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RICH PROSPECT FOUND SHORT WAYS FROM ALMEDA

ALMEDA, Or., Dec. 22.—Another very rich prospect has been discovered a short distance below Almeda. The exact location of the find has not been made public, but it is a very promising prospect, as we are reliably informed. The parties in interest will commence the development of the property at once, and before many months it is hoped that it will be proven as of great magnitude. There has been quite a number of promising prospects found in the vicinity of Almeda and it is confidently believed a wonderfully rich camp will finally be developed in this vicinity.

The average miner of this district has great confidence in the permanence of the rich ledges which have been uncovered. The rock which has been taken out of a number of these places has been examined by experts and the general opinion is that this section will

finally turn out to be the richest in the state. It is the general opinion that the whole district is rich and that there is enough wealth in the hills to make our Oregon the richest mining state in the Union.

MEXICO'S CIGARETTE BILL OVER 36 MILLIONS

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Dec. 22.—If the cigarettes smoked in Mexico during the last 12 months were placed end to end they would form a string which would reach from the earth to the moon and half way back again. In the same manner they would make a belt which would reach around the earth at the equator nearly 15 times.

These statistics are gathered from the official report made by the tax collector for the entire republic of Mexico. The figures are simply stupendous and show that probably more cigarettes are smoked in Mexico than in any coun-

try in the world.

The report of the collector of revenue shows that 764,332 kilograms of tobacco per month were used by the various factories of Mexico, or a total of 91,719,918 kilograms per annum. All the tobacco except 1,000,000 kilograms was used in the manufacture of cigarettes. There are a total of 467 factories in Mexico.

It is estimated that 524,364,650 packages of cigarettes were made during the last year. There is on an average 14 cigarettes to a pack. This would bring the total number of cigarettes manufactured in the 12 months to the stupendous total of 7,341,195,100. These cigarettes sell at from five cents to 25 cents per pack. Thus it is estimated that the Mexicans burn up in the shape of cigarettes \$36,705,525 each year. During the last year a total of 64,303,282 cigars were made.

BUYS BRIDE BY POUND AND PAYS \$60 FOR HER

BERNE, Dec. 22.—In one district of the Tyrol a custom prevails by which a bridegroom pays the parents of the bride a sum of money before the marriage ceremony takes place.

Recently a peasant in the village of Kolked could not come to terms with the parents of his sweetheart, so they called upon the mayor of the village to decide on the purchase price. The mayor, who is a cattle dealer, valued the young woman at so much per pound.

Her weight was found to be 160 pounds, and the bridegroom handed over \$60, apparently much pleased with his bargain.

MUST WEAR CURLS NOW TO BE IN FASHION

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The fashion of the "Merry Widow" hat and its late rival, the bushy toque, has popularized the enormous coiffures consisting of masses of Grecian curls, and owing to this it is said that the woman who does not wear at least a few curls of artificial hair is almost an exception.

The stimulus to the trade in human hair comes from France, though Italy also supplies much. Japan and China export a great deal of hair to France, but it is too coarse for the English market.

The favorite shades of hair are auburn and blonde, the lighter hair reflecting the light and lending itself to more elaborate dressing.

RARE EDITION OF CICERO BRINGS \$3500 AT SALE

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The sale of the "Lambert Library of Lord Amherst" took place here. An original French version of "Dietes and Sayings," translated by the Earl of Rivers and printed by Caxton about 1477, realized \$1200. An exceedingly rare first edition of St. Alban's Chronicle brought \$2000. An equally rare Cicero, a first edition of the first classic ever printed, brought \$3500.

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R. G. Patch, an employe of the Cascade Mining company, was injured on Monday by having the earth cave in upon him. A dislocated shoulder, broken ribs and internal injuries were suffered, but if complications do not set in he will recover.

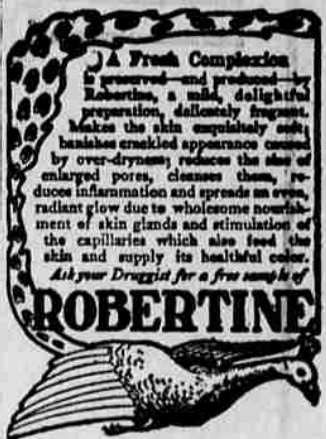
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