

FABULOUSLY RICH.

**Carries High Values in Gold,
Lead and Native Copper.**

H. J. Hill, whose home is in Oregon City, but who has mined in this district for eight or nine years past, was in town Saturday. While here he displayed some of the finest samples of native copper ever taken from the ground. One specimen is about the size of an egg, fully three-quarters of which is pure copper, carrying rock almost black in color. The other is a native copper brick, almost rectangular in form, weighing about half a pound.

He says that these specimens were taken from the Fourteen Thousand Dollar Nugget, Nos. 1 and 2, which claims are situated twenty-two miles from Sumpter, eight miles southwest of the Bonanza mine. These claims were located late last fall by himself and Otto Olesen, also of Oregon City, where he is superintendent of the Electric Light company. He claims to have a four-foot ledge, all of which carries great values in copper and lead; one assay having shown as high as \$6535 in gold and the lowest \$555 in the precious metal, together with 39 ounces of silver and 65 per cent lead.

The name of the property is taken from the fact that in this vicinity the famous \$14,000 gold nugget was found some years ago, and some months later one of about half that value. In working over these old dry diggings last spring a man named Starr found one \$14 nugget and other smaller ones. Mr. Hill thinks his claims are on the ledge which supplied these rich placer diggings with gold, which opinion he bases on the character of the quartz.

The shaft now being sunk begins at the mean water level and as depth is attained the seepage prevents rapid and economical development. To overcome this difficulty the owners contemplate organizing a stock company and putting in pumping machinery.

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