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Murphy Gulch Placer Mine

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SOUTHERN OREGON MINES

A very handsome piece of marble from the Cheney creek marble mines, Wm. Knoll, manager, is on display at the mineral exhibit. The specimen is of a remarkably fine quality of stone, taking a beautiful polish that makes it the equal in attractive appearance of any of the varieties of marble which are brought here from other places. The deposit from which this specimen comes is almost unlimited in extent, being virtually a whole mountain of marble.

R. E. Pierce will go to Williams Creek next week to spend the summer at the mining claims he has in that district. So soon as the city schools close he will move his family to his mines so they may spend the vacation season in the invigorating air of the hills. Mr. Pierce has a fine quartz property on Williams Creek and he is a partner with F. W. Mahler in two other quartz ledges, one on Banning gulch and the other on Farris gulch. Mr. Mahler has been at work on these ledges since last fall and they give evidence of possessing considerable value.

J. W. Reeves was in Grants Pass Monday from Galice. He is engaged in prospecting. Mr. Reeves is the owner of the Cold Spring copper claim and he is now at work developing it. While the ledge is yet it is making a fine showing and the ore assays good values in copper and gold. Mr. Reeves has some of the ore on exhibit at the minerals exhibit room and this is pronounced by mining

men to be fine appearing rock. Mr. Reeves also has a gold bearing ledge on Galice that is quite rich and has the indications of being quite extensive.

Ike Davis, like nearly every business man in Grants Pass has mining for a side line and interested in some quartz or placer proposition. Mr. Davis is in partnership with his nephew, Edward Tate, and they have a quartz ledge on Grave Creek in the Greenback district, which Mr. Tate is developing, that is showing up very satisfactorily. Mr. Tate was in Grants Pass Friday and brought in a number of samples of ore that he said were of average quality. These he had assayed and the result showed \$24.20 in gold and \$1.30 in copper per ton. The ledge has a six foot body of ore, which is largely free milling and it has the earmarks of a mine that will be one of the big producers of Southern Oregon.

Galice Consolidated Puts in Big Flume.

A. B. Consin, manager of the Galice Consolidated Mines Co., operating at Galice, was in town several days this week and reports that good progress is being made at the property and that two giants are in steady operation. The work of building the big flume at the mouth of the creek is being done with gratifying rapidity. Already some 600 feet is completed and new flume is being put in at the rate of 50 feet per day, extending it up the creek bed. A giant works constantly at the head of the flume, blowing out the gravel and debris and clearing away a cut for the flume while the builders keep their work close up to that of the giant. The flume is six feet wide and is being constructed of two inch planking in a very solid and substantial manner.

The installation and completion of this flume is one of the principal objects towards which the company has been working since its formation. The bed of Galice paid richly in the early mining days when it was worked with rude appliances. Since that time the channel of the lower part of the creek was deeply filled with debris, mainly from the work done on the gigantic high channels. The old "tailings" which were dumped into Galice creek were largely from a cemented bank and carried a considerable portion of their gold through the boxes and into the bank. These tailings having now for years been exposed to the elements have become decomposed and will be readily disintegrated by the action of the giant. Besides the tailings, the store of gold in the creek bed has been augmented by the breaking down of the higher channels and by slides. Then also the portion of the original gold of the channel which was overlooked and lost by the early miners must have been very considerable and, all things taken into consideration, the project of working out the creek bed, in the advantageous manner which the new flume will provide, has a very profitable appearance. Many low bars of known richness which could not here before be "bottomed," will also be opened up by this flume and a number of high channels which have not been worked because there has been no available water are now covered by the ditches of the company and form a part of the arduous area, the whole of which can be worked systematically and advantageously when opened up by the flume.

U. S. Government lands and how to obtain them under the homestead law—Land may be had by living on and improving for 5 years advertisement and prove up with only the small fees, \$16, or by living on and improving for 14 months continuously, advertising for 10 weeks and prove up at \$2.50 per acre and small fees. Under the timber and stone act, one acre amine each legal subdivision (40 acres), advertising for 10 weeks and prove up, paying \$2.50 per acre and small fees, advertising, etc., location fees or information of these lands is \$125 per 1/2 section. We have 15 claims or 1/2 sections that will cut 8,000,000, and better, that we will show to people at that price. Good merchantable pine and fir timber well located and desirable.

10 acre fruit farm, just outside city limits, Albany, the famous Williams Valley Linn county, Oregon. Good house, 7 rooms, bath, pantry, woodshed, barn and other out buildings. No. 1 land, well tilled. A No. 2 dwelling for a person wishing to retire from business. Owned by a party whose business calls him away. Price \$5000, 1/2 cash, balance on long time if desired.

11 acres, high, dry, rolling land may be had with Albany fruit farm or could be laid out in lots in addition to the city of Albany and sold as a residence property, being in the finest locality for dwellings. No. 1 dwellings all around. Price \$6000, 1/2 cash, balance on time.

No. 211—180 acres placer land, No. 1 giant, 500 feet pipe, ditch and reservoir, good buildings, land well timbered, easy terms. Price \$5000. Mine now in operation.

No. 249—Quartz mine, vein 11 feet wide, said to assay 50¢ to 10¢ per ton.

No. 117—One acre, 5-room house, all kinds of fruit, good engine pump tank, all piped, chicken house, barn, and other out-buildings. Price, \$1200.

No. 82—Two lots, 5-room house, pantry, woodshed, good well, nice shade trees. Price \$750.

No. 325—160 acres farming land, 120 acres bottom land, balance bench land, good irrigating ditch 100 inches water will cover 30 acres of the bottom land. Good house and barn, good well, creek running through the place, 20 acres in cultivation. Price \$2900.—\$1000 down, balance on long time. 15 head of cattle at market price if desired.

No. 321—4 acres good garden or fruit land, one house 14x15, one house 16x24 with L. 16x24, 1 1/2 story, three living springs, barn, chicken house and woodshed. Good fireplace, grapes, apples, prunes, peaches, pears and berries of all kinds. Land inclosed with picket fence. Price \$1500.

No. 323—100 room house, 6 acres good land, good out-buildings, good well, big tank, good fence, for the small sum of \$3000.

Profitable Wolf Creek Mines.

H. D. Slater is steadily operating his placer mine on upper Wolf Creek, his water right being of a character that enables him to work the mine despite the extreme dryness of the winter. This mine is furnished with a small hydraulic equipment including a No. 1 giant. The ditch is of sufficient height to furnish any amount of pressure that can be used. The water is brought over a divide and then dropped down and as much as 1000 feet of pressure could be had if it were required.

This placer yields richly in coarse gold, which is of two distinct kinds. The bank is of moderate depth, ranging from six or eight to 12 or 15 feet and next the bedrock there is three to four feet of "channel wash" which produces smooth, heavy gold. The upper part of the bank is composed of slide dirt and rock which is quite rich in rough quartz gold.

In conjunction with this placer, Mr. Slater has a quartz property on which he is carrying on development work and which, besides carrying its rich value in the general character of its rock, has chances of astonishing richness. When first discovered, a clutche at the surface yielded gold at the rate of \$10 to \$50 to the pan, this being merely the gold that was from from the rock, the particles of which yet carried extraordinary values that could not be secured by panning.

Another Stamp Mill to Be Erected.

A. O. Hooper, manager of the Mt. Pitt Mining Company, was in Grants Pass Monday and deposited in the bank the gold from the last clean-up of their mine, and it was an exceedingly satisfactory deposit to Mr. Hooper and his associates. The Mt. Pitt mine is located on Jump-off-Joe and was purchased last year by the Mt. Pitt Mining Company, of Howland & Cook. It was merely an undeveloped ledge and work was begun at once to open it up. To handle the ore taken out of the tunnels, a two tub arrastre was erected and these tests have been so satisfactory that now Mr. Hooper's company has decided to put in a stamp mill and his trip to Portland is for the purpose of consulting with his associates, who all reside in that city, and to place the order in that city, and to place the plan to put in a five stamp mill for the present, but so soon as the mine is better opened up another battery of five stamps will be installed. Water power will be used, of which there is ample developed for operating a ten stamp mill and which is now used to operate the arrastre. The Mt. Pitt ledge is one of the most promising of the mining properties that has been opened up in Southern Oregon during the past year and there is every likelihood that it will become one of the best paying mines about Grants Pass.

Mining Operations at Takilma.

W. R. Whipple was at Takilma last week to make surveys, both surface and under ground at the Queen of Bronze mine. Mr. Whipple reports that the Takilma company are carrying on extensive development work on the Queen of Bronze and that the main tunnel is now in over 800 feet and about 600 feet of other tunnel work. The ledge is showing up well and some good copper ore is being found. A ventilator plant was recently installed to give fresh air in the tunnels, they having reached such a depth that the fumes from the blasting will not clear readily. No information is obtainable as to when the Takilma smelter will be blown in again, but it is generally understood that so soon as the road is free from mud so that teams can deliver coke at the smelter and haul the mate to Grants Pass for shipment the smelting of ore will be resumed. As the Takilma smelter handles from 150 to 200 tons of ore a day it means employment of a large number of men and teams and a monthly expenditure that will be a big factor in the prosperity of Josephine county and Grants Pass.

Laying Pipe at Golden Drift.

The Golden Drift Mining Co. has nearly completed the laying of the long string of pipe line which will connect the big pump with the giants at the diggings. The pipe line is about 1500 feet in length and the pipe is 22 inches in diameter, the iron being 3-16 of an inch in thickness. The water will be pumped direct to the giants, for in the pipe digging the stream near the diggings. Four giants will be used. It will probably be a week or more yet before the pump will be started.

The water supply in Jones creek has been so light this winter that the mine has run less than a week all told. The weather, however, has been extremely favorable for the work of installing the machinery and the managers of the property are looking forward to a "run" in the near future that will be independent of the weather conditions.

The Best Cough Syrup.
S. L. Apple, ex-Probate Judge, Ottawa Co., Kansas, writes: "This is to say that I have used Ballard's Forehead Syrup for years, and that I do not hesitate to recommend it as the best cough syrup I have ever used." 25¢, 50¢, \$1.00 at Model Drug Store and Rotermann's.

New Iron Beds - \$2.65 to \$39.00
Regular value \$3.75 to \$50.00

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Placer Mine—140 acres, now running, equipped with two No. 1 giants, 800 feet of pipe (new), sluice boxes, everything complete; will stand investigation; selling to settle partnership. Price, \$5000, or will sell in trust.

No. 334—129 acres of the richest soil in Southern Oregon, 5 1/2 miles from Grants Pass. 47 acres 1-year old apple orchard, 40 acres 13-year old apple orchard, choice varieties, 69 acres alfalfa, cuts four crops per year, average 4 tons per acre, one house, 3-story, frame, plastered, 10 rooms, one house, 2-story, celled 8 rooms, one good big house for hired help, 2 big barns, packing house holds 10,000 boxes apples, numerous outbuildings. Product last year 8000 boxes merchandise, apples, sold 6000 boxes fancy at \$1.50 per box, 3000 boxes common at 75¢ to \$1.00 per box. These new apples sold for \$3.75 in New York and \$4.50 in London per box. This land has an irrigating plant which cost \$1000. Price \$22,000, half cash, balance 1, 2 and 3 years.

No. 114—150 acres, 120 acres good rich bottom soil, 30 acres bench land, 10 acres bearing orchard, 12 acres meadow, 60 acres in grain, nine room two-story house, good barn, good out buildings, good fence, mower, rake, double row iron harrow, spring tooth harrow, ploughs, etc., two milk cows. This elegant place is within two and one-half miles of Grants Pass, and only one and one-fourth miles from school. We can sell this beautiful place for \$7500, which is dirt cheap.

No. 335—160 acres, 80 acres in cultivation, 4 acres in peaches, one acre in grape, 100 apple trees, plums, apricot and all kind of small fruit, 35 acres in grain, 3 acres meadow, 2 acres alfalfa. Black and red soil, new barn 35x50, with 15 feet sticks on each side. House, cow barn, chicken house and other out-buildings. Good well, six good springs. Land sub-irrigated. Price \$2500 or \$3000 without crop; \$1000 cash, balance 1 and 2 years.

No. 316—100 acres, one-half mile from Merlin, Oregon, 9 miles from Grants Pass, 60 acres cleared, 120

acres bottom land, good fence, old buildings, good black soil, some fruit trees, running water all year. Price \$1700; \$500 cash, balance 1, 2, and 3 years.

No. 330—100 acres all tillable soil, 25 acres in cultivation. Timber enough to pay for place. Price, \$800; \$300 cash, balance 1, 2 and 3 years.

No. 99—205 acres, 69 acres woods, 136 acres good bottom land, all in cultivation, well located, fair improvements, 1 1/2 miles from Albany. Price, \$10,000; one-half cash, balance to suit purchaser. This will bear the closest investigation.

No. 310—100 acres, all fenced, 10 acres in cultivation, spring of never falling water in pasture, good well of water, one story box house, 16x20, barn, 20x40, two and one-half miles from Grants Pass, one mile from school, timber alone worth the price. Price, \$1000, one-third cash, balance on time to suit purchaser.

No. 336—5 acres good rich bottom soil, one and one-half mile from Grants Pass, two and one-half acres in berries. Price \$850, \$300 cash, balance to suit purchaser.

No. 30—10 room house and closets, 2 woodsheds, wash house and milk house. Lots 100x145 on Seventh and L streets. Price \$1600.

No. 31—6 room, two story new house. Lots 100x150, also small house. Price \$2100.

No. 42—3 acres of river bottom land in grain. Price \$650; \$200 cash, balance time to suit purchaser.

No. 35—4 lots on main street, street on three sides, four room house, good well. Price, \$450.

No. 108—10 acres black sandy loam, bottom land, seeded to alfalfa, cuts three crops each year, running water all year. Story and one-half house, 18x24, one-fourth mile from town. Price \$1500.

TIMBER LANDS.

200 acres covered with fir and cedar, 7,000,000 feet good merchantable timber, 1 1/2 miles from small town on Southern Pacific railroad in Douglas county; 130 acres of this land good black rich soil suitable for farming when timber is removed. Nice stream of water running through place, good stock country. Price \$5000; 1/2 cash balance 1 year at 6 per cent.

470 acres in Linn county 30 miles from railroad, yet on a good wagon road, and close to small town, 9,000,000 feet of fir timber on good ground at \$8 per acre.

20,000 acres fir timber in Lane county, 30 miles from Southern Pacific railroad. This is said to be as fine a tract of fir timber as there is in the United States, 40,000 per acre being a conservative estimate for it. It is a very compact body, standing mostly on level benches. Soil deep, black, rich loam land, will make good farming, fruit or stock land, when timber is removed. Wagon road near property. Price \$22.50 per acre.

24,000 acres sugar and yellow pine and fir timber, which estimates \$5,000 feet an acre. (15,000 feet sugar pine, 6000 feet yellow pine, 4000 fir). This is a very desirable tract of timber, owing to its laying on a good stream, very convenient for logging, good wagon roads through this tract. Electrical power may be generated from the streams to manufacture the lumber on ground if desired.

9000 acres yellow pine timber (not like eastern yellow pine) more like Michigan white pine, nice clean ground for logging, at \$15 per acre.

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