

Mines and Mining.

COPPER IN ALASKA

HENRY BRATNOBER HAS SECURED AN OPTION ON MINES.

IS NOW EN ROUTE TO LONDON

Will Tell the Rothschilds All About It—Mint of Money Will Be Required to Prepare It For Market.

Henry Bratnober, the famous expert of the Rothschilds, is on his way to London to confer with his principals in regard to the development of a wonderful deposit of copper, located somewhere near the Alaska boundary line in British territory, the precise locality at present unknown to the public, but which has thoroughly captivated Mr. Bratnober, says the Denver News. A late dispatch to the Inter Ocean from New York says he believes it to be the richest in deposits and one of the easiest to work of any yet discovered. He describes it as literally a mountain of copper, most of it virgin copper, apparently inexhaustible and capable of easy concentration and preparation for the market. It has been taken on option for the Rothschilds, and the next step is to provide ways and means for its extensive development, which involves a lot of things besides the mere matter of mining the ore—mills and transportation being the major propositions, requiring steamships and probably a railway or two. This proposition by reason of its probable great magnitude when once actively entered upon, taken in connection with the prevailing excitement in the copper stock market, and further the recent purchase by J. B. Hagin of the celebrated Cerro de Pasco mines of Peru, imparts a new interest to the complicated situation in New York and Europe.

Strayed Into the Camp.

The account goes on to say that a year and a half ago a company of young scientists were commissioned to go into the far Northwest, prospect, explore, secure options and report thereon to those whom they represented. While these prospectors were there, there strayed into their camp one day a giant of a man, who introduced himself as Bratnober. In due course he looked at the property that had been discovered, and finally made a close examination of it.

This examination disclosed its value, when he at once negotiated for and secured the title to the property or a contract for a title. As a matter of fact, the discoverers had little idea of the value of the mine. As soon as the work of prospecting was done and Bratnober had worked out his plans for the operation of the mine, installation of machinery, communication with the coast and had also perfected his scientific statement of the character of the copper and the extent of deposits, he turned his face toward London via New York. There is a feeling, however, that in view of the existing disturbances in the copper trade and the very large decrease of demand in foreign lands the Rothschilds may not enthrone over Mr. Bratnober's great discovery to the extent he desires. Owing the great copper mines in Spain, they have reduced the output to the minimum, which indicates their opinion of the immediate future of that metal.

Over a year ago reports came from Alaska through the representatives of wandering prospectors that enormous bodies of copper ore existed in that region. In the course of their prospecting tours they had come across them, but their search being for gold, the cheaper metal had no attractions for them beyond the simple fact of their existence. It was stated that nothing could be done with these deposits because of their distance from the coast and the difficulties in the way of marketing the products. It may be that the party of young explorers whom Bratnober met and out of which association came the title to the ground in question, were led to the point of attack by stories obtained from the earlier gold hunters.

Will Take a Mint of Money.

While it is evident that Bratnober has secured a property of much prospective value, it will take a mint of money to render it available. Hagin's prospect is much better, because he has the assurance of early railway connection with the coast, and can therefore get his metal into the market soon after his working plans are concluded by the installation of experienced American miners and the finest American machinery, for the Meigs railway is only 80 miles distant. But, after all, we cannot discover that any proposition for largely increasing the output of copper will excite enthusiasm so long as the present congestion of the market continues. The situation does not look good to the keen observer of events. There is only one nation on the globe today that is enjoying even a moderate degree of prosperity, and this is evidently on the wane. This enormous export traffic that brought the prosperity of the past few years has been so curtailed by monetary depression abroad that we

may not reasonably hope to enjoy a continuance of the good times until the export trade is radically improved. If the main consumption of copper is to be confined to the United States for the next year or two, it is evident that mining for that metal will be materially cut down and that the high prices will suffer a corresponding decline.

COMING PRETTY SMOOTH.

Montana Men Incorporate an Oil Company in Washington.

Articles of incorporation of the International Oil company, backed by Montana men, were filed with the county auditor yesterday, says the Spokane Review. The company is capitalized at \$2,000,000, in shares of \$1 each. The trustees are C. E. Conrad, A. D. McDonald, J. W. Walker, M. W. Dupuis, F. W. Buckeen, Philip Jacoby, all residing at KallsPELL, Mont., and E. O. Connor of Spokane, who will represent the company as the resident trustee. He will also act as its attorney. Mr. Connor says:

"The company is formed for the purpose of operating in oil and other lands located on the ceded strip of the Blackfoot Indian reservation, east of the Rocky mountains in Montana, and a few miles south of the international boundary. The lands were located by H. C. Howell of KallsPELL several months ago. The company's properties are only a few miles distant from the oil fields of a Canadian corporation which is already pumping oil from its lands. The oil has been tested and is said to give the best of satisfaction.

"The preliminary assessment has been done by Mr. Howell and the indications are that the property will be of equal value to the property on the Canadian side. Mr. Howell was in the city yesterday arranging for the filing of the articles of incorporation. Mr. Conrad, the KallsPELL banker, who will probably be the president of the company, will leave for the East this week for the purpose of purchasing the machinery, which will be shipped to the property at once. The work on the property will be under the direction of Mr. Howell, and a crew of men will be put to work as soon as the machinery arrives.

"In addition to the trustees the following appear as incorporators: T. L. Gardner, C. A. Hamann, R. G. Strickland, A. W. Swaney, H. C. Howell and Silas Shutt, all of whom are prominent business men of KallsPELL.

This is another one of the Montana companies organized in Washington on account of the laws being more liberal towards corporations here than in Montana."

FORMED IN NEW YORK.

Nipper Company Will Commence Business With \$2000.

The Nipper Consolidated Mining company, which, it is presumed, intends to work property in this city, was incorporated in New York a few days ago. The directors of the new corporation are Stanley Gifford and A. P. Heinze, members of the Montana Ore Purchasing company, and R. S. Harvey, the latter of Nyack, New York.

According to a message from New York the capitalization of the corporation is \$3,750,000, but it is to commence business with \$2000.

MAIL SCHEDULE ISSUED.

Postmaster Irvin Furnishes Some Interesting Data.

Postmaster Irvin has issued a schedule giving interesting data with reference to the length of time it takes mail to reach important points. This is the schedule:

For Boston, Mass., lv. Northern Pacific train 12 at 12:30 a. m.; arrive destination 6:45 a. m.; time consumed 77 hours 55 minutes.

For Boston, Mass., lv. Northern Pacific train 14 at 12:30 p. m.; arrive destination 8:15 a. m.; time consumed 89 hours 45 minutes.

For Billings, Mont., lv. Northern Pacific train 14 at 12:30 p. m.; arrives at destination 6:15 a. m.; time consumed, 8 hours 45 minutes.

For Billings, Mont., lv. Northern Pacific train 12 at 12:30 a. m.; arrive destination, 8:55 a. m.; time consumed, 8 hours 25 minutes.

For Chicago, Ill., lv. Northern Pacific train 12 at 12:30 a. m.; arrive destination 2:15 a. m.; time consumed, 49 hours 25 minutes.

For Chicago, Ill., lv. Northern Pacific train 14 at 12:30 p. m.; arrive destination, 8:30 p. m.; time consumed, 56 hours.

For Denver, Colo., lv. Northern Pacific train 14 at 12:30 p. m.; arrive destination, 10:05 a. m.; time consumed, 45 hours 35 minutes.

For Denver, Colo., lv. Oregon Short Line train 10 at 1:50 a. m.; arrive at destination, 9:15 a. m.; time consumed, 31 hours 25 minutes.

For Great Falls, Mont., lv. Great Northern train 2 at 9:45 a. m.; arrive destination, 4:15 p. m.; time consumed, 6 hours 30 minutes.

For Havre, Mont., lv. Great Northern train 24 at 8:50 p. m.; arrive destination, 8:30 a. m.; time consumed, 11 hours 40 minutes.

For Helena, Mont., lv. Great Northern train at 9:45 a. m.; arrive destination, 12:45 p. m.; time consumed, 3 hours.

For Kansas City lv. Northern Pacific train 14 at 12:30 p. m.; arrive destination, 12:35 p. m.; time consumed, 48 hours 5 minutes.

For Kansas City lv. Oregon Short Line train 10 at 1:50 a. m.; arrive destination, 6:05 a. m.; time consumed 52 hours 15 minutes.

For Los Angeles, Cal., lv. Oregon Short Line train 8 at 4:10 p. m.; arrive destination 8:50 a. m.; time consumed, 62 hours 40 minutes.

For Los Angeles, Cal., lv. Oregon Short Line train at 1:50 a. m.; arrive destination, 3 p. m.; time consumed, 61 hours 10 minutes.

For Minneapolis, Minn., lv. Northern Pacific train 12 at 12:30 a. m.; arrive destination, 1:45 p. m.; time consumed, 37 hours 15 minutes.

For Ogden, Utah, lv. Oregon Short Line train 10 at 1:50 a. m.; arrive destination, 7 p. m.; time consumed, 17 hours 50 minutes.

For Ogden, Utah, lv. Oregon Short Line train 8 at 4:10 p. m.; arrive destination, 7 a. m.; time consumed, 15 hours.

For Omaha, lv. Northern Pacific train 14 at 12:30 p. m.; arrive destination, 6:45 a. m.; time consumed, 42 hours 15 minutes.

For Omaha, Neb., lv. Oregon Short Line train 10 at 1:50 a. m.; arrive destination, 7:45 p. m.; time consumed, 41 hours 55 minutes.

For Omaha, Neb., lv. Oregon Short Line train 8 at 4:10 p. m.; arrive destination,



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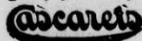
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NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE OF BANKRUPT.

In the District Court of the United States, District of Montana. In the matter of George L. Nason, bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given, That on the 14th day of December, A. D. 1901, in the above entitled court, George L. Nason filed his petition for a final discharge, and that the said court fixed the 6th day of December, A. D. 1901, at 10 a. m., at the court room of said court, in the city of Helena, Lewis and Clarke county, Montana, as the time and place for hearing said petition, at which time and place all creditors and other persons interested may appear and offer objections, if any they have, why said petitioner should not be granted and said petitioner discharged.

Witness, the Honorable Hiram Knowles, Judge, and the seal of said court affixed, at Helena, Montana, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1901.

Attest: GEO. W. SPROULE, Clerk.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Butte will be held at the office of said bank in Butte, Montana, on Tuesday, January 14, 1902, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. The object of the meeting is the election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

E. B. WEIRICK, Cashier.

Dated Butte, Montana, December 13, 1901.

MONTANA TOILET COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, George H. Casey, is the sole and exclusive owner and proprietor of the business heretofore and now carried on in the city of Butte, Silver Bow county, Montana, under the name and style of the Montana Toilet company. All accounts are payable directly to the undersigned.