

Lane County Leader.

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MINING CORPORATIONS

Representative Bingham's Bill to Exempt Certain Mining Corporations from Annual License Fee— Full Text of Bill.

A BILL.

For an act to exempt certain mining corporations within the State of Oregon from paying the annual license fee now required by law; to provide for furnishing to the Secretary of State a correct statement of such corporations, together with the amount or value of the output or product from the mines of such corporations and to repeal all acts or parts of acts so far as they may be in conflict herewith.

of authorized capital stock, the number of shares, and par value of each share, the amount of capital stock subscribed, the amount of capital stock issued and the amount of the capital stock paid up, together with a statement of the value of the annual output or products of the mines of such corporation, and any such mining corporation whose annual output or products shall not exceed in value the sum of one thousand dollars, shall thereupon be exempted from the payment of the annual license fee or corporation tax as now provided by law; Provided, that no such corporation shall be required to make such statement if it shall pay the said annual license fee, as now or hereafter required by law.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Lane County Members of the Legislature on Important Committees.

Following are the committee assignments to the Lane county members of the legislature:

- SENATE. Booth on assessment and taxation, mining. HOUSE. Edwards on elections, commerce, manufactures. Bingham on mining, public lands. Griffin on federal, labor, penal and charitable institutions. E. R. Mummy, of Eugene, has been appointed chief clerk of the house committee on enrolled bills, and R. S. Bryson chief clerk of the house committee on judiciary.

Cottage Grove and Vicinity.

Cottage Grove is a beautiful city lying in the central part of Oregon. It is by the Southern Pacific railroad. If it was not by the railroad it would not be so popular or so well known in the state. It is situated on both sides of the Willamette river, which affords waterpower for any kind of plant. The steam power is not used so very much in this part of the country, because they can run by waterpower cheaper than by steam. This beautiful city is surrounded by a rich body of land, and average all things planted or sown, the owners realize a fair profit for their services.

and the town would go dead. So you see Cottage Grove is right in it, so far as that, and will be all the rest the way through that is named.

People, coming to this city, will find employment, either in the sawmills or something else.

The Southern Pacific Railroad runs through the south part of town. They built a large fuel depot, on account, the other one was too small to store stuff or things away. The depot is the finest this side of Portland. This company did not build this depot, just for the fun of it, but because, they saw that this town was going to amount to something, and it has.

The Cottage Grove flour mills is another great thing for the Grove, because if they had to ship in flour and millstuff the price would be very much higher, and people could not live here, it is a good thing that Cottage Grove has the flour mills. Cottage Grove can ship flour instead of importing it in.

An important occupation, a paying one is brickmaking, which of course, all building must have brick, which of course, if the brick is made here, it will not have to be shipped here. Some people would rather build with brick than with lumber, so of course, lumber and brick are both needed to build a house or anything in the line of houses.

Machinery is also being made on a small scale and in course of time, will grow to be made on a larger scale. There is a small machine shop located about one mile from the Grove. Machinists will be coming to this city in a short time to work at the machinists trade. Maybe in the near future there may be machine shops or railroad shops like in Portland or some other large city.

The population of Cottage Grove is about 2200. The population has increased rapidly since the last census, which gave the city a population of 974 people. The people are a very up-to-date class. No town can exist and have its people lagging behind. If they do not help the town in some way, the town would soon go down.

Cottage Grove has two schools, one was built this year costing about \$10,000, one is located on the east side and one on the west side, the new one is two stories high with a basement just the same as the other one, but on a different model. The new one was built on account the other one could not hold the students. The grammar grades occupy this school, and the high school the old one on the east side. The old one was all painted up and new things added which gives it a nice look. Twelve teachers are employed to teach or instruct the students.

Four churches opened every Sunday is the religion that Cottage Grove has, if the people want to go to church they have four churches to take their choice to go to. They can go every Sunday and sometimes during the week. There is some kind of service going on nearly every night. These four churches are the Presbyterian, Methodist, Christian and the Catholic. A new church congregation is talking of building another church called the Episcopalian, add if this is built, the number will be five.

Next are the societies and lodges and clubs. The lodges are too numerous to mention as sometimes there is a lodge in some of the halls every night in the week. There is not any Y. M. C. A. or any Y. W. C. A. in the city but there soon will be. There is a boys lodge called the "Junior Foresters," so any person coming here that has boys that wants to get into a lodge can go into one. This is a fine lodge, good moral body. So the lodges are all right.

The Commercial Club is an organization, which is striving to make the town a better and moral town. Everybody should lend a hand and help this club. The government of a city should be considered as well as anything for a bad government does not go very well, because if the government is not good the results are that the

town will go down to a point that nobody cares to live in it. The city government is formed of good men who believe in building up the town, and who believe in making laws that people will obey or they will have officers to see that the laws are obeyed. So if the town increases as it has, for the next two years and it will be a stronger town in every way. Everything will be run on a larger plan or scale. So let the good work go on.

CHARLES GATES.

Wife Beating Bill.

Representative Sichel of Multnomah County has introduced the following bill, which he hopes to have passed this session of the legislature.

Section 1.—Any person who shall hereafter assault and beat his wife, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof by any court shall be sentenced to be whipped not exceeding 40 lashes or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 2.—That if any court shall order or direct the punishment as aforesaid by whipping, that the same shall be administered by the sheriff of the county or any marshal or policeman of any city or town where judgment shall be rendered, and the same sheriff, marshal or policeman shall administer the same within the walls of the jail of the county or city or town where said crime shall have been committed.

Sec. 3.—Inasmuch that existing conditions are such that for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this act shall take effect and be in full force and effect on and after its approval by the governor.

A New Find.

Al Amesbury and John Prebore came from Bohemia on Wednesday. They report having made a very satisfactory find of ore on a property about two miles distant from the Ware house and on Champion Creek between Adam mountain and Hotel Ridge.

Mr. Amesbury has until recently been foreman at the Oregon Securities but resigned the position to assist in the development of the newly acquired claims. Mr. Freeburg was until the first of the year employed at the same property but quit to locate the claims which it is stated were open for relocation by reason of the failure of former owners to do the assessment work for last year.

Some work has been done at a former period, and on one side of the gulch a tunnel has been driven which discloses several feet of vein material which it is claimed is free milling and carries at least twenty dollars per ton.

On the opposite side a big slide occurred some years ago and it was in examining this that the rich ore was found.

Mr. Amesbury states that quite large chunks of ore is found mixed with the debris and many pieces show free gold and all shows well by panning.

It has been determined to run a tunnel through the slide and locate the vein from which this ore must have come. A supply of tools and provisions have been purchased and the owners will return at once and with a force of men proceed to drive the tunnel and ascertain the extent of what they feel is a fine body of ore.

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GIRLS FIGHT A LYNX

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BULLET KILLS BEAST

Talented Young Daughters of Washington Rancher Are as Familiar With a Rifle as With a Piano

While a maddened lynx was worrying their pet dog the Phillips sisters attacked the wild beast. One literally wrested the dog from the jaws of the lynx, the other killed it with a shot through the head.

Faye and Florence Phillips, aged 17 and 16, respectively, live on a homestead of their father, Fred S. Phillips, on the reservation side of the Columbia, near the mouth of Big Sheep Creek, two miles from Northport. Yesterday afternoon the hired man ran home to tell that the dog had treed a large lynx. The girls seized rifles from the wall and followed up the bark of the dog. He had the beast treed on one of higher limbs. Both girls fired at the same time. The wounded animal bounded into the air and landed on the ground a few feet from the girls, who were coolly reloading their weapons.

The moment the beast struck the ground it was attacked by the dog.

So rapid were the movements of the animals that the girls feared to shoot, because they might kill their pet dog. Finally the dog emitted a shriek of mortal agony.

The girls rushed to the rescue. One grasp the dog's limp hind legs and literally pulled the combatants apart, while the other sent a bullet through the head of the lynx. They shouldered the animal between them and returned home accompanied by the limp, torn and bleeding dog. They hung the lynx in the woodshed, and he proved to be an unusually large beast with long tassels on his ears.

The young ladies mentioned in the foregoing article are nieces of Frank B. Phillips of this city. Miss Faye visited her uncle some months ago and will be remembered by many who met her at that time.

Mahara's Minstrels.

The most diverting novelty promised by the manager of the coming theatrical week is the famous Mahara's Minstrels known from Maine to California as the banner colored Minstrel organization of America. The entire performance scintillates with a sparkle of originality that has made this Company the most popular of all traveling colored attractions. The company comprises a membership of the very best artists, both ladies and gentlemen known to the colored profession. There is not a white face in its ranks, although in its chorus are a dozen pretty young women who, it will be difficult to discover from their lighter sisters. This is considered a new departure in Minstrelsy by Mahara Bros. who promise many more novel features which will be seen for the first time in this city. The costumes and scenery are entirely new and the manager is positive he has secured one of the brightest treats for patrons on Tuesday night, January 31st.

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