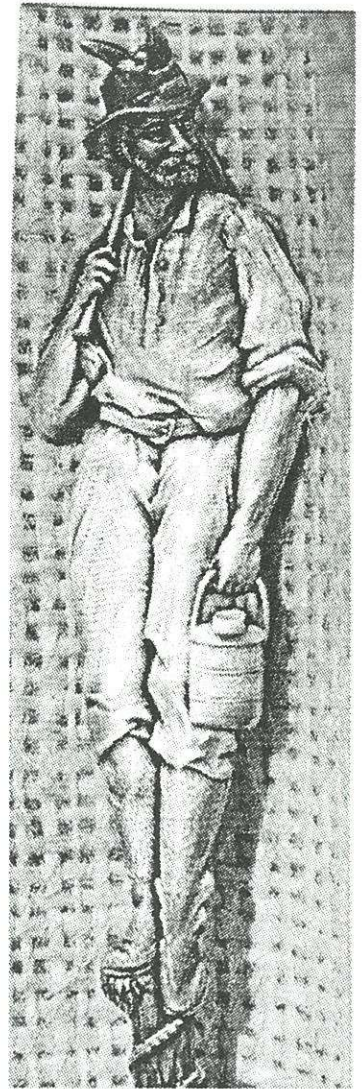
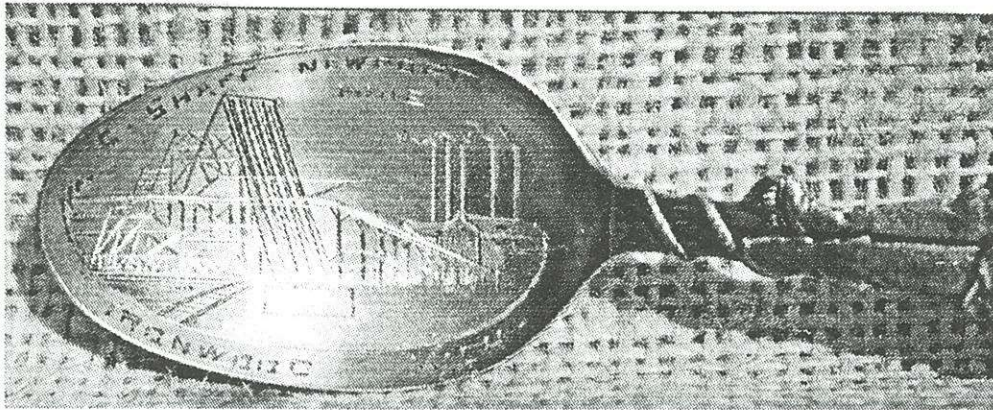


Newport Mine Spoon

This 7" sterling silver souvenir spoon displays a view of the Newport Mine's C Shaft located at Ironwood, Michigan. The Newport Mine was owned by the Newport Mining Company, which also owned the Anvil Mine and Palms Mine in nearby Bessemer, Michigan. Souvenir spoons from the Gogebic Iron Range are rarely seen by collectors.

This particular spoon has a handle in the shape of a miner with a pick over his shoulder and a lunch pail in one hand. He is wearing an oilwick lamp. I have several other spoons with miners for handles but none have the degree of relief and fine detail that this piece does, even on the back of the handle. The detail is so fine that the weave of the fabric is visible. This piece is a work of art. (Dave Johnson).



Parrot Mine Medal

This copper medal from the Parrot Mine in Butte, Montana shows the surface buildings on one side and miner's tools, including a candlestick, drill steels, pick, shovel, hammer and ore bucket on the other, and is dated 1896. The Parrot Mine was owned by the Parrot Mining Co. The buildings shown on the medal burned in 1899 and were rebuilt in 1900. (Dave Johnson).

