

Langdon City Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1864

Mr. A. C. Gibbs.

Dear Sir I address you a few lines to inform you that I am driving a tunell of about 300 feet in length to prospect. Our Quartz Lodes - we have discovered 3 differant Lodes all being in the same Hill or divide about 15 miles from Idaho City. - the Bartee - Alison - and Langdon Lodes. all of them prospect very well as far as we have went on them. The Bartee & Alison are decomposed about 10 feet in depth and pay Large Returns in Gold by washing. My object in writing you is this - if these Lodes prove to be well defined Ledges and Rich enough to warant the working of them with machinery. I shall want help from some one to get it; are you willing to invest providing <sup>you</sup> can be satisfied that the Quartz is good. please write and let me know soon. what will a mill of 10 stamps all complete, with engine with sufficient power to drive it cost in Portland. or at the Amatilla. I will lend you some of our Quartz as soon as we get the Lead Cut.

one of the Leeds is silver. the others  
have not shown any silver as yet  
but the general opinion is that they  
will all prove to be silver ledges  
I have had offers from different  
persons to put on machinery but  
I believe I can do better.

we will get the tunnel completed  
I think by the 1<sup>st</sup> of April and  
we will get it in far enough to test  
the Alison Lead by the 1<sup>st</sup> of January  
and then I am very sanguine that  
I shall be able to satisfy you that  
we have as rich a Lead as there is  
on the western Coast

Give my best respects to R. E. Stratton  
write soon direct to Pioneer City  
Boise County I am yours &c

A. G. Langdon