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THE LATEST COMPANY.

The latest company to enter Coal Hill is called the Copper Mines Limited and the results of the initial few weeks of work are given below. This company purchased four claims in one group; now known as the Norma Group; and their operations so far have been in the direction of finding out if they had anything on these claims worthy of exploitation. The group consists of the Earncliffe (a fractional claim), bounded on the west by the Norma, which adjoins the Victor, which again adjoins the Con Verdant. A shaft has been sunk on the Earncliffe a depth of twenty-five feet, the last two feet having thirty inches of ore averaging about \$22 in gold and copper. A shaft is being sunk on the Norma; now down about fifteen feet; following a paystreak which began with a width of only a couple of inches and is already some eight inches thick, lying on a perpendicular wall from which the ore breaks away by its own weight. This ore carries eight per cent. of copper and \$32 in gold, a total of \$50 per short ton, allowing 10 cents for the copper contents. On the Victor the ore lead has simply been shown to exist in carbonates and bornite forms. On the Con Verdant, about forty-five feet of open cross-cuts were made and some twenty feet of ore streaks exposed. At one point a shaft has been started now down 20 feet and following a two foot streak of solid ore, carrying about 4 per cent. copper and \$12.50

in gold and rapidly showing more copper with corresponding increase in gold values. This prospect is very fine, and should the results be favorable as depth is gained, in anything like the same proportion as the present showing, the development should provide considerable shipping ore for sacking from this time forward. Taking the whole into consideration it would be hard to find better prospects on Coal Hill, which has already shown as good promise as any camp in the Province. The Copper Mines Limited is a company formed for the single purpose of developing property and intending investors in copper or copper-gold property will assuredly find something to interest them very shortly in the Norma Group. These claims have the advantage of being situate directly in the centre of the camp and are surrounded by the most valuable properties and those from which shipments have already been made to the smelters with satisfactory returns. The Editor of the RECORD will be pleased to answer any queries in regard to any locations in the camp.

The fact that Kamloops is situated in the centre of an extensive mineral area is becoming more widely known, as is shown by the number of mining men who have recently visited the camp to inspect some of the properties.

Although Coal Hill has received the lion's share of attention, other points have been favorably considered. The large mineralized veins existing about Jamieson Creek have been visited recently by experts, and there is every reason to believe that some of the veins will be thoroughly tested in the immediate future.

Coal Hill holds its own, and does more than