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Rich Ore at Rastus

A startling revelation of the richest of the recently discovered Mt. Rastus gold field lying 50 miles southwest of Baker City was made today by Dr. H. E. Curry, of this city, who is the owner of the Excelsior mine in that camp and a part owner in the Curry-Murray mine. The few who were given the opportunity to see the ore brought in from the Excelsior and the assays made from it today by D. W. C. Nelson, one of the leading assayers of this city, were simply astounded at the results. The principal samples from the Excelsior assayed 508 ounces, or \$10,500.36 per ton in gold. The ore is what is known as sylvanite and is similar to the Cripple Creek ore both in value and in appearance. This sample of ore was taken only 12 feet below the surface and was shipped to Dr. Curry by his men at the mine for testing. When seen last night Dr. Curry said that while this particular piece of ore was astonishingly rich and was perhaps a picked sample, yet it only confirmed his opinion of the camp and his faith in its future. The doctor has been familiar with this location for a number of years, has hunted all over the ground and was one of the first to discover ore there. Mr. W. H. Jones, an old-time Colorado and Montana mining man, who owns claims in the Mt. Rastus camp adjoining those of Dr. Curry and other Baker City investors, came in from camp yesterday and stated to a newspaper representative that as an old miner he could honestly say he had never seen a camp which promised more than this one. He was one of the first to go in there, and samples taken from his ground a few days ago assayed from \$1 up to \$250 per ton in gold. Mr. Jones' principal property, which he calls the Unity group, adjoins the Curry-Murray. He states that many months ago while prospecting there, tired and worn out with a crippled foot, he sat down on a knoll to rest. He had in his hand a small prospecting pick. At his side he noticed a little piece of outcropping rock which might have been covered by a 10x12 sheet of paper. Out of mere curiosity he broke off a piece of the rock and immediately saw that it was the outcropping of an ore ledge. He followed this up, with the result that he now has a group of fine and promising claims. The history of Mt. Rastus reads almost like a romance, but nearly all of the discoveries of the rich mining camps of the world are romantic in the extreme and enthusiasts here have good reason to believe that this latest discovery will result in a rich reality growing out of a romantic beginning.—Baker City Democrat.

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