

where a number of men were working, and where there were a number of empty claims with picks and shovels in them. We were taking some of these, but the men who were there said "You cannot have all of them." We struck a piece of gold in one of the holes, and later on we had a look at another and found any amount of gold in it, but a couple of men came and drove us out of it. We then went into a fully worked in pipeclay. There was a small piece of sound ground left like a prop and the ground was going around it. There was rich gold in it, and we determined to have that piece of ground. Two of us considered the matter, and found the ground was going in certain directions, and if it came down there was an opening through the pipeclay that had been left. I took first turn below and my