a narrow-gauge, which will have, when completed, a length of 85 miles. Another railroad branching at Battle Mountain, has been surveyed to Austin, a distance of 85 miles. Several others are in contemplation over the great routes of travel where stages now run. From Pioche to Bullionville is a narrow-gauge railroad of some 22 miles in length, used chiefly in transporting ores from the mines of the former place to mills located at the latter. A short narrow-gauge road, used in transporting lumber, extends from Lake Bigler to the summit of the East ridge, where it connects with a flume reaching to Carson Valley. The long valleys and natural passes through the mountains are very favorable for either wagon or railroads, and good highways are had without great expense. The locomotive, with its long train of cars, the dust-covered stage coach with its prancing team, and the great prairie schooner, now give busy life through all the region that was a wilderness but a few years ago. The tolegraph has followed the roads, and the extremities of the State are in instantaneous communication with the world. In the secluded cañons plensant villages are constructed, and flourishing cities adorn the sides of many a silver-stored mountain. More than a hundred and fifty quartz mills, built at great cost, expensive hoisting works, and many furnaces, are found in every portion of the vast region, engaged in extracting the precious metal from the dull rock which incloses it. Thus is Nevada rising from the condemned desert basin to a prosperous State, and establishing the fact that its barren plains and rugged mountains are more richly stored with minerals than any equal area of the world.

MINERAL—QUARTZ MILLS.

The number of Quartz Mills in the State January, 1875, is one hundred and fifty-two, of which one hundred and thirty are propelled by steam. The aggregate number of stamps is about twenty-three hundred. The estimated cost of these mills is ten million dollars. The Consolidated Virginia Mill was receted in 1874, at an expense of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and the new mill of the California, now nearly completed, will cost over half a million dollars; both are located at Virginia City. In several sections of the State, where base metal ores are found, numerous smelting furnaces have been erected, which are managed with marked success. Those at and in the vicinity of Eureka annually yield a large amount of base bullion—for 1874, estimated at four million dollars.

TABLE OF QUARTZ MILLS,

With their Location, Name, Cost, Date of Erection, Number of Stamps, and Occupant's Name.

Location.	Name of Mill.	When Erected.	No. Stamps.	No. Arastras.	Power, Steam or Water.	Cost.	Gold or Silver.	Present Occupants.
ELKO COUNTY. Cornucopia Tuscarora		1875 1875	30 4		steam water	\$ 80,000 8,000		Leopard M. Co. Young America M. Co.
Columbus East Walker Hot Springs Montezuma Oneola Pine Grove	Wetherill's	1864 1864 1863 1862 1874 1863 1870 1870 1872 1870 1868 1866 1867 1868	5 10 10		steam "" "" "" "" water steam "" "" "" water	125,000 5,000 60,000 12,000 3,000 225,000 10,000 12,000 3,000	G. & S. Silver. Gold. Silver. Gold. ""	A. I. Page. Juniata Con. S. M. Co. Merden & Co. Juniata Con. S. M. Co. Philadelphia Co. Juniata Con. S. M. Co. Juniata Con. S. M. Co. Columbus M. & M. Co. Sweetapple&Hazleton. Robinson & Co. Hood & Co. — Van Norden. William Wetherill. Leyon & Co. Wheeler & Co. Wilson & Bro. Silv'r P.&R.M.S.M.Co. N. H. A. Mason.
EUREKA COUNTY. EUREKA	LemonPinto	1872 1871	15 20		steam	75,000 120,000	Silver.	Bayse S. M. Co.
Dun Glen Goleonda Oreana Relief District Rye Patch. Spring Valley Star District, Unionville	Galconda. Montezuma Furnace Torrey. Batavia Ryo Patch Eagle Crow Con. Arizona S. M. Co Arizona Tailing. Pioneer.	1873 1870 1872 1872 1872 1874 1873 1867 1869			water steam s. & w.	5,000 6,000 20,000 4,000 6,000 25,000 40,000 30,000 15,000 10,000	Silver.	Christ, Lark. G. W. Holt. Gen. O'Connor. Torrey & Son. Batavia S. M. Co. Rye Patch M. & M. Co. Oakland G. & S. M. Co. Crow Co. Arizona S. M. Co. Arizona S. M. Co. Pioneer Co. Ginacca & Gintz.