

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 1, 1905.

STORY OF UTAH'S MINING OPERATIONS IN 1904

The Utah miner and his accessories... the world this morning indebted for the wealth of metallic wealth the value...

dated as a copper producer, is equally well assured. For the further development of its resources the present year much has been planned. At least one of the companies has made up its mind to undermine the zone with a long tunnel that shall not only promote its own condition, but afford an outlet for the product of those upon its margins.

Home of the Bonanza.

The year's record at Park City was one of undiminished luster. From bonanzas of their category unrivaled, a stupendous volume of silver and lead, with not a little gold, and more copper, has continued to pour, while from its chambers have issued dividends amounting to no less than \$2,344,000.

At the Ontario operations have continued steadily, and with the erection of a new mill better adapted to the requirements of its ores, the earnings from that source will no doubt be materially increased if it is not made possible to restore it to its old position among the dividend payers.

Some New Producers.

Perhaps the most instructive chapter in the record of 1904, however, is that which has been supplied by the younger generation. The more prominent of these has been the case of Park City, that has attained a position among the fixtures of the great camp and from which dividends will begin to pour the present season.

The Record at Tintic.

Into the lap of a grateful commonwealth Tintic continued to toss its wealth during the year, and while its dividends did not flow as freely as have they at a former period, the equivalent has been bestowed on work that, to the shareholder, means infinitely more.

ore bodies at depth that is without a parallel in camp, and while that bonanza has been productive of dividends amounting to nearly \$3,000,000, its physical condition was never to be compared with that presented by it at this time.

It is that which tells of its equipment with means that are enabling it to recover the wealth not only of the high-grade ores, but which are making it possible for the producer to derive commercial results from ores of hitherto indifferent value.

It is the story of the year's progress in the production of each of the metals excepting that of silver, and in this the diminution is confined to less than half a million dollars.

In the mines as well as at the furnaces and the mills an unprecedented volume of employment has been afforded the wage-earner, with new sources being hourly added to those already opened to him, while the condition throughout is one over which every interest is permitted to exult as never before in the industrial history of the State.

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Increase over the previous year, \$4,522,264.31

In the contrast afforded by these tables is reflected with an integrity greater than words can depict the story of Utah's progress in 1904, and that it is not even more pronounced is that the capacity of furnaces at which the wealth of its diggings is reduced, would not permit.

THE DIVIDEND RECORD.

By the various mining companies operating in the State there was distributed in 1904 dividends amounting to \$4,156,000, and that this stupendous sum was not greatly exceeded was due to no infirmity on a part of a number that will array themselves with this column early the present year.

Table listing mining companies and their dividend amounts for 1904.

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Rio Grande to Enter.

That the Denver & Rio Grande railway will extend its active operations into Alta the present season is now almost positively assured. It would have done so the previous year, no doubt, but for interventions that were not to its advantage.

Season at Stockton.

The results achieved at Stockton during the year afford a realization, no doubt, even greater than those to whom it is indebted for its regeneration looked forward.

Weight to Increase.

With which the mines of Stockton came to market prior to this transformation the wealth of metal was small. Since that time there has been a gradual increase, and the present year should witness its restoration to a place among the most productive of Utah's mining camps.

Ophir Is Aroused.

To elixirs identical with those employed in the rejuvenation of other camps that had been permitted to go to seed after the demoralization of one of the metals of which they were produced, was the slumbering wealth of old Ophir responded.

Led the Procession.

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Mercur's Flow of Gold.

While the mines of Mercur were not as prolific of dividends as in former years, operations during the year were continuous and the world's supply of gold was added by them approximately three quarters of a million dollars.

May Build a Mill.

With which to add to the camp's production of gold the present year the management of the Herschel, in which not a little ore was exposed through an avenue extended from Sacramento grounds, has under consideration the erection of a mill which will be undertaken unless an arrangement is consummated with one of the neighbors for the reduction of its output.

On Gold Mountain.

Although the younger of the State's galaxy of gold-bearing camps, Kimberly, relying on the auriferous resources of Gold Mountain, has attained a position well up toward the head, and to the world of metallic wealth in 1904 contributed gold and silver of the value of over \$200,000, of which sum as much as \$100,000 was permitted to go out among the shareholders of the Annie Laurie Mining company.

The Sevier's Campaign.

The management of the undertaking is prosecuting its work along the most economic lines and that it will begin the distribution of dividends the present season appears quite positive. To its resources during the year a large volume of ore was added and with an efficient mill the earnings from this time should be without interruption.

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