

town to Greenwood; where some of those cut a pine pole to measure off the surface width of the Showshoe ledge (I think we made it 120 feet) and where we blun-

mines, and if I was wrong in prophesying that two railways would soon be competing for the ores, it is not because the ores are not there but because they are



MAIN KETTLE RIVER.

dered about in the dense small pines looking for the Gold Drop, all is now a big clearing; where hundreds of prospectors roamed the hills are now thousands of

treated on the spot which is better for Boundary.

Five years ago we went a prospecting and prophesied great things, worked like men and may be erred a little



VALLEY OF THE UPPER KETTLE RIVER.

settled residents. The prospecting era has passed and the fun of it I fear, but instead I learn that there are three smelters, big towns, compressors, big producing

about our assays, but last year the rough hills gave up 390,000 tons of ore and have produced 140,000 already this year, and the population of the district according