

The Pure Gold Mining Co., Limited.

Capital Stock :
1,000,000.
Head Office, Rossland, B. C.

1,000,000 Shares, Par Value \$1.00
Fully Paid and Non-Assessable.

Treasury Stock:
400,000 Shares.

Mines, Christina Lake, Trail Creek District.

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The property of the company consists of three adjoining full claims, known as "Pure Gold Group," and named the "Pure Gold," "Trilby" and "Escort" mineral claims, all prior locations, with perfect titles, vested in the company. There is a well-defined ledge 40 feet wide, traceable through the claims for a distance of 2,000 feet. Six men are now at work on the Trilby and good assays have been obtained. Twelve feet from the mouth of the tunnel an assay of over \$20 was obtained. Work will be carried on without cessation, and good results are confidently anticipated.

Fifty Thousand Shares of Development Stock are now on the market at 5 cents.

Prospectus and full information will be furnished on application to

ALBERT P. HUNTER, Sec. and Man., Rossland, B. C.

REMARKABLE COPPER ORE. (Continued from page 2)

gold pan. The result was nearly two ounces of pure metallic copper, in the shape of fine particles almost as fine as flour.

"For years the people of Eatonville and the surrounding country have known of the existence of this large body of ore, but did not realize its value. The first location was made on the property nearly ten years ago, and since that time it has been relocated many times. The out-cropping that first attracted attention contained the sheets of copper-colored metal that were found sticking in crevices of the rock, and this when assayed showed ten per cent. of copper with a trace of other mineral. These sheets are about the thickness of a common newspaper, and the upper crust of the ledges is thickly studded with them. As a shaft is sunk these sheets disappear and the solid ore takes its place, growing richer and richer as the drill goes down.

"On the left bank of the river four shafts and an open cut have been driven, but the character of the ore is the same as that found in the discovery shaft. The work on the left bank has demonstrated that the ledge is 402 feet in width with clearly defined walls, and that the supply is inexhaustible. The vein runs through the mountain which separates the Mashell river from the Little Mashell, forming the beds of both rivers where it crosses them, and then takes a southwesterly course, across the Nisqually river and disappears in the wilderness seventeen miles away.

"Other copper ledges, almost as large, have been discovered northwest of Eatonville and croppings are found almost the entire length of the Mashell, Little Mashell and Nisqually rivers."

MINERAL PRODUCTION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA FOR 1895-96.

The Engineering and Mining Journal gives the following excellent summary of the report of the Minister of Mines lately issued:

"The figures given below show the mineral production of British Columbia in 1895 and 1896, and are from the report recently issued by Mr. James Baker, Minister of Mines. Like all the reports of the Province, these are especially to be commended for the promptness of their issue. The production reported is as follows:

	1895.		1896.	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Gold, from placers. oz.	24,084	\$ 181,683	27,201	\$ 514,026
Gold, from quartz mines..... oz.	39,264	785,271	62,250	1,214,182
Silver..... oz.	1,499,522	977,239	3,135,343	2,100,697
Copper..... lbs.	952,840	47,042	3,818,550	190,226
Lead..... "	16,475,464	532,255	22,199,877	721,354
Coal..... tons	939,654	2,818,962	846,235	2,327,145
Coke..... "	462	2,260	615	3,075
Other materials... val.		10,000		15,000
Total values....		\$5,655,302		\$7,146,425

The gold production is given in fine ounces, valued at \$20 per ounce. The placer production showed an increase of \$62,343, or 11.8 per cent. over 1895, but was still far below that of the active placer mining period of thirty years ago. The maximum output of

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placer gold reported was \$3,913,593 in 1863. The gold from quartz mines, on the other hand, was greater in amount than ever before reported. The total gold reported in 1896 was 89,460 ounces, valued at \$1,788,265.

The large increase in silver, copper and lead came from the new mines of the Cariboo and West Kootenay districts, where very rapid development has been going on. The production of the quartz mines was comparatively limited up to four years ago, and the present condition has been reached since that time. The growth of this work is shown by the following table, which gives the production of lode mines for ten years past:

	Gold, oz.	Silver, oz.	Lead, lbs.	Copper, lbs.	Values.
1887.....		17,600			\$17,331
1888.....		79,750			75,000
1889.....		53,192			47,873
1890.....		70,427	113,000		79,757
1891.....		4,500	588,067		29,007
1892.....		77,160	1,768,420		139,416
1893.....	1,170	227,000	2,135,023		207,400
1894.....	6,252	746,379	5,662,523	324,680	781,342
1895.....	39,204	1,496,522	16,475,464	952,840	2,342,397
1896.....	62,250	3,135,343	24,199,877	3,818,550	4,257,179

The values of the total production of metals in 1896 by districts were: Cariboo, \$384,050; Cassiar, \$21,000; East Kootenay, \$154,127; West Kootenay, \$4,002,735; Lillooet, \$33,665; Yale, \$206,078; others, \$15,000; total, \$4,816,955. The divisions of the West Kootenay district show values as follows: Ainsworth, \$189,589; Nelson, \$545,529; Slocan, \$2,019,048; Trail, Creek, \$1,243,360; others, \$14,209; total, \$4,002,735.

With the opening of the Slocan, Trail Creek and Rossland mines, there was a marked increase in the output of gold, silver and lead; while that of copper began about the same time. The total production of gold from lode mines up to the close of 1896 reached \$2,177,869. The production of placer gold from 1858 up to the close of 1896 reached a total amount of \$57,704,855.

Coal production has not increased in recent years, and has fluctuated considerably since it reached its maximum of 1,028,097 tons in 1891. The total pro-

duction of coal from the British Columbia mines up to the close of 1896 is reported at 11,248,759 tons.

Of even greater interest are the indications of our output for 1897. The output for 3½ months from Southwest Kootenay alone has exceeded in value \$2,500,000. It is more than the whole year's output from lode mines in 1895. The output from lode mines in gold, silver, lead and copper during 1897 should be at the most conservative estimate \$7,000,000.

THE ST. MARY'S CAMP.

Henry Rose, the pioneer prospector of the St. Mary's district, who has spent six years in East Kootenay and who knows more about that region probably than any other man, left yesterday for Pilot Bay en route for his claims. He is interested in nearly fifty claims in the new mineral belt, and while in Rossland displayed some wonderful surface rock, which indicates that the surface showings are unsurpassed in any part of British Columbia. Among the claims in the St. Mary's camp are the following, in nearly all of which Rose has interests: El Capital, Nickle Plate, Rose Group (five claims), King Group (three claims), Mahogany, Champion, Independence, Alta, Iron Horse, Bodie, Willie, Swan No. 5, Lullus, Morning Star, Mogul, Crystal, Spokane, Porcupine, Rossland, Trail, North Star No. 3, Alma, Hillside, J. c. son, Monarch, Wright, Treasure, White Grouse, Copper Cliff, North Star No. 2, Mayflower, Sundown, Canary No. 1, Crow's Nest Bass, Black Crow. A number of Rossland capitalists are interested with Rose in these claims, and Oswald Stein accompanies him on this trip in the interests of one syndicate which intends to operate extensively in that district.

NOTICE.

Ninety days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 320 acres of land on Sheep Creek, commencing at a post marked "A. B. Anderson's N. E. Corner Post," close to B. H. Lee's S. E. Corner Post, running thence South eighty chains, thence West forty chains, thence North eighty chains, thence East forty chains to point of commencement.
Said land is situate in the Osoyoos District of British Columbia.
Dated this 10th day of April, A. D. 1897.
A. B. ANDERSON.