

VIRGINIA

2302. General. Piedmont Gold Mining Co. Incorporated in New Jersey. Issued to Warren N. Carpenter for 100 shares, cert #124, in 1882. Signed by F. H. Treat vice president and Sam Scholfield treasurer. Crude vignette at lower right of two miners double jacking (early drilling technique). Black border. Uncancelled. Printer - Nation Bureau of Engraving, Phila. 4.5 x 9. We could find no information regarding this company within our library. Very small tear at top edge along fold crease. Extremely fine. Est. \$200-400



2303. General. Rapidan MC. Inc. in NY. Cert #435, issued to D.W. Vaughn & Co for 500 shares in 1856. Signed by pres. Marcellus Eiles and sec. James E. Place. Great vignette along left side of an ore bucket being hauled up a shaft and a miner climbing a ladder up as well. Also, vignette at top center of one man, bent down on one knee with a pick in his hand and the face of the rock lit by candlelight. *Sic Semper Tyrannis* vignette at bottom. Black border and print. Printer – Geo. W. Hatch, Jr. & Co., NY. 10 x 6. Uncancelled. Extremely fine. Not listed in Whitney. Probably one of the Virginia gold mines near or on the Rappahannock River. Est. \$300-500

2304. General. Rappahannock GMC. Incorporated in 1879 in New York. Cert. #1026, issued to J.C. Jennings for 100 shares in 1880. Signed by vice president W.W. Hartz and secretary J.A. Macpherson. Vignette at top of seven miners working above ground with an Indian brave in background, watching from a cliff above the scene. Vignette at bottom left of a seated woman holding scales. *Stafford County* printed on certificate below vignette at bottom left. Dated New York. Printer – W.E. Badeau, NY. 5 1/2 x 10 1/2. Uncancelled. Very fine. This company’s property covered an area of 345 acres in Stafford County, Virginia. The ore was said to be free milling and valued at \$12 per ton (about 1/2 ounce per ton), (Balch, 1882, p. 1145) Est. \$150-250



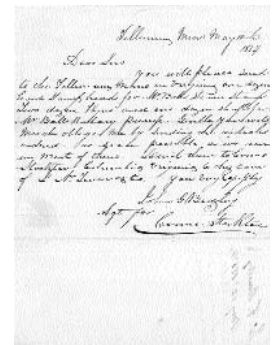
2305. Kanawha. Kanawha & Ohio Coal Co. Issued to Mrs. Heziah O. Hyde for 200 shares, cert #179, in 1874. Signed by Wm H. Edward president and Jesse Fonda secretary.& treasurer. Vignette at top center of mine portals in a cliff side that exits onto the bank of a river. In background is a train tressel and a large factory. Black border. Uncancelled. Printer - Sanford, Harroun & Co, NY. 7 x 9. This company takes its name from the Kanawha River in western West Virginia which flows to the Ohio River. The Kanawha coal beds located in this valley contain three varieties of coal: cannel, splint and bituminous. No mention of this company was made in Saward (1876 or 1884). Trimmed tight along left edge, but not bad. Slight foxing all about certificate, may just be dirty. Extremely fine. Est. \$100-300

2306. Mason. Point Pleasant. Steamer Billheads, 1898-99. Three of the billheads are datelined from Point Pleasant, which is located on the Ohio River. The vignettes are of a steamer with one printed in green, one in black and one in blue. The other two billheads are for towns located along the Ohio river, but in the state of Ohio. Both have the same vignette of a steamer one printed in red, the other is black. All very fine. Est. \$50-100



2307. McDowell. Indian Ridge Coal & Coke Co. Incorporated in West Virginia. Issued to Worth Kilpatrick for 50 shares, cert #53, in 1900. Signed by Worth Kilpatrick president and J. A. Armstrong treasurer. Unique vignette at upper left of several miners working at the surface next to adit portal. Vignette at upper right of a bust of an Indian in full headdress. Black border. McDowell, Co, within corporate seal. Uncancelled. Printer - Wm Mann Phila. 8 x 10. We could find no information regarding this company within our library. Extremely fine. Est. \$150-300

2308. Mining. Invention of the Steam Stamp Mill at Tellurium Gold Mine Letters, 1851-54. Lot of 5 pcs. Group of five letters from a group of men, including William Ball, engineer of the mill at the Tellurium Gold Mine in Virginia. Ball had designed a steam stamp mill (possibly the first) to work the ores of the mines and was reporting to the mine financier and boss, **James T. Ames**, president of the Ames Manufacturing Co, a famous inventor and financier. The mine was owned by Commodore Stockton of California Fame. Ball had also developed a mercury amalgamating table and a special stamp mill crushing circuit. He wanted to keep the inventions “close at hand” until he could get them operating in five or six other mines. In one of the letters, Ball discusses one of his “machines” in operation at a mine owned by Commodore Stockton in Tolersville, which Ball built before undertaking the Tellurium Mine job of Stockton’s. In another letter, John Beasley, agent for Stockton, orders parts for Ball’s Mill. The steam stamp mill that Ball developed is very important and may be the first of its kind invented, hence Ball’s attempt to keep the mill secret. Historical information on the evolving stamp mill as an invention is lacking in detail, but discussed by William Blake in Ross



Raymond (1870). In another letter, Ball writes Ames from Houghton, Michigan, deep in copper country, that he is working in a stamp mill at the Pewabic Mine. These letters chronicle the importance of immersing technology in stamp mills in the 1850's. Stockton and Ames found an outstanding engineer in Ball and kept him working for them. Had they not, Ball would surely have gone to California and would have made quite a name for himself. Very fine. Est. \$1000-1500

2309. Shenandoah. **Shenandoah Mining Co.** Incorporated in New York. Issued to Jno. S. Emans for 5 shares, cert #49, in 1873. Signed by P. S. Haines president and (?) secretary. No vignette. Black border and print. Uncancelled. Printer - Phillip E. Bogart, NY. Dated *East Fishkill, Dutchess County, NY.* Shenandoah is a town and a famous valley located in the northwestern part of Virginia. The area is known for its iron ore deposits. The valley runs for more than 125 miles from northeast to southwest and they may have mining operations anywhere within that valley. Trimmed tight at left edge. Very fine. Est. \$75-150



WASHINGTON



2310. Ferry. Kettle River(?). **Kettle River Mining & Lumber Co.** Incorporated in Delaware 1915. Issued to D. J. Whiteford for 400 shares, cert #678, in 1935. Signed by John J. Rankin president and Judd W. Stevens secretary. No vignette. Fancy masthead. Black border with gilt seal. Uncancelled. Printer - La Barre, Pittson, PA. 8 x 11. We could find no information regarding this company within our library. Gold mining in the Republic district has continued to present. The area just saw renewed activity after an extensive lawsuit between the mining companies and the Forest Service. The Forest Service lost the case at the Supreme Court setting new precedents. (For more information contact the North West Mining Association in Spokane, WA). . Two small tears at top edge. Fold creases. Very fine. Est. \$25-50

2311. Ferry. Republic(?). **Belcher Mountain Copper Co.** Cert.#52. Incorporated in Arizona in 1908. Issued to David F. Tripp for 450 shares in 1908. Uncancelled. Signed by president Randal H. Foote and secretary Powhatan Weisiger. Vignette of bald eagle. Brown border. No printer noted. 9 1/4" x 11 1/4". Vf, folds. According to the 1908 *Copper Handbook*, (p363) the Belcher Mountain Gold & Copper Co. was located in Montana with mine office in Republic, Washington. The Belcher MC is also located in Republic and was successfully extracting gold bearing copper ore. We believe that this company probably had their operations near Republic, WA. There is no listing for the Belcher Mtn Copper Co in the Copper Handbooks. Est. \$25-50



2312. Ferry. Republic(?). **Gold Bar Mining Co.** Incorporated in the Territory of Washington 1886. Issued to Frances Jackson for 200 shares, cert #45, in 1888. Signed by Allen D. Mason president and George Herriott secretary. Vignette of two miners double jacking and one miner loading ore into a car. Black border with orange underprint on yellow paper. Uncancelled. Printer - Anderson Lith Co. Portland, OR. 7 x 10. This company property operated in the Republic or Okanogan districts. The name is a play on the gold bar ingots, always a good bet when selling to the public. Slight foxing at upper left corner. One inch tear along fold crease at left edge. Very fine. Est. \$150-300

2313. Ferry. Republic(?). **Republic Consolidated Gold Mining Co.** Incorporated in Washington 1899. Issued to Oster & Hammond for 500 shares, cert #1635, in 1899. Signed by vice president and Chas. S. Eldrige secretary. Fancy masthead. Green border. Uncancelled. Printer - Blatchly Co, Tacoma. Gold mining in the Republic district has continued to present. The area just saw renewed activity after an extensive lawsuit between the mining companies and the Forest Service. The Forest Service lost the case at the Supreme Court setting new precedents. (For more information contact the North West Mining Association in Spokane, WA). Minor wrinkling to edges. Extremely fine. Est. \$50-100



2314. General. **Ainsworth Mining & Smelting Co.** Incorporated in Washington 1897. Issued to Lottie Robison for 500 shares, cert #127, in 1897. Signed by Wm A. Chrusy president and George Francis May secretary. Vignette at upper left of three miners underground. Smaller vignettes at each corner of a miner. Black border with gilt seal and gold safety print. Uncancelled. Printer Goes. 8 x 11. We could find no information regarding this company within our library. Wear to folds. Staining sporadic across certificate. Fine. Est. \$25-75

2315. General. **Chewawa Lead & Smelting Co.** Inc in WA 1907. Issued to C. C. Mann for 500 shares, cert #151, in 1910. Signed by J. S. Chase pres and Edw. Ellis secy. Vignette of mining camp next to stream, circular vignettes at left and right of miners. Uncancelled. Printer not noted. 8 x 11. We could find no information of this company within our library. Vf. Est. \$25-50



2316. General. Cincinnati Mining & Development Co. Inc. in WA. Cert #245, issued to Mrs. May P. Hervey for 1000 shares in 1899. Signed by pres. J.P. Bogle and sec. W.A. Spalding. Small vignette at upper left of miners working underground. Six small vignettes of miner incorporated into border design. Black border and print with gilt seal and safety print. Dated Spokane, Wash. Printer – Goes. 11 x 8. Uncancelled. Folds. Very fine. Unable to find reference to this company in our library. Est. \$25-50



2317. General. Crystal Marble Quarries Co. Incorporated in Washington 1906. Issued to C. H. Bruin for 110 shares, cert #109, in 1906. Signed by Mattie S. Murray Martin president and Berta E. Davis asst. secretary. Vignette of woman seated at upper left corner. Orange border, seal and safety print. Uncancelled. Printer not noted. 8 x 11. The company was probably mining building stone somewhere in Washington. Dated Spokane, Washington. Tears along fold creases. Left fold is nearly detached with rip into corporate seal. Fine. Est. \$20-40

2318. General. Darrington Talc Company. Incorporated in Washington. Issued to Haus Sorgenfili for 400 shares, cert #40, in 1902. Signed by James G. Groves president and W. O. Johnson secretary. Vignette of miners working underground. Black border with green and safety print. Uncancelled. Printer - Goes. 8 x 11. Four 5 cents adhesive stamps. This company probably mined talc from the metamorphic rocks found east and west of the much younger Cascade Mountains. Very fine. Est. \$25-50



2319. General. Gold Helm Mining Co. Incorporated in Washington. Issued to Townsend, Dabney & Tyson for 1000 shares, cert #2686, in 1949. Signed by William Phil president and Franklin E. Johnson asst. secretary. Vignette of a bust of George Washington. Green border and background. Uncancelled. Printer - North Pacific Bank Note Co. This company is listed as dead in the 1949 Mines Register. However, the certificate was issued April, 1949. Very interesting. We could find no other information. Wrinkled along right edge. Very fine. Est. \$25-50



2320. General. Highland-Comstock Mining Co. Incorporated in Washington 1900. Issued to D. S. Mathias for 1000 shares, cert #88, in 1900. Signed by D. E. McVay president and Jas. Rosslow secretary. Vignette at upper left of spread winged eagle atop crag. Black border with gilt seal and gold safety print. Uncancelled. Printer - Goes. 6 x 10. 5 cent adhesive revenue on reverse. We could find no information regarding this company within our library. Dated Spokane, Washington. Extremely fine. Est. \$25-75



2321. General. Holden Gold Mines, Inc. Incorporated in Washington 1934. Issued to Wm. Bozarth for 100 shares, cert #12, in 1924. Signed by president and S. J. Holmes secretary. Vignette of two miners at upper left, mill and dumps at top center and three miners inspecting ore at upper right. Uncancelled. Printer - Goes. 6 x 11. This company is listed as dead in the Mines Register 1949. Two fold creases with small wear hole at intersection of folds. Very fine. Est. \$20-40



2322. No. Lot

2323. General. Offshore Gold Dredging Co. Incorporated in Washington 1935. Issued to William E. Barnes for 700 shares, cert #1164, in 1936. Signed by Leon Starwart president and Vera Wiedland asst. secretary. Vignette at upper left of a ship just offshore of a cliff with a lighthouse, the ship is labeled the "Gold King". Black border with gilt seal and gold safety print. Uncancelled. Printer - Goes. 8 x 11. This company was listed as dead in the Mines Register 1949. Blue ink bleed through from signatures on reverse. Extremely fine. Est. \$25-75



2324. General. Puget Sound Electra Oil Co. Incorporated in Washington 1920. Issued to Hilbren Jensen for 20 shares, cert #19, in 1921. Signed by J. B. Rhode president and W. A. Reiner secretary. Vignette of spread winged eagle atop crag. Black border with green underprint and safety print. Uncancelled. Printer - Goes. 8 x 11. We could find no information regarding this company. Very fine. Est. \$10-25

