### TO PROVE SHOOTS AT SOUTH POLE.

### Manager Robbins Running Open Cuts for This Purpose.

W. W. Robbins, general manager night from the property. He states iting Mr. Neill. that cuts are being run from the Yankee Jim claim to the summit of the mountain to prove the ore vein. This work could not be taken Goodheart Brothers. up sooner on account of the snow.

Work will be resumed on the No. 1 tunnel whose entrance was dug out of the snow some time ago, immediately after the Fourth. Mr. Robbins himself left for Spokane today to spend a few days with his family, and most of his crew quit F. A. Wing, of Government today until after the Fourth. The No. 1, which is a drift, is now in a distance of forty-five feet, and it will be driven ahead some thirty-five feet where the vein will be crosscut to catch the rich shoots demonstrated on the surface probably on the hanging wall of the vein.

It is thought that splendid ore will be encountered in this level. Last winter when the surface work was abandoned at this point on account of snow, the values on the outcrop ran as high as \$700. The workings will be pushed ahead here year for the same purpose. Speaking to explore this rich ore body.

The rumored negotiations for the acquisition of the South Pole by the North Pole company, as stated last week, have no foundation in fact. Manager Robbins affirms that nothing of the kind is contemplated, and that it is the policy of his company to push development work as rapidly as possible, install a mill as soon as the requirements demand and place the property on a paying

### DRILLING CONTESTS.

#### Nine Teams Enter For Doubles on the Fourth.

be one of the leading features of the but this is putting me to unnecessary Fourth, will be participated in by trouble when the operators could just some of the best known and most as well furnish this information clever teams in the district. So far themselves. There is no way of as known at present nine teams will forcing them to give me this datum; enter for the double drill. They are but they would just as well do it

Andregg and Bessler, Virtue; mick and McRay, Bourne; Smith trict, on his return to Seattle. and Frazer, Greenhorns; Stapleton and Lalvoin, Granite; Ray and Dunn. Midway; Scott and Casey, Goldbug Grizzly; Flannery and McCarvel, Golden Wizard; Henderson and Cook,

For the singles, there are so far, three entries, Johns, Watters and In the junior doubles there will probably be two teams from Bourne, one from Sumpter and one from Baker.

### WORK AT GLADSTONE.

#### Superintendent Says Vein Will Be Encountered Early in July.

W. H. Mead, superintendent and one of the leading owners of the Gladstone, in the Bonanza district, who spent several days in the city this week, states that he expects to catch the vein early in July.

The crosscut is now in 300 feet with about seventy feet yet to drive before reaching the ledge. Mr. Mead says that his force is now working in exceedingly hard rock, but the crosscut is being carried forward as expeditously as possible.

#### Here on Visit.

J. F. R. Webber of San Francisco, assistant secretary of the Home Fire and Marine Insurance company, and a brother-in-law of R. L. Neill, of of the South Pole Consolidated Gold the Neill Mercantile company, spent Mines company, returned Monday several days in the city this week vis-

### Sold Flynn Property,

The J. H. MacCallum company shoots on the surface and also sold the Flynn property on Granite demonstrate the continuity of the and Ibex streets this week to the

### TO REPORT ON SUMPTER DISTRICT.

## Assay Office, Seattle, Here For This Purpose.

Frederick A. Wing, assayer in charge of the government assay office in Seattle, spent several days in the camp last week and this week, visiting many of the mines and the smelter, gathering data for his annual report on the mines of Oregon. Mr. Wing was here about this time last of the district generally and the improvements he observed, he said:

"Since my last visit the progress throughout the district is very pronounced. I noticed a great many improvements in the way of new and more modern machinery at the older properties I visited, and a great number of new plants going in at mines more recently opened. The district has taken a great stride forward, and there is a universal air of progress throughout the camp.

"There is another matter regarding which I should like to be quoted. An important feature of my report is the output of the various mines, and I find this difficult to obtain from the operators themselves. Of course I The drilling contests which will get it from the smelters and refineries, since I will get it in the end."

Mr. Wing left yesterday afternoon Johns and Watters, Bourne; McCor- to visit the Washington mining dis-

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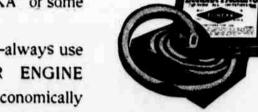
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