BLACK JACK GETTING BETTER EVERY SHOT.

Things Looking Good, Says Judge Reese.

Judge M. B. Reese, of Lincoln, Black Jack, accompanied by T. J. Sheedy, superintendent, came in from the property today. Judge Reese says:

"The Black Jack is looinkg fine. We have completed the camp, all the buildings are up, we have the land surveyed, the lines are established, and we are in a position to prosecute development work unin terruptedly. In addition to this we have our Sibley hot air blast for ventilation in, and things generally are looking good."

In regard to the development work Judge Reese stated that three veins had been cut on the property with satisfactory results. The first vein shows a width of four feet carrying good ore. This was followed a distance of fifty feet. Vein No. 2, which was crossed but not drifted upon, showed a width of twenty-four feet. The third vein has three feet of ore and was side cut a distance of twelve feet. The last shots when he left Judge Reese says were bring ing to light a very excellent quality of quartz. The company is prepared for good work, and will carry on rapid development.

FRANK SHELTON BACK

Sumpter Camp Looked Upon With Favor in the East, He Says.

J. F. Shelton, secretary of the Neil J. Sorensn company, returned Saturday from a business trip to St. Paul and Duluth relative to the com pany's interests. Accompanying Mr. Shelton on his return was A. M. Harris, of St. Paul, who has holdings in both the Highaind and the Friday. Mr. Harris comes to visit these properties on behalf of himself and friends who are interested with him. In company with Mr. Shelton he left Saturday afternoon for the Highland to be gone several days. Relative to conditions in the middle west, Mr. Shelton says:

"The business situation I regard as extremely good, and there is lots of money going into mining investments in the Sumpter district. This camp is well advertised, and is looked upon with a great deal of money that you have a good property they are not slow in taking hold of it."

I. X. L'S RICH_ORE.

Fifteen Inch Shoot Which Averages \$5,000 to the Ton.

W. C. Calder returned Saturday from a trip to the Greenhorns, visiting while away the I X L, at which the rich strike was made a few days ago.

Mr. Calder states that the richness of the strike has been but little exaggerated. He examined the shoot and saw the ore that is being taken from it. The ore first came in as a Camp Finished, Three Veins Cut and three inch stringer, which has now strengthened to fifteen inches carrying average values of \$5,000 to the ton.

The ore was encountered in the 100 foot level and it is believed that the rich shoot will run to the surface. The l. X. L. has been milling good ore for some time, and the Nebraska, managing owner of the present rich strike excites great interest in the property.

VISITS PROPERTIES.

Vice President Lilly Here to Look After Interests.

Luke Lilly, of Cincinnati, vicepresident of the Alpine Consoildated Gold Mines company, and a brother to L. G. Lilly, superintendent of the Baby McKee company, arrived in the city yesterday. Mr. Lilly is also a heavy stockholder in the Baby Mc-Kee. He was met here by his brother, and yesterday afternoon they left for the properties.

Superintendent Lilly states that good progress is being made toward the erection of the Baby McKee hoist, and that it will be in operation very shortly. Mr. Lilly's little child has been quite sick for some time, and is now rapidly improving.

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