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A legend that lured 27 men to death was punctured Monday.

It was the legend of Lost Creek gold mine, a fabulous deposit supposed to have been discovered by an Indian named Slumach in the Pitt Lake country, 45 miles northwest of Vancouver.

Slumach, the legend says, was hanged for murder 50 years ago, after he arrived at New Westminster with some gold nuggets of immense value.

Hundreds of men went into Pitt Lake area through some of the most dangerous country on the B.C. coast to locate the source. Twenty-seven never returned.

Recently a company was formed after a party, led by a man who claimed to be a descendant of Slumach, found what they thought was the right location.

J. Stewart Smith, provincial superintendent of securities announced Monday the company, Slumach Lost Creek Mine Ltd., has been suspended.

The company said thorough search of the area had uncovered no commercial ore.

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