

BUTTE PEOPLE IN SUMPTER.**W. F. Cobban Tells Inter-Mountain of Sumpter's Boom.**

W. F. Cobban has returned from a business trip to Sumpter, the mining district of Oregon, and is in possession of a fund of information concerning the place. He says the town contains about 1200 persons and every ingoing train is full. Everything is being run wide open. The mines are located in the Blue mountain range about six or ten miles from the town, and are wonderfully rich in gold, the predominating metal. All the work is being done by tunnel. Mills containing 30 and 40 stamps each, Mr. Cobban says, are being built in the district. So far the Golconda mine, owned by English & Son, has been the best producer. In developing it a pocket of gold ore was struck at the 200-foot level and from it \$60,000 was extracted in sixty minutes. Some of the rock was not rock—it was solid gold.

Mr. Cobban further says many Butte men are in the district and some are doing well. He will go back again in a few days. Among the Butteites he noticed General Charles S. Warren, who is mayor of the town, and has an interest in every enterprise in the place. Fred Richie is another. He also saw Charles F. Booth, Angus McQueen, Meno Unzicker, Mr. Beebe, the millwright, and Tom Moffit. The latter is managing the Mammoth and Bunker Hill group of mines. The Longmaid boys, of Helena, have been operating there five or six years and are doing well.

Sumpter is located in a gulch about thirty-one miles from Baker City. The district is heavily timbered with tamarack and pine. The town has a narrow gauge railroad, which extends into the timber.—Butte, Montana, Inter-Mountain.

Bush Wan't Averse to Recreation.

Things sometimes happen. Once in awhile the unexpected happens. Ten years ago L. Bush Livermore, son of Lot Livermore, of Pendleton, was a human clod like some of the rest of us, with a penchant for Saturday night recreation. Now Mr. L. Bush Livermore is one of the swiftest writers in the Northwest. His writeup of Sumpter camp, which is lucky enough to hold him at present, published in the Spokesman-Review of Tuesday, bears the earmarks of genius. When one reads it the things described are pictured to him. It is illustration without photographs. There is a great future in store for Mr. Livermore—a future that excites the envy of newspaper hacks whose years of scribbling will never put them in his class.—Weston Leader.

Midway Mining Company Organized.

The Midway Gold Mining company has been organized with a capital stock of \$50,000, divided into one million shares, of a par value of five cents each. A. P. Jones is president; J. F. Shelton, secretary; A. P. Jones, John T. Jones, S. J. Jones, W. W. Hinton and E. E. Hauser, directors. Six hundred thousand shares of the stock have already been subscribed for. The property consists of nine claims, the Midway, Condor, 99, J. J., Red Fir, Otto, Jefferson, Jo Jo and Ke No, situated near the Bunker Hill. Some development work has been done and the prospects show up well.

More Good Citizens for Sumpter.

The New York Plumbers Journal of September 15 publishes a picture and sketch of H. Orchard, who has located permanently in Sumpter. He is a friend of P. H. Messner, foreman of McEwen & Sloan's freight department, who induced him to come here. Mr. Orchard has been engaged for years in putting in water works in a dozen or more towns in the Northwest, principally on Puget Sound. He is a practical plumber and

will engage in that business here. He has succeeded in renting a house and will move his family to Sumpter at an early day, from St. Johns, this state. His oldest son recently returned with the Oregon troops from Manila, where he has been fighting the Insurgents. Mr. Orchard was accompanied here by W. J. May, a capitalist from Tillamook, who will also make this his home and invest in mines and real estate.

Why the Lights Went Out.

The electric lights went out Saturday night for a few hours, and there was a warm scramble in this yere camp for candles and other glims. Some Chinamen placer miners up the gulch had blocked up the head gate of the race which conveys feed water to the power house, and had diverted the wet in other directions. Engineer Thornton, six feet four in his socks, armed with a meat-axe, lantern and pitchfork, went up the gulch looking for Chinamen. An hour later the lights were turned on, though the mortality rate in Chinatown has not sensibly increased.

Greater U. P. Railway Let Out Officials.

A New York press dispatch, dated October 20, says: The Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line and Oregon Railway & Navigation company are consolidating agencies at common points. This is the natural result of the organization of the greater Union Pacific system. This will be carried on indefinitely. While no important official changes are contemplated now, before long several of the higher-officials will go. The inevitable tendency will be to concentrate the authority and operate the entire new system from one center.

Spokane Fair Cleanup of Our Ore.

J. S. Spencer, the representative of the Hammond Manufacturing company, this afternoon cleaned up the plates of the stamp mill which has been in operation at the Industrial exposition. The cleanup will amount to about thirty or thirty-five ounces of amalgam, or about \$280. The ore which has been run through was from the Carrie B. mine, Baker county, Oregon.—Spokane Stock Report.

City Council Proceedings.

Little business was transacted at the city council meeting Saturday evening, aside from routine work. A petition from property owners asking that an alley be opened through block 11, was granted. The street grade ordinance was again discussed at length, and an amendment submitted, regulating the placing of telephone and electric poles. The final passage was postponed for one week.

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