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## Local Conditions.

## YREKA COPPER COMPANY

Own about six hundred acres of mineral lands on the south-east arm of Quatsino Sound. Have opened up immense quantities of fine copper ore. Numbers of mining men have pronounced it the most wonderful mine that they have ever seen, and have estimated that we have millions of tons of ore practically in sight.

We have installed one main aerial tram and two baby trams for transporting the ore from the mine to salt water, a distance of about 4500 feet. These trams will deliver, when worked to their fullest capacity, 600 tons of ore to the bunkers at the wharf, every twenty-four hours.

We have about 100 men employed about the mine, and have just commenced shipping, the first boat load of ore now being discharged at the Crofton Smelter. This shipment amounted to about 700 tons, the boat will hereafter carry about 900 tons of ore and will make, under the ordinary conditions that prevail at this time of the year, four round trips per month to the smelter and with conditions favorable will make easily five trips per month. We expect in a few months that our output will necessitate an additional boat or a boat of greater carrying capacity.

The company have been at work on this property only ten months and in that time have installed the tramways as noted above, constructed bunkers at the mine and wharf to take care of the ore, installed a ten drill compressor plant, to be operated by direct water power, built and opened up a store, constructed cook houses and other buildings for the accommodation of 100 or more men and have opened up an immense tonnage of sulphide ore containing a comparatively high percentage of copper and good values in gold and silver.

During the coming season we contemplate the construction of additional tramways equal in capacity to those now installed. A smelter in the not distant future is also in our plans.