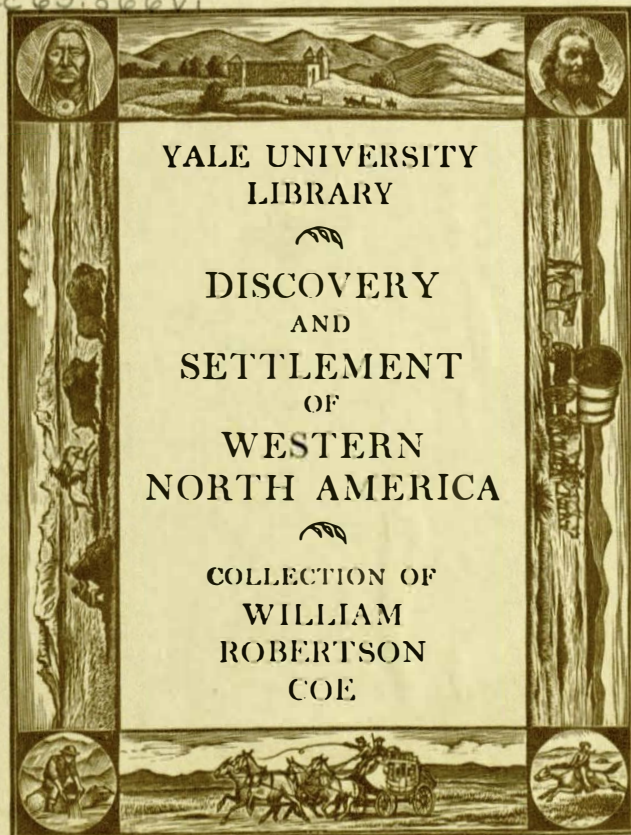


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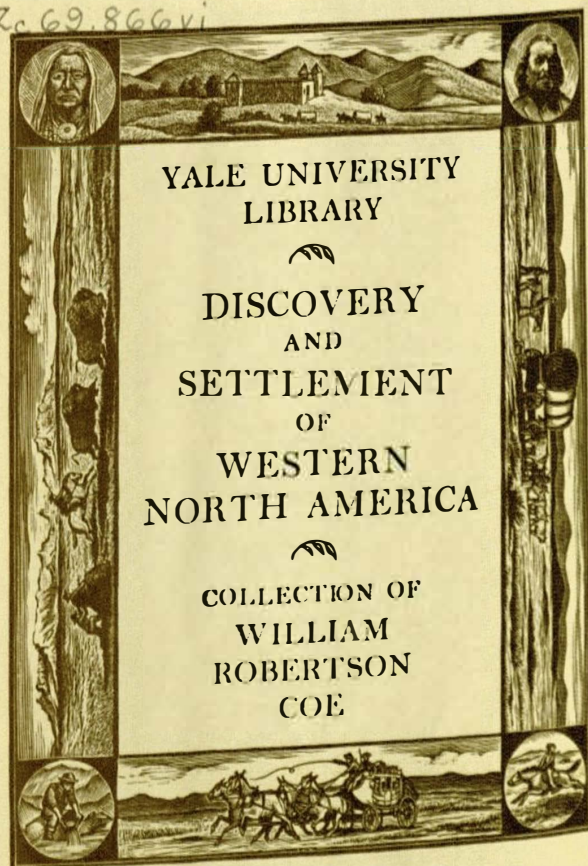
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## OFFICERS:

J. W. VAN AUKEN, Esq., President.

## TRUSTEES:

W. T. COLEMAN, Esq.,.....of W. T. Coleman & Co,

W. W. COPE, Esq.....late Judge Supreme Court of California.

WILLIAM BOND, Esq.....President of Quicksilver Co.

J. P. ROBINSON, Esq.....54 William Street.

J. W. VAN AUKEN, Esq.....73 William Street.

W. R. GARRISON, Esq., Secretary.

## BANKERS:

Messrs. LEES & WALLER..83 Pine Street.

## Virginia and Gold Hill Water Co.

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THE Company is incorporated under the laws of the State of New York.

The works have been in successful operation for upwards of three years.

They are in perfect working order, and do not require any further outlay, except such as may be necessary for ordinary wear and tear.

They are indispensable to the working of the mines of the Comstock lode in Nevada, and to the existence of Virginia City and Gold Hill, whose population is over 27,000.

The property of this Company consists of lands, tunnels, flumes, ditches, tanks, mains, water rights, and rights of way, furnishing an adequate supply of pure and wholesome water, for the domestic and industrial purposes of Virginia City and Gold Hill, and a supply to nearly every mill and mine upon the course of the Comstock lode, without which most of the mills and hoisting works would be obliged to abandon their operations. The Company possesses a virtual monopoly of all the water rights above the level of



Virginia City, and cannot be interfered with by any person or association.

The extraordinary discoveries of mineral wealth in that part of the State of Nevada, known as Virginia and Gold Hill districts, have already established its character as a great mining region. Of all the districts explored, none hold a higher place as permanent mining districts than those above named.

The necessity of water to carry on successfully mining operations, and the quantity required to supply two cities such as Virginia and Gold Hill (which is afforded), the permanent population of which is not less than twenty-five thousand, with a floating population, in addition, of not less than five thousand, give great value to the property of the Virginia and Gold Hill Water Company.

The value of this property may be fairly inferred from the results obtained, which are fully set forth in the following pages. At the office of the undersigned may be inspected a lengthy report upon this property, made by Mr. William Ashburner, a distinguished mining engineer, who comes fully endorsed by the Honorable Stephen J. Field, Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and by other prominent gentlemen.

This report concludes as follows:

"The facts and statements which I have given above would appear to warrant the following

#### CONCLUSIONS:

"1st. That the Virginia and Gold Hill Water Company possess at present a virtual monopoly of all the water rights above the level of Virginia.

"2d. That these rights are not liable to be interfered with by any person or association of persons driving tunnels into the sides of Mount Davidson, for but few of these tunnels furnish water, and those which do are now completely controlled by the Company.

"3d. That the tunnels from which this Company obtain their water having been originally constructed for mining purposes, in order to prospect Mount Davidson for veins lying west of the Comstock, and as such, in every case, having proved failures, it is not probable that any company will ever again be formed for a similar purpose; and as the water obtained from any one tunnel, even when situated in favorable conditions, and furnishing a comparatively large supply, is insufficient to pay more than a very moderate interest upon the cost, such an enterprise will not be undertaken for that purpose alone.

"4th That the present market value of the mining property alone, in Virginia and Gold Hill, is not less than ten million dollars, and the value of the other property dependent upon the supply of water furnished by this Company, would probably amount to as much more.

"5th. That of the proposed projects for introducing water into Virginia and Gold Hill from the lakes and streams of the Sierra Nevada, while some are entirely visionary and chimerical, the others would be attended with so much expense, and are surrounded with so many difficulties of construction, that the carrying of them into execution amounts to a practical impossibility."



Annexed is a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of these Works, from July, 1863, to February, 1866, inclusive:

Receipts, in gold .....	\$ 336,578 69
Disbursements, in gold .....	163,549 39
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Net Profit .....	\$ 173,029 30

Of which,

Dividends paid, in gold .....	\$ 166,250 00
Cash Balance on hand, in gold .....	6,779 30
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All the above figures are in gold, and extending as they do over a term of thirty-two months, show a net monthly earning of \$ 6,400 00, in gold.

It must be borne in mind that in the item of disbursements of \$ 163,549 39, are included \$41,735, paid for Real Estate, and the Construction Account of the Works since July, 1863, amounting to about \$33,400 00, and which expense has now entirely ceased, the tunneling and other constructive works being completed and paid for.

Of the receipts, as will be observed by reference to the Statement, about fifty per cent. are from water supplied to mills and hoisting works, and fifty per cent. from water supplied to inhabitants of Virginia City and Gold Hill for domestic use.

The present receipts average \$11,000 to \$12,000 per month, and have done so for the past two and a half years.

The present working expenses of the Company are,

Wages, per month .....	\$1,000
Labor and Material for repairs and maintenance of Works....	1,000
Contingencies, say .....	500
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Total expenses per month,	\$2,500

Leaving a net monthly profit of \$8,500 in gold.

Annexed is also a copy of Certificate, signed by the Mayor, leading business men, mill owners and superintendents of mines and mills in Virginia City and Gold Hill, testifying to the value and indispensability of the Works.

Annexed also is a letter signed by Mr. S. H. Marlette, Surveyor General of Nevada, and by Mr. George Hunt, Civil Engineer, enumerating the mills and mines dependent upon this Company for their supply of water; and also a letter on the subject from Messrs. Stewart and Nye, United States Senators from Nevada.

Of this Stock a limited number of shares are now offered, at the subscription price of sixty-five dollars per share. The books are open at the Office of the undersigned, where the map of the property may be inspected, and where the fullest information regarding it will be furnished.

*This Stock is issued with a guarantee of the Bankers of the Company, Messrs. Lees and Waller, that it shall pay a dividend of not less than ten per cent. per annum, on the par value; the guarantee to be in force for two years.*

CHARLES REBELLO,  
22 Broad Street.



VIRGINIA, Oct. 3rd, 1865.

## NAME \_\_\_\_\_

## RESIDENCES

L. N. COLBATH.....Supt. Challenge S. M. Co. and Comet Mill  
GEO. F. JONES.....Mayor of Virginia City  
SAMUEL F. CURTIS.....Supt. Savage Mining Co.  
J. H. LATHAM.....Agent of Wells, Fargo & Co.  
LOUIS JANIN, JR.....Supt. Gould and Curry Co.  
J. C. CLARK.....Supt. Hoosier State Mill, and Sheriff of Storey  
County  
WM. SHARON.....Agent of the Bank of California  
C. W. LIGHTNER.....Supt. of Ophir Mining Co.  
J. W. F. O'NEALE.....Supt. of Marysville Mill

## RESIDENCES

J. M. WALKER.....Supt. of Bullion Mining Co.  
HARVEY BECKWITH.....Supt. of Chollar Potosi  
CHAS. L. PECK.....Supt. of Hale and Norcross Mining Co.  
R. N. GRAVES.....Supt. of Empire Mill and Mining Co.  
JOHN B. WINTERS.....Prest. Yellow Jacket S. Mining Co.  
GEO. W. AYLSWORTH... Prest. of Board of Trustees of Gold Hill  
P. S. BUCKMINSTER.....Supt. of Imperial Mining Co.  
J. C. COREY.....Supt. of Alpha Co.  
THOMAS G. TAYLOR.....Supt. of Crown Point G. & S. Mining Co.  
F. A. TRITLE.....Prest. Belcher Mining Co.  
ALEX. W. BALDWIN.....Prest. Alpha Gold Hill M. Co. and U. S. District  
Judge.  
GILLIG, MOTT & CO.....Merchants  
PAXTON & THORNBURGH.Bankers  
CHAS. LAND.....Land's Mill  
LOUIS FEUSIER & CO ....Merchants  
JAMES ROOT.....of McLaughlin & Root, Merchants  
D. E. AVERY.....General Agent of New York and Washoe Mining  
Co., New York and Nevada Mill and M. Co.  
B. F. HASTINGS & CO...Bankers.  
E. RUHLING & CO.....Bankers



VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA, JULY 30TH, 1865.

A. HAYWARD, Esq.,

DEAR SIR:—Having been requested by you to make an examination of and report upon the Virginia and Gold Hill Water Company's Works, we have to submit the following:

The total amount of fluming is..... 41,500 feet.  
 The Mains (iron pipe) of Virginia....27,175  
 The Mains (iron pipe) of Gold Hill... 4,850  
 ————— 32,025 feet.

The mills supplied are twenty-one in number, viz:

CENTRAL	COMET	IMPERIAL
MARIPOSA	UNION	EMPIRE
SUMMIT	GOLD HILL	MARYSVILLE
HOOSIER STATE	STEVENSON	DOUGLASS
MECHANICS PLAINS	RHODE ISLAND	PINTO
GRANITE	SAPPHIRE	ATLAS
ECLIPSE	PETALEMA	PACIFIC

The hoisting works supplied are twenty-eight in number, viz:

SIERRA NEVADA	BULLION
BURNING MOSCOW	OMEGA
SIDES	MINERVA
BEST AND BELCHER	ALPHA
GOULD AND CURRY	CENTRAL
SAVAGE	WHITE AND MURPHY
POOR-MAN	EMPIRE

HALE AND NORCROSS	ECLIPSE
BAJAZET AND GOLDEN ERA.	CONSOLIDATED
MEXICAN	IMPERIAL
OPHIR	CHALLENGE
POTOSI	CONFIDENCE
CHOLLAR	YELLOW JACKET
FAIRVIEW	CROWN POINT

The tanks used as reservoirs are thirty-five in number; sixteen in Virginia, and nineteen in Gold Hill.

The Virginia and Gold Hill Water Company have a complete monopoly of all available water for the supplying of Virginia City and Gold Hill, and the mills and mines in the vicinity, with the exception of the water flowing from the Latrobe tunnel below the level of Virginia City, supplying the Gould and Curry mill, a few private wells in Gold Hill, and the water flowing from the Gold Hill Tunneling Company's tunnel, supplying the Gold Hill Foundry.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Yours, &c.,

S. H. MARLETTE, C. E.  
 Surveyor General of Nevada.

GEORGE HUNT, C. E.



# Report of Receipts and Disbursements of the

( Extending from July, 1863,

## RECEIPTS.

Month	Receipts from Mills and Mines	Receipts from Virginia & Gold Hill	Borrowed Money and Sales of Real Estate	Total
1863				
July 11	4360 00	\$1550 00		\$5910 00
August 11	3722 00	5022 75		8742 75
Sept. 8	3936 00	4165 50		8000 50
Oct. 13	3353 00	6302 51		10125 31
Nov. 10	3781 00	8111 50		6983 50
Dec. 8	3769 00	4709 50		8529 50
1864				
January 12	3759 00	5620 25	Borrowed 12000 00	21385 25
February 9	4424 00	3728 25		8152 25
March 8	3885 00	3818 50		7703 50
April 12	3703 35	5007 10	Sale Real Estate 1500 00	8770 45
May 10	4885 00	4142 10		10 27 10
June 14	4007 37	6252 50		10310 87
July 12	4180 00	4671 00		8854 00
August 9	3515 00	4780 25		8594 25
Sept. 13	4081 00	5760 00		10400 00
Oct. 11	4503 00	4535 00		10088 00
Nov. 8	4675 00	4600 75	Borrowed 8500 00	9275 75
Dec. 13	5968 25	5112 50		14880 75
1865				
January 10	5338 75	3278 00		8616 75
February 14	6340 00	4190 62		10530 62
March 14	6022 00	3187 73		9209 73
April 11	5803 85	3338 00		9142 75
May 9	6902 50	3821 25		10723 75
June 13	7055 45	5166 18	Borrowed 10000 00	12521 63
July 13	6965 00	4486 18		2084 15
August 9	6164 00	4482 41		10642 41
Sept. 12	6383 88	5305 25		11748 58
Oct. 10	6200 00	4813 75		11013 75
Nov. 14	6735 00	6810 50		12905 50
Dec. 12	4963 25	4940 45		9903 70
1866				
January 9	6501 50	4432 10		11023 60
February 13	5746 81	5018 00		10764 81
	\$160102 04	\$149386 65	\$27000 00	\$336578 69

VIRGINIA, FEBRUARY 13TH, 1866.

# Virginia and Coal Hill Water Company,

to February 13th, 1866.)

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Month	Salaries and Wages	Construction Account	Sundry Expendi- tures	Bills Payable and Purchases	Total	Net Profits
1863						
July 11	\$315 00	\$971 14	\$1200 80		\$2486 00	\$6423 00
August 11	535 00	617 70	1126 41		2279 11	6403 64
Sept. 8	1145 00	863 92	1108 29		3117 21	4978 80
October 13	1110 00	1130 06	1405 64		3645 60	6470 71
Nov. 10	321 00	427 00	1000 79		1761 69	6136 81
Dec. 8	883 50	569 50	674 40		2127 40	6402 01
1864						
January 12	968 50	1028 58	1278 01	\$12500 00	15770 99	5014 96
February 9	575 00	1008 55	2768 61	900 00	6312 16	2840 00
March 8	1080 00	79 29	444 80	1250 00	1654 18	6179 23
April 12	535 00	72 45	888 36	900 00	3646 21	5123 64
May 10	780 00	100 70	2476 91	1250 00	4616 61	5410 40
June 14	1060 00	766 67	1171 53	6000 00	7995 20	2321 67
July 12	550 00	1169 67	1556 84		3276 51	3169 62
August 9	608 50	2074 58	2358 00		6131 63	2078 13
Sept. 13	772 00	1603 17	1546 70	3500 00	7421 87	1019 90
October 11	1075 00	413 68	730 02		2218 70	4273 08
Nov. 8	675 00	436 76	3140 91	750 00	5002 67	10741 33
Dec. 13	1363 00	518 61	2200 78		4139 42	
1865						
January 10	1250 00	307 60	1610 16	3500 00	6676 76	1030 90
February 14	975 00	616 00	3180 60	225 00	4975 60	5554 93
March 14	1060 00	577 00	2328 52	400 00	4365 52	4843 91
April 11	705 00	1063 96	1285 01		3053 97	6058 78
May 9	1102 00	2867 28	1416 22	500 00	5905 50	4158 25
June 13	720 00	8014 00	1923 27	3500 00	5657 27	6864 36
July 12	975 00	1346 52	2407 07	6500 00	14729 40	6121 66
August 9	1285 00	805 62	1180 63		3290 15	7302 26
Sept. 12	665 00	1156 74	1964 46	460 00	4216 20	7602 38
October 10	850 00	1235 78	2673 07	600 00	5419 75	5504 00
Nov. 11	1532 00	5091 46	4123 40		10746 66	1818 64
Dec. 12	1607 50		1635 23		8242 73	6660 97
1866						
January 9	2110 00	507 85	2071 07		4689 92	6338 78
February 13	1415 00	857 62	1751 91		4073 63	6691 31
	\$31602 00	\$33424 48	\$56787 06	\$41735 00	\$163540 80	\$173029 80

Total Dividends paid.....\$166,250 00

Cash on hand as per Monthly Report of Feb. 13, 1866, 6,779 30

Equal to Net Profits, as above, \$173,029 80

C. G. FUNK,

Sec. V. & G. H. Water Co.



The following letter is from United States Senators Stewart and Nye, of Nevada.

WASHINGTON, D. C. April, 1866.

W. W. COPE, Esq., New York,

DEAR SIR:—In reply to your favor of yesterday's date, we think the following statement will be found to embrace what you desire.

We are both well acquainted with the property of the Virginia and Gold Hill Water Company of our State. The works are indispensable to the working of most of the mines and mills on the Comstock Lode, the mines being among the richest in the State; and as they supply the only water sold for domestic purposes in the Cities of Virginia and Gold Hill, they are in our estimation of very great value. The water they supply is sufficient in quantity for present purposes—pure and wholesome.

Yours, &c.,

WM. M. STEWART,

JAMES W. NYE.





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