

is another parallel vein which also passes through the claims.

The early prospectors preferred the South Belt to the North Belt, the first claim staked out was on the former, and opinion is rapidly forming that it is merely a question of increased development to make it fully equal in value to the latter.

DEVELOPMENT.

The work on the "R. E. Lee" comprises a shaft about 40 feet down on the south vein carrying from ten inches to two feet of a high grade of ore. There is an open cut on this vein of about twenty-five feet in length which shows the vein to be at least that width with ore intermingled through it. When the Kootenay & Western Railway was being constructed, this vein was cut by the track showing ledge matter for over 40 feet with seams of ore. On the main vein there is a surface cross cut of 35 feet and about 15 feet deep, all of which is