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Mining Notes.

It is very encouraging to note the progress being made around Kamloops with regard to mining. Several deals have been put through, and owing to the exceptionally mild winter work has been carried on right along. The exhibit of gold and copper ores in the Strand, London, England, will surely prove of considerable benefit to Kamloops, and was a move in the right direction. In our next issue we intend giving some idea of the amount of inquiries this little exhibit elicited.

For the last few weeks there has been considerable enquiry for Kamloops mining property. Several bonds have been arranged on some of the best groups of claims. The Kimberly group is bonded to the representatives of a Detroit syndicate, the terms being $8,000, and 20 per cent of the company's stock. The Gordon group, the Polestar and the Homestake are all bonded to outside parties. No camp in British Columbia has better prospects than Kamloops at the present time.

There is no longer any truth in the assertion that Kamloops mining properties are held at impossibly high figures. The greater number of properties are now in the hands of people who are developing them and will consider any reasonable offer.

The Python hoist has been repaired and a full staff is employed. Some good ore is being met with.

The Hecla shaft is down sixty feet, with a good showing. The vein will be cross-cut both ways.

The Tenderfoot is being developed by a local company. Six men are employed. A tunnel has been driven which has met the vein, and some good ore is being got, assaying 6 per cent to 10 per cent in copper, with small gold and silver values. The company is to be re-organized with larger capital.

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Gold-Bearing Conglomerates in Northern British Columbia.

Nearly two years ago an immense body of gold-bearing conglomerate was discovered by a prospector near Bear Lake in the Omenica district. Claims were staked out on the showing, but were subsequently abandoned, until last spring, when three separate parties having secured information with regard to the existence of these deposits from Mt. Valleau, the Gold Commissioner for the Omeneca district, set out from Vancouver and Victoria, and succeeded in finding the locality and re-staking the ground. A large number of samples of the rock were brought down for assay purposes, and while the returns from a Victoria office were not satisfactory, giving values of less than a dollar in gold, assays made in Vancouver and San Francisco gave results of from six to twelve times greater, showing the rock to average in value from six to eight dollars, the fine grit, in contradistinction to the pebbly conglomerate, being found to contain rather higher values. These