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REPORT
OF THE
MINISTER OF MINES,
1901.

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*To His Honour The Honourable SIR HENRI GUSTAVE JOLY DE LOTBINIÈRE, K. C. M. G.,
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia :*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The Annual Report of the Mining Industries of the Province for the year 1901 is herewith respectfully submitted.

EDWD. GAWLER PRIOR,
Minister of Mines.

*Minister of Mines' Office,
March 11th, 1902.*

On the *Boone* a shaft 45 feet deep, and on the *Homestake* one of 25 feet, have been sunk. On the *Buller* and *Chicago* about the same amount of work has been done.

The *Rabbit's Paw* has a 30-foot shaft and a tunnel 30 feet long; the *Last Chance* and *No. 7* have several open cuts and small shafts, and the *Majuba* has a tunnel of 140 feet, with a 9-foot cross-cut at 135 feet from the mouth, and a shaft 34 feet deep.

Among claims in the vicinity of the town of Grand Forks may be mentioned the *Lincoln*, *Riverview* and *Key*, which have two shafts of 17 and 15 feet respectively, a tunnel 168 feet long, a cross-cut of 20 feet and several open cuts; the *Montreal*, *Bijou* and *Rattler*, on which 40 feet of sinking have been done this past year, making a total of 190 feet of sinking altogether, and the *Republic* and *Oriole* on which 25 feet of sinking has been done during the season.

FRANKLIN CAMP.

The following is a summary of the work in this camp:—

Banner: Over 200 feet of tunnelling and considerable drifting and cross-cutting; small sample shipments (pack loads) made to the smelter.

McKinley: Considerable development work, but the details not obtainable.

Gloucester: 50-ft. shaft in solid ore. The lead is of considerable width, and has been traced for over 400 feet on the surface.

G. H.: 24-ft. shaft. The *Ophir* and *Pinto*, each a shaft of 20 feet. Of the *Pollard*, *Silver Bell*, *Homestake*, *Apex* and many other promising claims I am unable to give any particulars.

BURNT BASIN AND CHRISTINA LAKE.

The Contact Consolidated Gold Mines, Ltd., owns the *Contact*, *Mother Contact Group*. *Lode*, *Ajax* and *Ajax Fraction*, *Daly*, *Glengarry*, *Mountain View* and *Mountain View Fraction*. The majority of work seems to have been done on the *Mother Lode*. No. 1 vein on this claim has been stripped for 125 feet and a shaft sunk on the lower portion to a depth of 50 feet. From the foot of this shaft a cross-cut tunnel has been driven for 60 feet, at which point the upper portion of the vein was cut, and proved to be 7 feet wide. This gave a depth of 95 feet on the dip of the vein. A cross-cut tunnel has been driven for 240 feet, cutting the same vein at a depth of 163 feet, at which point it is 4 feet in width. Work is being continued along this vein at the lowest level. The ore carries good values in gold and silver. A tunnel has been driven along vein No. 2 for a distance of 50 feet, and lower down the hill a second one has been driven, on the same vein, for 30 feet.

No. 3 vein has been stripped for 80 feet on the surface, and a cross-cut tunnel, which is now in 120 feet, is being driven to cut the lead at depth. There are numerous open cuts on different portions of the property.

The Tammany Gold Mines, Ltd., own 8 claims, comprising the *Tammany Tammany Group*. *No. 1*, *Jim Blaine* and *Jim Blaine Fraction*, *Gold Nugget* and several others, all of which have had prospecting work done on them. The company has driven a tunnel on the *Tammany No. 1* for a distance of 130 feet; in running this, three quartz veins were cut through, two small ones and one of considerable width.

The British Columbia (Rossland & Slocan) Syndicate owns the *Daisy*, *Daisy Fraction*, *Martha May*, *Lizzie L.* and *Lizzie L. Fraction*. Considerable work has been done on some of these claims.

The work on the undermentioned properties is briefly:—

Eva Bell: Forty feet of sinking and cross-cutting.