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W. J. Lampton in Globe-Democrat. The most remarkable gold mining at present in the world, if not in the entire history of gold mining, is that now in progress in and about Cape Nome.

Whatever of truth may have been in these stories is now of small import, for in June or in early July, some one of the stranded miners tenting on the beach, as the only unclaimed space, accidentally discovered gold in the sand at his feet.

Their success was such that within a few days men who had worked on claims along the creek at \$10 a day and board, threw up their jobs and took to the beach, expecting to earn, and actually earning in many instances, as much in an hour as they had earned in a day.

For miles to the west of Cape Nome the beach runs straight away in a strip of tide land, varying from forty to sixty feet in width between high and low water mark, extending up to the "tundra" or black alluvial soil, which is from three to five feet higher than the beach proper.

At present it is estimated that 1000 to 1200 miners are at work on the beach, extending west for twenty miles. All these work with rockers, and they occupy just as much territory to the man or groups as can work it. It is not unusual for one small square bit of beach to pan-out \$10 to \$15 an hour, but, of course, the space is soon exhausted and the lucky digger must move to another spot.

This beach deposit of gold is as yet an unsolved problem. By some it is claimed that the gold in the sand, which is entirely "dust," has been washed out from the tundra by the waves at high tide and deposited through hundreds of years in the sand. It is found here now from two to five feet below the surface in the drift, and so plentiful that the miner who does not find it in paying quantities is the exception.

The beach to the east of Cape Nome makes no such gold showing as does the beach to the west, owing to the existence of a long reach of water or "lagoon," which lies a short distance back from the sea and parallel with it.

The Kitchen Sink

Advertisement for FAIRBANK'S Washing Powder, featuring an illustration of the product box and text: 'Should not breed diseases like typhoid fever or malaria. It will not if you use Gold Dust regularly.'

Nome City is the postoffice. While the city possesses a number of frame houses, tents are the prevailing shelter, and prices for commodities are pretty much as they are in all mining towns.

As to what amount of gold is being taken out, there is no means of determining. It is known that not more than \$200,000 in all have been shipped by steamer, and \$100,000 of that has gone out within the past week.

November 1 communication with the outside world will be completely shut off for seven months at least, and only a few of the people now in the Cape Nome district are fixed with either food or shelter for the severity of the climate, though those who are prepared with house to live in and sufficient food and fuel can not only pass the winter comfortably, but can do more or less work.

There are very few so well off as this, however, fuel being scarcer than food, but among the "beach combers" a novel plan will be adopted. Parties of four, six or eight will organize for winter operations by securing a large tent, spreading it on the beach on the ground they propose to work in, and there they will set up housekeeping.

known. But, according to the tales of prospectors, as far beyond as Cape Prince of Wales, 225 miles, gold has been found along the creeks in quantities that would pay from \$10 to \$20 per man per day if panned by an expert.

Claims are offered for sale—a claim being 20 acres—at prices from \$50,000 to \$150,000, and there are, of course, at this time not many takers at those figures, but they are expected in the spring with a rush.

The claims of this entire section are of the placer variety, and so far no quartz has been discovered, which means that what is a busy mining camp with millions this year may be a deserted village twelve months later.

Winner at Anvil City, that is to say in the entire Nome district, ordinarily continues from October to June, and a temperature of 50 to 60 degrees below is not unusual.

To the prospective miner in "the States" expecting to try his luck in the Cape Nome rush next spring, or rather next season, it may be said, that he should keep his attention fixed on weather reports from the Northwest and be in San Francisco or Seattle in June, to catch the first boat out, as Norton bay usually opens in June.

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