crossing the Thompson River at the outlet of Kamloops Lake;

Thence southerly following the height of land between Thompson River on west and Guichon Creek on east until a point on the Nicola River is reached south of Agate Creek;

Thence following Nicola River and Lake to its northern extremity;

Thence easterly following height of land hetween Chapperon and Salmon Lakes, continuing easterly to the Spallumcheen River at Enderby;

Thence following Spellumcheen River to north end of Mabel Lake;

Thence easterly following height of and separating drainage area of Spallumcheen on south, and Eagle River on north to a point where such height of land intersects the height of land separating the drainage area of Columbia River on east from drainage area of Thompson River and tributaries on west;

Thence northerly following such height of land to point of commencement.

J. FRED HUME,

Minister of Mines.

Department of Mines, 1st September, 1899.

Local Claims.

The Chieftan group is being worked on. This was among the early claims in the camp.

Mr. G. Nestelle of Fairhaven, has men at work on his claims.

The Pole Star at Jamieson Creek, has a very large amount of ore in sight. This is one of those big low grade propositions, that are often more valuable than rock carrying large values. The vein is 12ft. wide. If this were treated on the spot by cyanide process, it should pay from the start. It will, however, require capital.

Work has been done on the Surprise and Russet.

Mr. Clarke Wallace, the President of the Iron Mask Co., arrived on Tuesday morning's train. It is possible something may now be done with the Iron Mask. It is certainly a pity that such a fine property should be lying idle. As is the opinion of those qualified to judge.

Assessment work on the Neighbour, a continuation of the Lucky Strike vein has been done.

Assessment work on the Curlew, Lapway and Rothschilds is being done. These claims are adjacent to the Pothook.

Work on the Adelaide fraction is being done. This a fraction of the Truth group and carries a similar quality of ore.

Assessment work has been completed on the Glen Cairn.

The continued sinking on the Python which is now down about 65ft, reveals very fine looking ore. The ore is now being sorted ind hauled for shipmer t to the smelter. This vein has been traced with instruments and located for a distance of 6,500ft. Ore has been taken from the vein, at different points. One of the walls, shows very clearly at one place.

Development work on the Kentucky, is said to have shown up a continuation the same lead as is found on the Golden Star and Evening Star. This lead is now proved for the distance of nearly a mile.

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