

ON THE CLEOPATRA.

PLANS CONTEMPLATED FOR A 4,500-FOOT TRAMWAY.

A Camp McKinney Mine Pays 978,000.44 in Dividends in One Year. The Bonanza Mine at Baker City for \$760,000—Politics in Le Roy Alaska—A New Strike on Myers Creek—News of Northwest Mines.

The construction of a tramway from the Forty-five mine to Silverton will only be half under way when a similar work is begun on the Cleopatra. The Miller road, a survey for it has been completed and plans and specifications are now being prepared with a view to calling for bids. The line will be a straight one 4,500 feet long, extending to the wagon road at the mouth of King Solomon creek, where the wagon road will terminate. Construction will begin by the time the road is completed, which will be in two or three weeks at the present rate of progress. Mr. Bailey's contract was to be finished yesterday, and good progress is being made on the extension.

HE SAYS THERE ARE OTHERS.

H. P. Ward Says Clondyke Is Not the Only Gold Field.

In writing from Jacksonville, Oregon, to J. M. Spelman, Milo P. Ward argues that the Clondyke excitement is overdone and that there are other gold fields in the region. He says: "The history of the days of '96 in California is that not one man in a thousand acquired riches and it will be the same history of the future. Suppose energy and money and time expended in this gold belt of Southern Oregon would undoubtedly produce greater results and be more profitable. The same might be said for instance, that when the millions were taken from the gulches within a radius of Jacksonville, it had been impossible to get away with the gold until some certain season of the year, and suppose these millions should have been transported by a single conveyance to a distant part of the country in a lump sum more anybody who had the gold had been taken out, what would have been the result? A genuine Clondyke rush. And you will not have to wait much longer to see the fact of it, but even in spite of the fact that one can come here in a palace car and, instead of snow and ice, find the finest climate in the world. The placer fields here are rich in gold and they have scarcely been touched. From a single eminence here one may have a bird-eye view of 20,000 acres of placer ground which will average thirty feet in depth and average 5 cents per cubic yard from grass roots to bed-rock. Even the bed-rock of these vast gold fields is auriferous."

FORMAN STAMP MILL STARTS.

Good Placers on Forty-Nine Creek and Perry Creek.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. NELSON, B. C., July 27.—The Forman stamp mill on Eagle crest will start again in a few days, and will clean up 600 tons of ore on the white dump. The mill has been working since last week as the water power. The water is run to both the mill and the drills in the tunnel, where the dead work has been prosecuted. The crescent tunnel is 40 feet on the surface and 100 feet in the mine. It is necessary to run 150 feet more before the ledge is tapped. While the mill is being used in the mill to crush ore now on the white dump, the water is transferred to the White, which is showing so well that the management desires to do more development work on the ledge. The White is about four feet wide and a half feet deep. The power will once again be shifted to the drills in the tunnel, and the work vigorously prosecuted until the ledge has been reached.

ARRANGING TO EXHIBIT.

Secretary Lina's Novel Tack With the Mineral Display.

When Edward Hawkins, one of the directors of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, called at the Seattle Chamber last week to make arrangements for the display of minerals, he was met by Secretary Lina with his coat off, shirt rolled up, and mingled dust and perspiration rolling from his brow. He was in a hurry to get to the exhibit, for which specimens are coming in rapidly. Mr. Hawkins remarked that the secretary's duties seemed to be rather varied, whereas Mr. Lina replied that he had to be ready to turn his hand to almost anything.

THE FIRST CLEAN-UP.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. GRAND FORKS, B. C., July 30.—A clean-up of the Eighteen Mine, during which about thirty yards of dirt were washed, produced \$300, an average of 20 cents a yard. It is estimated that as much more was lost being left in a machine, which is put in place to have things running by the end of next week.

NEW STRIKE ON MYERS CREEK.

More Rich Free Milling Ore—Change in Poland China.

In a letter to his partner, Charles Armstrong, George King writes from Myers Creek, B. C., that he is working on a new prospect in the Poland China and the Big Hole, that a rich strike has been made on Myers Creek. He says there is an eight-foot streak of ore which is the richest free milling ore he ever saw.

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H. Brown, of Volcanic mountain, better known as "Crazy Brown," left with a complete pack outfit last Wednesday for the upper North Fork country, where, it is estimated, this group is some sixty miles from Grand Forks through an exceptionally rough country.

WORK FOR LARGE CAPITAL.

Mr. Hart's Opinion of Eureka Ore—No Poor Man's Camp.

Col. Thomas Hart, an old Montana mining man, has been interviewed by the Spokesman-Review of the ore bodies of Eureka camp, and expressed the opinion that, while the average is low grade, some properties run remarkably high, and that an enormous body of ore will be opened there in time. He continued: "While there are some promising properties, it will take time, large capital and labor to get their true worth. There seems to be a general impression that it is a poor man's camp. This is not, in my opinion, the case. If people go in there with the expectation of returns in a short time, there will, I believe, be considerable disappointment. The best properties cannot be expected to show returns for years. If they are to be worked without the expenditure of considerable money."

"If one big company were to take hold of a number of these claims, put up a mill of 1,000 tons capacity, and go to work, you would see a permanent camp there shortly, with big brick blocks and all the signs of prosperity; but if small companies attempt to handle them without capital there will be some desertions and lost confidence to record. It is really a camp that will require a large amount of money to develop, and there is no field I have seen for years that bids fair to give such handsome returns for the money invested. If the surface indications are carried out in depth and it is properly worked, it will be a camp with an exceeding long lease on life."

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New Ledge Struck in the Fern.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. NELSON, B. C., July 29.—The development work of the Fern mine progresses steadily, and each week discloses some new secret of rich ore. During the past few days a new ledge was struck, and it is four feet in width, and every sample taken from it showed free gold in abundance. Like the majority of the other ore, it is a dense, fine-grained, and very easily mined. So far about 750 feet of tunneling has been done in four tunnels, and it is stated by Superintendent Veltch that there is a sufficient quantity of ore on sight to keep a twenty-stamp mill running continuously for two years. As much of the work as possible is being done in the walls, so as to avoid the expense of timbering. It can be conveniently taken care of at present. The framework of the new twenty-stamp mill is up, and is located on Hall creek about 300 feet from the proper, which track will be covered by a three-car car track, gravity tramway, the first of its kind in this section. It will be elevated about fifteen feet, to clear the snow, and the right-of-way is now being cleared. The car loads of machinery have arrived, including part of the stamp battery, two boilers, an engine and accompanying apparatus. The mill and tramway will be in operation by October 1.

C. P. B. Eastern Nelsons.

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A Neglected Claim Proves to Have a Rich Ore Body.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. NELSON, B. C., July 27.—A neglected claim on the Irene claim on Toad mountain. It is three and one-half miles from Nelson, one mile this side of the Silverton, and owned by Messrs. Kelly and Driscoll. The claim has a four-foot vein of oxidized quartz carrying free gold, that was discovered during the progress of the Irene claim. Nearly two years ago Mr. Kelly bought a half interest in the claim, because it overlapped an adjoining one owned by him. He has now been able to get the title, and he has been working on it. Last week he was idly picking at the dump pile, when his eye was attracted by a glint that sent a delicious thrill through his veins. A closer inspection showed it to be free gold, and specimens taken from it would assay up into the thousands. An examination of the shaft, which was about 100 feet deep, showed an estimated average of \$100 to \$150 per ton. A force of men was at once put to work sacking the ore for shipment to the smelter. The ledge is in porphyry, and is in the same belt that runs through the Exchequer and Athabasca. The dip is only about 10 degrees to the south, and Mr. Kelly thinks he has a true fissure vein.

DEAL ON THE SIMILKAMEN.

Brown Gives Option on Sunset Group. Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. GRAND FORKS, B. C., July 27.—R. A. Brown, original owner of Volcanic mountain, and better known as "Crazy" Brown, has recently given an option on the Sunset group of copper claims to the Similkamen to a Mr. Wise, of Rossland, for \$150,000 for forty days from July 14. The option is taken up, Mr. Brown intends to tunnel on Volcanic on the north fork of Kettle river. J. A. Elliott says that arrangements have nearly been completed for the running of a 100-foot tunnel on the Indian Queen. This is one of a group of three claims owned by the Grand Forks Gold Mining Company, some nine miles up the north fork of Kettle river. Charles Cummings, manager of the Grand Forks Townsite Company, while in Spokane a few days ago, is reported to have sold his interest in the well known Black Hill property in Eureka camp, to H. W. Ludden for \$400. Mr. Cummings recently purchased an interest in this property from Ed Titworth, who relinquished the lower end of the ground of some illegality in the recording. The Black Hill ranks among the best of the Eureka properties, and has an immense showing of free-milling quartz.

THE CONEY IN ORE AGAIN.

A Crosscut Enters a Shoot Carrying Antimonial Silver. Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. BALTIMORE, B. C., July 27.—The Indian Company, has returned from Miller river and tells of a good strike of ore in the Coney tunnel. After it had penetrated the Coney tunnel, it had penetrated an examination of the prospecting, and a crosscut at a point 600 feet vertically above the right on a false wall. Going back 88 feet, the mine was struck, twenty-five feet and after running through two feet of granite-colored quartz impregnated throughout with antimonial silver. This has been a depth of three feet and is still showing in the face.

The Rush to Eureka Camp.

Letters received by George B. Kittling, of Eureka, from the Indian River, state that most of the claims are being surveyed in preparation for patenting, and that everybody is on the lookout for the Coney tunnel. The rush to the camp continues, and two daily stages are running from Nelson and Grand Forks. A number of prominent men are going in. Frank H. Dyer, of Utah, are going in. Frank H. Dyer, of Utah, are going in. Frank H. Dyer, of Utah, are going in.

Notes From the Olympics.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. BRINNON, July 27.—The Olympic district is active in the Mount Constance district and work is in progress on some prospects. Frank Robinson has taken a Bullright drift to the east of the Meers. Gordon and Miller have one ledge of free milling ore which is said to assay 10 on the surface, and another 100 feet wide tractable for five days. They also have two ledges carrying gold and copper ore which assays 23 on the surface. The Mount Constance district is being worked by the Olympic Mining Company is driving a tunnel on the Mount Constance. Charles Dismore, who is a partner in the Olympic mine, returned yesterday to his free gold property on the surface. He has a ledge assaying \$1 gold on the surface.

Successful Year for the Cariboo.

At the annual meeting of stockholders in the Cariboo Mining, Milling and Smelting Company at Spokane, on Monday, the annual report showed that for the year ending July 31 the mine at Camp McKinney produced \$24,928 in gold bullion and 170 tons of concentrates worth \$3,512.49, and paid in dividends \$3,588.84. In addition, a loss of \$2,000 was incurred on stolen bullion and legal expenses connected therewith. The work done in the mine aggregated 42 feet of drift, four feet of crosscut, and was put in operation on July 1, sinking the shaft 100 feet further to the 275-foot level.

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That... Yours! Kitchen of Yours! A GAS RANGE. WHY? It is ready whenever you are. Does it work quickly. Can be promptly extinguished when its work is done. You do not have to wait for the fire to burn or the heat to come. It is suited for every kind of stove work from the heating of water to the preparation of a full meal for a family of any size, and the beauty of it, it is clean, does not add to the labors of housekeeping; furthermore, its usefulness is not confined to summer, but it is equally serviceable and efficient the year round.