

# CALIFORNIA WILL START NEXT MONTH

## Manager Bellman Back From Minneapolis And Says Operations Will be Resumed Soon.

L. Bellman, manager of the California, returned Friday from a three weeks visit to Minneapolis and St. Paul, where he went to confer with his associates. Mr. Bellman says that work will be resumed at the California just as soon as the roads are in condition to permit supplies being sent in. He learned on arriving that to date teams have been taken up as far as the California wood camp, and it probably will not be long before the entire distance can be made.

Mr. Bellman himself will leave June 4 for the Copper River country, Alaska, where the Turnagain Arm people are extensively interested, to look after operations there, and will be gone until some time in August. During his absence, Dr. M. S. Moulton, of Minneapolis, who is associated with the company, will have

the management of the California. Mr. Bellman will make a trip to the mine tomorrow to acquaint himself with the condition of the roads, in order to advise Dr. Moulton as to the time it will be necessary for him to arrive to assume the temporary management of the mine.

It is thought now that he will probably come early in June, when everything will be in shape for resumption.

Mr. Bellman has the same story to tell about eastern money conditions, as many others who have lately returned from there. There is plenty of money in the country, but it takes a gilt edged proposition to lure it from its hiding places. There is an apprehension among the people that there is to be a panic or unstable times. They are holding on to their cash, and conduct business along most conservative lines.

## OFFICIAL CALL MINING CONGRESS

Irwin Mahone, secretary of the American Mining Congress has issued the following official call for the meeting in Portland:

To the President of the United States, chief executives of foreign nations, governors of states and territories, boards of trade, boards of county commissioners, mayors of cities and towns, chambers of commerce, mining bureaus and exchange, miners' organizations, scientific associations, and permanent members of the American Mining congress:

Under the by-laws of this organization, it becomes my duty as secretary to notify you that at 10:30 o'clock on the morning of August 22, 1904, the seventh annual session of the American Mining congress will convene in the city of Portland, Oregon.

The purpose of this organization is to advance the mining and metallurgical industries in all their various branches within the United States. To assist in bringing about a more perfect co-operation between the government of the United States and development of mining and metallurgy; to encourage education in practical and scientific mining and the dissemination of scientific information bearing upon the development of the metallic and non-metallic mining resources of the United States; to promote a more co-operative tendency in the evolution of agriculture, mining, manufacturing, transportation and commerce; and for the particular purpose of bringing the mining men of the United States into closer rela-

tion with one another and of promoting a friendly feeling for one another through social intercourse and the discussion of mutual interests.

Men of national reputation will deliver addresses upon the following subjects:

Relation of mining to the industrial development of our country.

Creation of a department of mines and mining by our government.

## MONUMENTAL TO OPERATE ITS MILL

C. J. Allen, managing owner of the Monumental, arrived from Portland this morning to look after the operation of the property. Mr. Allen is getting the property in shape for starting the mill next summer. Some alteration in the machinery will have to be made, such as changing the mortars and other improvements. The plan is to get the plant remodeled this season, and ready for work early next.

In the meantime, the mine will be constantly developed, and reserves for continuous milling created.

## PREPARING TO INSTALL CYANIDE PLANT AT E. & F.

Mrs. John Thomas and daughter left this afternoon to visit in Portland, Mr. Thomas accompanying them as far as Baker City.

Mr. Thomas is mine superintendent at the E. and F. He says the full twenty stamps are going at the mine, and active preparations are being made toward the installation of the cyanide plant.

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