

BIG DEAL CLOSED UP

Shareholders Ratified Sale of Home-stake, Gopher, Lee and Maid.

MEETINGS HELD MONDAY

Advantages of the Transfer to the London Company Explained—Shareholders Get 12-15 Cents a Share or Its Equivalent in Stock.

Monday was the day appointed for meetings of the Homestake, Gopher and R. E. Lee companies to consider the proposal to transfer these properties to a London company. The shareholders of the Homestake met in the rooms of the B. C. syndicate, with W. G. Johnson, president of the company, in the chair. It was reported that holders of 800,000 out of the 1,000,000 shares of the company were present in person or by proxy. The president then made the following explanatory statement:

The President's Address.
"Before pointing out the advantages of a London company as compared with a local organization, I will briefly refer to the group of claims, viz: The Homestake, Gopher, R. E. Lee and Maid of Erin. I am assured by men of large experience, both miners from the United States and experts who have seen the great gold fields of Africa and Australia, that our surface showing on the Homestake is one of the chief features of the camp. So strong and well defined is the Homestake lead that it can be easily traced for over a mile through our claims, viz: the Homestake, Gopher, Lee and Maid of Erin."

"Neither the Columbia and Kootenay nor any other of Rossland's best mines had more brilliant surface indications, but mines of pronounced value of very great promise. Over \$50,000 has been expended upon them in machinery and development within the past few months. Over 1,000 feet of tunnel and shafts have been done, opening up large ore bodies, thus proving that we were not deceived by the surface indications."
"We do not see our way to obtain the necessary capital elsewhere than London, and it is of the first importance for many reasons that we merge this group of three companies into one London corporation. London is not only the largest mining market in the world, but larger by far than all the markets of Europe together. The solid advantages of a London company to the shareholders are obvious. There is always a ready sale in London for shares in good properties, even before the dividend paying stage is reached, if such properties are properly managed. We all know the wide difference between these in a local company, good but quite unseasonable, compared with certificates on the London market that can be exchanged for cash at any time, without having to lose time hunting for the buyer."

"With respect to the policy of rolling the three companies in which we are interested into one corporation, the advantages are so obvious and transparent that comment is unnecessary. These properties can be developed together, both more economically and more scientifically than if worked separately, requiring only one office, one staff, and one general manager."

Terms of the Transfer.
After Mr. Johnson had concluded his address the holders of the Homestake company, A. H. MacNeill, read the terms of the agreement made with the representative of the London company. These terms provide for the organization of a London company to be known as the Homestake Consolidated Gold Mines, limited, with a capital of £160,000, or \$800,000, which shall take over the Homestake, Gopher, Maid of Erin and R. E. Lee, all adjoining. These properties were owned by the three companies with an aggregate capitalization of \$4,000,000. Holders of shares in the old companies are to receive new fully paid stock shares in the new London company, and will get one pound share for every 40 shares of old stock in the old companies. That is, the new company is paying 12-15 cents a share or its equivalent for the stock of the old companies. It is further agreed that the new company shall put up \$25,000 for working capital, the money to be used for the further development and putting into paying position all four of the properties included in the sale.
There was very general approval expressed at the terms of the transfer and a motion to confirm was carried unanimously.

R. E. Lee and Gopher.
At 1 o'clock the same afternoon there was a meeting at the same place of the shareholders of the R. E. Lee company. There was represented 1,434,000 shares out of a total of 2,000,000. After similar statements to those made at the Homestake meeting in the forenoon, a motion confirming the sale of the R. E. Lee and Maid of Erin was passed unanimously.

Means Another Six Producer.
Thus was closed one of the biggest days' work ever done in Rossland. It was a complete confirmation in every detail of the deal made D. M. Linnard, who then went over to London last winter, and must be a source of much gratification to that gentleman. Mr. Linnard cabled to London last night that everything had been closed up satisfactorily and that the crown grants and deeds would be forwarded today.
It is presumed that the new company will be organized at once and will shortly begin extensive work on the four magnificent properties included in the sale. The enterprise, when it gets fully going, will be one of the large ones of the camp.

There are already two fine compressor plants ready to go to work, and with the amount of development work already done and the amount of ore already in sight it should not be long till the Homestake, Gopher, Maid of Erin and R. E. Lee are big producers.

CARIBOO CITY NOTES.

Townsite Company Making Many Improvements—Hotel Under Way.
CARIBOO CITY, July 11.—[Special.]—The townsite people are building a fine bridge over Trout creek at the rear of the town, connecting the government road now being constructed up Cariboo creek with First avenue south. This will greatly improve the traffic facilities from the Columbia river and shorten the present road fully a mile, affording at the same time a much better grade. A large amount of work is being done on the streets and the townsite is being much improved in appearance.
J. E. Mills, general agent for Cariboo City, went up to Lardens last week and made definite arrangements with the Kootenay Lumber company of that place for the immediate opening of a lumber yard here. The first consignment of 60,000 feet will be on the ground on Thursday.

The foundation is now being prepared for a large hotel on the corner of First avenue and Columbia boulevard, the frame work of which will be erected in a few days.
The fine weather that has set in pleases the prospectors, who have been delayed greatly in their work by the late rains.

Deer Park Reorganization.

L. W. and F. A. Mulholland arrived from Spokane Tuesday night, where they have been for a month arranging for the transfer of the Deer Park mine to a new Toronto company. At the shareholders' meeting, as already stated in THE MINER, the transfer was approved and F. A. Mulholland leaves for Toronto in the morning to complete the organization of the new company and effect the transfer. The Messrs. Mulholland expect that the new company will be in a position to resume work on the Deer Park in 30 to 60 days.

NUMEROUS KICKS COMING

Nelson's City Council Still Mad at the Provincial Government.

Mayor Thinks the Police Magistrate and License Commissioner Are Arrayed Against Council.

NELSON, July 12.—[Special.]—The city council is rebelling bitterly against the appointments by the lieutenant governor in council of the police magistrate and police commissioner and the outlook is that the matter will have to be settled in court. At the meeting of the council tonight the members expressed themselves as being in favor of adjourning sine die, were it not for the fact that the water and sewer system must be completed. It was said by one of the members that if the new appointees had any sense of decency they would resign when they saw that their appointment was objectionable to the council.
A communication was received from P. A. Crease, stating that he had qualified as police magistrate and was ready to discharge the duties pertaining to the office. He asked that a suitable room be secured as a court room. This communication aroused the ire of every member present and in the discussion that followed there were no bouquets thrown at the new magistrate or the power that appointed him.
By virtue of his position Mr. Crease is a member of the police and licensing board, and Mayor Houston said that he thought that he and the other commissioners had arrayed themselves against the council. He said that the act required the board to meet in open session four times a year and at these times liquor licenses may be issued by the collector under instruction from the board. As the next meeting must be held on September 15, no liquor licenses can be legally issued until then. He said if the council would so instruct him, he would ignore the board and issue the licenses necessary. It would probably result in a law suit and if the city would stand behind him he would enter it. No final action was taken but the matter will probably come up again next Wednesday.

The city council also has another kick to register against the provincial government and that is the location of the provincial jail in the heart of the residential district. When Hon. G. B. Martin arrives here he will be met by a committee composed of the Mayor, Alderman Fletcher and Alderman Hillier, who will endeavor to show the disadvantages of the new site.
There has been a change in the arrival and departure of Nelson & Fort Sheppard trains. They now leave Nelson at 9:10 a. m. instead of 8:10 a. m., arriving in Spokane at 6:40 p. m. They leave Spokane at 8 a. m. and arrive in Nelson at 5:45 p. m.

OLD BOARD REELECTED.

Nelson and Fort Sheppard Company's Annual Meeting.
NELSON, July 14.—[Special.]—The annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway was held at the Phair hotel tonight and the old board was practically reelected. The officers as they now stand are: D. C. Corbin, president; C. T. Dupont, vice-president; Austin Corbin second, secretary-treasurer; D. J. Roberts, D. C. Corbin, J. H. Adams, E. Roberts, C. T. Dupont, Austin Corbin second.

The gentlemen not present at the meeting were D. C. Corbin and C. T. Dupont. Details and matters of policy were discussed, but the directors now here do not wish to be authority for any public statements. D. C. Corbin will be in Nelson tomorrow.
Police Magistrate Atkinson of New Westminster, died at the hospital yesterday of heart failure. He was 40 years of age.

RECORD OF THE YEAR

West Kootenay's Mineral Exports Easily Exceeded \$5,000,000.

CUSTOM HOUSE FIGURES

Collections Increased From \$69,138 For First Quarter to \$104,782 for One Just Ended—Mineral Exports Rose From \$730,535 to \$1,309,184.

NELSON, July 9.—[Special.]—The Nelson Tribune will say tomorrow:

The returns compiled by George Johnstone, collector for the port of Nelson, illustrate as well as any set of figures can the development which has taken place in Southern Kootenay during the past twelve months ending June 30, which comprise the fiscal year for the customs department. During the period the revenue of the port of Nelson has increased from \$188,000 to \$350,078, while the mineral exports have made an aggregate increase, amounting in the aggregate value to \$4,841,459. These figures, it should be remembered, do not cover the entire mineral exports of the district, as much of the ore went out via Revelstoke and was credited to the port of Westminster through the outport of Revelstoke. In the tables which follow it will be noticed that the value of the exports more than trebles the value of the imports, the former being \$1,566,598, against a purely mineral export trade of \$4,841,459.

Returns for Last Month.

The following are the customs returns for the month ending June 30.

PORT OF NELSON.	Value of Imports.	Duty Collected.
Dualion goods.	\$120,623	\$34,627.79
Free goods.	28,562	
Total.	\$149,185	\$34,627.79

The mines (2,888 tons of ore)..... \$525,000
Copper matte..... 52,000
Animals and their produce..... 863
Manufactures..... 1,775
The forest..... 459,189
Total..... \$1,060,190

Collections during June were as under:

Rossland.....	\$12,013.86
Nelson.....	7,744.38
Kaslo.....	5,343.22
Waneta.....	1,937.54
Rykerts.....	144.57
Total.....	\$34,989.79

For the quarter ending June 30, 1897, the imports were \$443,717, the exports \$1,329,682, and the duty collected amounting to \$104,782.75.

Imports for the Year.

The value of the imports for the fiscal year reach the respectable sum of \$1,566,598, upon which duties amounting to \$349,000.05 were collected; which together with an item of \$1,077.95, brings the total revenue of the port up to \$350,078.00. The following is a statement of the value of the imports and the amount of duty collected in quarters:

Quarter endg.	Value.	Duty.
Sep. 30, '96.	\$306,134.00	\$59,133.49
Dec. 31, '96.	413,600.00	84,978.29
Mar. 31, '97.	409,140.00	80,016.01
June 30, '97.	443,717.00	104,782.75
Other revenues.		1,077.95
Total.	\$1,566,598.00	\$350,078.00

Mineral Exports for the Year.

The figures covering the mineral exports for the fiscal year are most encouraging. Were all the mineral exports of southern Kootenay included therein the aggregate would greatly exceed the \$5,000,000 mark. A large portion of the closed quarters of the fiscal year just closed with the corresponding quarters of the previous year can not be conveniently made, but a comparison between the last quarters of the two years will illustrate the development which has taken place. For the last quarter of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, the value of the mineral exports was \$467,667; for the corresponding quarter of the year just closed their value was \$1,309,184. It is not saying too much for the district to say that when these figures are compared for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, a corresponding increase will be shown. The following is a classified table of the mineral exports for the year:

QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1896.	Value.
Gold.....	\$55,824
Copper.....	97,773
Lead.....	439,934
Total value for quarter.....	\$733,531

QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.	Value.
Gold.....	\$428,735
Silver.....	324,211
Copper.....	184,521
Lead.....	28,333
Total value for quarter.....	\$965,800

QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 1897.	Value.
Gold.....	\$208,366
Silver.....	1,101,274
Copper.....	189,048
Lead.....	102,036
Total value for quarter.....	\$1,600,724

QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30, 1897.	Value.
Gold.....	\$704,368
Silver.....	359,211
Copper.....	197,775
Lead.....	78,328
Total value for quarter.....	\$1,339,682

SUMMARY OF EXPORTS.	Value.
Gold exported during year.....	\$2,306,880
Silver exported during year.....	1,797,843
Copper exported during year.....	248,421
Grand total for year.....	\$4,841,459

HEINZE AND THE LE ROI.

Secret Meeting Held in Spokane—Col. Peyton Coming North Today.
SPOKANE, Wash., July 12.—[Special.]—F. Aug. Heinze arrived in the city tonight and was closeted in a secret meeting with Colonels Turner and Peyton for an hour or more. Col. Peyton, when Heinze will go north either in the morning or next day. Col. Peyton leaves for Rossland in the morning.

NELSON MINING NOTES.

Recorder Issued 250 Certificates of Work in June.

NELSON, July 9.—[Special.]—During the month of June the mining recorder issued 250 certificates of improvements, an equivalent of \$25,000 in work. For the first eight days in July 76 certificates were issued. All this demonstrates that the great number of claims located during the past year are at least worth staying with. In all between 700 and 800 certificates of improvements have been issued this season and the hills are full of men still engaged in the work. It is a fair conclusion to draw that if the showings were not favorable this amount of work would never have been done. Assays from all points indicate marvelously rich ledges and the alleged truism of miners from other countries that only one claim in a thousand makes a mine, seems to be in imminent danger of being overturned. West Kootenay has been a country of surprises and men who know it all are becoming more conservative in their utterances.

Slocan River Railway.

Engineer Perry, of the C. P. R., came into town tonight and in conversation with THE MINER's representative stated that 900 men are at work on the grade of the Slocan branch railway between Slocan crossing and Slocan lake. They are working at both ends toward the center and the force is about evenly divided. Twelve miles of wagon road have been built from the crossing inland and in another week Mr. Perry hopes to be able to report substantial progress on the grade. The time for the completion of the grade is set for October 15, and it is expected that trains will be running over the branch by or before December 1. It is understood that the work of extending the present terminal in Nelson will be started in a few days.

The Athabasca mine has now 25 men at work getting out ore and will still further increase the force as soon as conditions will permit. The ore is continually improving in value. Next week two carloads of 20 tons each will be shipped to the Nelson smelter.

YMR TOWNSITE TROUBLE

Residents Petition D. C. Corbin to Suspend Payments on Lots.

Title to Townsite is Disputed and Deeds Are Not Forthcoming—Prisoner John Escapes From Jail.

YMR, July 9.—[Special.]—A meeting of all the property holders in the town was held last night to consider the advisability of making further payments now due on lots, whilst the title to the townsite remains under litigation. Many of the holders of lots upon whose property the second payment is now due have refused to pay over any more money until proper deed could be given them. In consequence of this refusal the town agent has threatened to re-sell the properties over their heads. As buildings have been put up and sundry other improvements made upon the lots in question, it was considered advisable to meet together and take some sort of organized position in the matter. The meeting was well attended and various expedients suggested with a view to compromising with Mr. Corbin. At one time the meeting was in favor of the deed being formed of all the second payments as they become due, which fund should be held by a bank until such time as the title was clear and the town plot recorded. It was mentioned that at the time of the lots being taken the agent stated to several of the purchasers that the plot would be recorded within three weeks, and that a deed would therefore be forthcoming long before the second payment became due. Further discussion resulted in a leaning towards obtaining an injunction restraining Mr. Corbin from reselling the properties in default of second payments. Finally, however, it was resolved to draw up a resolution signed by all the property owners in town, which should be forwarded to Mr. Corbin. The following resolution was therefore drafted:

To D. C. Corbin Esq., president Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company:
DEAR SIR: We, the undersigned citizens and property holders of Ymir desire to submit the following resolutions to your earnest consideration:
Resolved, that we, the citizens and property holders of Ymir, bear no ill-will toward the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway company, but desire a guarantee of a clear title to lots before any more purchase money be paid;
Resolved, that you instruct your agent not to collect any more money for payments which are now due for lots in Ymir, until such time as the title shall be clear;
Resolved, that you shall render a decision as to what course you will pursue in this matter at the earliest possible date, and send your answer by registered mail to Mr. Martin.
This resolution was signed by the great majority of property holders in the town and has been forwarded to Mr. Corbin.

Mining and Local Notes.

Work is now to be resumed on the Guttenberg property and a contract has been let for 200 feet of tunnelling. At present the work done consists of one night and 40 feet, further work upon which was delayed in consequence of excess of surface water.

Very good reports are coming in of the Flying Dutchman claim, situated near Hall. Very promising work has been done on this claim, but it has a very promising outlook, the last assay going \$175 in gold.

A few days ago Justice Buckworth sentenced a man named John to two months' imprisonment for larceny, following his removal to Nelson the following day he was placed in a small shack in town in charge of a special constable. During the night, however, he managed to make good his escape and has not since been heard of.

IS ROSSLAND BETRAYED?

The Canadian Pacific Railway Has Apparently Abandoned the Field to the Columbia and Western Railway.

THE CROW'S NEST CONTRACT EVADED

Vice-President Shaughnessy Says the C. P. R. Will Not Come Into Rossland For Two Years—Under the Present Conditions This Forces the Smelting Business Out of the Province—What Has Minister Blair to Say to This?—Will the C. P. R. Be Permitted to Pocket the Enormous Subsidy For the Crow's Nest Line While Surrendering the Trail Creek District to the American Railways?

We published a statement yesterday morning from Colonel Peyton, manager of the Le Roi mine, to the effect that Vice-President Shaughnessy of the C. P. R. had told Senator Turner of the Le Roi mine and T. G. Blackstock of the War Eagle, that the C. P. R. could not be expected to get into Rossland and offer the mine owners here any facilities for the cheap transportation and smelting of ores before the expiration of two years. Since then we have had this statement confirmed by authority which cannot be questioned, though we were slow to believe anything so utterly inconsistent with the entire logic and equity of the situation.

Either Mr. Shaughnessy has entirely failed to realize the situation as regards Rossland or a deal has been made with the Columbia & Western railway which prevents him taking action. We are entirely convinced that General Manager Whyte and General Superintendent Marpole were, on the occasion of their recent visit to Rossland, unaware of any agreement by which their road was left out of the field. It is therefore plain that if such an agreement exists it is a secret one. That one does exist seems almost certain and in that case we have no hesitation in saying that the people of Canada have been betrayed.

What the Crow's Nest Road Was Subsidized For.

The necessity for a line through the Crow's Nest pass at this time arose primarily from the growth of the mineral industry in West Kootenay and the necessity of supplying cheap fuel to give that industry an opportunity to reach the maximum of productivity. It was universally understood that the section which promised the greatest tonnage was the camp of Rossland, and throughout all the debates in the house of commons the point was reiterated again and again. The suggestion that Rossland must wait two years for the C. P. R. to give it rail facilities was never hinted at until Mr. Shaughnessy so informed Senator Turner and Mr. Blackstock.

What does Mr. Shaughnessy expect the Rossland mine owners to do? Does he expect them to suspend operations and wait two years for his road to get here? What has the government just subsidized the Crow's Nest line for? Was it not to give relief to the mining industry of East and West Kootenay? Two-thirds of all the tonnage of ore in this entire mining region originates at Rossland. This is no mere assertion. Fortunately we have the figures at hand to prove it and we are persuaded nobody is better acquainted with the fact than Mr. Shaughnessy himself.

The Rossland shipments are now running over 2,000 tons a week, or at the rate of over 100,000 tons a year. This is more than double the entire tonnage of all the other camps of both East and West Kootenay combined and we have every reason to believe our tonnage can be increased more than 100 per cent in the next six months.

Is This Carrying Out Mr. Blair's Policy?

Now we appeal to Mr. Blair, minister of railways and canals, and ask if it was not his purpose when he met the people of Rossland last winter to give Rossland the benefit of an arrangement which he would be able to make for a railroad from the Crow's Nest coal fields? Had he ever a thought that a conspiracy would be entered into by which Rossland would be sidetracked and shut out of the advantages which are supposed to come from this road? We are perfectly well aware that it will not be possible to get coal and coke to the Columbia river from the Crow's Nest coal fields for two years, but there are many ways by which the C. P. R. could assist Rossland long before the expiration of that time. The C. P. R. is now building lines to tap other points in West Kootenay. Why then is Rossland ignored?

Rossland Can Not Wait Two Years.

As we understand Mr. Shaughnessy, he proposes to do nothing for us. We repeat that if the C. P. R. is to stay out of this camp for two years it might as well not come at all. Arrangements for the transportation and treatment of our ores on a large scale must be made long before the expiration of that time, and if those arrangements shall include smelting plants at Northport, we hope to hear no more talk of an export duty on ore. What sort of spectacle would the Ottawa government present if on the one hand it permitted this camp to be deprived of the benefits of the C. P. R. connection, and on the other, placed an export duty on ore? The only possible excuse for an export duty on ore would be in case we were pre-empted to smelt ores as cheaply on the Canadian side as on the American side. If then people insisted on going on the other side to smelt ores, we would be justified in placing an export duty. An export duty, under any other circumstances would simply be a tax on the mining industry.

The Government's Duty is Plain.

In the light of all these facts it appears to us the government at Ottawa owes it to the people of Canada and the largest producing camp in British Columbia to demand of the C. P. R. a definition of its policy towards Rossland. We have every assurance that the government intended that Rossland should have the full benefit of any arrangement made for a railroad from the Crow's Nest coal fields. As things are now, we have no certainty of any relief whatever, so far as the C. P. R. is concerned.

We maintain that if the C. P. R. does not build into Rossland forthwith it has broken faith with the government and the people of Canada. It could not have got one dollar for a subsidy for the Crow's Nest Pass line if it had been understood that it would permit the smelting industry to be driven across the line into the United States. The people of Canada would never have given it one cent of bounty if it had been understood that the camp of Rossland, producing more than one-half in value and more than twice as much tonnage as all the rest of East and West Kootenay combined, were to be left to the tender mercies of the Heinze railway system for Canadian connections.

Present Conditions at Rossland.

The exact situation as regards Rossland at the present moment is as follows: The best available freight and treatment rate on ore is about \$11 per ton. To the Trail smelter this is made up of a transportation charge of \$2 per ton for handling ore thirteen miles and a treatment rate of \$9 per ton. To the nearest American smelters, which are 500 to 600 miles away, the freight rate is about \$6 per ton and the treatment rate a little less.

The Le Roi Company has determined to build a smelter of its own, has ordered the machinery and must commence construction in the next few weeks in order to have it in running order by the time its contract with the Trail smelter expires. A site must therefore be selected at once. Only two railways are in position to take the ore away—the Columbia & Western and Red Mountain—these being the only two roads running into Rossland at present. The first is not considered desirable because it is merely an appendage of Mr. Heinze's smelter. The second runs to Northport, Wash., and offers a rate of 75 cents per ton.

Does Canada Want the Smelting Industry?

So far as Rossland is concerned it does not make one particle of difference whether its ore is smelted at Northport or at some point in British Columbia. What it wants is to get its ore reduced as cheaply as possible. Our citizens believe that with the steps the Dominion government has taken to secure cheap fuel at the earliest possible date, and the enlightened co-operation of the Canadian Pacific Railway, every pound of this ore can be treated as cheaply at some point in this province as at Northport. If, however, the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. declines to make any move in the matter at present, we can assure the people of Canada the smelting industry will be forced to the American side of the line, a result which was certainly not contemplated when the C. P. R. was founded so handsomely to build the Crow's Nest line.

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SUDDEN DEMAND FOR LOTS

Toronto People Seem to Have Got a Tip and Several Have Wired For Options - Montreal Syndicate Has Control of the Property.

Telegrams were received in Rossland last week from parties in Toronto and Montreal making inquiries about the townsite of Robson. One of these telegrams asked that an option be obtained if possible on the entire Robson townsite. This is taken to mean that the C. P. R. has come to a definite conclusion concerning the establishment of the smelting industry at Robson. It is long been thought the C. P. R. would select Robson for this purpose. It has many natural advantages for the smelting business.

It will be remembered that General Manager Whyte and General Superintendent Marpole, of the C. P. R., came here a few days ago to meet certain mine owners and talk over the question of transportation of ores from this camp to the smelting works. Marpole and Mr. Whyte were greatly impressed with the tonnage of the camp and that they made a strong representation to Vice-President Shaughnessy at Montreal on the necessity of taking immediate steps to acquire a foothold for the camp towards transportation and smelting facilities for the Rossland ores. At the same time this was done United States Senator George Turner, of the Le Roi mine, and T. G. Blackstock, of the War Eagle, went from Ottawa to Montreal to see Vice-President Shaughnessy on the subject of smelters for Rossland ores.

No definite information has been received here as to the result of the representations made to Mr. Shaughnessy by Messrs. Whyte and Marpole, or by the Montreal people, one of them being Frank Paul, a member of the syndicate, which bought the old Rossland townsite several months ago. Mr. Paul probably knows what he is doing.

SECOND AVENUE BRIDGE.

It will be completed this month and will cost about \$4,000.

By the last of the month the new bridge will be completed across Centre Street on Second Avenue. The structure is being put in by the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway company, which owns that part of the Rossland townsite. The bridge will be of considerable convenience to the residents of the northern part of town, as it will permit of easy communication with the east end of town clear to the baseball grounds, and it is expected to divert traffic to Washington street.

PROBABLY NOT COMING BACK.

W. A. Campbell Has Closed up His Business - City Short an Alderman. The continued absence of W. A. Campbell from the camp is arousing a good deal of comment and it is reported that some sensational dispatches on the subject have found their way into outside papers. Mr. Campbell had very large interests here and in March was elected a member of Rossland's first board of aldermen. He has never qualified and signed the certificate and has not indicated any intention of doing so. Upon inquiry THE MINER has learned upon authority not to be disputed that Mr. Campbell has settled all his obligations here and taken steps to close up his business. He probably does not intend to return to Rossland.

DOUBLED IN FOUR YEARS.

Population of the Mainland Twice That of Vancouver Island. Victoria, July 8.—(Special.)—From figures obtained from the manuscripts of the Williams' provincial directory the whole white population of the mainland of British Columbia reaches 78,850, or a doubling inside of four years. The population of Vancouver and adjacent islands bids fair to reach 117,350 without taking in Indians.

Machinery Contracts Awarded.

Nelson, July 8.—(Special.)—Contracts have been awarded to both the Ingersoll and Rand companies for temporary machinery for the excavation of rock at the middle falls of the Kootenay river for the big electric power plant to be put in there by Sir Charles Ross and his associates. James D. Sword, of the Ingersoll company, and Frank Mendenhall, of the Rand company, have been here and furnished bids and estimates. They were so close together that the contract was divided between them. Mr. Mendenhall returned to Rossland today and Mr. Sword will go to Sandon.

BIG STRIKE NEAR WATERLOO.

High Assays in Silver Reported From the Bryan.

Burt True, who has been prospecting around Waterloo, is in town, bringing with him news of a sensational strike recently made in the Bryan, in that district. "The strike was made about three weeks ago by Chester Robbins, an assayer of Waterloo," said Mr. True. "The ledge was considerably covered by wash, but a small hole disclosed a two-foot paystreak of quartz mixed with sulphides and carbonates. The rock promised well, and Robbins took some specimens down to his laboratory to be assayed. They showed up surprisingly high values in silver and gold. One sample went 500 ounces in silver, another 1,100 ounces, a third 1,300 ounces and the last 2,000. The last sample also showed up \$100 in gold. "The claim is located about two miles southwest of the Mandé S. The recent strike has excited great interest in the camp, and the owners are contemplating some development work. The claim, together with four others in the same group, has been surveyed since the recent strike. The owners are Sir Chas. Ross, Bart., L. C. Crawford, C. R. Hamilton, W. De V. Le Maître and H. Robbins. The ledge extends into the Gomez, the adjoining claim."

THE WATERLOO STRIKE.

Results of a Large Number of Assays From the Bryan.

Further information has been received regarding the promising strike recently made on the Bryan group near Waterloo. From W. de V. Le Maître, of Trail, one of the owners, the following detailed assays were received: No. 1, gold \$12.80, silver \$53.80, total \$66.60; No. 2, silver \$15.94, gold none; No. 3, gold \$100.80, silver \$67.28, total \$168.08; No. 4, gold \$25.60, silver \$126.24, total \$151.84; No. 5, gold \$101.40, silver \$878.90, total \$980.30; No. 6, gold \$6, silver \$37.46, total \$43.46; No. 7, gold \$37.60, silver \$57.60, total \$95.20. Mr. Le Maître adds that claims are being staked everywhere in the vicinity, and that the company hopes to send down a small shipment to the Trail smelter to be tested.

NEWS OF IRON CREEK CAMP

Strike of Rich Gold Ore Reported on the Christiansa.

Chrysolite Company Will Push Development of Its Property—Norway Mountain Mines to Be Worked.

A strike is reported to have been made on the Christiansa in Iron Creek camp on Upper Sheep creek, a few miles west of Rossland. Some of the ore has been brought in and shown in THE MINER office. It is a fine looking quartz carrying some iron pyrites and a little galena. It is by far the best looking ever shown in Rossland from the Iron Creek camp. The assays are reported to have shown \$89.60 in gold and 24 ounces in silver. Assays made from adjacent lodes on the same claim show a trace of gold, 67 ounces in silver and 40 per cent lead. The ledge carrying the gold is, of course, the one most highly esteemed and it is upon this that work will be continued. The strike shows conclusively that there is ore of good grade in Iron Creek camp.

SUNSET NO. 2 MINE.

Ore Body Found Again in the Tunnel—Progress of the Work.

The ore has been found in the No. 1 tunnel of the Sunset No. 2. For some time a break in the vein has been causing a good deal of trouble. This has now been overcome and there has been found a good body of ore running about 820 feet in length. The tunnel is in 150 feet and has yet to run 150 feet before getting under the shaft top down last winter. This shaft is down 70 feet and the tunnel will open the vein 40 feet below it. It is believed the ore will be continuous from the point where it has just been found to the shaft, as there are no indications of a break on the surface.

Back From Mineral City.

C. C. Woodhouse, jr., the well known mining engineer, is back from a trip to Mineral City, the new town recently started on Cariboo creek. "There is a great deal of prospecting going on, and some little development is under way. The new hotel at Mineral City is complete and travelers can find accommodations there now. I visited the Silver Queen company's property and the showing there is quite satisfactory. The tunnel is now in 46 feet and eight men are at work. The wagon road from Burton City is furnishing work for all the men in that section who are looking for employment."

MAIDEN BLUSHES.

How They Fade When the Hand of Disease and Disorder Lays Hands on Them—What a Godsend is a Reliable and Well Tried Remedy—How We Halt the Return of the Pink of Health—Under Its Influence—If It's Good for the Maiden, It's Good for the Mother. "My daughter has been ailing for nearly two years with nervous prostration, indigestion and other complaints which girls in their teens are subject to. For days at a time she was confined in her bed, and could retain nothing on her stomach. Our family physician finally declared she was in decline. We despaired of her recovery. She gradually grew worse. I found so little benefit from remedies I was skeptical about trying South American Nervine. I, however, procured a bottle and relief came like magic; the pain left her in a day, and after having taken five bottles she was completely cured, and as well and hearty as ever she had been." Mrs. Geo. Booth, Orangeville, Ont. Sold by McLean & Morrow.

Nelson-Poorman Gold Mining Co.

LIMITED LIABILITY. INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, MAY 25, 1897. "COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

Capital Stock \$250,000.

In One Million Shares of the Par Value of Twenty-Five Cents Each.

PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS: A. L. DAVENPORT, Nelson, Miner, President; J. FRED HUME, Esq., M. P. P., Nelson, Vice-President; ROBERT EWART, Nelson, Miner, Secretary-Treasurer; J. FRED RITCHIE, Rossland, Surveyor; HECTOR McRAE, Rossland, Miner.

BANKERS: Bank of Montreal. **SOLICITOR:** John Elliot, Nelson, B. C.

HEAD OFFICE, - - - **NELSON, B. C.**

PROSPECTUS.

This company has been organized for the purpose of acquiring the Poorman group of gold-bearing properties, consisting of the Poorman, White, Hart, Noble, Hardup, Election and Myener, covering about 150 acres and situate in Nelson mining division of West Kootenay, B. C., and vigorously prosecuting further development and enlarged workings of these valuable properties.

TERMS OF PURCHASE. It is proposed to purchase said properties with mill, water rights and other plant, tools, etc., for the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000), the vendors accepting 300,000 fully-paid shares of the company's stock at \$1 in payment.

WORKING CAPITAL. The remaining 200,000 shares are to be set aside as working capital for development purposes.

TITLE. The Poorman mineral claim was crown granted February 7, 1891. Preliminary steps have been taken for procuring a crown grant for the Hardacrable. Crown grants for the remaining claims will be obtained as quickly as possible.

EXPENSES AND COMMISSIONS. The estimated amount required as preliminary expenses is placed at \$5,000, and a commission of 25 per cent is allowed to the promoters out of which the preliminary expenses and all other expenses in floating the company will be paid.

APPLICATIONS FOR SHARES. Subscriptions are invited for an issue of one million shares of the company's stock of the par value of Twenty-five cents each. Applications are to be made to the company's secretary and no application for less than 500 shares will be received. Shares are to be fully paid on allotment to applicants. The provisional directors have each subscribed 200 shares, excepting J. Fred Hume, who has subscribed for 1,000.

REPORT ON THE POORMAN. The following are extracts from the very full report of Messrs. Bewick, Moring & Co., mining engineers, of London, Eng.: "The property is situated on the northern flanks of Toad Mountain about two miles west of Nelson, and with an altitude of 1,500 to 2,500 feet above sea level. It consists of five claims with an area of about 150 acres.

GEOLOGICAL FEATURES AND VEINS. The rock occurring throughout the property is a hard mica-schist, traversed in several directions by eruptive dykes. The rocks are mostly composed of heavy accumulations of detrital matter so that the outcrop of veins make very little display on the surface. There are three known quartz veins intersecting the property, but only two of them have been operated on to any extent. One of these occurs on the Poorman, and has been proved, partly by mining and partly by trenching for a length of about 700 feet, but the property on the line of the vein has a length of 4,500 feet. Where proved, the thickness of quartz varies from three inches to five and a half feet, and averages about two feet three inches. The other vein alluded to is in the White. Where worked it has a thickness of about seven inches and carries a heavy quantity of galena and pyrites. The vein on the foot wall is a similar rib ranging from six to eighteen inches in thickness, and the ore is composed mainly of country rock, traversed by twenty-four inches. This ore is not so rich as that of the country rock, which is worked from wall to wall.

CHARACTER OF ORE. The ore in all the veins has the same general character, and consists of milky quartz, mostly traversed by threads, strings and bunches of auriferous pyrite with a little galena and chalcocite. There are in some places the quartz is perfectly white and free from pyrite, when pyrite, this white quartz carries a considerable amount of visible gold. The more important source of this metal, however, is the pyrite and other sulphides existing in the ore, which, when taken alone, run very high in gold. The gold is mostly in the form of coarse grains, 20 to 30 centimes in size, and carries an average value of about \$2.00 per ton, or 35 centimes per ton of mill. With the present machinery there is a loss of nearly \$4.00 per ton in the tailings. Much of this gold is carried by the veins in the Poorman mine in 84 assays. The assays show an average of .50 oz. per ton of silver. In the White, .35 oz. of gold and .5 oz. of silver.

WORK DONE ON THE VEINS. Most of the ground in the Poorman above the top level, affording about fifty feet of "backs," has been stoped away, but below that level very little stoping has been done, the late owners, for further information or shares apply to

ROBERT EWART, Secretary of Nelson-Poorman Gold Mining Co., Nelson, B. C.

GOOD FRIDAY CLAIM

Development Work on the Property Will Soon Be Begun.

OWNERS HIGHLY PLEASED

Think It Will Make a Big Mine and Will Prove a Shipper Almost From the Start—Has Some High Grade Galena.

Nathan Toklas, of Spokane, Ferdinand Toklas, of San Francisco, Frank Watson and Robert McCann, went out last week to the Good Friday claim, which has just been released from a dispute of long standing. The gentlemen named are among the principal owners of the claim. They came to Rossland not only to look it over, but to meet W. J. Taylor, of Victoria, the well known barrister, who is to formulate the plan for organizing a company to own and develop the Good Friday.

STRIKE ON THE ETHEL.

Murphy Creek Property Has \$80 Ore at a Depth of 40 Feet.

An important strike is reported on the Ethel of the Ethel group, on the headwaters of Murphy creek. There are six claims in the Ethel group, but most of the development work has been done on the Ethel. The strike was made in a 40-foot shaft. More or less ore was found all the way down from the surface. The assays of surface ore showed from \$7 to \$12 in gold. The values have steadily increased and the last one made showed \$81.60 in gold. This leaves no reasonable doubt of the value of the ore which is a heavy pyrrhotite, much like the best ore on Red Mountain. Surface showings on some of the other claims in the group are said to be very fine.

THAT LE ROI CHALLENGE.

Sutherland Campbell Says the Use of His Name Was Unauthorized. Saturday afternoon Sutherland Campbell called at this office in reference to the challenge to Le Roi miners, published in yesterday morning's paper, and signed by him and W. A. Henderson. "The use of my name in that challenge was entirely unauthorized by me," said he. "I do not crack myself up to be a champion at all." Mr. Henderson broached the subject to me one day but I paid no attention to the matter and was much surprised to learn this morning the step he had taken. I think his remarks regarding Captain Hall were entirely uncalled for and not in the best of taste."

Big Assays From Deer Park Mines.

Some remarkably rich strikes are reported from the comparatively new camp of Deer Park, on the Lower Arrow lake above Robson. Only a small amount of development work has been done, but some rich ore has been disclosed. The leads carry nearly everywhere from free gold to galena. An assay made yesterday from one of the Deer Park properties showed the enormous value of 4,440 ounces in silver, which is equivalent to a value of \$2,664 per ton. From the Rob Roy, another claim lying close in to the town of Deer Park, the assays showed 18 ounces in gold.

Work On the Big Bluff.

The work of hydraulicizing away the big bank of dirt and boulders on the west side of the big bluff at the end of Columbia avenue, was begun Saturday. The flume was found to be too small and it will be enlarged before work is resumed. The water was obtained from the hydrant at the War Eagle hotel and was conveyed to the scene of operations in the fire hose. The work promises to be very successful, and attracted quite a crowd.

Pile Terrors Swept Away.

Dr. Agnew's Ointment stands at the head as a reliever, healer, and sure cure for Piles in all forms. An application will give comfort in a few minutes, and three to six days application according to directions will cure chronic cases. It relieves all itching and burning skin diseases in a day. 35 cents. Sold by McLean and Morrow.

being men of little capital, having been unable to set aside a sufficient amount from the profits of stoping to enable them to keep their development work sufficiently advanced, so that they ultimately arrived at a stage in which the available slopes were nearly exhausted and nothing but development work could be done for some time. That appears to be the reason for parting with their property. At any rate it is a perfectly good reason for men in their position. Before an adequate output of ore can be obtained, it is necessary to continue a tunnel which has been commenced about 150 feet vertically below the upper tunnel. To the date of our inspection it has been driven about twenty fathoms, but it needs to go fifty fathoms farther, and this driven by the Pelton wheel. One rock drill, two hoists, 2 1/2 inch cables with 6-inch drum gear 5 to 1; one vertical boiler, 8 1/2 feet diameter; one Keesley sinking pump, 10x14 inch steam and 6-inch ram, with 4-inch suction and 3-inch delivery; both hoist and pump arranged to work either by steam or compressed air. The capacity of this mill should be doubled. To do this it will be necessary to make some addition to the water supply. This can be done quite easily. It will be necessary to introduce an improved tailings plant, so as to save some of the gold that now goes down the stream.

MILL.

There is a 10-stamp mill in good order, but poorly housed. It stands about 240 feet vertically below the Poorman lower level. It contains: One Blake crusher, 11x20 inches; ten 80 pound stamps; two "Challenge" feeders; three vanners. This machinery is actuated by a four-foot Pelton wheel driven by water, having about 250 feet head. The capacity of this mill should be doubled. To do this it will be necessary to make some addition to the water supply. This can be done quite easily. It will be necessary to introduce an improved tailings plant, so as to save some of the gold that now goes down the stream.

OTHER MACHINERY AND PLANT.

In addition to the mill there is on the ground: One air compressor and receiver for driving three drills, and about 2,500 feet of two-inch pipe leading up to the mine. The machinery is driven by the Pelton wheel. One rock drill, two hoists, 2 1/2 inch cables with 6-inch drum gear 5 to 1; one vertical boiler, 8 1/2 feet diameter; one Keesley sinking pump, 10x14 inch steam and 6-inch ram, with 4-inch suction and 3-inch delivery; both hoist and pump arranged to work either by steam or compressed air. Also a considerable length of rails and pipes of various sizes, from one-half to one and a half inches, and all necessary cars and tools to work the mine on the small scale it has hitherto been worked. The mine is equipped with a sufficiency of wooden buildings.

FUTURE WORKING.

Besides completing the lower tunnel at Poorman, a deeper tunnel should be made at White. These works, with the necessary drilling along the lodes, which will take about six months, will render it possible to obtain an output of fifty tons per day or 15,000 tons per year. The development work suggested would, provided no unforeseen occurrence interferes with the yield of the vein, with this rate of extraction, serve for between three and four years' output at least. The lower tunnel at Poorman is about 250 feet vertically above the mill, and the White tunnel about 710 feet above it, so that there are abundant "backs" for years to come that can be reached in the most advantageous manner.

ESTIMATED COST OF WORKING.

When the suggested new works are completed, we estimate that the cost of working will not exceed the following, and probably will be less: Mining, \$4.00; Milling, \$1.00; Superintendence, \$5.00; Sundries, \$2.00; Total, \$12.00. Taking the net value of the ore at only \$14.00 per ton to allow for deterioration, there will be a profit of \$8.00 per ton, or \$120,000 a year on an output of 15,000 tons.

COST OF NEW WORKS, ETC.

The cost of the extensions to the mill, and other works needed to enable the before mentioned output to be obtained, is estimated at \$22,000, as detailed below: Mine development, \$7,000; Ten stamps and accessories, with new building, \$5,000; Flume from Sandy creek, \$3,500; Sundries works and payments, \$1,500; Total, \$22,000.

VALUE OF MINE.

From a consideration of the foregoing figures and of the circumstances surrounding the mine, we are led to the conclusion that the value of the property may be safely taken at \$40,000. In fixing upon this value we make ample allowance for all the risks attendant upon this class of mining. (Signed) BEWICK, MORING & CO.

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WILD HORSE CREEK

Wagon Road Promised From Ymir to Ymir Mine.

WILL BE SIX MILES LONG

Miners of Porcupine Creek Will Bridge the River Themselves—Management of Elise Company Has Run the Property Heavily Into Debt.

Ymir, July 7.—[Special.]—Acting Gold Commissioner Goepel was here yesterday to inquire into sundry representations which have been made to the government as to the necessity of building roads and trails in this vicinity. One result of his visit is the definite promise of a government wagon road from the town to the Ymir mine, a distance of about six miles up Wild Horse Creek.

The holders of claims on Porcupine creek have apparently tired of waiting for the government to come to their assistance and have decided to co-operate with one another in building a bridge across the Salmon river from the railway track to the mouth of Porcupine creek.

This bridge will fill a long felt want as there are an immense number of claims on both sides of the creek. Two trails serving these claims are already in existence, running on either side of the creek, and as on some of the claims, such as the Porcupine, Guttenberg, Imperial and others, considerable work has been done, it is necessary to have a good road to reach them.

Mines on the Townsite. During the progress of grading Second avenue here a fine ledge of rock showing copper and iron in quantity was exposed. This ledge is in the Pay Roll claim, which is owned by Messrs Cameron, Capshaw and Gillespie and covers a large portion of the surveyed townsite.

There are two other claims which include portions of the townsite. One of these is the Telegraph, a fraction owned by Sullivan and Chase. This property, which is now under bond, has a 12-foot ledge showing copper, iron and gold.

The Elise Company's Affairs. A very lamentable state of affairs appears to exist as regards the management of the Elise mine. This property is undoubtedly one of the richest in this vicinity, a statement which appears greatly at variance with the present low price of the stock.

The result is that work is for the present discontinued and the company is heavily in debt. The men have received no pay for the last two months and therefore have a claim on the property itself.

The large buildings which were commenced in the spring and which were now nearly all finished, and some of them are already doing business.

Intentions of the Relocators—Interesting Law Points Involved. GRAND FORKS, July 7.—[Special.]—Now that all phases of the relocating of the Volcanic, Iron Cap and Wolverine claims have become public it is generally believed that the plan of Mayor Manly and Charles Cummings, if successful, will be financially interested in the claims.

Wagon Road From Salmo. SPOKANE, Wash., July 8.—[Special.]—D. O. Clark, who has the contract for building the bridge across the Salmo fork of the Salmon river, near Salmo, in the city and says that as soon as the bridge is finished, which will be in 10 days, the government will begin the building of a wagon road into the mining district some 10 or 12 miles south of Salmo. This will cost several thousand dollars.

PORTO RICO A DAISY

It Promises To Be One of the Richest Mines in Kootenay.

AVERAGES ABOUT \$100

With Several Adjoining Properties It Is Under Bond to the Canadian Exploration Limited, of London—Nature and Extent of Development.

Mention has been made through the columns of THE MINER of the Porto Rico in the Salmon river country, but there is but a vague idea of the real character of the property.

The Porto Rico is under bond to the Canadian Pacific Exploration, Limited, of London, England, and is situated on the head waters of Slate creek, four miles west of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railroad, and about six miles down the Salmon river from the west, and now has running along it a bad prospector's trail.

The Porto Rico is but one of a group, the other claims being the Rio, Lizzie B., Republic, Alpha, Sunshine and Barbecue. Deals for most of these have been made by W. H. Corbould, manager of the Canadian Pacific Exploration, during the last few days.

A tunnel has been run in on the vein on the Porto Rico 50 feet and has been in ore from the start. The ore has been taken on either side. Very careful assays have been made from time to time and the average shows fully \$100 in gold per ton.

There is a beautiful locality over the richest ore bodies yet found in this western country. The last assay made from ore taken from the face of the tunnel gave \$88 in gold.

The best methods of treatment has not yet been determined. It could be done at the Hall Mines smelter at the cost of three or four dollars a ton but it may be found that it can be milled on the ground, and in order to make a test a small prospecting plant is now under consideration by Mr. Corbould.

Runaway Found in New Denver. New Denver, July 7.—[Special.]—Mrs. Jennie Andrews had a good time in New Denver while her disconsolate husband was vainly searching for her with the aid of the police.

Home very shortly after her husband was called away, or had a jolly time with a couple of weeks' duration in Sandon before seeking the social advantages New Denver has to offer.

THE PENITON ROAD. Premier Turner Still Urging Its Claims on the Dominion Government. VICTORIA, July 9.—[Special.]—Today at the annual meeting of the board of trade the general report expressed regret at the failure of the Dominion government to at least build the Penitton road.

Officers were elected as follows: President, G. A. Kirk; vice-president, W. A. Ward; secretary, T. Elworthy; council, Messrs. D. R. Ker, F. S. Futcher, A. C. Flumerfelt, J. H. Todd, F. B. Pemberton, R. P. Rihet, F. O. Davidge, Simon Leiser, A. H. Scoble, G. Hayward, W. H. Bone, A. C. McCandless, C. E. Renout, W. F. Bullen and F. J. Claxton.

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Belief Expressed That It Will Result in Sending Much British Capital to the Colonies—Latest Gossip of Companies and Promoters.

LONDON OFFICE OF THE MINER. 106 Bishopsgate Street, Within, E.C. LONDON, June 23.—[Special.]—(Correspondence).—Since I last wrote little has occurred financially as regards British Columbia, which I can chronicle, but the great wave of loyalty which has surged over this kingdom has done much, I believe, to further the cause of a more thoroughly united empire.

The Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has been received everywhere with the greatest enthusiasm by the public and with genuine friendship by our statesmen. The happy step taken by the government in connection with the tariff has greatly strengthened the hands of those who have advocated an imperial customs union during late years, and great efforts are being made to obtain some tangible result, however small, before the representatives from the colonies return.

In the honor's list published yesterday Sir Wilfrid Laurier and all his brother premiers are created privy councillors. Several prominent colonials receive titles or further honors, but this cannot be regarded with the same significance as the admission of the leading statesmen of Greater Britain, to Her Majesty's private council-board, a far more barren honor, and an invitation offered only to the most capable and honorable of the Queen's subjects. It is most fitting, that on this, one of the greatest epochs in the history of a people, a spirit of progress, and greater unity should manifest itself. Should the feeling of imperialism which has so signally shown itself throughout those festivities, bring forth fruit, however small, before the close of the present year, it is impossible to limit the happiness and prosperity which lies before a united empire. The many millions lying idle and seeking investment in this country will be eagerly attracted to enterprises of all kinds, and British Columbia will have no need to complain that it is difficult to obtain capital to develop her mines.

Where at present the merits and riches of the Dominion are mainly sung to English ears by sons of peasantry, small tradesmen or retired officers of small income, whose opportunities of interesting others with the wonderful accounts they receive from their boys are essentially limited, they are not in touch with the big manufacturer, the city magnate, the great financier, or the merchant princes, men who can command and influence capital. But when representatives of our greatest manufacturing houses are dispatched to open up trade relations (under the new tariff) in their reports to their firms opportunities of good investments will be pointed out, and to men capable of grasping opportunities and either possessed of large capital or able to exert influence.

Valuable information thus obtained will be acted upon with results which will be beneficial to the province and to the English investor.

Stock Exchange Jubilation.
What can I say about stock exchange this week? Nothing! Absolutely nothing. We gave up business at the end of last week and ever since have been celebrating in public and private the diamond jubilee. The stock exchanges passed an address to the Queen on Monday, and then sang "God Save the Queen," with patriotic vigor. Never in my life have I seen such a spectacle as the gathering under the dome of the great building, representing the wealth of the empire more than any other institution in the country. Thereafter there was naught but jubilation, and business has been non-existent.

B. C. Financial Trust.
I feel that it is idle to attempt to chatter about British Columbia, and yet there are a few points that deserve notice. One of these is the statutory meeting of the British Columbia Financial Trust, which although purely formal was interesting from the enthusiastic utterances of the chairman, Mr. Biggs. This gentleman referred to the importance to the mining industry of the cheap supply of coal guaranteed by the Crown's West Pass railway, and also stated that his company would not entertain business propositions without first making searching examinations of the properties offered. The chairman made an explanation regarding the uncalled liability and also said that he could not account for the reason why the shares of the company should be quoted at a discount. I very much expect that this is owing to the uncalled liability.

Two New Companies.
I have just discovered two new companies which have just been formed privately to develop British Columbia. They are named the British Canadian Development and the British Columbian Exploration company. Their offices are at Embassy House, called to see the secretary, Mr. H. St. John Hodges, today but found him out. I hope to see him in a day or two and ascertain particulars from him regarding his companies, which, I might add, have been formed without recourse to the public for financial assistance.

British Columbians in Town.
The British Columbians now in town are probably too busy jubilating to attend much to business, but after the festivities are over and London resumes her normal condition, we shall expect to hear of important developments. Mr. Gerson is still here, but he has had to postpone the introduction of his new company owing to the jubilee. I am told that Ernest Kennedy is expected at his brother's office this afternoon, but he had not arrived at 4 p.m.

Mayor John A. Manly, of Grand Forks, who is in Rossland for a few days, received word Saturday that the placer grounds at Grand Forks were showing up remarkably well. His correspondent stated that with a crude rocker \$5 in gold had been recovered from 3 1/2 cubic yards of earth.

DEER PARK TO REORGANIZE.

New Company Will Be Controlled by the Present Toronto Stockholders. SPOKANE, Wash., July 10.—[Special.]—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Deer Park Mining company held this evening it was unanimously resolved to transfer the mine and all other assets of the company to a company to be organized in Canada with a capital stock of 1,250,000 shares of the par value of \$1 each, 250,000 shares to be placed in the treasury together with 80,000 shares left in the treasury of the old company to be used for development purposes. The stockholders in the old company are to receive share for share in the new company.

By this transfer the Deer Park will be controlled by some of the most prominent capitalists in Toronto. Fred A. Mulholland, who represented over 600,000 shares of Toronto stockholders at the meeting, said it was the intention of the new company to reorganize in Toronto at once and proceed with the development of the mine.

SLOCAN CITY NEWS NOTES

Townsite Company Donated Site for Government Buildings After All.

Work Begun On the Trail Up Lemon Creek and Progressing Satisfactorily On the Railway.

SLOCAN CITY, July 6.—[Special.]—The Pioneer and The News of this city have both taken me to task for my report of June 16, of the suspension of work on the Skylark and Ranger, the former taking the opportunity to indulge in some remarks which might lead those who had not seen your paper to believe that the report was incorrect. On referring to the item that has been deemed worthy of so much attention, I find that I simply said that the bond on the property had been thrown up, giving the name of the company who held it, coupled with the statement that the mine was showing up favorably. This item had no connection whatever with my remarks about prospectors' values, which I am pleased to see coincide with the views expressed by The Pioneer this week. As far as sending out reports of supposed facts is concerned there is no part of the item in question which is incorrect, and the opinion which I expressed that the property would show up well is fully borne out by the fact that the owners are carrying on development work.

Giant powder was the most prominent feature of the Fourth of July celebration here. The fact that the anniversary occurred on Sunday this year interfered to a great extent with jubiliations that might otherwise have taken place. The Dominion day celebration at New Denver took a great many of our citizens up the lake, and they report a very enjoyable time.

Slocan City is to have the record office within its boundaries after all. A telegram from Mr. Fletcher, townsite trustee at Nelson, conveys the intelligence that he has decided to grant lots on Hume street, between Ward and Park avenues, for the purpose of erecting the government buildings.

F. A. Thayer, inspector for the Equitable Savings & Loan Association, of Toronto, was in town yesterday and instituted a local board for his company, to do business here. Messrs. Lyall & Whitmore were appointed agents. The board comprises some of our most prominent business men.

A court of the Independent Order of Foresters was instituted here last Tuesday evening by G. L. Lennox, D. S. C. R. of the order, with 24 names on the charter roll. A lodge of the Odd Fellows society will receive its charter shortly and it is expected that the Canadian Order of Foresters will take steps to organize within a short time.

Work has begun on the trail up Lemon creek. Men have been engaged some days blazng the line for the road. This is welcome news to the mine owners of Lemon creek.

Mr. McGregor is pushing the work on the Mira with all possible haste. It is showing up well both in abundance of ore and richness. It is situated within a mile of the new townsite.

People are daily making their way up Lemon creek studying carefully the future of the new town. They cannot help but be impressed when they visit such promising mines as the Black Prince, the Cold Blow and the Gruesader, and the Carpenter and Fred Crupper returned after a month's prospecting back of the Hot Springs.

J. S. Yates made a strike on the Greenstone last week. It is situated on the head of Tiger creek. He leaves again in a day or two to do some work on it. He brought a few splendid samples of quartz in with him.

Grading has already begun on the railway within a mile and a half of the town. The work in general is being pushed on rapidly. A force of men was put to work yesterday morning on the streets under the supervision of D. McBeth. It is expected before long to see Harold and Arthur streets in the same condition as Main street.

Jas. Cran, the new manager of the Bank of British North America, arrived in town on Friday morning and is registered at the Hotel Slocan. Mr. Cran takes Mr. Kydd's place, the latter having gone to Sandon to assume his old position there.

The dance given at the Hotel Slocan on Wednesday evening was a very successful affair. Great credit is due to Mr. Williams, the host, for the entertaining manner in which he treated the guests.

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Mineral City will be to the Cariboo District what Rossland is to the Trail Creek District. See key plan at any agent's office.

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In six months, if all things go well, the Kootenay and Columbia will be one of the great producers of the camp. In the meantime the main tunnel, now over 600 feet, will be pushed on in to Columbia hill, and one of these days will come up against the Iron Colt on the west.

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North Fork of Salmon Mines.

Nelson, July 9.—[Special.]—Among the visitors to Nelson this week, was Con Dolan of the North Fork of the Salmon river. He reports that the Menuca, on which he has just completed the annual assessment, has a ledge of ore extending over twelve feet between walls, the character of ore being pyrites of copper, carrying a good value in gold and silver. The Witch Hazel has also developed a most remarkable body of fine ore. Mr. Dolan is part owner of the famous Robert J., considered by many the most valuable property on the North Fork.

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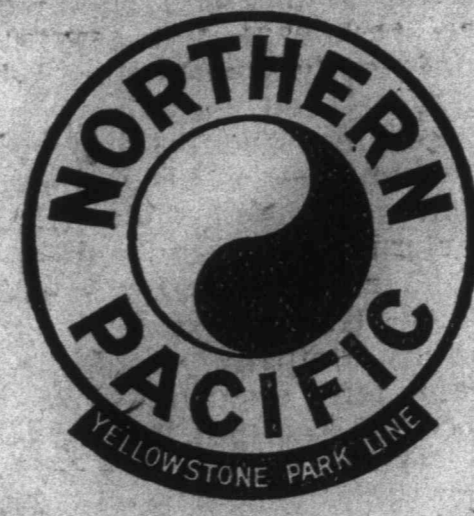
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OUTLOOK IS BETTER

Grant-Govan Thinks London Money Will Flow Freely to Kootenay.

PLANS OF HIS COMPANY

It Will Try to Make Dividend Payers of Its Albert Canyon Properties and Then Take Hold of Some Rossland Mines.

Before his departure yesterday Ernest W. Grant-Govan, of the Gold Fields of British Columbia, limited, of London, England, gave a MINER reporter his impressions of the Rossland camp. He said it was, on his opinion, cause for congratulation that the stock fever had burnt itself out as companies organized on the lines of most of the locally registered companies were doomed to failure, as they seldom provided sufficient working capital.

"My visit to Rossland at the present time," continued Mr. Grant-Govan, "is not for the purpose of taking up such properties, but it is my intention to come early date and with certain funds which I have at my disposal to take over several valuable properties which can no longer be considered as prospects, and convert them into producing mines with all possible speed. There are several reasons why I am deferring going into this matter at present. For instance, I anticipated that within the next few months some rapid strides will be made as to the reduction of the cost of this camp. At present the reduction facilities leave considerable room for improvement, not only as to the cost, but also as to the mode of reduction.

"There is also another important reason why I must delay making a thorough inspection of the properties in this camp for the purpose of investment. The company of which I am managing director, and which, according to some of the unenlightened newspapers of this province, has been inmediately capitalized, has most valuable interests in the Downie Creek district, some twenty miles north of Albert Canyon. I am assured on all sides that those interests comprise some of the most valuable properties yet discovered in the province. I have reason to believe that with proper management some of those properties may be converted into mines which will rank as the largest producers of high grade ores in the country.

"As soon as things are sufficiently advanced in that locality I shall pay a visit to our numerous properties on the coast and select those which are most promising, so that active mining operations can take place. Thereafter it is my intention to return to Rossland in the hope that I can find properties and arrange terms and conditions with the owners, which will probably establish several shipping mines, within the next twelve months."

FEELS MUCH ENCOURAGED.

Frank Paul Gives His Impressions of Rossland-Power Company Organization.

A meeting of the West Kootenay Light & Power company was held yesterday for the purpose of election of officers. There were present Sir Charles Ross, Frank Paul, of Montreal, Oliver Durrant and J. B. McArthur. Mr. Durrant was elected president, Mr. McArthur secretary, and Mr. Paul treasurer. After organization a large amount of business pertaining to the construction of the electric power plant on Kootenay river, was transacted.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The Pige Mine.

Waneta, B. C., July 7. EDITOR MINER—Sir: For lack of funds to continue development we were obliged to close our mine on Saturday last. A large block of stock was being negotiated for which would have given us plenty of cash for some time, but for some reason, unknown to us at present, the party who was about to buy it backed completely out, and as we had no funds in the treasury we were compelled to take the steps we have taken. We implicitly believed that this deal would go through or we should have closed a month ago.

We trust some arrangement will be made in the near future whereby we can resume operations on the Pige.

Challenge to Le Roi Miners.

ROSSLAND, July 8. EDITOR MINER—Sir: I would like to say a word in reply to Captain Hall, of the Le Roi mine, in his interview published in your issue of June 29. He says the miners from eastern Canada are inferior to those from Montana, Colorado, and Lake Superior. Now, I think Captain Hall's knowledge of eastern miners is very limited from the way he speaks of them. For Captain Hall's information I would like to tell him that there were skilled miners in eastern Canada long years before he knew what a mine was. I would also tell him that the greatest returns of any gold mines in the world, for the money invested, were obtained in eastern Canada, so the skill of both management and workmen will compare favorably with some of the big mines of the west. It is a fact that machine drills are not much used, as the veins are not adapted to their use.

The Buffalo Company.

PORT FRANK, Ont., June 24. EDITOR MINER—Sir: I received, some time ago, a prospectus of the Buffalo Gold Mining company, which stated that the company owned three claims, viz., Buffalo, Ontario and Great Britain No. 1.

You tell me, is this company still in existence, is its stock pooled and your candid opinion of it? What is its treasury stock worth? Yours truly, I. KROBART.

Wants Monthly Reports.

ST. BONIFACE, July 2. EDITOR MINER—Sir: When I made inquiry about Iron Colt, IbeX, Big Three and Silver Bell companies you were good enough to inform me about the progress of the several mines, and we should like to hear continually how they are getting on. You have been very quiet lately, and said nothing about these mines. Certainly when these mining companies issued their prospectus they tried to boom their mines and induce people to subscribe shares, but after we have bought shares they are silent. I think every mining company should inform the shareholders monthly, how they are progressing, and keep them in ignorance. Yours truly, SUBSCRIBER.

The Allen Labor Law.

ROSSLAND, July 15. EDITOR MINER—Sir: Your special report from Ottawa on first page of this morning's issue of the ROSSLAND MINER, headed Allen Labor Law, will be read with a great deal of satisfaction by all British workmen in Canada. The action taken by the Dominion government is certainly a step in the right direction, and if carried out to the letter will receive its just reward from workmen of all shades of politics in Canada.

Silver Bell Company.

EVERETT, Wash., July 7. EDITOR MINER—Sir: I have some stock in the Silver Bell and have heard some ugly rumors about the management of the same. Has anything of importance occurred? Yours respectfully, TROJ. MIDDLETON.

That Le Roi Challenge.

ROSSLAND, July 11. EDITOR MINER—Sir: I was quite surprised to see in this morning's MINER that Suther Campbell, of the Monto Cristo mine, says he did not authorize the use of his name in the challenge to the Le Roi miners. He told me personally on July 2 that he would drill with me against any team from the Le Roi mine for one day's work, and subsequently sent word to me through Daniel Church and George McKenzie, to publish the challenge. Yours truly, M. A. HENDERSON, Red Mountain Mine.

Inquiry from Michigan.

CANBRIA, Mich., July 6. EDITOR MINER—Sir: If not too much trouble please state what are the prospects of the success of the St. Paul, Northern Bell and Hill Top companies of Rossland, IbeX and Legal Tender companies of Slokan and Kootenay. Samples from the surface went 270 ounces in silver and \$14 in gold.

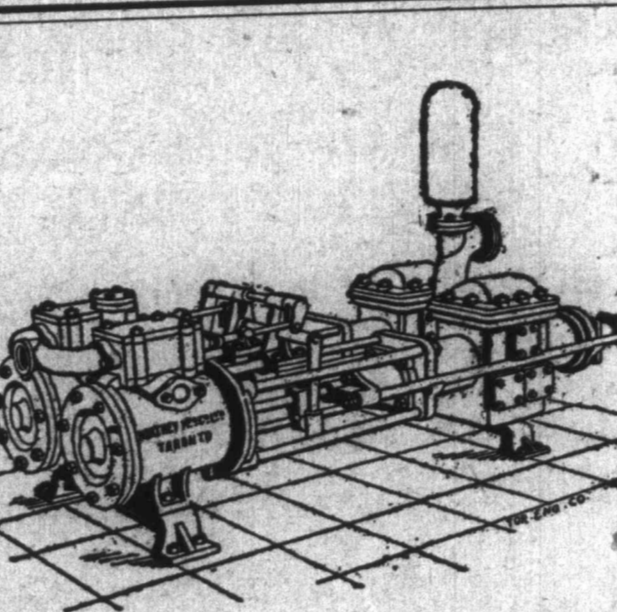
W. A. Carlyle, provincial mineralogist, completed his work here yesterday and left for the Lardeau country.

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following mineral claims: Mississippi, situate on Lake Mountain, near the Crown Point, Tennessee and Ohio, situate at Hall's Siding in Nelson division. A considerable amount of work has been done on the Tennessee under the direction of Mr. McCreath, and high assays have been had, to which reference has been made in your paper. The last block of stock was placed upon the market at 15 cents per share. Your correspondent can procure such further particulars as he may require upon application to the secretary or the undersigned. J. H. GOOP, Director.

Good Hope and Mr. Campbell. VICTORIA, July 12. EDITOR MINER—Sir: I see in your issue of the 9th instant a paragraph in reference to W. A. Campbell's absence from the camp. This I suppose is the same Campbell who was reorganizing the Good Hope company. As it is impossible to get any information in regard to this company I would esteem it in favor if you would let me know if they are doing any work on the claim or has it been abandoned? I understood that the Good Hope under Mr. W. A. Campbell's able management was likely to turn out a promising property. I have some time ago in your paper. I have been guided to a certain extent by your paper, but it seems you have been taken in as well as your readers by unscrupulous and irresponsible men. Yours truly, COLIN CAMERON.

[Now that Mr. Cameron has drawn our attention to the Good Hope we shall look it up and find out what has been done. We do not think the claim any less valuable because Mr. Campbell has absented himself from the camp. It adjoins the Good Friday from the very good results are expected.—Ed.]

Fishermen's Strike Ended. VANCOUVER, July 12.—The fishing season opened last night. The trouble between the canners and fishermen is practically settled by a compromise at ten cents per fish, instead of 15 cents as demanded by the men and eight offered by the canners.



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CARIBOO CREEK NEWS. High Grade Ore Struck in the Tunnel On the Duchess. BURTON CITY, July 12.—[Special.]—Mr. McMillan, of Rossland, who is interested in the Tryo Group, arrived in town on Sunday morning with a force of men to begin work on the property which is located in Goat canyon, eight miles from Burton City. R. B. Burton has given a contract to C. Racine of Nakusp for the erection of a handsome building on one of his lots on the Strand. Messrs. Clark and McGinnis have recently completed a 47-foot tunnel on the Duchess and Chieftain, Tye Gulch, Cariboo Creek. They have struck a good body of ore, which runs on an average about 150 in gold and silver. This is one of the most promising properties in the camp, and it is rumored that the owners are negotiating a sale for a large sum.

Messrs. Pearce & Sons, the sawmill men, are entitled to the thanks of the citizens of Burton for the erection and equipment of a commodious public bath house. F. G. Fauquier, government agent, was in town on Saturday and let two sections of additional work on the wagon road. C. Racine and J. R. Jones are the contractors. Work is being pushed all along the line on this road. It will be through to Mineral City by September 1.

YMER NEWS NOTES. Forrester Appointed Constable—Another Mineral Discovery. YMER, July 11.—[Special.]—Another mineral claim has been located, covering the greater portion of the new part of the town. The initial post is only a few yards from the railway depot, and the claim is being graded. The discovery was made during the grading operations, which disclosed a fine ledge of decomposed quartz, averaging about six feet in width. W. C. Forrester has been appointed permanent constable for this district. Mr. Forrester, who is an ex-captain of the Royal Canadian infantry, has already demonstrated his determination to look well after drunks and hoboes, and the new jail which he has had made had occupancy long before it was completed. Mr. Forrester has supervision of all points between Waneta and Hall's Siding, but will make his headquarters here.

WAKEFIELD'S FIRST SHIPMENT. Thirty Tons of High Grade Ore Being Forwarded—Bridge Contract Let. SILVERTON, July 14.—[Special.]—The first shipment, consisting of 30 tons of high grade ore, is now being made by the Wakefield silver mine, which is owned by the Bremner (Scotch) syndicate. The contract for the erection of a handsome bridge to cost \$2,500 has been given by the owners of the townsite of Silverton.

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Trip From Dyea—D the Yukon—Life Ground Along doubtedly All S

The privations have to be endured men who are rushing Klondike gold dig detail yesterday to The Miner by John Rossland, who visits last summer and s in the district. Sp experience Mr. Lu trip from Dyea to t the hardest and most able, and those who tions had better not "I left Seattle w March 4 and arriv miles northwest of 4," said Mr. Luc the Klondike is t than and even as t we left, the big f much advertised.

"We took with to last six months a than we needed. A steamers and went navigation. There packed our stuff of hauled by dogs, 15 which is at the b Great care had to our provisions as t common and parti entire outfit by faili preparation. "Everying has summit of the pass, \$12 a hundred pou Sheep camp to the big, strong fellows pounds. We descen them to the Lin through our outfit's ice. At that season was good and the t than it would be a melted. As soon a timber we whipaw and built a scow, wide and about tw We placed our outli it on sleds. Righi culiar gear at the line runs up one of and about six mil these lakes was fir good progress.

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"We stopped at along the strea Cudahy. At Circl in a town of peo company stores a which would be a Supplies are prett 75 cents a pound f for beans, 60 cents and 75 cents a p is 50 cents a drin is transacted with body carries thei them.

from Circle Ci had trail for ten miles on this sic boundary line. was found in the stream. It was there when I wa the discoveries we on other creeks. of the Klondike \$30; but there w I should prefer t other stream. "I don't unders people that are expect to get wa are from 3,000 ground already. as surely being e fore this time. t the river bed an dike must certai out long ago. "I was puzzle

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