## BEFORE THE KLONDIKE EXCITEMENT.

The news from the Klondike is, perhaps, the first intimation that a great many otherwise well informed poeple have had of the enormous riches of the Alaska Territory; but for all that, a great deal of American capital had been quietly invested in the rich gold bearing territory prior to the general publicity now given through the news columns. One of the most interesting cases is that of the Admiralty Island, Alaska, Gold Mining and Development Company, with offices at 38 Park Row, New York, and Mattawan, New Jersey. This Company became incorporated under the laws of New Jersey in January last with a capital of \$1,000,000 in shares of the par value of \$1 each. The officers are: T. M. Antisell, President; M. P. Moseley, Vice-President and General Manager; W. B. Bankhead, Secretary; and H. A. Hickok, Treasurer. It appears that about two year's ago the gentlemen identified with the undertaking, under the guidance of their president, Mr. Antisell, who is a miner of forty years' successful experience, fitted out an expedition and visited the gold fields. They secured certain remarkably rich mining properties situated on Admiralty Island, about 225 miles from Juneau. There are seven mines in all, as follows:

The Lenora	et.
The Sardonyx 600 x 1,500	"
The United States	"
The Gibraltar	"
The Ophir	"
The Hidden Treasure	"
The Alaska King	

With each of the above named properties there is a mill-site and water-right concession, duly recorded. The mill sites contain a little less than five acres. A vessel can anchor within 1,000 feet of the mines. Work can be carried on throughout the entire year. The ore found on these properties is beautiful free-milling quartz which can be reduced into marketable bullion at exceptionally low cost. It is more than probable that the "Mother lode" of the Alaskan gold fields is on this Company's territory. Just across the channel is the property of the Alaska Treadwell Company, the richest and largest gold mines in the world, paying \$500,000 annual dividends on a capitalization of \$5,000,000. The Admiralty Island Gold Mining and Development Co. is not a speculative "fake," having been organized long before the Klondike craze began. Those who are fortunate enough to secure stock are confidently promised rich rewards. Addic Admi Alask

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