

KITCHENER is a rising town, near which iron ore deposits are being developed.

WINDERMERE is the site of the mining record office for the Windermere division, and is situated on Windermere Lake.

CANTERBURY, at the north end of the lake; ATHALMER, at its outlet; and WILMER, three miles north-west of Athalmer, on the Columbia River, are new mining towns, with stores, hotels, post-offices, etc.

KIMBERLEY is the terminus of the North Star branch, and is in close proximity to many mining properties which are being developed. It is 18 miles from Cranbrook.

MARYSVILLE is the site of a smelter, built in connection with the Sullivan group of mines, and is 14 miles from Cranbrook, from which it is reached by railway.

There are other towns springing up, and there are also other places where prospectors, miners and sportsmen can supply their requirements, such as Thunder Hill Landing on Upper Columbia Lake.

MINING LOCALITIES.

Along the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, not far from Golden, Donald and other stations, mining operations are being prosecuted. A large amount of work has been done in the mines of Jubilee and Spillimacheen Mountains, 45 miles above Golden, fine bodies of lead and silver having been opened up on the latter and several copper mines on the former. Back of Spillimacheen, on the several branches of the river of that name, in the region known as the McMurdo district, a number of promising claims have been located and worked to a considerable extent. Some of them are large gold quartz lodes, and others are small high-grade silver-lead veins. On Bugaboo Creek, a few miles south of Spillimacheen, a large number of new discoveries have been made. On Toby and Boulder Creeks, opposite Windermere, there are numerous quartz locations; and back of Windermere silver-lead and copper properties have been opened up and some high-grade carbonates shipped, and new claims have been worked extensively during 1902. At the head of Upper Columbia Lake are great parallel gold-bearing quartz lodes forming a ridge from 250 to 500 feet above the adjacent country, carrying gold in varying quantities. Large low-grade lead and silver and gold quartz lodes have been found up Findley Creek and on the South Fork. There are also high benches of hydraulic ground for miles along either side of Findley Creek. In the Southern Division are the North Star and Sullivan groups, seventeen miles from Cranbrook, with which there is railway connection. The former is a large lode, fifteen to thirty feet wide, carrying immense quantities of argentiferous galena and carbonates; and the shipment of ores to smelter points is paying large profits. Its value averages \$60 per ton. The Sullivan mines are of a similar character. At Wild Horse, a few miles back of Fort Steele, hydraulic mining is being carried on, and several good quartz claims are more or less opened up. In early days this section was a rival of Cariboo in the marvellous output of its placer mines,