

"It should be noted that where cracks or fracture planes have been produced in a quartz vein and subsequently filled by minerals from solution, secondary quartz can be distinguished with difficulty, if at all, from the original quartz. Hence it is not always possible to say whether visible gold in such a vein occurs in the original or in secondary quartz.

"Carbonates of lime, magnesia and iron occur with the quartz in practically all the veins in the area. This material may have been absorbed from the wall rock, which is frequently dolomite or rock impregnated with dolomite or calcite. Fragments of country rock are often included in the veins. Veinlets of clear calcite occasionally cut the quartz veins.

"The distribution of the gold is generally irregular, occurring along one or both walls, while other portions of the vein may be very low grade. Most spectacular showings occur on many properties, but these are limited to portions of the veins. Considering the irregular character of certain veins and the quantity of country rock which will need to be mined, the ore must be considered low grade.

"Iron pyrites occurs in massive and crystallized forms, somewhat sparingly in most of the veins. Cubes of pyrites are frequently abundant in the enclosing rocks, especially where sericitic or dolomitic schist occur. A sample of cube pyrites was separated from the schist, obtained from a shaft of a principal property, and an assay gave a gold content of \$10.40 per ton.

"Copper pyrites, galena, zincblende and pyrrhotite are found in some veins in very minor quantity. Sulphide of silver, argentite, occurs in association with the gold on the Powell property in Deloro township.

"It will be seen from an examination of the ore from most of the properties that it is largely free milling, while the concentrates should be amenable to cyanide treatment.

"Little is said in this report as to actual values of properties, since their sampling is the prerogative of their owners. Many samples were taken, for assay, rather for the determination of the distribution of the gold, which was found to be irregular and to be associated with the secondary fracturing of the quartz (and schist) in many cases. The determination of the value of properties is a matter requiring considerable development accompanied by extended sampling and mill tests."

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