ONE MAN IN A HUNDRED HAS THE BRAINS TO SEE THE GROUND FLOOR VALUE OF A PROPOSAL. ARE YOU ONE OF THE ONE IN A HUNDRED?

The British American Gold Mining and Trading Company,

Home Office: Equitable Building, Baltimore, Maryland,

☞ Asks you to carefully read the descriptive investment matter contained on this page, bearing in mind that this is not a new thing at all, but a developed matter, that we represent now a combination of nearly all the former owners, and that this combination jointly effected by purchase, and by a special government grant, has given us one of the most immense properties in North America which we are now placing on a permanent working basis by running a drain tunnel to get rid of the water which for some time could not be controlled by shafts or pumps. When this is completed it will put us in a position to mine extensively a property with a record of over $5,000,000 to the mile, of which we control 18 miles. The company acquired the property May 1st, have been busily engaged on it since in developing work. To complete all such work, bonds which are the same as a first mortgage security are issued, and which also share in the profits, offering thereby double advantages. The security against loss is absolute. The fact of immense returns to this small lot of the "special offer" for sale is assured beyond any reasonable doubt. It is one of the very few things which turn up in a lifetime (like Telephone originally) where the knowing ones who get in on the ground floor make immense profits.

A FIRST CLASS INVESTMENT

For any Amount from $25.00 to $5000.

LOCAL ENTERPRISE.

Once in Awhile Local Enterprise or Invention Secures Something of Great Value, Whereby Capital May Secure Interests in the Development, the Proper Time to Invest In, for Then Your Money Buys the Most.

REMAINING BOND SALE.

A Balance of Only $50,000 in Bonds of Various Amounts (Secured by a Splendid and Immense Body of Gold-Bearing Real Estate) to Be Sold for Development Purposes, Whereby the Investment Correspondingly Increases the Value of the Property—One-Fourth Already Subscribed For. Quarterly Dividends.

A GILT-EDGE SECURITY.

In Amounts of $25, $50, $100, $250, $1000, $2000, $3000, $4000 or $5000, Guaranteeing a Minimum of 8 Per Cent., but Sharing in Profits Which, When Development Work Is Completed, within a Year, Will Pay Regular Dividends, Ranging from 10 to 30 Per Cent. Monthly, to the Limited Purchasers on this Ground-Floor Offer, Which Includes a Share of the Common Stock Free as a Bonus to Buyers of these Development Bonds, of this First Issue, for each $1 Invested.

BEST THING THAT BALTIMORE

Has or Will Have an Opportunity to Invest in for a Decade, as the Security against Loss Is Absolute, and the Profit-Sharing FeatureMakes It an Investment of Assured Returns of over $80 in Dividends for each $1 Subscribed.

The above headlines call attention to what we unhesitatingly claim as the best general investment offered the Baltimore public for twenty years, best from the two cardinal points,

SECURITY and PROFITS EARNINGS.

The property is situated only within eight days of Baltimore, can be operated the year round, has first class facilities for communication by rail or wire of known and proven value, of immense extent—one of the largest in North America, work now being under way, and will within six to twelve months be on a heavy dividend paying basis, if not at an earlier date. No debts, everything clear, clean and above board, and susceptible to any form of searching inquiry, a property that day and night work continuously for twenty years will not exhaust.

The Highest Official Authority

In that district says of the values, as well as the present work, by the following letters, words that are simply indisputable, and at which no "doubting Thomas" is left a patch to stand on:

GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,
GOLD COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
BARKERSVILLE, B. C., JULY 13, 1898.

DEAR SIR—YOUR COMMUNICATION OF 30TH ULT, TO HAND, ASKING MY OPINION REGARDING "THE LIGHTNING CREEK GOLD GRAVEL DRAINAGE CO'S" PROPERTY. WHILE DESIROUS OF AFFORDING EVERY INFORMATION TO INVESTORS, MY OFFICIAL POSITION PRECLUDES MY SPEAKING OTHERWISE THAN IN A GENERAL WAY OF THE CONCESSIONS REFERRED TO. THIS PROPERTY IS REGARDED WITH FAVOR AS OFFERING A PROMISING OPENING FOR THE INVESTMENT OF CAPITAL, THE CREEK (PLACERS) ABOVE HAVING PRODUCED MANY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, WHILE THE CREEK AND SIDE HILLS BELOW HAVE YIELDED CONSIDERABLE AMOUNTS OF THE PRECIOUS METAL. THE SMALL TRIBUTARY CREEKS PUTTING INTO LIGHTNING CREEK HAVE ALSO NEARLY ALL PROVEN AURIFEROUS (GOLD BEARING.) **A TUNNEL OR BED ROCK DRAIN IS UNDOUBTEDLY THE BEST WAY OF WORKING THE GROUND.**

YOURS, TRULY,
JNO. BOWRON, Gold Commissioner.

GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,
BARKERSVILLE, B. C., Aug. 23' 1898.

Charles W. Keyes, Esq., 1108 8th street, N. W., Washington, D. C.:

Dear Sir—Yours of 11st inst. duly to hand. The Lightning Creek Gold Gravels and Drainage Company are at present actively engaged in prospecting their leases on Lightning Creek by running a drain tunnel. The work is under the superintendence of Major Moore, the foreman of work being our Charles Ramos. I am given to understand that good work is being done. I am, yours truly,

JNO. ROWRON, Gold Commissioner.

These Letters Show Conclusively

That the property, method of operation and actual operations are everything they should be and relegate any question of doubt to oblivion as to our reasonable claims on the matter. Other data and letters in our possession prove conclusively we could have sold this property at twice its cost immediately after its purchase by us (May 1st), thus proving the gilt edged character of the purchase, and that it offers security more than equal to mortgage loans in Baltimore or elsew here.

These Bonds are Being Sold

Because we will need more money to complete preliminary development work, and for that reason they are sold on a ground floor basis, the present purchasers securing thereby at least 10 times the benefit of any later issues. Every dollar invested, it is apparent from the record of the property, will repay enormously in dividends.

The management have invested to their limit, hence the remaining offering is made public, and without any question is superior to the best producing investments you could or might secure in a decade. To the one per cent. of humanity who are able to discern the intrinsic merit of a proposal in its incipiency, and thus get the advantage of early offers, we believe this offer will specially appeal to.

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

In the standard wealth of the world—Gold—has already been produced by this property in temporary work under the same conditions that are now being put in shape at large expense for permanent improvements. In every respect that a favorable situation, immense extent, rich deposits and good conditions can exist, this property is a noted security and the proofs are conclusive beyond a shadow of contravention. Eighteen miles of this stream owned by this company, on the basis of past experience in the same channel of gold bearing sand and gravels, should contain nearly $100,000,000.00, or over $5,000,000 to the mile, as proven by several miles mined out, and by developments at both ends and throughout its length. This immense area controlled by us must result in enormous dividend profits. The record of the property, as we know it, goes to show that

$25 invested now will yield dividend returns of	$ 2,039 50
$100 invested now will yield dividend returns of	8,158 00
$500 invested now will yield dividend returns of	40,790 00
$1000 invested now will yield dividend returns of	81,580 00

And so on in proportion. Of course, the management have no desire to sell any other interests than will suffice to provide fully for certain necessary preliminary work before the producing point is reached.

PARTIES WHO DESIRE TO TAKE

A considerable interest to extent of $5000, or individuals who subscribe said sum, are entitled to a position in the directory or management of the Company.

THIS INVESTMENT

is arranged to suit any sort of a person, male or female, hod-carrier or millionaire. It hasn't and won't be duplicated by anything in this State prior to or for the next 20 years. Any additional particulars or information given by calling on or addressing the undersigned.

A mining man of broad experience sent to investigate before the purchase, writing privately to the manager to impress him fully, says emphatically with reference to this property:

"YOU CAN TAKE NO CHANCES WHATEVER, FOR WHAT I TELL YOU IS A CERTAINTY. I KNOW THIS TO BE SO.

"IT IS A CERTAINTY THAT THERE ARE TWENTY WAGON LOADS OF GOLD IN THE GROUND COVERED BY THIS LEASE; I BELIEVE MUCH MORE, AND I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE ANY IDEA OF THE VALUE THAT IS WITHIN YOUR REACH OR THE MAGNITUDE OF THE PROPERTY.

"I HAVE BEEN MANY YEARS AMONG GOLD MINES, HAVE HANDLED MUCH BULLION AND SEEN IMMENSE THINGS IN THE WAY OF MINES, AND DO NOT GET EXCITED OVER ANYTHING OF THIS KIND. I AM WRITING YOU COLD NOSED AND ONLY STATING WHAT EVERY EVIDENCE GOES TO PROVE AND I WANT YOU TO APPRECIATE THAT GOING FOR THIS IS NOT GOING FOR A FEW DOLLARS OR A FEW THOUSANDS, BUT A GOOD MANY MILLIONS.

LIGHTNING CREEK RICHES.

In confirmation of the statements as to the exceeding richness of Lightning Creek the following extract is given from an official report made by Dr. G. M. Dawson, C. M. G., D. S. F. G. S., now head of the geological department of the government of Canada, on "The Mineral Wealth of British Columbia:"

"It is impossible to present complete returns of the amount of gold obtained from the old bed of Lightning Creek (in Cariboo district,) but the following approximate statement published in the report of Minister of Mines of British Columbia is still of interest in showing how large this amount in the aggregate must have been. The claims are here arranged in their order following down the creek:

Dunbar (high bench)	$ 30,000
Dutch and Ceigel (creek)	130,000
Lightning (creek)	153,962
Disney and Butcher (high bench)	120,000
South Wales (creek)	141,000
Campbell and Whitehall	200,000
Spruce (creek)	99,908
Point (creek)	136,625
Van Winkle (creek)	363,983
Victoria	451,642
Vancouver	274,190
Vulcan	56,955
Costello	20,476

"It would probably not be an exaggeration to state that the deep channel, for the portion of its length referred to, with the adjacent side ground worked at the same time, has yielded throughout gold to the value of over $1000 to the running foot."

NOTE—This only on 100 foot claims, showing much more on the average than $1000 to the foot.

Gold by the Million.

Dr. F. S. Reynolds writing from Ashcroft, B. C., to the British American Gold Mining and Trading Company, in reference to its Lightning Creek property, says: "When you get to bedrock you will not take out gold by the ounce, but by the million."

FELIX CHAPELLET, in a recent letter to us, says: "BY THE MAP YOU SENT ME IT LOOKS AS THOUGH YOUR PROPERTY WILL BE A VERY VALUABLE ONE. IT IS A GIGANTIC ENTERPRISE."

Mr. Chapellet is one of the oldest and best-known California experts. He first began the examination of the ancient dry river channels, and his first work (like ours) was the running of a drain tunnel considerably over a mile through solid rock at a cost of $150,000. He was correct, and out of one property took $30,000,000 alone. As a pioneer in this work his words above have great force.

MINING INVESTMENTS.

"AMERICAN INVESTMENTS," OF BUFFALO, N. Y., IN ITS AUGUST ISSUE SAYS:

"In considering mining stock investments, one must remember that some of the finest fortunes in our country have been built up from what they have produced, and the further fact that very many of our most careful bankers are permanent holders of approved mining stocks. Our readers will understand that we are not speaking of mining claims, prospects and speculative ventures, but developed and regularly-running enterprises."

THIS PAPER IS ONE OF THE LEADING AMERICAN FINANCIAL ORGANS, AND ITS WORDS HAVE WEIGHT.

"Hows" and "Whys" Answered

How long will this "ground floor" buying chance last?

Answer. Not a day longer than we can place it, and we think not long on the balance of the "ground floor" offer. After these are sold out the other sales, if any be made, will not give over one tenth the values that the present gives for one dollar. It doesn't take much sense to appreciate the difference between the original ground floor purchase and one later—only on an interest basis.

How do you determine the value of this property, or how did you consider it a good purchase?

Answer. By the investigations of three expert mining men; by the proofs given by the records of production, the best of all; by the common knowledge of everyone as to its value; by the fact of its being of sufficient importance to be hotly fought for and sought after at considerable expense; by its being in the heart of one of the world's greatest placer deposits, the Cariboo gold fields, by being a special government grant; by its gold production from one end to the other known to be first class by everybody.

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HOME OFFICE, BALTIMORE, MD.

SUITE 428 EQUITABLE BUILDING.

NOTE.—This is the last advertised announcement of this special bond sale.