

belonging to the Boyle Concessions, Limited, operating on the Klondike flats. Mr. JOSEPH BOYLE accompanied the party to the dredge, conducted them over it and lucidly explained the various workings. In the evening the members were entertained by Mr. Commissioner BLACK at Government House.

It was decided to spend the two days allotted to the Klondike visit in a general review of the camp, although this necessarily left little time for detailed examinations of interesting points. An early start was made on the 11th in motors and horse vehicles, two kindly furnished and driven by the owners, Mr. THOMAS of the Yukon Gold Company and Mr. BOYLE of Boyle Concessions, Limited, and the rest supplied by the Territorial Government. Mr. BLACK, the present commissioner and Mr. CONGDON, a former one, both old timers in the district and familiar with its history, accompanied the party and proved good guides.

The route taken was up Klondike river to the mouth of Hunker creek, then up Hunker creek and the long hill at its head to the Hunker-Dominion divide, and down Dominion creek to Granville, returning to Dawson by Sulphur and Bonanza creeks, a total distance of 108 miles. On the way out stops were made in the forenoon at the mouth of Bear creek, the headquarters of the Boyle Concessions, Limited, where the members were shown the various types of gold obtained in dredging, and at Goldbottom and other points along Hunker creek. The Dome road-house, on the summit, was reached at noon, and the members lunched there as guests of the Territorial Government. An excellent view of the rugged Ogilvie range is obtained from this point. In the afternoon, on the way down Dominion creek, the members had an opportunity of seeing individual mining on one of the few claims not owned or controlled by large companies.

Dominion creek differs from Hunker and Bonanza creeks in the absence of a secondary valley and in the wide flats which bottom its lower portion. Its present valley bottom, as the guides explained, corresponds to the flats on which the high-level White Channel gravels of Hunker and Bonanza creeks rest. It is less accessible from Dawson than the Klondike creeks, and mining on a large scale has only commenced. The Granville Mining Company, controlled by Mr. A. N. C. TREADGOLD, is at present engaged at several points in the preparatory work of removing the muck overlying the frozen gravels. This is done partly by ground sloicing and partly by hydraulic lifting, and the members had an opportunity at Granville of seeing these methods employed. When the muck is removed over a sufficient area, and the gravels exposed to the sun and atmosphere, they thaw out slowly and can be dredged.

While at Granville the members of the excursion were entertained at dinner and breakfast by the Granville Mining Company; and the sincere thanks of the excursionists are due to Mr. DOLAN, Mr. BRADENBURG, Mr. RENDALL and other officials of this company for the trouble they took in entertaining and finding accommodation for their numerous guests and also for assistance in transportation.