

AMONG THE MINERS

Great Britain Group Bonded by Rossland People.

WORK WILL BE RESUMED UPON IT

The Ymir District Now has the Largest Stamp Mill in the Dominion of C. nada in Operation—And Other Notes of Interest.

The Great Britain group has been bonded by well known Rossland people. The group consists of five claims, and is situated in the Slocan mining division at a point about four miles from the White-water mine. The group has been examined by a mining expert, and he reports that it has the makings of a rich mine. It is an exceptionally advantageous situation, and it is thought it can be made to pay from the grassroots. The report further states that two shifts of eight men can mine at least five tons per day of steel galena ore by means of a drift tunnel on which he claims a net profit of \$90 per ton can be made. Hartman, Birks & Co. have secured the bond on the group and on Thursday last Mr. D. Birks left here for the purpose of renewing operations on the group on which considerable work has already been done. Mr. Birks intends to act as superintendent and manager. The intention, as soon as a new trail is located and the group opened up, is to begin packing the ore to the Kootenay Pacific railway or to the Kootenay lake, a distance of about six miles. The firm expects to employ about 30 men on the property in about a month from now. What the exact price to be paid under the bond is not known, but it is thought to be \$20,000. Assays of the ore run very high and the values are in silver and lead. The width of the pay streak in the ledge is about two and one-half feet and of this there is one foot of pure steel galena which will average \$100 to the ton from the surface. The balance of the ledge averages \$50 to the ton. It can be reworked out in the winter time and will net a good profit. Mr. Thorwald C. Hartman, son of Mr. S. A. Hartman, who has just returned from a prospecting trip in the Similkameen country, will leave tomorrow in company with Mr. Lou Williams to join Mr. Birks at the mine. Mrs. Jessie M. Birks and Mrs. Ragna Hartman are the owners of the bond on the group.

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SMELTER AT TRAIL

its Capacity is to be More than Doubled in the Near Future.

SUNSET HAS LARGE ORE BODIES

The Crosscut is in 70 Feet on the 150-Foot Level and is Still in Ore Plenty of Copper in the Country to the West—Bringing in Capital.

It is stated on good authority that large improvements and additions are contemplated on the smelter at Trail. The lead stack that was built two years ago has proved so much of a success that the erection of two more is under consideration. This will be for treating the galena ore, a considerable quantity of which will be smelted at Trail in the future. Besides these other furnaces will be built, and as it is said that the company is prepared to spend \$100,000 on the additions, which will approach 2,000 tons, will not fall far short of that of Northport, which will be increased to 1,500 tons by the middle of September next.

AROUND PRINCETON.

A Rival Townsite at Allison—The Mines The Coal Measure.

Mr. Arthur Hickling, who has just returned from the Similkameen country, informs the Miner that in spite of the generally quiet times prevailing throughout the province the town of Princeton is progressing steadily. In the early spring some little perturbation was caused by the advent of a rival townsite called Allison, promoted by one of Canada's most experienced rustlers, but since, after months of labor, it has only succeeded in bringing forth a stillborn newspaper—published in Kamloops—a bridge and a bijou residence for the townsite agent, the pulse of the residents of Princeton has commenced to beat once more. While there is no land to be obtained in Princeton Mr. Hickling thinks that Allison must be content to wait, for the reason d'être of the latter townsite is as yet scarcely apparent. When the new bridge at Princeton is completed a road of only 11 miles, with an easy grade to Copper mountain, can be made, whilst the road from Allison would be 18 miles. The townsite of Allison claims to have a study of the high-water records might affect the decision presumed to have been arrived at by the C. P. R. authorities and it is hardly likely that the railroad will stop at Allison, even to oblige an ex-governor, when Princeton is the natural outlet for all the mineral wealth of Friday creek, Kennedy and Copper mountains, and most important of all the rich coal deposits are situated at Princeton.

What Allison has besides a very pretty meadow, and a picturesque bridge, is in the womb of the future. Meanwhile Mr. Hickling said it is an ill wind that blows nowhere, as Mrs. Malaprop says, and a drive to the Allison bridge, along the river bank, forms one of the features of the Princeton residents' afternoon recreation. The Vermilion Forks company, and Mr. Hickling are taking active measures to consolidate their property. A handsome bridge, over the Similkameen, built according to government plans, is in course of construction, a further large area of ground has been plotted out on the bench and one acre lots provided for residential purposes. Streets are being cleared, roads graded and sidewalks constructed. Mr. Hickling feels certain that Princeton, from its situation, must be the supply town of the district, and suggested that "We had better buy lots whilst they were going cheap." Buyers of lots on the main street he said, are realizing profits of 200 to 300 per cent on the original price paid.

The female population has already reached 20, and the number of children already call for a large school house. Mr. Hickling says to Victor is endeavoring to get this, and other necessary works, undertaken by the government without delay. He explained that his time had been so much taken up with townsite work that he had had little to devote to the inspection of the various mining operations going on around, but said that he was greatly pleased at the appearance of the company's coal mine. The 80-foot tunnel in which the face measuring six feet by eight. The formation is so firm that no timbering is required. The quality has much improved and a coke-oven test is shortly to be made. On all sides the work in the celebrated Sunset mine is spoken of as showing up a vast body of ore. The assessment work on the Vermilion Forks claims, ten in number, has made some fine showings. Rock is constantly being brought into town showing wonderful outcroppings of native copper, grey copper, bornite and galena, specimens of which he showed us, from Rock creek, Boulder creek and Aspen Grove. He concluded by saying: "If you want all the news of our district, read that excellent little paper, the Similkameen Star."

THE SUNSET MINE.

Crosscut on the 150-foot Level is in 70 Feet.

Mr. R. A. Brown, president and general manager of the Sunset Copper Company, Limited, is in the city from Copper Mountain in the Similkameen. He arrived last evening. Mr. Brown reports that work on the Sunset is making excellent progress. The crosscut on the 150-foot level has been driven in for a distance of 70 feet and is in ore all the way, averaging about 15 per cent copper. The full width of the deposit is not known yet as the face of the crosscut is still in ore. The shaft is down 200 feet, but work was suspended on account of the rush of water. A pump has been ordered and will soon be installed, and then the work of deepening the shaft will be resumed. Mr. Brown's mission in Rossland is for the purpose of seeing the representatives of a British company, which is negotiating for the whole or a portion of the property.

Mr. Brown says he intends to put in the first half of a 10-derrick compressor. This will be done as soon as it can be installed. He has also a view of a 50-ton matting plant. These smelters are made in Oakland, Cal., and the fuel used is crude oil. The oil is sold for \$1.25 a barrel in California, and can be delivered at Copper Mountain for \$10 a barrel. As a barrel of oil is equal to a ton of coke, the fuel at this price would not be dear. He intends to have one of these furnaces in operation by Christmas. As a preliminary operation he has also a view of a 50-ton matting plant. These smelters are made in Oakland, Cal., and the fuel used is crude oil. The oil is sold for \$1.25 a barrel in California, and can be delivered at Copper Mountain for \$10 a barrel. As a barrel of oil is equal to a ton of coke, the fuel at this price would not be dear. He intends to have one of these furnaces in operation by Christmas. 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How the Columbia and Kootenay was Purchased.

TWO SYNDICATES WANTED IT

The British America Corporation was a Little to Quick for its Rival and by an Offer of \$20,000 More Secured a Valuable Group.

Occasionally there are dramatic situations in mining deals which are quite as interesting as those on the stage and which reveal that truth is sometimes more than fiction. One of these strange incidents occurred in relation to the sale of the Columbia-Kootenay group to the British America Corporation.

Again the Reddin-Jackson company took hold of the selling of the property. Finally the company arranged to sell it to a London syndicate, which was represented here by Mr. John James, who is one of the foremost of British mining experts.

"In the meanwhile Mr. James' report on the Columbia-Kootenay had reached London. The report was handed to a well known London banker, who, among other positions, was an officer in the London & Globe. The banker showed the report to Mr. Wright. It was a splendid report, and went into the minutest details.

"Governor Mackintosh lost no time. He immediately telegraphed \$50,000 to the president of the C. & K. company in Chicago, and stated that the remainder of the purchase price amounting to \$200,000, would be paid as soon as the deeds were signed, sealed and delivered.

"The telegram reached Chicago in the afternoon. Messrs. Reddin and James had consulted the minority stockholders of the company in the afternoon, and a meeting was to be held at 6 p. m. for the purpose of ratifying the sale to them of the property.

VISITED THE BOUNDARY.

Spokane Mining Operators Pleased With What They Saw.

Mr. W. A. Nicholls, a prominent mining operator and stock broker of Spokane, and Mr. C. B. Strong, of the same city, who has mining interests in the Boundary district, were in the city last Thursday on their way home from a week's visit to the mining camps of the Kootenays and Boundary. The two gentlemen came up from Spokane and took in the Nelson district. From there they went to Grand Forks and inspected the City of Paris and Lincoln mine in White's camp. Mr. Strong is interested in the Jack of Spades, which is a direct extension of the City of Paris.

Monte Christo Elects Officers.

At the annual meeting of the Monte Christo Consolidated Mining and Milling company, held in this city on Wednesday the following officers were elected:

directors: Messrs. John M. Smith, A. H. MacNeill, W. L. Orde, of this city; A. Miller, of Grand Forks; E. N. Henry, W. Campbell and Robert Adair, of Eastern Canada. The directors elected the following officers: President, Mr. John M. Smith; vice-president, Mr. A. H. MacNeill; secretary-treasurer, Mr. Thomas Corsan.

A SPECIAL MEETING.

Boundary Creek Mining and Milling Company to Resume Operations.

A special general meeting of the shareholders in the Boundary Creek Mining and Milling Company, Limited, was held at Greenwood recently. The meeting had been convened at the request of several shareholders who were dissatisfied with the inaction of the company during the greater part of the 12 months just past, but as after the meeting had been arranged for, negotiations had been proceeding for several weeks for the sale of the unmined heavy stock, was brought to a head by Mr. D. A. Holbrook, president of the company and the largest shareholder in it, the business transacted at the meeting was restricted to the passing of a resolution bearing upon the result of these negotiations.

The chair was taken by the president, and there were represented either personally or by proxy 748,038 shares, or more than two-thirds of the 916,335 issue shares. Of the balance of the 1,500,000 shares constituting the capital stock of the company, 100,000 are held in abeyance pending a final settlement of matters connected with the re-sale to Mr. Thomas McDonnell of the 500 acres of land purchased from him by the company a year ago, and for which they were part of the consideration; 3,465 are reserved to meet contingent liabilities payable in stock, and 480,000 are now under option in accordance with the following resolution: Unanimously passed at a directors' meeting held on the 11th inst., and which was read to the meeting: "That an option be given to the London and Canadian Syndicate, Limited, of 36 Lombard street, London, England, upon all of the unallotted treasury stock in the company, amounting to about 480,000 shares, for a period of 18 months upon the conditions that the first 250,000 shares should be delivered upon the payment of five cents per share to the credit of the company, and the remainder upon payment therefor of ten cents per share. That of the 250,000 shares, 50,000 shall be taken up within 60 days at five cents per share, and a further 50,000 within 120 days, also at five cents per share. This option to be upon condition that upon failure to take up the said shares within 90 days and 120 days respectively as aforementioned, the option shall cease and be at an end. The shares to be issued in the name of D. W. Holbrook as trustee of the company and to be placed in the Bank of Montreal, Rossland, in escrow upon the foregoing terms." The instructions from the purchasing syndicate to the bank in connection with the transaction were also read. From these it was learned that the following are among the conditions agreed to: That Mr. D. A. Holbrook should sell to the syndicate 300,000 shares of his vendor's stock for the sum of \$3,000, (this being a concession made by Mr. Holbrook to induce the syndicate to purchase the treasury stock at the prices named above); that the syndicate be granted the right to nominate and elect a majority of the board of directors, some of the directors to resign their seats if called upon to do so to allow this right being exercised; a managing director to be appointed by the syndicate and he to have full power to decide as to the method of working the company's properties, and control of all expenditure, and that after the payment by the syndicate for 100,000 shares at five cents per share as provided in the option the balance of the shares to be issued up by the syndicate as in its judgment, proceeds thereof may be required for development work on the company's mineral claims. In reply to enquiries Mr. Holbrook stated that he had already been paid the \$3,000 for his shares, and that representatives of the syndicate were expected to be at Boundary Creek within ten days to arrange for commencing work. The directors were also asked to give the G. A. R. claim (now about 40 feet in depth) to 100 feet and to extend the tunnel on the D. A., as shall be determined upon an examination of the existing workings on this claim.

After this information had been given it was unanimously resolved by the meeting: "That the action of the directors at their meeting held on the 11th inst. for the sale of 480,000 shares of treasury stock to the London and Canada Syndicate, Limited, be and hereby is approved." This concluded the business. It was stated at the meeting that the company's solicitor had already taken steps to procure crown grants for the company's group of 12 claims, and that owing to the removal to Midway of Mr. E. Jacobs, Mr. J. W. Nelson had been appointed secretary-treasurer of the company in his stead.

CENTRE STAR COMPRESSOR.

Progress Made in the Assembly of the New Plant.

Although the unloading of the cars containing parts of the 40-drill compressor for the Centre Star mine only started on Sunday afternoon much progress in the assembly of the plant has already been made. The parts so far are going together well and a little delay is anticipated. Behind the compressor on the downward slope of the hill a cooling tower is being erected, which will serve the purpose of cooling the water after it has passed around the condenser, so that it can be used over again, minus about 10 per cent lost through evaporation and plus an indefinite percentage gained through the downward flow of rain as the means of cooling employed is simply the exposure of the water in a shallow tank exposed to the air.

War Eagle Under a Competent Engineer.

A staff of men under a competent engineer, is at present on the War Eagle grounds laying a series of pipes all over the properties with hydrants attached, which will cover the whole surface from the big hoist of the War Eagle away up nearly to the Centre Star compressor. The big Snow pump installed in the octagonal water tank, below the main office, can force an adequate pressure at any of the hydrants to throw a stream 100 feet high. Under these new conditions, such

BLACK JACK WONDER

A Rossland Man Holds a Big Block of its Shares.

IT STOCK IS RISING RAPIDLY

It has an Immense Ledge of High Grade Ore—Operations on the Iron Mask to be Resumed Today—Black Bear Compressor and Other Notes.

Mr. W. G. Merryweather, mine host of the Windsor, was in an amiable frame of mind Friday and well he might be for he is the owner of 50,000 shares of stock in the Black Jack Mining company, the shares of which have advanced rapidly in value recently. When he purchased this stock he got in on the ground floor, and now that it is selling for 50 cents it is no wonder that he is feeling in the best of humor. In speaking about his good fortune yesterday he said: "The Black Jack Gold Mining company has a capital stock consisting of 2,000,000 ten cent shares. It is the owner of three claims and a fraction which are located in Washington at a point between Marcus and Rossburg. The tracks of the Spokane Falls & Northern Railway cross two of the claims. The railroad cuts the ledge on the surface, where it is 50 feet in width. The ore is a white quartz, with a bluish tint running through it, and carries a little white iron. The assays run from \$12 to \$230 in gold with a trace of silver. It has been opened up by a tunnel, which is in 150 feet. This tunnel followed a stringer and struck the lead, when the foot wall was followed down an incline for 30 feet. Here the ledge straightened and then the lead was crossed for 14 feet and drifted on for 25 feet. This is at a depth from the surface of 209 feet. Another tunnel to tap the ledge at a greater depth has been driven for 175 feet and it is expected that the ledge will be met in the next 40 feet. I visited the Black Jack yesterday and must say it has a large showing of ore. Mr. Shedd, the Washington State mineralogist, inspected the mine a few days since, and he says that there is nothing to compare with it in size and richness in the State of Washington. I think it is a regular bonanza property. The intention of the superintendent in charge is to ship a ton of ore to Northport and if the results are satisfactory to send a couple of carloads. Later on regular shipments are to be made. Come and see what we can do on the strike in the Black Jack," concluded Mr. Merryweather, who evidently was as happy as a clam at high tide.

BLACK BEAR COMPRESSOR.

The New Additions and the Reasons for the Same.

The boiler room against the old compressor is being reconstructed and rebuilt for the purpose of installing a third 40-drill compressor in addition to the two already in place. The whole building, when completed, will form a right angled structure of the form of the letter L, of which the lower limb is but half the size of the upper, and which will contain the additional plant which is already ordered. The addition will be made in the same part of its power will be used in the same way as the older parts, and is being roofed similarly with corrugated iron with a crowning ventilator of the same design as the others. The boilers, three of 100 horse power each, capable of withstanding a pressure of 125 pounds to the square inch, which originally stood within the building, are being removed and reinstalled alongside the other two boilers in the boiler room near by.

The three plants here will be used partly for the Le Roi No. 2 and partly for the old Le Roi itself. At the moment only one plant is actually in service and its power is scarcely adequate to supply the drills at present at work on the older mine, so as to keep up the present daily shipment of upwards of 600 tons. The completion of the second plant will hardly add to this capacity, as the greater part of its power will be used in the work upon the Josie and No. 1, not to speak of the compressed air used in the sinking of the joint shaft on the Annie. Thus the future and larger shipments of the Le Roi itself are largely dependent upon the installation of the third plant, the accommodation for which is already being provided.

It must also be understood that in speaking of the capacity of certain compressed air plant as being equivalent to 40 drills, that this power is true of the machinery only at sea level. The altitude of Rossland being as it is, 3,410 feet above sea level, means the pressure of the atmosphere is not equivalent to a column of mercury 30 inches in height, but to one of something less than 27 inches. In other words, the mechanical power of the engine has first to overcome this greater tenacity of the air before it can begin to compress the atmosphere to a greater density, so as to develop power at the drills employed. Moreover, the size of the drills instead of being 2 1/2 inches, are 3 1/8 or 3 1/4 inches in Rossland, and this again makes a difference so that perhaps the power of a compressor at the sea level and calculated to work steels only 2 1/2 inches in diameter, which can be expressed at 40 drills, will here in Rossland, at a higher level, with a larger drill, be better expressed at a 20 per cent reduction. It will thus clearly be seen that a nominal power of 40 drills is not sufficient to work a large mine such as the Le Roi itself, and when such a concern begins to propose to increase its output largely and at the same time adds to the strain on its compressor plant, another mine such as the Josie-No. 1, a capacity of compressors which all taken together, will be rated at 130 drills, is not too much.

Le Roi Head Works.

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No. 1 Hoist.

The electric hoist on the No. 1 mine has been installed and there remains little to be done with the exception of the winding of the cable on the counter drums.

St. Eugene Mill a Record Breaker.

Strange as it may seem, it is a fact, nevertheless, that the St. Eugene concentrator is turning out more concentrates daily than any mill in the Slocan, or even in the Coeur d'Alene country in Idaho. It is simply a marvel and an astonisher to its owners. Of course the quality of the ore has much to do with this, as the percentage of the waste is very small, but the mill itself is a record breaker just the same. During the month of June the amount of ore run through the mill reached nearly 9,000 tons, and the amount of concentrates turned out reached 1,837 tons. It is said that when the new addition is finished the capacity of the mill will be easily 400 tons per day. An error was made in last week's Leader with regard to the number of men employed at this mine. The number should have been 242, instead of 185 as stated—Moyie Leader.

A New and Promising Camp.

The people of Cascade are saying that a wagon road be built from Christina lake to the new mining camp of Franklin, which is situated on the divide at the head of the east fork of the north fork of Kettle river. This is said to be one of the most promising of the new camps now being developed in the Southern British Columbia. The mineral belt is about 12 miles wide, and extends westward from Arrow lake through to the Similkameen. The ore carries gold, copper and silver, and is above the average in grade. The camp is about 16 miles from Arrow lake, following Bowman creek, and about the same distance from Bull Dog tunnel on the Columbia & Western Railway. Men from there say that a trail could easily be built to the railway, which would allow access to the camp in a day from either Rossland or Nelson. It now takes three days to reach the camp from Grand Forks.

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LE ROI NO. 3.

Work on the Nickel Plate Is Being Rapidly Pushed.

With a view to the shipment of ore in the immediate future work is being rapidly pushed on the Nickel Plate. The non-completion of the ore bins leaves the mine without a receptacle for the stopeed out ore already broken down and blocking the stopes on the second level, so precluding for the moment the employment of extra hands. But the erection of these bins, which are to be of a 750-ton capacity, is being pushed ahead as rapidly as possible and quite a force of men are busy framing timbers on the ground. The second tier in the construction of the bins is already in place and the third in course of elevation. The steam pipe which running under the road from the compressor to the hoist has been exposed by a railway grading has to be duplicated by an overhead line, which will cross the Centre Star gulch wagon road and Third avenue by means of viaducts. Just as soon as this is completed the older steam connection will be taken up and the laying of the track to the bins will be proceeded with. In the meantime the seepers for the stur have already been brought on the ground.

IRON MASK TO RESUME.

A Force Begins Work Upon It This Morning.

Manager Hall of the Iron Mask yesterday stated that work would be commenced on the Iron Mask this morning and within three days 40 men will be at work. The experts, he says, have finished their work. The men at first will be put to work in the place designated by the experts. The result of this work is to be used in the forthcoming suit between the Centre Star and the Iron Mask. As soon as the work outlined by the experts is finished the work of developing the mine will be proceeded with along the usual lines.

Will Resume Work on Waffer Group.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Myers are in town, having driven over from Republic, Wash., in their own conveyance. Mr. Myers comes to resume work on the Waffer mine on the north fork of the Salmon river, owned by the Lucky Boy Mining and Development Company, of which he is president and manager.

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ANSWERS TO QUERIES.

The Baltimore and Referendum Mining Companies.

Toronto, July 1.—Editor Miner: Can you tell me anything concerning the Baltimore Gold Mining & Development company and Referendum Mining company?

Regarding the Baltimore Gold Mining & Development company. This company was promoted by Mr. Richard Plevin. Work has been suspended on the company's claims, of which it owns 16 in the Nelson Mining Division. Mr. George H. Nelson, secretary of the company, states that the treasury is without funds to continue development. Of stock the company has 525,000 shares to its treasury account. The company owns eight claims on Todd mountain; two on 49 creek; one on Clifton creek and five on Sheep creek. The principal work was confined to the Copper Queen, one of the group of eight claims on Todd mountain. The development is mainly by tunnel, 270 feet having been done. The company is free from debt.

The Referendum Free Gold Mining & Milling company is the owner of the Referendum, Katie and Golden Cross claims on Forty-Nine creek, 12 miles from Nelson. The property, since the company took hold of it, has been opened up carefully and scientifically under the direction of a competent mining engineer. The showing of ore of a pay grade is considerable. The mine has been shut down for a short time awaiting the return of Mr. E. N. Ouimette, who is in the east on business matters connected with the Referendum and other mining properties in which he is interested.

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CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

Notice.

Princess mineral claim, situate in the Trail Creek Mining Division of West Kootenay District, Where Located: On west slope of Sophie mountain, adjoining the L. Nora and X Ray mineral claims. Take notice that I, Kenneth L. Burnet, (agent for Allan G. White, F. M. C. No. B. 30643, and Nicholas Reuter, F. M. C. No. 30662), Free Miner's Certificate No. B. 31110, 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 73, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this Twenty-first day of June, A. D. 1900. KENNETH L. BURNET.

The American Eagle Gold Mining Co., Limited Liability. Notice.

The annual general meeting of the American Eagle Gold Mining Company, limited liability, will be held on Friday, the third day of August, 1900, at four o'clock p. m., at the office of the company on South Lincoln street, (opposite the Rossland club house), Rossland, B. C., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Dated this 13th day of July, 1900. R. C. POLLETT, Secretary.

ROSSLAND AND

REPORT ISSUED LAND BOARD

A Condensed History Division From Its Present Time.

There has been a cal information concerning division from many of the British Columbia the minister of mines of the Winnipeg fair sources. By direction Trade Mr. H. W. C. ed the following for pling the demand:

The mines of Ross time, are giving emp 1,200 men (eight-hour wage of nearly \$100 shipments of ore are tons per week, of \$16.50 per ton, at an of all expenses incl of \$8.50 per ton.

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On account of the great inconvenience of getting from Greenwood to Phoenix after the passenger trains arrive—10:30 p. m.—the business men and residents of Phoenix are hoping that a regular passenger service to this town will soon be put on, says the Pioneer. Now that the track is complete in every particular, the depot finished and occupied by an agent, it is probable that passengers and express service will be inaugurated shortly.

A CUTTING AFFRAY.

Italians Engage in a Mix-Up With Kives.

Shortly after midnight, First avenue, opposite the Merchants hotel, was the scene of a serious cutting affray. Two Italians, the worse for liquor, attempted to settle their differences out in the road. Tony, a miner employed in the Le Roi, received five cuts in different portions of the body, his assailant, whose name could not be ascertained, getting off without injury. Both men were captured by the police and are now languishing in the lockup awaiting trial. Dr. Reddick was summoned to sew up Tony's wounds.

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DIVIDEND PAYING MINES.

The incorporated mining companies of the United States, during the first half of 1900, paid \$40,000,000 in dividends.

For instance, it thinks that a school house of eight rooms is needed and asks the department to erect one forthwith.

Another request, and a very moderate one it is, made by the school board, is that the salaries of the leading teachers be made equal to those paid by their contemporaries at the coast.

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Another request was that the grounds at the big school should be graded and fenced. This should receive the immediate attention of the department as at present it is next to impossible to control the scholars with no visible bounds to the school yard.

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The Nome district and the adjacent country is filled with splendid opportunities, he says, for the experienced miner and hardy and well equipped prospector.

Such a statement coming from a man of Mr. McGraw's character, must be accepted as authentic, and it reveals that Nome is a good place to stay away from.

Occasionally there is something in the Eastern papers on the Chinese question which shows that some of the people there are beginning to understand why the residents of this province are opposed to unrestricted Chinese immigration.

There was a truce from toil Monday and the workers observed Miners' Union Day in a most seemly manner.

For a genuine piece of cheese paring the alleged reduction made in the Rossland insurance rates by the Vancouver board of underwriters would be hard to beat.

The situation, however, warrants a substantial cutting down of the rates. The city now has an efficient and tried paid department under the command of a chief who is a past master of the art of fighting fires.

All this was done, too, under the promise of the underwriters that a substantial reduction should be made in the rates as soon as the betterments for extinguishing fires had been provided.

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THE STOCK REVIEW

Sales for the Week Aggregate 68,000 Shares.

ATHABASCA IS IN GOOD DEMAND

Winnipeg has Fallen Several Points but the Mine Continues to Ship and Development is Being Pushed—Evening Star Rising.

During the past week the stock market has been in a lethargic condition and the sales, which aggregated 68,000, are considerably less than for the week previous.

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Bills of Sale.

July 16.—Tupper Fraction, all; Valves Mines Co. to C. A. Berry of Vancouver, \$1.

July 16.—Unit, all; Roy H. Clark to S. L. Williams, \$1.

July 9.—To T. Miller for the same on the Protection No. 1.

July 9.—To E. Nugent for the same on the Jackson.

July 9.—To J. P. Hennessy for J. P. Hennessy et al. on the Two Jacks.

July 10.—To W. J. Rafferty for John Weirs et al. on the Ben Bolt.

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July 12.—To J. R. Stuessi for J. R. Stuessi et al. on the Nugget.

July 12.—To Clay Smith for the same on the Mount Taber.

July 14.—To J. F. Trask for J. F. Trask et al. on the Lafayette.

July 14.—To B. Logan for the same on the Helena Fraction.

July 16.—To W. Reid for W. Reid et al. on the Hannah Fraction.

July 16.—To J. B. Dunn for the same on the Gigantic.

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July 16.—To J. E. Hooson for John E. Hooson et al. on the Gertrude Emily for work done on the Lasp.

July 17.—To B. W. Hongland for the same on the Iron Bar.

Certificates of Improvement.

July 9.—To R. W. Northey 1-2, and E. H. Smith 1-2, on the Columbia View, situated on Record mountain.

July 16.—To T. A. Cameron 1-2, and W. S. McCrae 1-2, on the Viking, situated on Monte Cristo mountain.

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For Heart Disease Without Help—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart Relieves in Fifteen Minutes.

Mrs. O. Ward of Maqog, Que., was a great sufferer for years from heart disease. Physicians blistered her and gave her other treatments without relief. She read in the papers of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. She procured a bottle of it. Fifteen minutes after the first dose she had relief. Before taking this remedy she had constant spells of suffocation and fluttering, and severe pains about the heart, and was so weak that the act of sweeping the floor caused her to faint. She continued using the remedy until she had taken six bottles, and today she is as well as ever she was. Sold by Goodeve Bros.

Registered at the Hotel Kootenay was the following party who came in from the north last night: Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Fraser and Mr. J. Canney of Vancouver and Mr. Peter Harper and Mr. I. Okanagan has been in demand during the week, and sales have been made at

ROSSLAND TEAMWON

Stanford Team Defeated by a Score of Three to Nine.

FINE FIELDING OF HOME NINE

Our Boys Made Two Brilliant Double Plays Which Elicited Considerable Applause—Visitors Flied Poorly and Made Five Errors

The game on Sunday between the Rossland and Stanford teams resulted in a clean victory for the former by a score of nine to three. It was the best game that the home team has yet played, as only two errors were made by the nine and the score of the visitors was kept down by the almost faultless fielding.

The features of the game were two double plays made by the home talent. The first was in the third inning, when Kay on third threw the ball to Davey at second, putting out Marsh at that base. Davey then sent the ball to Gibson at first, retiring Edwards, who was trying to make the seventh inning, when Fitch, short stop, fielded the ball, threw it to Davey at second, putting out Hanauer. Davey then threw to Gibson at first, who put out Marsh. Olson, who pitched for the home team, was in good form, and only eight hits were made off him, and he is credited with five strikeouts. Shea, as usual, was efficient behind the bat. He is credited with six put-outs, but his score was marred by two errors. All of the home team made runs but one, and McDonald has two to his credit. For the visitors Freeman was in the box, and 11 hits were made off his delivery and he struck out six men. Loughheed was effective behind the bat, and he is credited with seven putouts. The poor fielding of the visitors and the five errors in what should have been a close game, were the cause of the home team's victory. Following is a report of the game in detail:

First inning—The Stanforders were first to bat. Edwards went to bat and was struck out. Loughheed scored on wild throw over first base by Shea. Kane hit for two bases and died on second. Quigley hit to Davey, who threw him out at first. Erb for the Rosslands reached first on error by Edwards, but was put out while trying to reach second. Davey flew out to Edwards. Shea reached first on Connor's error, and was put out by Freeman at first base.

Second inning—Connor was put out by Olson to Gibson. Hanauin was struck out. Hanauer hit to Gibson, retiring the side. Fitch walked to first on balls, reached second on a passed ball, and scored on McDonald's hit. Kay flew out to Quigley and Gibson flew out to Hanauer. Vaughan was given base on balls, reached third on McDonald's hit and scored on Olson's hit. McDonald made a two-base hit, stole to third, and scored on Olson's two-bagger. Olson reached second base where he died when Erb flew out to Hanauer, retiring the side.

Third inning—Marsh made a hit and reached first, and was put out while trying to reach second by Fay to Davey. The latter then threw the ball to Gibson, retiring Edwards at first, making a pretty double play. Loughheed flew out to Davey. Davey was put out by Connor to Kane. Shea reached first on Edward's error, and was put out while trying to reach second by Loughheed to Quigley. Fitch was struck out, retiring the side.

Fourth inning—Freeman was struck out. Kane flew out to Vaughan. Quigley made a hit to left field, and got to third on Connor's hit. He started to run from third to the home plate; Davey fielded the ball and threw it to Shea; Quigley started to go back to third, but Shea threw to Fay, who put him out. This was so cleverly done that the crowd cheered. Connor hit to right field, but the ball was fielded by Davey, and Connor died on first base.

Fay was put out by Edwards to Kane. Gibson was struck out. Vaughan went out by Edwards to Kane while trying to reach first. Fifth inning—Hanauin was struck out. Hanauer was put out by Fay to Gibson, and Marsh flew out to Davey. McDonald walked to first on balls, and was put out while trying to steal second by Loughheed to Edwards. Olson was struck out. Erb reached the initial bag on hit and the third on Davey's two-bagger, and scored on Shea's hit. Davey made a two-bagger, and reached the home plate on Shea's hit. Shea made a hit and scored on second base when Fitch was put out. Fitch was put out by Freeman to Kane.

Sixth inning—Edwards was hit by the pitcher and was given first base. Loughheed got to first on balls. Freeman hit safe to left field, and Edward's scored on an error by Shea, who failed to catch the ball, which was thrown by Erb. It was a long throw from the left field. Kane hit to Fitch, who fielded the ball, throwing Loughheed out at the home plate. Kane stole second. Quigley and Connor flew out to Vaughan, retiring the side. Fay reached the initial bag on Marsh's error and third on Hanauer's error. Gibson hit a fly to Hanauer in center field, who would have held the ball but Hanauin ran into him, knocking it out of his hand. This showed poor team work. Vaughan went out from Edwards to Kane. McDonald hit safe, stole second and scored on Olson's hit. Erb hit safe. Davey flew out to Edwards. Shea hit safe. Fitch was given base on balls, and Fay flew out to Edwards, retiring the side with three men on base.

Seventh inning—Hanauin reached first on hit, and was forced out at second by Fay to Davey. Hanauer reached first. Marsh hit grounder to Fitch, who threw to Davey, putting Hanauer out at second. Davey threw to Gibson, putting Marsh out at first. It was a very pretty double play, and the grand stand and bleachers became tumultuous over it, as it retired the side. Gibson made a safe hit, and was forced to second. Vaughan was struck out. McDonald was given base on balls. Olson was struck out, and Erb went out from Quigley to Kane, retiring the side.

Eighth inning—Edwards flew out to Erb. Loughheed sent ball over the fence in the left field, and got two bases for his hard batted, stole third and died. Shea was fanned out. Kane of B. N. A. will returned yesterday from was put out, Olson to Gibson, retiring the side. DAVEY hit safe, but was put out by catch.

THE CITY COUNCIL

Additions to the City—Visit of Lord Minto.

At the meeting of the city council last night there were present the mayor and all his aldermen with the exception of Alderman Hector McEae. The proceedings were most entirely formal, there being no reports presented with the exception of one from the board of works, which merely dealt with the work now in hand, nothing fresh being recommended for approval.

Alderman Clute brought up the matter of the addition to the city. He pointed out that the addition on the west end of town, commonly known as the Durban addition, had plotted its ground so that the main streets were not on a line with the remaining portion of the city roads, and that each of the cross streets would mean that if the city accepted this addition it would be afterwards called upon by the very people who are now purchasing these lots, to expropriate the land to open up these blind public highways. A letter has been written to the applicants for the admission of this addition, pointing out the existence of this anomalous state of affairs, but the answer received showed that the city had no power in the matter. At the coming session of the provincial legislature an amendment of a clause in the municipal act would, it was promised, be introduced, giving municipalities power to deal with such cases. In the meantime the city had not taken over the addition. The city clerk was called upon to write a letter to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company, asking it for an appropriation to assist in making thoroughfares through the new additions if it had made recently to the city. It was understood that this would be granted.

The mayor was given authority to write to Lord Minto about his proposed visit to Rossland, suggesting to His Excellency the advisability of so ordering his sojourn here that he would be able to stay over night in the place, and so be able to get an idea of the resources of Rossland. Also to acquaint the Governor-General of the wish of the leading citizens here to tender him a public banquet.

It was found on dealing with the tenders for the fire hall that they were all high, and it was resolved to consider them closed for the time being, and to ask the architect to cut out certain portions of the building, such as the cementing of the cellar and other details which could be finished later on, in such a manner as to allow the fire hall and library to be proceeded with at a lessened cost. The tenders will, therefore, be formally opened at a further meeting of the council, which stands adjourned for this purpose till Friday next at 11 a. m.

GOING TO THE FAR NORTH

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Day Left Last Night on Their Way to Dawson. Mr. A. G. Day, accompanied by Mrs. Day, left on the midnight train for Dawson City, N. W. T., going via Spokane and Victoria. Mr. Day has been in the employ of Messrs. Lockhart & Jordan as a cabinet maker for the past three and a half years, and is going to the north to start on his own account. Since their residence in this city Mr. and Mrs. Day have become very popular. Both are members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Previous to his employment with Messrs. Lockhart & Jordan, with which firm he has been connected since they opened here, Mr. Day resided in Victoria for 10 years. Their many friends, while regretting their departure from Rossland, will wish them every success in the Yukon capital.

Blew Down the Grand Stand

At 3 o'clock yesterday morning the wind commenced to blow from the south-west very strongly and at 3:15 it had mounted to the proportions of a gale. It was not a steady wind, but came in powerful gusts and rocked buildings on their foundations and threatened to blow them over. The grand stand at the baseball grounds received the full force of the gale, and a large section of it was blown over. Carpenters will at once be put to work and the stand made more substantial than ever.

A Reception to Mrs. Gandier

A reception is to be given Mrs. Rev. D. McG. Gandier, on Thursday evening next in Odd Fellows hall. It will be given by the congregation of the First Presbyterian church. There will be a musical program and refreshments. Ladies who desire to contribute cake and other refreshments will please leave it at Odd Fellows' hall in the afternoon.

Lord Minto's Visit West

It is currently stated that the Government-General intends coming out to the western provinces in the near future, immediately, and that he had engaged a house on the coast for the period of his stay, which is stated will be extended over a month or five weeks.

Miners' Union Meeting

A special meeting of the Miners' union was held last evening in the upper hall of the Miners Union Hall. Speeches were made by E. Boyce, president of the district association of the Western Federation of Miners; James Wilkes, president of the district association; James Devine and others. Mr. Boyce left after the meeting by the late train, for San Francisco. He is expected to return some time during the month of September, and will spend a month in this province.

The Tunnel on the Douglas

Late reports from the Douglas on Sophie mountain are to the effect that the lower tunnel has been driven in on the ledge for a distance of 475 feet. The tunnel is following the hanging wall, and the intention is to shortly crosscut the ledge. The showing of ore continues strong and it is of a pay grade. The wagon road from Northport to the Douglas and Velvet and other mines in that vicinity is under construction, and should be finished in a short time. Stevens county, Wash., will finish the road to the boundary line, and the Velvet Mines, Limited, from the boundary to its properties, the Velvet and the Portland. This road taps the Douglas, which abuts the boundary line.

The Fishermen

Messrs. E. C. Kirby, J. L. G. Abbott, J. C. Dell and A. C. Mickie of the Bank of B. N. A. will returned yesterday from Skeena Junction. Fishing was good, and each man managed to secure a good catch.

LOCAL FIRE SYSTEM

What the Mayor has to Say on the Matter.

THE CUT IN INSURANCE RATES

How it is Regarded in the Business Circles of the City—The Views of the City's Insurance Agents—Some Pertinent Suggestions.

A representative of the Miner yesterday interviewed some of the leading insurance agents of the city with regard to the recent petty reduction in rates. This reduction amounts in substance to a fraction of a cent per 100, in detail it is a reduction of five per cent on specific risks or those which are chiefly met in the business quarter of the city. In addition the extra charge on stocks carried in this class of risk, which amounted to 25 cents to 75 cents on \$100 has been abrogated; the reduction amounting to a cut of 1-4 to 3-4 of one per cent. On residences on which no specific risks have been detailed the reduction is 25 per cent. The full benefit of this reduction is only obtained by houses which are 100 feet distant from the nearest buildings.

It is generally admitted by the agents as a whole that the cut is very trifling. The causes assigned are various. It seems that the visits of the different inspectors of the board of underwriters in the past few months were very unfortunate for the city in the time of their occurrence. On the visit of Mr. Davenport some time since a fire occurred in a small shack in the north end of town beyond the schoolhouse. The nearest available hydrant at the time was a small two-inch stand on the corner of St. Paul street and First avenue. This was connected with a two inch pipe which ran up from Columbia avenue, which again was laid with pipes of varying diameters finally reaching the water supply through an eight-inch pipe running along Spokane street. The consequence of this arrangement was that the section thus exposed, coupled with the length of hose used minimized the pressure so much that the jet thrown seemed hardly able to clear the burning shack.

On the recent visit of Mr. Gilbert to this city he was assured that there was no high wind prevalent here as a general rule. This, as all old timers are aware, is the fact of the case. However, just as Mr. Gilbert got ready to view the city a stiff, gusty wind got up that made the risks of a general conflagration, supposing that a headway had been made upon a fire seem large in the eyes of the inspector. Another and an apparently trivial point in connection with the visit of Mr. Gilbert was called attention to by one of the leading insurance agents of the town, Mr. F. W. Rott and emphasized by several others. This was the condition of the alleys, which were in a deplorable, uncleanly state at that time; covered with packing cases, straw and paper which by no means tended to lessen the risks of a possible spread of a local conflagration.

Some of the agents here expressed an opinion that there was little to be done in the matter, as some of the best companies were not represented in the fire risks of the city. Others stated that the best companies of the continent had their agents here, and while by no means enthusiastic, were more and more willing as the town grew older to take up insurance. It was an undoubted fact that during the past year the companies on whose continent had been seen, estimated that this is qualified by the fact that the serious losses by fire over the

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Alderman Clute brought up the matter of the addition to the city. He pointed out that the addition on the west end of town, commonly known as the Durban addition, had plotted its ground so that the main streets were not on a line with the remaining portion of the city roads, and that each of the cross streets would mean that if the city accepted this addition it would be afterwards called upon by the very people who are now purchasing these lots, to expropriate the land to open up these blind public highways. A letter has been written to the applicants for the admission of this addition, pointing out the existence of this anomalous state of affairs, but the answer received showed that the city had no power in the matter. At the coming session of the provincial legislature an amendment of a clause in the municipal act would, it was promised, be introduced, giving municipalities power to deal with such cases. In the meantime the city had not taken over the addition. The city clerk was called upon to write a letter to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company, asking it for an appropriation to assist in making thoroughfares through the new additions if it had made recently to the city. It was understood that this would be granted.

The mayor was given authority to write to Lord Minto about his proposed visit to Rossland, suggesting to His Excellency the advisability of so ordering his sojourn here that he would be able to stay over night in the place, and so be able to get an idea of the resources of Rossland. Also to acquaint the Governor-General of the wish of the leading citizens here to tender him a public banquet.

GOING TO THE FAR NORTH

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Day Left Last Night on Their Way to Dawson. Mr. A. G. Day, accompanied by Mrs. Day, left on the midnight train for Dawson City, N. W. T., going via Spokane and Victoria. Mr. Day has been in the employ of Messrs. Lockhart & Jordan as a cabinet maker for the past three and a half years, and is going to the north to start on his own account. Since their residence in this city Mr. and Mrs. Day have become very popular. Both are members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Previous to his employment with Messrs. Lockhart & Jordan, with which firm he has been connected since they opened here, Mr. Day resided in Victoria for 10 years. Their many friends, while regretting their departure from Rossland, will wish them every success in the Yukon capital.

Blew Down the Grand Stand

At 3 o'clock yesterday morning the wind commenced to blow from the south-west very strongly and at 3:15 it had mounted to the proportions of a gale. It was not a steady wind, but came in powerful gusts and rocked buildings on their foundations and threatened to blow them over. The grand stand at the baseball grounds received the full force of the gale, and a large section of it was blown over. Carpenters will at once be put to work and the stand made more substantial than ever.

A Reception to Mrs. Gandier

A reception is to be given Mrs. Rev. D. McG. Gandier, on Thursday evening next in Odd Fellows hall. It will be given by the congregation of the First Presbyterian church. There will be a musical program and refreshments. Ladies who desire to contribute cake and other refreshments will please leave it at Odd Fellows' hall in the afternoon.

Lord Minto's Visit West

It is currently stated that the Government-General intends coming out to the western provinces in the near future, immediately, and that he had engaged a house on the coast for the period of his stay, which is stated will be extended over a month or five weeks.

Miners' Union Meeting

A special meeting of the Miners' union was held last evening in the upper hall of the Miners Union Hall. Speeches were made by E. Boyce, president of the district association of the Western Federation of Miners; James Wilkes, president of the district association; James Devine and others. Mr. Boyce left after the meeting by the late train, for San Francisco. He is expected to return some time during the month of September, and will spend a month in this province.

The Tunnel on the Douglas

Late reports from the Douglas on Sophie mountain are to the effect that the lower tunnel has been driven in on the ledge for a distance of 475 feet. The tunnel is following the hanging wall, and the intention is to shortly crosscut the ledge. The showing of ore continues strong and it is of a pay grade. The wagon road from Northport to the Douglas and Velvet and other mines in that vicinity is under construction, and should be finished in a short time. Stevens county, Wash., will finish the road to the boundary line, and the Velvet Mines, Limited, from the boundary to its properties, the Velvet and the Portland. This road taps the Douglas, which abuts the boundary line.

The Fishermen

Messrs. E. C. Kirby, J. L. G. Abbott, J. C. Dell and A. C. Mickie of the Bank of B. N. A. will returned yesterday from Skeena Junction. Fishing was good, and each man managed to secure a good catch.

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Here to Look Into Local Matters—Initial Visit to Camp—To Be Shown the Mines—Goes to Victoria.

Hon. W. C. Wells, of Palliser, chief commissioner of lands and works in the provincial cabinet, arrived in the city last Thursday from Nelson. This is the honorable gentleman's first visit to Rossland, and is made in connection with a flying trip through the Kootenays previous to his going to Victoria. Immediately after his arrival in the city, after dining at the Hotel Allan, he was taken to the club and met a number of prominent citizens. This morning, in company with Mayor Goodhue and Mr. Bernard Macdonald, general manager of the Le Roi, he will be shown over some of the British America corporation mines. He leaves again this evening for Victoria.

Just before retiring for the night, the chief commissioner of lands and works was seen by a Miner representative. He said that what little he had been able to see of the city during the evening struck him most favorably, and he was glad that he was able to come down before going to Victoria. "My special object here is to assist in getting over some difficulties in respect to road allowances, which conflict with the claim of property holders, and in the plotting of new townsites," he said. "If this can be remedied it will remove considerable embarrassment which at present exists between the interests of the city and the mine owners." As to the construction of roads and trails that are needed, this trip is a hurried one, I expect however, shortly to return and spend more time here and also visit the boundary, as only by coming in personal contact with the people interested can we understand and appreciate the necessities of the many districts.

Hon. Mr. Wells is one of the pioneers of East Kootenay, and has extensive lumber interests and mills at Palliser. He is exceedingly popular in his own constituency, that of Northeast Kootenay, where, in the last provincial elections, he came out hands down, both his contestants, Captain Armstrong and Mr. Frank Burnett (who was sent from the coast on behalf of Mr. Joe Martin), losing their deposits. He was recently returned by acclamation on his appointment as the chief commissioner of lands and works. This is his third term in the legislature.

LIBERAL ASSOCIATION.

Resolution Approving of the Appointment of Sir Henri Joly.

At a meeting of the Liberal Association last night, which was well attended, C. O. Lalonde, vice-president, was in the chair. The following resolution was passed with regard to the recent appointment of Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere to the lieutenant-governorship of the province: "That the Rossland Liberal Association view with the deepest satisfaction the appointment of Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere as lieutenant-governor of this province, particularly at a period of political, financial and industrial unrest, confident that his high character of moral, social and political attainments, his long and brilliant services rendered to the state, the various positions of high honor and trust not only in the Dominion House of Commons of Canada, but also as an honored member of the government now happily established at Ottawa and in his own province of Quebec, render him worthy of the confidence and esteem of all sections of the province of British Columbia, in respect to the political party, and that the association further hereby congratulates the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his administration on the wisdom displayed in making so happy an appointment."

A letter was received by the association from Mr. Hewitt Stock, the present member for this constituency, in which he stated that the pressure of his private business was such that he would probably be unable to contest the riding again. The association, however, declined to accept his letter as conclusive, and instructed its secretary to write, thanking him for his past services and stating the feeling of the Liberal Association of Rossland in the matter.

A letter was also received from the Salmon Arm Liberal Association, stating their desire of calling a convention for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the next election. It was resolved that in the opinion of the Liberals of this city that such a convention should be delayed until more definite information had been received as to when the general elections should take place, especially in view of the fact that a redistribution giving one or more seats to the present constituency was possible during the life of the present Dominion parliament.

REAL ESTATE.

House Building Going on All Over Town—Some New Homes.

Housebuilding is in evidence all over the city. The business blocks on the eastern end of Columbia avenue are nearing completion. Others are being put up at the western extremity, where a new lodging house and a couple of shops are all but finished next the St. Lawrence hotel. On Washington street Alderman McKenzie is putting up a new building just above Holstad & Wright's store. S. Thornton Langley is building a nice home on the hill at the northeast corner of Union avenue and Davis street. Just above the house being put up by Mr. K. Roters is well in hand and on Thompson avenue the home of Mr. W. de V. leMaistre is also well up. Besides these there are numberless houses all over the city which are being run up, and a busy time of it. Nor are the new homes going up altogether in the older settled portions of the town as there are residences building and built this season on the slopes

of Red Mountain under the Le Roi mine and yet others on the Durham addition and are far away as the White Bear. That end of town is now a desirable position for miners and workers in the mines as within a short period of time the staff on the Josie and No. 1 must be considerably increased, which will probably bring up the total number of employees of the Le Roi, Le Roi No. 2, California White Bear, Big Four, I. X. L. Jumbo and others in this vicinity to 1,000 or even more.

INTENDS TO PAY.

Mr. Dan Thomas Says Captain Shaw Is Willing to Settle.

Among those interested in the tobacco business in this city, as also among his many friends, Captain S. B. Shaw's indebtedness to eastern wholesale houses, was a topic of conversation yesterday. Mr. Dan Thomas, one of the Captain's staunch friends here, was considerably annoyed at the article appearing in yesterday's Miner regarding the matter, and when seen by a Miner representative, took occasion to defend the Captain, saying: "Captain Shaw fully intends to pay up. I went with him to Spokane last Friday, and we were together on Sunday when he wrote to his eastern creditors asking for a compromise and settlement. I am not sure where he can be reached; he gave his address in these letters either at Seattle or San Francisco."

The Miner's authority for the statement that the Captain owed large accounts to eastern wholesale houses, was seen again yesterday and fully corroborated his original statement. Last night another representative of an eastern house was in town looking up his firm's interests.

MARKET GARDENS.

They Are Springing up Here and There Around the City.

After leaving the market gardens of the city in the hands of the Chinese for many years the people of Rossland have awoke to the fact that there is money in supplying the rapidly growing city with vegetables, and in consequence much land has been acquired of late from the Nelson and Port Sheppard Railway company and other landowners for this purpose. Starting with the market gardens just below the Roman Catholic cemetery there are others acquired, and some in part made ready for tillage along the banks of Trail creek almost all the way down to the smelter city. Mr. Dennison has got a piece of ground under cultivation. Away on the other side of the townsite towards Blue's saw mill quite a large acreage is under cultivation. Such is the case towards the Lily May, and Barney has sold or let several portions of his land six miles down the Northport road on the old Dewdney trail. The city more than ever is taking upon itself the features of an abiding centre of population.

TO VISIT THE COAST.

Ernest Peck, of Molsen, Wash., Tells of Myers Creek District.

Ernest Peck, a prominent attorney-at-law, of Molsen, Washington, passed through the city last night on his way to the Coast. Mr. Peck has been residing in the Myers Creek district for nearly a year and has become identified with Molsen. The latter is located about a mile and a half south of the international boundary line, at the headwaters of Baker creek. It is reached most conveniently from the main wagon road, running between Greenwood and Camp McKinney, the branch to Molsen, turning off just above Rock creek, from which point it is distant 10 miles. Speaking of the district, Mr. Peck said: "There will be a big rush on October 10 to locate homesteads in the north half of the Colville reservation. The Myers creek district, beside being renowned for its mining has many thousands of acres of good agricultural land, the greater portion of which will be homesteaded this fall. This will bring a large number of new people into the district. Molsen is well located in reference to both the mines and agricultural land. It is growing up rapidly, much building being now in progress. One of the principal mines of the camp is the Poland China, owned by a Montreal company, the Poland China Gold Mining company. There is quite a large force employed in the development of the mine, which in early days was known as the richest surface prospect in the district. They have many tons of ore ready sacked for shipment."

HAS SOLD OUT.

Harry McIntosh Sells Out His Interest in the Montana Livery Stable.

Harry McIntosh has sold out his interest in the Montana livery stable on Washington street to William Allen. The business will be continued as heretofore by Hugh Henderson and his new partner, Mr. Allen. Asked for an explanation of the sale last night, Mr. McIntosh said: "I have disposed of all my interest in the livery business to Mr. Allen. I understand the new firm is to greatly improve the premises."

It was learned that considerable improvement is contemplated in the remodeling of the Montana livery stable premises. The big barn will either be raised and an additional story put in underneath, making it a three-story building or an excavation will be made for a basement below the present sidewalk level. These improvements, it is said, will be continued all the way between Washington street and the alleyway in the rear a distance of 172 feet. This will make a commodious barn, with ample room for carriage, stable, feed, washing and other departments.

Mr. William Allen, the new partner, is a brother-in-law of Mr. Henderson. He is a Seattle man and owns considerable realty in the Queen city of the Sound. He has been identified with this city since 1898, and in entering into partnership in the Montana livery stable business will bring considerable capital for its improvement as outlined.

WASHINGTON STREET BRIDGE.

A much needed footwalk connecting the lower slope of the bridge with the trottoir on Washington street south is just being completed with a side rail to guard the foot passenger by night from slipping over the ugly bank to the east.

RECEPTION TO THE NEW RECTOR

THE SOCIAL FUNCTION AT OLD FELLOWS HALL A SUCCESS.

Many Guests Were Present—A Musical Interspersed With Addresses, Recitations and Dancing.

The reception given to the rector of St. George's church, and to his sister, Mrs. Hedley, at the Old Fellows hall by the ladies of St. George's Guild and the members of his congregation, was a great success. Guests began to come in early, and before 9 p. m. more than 200 had assembled, who were mostly men. At 9:15 later there seemed to be quite a party present, who, however, seemed to be chiefly ladies, for, after the manner of a reception of this kind, guests were coming and going continuously. There were many who were present who were not church people, but who were friends of others who belonged to St. George's.

Mrs. Hedley gave a little address, which she moved by the Hon. T. Mayne Daly, one of the members of the reception and the rector's warden of the church. He said that he felt quite inclined to give the assemblage a sermon, as it was the best congregation he had seen in Rossland. Not that he had any quarrel with the quality of his Sunday hearers; it was rather with the quantity he found fault. He expressed himself as extremely pleased with the honor voluntarily done him, and said he would endeavor to merit the good opinion of his parishioners.

During the progress of the reception there were several numbers rendered, instrumental and vocal, by various people present, which lent an air of jollity to the proceedings. The vocalists were Miss Summette, who sang, "Sonny and I"; Mrs. E. Guyer, "The Charm of a Girl's Love"; Mr. C. Dempster, "A Little Patch of Red"; Mr. W. de V. leMaistre, "Break, Break, Break"; and as an encore, "The Old Kentucky Home," the chorus of which was taken up by the guests and sang lustily, and Mr. F. Oliver, who first rendered "Hydras the Cretas," and then gave "Beloved It Is Morn."

Miss Wells opened the musicale by "A Funny Story in English," on the piano. She was also an accompanist, being well supported by Miss Kinneson and Mrs. C. Dempster. Mr. Synons, assisted by Miss Kinneson, Mr. Reed and Prof. Dreyfus gave two orchestral numbers, which were happily conceived and well applauded. Last but certainly not least, Judge Nelson recited "The Old Man and Jim," and being enthusiastically encored, created a perfect furor by his reading of the selection from "The Immortal Mark Twain," "A Roman Guide."

And finally the younger members of the assemblage, suitably appropriate to the well timed opportunity, wound up the evening by a number of round dances, which were by no means the least important feature in the program. The accompanist here was Mr. P. Marshall. Everything went smoothly without a single hitch, the assemblage knew one another, the singers were unembarrassed, and the guests of the evening were preeminently the right man in the right place.

THE FEDERAL BUILDING.

Work to Be Began Almost Immediately. Plans Preparing.

Dr. A. C. Sinclair received on Thursday a letter from the Dominion government work inspector for this Province. This official says that everything is being done which is possible in order to hasten matters in connection with the Federal building in Rossland. The delay that has accrued so far has been in awaiting the will of the heads of the respective departments in Ottawa whose subdivisions will occupy the building in this city. As soon as the chief architect can get necessary information from these officials as to what space will be required the disposition of the building and plans will be completed and tenders will be called for. This is expected almost daily. The work inspector has already made his report as to the various kinds of stone and brick which will be used in the structure.

From the communication to Dr. Sinclair he gathers that work will begin in the near future and will continue as long as the weather permits, which will probably be November 1st, after which date the work will almost necessarily stop till the spring of next year, as the heavy stone substructure composing the foundations and first floor will scarcely be more than complete in the time now left. Thus it is hopeless to expect that the roof will be able to be got upon the building before snow-fires, in which case interior work could probably be carried on through the winter months.

Fourth Avenue.

The Fourth avenue road is now completed and a very good grade has been established at small cost to the city. Easy access can be obtained from its lower end to the city park and cemetery, and also to the mine road leading to the Iron Colt, Masoot and Columbia-Kootenay. The only bad bit in the grade is for a few feet descending the hill from the new road to the Iron Colt. This, however, is on the old wagon road and is outside the city limits.

PILL=PRICE

The days of 25 cents a box for Pills Are Numbered.

Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills at ten cents a vial are surer, safer and pleasanter to take.

And are supplanting all others. All Drug-gists sell them.

Cure Constipation, Sick and Nervous Headaches, Dizziness, Lassitude, Heartburn, Dyspepsia, Loss of Appetite and all troubles arising from liver disorder. Sold by Goodhue Bros.

Mr. H. H. Tiley, of Toronto, is a guest at the Hotel Allan.

NOT A PIPE-DREAM.

But the Solid Cogitations of Hard-Headed Brokers.

"Well if you fellows have got any money I would like to make a bet." The speaker was one of a group of mining brokers that had congregated in the lobby of the Hotel Allan last night and were informally discussing the outlook for the camp as a shipper on a big scale. "What's your proposition?" asked an elder member of the party, "and we might accommodate you." "Oh! I would be a pretty sure winner," he replied, "as I guess you fellows will have more use for your coin in the meantime, only I would bet that the ore tonnage of the camp will be 700,000 tons in 1901. I'm pretty safe as you can see. But it strikes me that such a tonnage will show up pretty favorably, as it just means in round figures \$11,000,000 or about equal to last year's total output of the Lode mines of the whole Province. The British Columbia people across the water open their eyes to the possibilities of mining around here."

"That's so, too, but coming nearer home," interposed another, "look what it means locally in the way of a big monthly pay-roll. By the first of December there will be fully 2,500 miners in the camp, and the daily output will be 250,000 tons daily. You see I am only figuring on the B. A. C. groups. To this must be added, when the mines are in a position to shipments from the War Eagle-Centre Star, the Iron Mask, Evening Star and others. This is what people at home want to know, and as I notice that our Miner friend has been assiduously scribbling I guess tomorrow the results of our information will be readily chronicled in the world." Then the meeting moved off in a body to another and more convenient place in the hotel, where, the reporter paid his respects, and left.

VISITED THE MINES.

Commissioner Wells Promises to Give the Roads His Attention.

Hon. W. C. Wells, chief commissioner of lands and works for the province; Mayor Goodhue and others, visited the mines yesterday forenoon. They were shown over the Le Roi and Black Bear by Manager Bernard Macdonald. The large reserves of ore in the Le Roi, the big plants, machinery and the timber framing apparatus seemed to strike Mr. Wells favorably, and he said there must indeed be plenty of ore in the mines when such large plants are required on the surface. In order that Mr. Wells might understand the space that would be left in the mine when 500 tons of ore is taken out, Mr. Macdonald explained that it represented a space a foot wide, a foot deep and a mile in length. They were shown over the War Eagle and Centre Star mines by Mr. Edmund B. Kirby, the manager. Mr. Wells was struck with the care that is taken of the employees, which is shown in the Le Roi bath house and in the War Eagle boarding house. He was shown the roads leading to the mines and promised to give them his attention as soon as he returned to the coast. He promised to have a road graded, and in relation to the Sophie Mountain road and other projected highways and trails in this section, he said he would do all that he possibly could to have them constructed.

The City Cemetery.

The city cemetery has been fenced in and partly laid out. The fence is a substantial structure of wire and will eventually keep out cattle and hogs. Perhaps a barb wire construction would have been as effective and less expensive, but the great object was to get the ground fenced in and so indicate that some care was being taken. New locations on high, dry, gravelly ground have been platted for graves, but up to the present nothing has been done towards draining the older plots. It is also a pity that in laying out the roads for the cemetery the plan of the designing engineer, as laid down in the sketch at the city hall, was not adhered to. A large portion of the present roadways, made at some expense to the ratepayers, will hereafter have to be torn up so that some continuity of plan will be preserved.

35 Cents for a New Stomach.

This is practically what it means to the sufferer from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and all other stomach complaints. Dr. Von Stain's Pineapple Tablets are nature's panacea for the stomach's ills—they are a purely vegetable pepsin compound—80 of them in a box—and popular price enough to allow everybody to enjoy good health. Sold by Goodhue Bros.

NOTICE TO PATRONS.

Beginning July 1st, 1900, all subscribers to the Weekly Miner by paying the sum of two dollars and ten cents will be credited with one year's subscription and will receive a copy of the Rossland Miner Map.

ROSSLAND MINER P. & P. CO.

Fables of the Rail-V.

A bashful young Married Couple were Riding in an Ordinary Sleeping Car one night, and when he thought No One was listening he called her Birdie and asked her whose Duckie she was, whereat a wicked Traveling Man yelled Rubber, and the Bashful bride and groom were Covered with confusion, etc.

Moral—They might have called each other duckie and dearie all night without interruption if they had occupied one of the elegant private drawing-rooms or Compartments on the Sleeping Cars of the North-Western Limited via the North-Western Line.

H. S. COLLINS, General Agent, Spokane.

Mr. Louis Patrick, of Revelstoke, is in the city.

MR. PALMER GOES TO SPAIN

CALLED THITHER TO ACT AS ENGINEER FOR THE RIO TINTO.

He Has Had a Varied Experience in Engineering in Canada and the United States.

Mr. R. E. Palmer and family left Friday for Charlottetown, P. E. I. Mr. Palmer and the three children will remain there for the summer, while Mr. Palmer will sail from New York, via London, for the Rio Tinto mines in Spain, whither he goes as mining engineer in charge of the underground department. The Rio Tinto is the largest copper mine in the world, employing 12,000 men. Mr. Palmer has been mining engineer for the Le Roi mines, and British America Corporation for two years, while Mr. W. A. Carlyle was the general manager, and did his work so well that Mr. Carlyle now sends for him to take a similar position with him there. Mr. Palmer is a graduate of the McGill University of Montreal. He graduated in 1887 with the degree of Bachelor of Applied Science. From that time until 1894 Mr. Palmer practiced the profession of civil engineer in Canada and the United States, being connected with large railway, drainage, hydraulic and other works. Considerable of this time was in mining sections. From 1894 until the present time he has been exclusively engaged in mining engineering in Colorado, Montana, British Columbia and elsewhere. Mr. Palmer's specialty is the geology of mining and he has devoted a great deal of attention to that branch. He is also an expert in underground equipment and construction, such as in installing machinery and timbering. In addition to this he is possessed of executive ability of a high order, which fits him peculiarly for handling to the best advantage large numbers of men.

Mr. Palmer during the two years stay in Rossland made a host of friends, who regretted to see him depart for a foreign country, but at the same time they recognized the fact that he went to better himself. The appointment of Mr. Palmer to the important position with the Rio Tinto Company is quite an honor for Canada. Mr. Carlyle must be satisfactory to his new employers when they would consent to have him send here for another Canadian engineer, and a graduate of the same university as Mr. Carlyle to fill so important a post. It shows that Canadian mining engineers are in demand on the other side of the water. This is because they thoroughly understand their business.

STOMACH TROUBLE

MAKES THE LIVES OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE MISERABLE.

Mrs. John Holland of Tarantum, P. E. I., Gives Her Experience for the Benefit of Similar Sufferers—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Cured Her—After Other Medicines Failed.

From the Watchman, Charlottetown. Mrs. John Holland of Tarantum, P. E. I., is well known and highly respected in the community where she resides. For some years her life was one of misery and suffering, having been an acute sufferer from that common foe of humanity dyspepsia. A reporter hearing of her restoration to health through the agency of that wonderful remedy, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, called upon Mrs. Holland to obtain particulars, which were cheerfully given as follows: "About four years ago I became very ill; I was attacked with a distressing pain in my stomach, accompanied by flashes of heat and cold. These attacks were generally preceded by a sleepiness and stupor which required constant exertion to keep awake. I had little or no appetite and food lay as a stone on my stomach. As time passed, I was growing worse; vomiting of food set in, with sudden changes of heat and cold in my feet. 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THE MINING REVIEW

The Iron Mask Has Resumed Development Work.

ORE BODIES ON THE LE ROI NO. 3

Find on the Columbia Kootenai—Preparations for Shipping on Red Mountain—High Values on the I. X. L.—The Evening Star Ships.

The principal feature of interest in the development of the mines this week is the relocation of the body of high grade ore at the 400 foot level in the Nickel Plate. This practically proves the existence of a large body of ore which will add materially to the wealth of this property.

The record of the Le Roi mine has again been broken by that mine this week. The output aggregates approximately 4,690 tons, including 90 tons shipped to the Trail smelter. The Trail smelter has a capacity of 650 tons a day.

Table with columns: Week, Tons Year, Tons. Rows include Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Iron Mask, Evening Star, I. X. L., Monte Christo, Iron Colt, Giant, Total.

Centre Star—The principal work proceeding at present on the surface of the Centre Star mine is in connection with the assembly of the new compressor which is being rapidly put together. The force of engineers and fitters employed upon this is considerable and in consequence the installation of the movable crane tronting the new shaft has been postponed until the more important work of fitting up the compressor plant is out of hand.

War Eagle—Beyond the grading of the slopes around the village and the fitting of a complete system of drains around the various mine buildings there is little doing upon the surface of this mine. Within a short period work will have to be started upon the new ore bins and also upon the gravity tramway which stands in need of renovation, being somewhat injured in the late fire. Below the work is proceeding on the usual basis. The shaft is being sunk and is nearing the 1,000 foot level, though it is not expected to reach that point for a few weeks.

Iron Mask—Work was resumed yesterday upon the Iron Mask, and the usual force of men which is employed on the development work on this mine will be at work by Tuesday next. The experts who were here last week and examined the mine have advised certain work to be taken in hand at once with particular reference to the issues which are to be tried at the pending case which will come up for hearing next September.

I. X. L.—A new tunnel is about to be started at a point about 110 feet below the level of the lowest workings. This will form level No. 4. As this will go into the hillside on a level with the railway, it will feature a very desirable economical handling of the ore which is at present being taken chiefly from Nos. 1 and 2 levels and dragged down the hill. The No. 4 will be run in about 400 feet, and from a convenient point within the driving, a raise will be started which will connect with the upper levels. Through this raise all the ore stopped out above will be brought and thus taken out of the mine. Stopping, as already stated, is being confined to the first and second levels, the lower tunnels being prosecuted for development purposes.

Le Roi No. 2—In anticipation of the coming shipments from this group of properties men are being placed at work as fast as the supply of air to be obtained from the compressor on Black Bear flat permits. As the second compressor is still hung up because of the non-arrival of one or two connecting parts of the machinery from Sherbrooke as much headway as was hoped is being made with the properties. The

electrical hoist upon the No. 1 has been completed and will be running this week. In the interior development of the mine the usual work is going forward, there being nothing new to report of any special significance either upon the Josie, Annie or No. 1. A party of railway men are at work laying the track on the new spur which will take up ore from both the Le Roi and the Le Roi No. 2. Thus, as far as the railway goes, everything will shortly be in readiness for shipment with the important exception of rolling stock. The Red Mountain railway company have been promising for some time past to get an increased amount of ore cars up to this section. As it is there is a barely sufficient number of cars to do the work of the Le Roi itself without taking into account the large number which will shortly be necessary for the Le Roi No. 2 and for the Le Roi No. 3. Thus taking one delay and another into consideration, it will be probably all of a month before regular shipments can be started.

Le Roi No. 3—A strike of some importance was made that week upon the Nickel Plate. It will be remembered that in cutting a pump station at the 460-foot level in the vertical shaft, a fine body of high grade ore was discovered, which was stated at the time to contain as high values as any other ore obtained upon Red Mountain. This was come upon again at the 600-foot level, where, being pinched by an intrusive dike, it proved not to be more than about 3-1/2 feet in width, as far as it was exposed in cutting the shaft at that level. The ore body here was searched for and found upon the 400 level. Two rounds have been put in upon the crosscut, with the result that the face and sides are still in ore. As the rounds are practically about ten feet, it follows that the seam at this point must be over that much in width. The continuity of this valuable ore body is thus practically established, and the mine has another and a high grade reserve of ore in addition to the many others already located upon the second level. An attempt will be made to locate this seam again on the 300-foot level. Some fine looking pyrrhotite ore is being taken out of a stope on the second level and is being stopped, pending the completion of the ore bins, now well under way, on a separate dump. It is probable that the track laying on a spur to this mine will be completed in a week, as soon as the railway men are through with the other spur on the Black Bear ground. Tenders have been invited for a 40-hp compressor, which will be installed either upon this mine or upon the Black Bear ground alongside of the others, and connected with the Nickel Plate by means of a pipe. As there is no loss by radiation to be guarded against, as in the case of a long line of steampipe, the loss by conveyance would probably not exceed one per cent.

Beyond the grading of the slopes around the village and the fitting of a complete system of drains around the various mine buildings there is little doing upon the surface of this mine. Within a short period work will have to be started upon the new ore bins and also upon the gravity tramway which stands in need of renovation, being somewhat injured in the late fire. Below the work is proceeding on the usual basis. The shaft is being sunk and is nearing the 1,000 foot level, though it is not expected to reach that point for a few weeks. On the seventh level the crosscuts north and south to the veins are being prosecuted and the former is well high completed. On the sixth level the east drift is being crosscut on the north vein. On the south vein at this level a raise in the west drift is being made, following up and proving a fine body of ore that was lately encountered there. Stopping is in progress above both the fifth and sixth levels.

Work was resumed yesterday upon the Iron Mask, and the usual force of men which is employed on the development work on this mine will be at work by Tuesday next. The experts who were here last week and examined the mine have advised certain work to be taken in hand at once with particular reference to the issues which are to be tried at the pending case which will come up for hearing next September. After this detail is completed the development will go on upon the lines set out by the superintendent, Mr. Hall, in the beginning of last February. When the time for shipping comes the mine has the choice of two lines, the C. P. R. and Red Mountain railway. The first crosses the property and the second is within easy reach of the Iron Mask from the extremity of its spur to the Nickel Plate, a couple of hundred yards away down Centre Star gulch.

A largely attended meeting of the Mine Owners' Association was held in the office of the London & British Columbia Goldfields Company yesterday evening and lasted over three hours. It was learned that the chief object of discussion was to what part the association should play in the politics of the near future, and what steps it was advisable to take. The members were very reticent, however, and it was impossible to learn last night what decisions had been arrived at. Those present included J. Roderick Robertson, J. J. Campbell, E. Nelson Fell, James Cronin, of the St. Victoria-Triumphant and other promising properties in that vicinity.

Columbia and Kootenai—The principal work going on in the mine beyond the cutting of the station on the 400-foot level in the vertical shaft from the No. 6 tunnel is the sinking of a winze from No. 5 down to No. 6. The sinking has progressed about 25 feet and is in a fine body of good looking ore of more than average values. A drift is about to be started for development purposes from the 400-foot level referred to, and the first round was drilled last evening. The resetting of the foundation of the 18-drill compressor is still on hand. The road to this mine is now in good condition, and the old hoist that was at the Nickel Plate has been taken out to this property and installed in No. 6 level above the vertical shaft.

Evening Star—Two carloads of ore, amounting to 75 tons, were shipped yesterday to the Northport smelter. This was taken out of the winze which is being sunk below the second level, which is itself 90 feet below the outcrop upon the surface. The winze is now down about 56 feet, and all work upon the mine is at present being confined to this sinking. The necessary power is being obtained by means of a pipe line connecting with the Iron Horse compressor.

California—During the week the 200-foot shaft was sunk an additional 10 feet to allow for a sump. The first of the week will see the finish of the station at the 200-foot level; it will be 12x10x10 feet in size. This completed, crosscutting to the ledge will be started immediately, and the long crosscut tunnel work is being pushed ahead rapidly. The same is now in 630 feet.

Homeatake—After eight months of inactivity, during which the company has been reorganized and an assessment has been levied, the Homeatake has again begun active operations. Preparatory work was commenced at the beginning of July and everything is now ready to continue further development of this property.

Big Four—Work on the upper tunnel is being pushed for the purpose of intercepting the vein. The vein has been encountered in the lower tunnel, and now the design is to find it in the upper workings. The boarding house is finished. The company is negotiating for a compressor plant.

Derby—Messrs. Garrison and Clark, owners of this claim, have a force at work sinking. The shaft has reached a depth of 28 feet. Much water is encountered. They report good looking ore coming in to the bottom of the shaft.

Leiter—Mr. A. G. White returned to town yesterday from Sophie Mountain and reports that work continues on the Leiter where drifting is in progress along the vein.

Iron Colt—Drifting on the north ledge is in progress and the general showing is of a satisfactory character.

Portland—Work on the tunnel and shaft continues.

THAT RUMORED DEAL

Centre Star and War Eagle Have Not Been Sold.

Regarding the rumored negotiation for the purchase of the War Eagle and Centre Star mines by the British America Corporation, which has been gossip around town for some time, an effort was made last night to learn the truth of the matter. A representative of the Miner called upon the Hon. Charles H. Mackintosh, and asked him if he could throw any light upon the truth of the rumor. "I really know nothing about the sale, good, bad or indifferent," he replied.

But is it now within reason to suppose that the B. A. C., owning, as it does, so much of Red Mountain should desire to secure further holdings? was next asked. "Yes, it is possible, but at the present state of the financial market, improbable. You understand I am not speaking from any authoritative point. But it appears to me, until the success of the mines owned by the Le Roi Nos. 2 and 3 companies are fully demonstrated, that the B. A. C. would hardly bring out another company," he concluded.

A telephonic communication with Bernard Macdonald on his return from Nelson last night enquiring into the truth of this rumor elicited an emphatic and unqualified denial of the report. He said that he had gone to Nelson on other business which had not any connection whatsoever with the current rumor.

As there was a meeting of the Mine Owners' association held in Nelson on Saturday and as Mr. Macdonald is reported to have been there in company with Mr. Kirby, of the War Eagle-Centre Star, there is little doubt that this was the basis of the rumor which has been persistently circulated.

THE CLARA BELL

Big Surface Showing Which Runs High in Copper.

Mr. B. M. Spicer, of the O. K. Barber shop, has returned from Forty-Nine creek, in the Nelson division, where he has been doing some development work on the Clara Bell claim. This property has one of the largest surface showings in that vicinity. One ledge is four feet wide and the other from six to eight feet. The larger ledge gives as high as 25 per cent. copper with considerable gold. The smaller ledge carries about the same values. The extension of the Referendum ledge runs into the Clara Belle. Mr. Spicer says he is convinced that he has a valuable property in the Clara Belle.

MINE OWNERS MEET

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Star; Robbins, of the Stenwinder; T. Mayne Daly, Q. C.; John L. Retallack, of Kaslo; Leslie Hill, of Vancouver; G. W. Hughes, of Alamo, and R. F. Tolmie, secretary of the association.—Nelson Tribune.

Operating Both Properties.

Mr. C. Noble, of Toronto, is in the city, having just returned from a visit in the Boundary country. He is interested in the Boundary Lardiau Mining company. His brother, Mr. W. J. Noble, is the vice-president of the company, and is expected here in a few days. The company owns the Twenty-one at Kibit and the Black Diamond, near Trout Lake. Mr. McMaster, the president of the company, recently visited the East and sold all the treasury shares. The company, therefore, has ample funds on hand and is pushing the work on both its claims. Mr. Noble reports that the two properties are looking first rate, and feels certain that both will, when further developed, make mines. It is Mr. Noble's intention to remain here for about a month.

MANAGEMENT OF BASEBALL

Editor Miner: If you will allow me to trespass upon the columns of your paper to express my views on the management of the Rossland baseball club, I will be glad to do so. There seems to be a good deal of talk among members of the ball team and club, as well as among the supporters of baseball, which would indicate that the management, which having gotten together a first-class mine and receiving greater patronage at games than Rossland ever before has given, have not funds enough in the treasury to buy suits for the team and about the first of this month gave out that the liabilities of the club were in excess of the funds in the treasury, which if anywhere near the true state of affairs must be a surprise to the lovers of baseball in this city.

The Rossland Baseball Club was organized early in the season and a team was put in the field composed of Rossland players, most of whom, like true sportsmen, were the best players in the city. It was made evident after a few trials with neighboring clubs, some of whose players were imported stock, that Rossland must send out for better players of the semi-professional type for whom situations might be got in town on condition that they would play ball with the local mine. This move proved effectual, for a short while, but the management apparently bent on putting a team in the field which would be a sure one to bet on, went still further into the professional sphere and induced players to come to town to play for a salary.

That such salaried men are in town no one doubts, and it is not the professionalizing of the team about which there is considerable dissatisfaction. But the members of the Rossland Baseball Club think that such steps should not have been taken without having had a representative meeting of the club, which has upon its roll the names of many of the representative business men and citizens of Rossland.

It was supposed at the beginning of the season that the officers in whose charge had been placed the running affairs of the team, subject of course in matters of importance to the pleasure of the members, were the best citizens who could be chosen as a management who were devoted to the game to the end that the affairs of the club would be carefully and economically handled in the interests of fair sport and the patronizing public.

Now as an individual I do not mean to say that funds have been misappropriated, but players should not have been brought here, nor that the team has been mismanaged, but there is undoubtedly a great deal being said against the management of the team which is very unfair to them if their aim has been to give the public good ball, to keep expenses so low as is consistent with the keeping up of a partly professional team and to further the interests of this capital sport in Rossland even though the compensation of managing affairs may not be in accord with that of the public.

For the good of baseball in this city, there may be no more of this criticism on the part of patrons of the team and that the club may be dispersed from about the heads of the management I would suggest as one who takes a keen interest in baseball and delights in watching the play, that a full and detailed statement of the financial affairs of the club be published showing the disbursements of the club and the moneys received. If a fair account be given and I believe it can be, it will be a most convincing proof of the good work done by the management and a rebuke to those who have so unkindly reproached them.

Thanking you for your valuable space, I am sincerely,
A FAIR SPORTSMAN.

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Buy a Farm. Mr. John Reith, a pioneer of Beaver creek, is in the city. Yesterday he purchased from the land department of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway 500 acres of agricultural and hay land on Beaver creek, between Waneta and Eric stations. He intends to cultivate the soil as he believes that there will be a profitable business in supplying vegetables and hay to the nearby towns.

Dropped Dead in His Tracks

Another Well-known Citizen Dies of Heart Disease --This is the Kind of Item that Stares One in the Face on the First Opening of the Morning Paper.

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B. C. IS COMING TO THE FRONT

A CHAT WITH MR. J. R. STRATTON OF ONTARIO.

What He Had to Say Concerning the Resources and Possibilities of the Province in Which We Live.

Grand Forks, B.C., July 14.—(Special.) Hon. J. R. Stratton and T. P. Coffey Toronto, are paying their first visit to Grand Forks. They leave tomorrow for the coast.

Mr. Stratton is equally well known as a politician and business man. As Provincial Secretary of Ontario he fills one of the most important positions in the Ross administration and enjoys the reputation of being a leader in the council of his party. Mr. Stratton is president of the Dominion Permanent Loan Co and the Trusts & Guarantee Co., whose operations extend from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Last, but not least, he is editor of the Metrocoro Examiner, one of the strongest exponents of Liberal principles in Eastern Canada. This is his third transcontinental trip; withal he frankly admitted that he was only beginning to form a true estimate of the great future which lies before the Columbia. His fellow-traveller, Mr. Coffey, shares the same enthusiastic belief. Coffey is prominent in Toronto financial circles. He is general manager of the Trusts & Guarantee Co. as well as vice-president of the Dominion Permanent Loan Co. A man of affairs glib with keen business acumen, his simple observation that his companies were more than satisfied with their results in Columbia investments speaks volumes for the high financial standing of the province in the outside world. Before reaching Grand Forks they visited Nelson, Sandon and Rossland.

"Each succeeding trip gives me a new revelation of the possibilities of British Columbia," said Mr. Stratton to your correspondent today. "The theme could not be exhausted in a fortnight. This month is certain to be the best of the only beginning to grasp an idea of your enormous undeveloped resources. What with its forests, minerals, fertile valleys and fishery wealth, British Columbia, at the present rate of progress, will soon rank next to Ontario as the most productive province in the Dominion. A few years hence will see the Oriental trade assuming vast proportions, and Vancouver and Victoria rivaling Montreal in the volume of their tonnage.

"The interior, it is apparent, is forging ahead by leaps and bounds. I was profoundly impressed with the fact that last year's mineral output reached upwards of twelve million dollars and that the gold production totalled \$4,200,000; yet the mining industry is only in its infancy. When the score or more of boundary mines become steady producers the output will be one at which every Canadian should feel a strong national pride.

"In looking over the returns the other day I was surprised to learn that the assessed value of real estate in the province amounted to \$30,000,000 with five millions of exemptions, or a total of \$44,000,000. The area is twice that of Ontario, which we consider to be an Empire in itself. If your mountains were only levelled the area of 400,000 square miles would be much larger. Easterners formerly worried about the cost of building railways across these mountains, but now they would not object to own a few of these same mountains, many of which are worth as much as a German principality. British Columbia seems to be richer in lumber than any other equal area in the world. Time is only needed to develop an enormous industry. I read recently that half a million feet were taken off a single acre and that the quantity standing in the province exceeded one hundred billion feet. These reserves, if protected from fire and cut under proper restrictions, will be enough to supply the Pacific coast for all time to come. Not one-third of the known timber land is under lease. I also observe that exports of lumber from British Columbia increased from \$214,377 in 1871 to \$527,000 in 1898 notwithstanding the closing of the American market, which formerly took nearly all the British Columbia cut. The quantity of lumber cut in 1898, according to the official report, was 124,047,000 feet, from which the province derived a revenue of \$10,000,000. With proper care, and by offering the limits for a more vigorous competition the forests would soon become a great source of wealth. These safeguards have been adopted with advantage and profit in Ontario. I see that the total production of gold in British Columbia from the pioneer days to the present amounts to \$123,417,000. With a yearly production of over one million tons of coal, two and one half million dollars worth of silver and a million each of lead and copper per annum, you shall say that the province is not coming to the front? The recent discoveries of anthracite on Queen Charlotte and other islands promise to be of prime importance. The great deposits of coal in the mountains and on the coast are mighty factors in your prosperity. They will indirectly strengthen Imperial sentiment. It almost seems a providential arrangement that nature had placed coal beds at the two extremities of Canada—on the Atlantic and Pacific—ensuring a never-failing supply for the cruisers of the navy. The pressing want just now is population.

"I should judge that the government could not adopt a better policy than to expend money judiciously and liberally in building new trails in order to open up the country. The Provincial revenue has increased from \$327,000 in 1872 to \$1,420,000 in 1898, a record of expansion that no other province can show; besides the export trade has increased eight-fold since Confederation.

"Naturally, the Boundary is attracting more attention than any other district in the province. Every visitor who returns east seems to have become a missionary for spreading the tidings of its agricultural resources and gold-copper ledges. I was scarcely prepared to find such an El Dorado as the Kettle River valley, nestling among the mountains. The drive to Carleton and return, passing fertile farms and fruit orchards will long live in my memory. Many of the ranches

FROM THE OLD IRONSIDES MINE

ITS FIRST SHIPMENT OF ORE SENT TO THE GRANBY SMELTER.

It Consists of 300 Tons, and the Grand Forks People Joyously Celebrated the Event.

Grand Forks, B. C., July 12.—(Special.)—An experimental shipment of 16 tons of ore from the Golden Eagle, north fork of Kettle river, to the Trail smelter gave a return per ton after paying freight and treatment charges of \$32. The showing is considered good in view of the fact that the shipment only comprised half a car load, and the company had to pay freight for an entire car load.

There is a strong belief throughout the Boundary country that the Rossland riding, in the event of an early redistribution measure, is entitled, on the basis of voting strength as evidenced at the last election, and population, to at least three members. The matter will be represented to the government at an early date. Smith Curtis, M. P., during his stay here, was asked to secure better schools for Grand Forks, to obtain a grant for wagon roads from this city to Franklin camp and to Summit and Wellington camps via Newby's, a short and direct route. He was also requested to give his support to any measure which purposed giving Grand Forks a railway connection with a point on the international boundary near Nelson, Wash. The proposed railway, it is intended, shall connect with a railway from Nelson to Republic.

Yesterday will long be remembered as a red-letter day in the annals of Grand Forks. The occasion was the arrival of the first ore-laden train from Phoenix at the Granby smelter. The shipment consisted of 16 car loads or 300 tons in all. This came from the Old Ironsides mine, controlled by the Miner-Graves syndicate. Today's arrivals represented a similar shipment from the Knob Hill mine, also owned by the same syndicate. Henceforth the shipments from Phoenix will be continuous. As soon as the C. P. R. supplies additional ore cars the ore receipts at the smelter will approximate 600 tons daily. The ore from the Old Ironsides, Knob Hill and Victoria contain 8,000 tons, and there is an equal amount in the stocks awaiting removal to the surface. The Phoenix ore do not require any preliminary roasting in heaps. This will save from 25 to 50 cents a ton in handling charges.

There was an impromptu celebration when the first ore train rolled into the smelter. The employees turned out and gave the hearty cheer mingled with the tooting of steam whistles and the music of a scratch band hastily organized by Clyde M. Graves, son of Jay P. Graves. Among those in attendance were S. H. C. Miner of Granby, Que., president of the various companies comprised in the Miner-Graves syndicate; A. C. Fummeleit, assistant general manager; Jay P. Graves, general manager, and A. B. W. Hodges, superintendent of the smelter.

The work on the dam across the north fork of Kettle river has so progressed that water will be let into the big power flume before the end of next week. In view of the commencement of shipments allowing of the emptying of the ore bins, and the removal of the ore from the stope and tunnels, mining operations in the Knob Hill, Old Ironsides and Victoria mines was resumed yesterday by a full force of men.

Jay P. Graves is coming in for many congratulations. Yesterday's event was one he had looked patiently forward to for years, as he began mining operations on the Old Ironsides in 1883.

FROM OTHER CAMPS

(Continued from Page 1.)

Phillips, is proving to be what its owner calls it.

Work on the Howe group on the opposite side of the lake is going ahead and the property is improving all of the time. The Hastings syndicate are developing their group of claims. There is a good showing on the Eureka, where it joins the Quantrell claims.

Extensive development is going on at the Bellevue mineral claim, owned by Poits & McLennan. The prospect is showing up beyond expectations. The claims of McFarlane and Woods, near the Howe group, are looking well. There are a large number of claims in the vicinity of the lake, all showing greater or less amount of development. C. M. Keep left for the Windermere country on Tuesday last week. Mr. Keep is interested in some mining property adjacent to the Paradise group. Late reports from the claims are to the effect that it is showing up well.

Harry Hughes has returned to town, having completed the assessment work on the Gracie, on the south fork of Horse Thief creek. Before coming down he spent a day prospecting and discovered three feet of iron capping heavily impregnated with galena about 1,000 feet from the Gracie. He brought down several fine samples, which have not as yet been assayed.

A. S. McKinstry came down from Kimberley on Saturday. He says the shaft on the Big Dipper is now down 70 feet and it is the intention to continue this shaft to the 100-foot level. While the ore body has not yet been encountered the indications lead to the belief that it may be struck at any time.

John Curran came down from St. Mary's lake a few days ago and brings good reports from that section. He says all of the claims are looking well and improving as work progresses. On his own claim on the north side of the lake, there is a ledge from four to eight feet in width and in the shaft there is eight feet of ore, and he is much encouraged with the outlook.

The Silver Belt mineral claim adjoins the Paradise on the southwest and runs southeast. The ledge can be traced its full length. At the discovery point an open cut has been made which shows two feet of carbonates and clean galena from which seven average assays gave \$85 in all values. About 250 feet from the discovery post an open cut shows the ledge eight feet wide with about five feet of black sulphides and gray copper ore. Assay returns from this opening have not been received yet.

Messrs. Washburn and Fraser have returned from the Royal Crown, where they have been doing considerable development work. They have a tunnel in some 25 feet and have a showing of six inches of clean ore in the face. They gave us a fine specimen of the ore. The ledge is widening out. The hanging wall is quartz and lime and they have not as yet reached the other wall. The ledge is traceable for 150 feet. They left on Tuesday to do work on the Marion, at the junction of Jason and Toby creeks. The lead on this claim is 18 inches wide in copper pyrites and galena.

Parties who visited the Big Chief recently express themselves as much pleased with the appearance of the property. One gentleman remarked that there was a large body of ore on the property, something over 28 feet between walls, and should this ore carry value it will be one of the big things in East Kootenay. The work is now being done in the number two tunnel, work on the lower tunnel having for the time being been discontinued.

The Silver Crown adjoins the Silver Belt on the south, and is on the same lead. About 300 feet from the No. 1 post a tunnel has been started which will strike the ledge in about 30 feet. When this tunnel has been driven 200 feet a depth of 250 feet will have been acquired. An open cut on the north side of the mountain shows six feet of ore. The ledge is now being developed further, all through the entire width, which is about 20 feet. On the south side an open cut shows carbonates. About 150 feet from this lead a parallel vein also runs through this property, which is about three feet wide and is well defined, showing clean galena ore from 12 to 18 inches. Assays from this lead gave 68 per cent lead and 85 ounces of silver.

Strange as it may seem it is a fact nevertheless that the St. Eugene concentrator is turning out more concentrates daily than any mill in the Sloon, or even in the Coeur d'Alene country in Idaho, says the Moyie Leader. It is simply a marvel and astonishing to its owners. Of course the quality of the ore has much to do with this, as the percentage of waste is very small, but the mill itself is a record breaker just the same. During the month of June the amount of ore run through the mill reached nearly 9,000 tons, and the amount of concentrates turned out reached 1,937 tons. It is said that when the new addition is finished the capacity of the mill will be easily 400 tons per day.

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Extensive development is going on at the Bellevue mineral claim, owned by Poits & McLennan. The prospect is showing up beyond expectations. The claims of McFarlane and Woods, near the Howe group, are looking well. There are a large number of claims in the vicinity of the lake, all showing greater or less amount of development. C. M. Keep left for the Windermere country on Tuesday last week. Mr. Keep is interested in some mining property adjacent to the Paradise group. Late reports from the claims are to the effect that it is showing up well.

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A. S. McKinstry came down from Kimberley on Saturday. He says the shaft on the Big Dipper is now down 70 feet and it is the intention to continue this shaft to the 100-foot level. While the ore body has not yet been encountered the indications lead to the belief that it may be struck at any time.

John Curran came down from St. Mary's lake a few days ago and brings good reports from that section. He says all of the claims are looking well and improving as work progresses. On his own claim on the north side of the lake, there is a ledge from four to eight feet in width and in the shaft there is eight feet of ore, and he is much encouraged with the outlook.

The Silver Belt mineral claim adjoins the Paradise on the southwest and runs southeast. The ledge can be traced its full length. At the discovery point an open cut has been made which shows two feet of carbonates and clean galena from which seven average assays gave \$85 in all values. About 250 feet from the discovery post an open cut shows the ledge eight feet wide with about five feet of black sulphides and gray copper ore. Assay returns from this opening have not been received yet.

Messrs. Washburn and Fraser have returned from the Royal Crown, where they have been doing considerable development work. They have a tunnel in some 25 feet and have a showing of six inches of clean ore in the face. They gave us a fine specimen of the ore. The ledge is widening out. The hanging wall is quartz and lime and they have not as yet reached the other wall. The ledge is traceable for 150 feet. They left on Tuesday to do work on the Marion, at the junction of Jason and Toby creeks. The lead on this claim is 18 inches wide in copper pyrites and galena.

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