

MINING.—Continued.

payable reefs in the deep levels. The deepest, 2,041 feet, produced that year 9,225 ounces; another, 1,711 feet deep, 10,137 ounces. The same paper, referring to the output of 1884, says:—

"It is now proved beyond doubt that deep sinking will pay."

At the same time it names three dividend mines at 1,600 feet. The largest yield for that year being from the "United Devonshire," viz., 17,581 ounces, and paying dividends of £50,400 sterling from a depth of 600 feet. Deep sinking is not confined to Sandhurst alone, as at Pleasant Creek, 200 miles distant, there is a mine 2,000 feet deep.

Now, the practical question is: would the experience in Australia justify expenditure in sinking our mines to greater depths? That there have been rich discoveries in N. S. is now a matter of history. I have seen as rich gold-bearing quartz from the Montague mine as I have seen in Australia. We have now many good paying mines, also many abandoned ones that were very rich. Such mines, I am convinced, would in Australia, under the same circumstances, be tested to greater depths by sinking perpendicular shafts, and cross-cutting at different levels.

As to the question of the Government being asked to contribute, I may say that they have a precedent in Australia. Last year the government of Victoria voted a large sum for just such cases, (the amount I have forgotten.) It was distributed amongst the various districts, according to special claims.

Your obedient servant,

J. E. WILSON.

MOOSE RIVER MINES.—Mr. Touquoy's new 15-stamp water mill has been completed, and does its work to perfection. It was constructed under the direction of Wm. McPherson, millwright, of Sheet Harbor, who is known as one of the best men in his line in the Province. The machinery is from the Truro Foundry Co.'s works, which is a guarantee of its superiority. The power is supplied by a little Giant Turbine wheel, and is ample to drive a forty-stamp mill. The Serpent Lead has widened from one to two inches to sixteen, and shows gold freely. Mr. Touquoy has a large quantity of quartz ready for the crusher, and as a result of 4½ days' work with the new mill secured a bar of gold weighing 80 ounces, from 80 tons of quartz. Mr. Touquoy was in town last week, and as is only natural, was very much pleased with the bright outlook for his property.

CARIBOU DISTRICT.—We have received most encouraging reports of the Lake Lode Co.'s property. For the first fortnight's crushing in May, with one battery of five stamps, the result was 106 ozs. of gold, and the appearance warrants the opinion that 100 ounces more must have been obtained up to June 1st, netting over 200 ounces for the month's crushing. The leads are now yielding quartz well filled with coarse gold, and Manager Wadsworth is to be congratulated with his uniform success in taking charge of the property.

MALAGA LAKE DISTRICT.—Mr. J. A. Caldwell has awarded the contract for the 20-stamp mill on the Caldwell Hall areas to Messrs. Matheson, of New Glasgow. Steam boilers and one of Matheson's famous engines, of large surplus power, will furnish the motive power, and it is Mr. Caldwell's determination to build and equip one of the best mills in the Province.

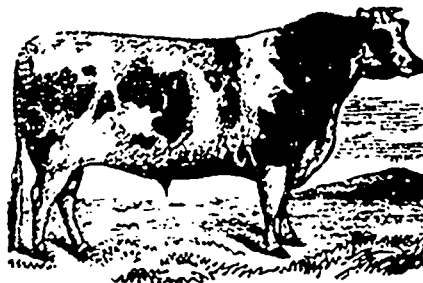
The *Liverpool Times* has a leading article on the district, from which we extract the following information:—"Much has been said and written of late respecting gold mining in Queens. The Malaga district has, however, had marked prominence, and we believe deservedly so. The first discovery of gold there was made upon what is known as the Hunt and Spidle property, now owned by Bartlings and others, and since then other finds of a rich character have been made, and considerable capital has been invested. The owners of the Spidle and Hunt areas, last year developed their property somewhat. The result of such development was very gratifying, and several very gratifying tests were made. From the beginning this property has been in litigation, first as to the ownership of the property, and now the owners are quarrelling among themselves. Certain of the owners have commenced an action against the Parker-Douglas Co., part owners of the mine. What the result of these proceedings will be it is difficult to foresee. It is more than probable that a sale of the mine will eventually take place, but for the present season, no further development of the areas will likely be made. Two large blocks of that valuable property now under lease to the Malaga Mining Co., of which Mr. John McGuire is manager, are claimed by a well-known journalist of Halifax, who is largely interested in the gold fields of the Province. This matter is also now before the courts."

THE LAST CHANCE.—The discovery of Last Chance gulch, which resulted in the building of Helena, M. T. rightfully called the Queen City of the Rockies, was quite as romantic and as interesting as the discovery of the famous Alder Gulch. In the spring of 1864, the Kootenai stampede from Alder Gulch took place. Among the stampedeurs were four miners named Cowan, Crab, Miller and Stanley. They had got as far north as the gate of the mountains, when they met a prospecting party under one Jim Coleman, just coming back from the Kootenai country, who brought the unwelcome intelligence that the "Kootenai was played out." There was nothing left to do but to return to the settlements, or go back to Alder Gulch. Descending into the valley, they made camp on the Little Blackfoot, which they prospected, finding colors everywhere.

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