Annual Reports of the Delamar Mining Company
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Mining in what is now Owyhee County, Idaho, began in 1863 when gold was discovered in Jordan Creek by Michael Jordan. Hardrock mining soon started in the district, with the primary town being Silver City.

Mining at the DeLamar Mine started in 1886 after Captain J.R. DeLamar paid \$30,500 for the property. Milling was done in Silver City until 1889 when the mill was moved to the DeLamar site. Captain DeLamar was proficient at raising capital and making a profit; in 1891 Captain DeLamar sold out to the DeLamar Mining Company of London for about \$2,000,000. A town was built near the mine and was named DeLamar. The mine operated until 1914. The following excerpts are from DeLamar Mining Company Annual Reports from my collection. I have annual reports for 1893, 1895, 1896, 1903, and 1906. The reports have detailed color cross-sections, some of which I have framed. The plan maps are at an odd scale, 1'' =112'.

