

“There are undoubted proofs of the existence of exceedingly valuable copper mines in this Territory at various points convenient to the navigable waters of the Colorado and its tributaries. Mr. Pompelly, a scientific geologist and mineralogist, who subsequently was appointed mineralogist to the Japanese Government, made an extended examination of the mineral resources of Arizona, and in the published report of his observations he refers particularly to the extraordinary richness and extent of the copper resources of the Territory. Other parties, who have travelled extensively through it since Mr. Pompelly, fully corroborate all that gentleman reported on this subject. Important mines have been discovered, and districts organized at many points in the Territory, among which are the Irataba district, about twenty-five miles southwest from Fort Mohave; the Freeman district, about sixty miles south of Williams' Fork; the Chimewawa district, on the west bank of the Colorado, nearly opposite La Paz; the Salaza district, about thirty-five miles northeast of La Paz, and the Castle Dome district, about thirty miles north of the Gila. The formations in which the copper is found in this Territory are altogether different from those in which it is found in Oregon and California. The ores themselves are also quite distinct, and far more valuable than those found in those States.”

Mr. Brown, speaking of the copper district in the valley of the Williams river, says: “The Mineral Hill Company have run a tunnel on their mine for the length of 350 feet, out of which, while cutting, they took nearly 1000 tons of ore of an average of 30 per cent., the whole work from the surface being in a

body of ore. The ore in none of the mines in the district is found in a regular lode, as in the mines in California, but the whole country appears to be formed of iron and copper.” The copper exists in the form of heavy masses of ore embedded in large quantities of powdery oxide of iron. Sometimes, when these heavy masses are removed, this dry powder comes rushing down to the amount of hundreds of tons. Some of the copper ore found in this locality is quite rich in gold.

When the rich and exhaustless coal mines of the Raton Mountain shall be connected with these Arizona mines by the Union Pacific Railway, then, and not before, will the boundless wealth of that Territory be made available.

EXHIBIT of the Earnings and Expenses of the Union Pacific Railway, E. D., for the month of July, 1867.

To amount of Earnings, viz.:	
Government Freight,	\$47,667 24
“ Troops,	13,874 60
“ Mails,	3,003 62
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Total Government,	\$64,545 46
Merchandise and Passenger traffic,	125,025 13
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Total Earnings,	189,570 59
By Working Expenses,	104,430 77
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Net Proceeds,	85,139 82

The gross earnings for the month of August were \$236,000.

For Government transportation,	\$80,000
Freight and Passengers,	156,000

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