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FIRST REPORT.

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SUMP SHAFT.—Sunk three feet; and if any change since the last report, it is, that there is a little more copper ore. (Suspended.)

EXCAVATION H.—I was obliged to withdraw the force previous to the suspension of the shaft, on account of the men here employed being inexperienced in mining. The copper ore, as I have already stated, is to be seen here for three fathoms in length, and four feet in depth, which will yield pretty good stamp work, the same as sample S. W. H. already sent, and button S. W. H. that goes with this letter. (Suspended.)

MAIN LAND.

CROSSCUT, which is traversing the lode, in the same longitude of the site from where the native silver was taken, has been driven six feet, and crossed several branches of quartz spar, iron pyrites, calc. spar, and amythestine quartz; some of it exactly the same sort, as the native silver occurred in, and although two stones cannot be more alike, yet, in this Crosscut we have not seen a single particle of silver. It brought to our view a large cavity in the lode, nine feet in length, and three in depth, studded with scores of quartz and calcarous specimens,