saw service in India.

TRAIL IS TO INCORPORATE.

A Delegation From There Yesterday Seeking Information.

Trail is about to incorporate. Yesterday Mr. D. B. Stevens and Captain W. Davit, representing the board of trade of Trail, were in this city seeking information on municipal government. Accompanied by Mr. John S. Clute, the solicitor for those seeking incorporation in Trail, they interviewed Mayor Latouche and ex-Mayor Goodfellow. From these two gentlemen they gained considerable information concerning the running of cities. Trail, they said, is now a prosperous town of 2,000 people and the residents there feel that they would like to spend the money taken in the city rather than have the provincial government disburse it for them. A delegation is to be sent to the legislature immediately. The intention is to make the bill incorporating the town a government measure in order to expedite its passage.

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The Jammany Group.

Mr. W. E. Pickering of Sagnaw, Mich., is in the city. He is one of the directors of the Jammany Gold Mining company. On Monday next he will visit the property in Hurst Pass for the purpose of making the arrangements for resuming work upon them.

A SMALL FIRE.

Just a Family Was Homeless Last Evening—Little Was Saved.

An alarm of fire was sent in at 7:32 o'clock last evening and the fire raged for some time before it was brought under control. The building was a board and batten home belonging to J. Gibson, a miner, working at the Le Roi, situated on the south east corner of Columbia avenue and Nevada street. How the fire originated is not known. It was thought that a lamp exploded in the bedroom while the master sleeps. The fire spread to the kitchen. All efforts to extinguish the fire proved to be useless and little was saved from the ruins. All the portable belongings were thrown out as quickly as possible and given room at a neighbor's house. The damage done is not known accurately, but it will probably run into several hundred dollars.

Back Yards.

With the approach of the disappearance of the beautiful, my unsightly and unsanitary back yards may be revealed through the carelessness of house occupiers throwing the household waste into the snow behind their dwellings. Under orders from the health officers Sanitary Inspector Thomas Long and his myrmidons will presently begin their annual inquiries, as an unsanitary condition of the city, tending to the development of typhoid fever, cannot be permitted. Spring cleaners are therefore requested to look into the condition of the outside of their houses as well as within.

Mr. Rowland Machin, general agent for Wm. Bennett, Sons & Co. of Camborne, Eng., manufacturers of Crown Brand fuse, is in the city on a business visit.

Mr. Machin reports that business in Rossland has been exceedingly satisfactory. That from Alaska to Montana and clear through the province of British Columbia he has met with gratifying results. The demand for Bennett's fuse is growing by leaps and bounds all over the world and realizing this this firm contemplates putting in a branch factory at Johannsburg immediately and it is within the range of probabilities that a factory may be put up in Canada.

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IT'S A WORKING AGREEMENT.

A Telegraph and a Telephone Company Enter Into a Combine.

Mr. F. E. Michaels, superintendent of the Spokane-Northern Telegraph company, is in the city on an official visit. He was asked how the combination between the Spokane-Northern Telegraph company and the Columbia Telephone and Telegraph company was progressing. It was his understanding, as one pole line could be economical, as one pole line could carry the wires of both companies. One is not the rival of the other in business. There is to be no actual merging of the two corporations, but rather a working arrangement which will be mutually beneficial.

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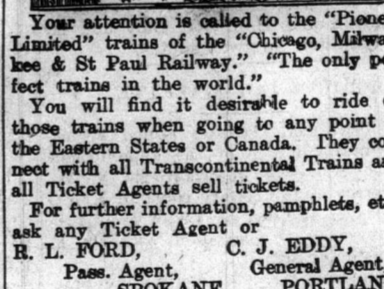


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Table with columns: Line Name, Date, and Agent. Lists shipping schedules for various lines including Allan Line, White Star Line, and Cunard Line.

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S. S. "INTERNATIONAL" Leaves Nelson daily at 7:00 a. m. Leaves Pilot Bay daily at 9:15 a. m. Arrives Kaslo at 10:45 a. m. RETURNING. Leaves Kaslo daily at 1:00 p. m. Leaves Pilot Bay daily at 2:30 p. m. Arrives Nelson at 4:30 p. m.

B. & N. AND K. V. RYS. Passenger train leaves Kuskonook for Spokane daily on arrival of steamer "Kaslo," connecting at Bonner's Ferry with Great Northern "Flyer," eastbound. Leaves Spokane for Kuskonook daily at 6:25 a. m., making direct connection at Kuskonook with steamer "Kaslo" for Nelson and Kaslo.

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Canadian Pacific Nav. Co

(LIMITED). WHARF STREET, VICTORIA. Time Table No. 64.—Taking Effect Nov. 1, 1900. Victoria to Vancouver—Daily, at 1 a. m. Vancouver to Victoria—Daily, at 1:10 o'clock p. m., or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 2 train.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE. Leave Victoria for New Westminster, Ladner, Lulu and Islands—Tuesday and Friday at 7 a. m. Leave New Westminster for Victoria and Way Ports—Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7 a. m.

NORTHERN ROUTE. Steamships of this company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate points, via Vancouver, 1st and 15th of each month. Steamships of this company will leave every Wednesday for Wrangle and Skagway at 8 p. m.

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OFFICIAL MINING

What Has Been Done Throughout the Past the Output as Compared with Other Notes.

The following is preliminary statistics as to the work done in the camp according to the figures of the various mining companies. The report shows that a total of 218,000 dry snipped during the year. The return value of the snipped was upwards of nine million in the report, and the Monte Christo included. Twenty-five million in the report, include number 524, representing value of \$62,000 of them. Very nearly seven ground work has been done, 6,000 feet of shaft and 30,000 feet of work. This does not include the represented by the total. This it all taken from would represent a change of 50 feet, and 50 feet calculated on the report by the Gold Commission upwards of \$153,000 a when is added the cost of the shaft and the clerical amounts to \$200,000. It will be noted that of ore shipped is but 218,782, to which should amount snipped by the and the iron, 478, respectively. Also to be noted the difference between weight, the latter of which the Miner, as on which the shipping freight. This amounts to cent or an addition of total wet weight of 221, proximating the estimate on the first day of the 221,872. The difference of one per cent, with the values there to be told. The value, 353,125, or in round numbers the value of the ore. Monte Christo and Iron snipped, \$2,350,000. This shows a heavy fall in the ore shipped as in the 189,000 tons snipped represent a million dollars more of value will be remembered. The year the two per cent came law and was collected. As the tax involved instituted by the government one of the local companies originated by the apparatus returns supplied on which tax is paid, was evidently been careful to equal value and not the assay value a difference of 25 per cent represented by the increase and those of the dollar ore as returned by which has to protect itself. Well-known losses in the ore represents a gross of \$12. Adding these per amount named a value of reached, which is about the of last year, in other word output is keeping level or grade of ore which is itable to ship. One well of the loss incurred in snipped green snow on the smelter winter season. This is one percentage of copper which its long passage from the the flue chamber and lost and descending on the copper in the vehicle in silver is carried, the copper uniting with the present in quite small of presence of the green due the presence of copper, but the ore is precious metal mechanically with it. This but one instance of value of the statistics as presented. Some mine present of detail while others give ment the very least which that the Minister of Mine to. In other cases evident ing companies have included was done during other year things are matters that attention and there is little doubt will progress with it and public will have a better of managing what this camp is and will have all the more it because of the nature of the facts presented.

The following is the report of the Minister of Mines, Sir: I have the honor herewith my annual report of the mines and mining in the Trail Creek Division ending December 31, 1900, amounting to the value of the gross value thereof, the development work done, the men employed and value of made in connection with the properties. The Hon. the Minister of Mines, B. C.

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WORK OF THE YEAR

An Increasing Number of Men Employed.

OFFICIAL MINING STATISTICS

What Has Been Done in the Various Mines Throughout the Past Year—Gross Value of the Output as Compared with Assay Values—Other Notes.

The following is presented as the official statistics as to the amount of mining done in the camp for the year 1900 according to the figures submitted by the various mining companies to the Gold Commissioner, Mr. John Kirkup, who has collected and submitted the attached report to the Minister of Mines.

Table with 2 columns: Mine Name, Value. Includes I. X. L., Spitzee, and totals.

LE ROI MINE. Tons of ore shipped (dry) 159,734. Gross value \$1,437,726. Average number of men employed 655, 25.

ROSSLAND GREAT WESTERN MINES (LIMITED). Nickel Plate Mine. Tons of ore shipped, nil; average number of men employed, 115; underground, 82; surface employees, 31.

KOOTENAY MINING COMPANY. Kootenay Mine. Tons of ore shipped, nil; average number of men employed, 35; underground, 29.33; surface, 8.67.

LE ROI NO. 2 (LIMITED). Josie Mine. Tons of ore shipped (dry), Josie and No. 1 combined, 3,013.43; gross value, \$46,239.66; average number of men, 47; underground, 11; surface, 36.

War Eagle Mine. Tons of ore shipped, year ending December 31, 1901, 9,836; gross value, \$142,282.98; average number of men employed, 166; development work, 4,428 feet; value of machinery, buildings, etc., increase during year 1900, \$80,000.

Centre Star. Tons of ore shipped, 40,875; gross value, \$600,359.75; average number of men employed, 240; development, 3,420 feet.

Iron Mask Mine. Tons of ore shipped, 2,737; gross value, \$43,177.61; average number of men employed, 33; development work, 2,124 feet.

New St. Elmo. Tons of ore shipped, nil; number of men employed, 6 to 12; development work, 1,912 feet.

California. Average number of men employed, 25; development, drifting, 825 feet; development, sinking, 168 feet; new machinery building, etc., \$21,150.

Sunset No. 2. Average number of men employed, 20; development during 1900, 450 feet.

Homestake. Average number of men employed, 15; development, shaft, 210 feet; development, tunnel, 1,200 feet; development, crosscutting, 900 feet.

Velvet. Tons of ore shipped, nil; average number of miners, 12; average number of surface men, 20; development work, shafts, drifts and crosscuts, 1,000 feet; plant, two 7-inch Knowles pumps; one 1,500 feet sawmill.

Evening Star. Number of men employed below surface, 18; number of men employed above surface, 9; tons shipped, 348; gross value, \$4,985.50; development, sinking, 250 feet; development, drifting, 475 feet; cost of machinery, \$1,900.

Green Mountain. Number of men employed, 15; development, sinking, 100 feet; development, crosscutting, 400 feet. Machinery added, 20 H.P. hoist, 5-drill compressor, two No. 7 sinking pumps.

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Douglas. Average number of men employed, 4; tunnelling, 480 feet.

Northern Belle. Number of men employed, 5. Development—Crosscutting, 315 feet; drifting, 138 feet; sinking, 30 feet; tunnelling, 50 feet.

Giant. Ore shipped, 506 tons; gross value, \$6,980; average number of men, 9; development work, 300 feet. Machinery, consisting of an air compressor, 50 H.P. electric motor, hoisting engine, two pumps, three machine drills, 50-ton ore bins. Cost of plant detailed, \$10,000.

Big Four Group. Consists of a group of four crown grant claims situated on Little Sheep creek. The work done during the past year consists of 300 feet of tunnel and shaft, five men being employed.

Bonanza Group. Consisting of the Bonanza No. 3, Our Hope, Bonanza No. 3 Fraction and Our Hope fraction mineral claims. A very promising group, situated on Iron Creek in the Norway Mountain Camp.

Cascade Group. This is also a very promising group of claims, comprising the Cascade, California and Royal Kangaroo, situated on Greenville Mountain, to the southwest of Norway Mountain.

Trail Creek Division. Mineral claims recorded, 228. Placer claims recorded, 520. Certificates of work, 520.

Street Work. There is little work going on over the streets of the city just at present. Practically all that is being done is the filling up of Third avenue between Washington and Queen streets with the earth excavated in the grading of Washington street north of the railway track at the Red Mountain depot.

A Roaring, Raging Flood. Washed down a telegraph line which Charles C. Ellis, of Lisbon, Ia., had to repair. "Standing waist deep in icy water," he writes, "I gave me a terrific cold and cough. I grew worse daily. Finally the best doctors in Oakland, Neb., Sioux City and Omaha said I had Consumption and would not live. Then I began using Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles." Positively guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and all Throat and Lung troubles by Goodvee Bros. and T. R. Morrow. Price 50c.

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WAS GIVEN IN MINERS' UNION HALL. A very Successful Ball—Everybody Enjoyed Themselves Immensely—Dancing Kept Up Until a Late Hour.

It has been said on several occasions that the dance given by the War Eagle and Centre Star was distinctly a success in every sense of the word. It could not fail of being a success with so jovial and hearty hosts as were to be seen on every part of the floor seeing that every man goes out to a dance when he would have to sit out the evening in the waiting maze of a postponed joining in the waiting maze.

Down in the corner of the hall, draped with flags, was a little booth where all kinds of beverages, potent and innocuous, were to be had for the asking. The supper itself was served by that well known caterer, Jack Lucas, at the Kootenay hotel, but such were the attractions of the dance that after supper more than half the guests remained in the spacious ballroom.

The ball was given on Washington's birthday and this particular day was happily chosen by the War Eagle and Centre Star fire brigade for the occasion of the dance.

The funds raised by the dance will go towards the establishment of a gymnasium and tennis court on War Eagle avenue so that guests from the city wending their way up the 300 and odd steps to the domicile of their hosts may in future be met more worthily received.

The War Eagle and Centre Star people will not be so backward henceforward in showing their good qualities as hosts, the more especially as they play the part so well.

One of the most successful and satisfactory pieces of mill building that has yet been accomplished in the Slovan is the Highland mill at Ainsworth camp.

The building was built for a 200-ton mill and machinery installed for 100 tons and the capacity of the mill increased to the 200-ton limit.

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THE WATER RIGHTS.

The Position of the City With Regard to Rock and Murphy Creeks. As there is some interest attached to the present moment to the water rights as they affect the city and the establishment of various industries, a short resume of the facts of the case, and the litigation to date is here presented.

The first water rights taken out on Rock and Murphy creeks were taken out by the Trail smelter. The next taken out were those of the city. Now it is claimed that the city is the only corporation which has the right to hold water without putting it to use.

The case stood in this position until last summer, when the War Eagle and Centre Star applied for rights upon these creeks. The permission to apply was granted. Almost immediately afterward the Le Roi company made a similar application, including Sheep creek.

The War Eagle and Centre Star apparently were not aware that the application was pending at Nelson, and applied to have it set aside. It is this appeal that is being tried today at the supreme court sitting here.

In the meantime the original application of the War Eagle and Centre Star came up before Gold Commissioner Kirkup and was opposed by the B.C. Southern. It was disallowed on the ground that the purpose applied for was not wholly mining, and because it was held that two companies could not apply together for the same grant.

The War Eagle and Centre Star have now to win the present fight and that against the decision of Mr. Kirkup, and if successful they will then possess an interim record subject to the rights of the city.

The Le Roi application, which was to come up before Mr. Kirkup on Feb. 20, was not approached, as the applicants are awaiting the result of the present litigation. If the Le Roi is successful it also will merely have an interim record subject to the rights of the city.

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Seven Years in Bed. "Will wonders never cease?" inquire the friends of Mrs. L. Pease, of Lawrence, Kan. They knew she had been unable to leave her bed in seven years on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility; but, "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three months I felt like a new person." Women suffering from Headache, Backache, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Fainting and Dizzy Spells will find it a priceless blessing. Try it. Satisfaction is guaranteed. T. R. Morrow and Goodvee Bros. Price 50 cents.

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COAST-KOOTENAY RY SURVEY

MANN & MACKENZIE'S OUTFIT PASSES THROUGH ROSSLAND.

Work to be Commenced Immediately in the Boundary Country—The Route From Vancouver and Jim Hill's Connection With the Enterprise.

A Mann & Mackenzie railway survey party passed through Rossland yesterday en route for the Boundary district for the purpose of commencing the survey of the proposed Coast-Kootenay railway.

According to a paragraph in the Speech from the Throne on the occasion of the opening of parliament at Victoria last week, the government intend to introduce a measure this session providing for a subsidy of \$5,000 per mile in aid of the proposed enterprise.

The western terminal of the Coast-Kootenay railway will be Vancouver. The route will extend through the valley of the Fraser river, scale the Hope mountains, traverse the Similkameen and Okanagan districts and a portion of the Boundary district.

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SMELTER TRUST.

Green Urges Relief for the Slocan Silver-Lead Industry.

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Green made a strong plea for a measure to relieve the Slocan district from the exactions of the smelter trust. He wants the government to subsidize a lead smelter in the Kootenays or else erect and operate a smelter and refinery.

Local Bar Wants Grand Jury Formed Into a Separate Judicial District.

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HILL ENDORSED.

Nelson Board of Trade Favors Proposed Great Northern Extension.

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Resolved, That the delegates from this board of trade to the associated boards of trade meeting at Greenwood on the 28th instant be instructed to favor the granting of a charter from Fernie to the United States boundary provided provisions be inserted in the charter applied for guaranteeing sufficient safeguards for securing an ample supply of coal and iron for all smelting, mining and other industries, now or hereafter to be established in the province of British Columbia, and if required also for the use of His Majesty's navy.

H. Bentley, resident of the Fernie board of trade, said he was strongly in favor of the government allowing the Great Northern to come into this district. He stated that when once the market for the coal was made greater the coal industry there would become the greatest in the province.

Joseph Martin's announcement of his willingness to resign from the leadership of the opposition as well as from the House has created a great deal of discussion, both among opposition members as well as government supporters.

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GRANBY SMELTER.

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Montreal, Feb. 21.—At the annual meeting of the Granby Smelter company, held today, the amalgamation scheme was approved and the old board of directors were re-elected.

Many ladies, wives of ministers, department officers and members were present, as were all the foreign consuls. The Bench was represented by Justices Walkem and Drake. Sir Henry Crease also occupied a seat on the floor of the House.

All the members of the legislature were present except Curtis, Rossland, Green, Slocan, Smith, Southeast Kootenay, Clifford, Cassiar, and Marmeth, Comox.

It has been arranged for Dennis Murphy, West Yale, to move the second time, Mr. Murphy, will second it, while Dickie, Cowichan, will second it. Mr. Murphy represents Charles Semlin's old constituency.

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ROYAL VISIT.

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From the Boundary each week is the in- and the installation machinery. The tota Boundary mines is lik- respectable proportion the year, although it is the ultra sanguine an- of the optimistic of will be immediately- perience of Rossland is months ago and a couple of months th- ing even this and other causes of delay into- probable that the Boun- 1901, taking all the cam- exceed the output of 1900.

WINDER Progress of the Paradi Iron C

The strike reported McDonald creek, as about fore the crosscut tun- under the ledge as ex- works. Work at the Paradi- along and each day piled in the ore bins; which will give consi- to the workings and making the work easi- manner are employed mine and taking out o- animals are kept bus- down Spring creek, I- been employed in t- the Columbia river, la- are now stored fully 6- terday two more team- more will be put, ch- chink of last week u- of the sprinkler. believe that 1,000 t- landing awaiting tr- the river when navig- teamsters on the road- friendly rivalry as a- and several of the- brought down 100 o- creek to the six-mil-

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Superintendent Bir- vacation. The North Star is 90 tons of ore daily. The Viking is loc- Ankus has struck 20 R. O. Jennings is work on the Morning Ed. Ford is looking on Wassa creek and work.

The Adams Bros. rangements for work on Lewis creek. Ore shipments for March 2nd: North S- van, 380 tons. B. O. Jennings is- his Deer property as- cations are extrem- The owners of the- cane syndicate, will 100 feet of tunnel w- The Mount Sicker- Development con- showing of ore on t- er.

Owing to the con- which have become- only shipping out- The Mount Sicker- ing on a ten-inch ve- a whize in No. 1 tu- 20 feet.

J. J. Warren, Toronto, is at the Allan house. E. W. Perrott, Philadelphia, is at the Allan house. Major R. G. Edwards Leckie, manager of the Republic mine, passed through this city on Monday en route from Spokane to Republic.