

CONCENTRATES FOR THE SMELTER

Shipment to be Made From the Quartzburg District

The Blue Mountain Chief and Gougar properties, of Quartzburg, owned by Messrs. Marsh Howell, of Prairie City, and George C. Shearer, of Portland, are among the oldest in the Quartzburg district. These mines still continue to be bullion producers, and are excellent properties.

Considerable work has been done in the past in the way of running tunnels and sinking shafts, and work is being prosecuted steadily. While the ore in the lower tunnel is refractory, it assays something over \$40 to the ton, and with proper treatment would pay well. The ore in the upper tunnel and shafts is of a free milling nature and assays over \$140 to the ton.

In an interview with Mr. Howell, the resident owner, a Miner representative was enabled to gather these facts concerning work which has been done this spring: Messrs. Net Babcock and Ben Parrott have been doing contract work on the claims for the past two months. They commenced to drift from an old thirty foot shaft and drifted and stoped out about fifty feet of mineral. Eleven tons of ore was obtained from this work, which was hauled to Isham Laurance's mill and worked. The result obtained from the eleven tons of ore was over \$1,000 in gold.

The tailings, amounting to about seven tons, were saved. They had the tailings assayed and found them to be rich both in silver and gold; going something over \$20 to the ton in each metal. The tailings will be concentrated to about a ton, and the product sent to the new smelter at Sumpter.—Prairie City Miner.

GRANDE RONDE DISTRICT

Some Good Ore Bodies Being Uncovered in That New Mining Section

Better showings of mineral cannot be made from any camp in the great northwest than those of the Grande Ronde river mining district. The specimens that are being brought down from time to time from those claims are simply immense. That the Grande Ronde district is going to turn out to be one of the greatest, is a fact established beyond any doubt—a fact that has so thoroughly convinced those who are in a position to know the real value of their properties, that it would require a good sum of money to buy them.

Charles Mutchler, formerly of the Republic camp, in Washington, arrived in LaGrande yesterday with a small sack filled with specimens of rock, taken from a new find up there. These specimens were good enough to have come from the best vein in the Le Roi.

Among these specimens were pieces of quartz chock full of copper, in which could be seen the glittering gold. They were beauties. He also had sulphate of lime specimens. Mr. Mutchler says he is not looking for any other mining camp, "because" said he, "the Grande Ronde is going to be one of the greatest I was ever in." Mr. Mutchler says that development work is being rapidly pushed, and that the claims are getting better all the time. The ledges are widening all the time in each case where the work of development is going on, and that the assays are getting better all the time. Lou Corbett, who was here last week, gives the same report. Mr. Mutchler says the high grade ore that is on the dumps of the various claims would fill several cars, and the returns from such ore could not help making a wonderful showing for the district. He also says that the tonnage of

average ore on the dump, all of which is awaiting railroad transportation facilities, would fill considerable more cars. Among the good showing claims up there are the Pay Boy, the Royal, the Standard, the Old Hunter, Quartz Cabin, Eclipse, Gray Fox, Sulphur, Tiger, Kansas, Bluejay, Winchester, Bluebird and the Muir claim.

That the Grande Ronde river district is going to prove a great producer, Mr. Mutchler says is as sure as the rising sun. The rock from the various claims assays from \$3 on surface showings as high as \$1000 from selected specimens.—LaGrande Journal.

Rich Strike in the Michigan

Hardly a week passes, yes, even a day, but what some new bonanza is unearthed in the Quartzburg district. The latest rich find is on the Michigan, a claim situated northeast and on the same hill as the Copper King. The property is owned by Frank Sargent and other parties. Rock taken from the surface at random was brought to town Tuesday, and assays made by Joe Reese show \$210.42 gold, \$2.83 silver and one per cent copper. Practically no work has been done on this claim, but the owners say that a three and one-half foot ledge runs the entire length. The owners have another claim on the same hill and adjoining the Michigan, called the Dexter, and surface assays show seventeen per cent copper, eighty-two cents gold and \$1.20 in silver. The Dexter has a four-foot ledge and Mr. Sargent thinks from surface indications is a direct extension of the Michigan. The owners left Prairie City Wednesday with provisions and a complete mining outfit and will begin operations at once.—Prairie City Miner.

Seattle Mining Man Here.

A. W. Anderson, of Seattle, arrived in Sumpter a few days since. He is largely interested in mining in Washington and comes here to look for profitable investments in the same line. He says most every body on the Sound are wild about Cape Nome, and local mining interests are suffering in consequence. Mr. Anderson is now visiting the several mining camps of this district and will make a thorough inspection before returning north.

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