

# What Deseret News Man Saw in Goldfield This Month.

date, and with the expiration of the lease on Jan. 1, the company will equip the mine with first-class machinery and push development as fast as money and men will admit.

Some shipping ore was found on this property 10 days ago, which ran 4,300 per ton and several feet of milling ore were encountered running from \$22 to \$27 per ton.

## THE QUARTZITE.

On the Quartzite, Lessees Krise, Robinson, Peak and Reilly are cross-cutting from the 100-foot point to tap the ledge, but it has not been reached as yet. On the 50-foot level a cross-cut shows the ledge to be 32 feet wide and it averages \$60 to \$70 per ton clear across, with streaks of high grade shipping ore between. One streak, eight inches wide, sampled \$10,000 per ton. In running the crosscut three carloads of ore, going about \$150 per ton as sacked, were taken out and shipped to the smelters. Beautiful specimens of sylvanite and tellurium have been taken from the Quartzite, and the average value of the wide ledge makes it a remarkable body of ore. It is owned by the Diamondfield Gold Mining company.

## THE KENDALL.

On the lease of Oddie, Gardner, Duffield and associates on the Kendall the new working shaft is going down rapidly and they will soon be in shape for a big production. It was on this lease where nearly \$50,000 worth of ore was recently taken from a surface hole, the actual amount of rock and dirt removed being but 400 cubic feet.

## THE SANDSTORM.

A strike, the magnitude of which is as yet undetermined, but which at present is second to but few in this phenomenal camp, was made some weeks ago on the Sandstorm, but authentic news of the same is now given to the public for the first time. The strike was made on the Loftus-Davis-Mayne lease, about 700 feet from the point where Oddie, Gardner, Duffield and associates are taking out such rich ore from the Kendall. By careful prospecting and close panning Mr. Davis traced up float and placer dirt till he exposed a ledge, and two assays from the croppings returned values of \$52,564.40 and \$19,854 per ton respectively. Continuing his prospecting he found another ledge about 15 feet west which assayed from \$402.40 to \$1,846.80 per ton. Going into the old shaft, which had been sunk 40 feet by others, they discovered at a depth of 15 feet a body of ore about four feet wide which goes from \$300 to \$1,000 per ton.

The upper ledge has been stripped for a distance of 20 feet and shows a width of from four to ten feet. A sample taken clear across this ledge gives an assay value of \$3,490.80 per ton. This may or may not represent the average value of the ore body—it is too early yet to know, but there are few who have doubts that another bonanza will be opened. The lower ledge, where the richest assays were secured, has not been opened up yet. An average sample across four feet of the ore body in the shaft assays \$311.20 per ton.

## MARVELOUSLY RICH.

The writer was present when panings were made from the ledge on the surface and is bound to admit they were the richest he has ever seen in any mining camp. What made the find especially interesting was the fact that A. H. Mayne, a well known Salt Lake, is one of the principal owners of the lease. His many friends will be glad to learn that he has struck it rich.

Mr. George S. Nixon and George Wingfield are also among the lucky ones interested in this lease. This property has all the earmarks of becoming another Jumbo or January and goes far to prove the extent of this district inasmuch as it is fully two miles in a bee-line from those famous properties.

Besides the properties above mentioned there are a score of others which have gone beyond the prospect stage and are already mines in embryo. Among them are the Black Butte, Spearhead, Velvet, Red Top, Emerald, Blue Bull, Great Bard and a number of others which lack of space will not permit of further description.

Your correspondent is greatly indebted to Messrs. James F. O'Brien and R. E. L. Windle, publishers and proprietors of the Goldfield News for much of the data contained in this sketch, as well as for other favors extended. Mr. O'Brien is an old time newspaper man of Colorado and Mr. Windle will be remembered in Utah as one of the editors of the "Utah State Journal" at Ogden. Both are highly capable and affable gentlemen and their publication has done and will continue to do wonders for Goldfield and the outlying districts. The Goldfield News' born on April 23, of this year, is one of the best conducted and reliable newspapers published in all this western country.

## COLUMBIA.

It would not be fair to neglect to mention the young town of Columbia, situated only a mile from Goldfield. It is a substantial town of several hundred people and boasts of a hotel, "Casey's," which people only wish was in Goldfield. The Goldfield Review, ably conducted by Mr. Vandervoort, is also published there. The town is near some of the mines and has come to stay.

## THE BLACK BUTTE.

This property which belongs to the Goldfield Black Butte Mining company, consists of two claims and a fraction, or about 40 acres in all. It was very properly named because the Black Butte is a conspicuous landmark for many miles around, and was known by that name to prospectors long before Goldfield was dreamed of. It is situated half a mile east of Diamondfield. The Butte rises several hundred feet above the valley and its top is an immense mass of quartz 200 feet by 400 feet long. It has the appearance of having been at some time of seismic disturbance shot up from below. It is highly mineralized and the tunnel now being driven on the east side shows nine feet of \$35 ore, four feet of \$60; ten feet of \$40, and about eight feet of \$14 ore.

The tunnel from the south side which has penetrated the mountain a distance of 250 feet has cut seven veins which carry milling ore running from \$12 to \$35.

The Quartzite fraction of the Diamondfield company's property adjoins the Black Butte on the north and the vein runs directly in this property. The Black Butte company is controlled by Frank M. Ish and L. L. Patrick.

The other directors are Thomas Rieck, president of the State Bank & Trust Co., C. E. Knox of the Montana mine at Tonopah, Harry Ramsey, George Richard and T. L. Oddie. At present 15 men are employed in doing development work. The company is capitalized at \$1,000,000 shares of a par value of \$1 each. It has 300,000 shares and \$10,000 in cash in the treasury, and is therefore on easy street. As soon as the water problem is settled a mill for the reduction of the ore will be erected. Messrs. Ish and Patrick are old-time and well known Coloradans.

Mr. Ish formerly belonged to the newspaper fraternity and Mr. Patrick has been engaged in mining since early Leadville days. In many places.

## THE GREAT BEND.

Another property which it is confidently expected will soon enter the ranks of the producers is that of the



THE NEW STRIKE ON THE SANDSTORM.

Goldfield Great Bend Mining company, controlled largely by Salt Lake. It is situated in the Diamondfield belt of the Goldfield district just a mile due east of the wonderful Sandstorm and adjoins the Vernal and Daisy on the west and within 2,500 feet of the Quartzite. It consists of five full claims and two fractions, comprising in all 111 and 7-10 acres free from any possibility of conflict and under way to patent.

It was formerly known as the McMahoning group, having been located by Henry McMahon, E. L. Fletcher and Thomas Keane, whose brother located the Keane wonder in Death valley, which he subsequently sold to the De Lamar company. The capital stock consists of 1,000,000 shares of a par value of \$1 each. There are 200,000 shares in the treasury and the company has abundance of money with which to do development work. Ten men are at work in opening the property under the direction of Vivian P. Strange, the manager, who was formerly engineer for the Highland Boy and later associated with the Bingham Consolidated interests.

The officers of the company are F. A. Keith, manager of the Tonopah Mining company, president; Frank B. Cook, vice-president; S. A. Whitney, secretary and treasurer. These gentlemen, together with William Bradley, J. A. Kirby and E. L. Fletcher, constitute the board of directors.

Work on the property is being done by shafts and drifts. West of the main incline a considerable body of milling ore has been opened up, but the principal work has been in following rich stringers with the expectation of entering into bonanza chutes. Assays from a few dollars as high as \$445 per ton have been obtained. In the west drift from the Thanksgiving shaft, the most extensive workings, specimen quartz showing free gold has been obtained with every indication that the ore will become stronger below. Sinking has been resumed at this point and another drift will be started at the 75-foot level. The general consensus of opinion of prominent mining men who have visited the property is that with depth a considerable ore body will be developed, and it is with that general view of the situation the company proposes pushing the shaft to greater depth.

The vein system of the Great Bend group is marked by prominent quartz croppings, widening at places to 70 feet and strongly outlined above the general topography of the adjacent country. The southerly vein runs through the locations parallel with the side lines of the claims a distance of 2,500 feet and the northerly vein, upon which no prospecting has yet been done, about the same distance. In view of the close prospecting required throughout Goldfield district by surface trenchings and panings to determine the position of the high grade pay chutes, there remains a large area of the company's ground yet to be studied and developed outside that now being worked.

The personnel of the company is so well and favorably known in Salt Lake that no further assurance is needed to warrant the statement that this property will be scientifically opened up and honestly managed.

## STYLE OF TRANSPORTATION.

Two accompanying photographs will show the different methods of transportation between Tonopah and Goldfield a year ago and now. Then, it was on foot, punching a burro, now the sick and over-crowded stage has even been superseded by an automobile line.

## "JANUARY" JONES, BIG GOLDFIELD MAN.



"JANUARY" JONES.

THE wonderfully rich ore discovered at Goldfield, little more than a year ago, has brought to the front a number of men who will go down in mining history. Perhaps the most conspicuous of them all—and they are nearly all young men, too—is John Jones. If a stranger should come to Goldfield and inquire for John Jones, he would find considerable difficulty in locating him. But if he should ask for "January" Jones, every man, woman and child could point him out. How he obtained that cognomen will be hereafter told.

John Jones, who is only 33 years of age, has won lasting fame in Goldfield. His mining career dates from 1889, when he mined with varying success in and about Telluride, Silverton and other points in the San Juan country in Colorado. Subsequently he went to British Columbia, where he remained until two years ago next February, when he came to Tonopah. He prospected around there for a while, and then came over to what was then known as

Mr. L. L. Patrick, one of the lucky ones in the district, has, with commendable zeal, installed an automobile line consisting of three machines, to which more will be added. Instead of an uncomfortable stage ride of six hours, one may now traverse the distance in one of these machines in two hours and a quarter, when time will be still further reduced when the road now being specially constructed is completed. The ride is exhilarating and decidedly pleasant and Mr. Patrick deserves much credit for his enterprise. It marks an era in locomotion in mining camps. It is said a number of machines will be put on to Bullfrog as soon as conditions warrant it.

## THANKSGIVING BILL OF FARE.

The following bill of fare given on Thanksgiving day at one of the best restaurants in Goldfield will give an idea of what can be had here and the prices. The dinner was excellently cooked and well served:

## MENU.

Soups.  
Cream of Asparagus, 15c.  
Consommé in Cups, 15c.  
Entrées.  
Chicken Fricassee, with Green Peas, 60c.  
Lamb Sauté a la Paulienne, 45c.  
Crab à la Poule, 20c.  
Kidney Sauté au Maitre, 45c.  
Chicken Livers au Champignons, 45c.  
Roasts.  
Roast Prime Beef au Jus, 60c.  
Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce, 80c.  
Vegetables.  
String Beans, 15c. Stewed Carrots, 10c.  
Peas, 15c.  
Dessert.  
English Plum Pudding, Hard or Brandy.  
Fruit and Assorted Pies, 15c.

Some curious names are given to dishes in restaurants by the waiters. For instance: Fried eggs are called eggs for toast, Adam and Eve on a raft, eggs turned over, two in the air, and scrambled eggs, eggs shipwrecked. Wages for waiters is \$25 per week and board; bar-keepers \$30 to \$40 for eight hours' work, and everything else in proportion.

## COLORADO COLONY.

Colorado is even more strongly represented than Utah. There are here Dick Dillon, Frank M. Ish, Marion Ish, Milton Ish, George Robertson, M. E. E. Wadleigh, Joe Donahue, W. S. Alexander, J. S. Purdy, Tom Darby, Capt. Jim Flood, W. L. Wilson, Henry Weber, L. L. Patrick, W. F. Patrick, Milton M. Ditch, James P. O'Brien, Martin Murphy, M. W. Jellmick, Richard Willes, Chas. S. Wise, R. M. Cannon, Dr. Burdick, Dr. Galloway, Geo. Pfunder, L. W. Davis, E. A. Byler, J. L. Frankenburg, Elmer Chute, R. L. Johns, C. W. Hayes, W. W. Kirby, M. M. Van Fleet, W. H. Price, Tom Hoslip, George Jordan, Dr. W. T. Lizzgett, Casey McDonnell, John Hobbs, W. H. Blackburn, Wm. Campbell, C. M. Hobbs, Alex. Troxell, Ed. Stuart, John Shafer, Capt. W. H. Trevanthen, W. E. S. Hule, John Wilkinson, Louis Linderman, Joe Cannon, Clarence Edsall, Philip Flynn, P. Richardson, Dan Kearns, Eugene Amann, L. E. Hill, Jas. P. McGuire, James Lambert, Frank Redd, Hank Summers, Pat Tonhey, Chas. Maher, Michael Maher, Ardie Lamontagne, Al Lear, Melvin Gates, Dick Wiggers, E. E. Horton, W. H. Tripp, Volney Leonard, James Faulkner, Laban Smith and 600 others.

Goldfield might very appropriately have been called New Leadville.

stance it is only fair to state that the finding of this mine was no accident. Young Jones had found the "float" and it was rich, too, and so with patience and determination he proceeded to hunt where it came from. When he located the ledge, he secured a lease on the claim, called the January, for one year. The lease expires on Jan. 6, 1905. He took in with him as his partner Zeb. Kendall, another one of the lucky boys at Tonopah. Jones retained a one-third interest in the property and the out of the first month they made their first shipment of ore. From that time on he was called "January" Jones, and the name will stick to him as long as he lives.

## AN EVEN MILLION DOLLARS.

By the date that the lease expires, on Jan. 6 next, this property alone will have produced a round million of dollars worth of ore—or more than the whole district of Cripple Creek produced during the first two years of its existence. This is not all. It is estimated that there is now more milling ore piled up on the dump of the January lease than upon all the other leases in the district put together.

## FIRST CONFIDENT MAN.

It is pretty generally admitted that "January" Jones was the first man who came here who had perfect confidence in the Goldfield district. The real excitement did not begin until after the first ore was shipped from the January, and it is really this property—or rather, these young men who are responsible for this wonderful town of ore, and the impetus which has been given to mining throughout this whole section.

## IN THE NEW BULLFROG.

Mr. Jones has acquired interests in the new Bullfrog district, 68 miles south of Goldfield, and in the Cowitch range east of here. He has also a new group of claims south of the Tonopah Club, which have just been organized into the "Pawnee Gold Mining Co.," which he intends to develop immediately. It may be added that no blind chance was taken here, but that the same persistent search for float and the finding of it, has led to the discovery of the ledge. The same character of ore was found as that on the January, and may result in another bonanza.

## HAS TRAVELED MUCH.

Mr. Jones is a well-traveled man, having spent some time in Europe, besides knowing this country from end to end. One thing may be said of Mr. Jones—and it applies equally to his partners, Zeb. Kendall and Alva D. Myers: they are unassuming, genial, generous good fellows, who have no symptoms of the swelled head, a disease very common among men who acquire sudden fortunes. Mr. Jones is easily approachable, and will cheerfully give the benefit of his experience and counsel to those who care to apply to him for any information.

With A. D. Myers, he is about to enter the brokerage business in Goldfield. It is their intention to deal in nothing but meritorious securities. They will also promote the sale of mines, furnish reports on the same and do what is in their power to advance the interests of legitimate mining. With their experience and well known integrity they should have no difficulty in getting the support of the investing public.

## Young Lehi Man Strikes It Rich.

ZEB KENDALL, who is better known around Tonopah and Goldfield by the nickname of "Shorty" Kendall, is a Utah boy, having been born and brought up at Lehi, in Utah county. Just why he was nicknamed "Shorty" has never been made clear to the writer because Mr. Kendall stands six feet three inches in his stocking feet. After an uneventful career in various places in Utah, Mr. Kendall drifted over to Nevada shortly after the Tonopah excitement started and was fortunate enough to clean up something like \$40,000 or \$50,000.

He operated around Tonopah in various places and purchased the Palace hotel, the best hostelry in that thriving town, which has been a source of profitable income to him ever since, and notwithstanding the great migration to Goldfield and the other new districts he filled to overflowing every night. A little less than a year ago he came to Goldfield and his lucky star still being in the ascendant he, with Mr. B. J. Reilly, secured a quarter interest with John (better known as "January") Jones. The almost fabulous output of this phenomenal mine is elsewhere given, as well as a cut of the property with the ore piled on the dump. In addition to this he was a part owner in the Yellow Rose and has a valuable interest in the Quartzite, as well as other interests in Goldfield and Bullfrog districts.

## GOOD ORE UNCOVERED.

In conjunction with Mr. F. H. Lathrap, an old-time Salt Lake, and Mr. B. J. Reilly of Winnemucca, who is also Mr. Kendall's partner in various other enterprises, the Goldfield-Columbia Mining company has just been organized. This property is situated at the base of Columbia mountain one mile north of Goldfield, and consists of 50 acres. The property is directly in line with the rich ledges of the January and Combination and only a few hundred feet distant. An excellent showing is now being made on one of the claims of this company, called the Plaza, on which near the surface \$20 ore has been uncovered. Work is being prosecuted by shaft and it is confidently expected that another rich mine will be the outcome thereof.

The company is capitalized at 1,000,000 shares of a par value of \$1 per share, with 400,000 shares in the treasury. Only a limited amount of treasury stock is being issued and sold at 7½ cents per share. The officers of the company are Zeb. Kendall, president; B. J. Reilly, vice president; F. H. Lathrap, secretary and treasurer; W. C. Ralston of San Francisco and L. L. Blumenthal of Tonopah, together with the officers above named, compose the directorate of the company.

Mr. B. J. Reilly has lived in Nevada a good many years at Winnemucca and Tuscarora, and two years ago came to Tonopah and purchased an interest with Mr. Kendall in the Palace hotel. He is largely interested in mining in the district, and during the last campaign took an active part in securing the election of a legislature in the interest of his old associate and friend, Geo. S. Nixon.

## CAME FROM SALT LAKE.

Mr. F. H. Lathrap has lived in Salt Lake for the past six years, having come to Utah from the copper fields of Michigan. He came to Tonopah two years ago and engaged in mining. Last July he joined the stampede to Goldfield and was fortunate in getting in some of the most promising properties here. He is president of the Gold Horn Mining company; a director and stockholder in the Velvet Mining company; a director in the Potlatch Mining company, and also interested in some leases. He also has interests at Lone Mountain in the Tonopah-Belcher and Tonopah-Alpine properties, which consist of sil-

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