UTAH'S HIDDEN TREASURES.

THE MINING INDUSTRY

Its Present Development and Future Prospects.

Description of Leading Properties and Rich Producers—Some of the Best of our Mines—Leading Mining Engineers, Assayers and Dealers in Mining Machinery.

The mountains of Utah are the miner's paradise. In them he finds ample opportunity for the exercise of his gifts, tastes and enterprise, be he prospector, practical miner or capitalist. Though millions upon millions of the earth's wealth have been brought out of the mines of Utah, it is conceded that the vast infant industry of producing the precious metals is only in its infancy here, as yet. Year by year it takes on augmented proportions, and the achievements of science are but depriving it of the "wildcat," gambling character which it formerly bore.

If a man contemplated investing a heavy capital in a dry goods business in any city in America, he would expect to provide, as advance stores, experience, tact, ability, good judgment and a sound direction born of a thorough knowledge of the trade. Without these qualities in himself and his subordinates, he would not expect anything but a passing of dividends, and final failure.

So in the mining business, operating in a silver-producing region. Precisely similar conditions which insure success in a dry goods enterprise will, with all other things being equal, produce the same result in mining. In fact mining has become as legitimate and certain in its results as are many different branches of commercial pursuits; and while it behooves the inexperienced to be cautious how they invest money in it in company with strangers, they may form partner ships with reliable and experienced men, or may buy shares in mines of established reputation, with as much safety as they could invest in many other kinds of financial enterprises that are considered regular and safe.

In short, the industry of mining in Utah, in its present state, offers extraordinary inducements to capitalists; and the reader is, that more men of means, at home and abroad, are not induced to take hold of some of the many promising mines that are on the market and develop them. Beyond question this will be done as times become better, and confidence increases.

The depreciation of silver is, of course, a great drawback to the industry of producing it; but there are some partial offsets to this disadvantage. There is no discount on gold yet, and a great deal of that metal can be had for the digging and refining in Utah; and the price of copper, another metal that abounds in that region, is good, and the demand for it is brisk. The price of lead, though low, is yet high enough to bring fair returns, and is likely to remain so. On the whole, the outlook for the mining industry in this region is decidedly favorable.

Of the lucrativeness the pursuit of the prospector has for him, of the many vast fortunes that have resulted from his lucky finds in these mountains, of the claims, romances and changes that are so often features of the miner's life, we cannot here speak in detail. But the subjoined account of some of our leading mines, will be suggestive of all these phases of a miner's experience, and will prove very interesting to many readers.

Bullion Beck & Champion Mining Co.

Ontario Silver Mining Company

Centennial Eureka Mining Co.

Horn Silver Mining Company

The New Contra Mining & Smelting Company.

Yosemite No. 1 Mine.

Butterfield Mining Company.

The Utah Mine.

The Sunshine Mine.

The Galena Mine.

Pleasant Valley Coal Company.

The Franklin Sampling Works.

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Union Pacific Coal Co.

CIVIL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS AND MINING MACHINERY.

James A. Jacobs.

F. J. Davis.

Palmer, Burton & Anderson.

Robert Gorlinski.

A. C. Trout & Co.

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J. A. Yeaman.

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W. P. Hardesty.

Fraser & Chalmers.

K. A. Andrews & Co.