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Alexander Baring, of London, the North Pole magnate, is keeping people guessing as to his movements. It looks now as if he were trying to bring to a head the much talked of merger between the North Pole and E. and E. But this is only speculation. Mr. Baring is extremly averse to making his business public, and no intimation has been given from him as to his intention in this respect. Cracker Creek people are naturally much interested in what is going on at the North Pole.

A Great many eastern capitalists are expected here this summer to invest in mining properties. The leading mining firms are in correspondence with eastern men of money who are contemplating a visit to the district with a view to investing. They have been advised, however, to wait till later in the season when the roads will be better and the properties not so difficult of access. The eastern man who desires to invest in mines may not be an expert in mining matters but a casual glance around the district which has so many mines and excellent prospects in process of development will show him that he has a safe showing for big returns.

The progressive character of Sumpter's citizenship is a matter worthy of comment. Sumpter does not claim to be anything more than a mining center, but its population is made up of good, substantial, energetic, law abiding people from all bringing up and what they have been used to by the interest they take in very fine specimens of ore taken remunicipal improvements and the general welfare of the community. The city council backed by public sentiment is planning several additions for the betterment of conditions. Maps for a new sewer system are being made, a new city hall is contemplated and many streets are to be improved and others opened up during the comming season. Private corporations dealing in public utilities are not behind. The Electric Light and work and will continue development Water companies are preparing in the operations on an extensive scale one instance to build a new power throughout the season. plant and in the other to greatly extend its water mains in the outlying portions of the city. This is the Sumpter spirit.

FAVORS COMMERCIAL CLUB

Hon. J. H. Robbins Endorses the Movement and Says it Should Succeed.

Speaking of the proposed organization of a chamber of commerce, Hon. J. H. Robbins says:

"I am heartily in favor of such a movement and I hope it will meet with proper encouragement among our business people. I helped oramount of good accomplished by it. cobalt from the Standard and the here would furnish the basis for col- are particularly fine. The recent lecting suitable mineral exhibits from strike at the latter assays as high as the Sumpter district for the coming \$75,000 a ton.

being a good thing in a general

TO CLOSE AT 7 O'CLOCK

Agreement in Effect May 4 and Until October 1.

The merchants of the city have mutually agreed to close their places of business at seven o'clock. Following is the agreement and the firms entering into it:

Sumpter, Ore., April 20, 1903.

This is to certify that we, the undersigned, merchants of the City of Sumpter, hereby agree and pledge ourselves, that we will close our respective stores at seven o'clock every evening during the week, with the exception of Saturday evening, and that we will keep our stores closed all day Sundays. This agreement to go into effect May 4, and remain in force until October 1, 1903.

Edlin & Starbuck, H. Falk & Co., Neill Mercantile Co., W. R. Hawley, F. P. McDevitt, F. R. Walbrun, E. P. Bergman, J. Schwartz, Sumpter Lumber Co., F. E. O'Rourke, Hobson Mercantile Co., Nettie R. Chipp, Mrs. MacMakin and Major, M. M. Flynn, Tailor, Charles Gee, Austin Meat Co., J. J. Jackson, Oregon Trading Co., by H. C. Bowers, Gale Roswell, C. P. Holly, C. J. Johns, Basche Hardware Co., H. O. Baker & Co., Sumpter Racket Store, Larm & Baird, Case Furniture Co., J. P. Holland.

THE EARL'S RICH ORE

Free Milling Proposition Carrying High Values.

Morris Sullivan, of Greenhorn over the country, who show their City, owner of the Earl property, was in the city yesterday exhibiting some cently from the Earl ledge. He owns seven full claims joining the Morning and containing a continuation of the same vein system, with practically the same quality of ore.

The property now has 100 feet of tunnel and a drift on the ledge for a distance of fifteen feet, in a high grade quality of free milling ore. The vein is eighteen feet in width. Mr. Sullivan has a force of men at

SAMPLES FROM QUARTZBURG.

what may properly be denominated Rubbering Party Bring Back Some Rich Ore Specimens From District.

Lou Walker and W. D. Saunders F. A. E. STARR. returned yesterday from a trip to the Quartzburg district, bringing with them some rich specimens from the Standard, Dixie Meadows and other properties. They say they were just rubbering around and no especial significance is to be attached to the While away they were at Quartzburg, Prairie City, Canyon and John Day. Below John Day they saw a forty foot vein of coal and brought back some samples of it. It ganize the La Grande chamber, and is a grade of lignite, but probably I am in a position to know the great of small value for fuel. The gold-A commercial or mining men's club calaverite from the Dixie Meadows

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