

GREAT IS CABLE COVE.

Hundreds of Men Working on a Dozen Rich Mines.

Some handsome and rich specimens of massive iron ore were brought in from the Standard mine, in the Cable Cove, by N. P. Kayler, one of the owners, a day or two since, which ordinarily would cause a stampede to any district except eastern Oregon. Here strikes have been so common during the past two years that they hardly cause a ripple of excitement. The people here do not seem to be so impulsive as in most camps, and no matter what is discovered they go along the even tenor of their way and confidently believe that the next strike will be in their mine, and that they had better stay with what they have, rather than go into a new section. This new strike is similar in character to the other ores found in the Cable Cove, carrying \$312 in gold, a few ounces of silver and some lead. The excess of iron found in the other veins is also noticeable.

The general formation throughout the district is similar, being a grandiorite, and it is natural to expect the ores to be similar in character, but hardly that the high values should be found in all the properties. The shoots of ore are apparently continuous and all the veins carry them. From indications the Cove is destined to be one of the best producers in eastern Oregon, as the district is large and the number of properties being opened up is greater than in any other section. So far there is not a single instance where good values have not been found where depth has been attained.

The California mine, with some two miles of underground workings, the most extensive of any, has the best showing, its largest bodies of ores and best values being found in the deepest workings, about 1000 feet below the surface. On the surface of this property the values were not high, only from ten to fourteen dollars, with many samples running much less, but as depth was attained the values increased and assays running over one hundred dollars are common. The experience of the owners of the Imperial mine, to the east of the California, has been similar to the sister property, and they have now commenced sinking a shaft to gain several feet in depth. They have shipped a good many thousand tons of ore to the various outside smelters, but are now sacking and holding the output of the mine until the Sumpter smelter is ready to receive ore.

On the Overland, to the west of the California, they have good bodies of ore running up to \$60 a ton in the shaft, which is the deepest workings, and \$35 and \$41 in the face of tunnel No. 1. On the surface the values run from twelve to fifteen dollars. The topography is such that a depth of 600 feet can be gained by running a tunnel less than that distance, and it is the intention of the owners to have this tunnel run during the fall months so that ore can be taken out cheaply and in large quantities by the time the local smelter is ready for operation. There are some four hundred feet of work already completed, but no great depth has been attained, the idea being rather to determine where the best ore was and then go to work and open it up in the most economical manner. Surface work is much cheaper than underground and all the work so far has been done with that fact in view. Another feature about the development of the Overland, is that all work is done under the advice of a competent mining engineer, Professor Eber-

man being the consulting engineer. That the Overland will make one of the largest mines in the Cove is conceded by all mining men who have looked over the situation. They have three large veins extending and opened up for a distance of over 4,000 feet and all three show good values. In most sections one vein is sufficient to make a mine and on many of the Cove properties they have but one or two veins.

There are good wagon roads into the Cove, crossing the Overland ground, making it accessible and rendering transportation of ore cheap, but in this respect the prospects are extremely bright for the installing of an electric line in connection with the road to the Cracker creek district. This would reduce the cost of getting ore to the smelter to about one dollar per ton and thereby add that much to the value of the ore produced.

The Crown Point mine, lying to the south of the Overland and carrying some of the same veins, is being equipped with a compressor and the tunnel will soon be into the vein. In the upper workings of this property some fine ore was encountered and it is to tap this at depth that the tunnel is being run.

Joining the Crown Point is the Granite Mountain, which carries some of the Overland and California veins. On this property they are running a tunnel on the vein and taking out some good ore of the same character as that found in the other properties. At the head of the John Day, just over the divide, the Alpine group is having extensive buildings erected and a tunnel has been started. The Last Chance has ordered a hoist and sinking plant and will soon start a shaft on their main vein. The Baby McKee has a tunnel in over 2,000 feet and has cut three large veins. Sinking has been started on the Gypay King and some good ore was encountered at the surface. The Owl and Elephant and the Constellation are also doing extensive development work. A little to the north of the above mentioned properties, but in the same belt, is the Esmeralda group. This mine was located about the first in the district, but the development work has not been so extensive as some and consequently it is not in the producing list. The veins are very strong and show good surface values. Some five hundred feet of tunnels have been run and the showing is very promising.

The properties of the Cove are now employing hundreds of men, not only in the mines but in the woods, getting out wood and timbers for winter work. In this respect the district is also favored, as there is an abundance of good pine, tamarack and fir, sufficient to last for years.

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Rich Rock From the Chloride.
Thomas Barbee brought in some splendid ore from the Chloride, in the Greenhorns, a few days since. It was taken from surface croppings and assays \$200. The tunnel is in 200 feet, which has gained foot for foot. It is expected that the ledge will be cut in a day or two, at a point directly under where this rich rock was found. Mr. Barbee says he will ship three carloads as soon as it can be taken out.

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TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 1, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Aug. 22, 1902. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 1, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land states by

act of August 4, 1892. JULIUS J. ULLMAN, of Baker City, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1424, for the purchase of the e½ s½ ¼ and w½ s½ ¼ of section No. 27 in township No. 8 south, range No. 18 EWM, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Saturday, the 6th day of December, 1902. He names as witnesses: Joseph Manaudas, Homer C. Innis, Henry J. Withey, Charles Carson, all of Baker City, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 6th day of December, 1902. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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HOMER C. INNIS, of Baker City, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1420, for the purchase of the e½ s½ ¼ Sec. 28 & w½ s½ ¼ of section No. 27 in township No. 8 south, range No. 18 EWM, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the county clerk of Baker county, at Baker City, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 5th day of November, 1902. He names as witnesses: Joe Manaudas, H. J. Withey, Charles Carsons, Julius Ullman, all of Baker City, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 5th day of Nov., 1902. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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