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LARGE ORE BODIES

On Ten Mile Creek, In The Nicola District.

[From STAR Correspondent.]

This camp is situated about 14 miles north of Lower Nicola, on the west side of Guichon Creek, at an altitude of 2,000 ft. Gravel drifts and large boulders are very abundant, bedrock the exception, making prospecting and developing outcrops difficult. In fact nine-tenths of the ore is practically buried under wash.

The entire area of the camp is in a large belt of granite. The ore-bodies occur as intrusions in the granite, which are either dykes or fissures.

The part of the country directly on Ten Mile Creek, are dykes, and in the extensions in a northwesterly direction, about one mile away, appear true fissure veins. The ore occurs as nativ- copper, copper glance, bornite, and hematite iron,—copper glance largely predominating, and invariably producing the high grade ore.

The gangue rock is decidedly complex, in many cases appearing an altered granite, but quartzite may be looked upon as the main lode matter. Talc is freely found connected with the ore. The intrusions are nearly vertical with well defined walls, perfectly free, with more or less of a clay gangue.

The full width of ore-bodies, it is impossible to give at present, as complete cross-cutting on any one of the properties has not been performed, but a safe estimate is from at least 10 feet, to over 150 feet wide.

Some outcrops, showing the same characteristics can be found to extend for some four miles, the trend being approximately northwest by southeast.

The two chief characteristics of the mineralized intrusions can be summed up as follows:

(1) The occurrence of large surface indications of an oxidised zone, with definite boundaries in the granite.

(2) The granite on each side of the mineralized zone being considerably decomposed with iron oxide.

The Aberdeen, owned by the Broomhead Mining Syndicate has the most development, having 209 feet of underground work, viz.:—Tunnel 110 feet, cross-cuts 31 feet, shaft 50 feet, drift at bottom of shaft 18 feet.

The tunnel cut through a vein 4½ feet wide, of very rich copper glance ore, with free unbroken walls on each side.

In the preliminary opening up of this property, this vein received all the attention, the encasing rock being overlooked. It has since been found that the en-

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PASS RESOLUTIONS

Re Mine Inspectors and Mineralogist.

At the meeting of the Princeton branch of the Provincial Mining Association held Monday evening, May 11th, two resolutions were passed, on which the executive of the Provincial Association will be asked to act.

One, having for its purpose the improvement of our system of mine inspection was introduced by Vice Pres. Wm. Knight. It was worded as follows:

"We request the appointment of at least five mine inspectors, to be composed of practical miners, whose duties shall be to go from one mine to another continuously in the districts under their inspection:

"To examine each mine carefully and request necessary changes for the protection of life:

"To report to the Minister of Mines or Gold Commissioner not less than once a week, and to respond to every call from mine owners and miners at their earliest convenience."

The other resolution was proposed by G. E. Winkler, and read as below:

"In the opinion of this branch of the Provincial Mining Association, the present Provincial Mineralogist is unsuited for the position he occupies, and we believe it in the interests of the Province that the executive of the Provincial association urge upon the government the desirability of a change. Our reasons for this belief are as follows:

"FIRST—His reports on new mining camps are invariably pessimistic and tend to discourage both prospector and capitalist seeking a suitable field for operations; so notoriously is this the case that interior mining districts having few developed properties have never welcomed his visits, and his name has become a by-word and a jest among large numbers of the prospecting fraternity in Southern B. C.:

"SECOND—Because of their official character his reports have an extremely injurious effect on outsiders unacquainted with the country's resources, and go far to nullify the efforts of those who are working for the development of new sections:

"THIRD—In particular we protest strongly against his report on this district, which did it a grave injustice."

Before adjourning the meeting passed a vote of thanks to A. E. Howse, who was present, for representing the district at the Victoria convention, and also for his services as a member of the Provincial Executive.

During the evening Mr. Howse made a very able address, explaining at some length the work accomplished in convention and by the executive committee, the present financial position of the organization, and the plans of the association for future efforts on behalf of the mining industry.

OLALLA CAMP.

Mining and General News Notes.

[From STAR Correspondent]

The weather here is now very fine, and vegetation of all kinds making rapid progress. Gardening is in full swing, everyone trying to make up in some degree, by physical exertion, the lack of the usual good spring weather conditions.

The installation of the Welby through stage line and mail route from Penticton to Princeton, is much appreciated here. The opinion is unanimous that, as these stages are to make two trips a week, a united effort should be made to induce the postal authorities to arrange for a twice a week mail service, which can no doubt be done by special arrangement with Mr. Welby at a very moderate increase in the present cost of the weekly service. The attention of the STAR and its numerous readers, is respectfully directed to this matter.

Work is being carried on at the Bullion group by three shifts. No. 3 tunnel is in ore, top, bottom and sides, and is in all particulars a most excellent showing. No. 2 tunnel is in over 200 feet, and is being driven to intersect the large ore-body cropping about 150 feet vertically above it. The ore on the surface above No. 2 is being opened by a short open cut and tunnel, the results of this work being of the most gratifying character.

McDonald & Weeden have just finished their assessment work on their LeRoi-Scotia group. They report having struck an extensive body of excellent ore—copper pyrites in a spar gange—specimens of which they have brought in with them, and which certainly speak volumes for the value of their property.

The various railway construction reports floating about are as unreliable as usual.

HOW VERY EASY

it is to spend small sums of money when you have a large amount about you. How much safer and better it would be to keep your spare money in the bank. Bank of Hamilton, Kamloops, is at your service.

A report of the debate last night is held over until next week on account of lack of space.

Jas. M. Wright of Penticton came up from that place on Wednesday's stage. Mr. Wright will shortly take a position on the STAR.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Brief News Notes of Princeton and Vicinity.

Fred Revely was a visitor from Hedley on Thursday.

J. Beaver, who lives on Wolf Creek Mountain, had an exciting experience last Sunday with a she bear and her three cubs. He shot the bear twice, but as his rifle was light the bullets appeared to have little effect. The wounded and enraged mother got dangerous, and as Mr. Beaver's amunition was running low he decided that discretion was the better part of valor, so retreated, leaving bruin in possession of the field.

Harry Nicholson of Camp McKinney, announces himself as a candidate for the Provincial legislature at the election believed to be near at hand. The Similkameen seems to be well supplied with aspirants for political honors.

Dr. Whillans made a trip to Hedley on Sunday last, and returned Monday.

W. S. Wilson was up from Hedley on Monday.

F. W. Groves, P. L. S., has been busy this week surveying claims for Messrs. Burr and Jones, on Kennedy Mountain.

High water in the One Mile Creek washed out part of the Allison dam Wednesday night.

George Goldsbrough was thrown from a horse Thursday morning at Allison, and was so unfortunate as to break a bone in his foot. He will be laid up for a month or so.

Tuckett & Co., Hamilton, Ont., has the cigar factory purchased by them at London in full operation. Mr. Dooley, the former owner, is the manager in charge. Forty hands are employed at the Hamilton union wages. The only brand of cigar made by the firm is the favorite and well known Marguerite. Of these 10,000 are turned out every day. These famous cigars you will get at the Hotel Jackson.

A. E. Howse drove in from Nicola Monday, bringing in his new manager for the Princeton store, W. C. Lyall, late of Clinton, B. C.

Born—Allison, Wednesday May 13th, the wife of Mr. W. Thomas, of a son.

Donald McPhail was down from Granite Creek, Tuesday.

Judge Murphy is in town arranging trouble for the Prior government when it appeals to the country.

J. Swansbourough returned to Hedley City early this week.

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MAIL SERVICE VIA PENTICTON.

It seems to take a long time for the post office officials to realize that there is now a mail service into Princeton via Penticton. The STAR would respectfully call their attention to the fact, and at the same time intimate that an overhauling of their arrangements whereby the service could be made of greater use might be in order.

The new service was inaugurated last week. No Coast papers came in for this place on the first mail, and it was thought proper instructions had not been given for the forwarding of letters and papers from Spence's Bridge and Kamloops to Sicamous Junction; but as the service had just commenced, some allowances were made. The second mail arrived Wednesday last and the same thing was repeated.

It is hoped the post office inspector will inquire into the matter and have better arrangements made.

There is no reason whatever for stacking up mail at Kamloops and Spence's Bridge that could just as well reach here several days earlier via the Okanagan route.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The suggestion made by our Olalla correspondent, that the people of this section should try and induce the Dominion government to arrange for two mails a week via Penticton, is a good one. The additional expense to the Post Office Department would be very slight, and the benefit to the district amply warrants the small outlay.

Mr. Arthur Stevenson, government road superintendent, who resides at Lytton (where his services are only required during an election) has inspected the roads between Nicola and Princeton twice this year, and reported favorably on their condition; yet they are not passable with any degree of safety for even the lightest vehicle. When will it be possible for a freight team to pass over? This is one of those serious questions the people would like Mr. Stevenson to answer or vacate the position he has demonstrated his inability to fill to the satisfaction of the country.

Will Superintendent A. Stevenson, of Lytton, B. C., rise and explain why the road men under his direction are doing work that is wholly unnecessary at present when great damage is being done in other places that could be prevented if they would use their upper stopes to some advantage.

Perhaps some suggestions from the Provincial Mining Association regarding this official might have the desired effect.

Judging from the force of the "breeze" coming down the Similkameen River on Wednesday last, "Windy" Young might have been talking to an audience of Ashnola citizens.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HEDLEY CITY, B. C., May 12, 1903.
EDITOR SIMILKAMEEN STAR.

DEAR SIR,—In a recent issue of your paper there appeared an article entitled "Mine Owner vs. Claim Owner," in which I was made to appear as attempting to obstruct work on the Yale Mining Co's flume at this place.

For the information of the public I wish to make a statement of facts:—

Without giving me notice as required by law—vide "The Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897,"—the company started work on my ground. I therefore ordered them off.

M. K. Rodgers, manager for the company, requested the Gold Commissioner and myself to meet him at C. E. Oliver's office for the purpose of trying to effect a settlement as to what compensation I should receive for the ground required for the use of the flume, and to put up bonds.

At the meeting, the Gold Commissioner inquired why an immediate settlement could not be effected. Mr. Rodgers offered $100.00 and I asked $200.00, but finally agreed to accept $100.00 for all ground used by the flume not crown granted, and at the rate of $32.20 per acre (actual cost to me) for all crown granted land. This proposition Mr. Rodger accepted, and went off to write his cheque for the $100.00. He had not been gone 20 minutes when he returned and stated that he would not abide by his agreement, but would put up bonds as required by law. This leaves the matter to be settled by arbitration after the work is done.

This controversy aptly illustrates the manner in which the Yale Mining Co. does business.

Yours truly,
LOUIS O. HEDLUND.

CHURCH NOTICE.

May 3. Nickel Plate mine—Service 2:30 p. m.; Healey City 7 p. m.
" 10. Princeton—Service 11 a. m. S. 10 a. m.
" Granite Creek—Service 7:30 p.m.
" 17. Princeton—Service 7:30 p. m.; S. School 3:30 p.m.
" 24. Princeton—Service 11 a. m. S. School 10 a. m.; Granite Creek 3:30 p.m.

NOTICE.

A sitting of the County Court will be held at Princeton on Tuesday, June 9, 1903.

By Order,
HUGH HUNTER,
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C. SCHISLER.

Princeton, May 9, 1903. j-27

FOUND

On Wolf Creek Ranch in 2 starving condition, a pinto buckskin gelding branded with a square "G" on the left shouder. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for winter's keep and costs of advertising within thirty days.

G. P. McALPIN.

May 1st, 1903. m-30

NOTICE.

THIRTY days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—

Situated on Nine Mile Creek, and joining on west line of Goodall's location, commencing at post

And running 80 chains north, 80 chains west, 80 chains south, 80 chains east, back to post, in all 640 acres.

JACK LANG.
S. SPENCER, Agent.

Located April 18, 1903.

Joining on west line Mitchell's and on south line Lang's locations, commencing at post.

And running 80 chains south, 80 chains west, 80 chains north, 80 chains east, to point of commencement, and containing 640 acres.

M. K. FRENCH.

Located April 18, 1903. m-16

NOTICE.

Iron Mask Mineral Claim, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District. Where located:—Wolf Lake, South Fork Similkameen River.

Take notice that I, Ernest Waterman, agent for the Vermilion Forks Mining and Development Company, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B56486, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvement, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1903. m-23

NOTICE.

La Reine Mineral Claim, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District. Where located:—On Kennedy Mountain.

Take notice that I, Ernest Waterman, agent for the Vermilion Forks Mining and Development Company, Limited Free Miner's Certificate No. B56486, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1903. m-23

NOTICE.

Vancouver, Home Rule and Jubilee No. 2 Mineral Claims, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District. Where located:—Copper Mountain.

Take notice that I, Ernest Waterman, agent for the Vermilion Forks Mining and Development Company, Limited, Free Miner's Certificate No. B56486, intend, sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 28th day of March, A. D. 1903. m-23

NOTICE.

Copper Cliff and Copper Bluff Mineral Claims, situate in the Similkameen Mining Division of Yale District. Where located:—Copper Mountain.

Take notice that I, Peter Edmond Wilson, Free Miner's Certificate No. B51146, 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 claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificates of Improvements.

Dated this 29th day of April, A.D. 1903. j 20

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of mountain pasture land in the Nicola Division of Yale District, described as follows:—Commencing at a stake at the northeast corner of Lot 905, running thence north 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains to point of commencement

W. A. DODDS.

Aspen Grove, April 21, 1903. j 20

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LARGE ORE BODIES

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closing rock is sufficiently well mineralized to be called an ore, and appears to be of a large extent. This lower grade ore may yet be found to be the most valuable. The shaft followed a branch from the main rich vein for 50 feet, with no decrease in width or values. The end of the drift from the bottom of the shaft is in ground intersected with numerous small veins, indicating a much wider vein in depth.

Only the north wall has, as yet been disclosed, so full width of intrusion cannot be given.

A trial shipment was made from the Aberdeen to the Tacoma smelter, also assayed by Pellew-Harvey of Vancouver, and gave the following, consisting of 5 grades, viz.:

ASSAY RETURNS.

	Gold. oz.	Silver. oz.	Copper. per cent.	Value per ton
No. 1—	0.02	3.60	30.37	$80.13
" 2—	0.025	3.01	8.8	24.95
" 3—	0.15	2.80	17.71	48.42
" 4—	Trace	3.40	57.44	147.00
" 5—	0.02	3.80	21.22	57.60

SMELTER RETURNS.

No. 1—	0.03	3.00	30.68	52.76
" 2—	0.03	2.50	7.19	13.18
" 3—	0.02	2.40	16.94	29.47
" 4—	0.04	3.74	57.53	98.07
" 5—	0.02	2.35	21.53	37.14

In giving these returns, the following notes have been added:

All the ore extracted has been taken from within 50 feet of the surface.

The five grades represent the best ore mined. There are still two more lower grades, which appear to be in large bodies.

The three highest grades being taken from the fissure in the tunnel, which is well defined, and gives every hope of being permanent.

The I X L, about one mile north of the Aberdeen, has a large surface showing, having a mineralized lode at least 150 feet wide. Only the south wall has been found, which has about 3 feet of clay gangue. The ore is low grade on the surface, with a considerable amount of specular iron through the gangue rock, which appears as an altered granite.

A shaft down 100 feet passed through two rich shoots of ore, the upper being bornite in quartz, and the lower, at 85 foot level, copper glance and bornite in a talc.

Funds ran short before sufficient cross-cutting could be done at bottom of shaft, so no definite extent of ore body is known yet, but the prospects of a good mine here are good.

Space does not permit of further details in regard to other properties, but it may be noted that the original locations were made on native copper properties, the work done on the same being done years ago, with not the best results, but since then further knowledge has been gained.

A Sensitive Man.

"Ah! good morning," said a well-known gentleman, addressing a man whom he met in the street.

"How are you, colonel?"

"Look here," the first speaker, after a short pause, continued, "every day I discover additional evidences of the fact that you do not like me. Why is it?"

"Do you mean why you discover the evidences or why I do not like you?"

"Why you do not like me, of course."

"Well, in the first place, you are such an outrageous liar."

"Yes."

"And, in the second place, it has been proved that you are a thief."

"Well," said the colonel, "I merely wanted to know, and it strikes me that your reasons are very good. I am a sensitive man, and it nettles me to think that anyone dislikes me without a cause. I am glad you have expressed yourself so clearly."

Played Up to the Limit.

A Spokane woman was called home by her mother's illness. The mother died, and the daughter telegraphed her husband: "Mother dead. Shall we cremate, embalm, or bury the remains?"

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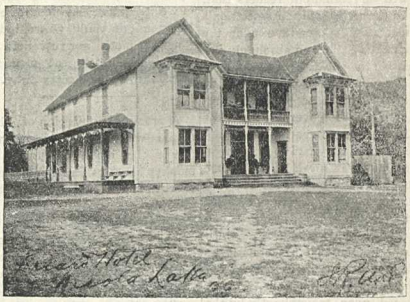

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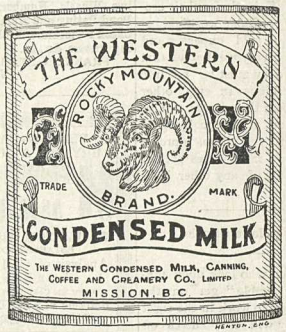

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Good Work.

If the Provincial Mining Association had been called into existence for no other purpose than that of settling the recent strike at Fernie, it would still have deserved well of the people of British Columbia. When we remind our readers that, until the arrival of the Association's Conciliation Committee upon the ground, it had been absolutely impossible to get the representatives at Fernie of labor and capital to even confer together; when we remind them, moreover, that no less than seventy per cent. of the amiable material they had to work upon could not even speak English, some idea may be formed of the immense difficulties with which President John Keen and his colleagues had to contend. However, the work has been done, and the enormous sphere of usefulness opening before this young organization has been entered upon triumphantly by the performance of a feat of incalculable benefit to the province at large, achieved before the new Association was six weeks old.—B. C. Mining Exchange and Investors' Guide.

Mines Are Made.

Occasionally, as the saying is, a mine pays from the grass roots. This is a very rare exception. The records of the largest mines of today all show that many thousands of dollars were expended for machinery and labor to open up the ore-bodies, sufficiently for their economical and profitable working, before the mines paid expenses and dividends. Everyone knows that time and money must be put into large undertakings in every other business, before the profits can be expected; and it is equally so in mining. But the ultimate profits in mining are many times greater than the profits of any other business.

Mining Not a Gamble.

Let the men who look upon mining as a "gamble" get on the right basis, get to work in the right way and they will find success oftener than it is found in any other line of business, and success a hundred times greater as to results. The drought of a desert region, the deluge which Noah overcame, the heat, the cold of winter, the "worm which dieth not," the migratory caterpillar, the grasshopper which becomes a burden have no effect upon the indestructible storehouses of wealth nature has concealed in her mountain vaults where, indeed, "neither moth nor rust doth corrupt," but intelligent men may break through and carry away.

A prominent physician of Philadelphia was standing in front of one of the monkey cages in the monkey house in Fairmount Park a short time ago. Looking about he saw an old negro watching the curious antics of the animals.

The physician, hoping to gain some information on the Darwinian theory said, "Uncle, they seem almost human, don't they?"

The old negro, with a most disgusted look on his face replied: "Human! Dey ain't no moah human dan I is!"

One of the managers of an hospital asked an Irish nurse which he considered the most dangerous of the many cases then in the hopital.

"That sur," said Patrick, as he pointed to a case of surgical instruments lying on the table.

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