

R. P. Chattin, principal owner of the Franklin mine at Neal, was in the city yesterday, says the Boise Statesman. He said the drift from the long tunnel had reached the ledge where it was in perfect form. It had been driven 50 feet, he said, and the ledge was as perfect as at any point above. He did not expect to reach the ore shoot on that side until he had driven 100 feet, but the vein matter at the surface at this time showed sulpherets and also pauned in free gold. He did not consider it milling ore but he had not had it assayed.

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The point where this drift was start-ed is 155 feet back from the face of the tunnel. Where the tunnel cut it the vein was shaken up and Larson & Greenough's superintendent drove right on, believing the ledge was farther in the hill. Then the bond was thrown up, and Mr. Chattin started

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THE COPPPER STOCKS.

Boston Market Shows Return of Former

Almost simultaneous with the return of 14 cent copper as the market quota-tion many of the copper stocks which are traded in on the Boston market show a return to the levels occupied prior to the crash which culminated in the week ending June 8, 1903, says an eastern publication. In many in-stances the figures are higher than was reached in 1903. The gradual alvance of the copper market along conservative lines has strengthened these issues because a difference of a cent of pound means a large increase in the net returns for many of the com-panies. The additional revenue derived from the higher selling price of copper is almost entrely profit, as the product of the mines is disposed of in the same way no matter what price copper may be bringing.

Everything is Rushing on Plant Being

Everything is rushing, down at Fris-

Horn Silver company, who returned from the south yesterday, says the builders are making splendil headway, and that the plant ought to be ready for commission early in the coming year. A good portion of the massive public is under the transition building is under cover, and the bal-ance will be in a very short time.

wards the construction of the pipe line, which is to convey water over the mountain range from the reservoir at Newhouse. Mr. Farnsworth was in-formed, however, that bids for the material and building of the line had been called for. The citizens of Frisco are anxious to see the new plant com-pleted, and started. With the thous-ands of tons of zinc ores in the mine to draw from, leaves it certain that the plant will be kept busy for a number of years to come, and furnish employ-ment for a small army of people.

RAILROAD FOR PIOCHE.

Work Will Commence Soon, Says the

Within three months after the completion of the San Pedro line from Salt Lake City to Los Angeles grading and tracklaying will commence on the branch road from Caltenie porth, says the Caliente Progress. the Callente Progress. This line will take the old O. S. L. right-of-way now graded to a point 14 miles north of Callente: it will then continue to Pa-naca. Ploche, Ely, Cherry Creek and terminate at Wells, Nev., on the line of the Southeast Bardie soud of the Southern Pacific road.

This will open up many of the best pid-time camps in eastern Nevada, and will enable thousands of high-grade Filver camps to resume business, and re-open numberless mines which have been closed down, owing to lack of