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The Rampart Gold Placer Region, Alaska. By L. M. Pringle and Frank L. Hess. Pages 50; illustrated by half-tones and maps.

Geography and Geology of Alaska. A summary of existing knowledge by Alfred H. Brooks, with a section on Climate by Cleveland Abbe, Jr., and a topographic map and description thereof by R. U. Good. Pages 308; illustrated by numerous half-tones, diagrams and maps.

The Tertiary and Quaternary Pectens of California. By Ralph Arnold. Pages 250; illustrated by numerous half-tones.

Underground Water Resources of Long Island, New York. By A. C. Veatch, C. S. Slichter, Isaiah Bowman, W. O. Crosby, and R. E. Horton. Pages 385; illustrated by half-tones, diagrams and accompanying maps.

Geology and Mineral Resources of part of the Cumberland Gap Coal Field, Kentucky. By George Hall Ashley and Leonidas Chalmers Glenn. Pages 225; illustrated by half-tones, diagrams and accompanying maps.

KETCHIKAN, SOUTHEAST ALASKA.

From the Ketchikan Mining Journal.

Information has reached here that the bill providing for the extension of the Government cable to Ketchikan and Wrangell was signed by President Roosevelt on June 13. The amount of the appropriation for this work is given as \$179,000. Mr. T. J. Patterson, in charge of the cable office at Juneau, has been instructed to inform the department whether suitable buildings for cable offices are available at Wrangell, Petersburg, Ketchikan and Hadley. As Hadley is on Prince of Wales Island, it appears that its mining and smelting interests, which would use the cable to a considerable extent, are likely to also benefit by the extension. It is announced to be the intention of the department to proceed without delay with the laying of the cable, and to have it in working order by September 30 next.

Mr. J. M. Miller, president of the Cymru Copper Co., has returned to his home at Tacoma, Wash., after having paid his first visit to his company's Cymru mine at Moira Sound. The wharf at the camp was recently completed, in time for the landing thereon of about 100 tons of steel rails, tram cars, and other plant for use in the mine. The construction of ore bunkers, to have a capacity of about 1,200 tons, has been commenced. The company is making small shipments of ore to smelters at Hadley and Coppermount, both on Prince of Wales Island; Ladysmith, on Vancouver Island, B.C.; and Tacoma, Puget Sound, Wash., for test purposes, with a view to determining where to arrange for the regular treatment of ore from its mine.

Hon. W. B. Hoggatt, the newly appointed governor of the District of Alaska, was banquetted at Ketchikan on June 16, some 70 men resident in Ketchikan district attending to do him honour. The toast of "Mining" was done justice to by Mr. G. L. Parker, superintendent of the Brown-Alaska Co.'s several mines. While in the Ketchikan district Governor Hoggatt visited the mines on Prince of Wales Island of the Brown-Alaska and Hadley Consolidated Copper companies, also the Alaska Smelting and Refining Co.'s smelting works

at Hadley, which were designed and erected by Mr. Paul Johnson, who has been successfully operating them during several months of the current year.

The tug John C. Potter, which brought in from Union, B.C., coke for the Hadley smelter, will have for return freight marble from the Alaska Marble Co's quarries at Marble Creek, Shakan Bay. These quarries are extensive and some very fine marble has been excavated from them. A shipment of 1,100 tons has already been made to Chicago, Ill., and now 1,600 tons are being loaded for the same market.

The Red Wing mine lately shipped 140 tons of ore to the Tacoma smelter. The Wellington took another shipment of copper matte from the Hadley smelter to the Britannia Smelting Co.'s works at Crofton, Vancouver Island, to be there converted into blister copper for shipment to New York.

J. R. Heckman & Co. having obtained judgment against the Golden Fleece Mining Co., it has been ordered that the property rights and interests of the defendant company shall be sold to satisfy such judgment. The sale has been announced to take place at Dolomi on Friday, July 27. The property levied on by the U. S. Marshal for Division No. 1, District of Alaska, includes several mining claims in the Ketchikan Precinct, Port Johnson mining district, Prince of Wales Island; tramway, 10,000 ft.; buildings, consisting of wharf, office, warehouse, dwelling house, boarding house, bunk house machinery and plant, including 2-stamp mill, ore crusher, concentrator, and steam engine and boiler.

The tug "Mary D. Hume," recently purchased by General Manager F.W. Hale for the Alaska Copper Co., is on her way north from Seattle with a barge in tow. On her up trip she is bringing a shipment of siliceous ore for the Hadley smelter. After unloading at Hadley she will proceed to Karta Bay for ore for the Coppermount smelter, the furnace of which will be blown in after her arrival at the latter place.

Mr. Harry P. Stow, assistant superintendent of the Alaska-Treadwell gold mine, Douglas Island, Alaska, has been revisiting his old haunts at Oroville, and Forbestown, in Butte county, California, U. S. A.

The loss entailed by the dynamite explosion and subsequent fire at Cobalt on May 18 is estimated at \$25,000. About 20 houses were destroyed by the explosion and 50 burned. In future all powder and dynamite will be stored a considerable distance outside the town limits.

Mr. John L. Howard, of San Francisco, Cal., president of the Western Fuel Co., operating coal mines at Nanaimo, Vancouver Island, was at Nanaimo during the latter part of June. The company has closed its Brechin mine, at Departure Bay, consequent upon a considerable falling off in the demand for coal in San Francisco, which is the chief market for Vancouver Island coal.

Mr. A. N. C. Treadgold, of London, England, was in Vancouver towards the end of June en route to Seattle and thence to Dawson, Yukon, where he will attend to the interests of English capitalists he represents. Mr. Treadgold's name is familiar to all interested in Yukon matters, by reason of his connection with the Treadgold Concession, of which so much has been heard during recent years.

From the Revelstoke *Mail-Herald* it is learned that Mr. E. A. Haggen, M.E., is severing his connection with the Interior Publishing Co., Ltd., which publishes that newspaper, and intends opening a real estate, insurance, share-broking and financial agency in Revelstoke, having been appointed agent for an Eastern company investing in British Columbia lands, mines and timber. Mr. Haggen has done much useful work in visiting and publishing descriptions of mining properties in Revelstoke and Northern Lardeau districts during several recent years.