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On The Summit Division

From Mr. E. H. Barnes, of the firm of F. C. O'Reilly & Co., the sub-contractors for the Summit division of the DSS&A, the reporter learns that grading was commenced on that division Monday, the right of way having been entirely cleared. The division covers between 50 to 60 miles of the road. Starting from Nestoria the first mile has been sublet to Gibson, of the lumbering firm of Heath & Gibson there; the next ten miles O'Reilly & Co., are building themselves; and 12 and 13 miles have been sublet to Mr. Lane. Barnes Lee & Co., have the next ten miles and then comes Brown & Feore & Co., with eight miles; the next four miles have not yet been sublet, but the remainder of the division is held by Coforde & Sawyer, who will probably sublet a portion of it. The Mining Journal understands that Mr. J. B. Roher, now in the city, has taken a sub-contract on that part of the road.

F. C. O'Reilly & Co., now have 350 Italians and about a hundred on the section they are building themselves. They expect 230 more Italians on Saturday and will put more men at work as fast as they can provide camps for them. The reinforcement to arrive Saturday will be sent into camps about five miles west of Nestoria. Before a month has passed the firm expects to have fully 1,000 men at work there and they will make the earth fly for all they are worth. The dedp snow has been a great drawback and Mr. Barnes says that there is still plenty of it on the level in the woods in spite of the many thaws recently. As soon as the snow is out of the way the work can be pushed to much better advantage.