PROVINCE OR TERRITORY

PROVINCE OU **TERRITOIRE**

N.T.S. AREA RÉGION DU S.N.R.C.

REF. RÉF.

NAME OF PROPERTY NOM DE LA PROPPREDECT

PLATINUM. (PLACER) (5)

PROVINCE

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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No.

NAME OF PROPERTY

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Granite Creek. NEAREST POST OFFICE

Granite Creek. LOCATION Mining Division

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County

Township or Parish

Concession or Range, and Lot

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District

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OWNERS OR OPERATORS AND ADDRESS R. Stevenson & W. E. Hogg.

1894-1900: Granite Creek Mining Company. 1899-1900: Boston & B. C. Mining Company.

1901: The Granite Creek Hydraulic Company.

1907-1915: Messrs. Lambert & Stewart.

DEVELOPMENT WORK

After building 3 dams, a rock tunnel 320 ft long was made - to carry away tailings.

Prior to that, a 15-ft square shaft struck bed-rock at a depth of 12 ft and \$12 to the c. yd. in rough, coarse placer gold was obtained.

> Equipped Not equipped

PRODUCTION (of gold; platinum not estimated.)

1885. \$ 90,000. 1886. \$170,000. 1887. \$ 90,000. 1885-1889. Probable total yield, \$600,000 or \$700,000.

1915: \$2,000. Material shipped

Date of first shipment

TRANSPORTATION Shipping point

Distance from mine

Carrier

Destination

MAP REFERENCES

General and district maps

Detail maps, plans, sections

DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT Ore or substance Platinum.

Character of Deposit Placer.

Country Rock

Associated minerals of value Gold. Osmiridium.

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Production figures for 1887, 1888 (1888-89, p. 58 S.) This creek joins the Tulameen from the South. 9 mls. above its mouth. Granite Creek and its gold discovered by John Chance in 1885, and a stampede resulted. The claims averaged from \$5 to \$30 per day to the hand. Nearly all the gold was obtained below the First Fork, or, in the first 32 mls. of creek. Here, the bed-rock was found at a depth of a few feet. Above Newton Creek the gravels were deeper. In 1886, platinum sold in Granite City for 50 cents per oz. In 1887-88, its price was \$4 per oz. For a number of years it was thrown away as worthless. and many thousands of ounces were thus lost. "Both gold and platinum occur in the creek, the ratio varying from 4 parts of gold to 1 of platinum, to equal parts of each metal. The proportion of platinum increased higher up the stream, and was greatest in the Newton creek branch. The gold is coarse and rough, denoting a local origin, and nuggets have been obtained worth from \$100 to \$150. Some of the nuggets examined appeared to be aggregates of smaller nuggets grown or welded together. The platinum is in smaller nuggets, generally rounded and pitted with holes. nuggets have been obtained, to the writer's knowledge, weighing more than half an ounce." (G.S.C., Memoir 26.) The earliest attempt at hydraulicing on this creek was that made by R. Stevenson and W. E. Hogg in 1891. when they worked claims lying about 3 ml. above the mouth of the creek. (Memoir 26, p. 144.)

Three placer mining leases were being developed in 1907.

"Gold and platinum occur in this stream in the ratio of about 2 to 1." (B.C. Rep. 1913).

"The quantity of gold recovered has not been ascertained by the writer, who has been informed, though, that one cleanup witnessed gave very coarse gold and much platinum. It is stated that throughout the summer more platinum than gold was recovered; the largest nugget of gold found was worth \$10.60, calculated at the rate of \$17.75 an ounce."

(B.C. Rep., 1914).

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