

the existence of a massive vein of iron, three or four hundred feet in width, and has been traced for a long distance. The vein stuff contains copper pyrites, varying from 10 to 13 per cent. of metal, with several dollars in both gold and silver values. A shaft has been sunk to a depth of 45 feet, it is well timbered and has a fine showing of ore on the bottom. A considerable amount of ore from this shaft is to be seen on the dump.

Messrs. Angus and Mitchell have property that is of considerable interest and value if it can reach the proper market. The ore which is molybdenite is generally found associated with copper veins, but is usually limited to the first twenty feet or so from the surface. The samples from these claims, which are at Grande Prairie, are exceedingly fine, but the property is not yet sufficiently developed.

Drifting on the vein has commenced on the Noonday at a depth of over a hundred feet. Some fine looking quartz has been brought to the surface. As soon as the drift is in some distance, samples will be taken every now and then for assaying. This will enable the owners to arrive at a close estimation of the value of their property. This it should be remembered is a free gold proposition.

△ The Gordon group at Harper's Camp is advancing to the shipping stage and are now sacking some of their gold and silver ore for shipment to Trail.

Work is being done on the Ade-

laide fraction, adjoining the Truth group.

There seems to be hope for the Lillooet district yet, as eastern capitalists have secured some of the best properties in Cayoosh Creek, and are developing them, notably the Ample, where some work was done long ago by that wonderfully unsuccessful company, the Horne-Payne syndicate. There is no doubt that there are good properties in the district, but the quartz veins roll in and out very suddenly as veins in slate often do, and the slate itself is sometimes of more value than the quartz. This renders careful oversight of the work most necessary. The district, however, has the advantage of good waterpower and the steepness of the mountains will obviate the necessity of sinking in most cases. It is only a matter of time when the heart of that mining district will be opened by a railroad coming in either along the Fraser from Lytton or up the valley of Anderson river from the head of Harrison Lake.

There is some activity around Lytton where a large dredge is being built for Cobledick & Co. It is to be hoped that it will be more successful than most of the dredges employed in trying to save gold from the Fraser. It is noteworthy that the most successful of these machines is one which was built at Welland and operates at North Bend. There are, however, many difficulties in the way of dredgers in the Fraser. *Canadian Mining Gazette*

Mr J. F. Smith has gone up to the Tete Jaune Cache to do assessment work on his mica prospects.

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