

Tinker and Cameron claims, two of the richest claims in the old days. It was out of these two claims that the late 'Cariboo Cameron' took so many thousands of dollars in the early days." Other cross sections were also obtained in the neighborhood of Barkerville.

Atlin.

The Daily Alaskan, published at Skagway, through which port travel to and from Atlin passes, a few weeks ago, included in its comments the following reference to Atlin: "We are happy to learn that Atlin and the interior are building a good solid foundation for business, and that mining is forging to the front in that part of the country."

When in Skagway at the end of August, Mr. J. M. Ruffner, a pioneer mining operator in Atlin district, where for years he was manager for the North Columbia Gold Mining Co., one of the largest gold-producers in that region, told the Daily Alaskan that things are moving in the Atlin district; the town of Atlin, which was nearly destroyed by fire last spring, is being rebuilt, and a general tone of prosperity seems to have settled over the camp. Mr. Ruffner himself had been operating a hydraulic property at the head of Spruce creek, but a shortage of water for sluicing had necessitated his suspending gravel washing for this season. From a drift mine he is operating on lower Spruce creek he is getting good pay.

The Engineer lode-gold mine, Mr. Ruffner said, continues to produce good ore, and indications point to a maintenance of activity at that mine. Prospectors are working in various parts of the Atlin district and finds of ore are reported from time to time. A shortage of labor has prevented more progress being made in some of the mining camps, in which higher wages are being paid than ever before. Plenty of work can be found by miners, if they are good workers and willing to buckle into the game. While most of the surface mines will be closed during the winter, a number of drift mines will be worked throughout the cold-weather season. Altogether, Atlin district is enjoying one of the best seasons it has ever experienced.

Omineca.

The Silver Standard Mining Co. is stated to have shipped six cars of zinc ore to the Kusa Spelter Co., Oklahoma, the net receipts for which are given as having been \$8,700. Receipts of silver-lead ore from this company's mine on Glen mountain, a few miles from Hazelton, at the Consolidated M. & S. Co.'s works at Trail in 1916 to the end of August have been 448 tons. An idea of the average metal contents of ore from this mine can be obtained from its shipments in 1914, when 736 tons gave a return of approximately 200 oz. gold, 122,000 oz. silver, and 282,000 lb. lead.

The Omineca Herald quotes Supt. D. J. Williams, of the Rocher Deboule Copper Co., operating on Rocher Deboule mountain, at the head of Juniper creek, about ten miles from Skeena crossing on the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, to the effect that the company has about 3,000 tons of ore tied up owing to lack of transportation facilities, both railway to the coast and shipping thence to a smelter. This year ore has been going to the smelting works near Tacoma, Puget sound, Washington. The published official report for last year stated that the company's mine, then under lease to the Montana Continental Development Co., from May 17th to December 12th, inclusive, shipped to the Granby Consolidated Co.'s smelting works at Anyox 17,000 tons of ore averaging about 8 per cent. copper and \$1.65 gold and 50 cents silver to the ton. Buildings

erected, machinery and plant installations then completed, and other improvements then consisted of a two-story bunkhouse accommodating 96 men, steam-heated and electric-lighted, with two large reading-rooms and two rooms for drying clothes, the latter supplied with shower baths for men's use; a compressor-building and machine-shop; a 175-h.p. distillate engine for use in connection with water-supply purposes in the winter; an electric hoist to take men and supplies from camp to mine; a steam locomotive to haul ore from mine to upper terminal of the aerial tramway; laundry and mine and office buildings, etc. In the mine much development work had been done, and preparations were being made for sinking to the 500-ft. level.

West Kootenay.

Ainsworth—Shipments of ore from the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co.'s Highland mine were larger in August than from all other mines in the division combined. The Comfort lead mine, on the east side of Kootenay lake, shipped 137 tons; the Florence Mining Co.'s Hope mine, 84 tons; the Utica, 142 tons, and several small lots together made up 58 tons. Against these the total from the Highland was 441 tons. No ore was shipped from the Bluebell during two months, but it is expected shipment will shortly be resumed, repairs and renewals to the water-supply line, damaged during June by floods, having been completed.

Slocan—Shippers of silver-lead ore from this division are the Galena Farm, Hewitt, Idaho-Alamo, Lucky Thought, Lucky Jim, No. 1, Rambler-Cariboo, Slocan Star, Standard, and Wonderful. Several mines have also shipped zinc ore, but that has been consigned to smelting works in the United States. The Black Prince, and Enterprise, in Slocan City division, also shipped ore to Trail. Generally, mining is progressive in the Slocan, and prospects appear to be favorable for further improvement. An endeavor is being made to organize a company to acquire and operate the Galena Farm, near Silverton, Slocan lake, which since last autumn has been energetically and profitably worked by the estate of the late Patrick Clark, of Spokane, Washington. It is reported that a big shoot of ore has been opened in the Alpha property of the Standard Silver-Lead Mining Co.'s group, above Silverton, and important developments are expected.

Nelson.—Customs receipts at the port of Nelson during the month of August were \$15,193, which total was about \$2,296 higher than that for July. According to the statements of officials, the increase was due chiefly to the fact that much mining machinery, required for the equipment of mines in Kootenay district, was received during August. Further, it is claimed that mining equipment has been coming in to the district in increasing quantity ever since last spring.

SILVER PRICES.

September—	New York, cents.	London, pence.
9th.	68¾	32½
11.	68	32¾
12.	67¾	32½
13.	68	32¾
14.	68¼	32½
15.	68	32¾
18.	68¾	32½
19.	68¾	32¾
21.	68¾	32¾
22.	68¾	32¾