

GOLD BOUND

A STORY OF ALASKAN GOLD COUNTRY

(Continued from last week)
"Whoop!" he exclaimed, as he shut out the icy blast. "I'll bet it's dropped twenty degrees since we came in. Winter's on us, and all at once, as usual."

"Wonder if the Senator got away?" remarked Timmons.

"If she didn't I'm sorry for the crowd that planned to celebrate in the States," observed Masters. "I can't think of a worse disappointment than getting all primed for a steam-heated holiday, and then finding that the boat you thought would be the last one is really going to be the first of the next season, and you're boated for a winter inside. If ever I get enough dust together to go outside, I'll take a boat in the middle of summer."

"Hush your dreaming, Reilly," said Young, with a laugh. "You'll never get that much dust at one time. The Senator got away, all right; she was anchored well beyond the danger limit."

The prisoner evidently took no interest in the subject. He sat staring moodily into the fire, evidently busy with his own thoughts, which the frown on his handsome face proclaimed to be unpleasant.

"What you going to do with him, chief?" asked Masters, indicating Duane with a twirk of the thumb.

"First off we're going to turn in and get that big sleep that is certainly coming to us. I suppose we'll have to divide turns guarding him. Can't take any chances with his sort. Tomorrow I'll hike to Paint Creek and retrieve the rest of the conspiracy."

Masters gave him a surprised look. "You don't figure on taking 'em single-handed, do you?"

"Surest think you know," returned the marshal. "Timmons, here, hasn't had enough experience to be left alone to guard anybody as desperate as this fellow must be, and he'd only be in the way if I took him with me."

"I ain't going to stand for you putting any aspersions on my bravery," protested Timmons, with a flare of anger. "Didn't I jump Duane the moment I saw the seat?"

"You're all right in your way, Timmons, but you're a bit too eager for personal credit," continued Young. "Besides, I can handle those cowardly cacklers up at the creek. They've got a holy fear of the United States Government, which is impersonated by me in the present instance, and they wouldn't shoot a muskrat unless the thing was in a trap and couldn't bite back. You two can handle Duane, all right, and I'll bring in the others. Then we can all bite the trail for Nome together. Will you stand the first watch, Reilly? Our friend with the draw has gone to sleep sitting up."

CHAPTER X.

A MATTER OF FIRE.

Had Hector Young realized the tremendous cold which had settled over the frozen tundra after the snow-storm, he would probably have hesitated before leaving the comparative comfort of the shack at Circle Ford for his man hunt on Paint Creek. He might have saved his face with several arguments the logic of which even his enemies must have admitted.

In truth, there was no compelling need for the immediate capture of Keating and Jensen. Even if they were disturbed by the failure of Duane to return to the creek and report on the ambush of Forster, there was scant further harm they could do. If their fear had grown sufficiently acute to make flight seem advisable, there was not one chance in a hundred that they could get away. It was true that to the north of them were settlements on Kotzebue Sound, but the ice would hold them fast until long after navigation opened at Nome. In case they essayed to go eastward, they might eventually make the Yukon, if the fortunes of the trail favored them. But that would only bring them under the observation of the Northwest Mounted Police, and their return in the spring would be certain, thanks to harmonious extradition relations. The two were fast in an icy prison of nature's making.

(Continued in next issue.)

INSPIRATION CO. FORM SYNDICATE ELECT DIRECTORS

Company Incorporated With a Share Capital of \$2,000,000 at \$1 Par Value.

The deal has been completed by the Inspiration Gold Mines, Limited, for the purchase of 120 acres directly adjoining the Hollinger Consolidated and Porepine Crown properties. This company is incorporated with a capital of \$2,000,000 at \$1 par value. One million shares have been issued to purchase three 40-acre claims, leaving 1,000,000 shares in the treasury to finance the company, says Hamilton B. Wills.

The Hollinger Consolidated is not the only large producing mine adjoining the Inspiration, as it also adjoins Porepine Crown, and a conservative valuation of known ore reserves of these mines, after having produced in the neighborhood of \$12,000,000, and distributed upwards of \$6,500,000 in dividends, are approximately \$35,000,000.

It is believed that the Inspiration has big mine-making possibilities. Messrs. Robert T. Shillington and Charles Richardson, the original owners, are heavily interested in this syndicate, preferring a large stock-ownership to an outright sale of the property. Hamilton B. Wills has agreed to represent the syndicate and to sell the shares at an initial underwriting price of 15 cents per share. This offer is on a cash basis and good only until Wednesday, October 28th, 1916. Arrangements are being made to list Inspiration on The Standard Stock Exchange of Toronto, and an active market may confidentially be looked for in the future.

INSPIRATION DIRECTORS.

Announcement is made of the directorate in Inspiration Gold Mines, Limited, of Porcupine. These are: Arthur Ferland, of Haileybury, president; Charles L. Sherrill, of Buffalo, vice-president and general manager; Robert T. Shillington, of Haileybury, treasurer; directors, Charles Richardson, of Cobalt; A. L. K. Shillington, of Cobalt, and Alexander Fasken, of Toronto.

ENGINEER'S REPORT ON NEWRAY MINE VERY ENCOURAGING

This Property Going to Be One of Big Producers of Camp, Says Statement.

Following is the copy of a report made by a special mining engineer for a syndicate of American financial men on the Newray and Lorrain Consolidated properties:—

I have your letter asking me to furnish you with a private report of the Newray, following a personal examination of the property, and also to give you a general outline of the present situation in Porcupine. To go into detail concerning the Porcupine camp would require a great deal of space. I may say that I have just returned from that camp and I think I am absolutely safe in saying that there never was in the history of the camp such great activity. Increase in mill production and mill enlargement is the whole aim everywhere. I never saw so much free gold as on this last trip, and what impressed me most was the number of mines recently started up and upon which such good results are being obtained.

DAVIDSON HAS RICH ORE.

The Davidson, to the south of Newray, has some of the richest and most spectacular ore I have ever seen, although I do not think it has it on Newray when it comes to the character of the veins. On the Newray there is any amount of free gold; in fact, you can hardly find a piece of quartz from the test pits that does not show free gold. But in addition to this the vein matter on the Newray shows plenty of sulphides, and that is what the mining men like to see, as they always take this as an indication that there is great continuity to the ore bodies and estimates of the ore reserves or ore values in a sulphite vein can be more correctly arrived at. There is less variance in the values in a sulphite vein.

NEW VEIN.

But to come more to the point, I spent in my usual rounds, about half a day or more on the Newray. The manager took me over the Hanson, Anchor and the new vein found last week, which has not been named yet.

The latter vein will average, I think, about 12 feet in width, and, while the others are very important, I believe the new veins as important, if not more so, than either the Anchor vein or the Hanson—is about as good looking as anyone could want.

EXTENDS FROM HOLLINGER

At the west side of the property there is quite a large dome formed of an outcrop of quartz carrying values, and from this the Hanson vein appears to radiate and extend down the sheared zone across the property. Both the Anchor and the new vein parallel this at the same strike. The No. 1 vein, from which \$212,000 in gold was taken before the vein faulted, strikes at another angle from the three mentioned above. The theory of Manager Charlebois is now that the No. 1 vein is only an offshoot of the veins recently found. I am very much inclined to think he is right. In fact, I would have to hear a great deal of adverse argument to be convinced that he is not. If this is the case, the Newray is going to be one of the big things in the camp. One can stand back on the new vein at the test pit and see it strike fair towards the Hollinger. Several engineers who have seen this feel convinced that it is an extension of the Hollinger vein system. As it is, however, the Newray does not need to trade on the reputation of the Hollinger or any other mine now, judging by the splendid surface showing. That is my opinion, at any rate, and the opinion of a good many more who have seen it.

GOOD MILLING ORE.

Another feature which impressed me is the fact that the company has everything ready to start milling. There is yet considerable good milling ore in No. 1 vein, which the manager pointed out to me. Also the dump has some good ore of over the average grade, which could be run through at any time. Then, again, all of these three big veins can be cut from the lower levels and mined very cheaply. The Anchor vein is only 70 feet away, the Hanson 650 and the new vein midway between. That small amount of cross-cutting will permit of the development of all of these with very little cost.

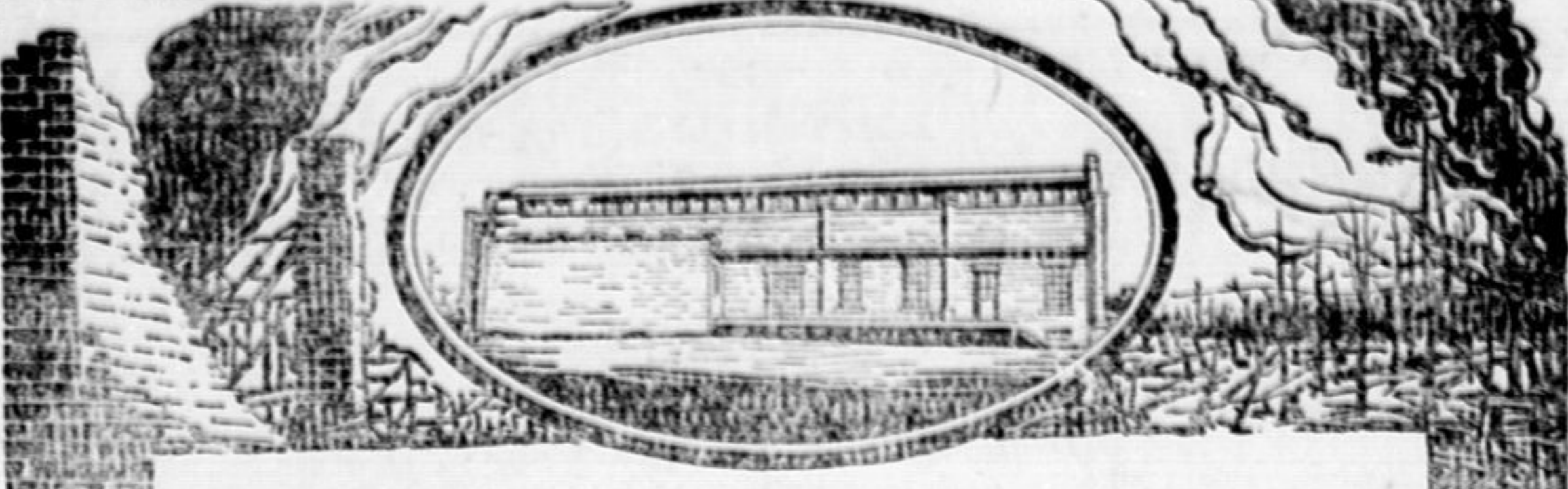
I went up with a man from Salt Lake City. His comment was: "We

actually have no idea down there that there is such rich gold deposits up here. If the like of some of these showings were down near Salt Lake City the people would go crazy over them."

My personal opinion of Newray is that it is bound to become one of the big producers in the gold camp. The veins and the gold are there for anyone to see, and if these do not go to great depth and maintain their values

all the way, it will be the only precedent for veins of this character in the camp. If they do maintain both values and width to even 1,000 feet it is just a matter of one getting out a pencil and starting to figure it out

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