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Frank A. Brown, vice president of the Boston Group Gold Mining Company, announced last week, mention of which was made in the Empire, that a crew of men were at work on an open cut to get a test on the surface showing of the property to compare with previous mill tests from the 100-foot level.

This property is adjoining the city limits of the town of Juneau. If Mr. M. M. Rice, M. E., who examined the property and reported thereon in 1905 is not at fault, the faith of the owners is justified and their hopes may be realized in which event another producing industry would be given to Juneau that would add to the measure of prosperity that is now assured.

According to the report this property embracing six claims has a body of ore similar to that of Treadwell, 105 feet in width between walls slate and greenstone with a value ranging from \$2.50 to \$3.50 per ton with an average free milling value of \$3.00 per ton.

The report calls attention to the geological formation, and to the location of the property with reference to Treadwell, Perseverance, Ebner and Sheep creek mines and submits that the inducements offered for the prosecution of further development are worthy of consideration.

Mr. Brown himself thinks that in the near future that capital will be available for further development and that their property will develop into a good paying producer.

DARING OF RUSSIANS.

Not far from the sleepy town of Sitka in Alaska there is a spot associated with early Russian history which President Taft has recently set aside as a national reservation. The associations of the place have long been recognized, and during his administration Governor Brady caused some totem poles to be erected here to mark the spot where the Russians made a successful stand against the natives.

This national reservation was created under the law for the preservation of American antiquities, and as a result fifty-seven acres, through which flows the beautiful Indian river, will be free from settlement or molestation. On this tract are the graves of a midshipman and six sailors who perished in the conquest of 1804. The setting aside of this spot is a tribute to Russian daring in the history of the Pacific coast.

Much of the early history of the settlement of Alaska is connected with Gov. Baranoff, that slight, hospitable, roystering adventurer who was a queer mixture of ability, cruelty and gentleness. He went from St. Paul, Alaska, to establish a capital on the island where is now the town of Sitka, and after being handicapped in more ways than one and fighting several battles with the natives he finally took possession of the tract which is now a national reservation. He erected fortifications and buildings and started a commercial center for Russia Alaska, but he accomplished these things only after much discouragement and loss of life in the long struggle.

The reservation, which is not far from the curving shore of the bay of Sitka, has an approach not surpassed for beauty on the whole Pacific coast. From Sitka to the site of the reservation the Russians laid out a marvelous "lover's lane" many years ago. It is a walk built along the curving beach, through the woods, across and along the banks of the pretty Indian river. Up and down this walk the Russians used to stroll and present day dwellers in Sitka also make it a resort.

RETURNS FROM SITKA.

Evert Nymanover, a quondam journalist from Minneapolis, now a piano expert, who has been lately touring the world, returned to Juneau on the Georgia from Sitka. Mr. Nymanover is on record as having tuned Madame Melba's baby grand, and the piano of Willis E. Nowell, the Kubelik of Alaska. Mr. Nymanover will leave for Seattle within a short time, well satisfied with his trip to Alaska.

NEW FISHING COMPANIES.

Articles of incorporation for the Cook Inlet Packing Company have been filed with Surveyor General Distin. The incorporators are John A. Herbert and George Hogg, of Seldovia and S. O. Morford, of Seward. The capital is stated to be \$200,000. The principal place of business is Seldovia.

The Cook Inlet Fishing Company of Valdez has filed articles of incorporation with the surveyor general. Capital \$25,000. Principal place of business being Valdez. Incorporators John H. Cann, John H. Biggs, E. F. Ritchie and J. L. Reed, all of Valdez.

Alaska Matters

SEATTLE, Dec. 1.—It is reported here on excellent authority that the gold output of the Iditarod country will this year reach three millions or a little better. The Yukon Gold Company, a Guggenheim corporation, is credited with having taken out a million from August 15 to the closing down of operations, with one dredge working. They cleaned up every four days and according to the statement made, the smallest cleanup was 54,000 and the largest \$83,000.

Otter creek, on which the Guggenheims had options, has not passed into their hands; the options having lapsed. Riley & Marston's on Discovery claim, Otter, increased their price and purchased a lot of adjoining ground. Their option price was \$80,000.

Representative-elect Milo Kelly, of Kulk, is out, in an interview here in which the statement is made that the Alaska legislature will petition President Wilson to retain the present federal officials in Alaska, on the grounds of experience and various other qualities. Democrats and Republicans here alike laugh at the statement—not because there are not lacking Republican officials in Alaska who have had experience and who have given satisfaction—but because the Democrats have been so long absent from the "pie-counter," that experience and qualifications for offices are not likely to avail them to any extent in their efforts to retain their offices. Those who know Mr. Kelly well, say he must have been perpetrating one of his jokes on a newspaper writer. Kelly himself is a Republican.

Juneau is not likely the only place in Alaska that is experiencing a mining boom. The Kougarak district of Seward peninsula, is attracting much attention. James Kelliber took in a dredge to the Kougarak last winter, and last summer it paid all expenses incurred in three clean-ups, so next summer will see three more dredges going in there, and there is now quite a scramble for river channel ground.

The proposed impeachment proceeding against Judge C. D. Murane, of the Second judicial division is causing some little excitement here and quite a few are wondering if it will end there. Probably it will, in view of the fact that there will be a Democratic administration after March 4, and it will be passed up to the Democrats who can use the charges against Judge Murane as a pretext for removing him from office, if they so desire.

There have been several columns of newspaper notoriety over the Murane matter and the Tiberg case. Tiberg was arrested at the instance of the Pioneer Mining Company, of Nome, on an indictment charging him with having stolen some \$14,000 from the company's sluice boxes while in the employ of that company. He was tried last fall at Nome and was acquitted. He is now suing the Pioneer Company and Deputy Marshal Joel F. Warren and other, who made the arrest, for \$500,000 damages for false arrest, and also for the return of his \$14,000 which was taken from him and which he has not been able to get back. This \$14,000 was in the shape of a draft on a Seattle bank, and when Tiberg was acquitted the draft was a part of the court records, and when his attorneys claimed and

got the draft they found it had been already cashed by the Pioneer Mining Company, and it seems as if it was through a ruling of Judge Murane, that the company secured possession of the draft. This is now being used as a basis for the charges that are being made against Murane.

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