

**SALE OF ALAMO GROUP**

**J. G. McGuigan, Spokane Mining Man, the Purchaser.**

J. G. McGuigan, the Spokane mining man, who only a few days ago secured by purchase the lue Jacket mines, near the Ibex, has again demonstrated his faith in the resources of this district by a further purchase of the Alamo group, which is made up of the Alamo, Juneau and Gold Queen claims, located about one and one-half miles south of the Red Boy mine, on the divide between Olive and Clear creeks, adjoining the Stratsburg mine, owned and patented by Portland parties, and the Van Anda mine, purchased last spring by Blewett & Co.

The Alamo claim has a 20-foot vein of ore, said to average four dollars in value, without considering one 18-inch streak on the foot wall, which runs over seventeen dollars. The Juneau has a four foot vein which will average ten dollars and is of a pure white quartz. The Gold Queen claim, a parallel vein to the Juneau, has a ledge of about twenty-five feet, from which there have been no assays made; but rock prospected from croppings show a probable value of five or six dollars. The vein can be traced for the entire length of the claim.

No large amount of development work has yet been done on these properties, but by intelligent mining men have been pronounced one of the best prospects in the country.

It is the intention of the new owner to stock the property and he will soon offer a limited number of shares to the public. The name of the new company will probably be the Alamo Consolidated Gold Mining & Milling company. Mr. McGuigan will remain in this district all winter, after his return from Spokane within ten days. Meantime Andrew J. Murphy and M. B. Mahoney, from whom he bought the property, will begin work with a force of miners at once and push the development all winter.

Several of the free gold bearing specimens were seen at Folsom's cigar store and would certainly carry out the supposition that Mr. McGuigan has secured some valuable property.

**Burns and Harney County Prosperous.**

T. B. Lepley, a skillful stone mason, returned to this city yesterday from Burns, Harney county, where he has had scarcely an idle day for the past five months in working at his trade. There has been a great deal of substantial building done in Burns the past year and next year there will be a greater amount of work in that line," said Mr. Lepley last evening in conversation with a reporter. If you go from Burns in almost any direction for an hundred miles or more, you will be traveling in one of the greatest stock raising sections in the United States. There are tens upon tens of thousands of horses, cattle and sheep, and the high prices for stock has boomed everything else in a healthy manner. Burns has now upwards of 1500 population and Mr. Lepley predicts that whenever the first work is done looking to the building of a railroad through that region, the town will advance by bounds and will undoubtedly become one of the most important stock-raisers in the west.—Bnker City Democrat.

**Sumpter Surprises all Visitors.**

Speaking of a trip by private conveyance through eastern and southern Oregon, Colonel R. W. Mitchell is thus quoted in the Grant County News: "We passed through the beautiful Blue mountain country, near Dixie butte, and along the upper valley of the middle fork of the

John Day river, and, on reaching Sumpter, I found that the town had doubled its population since I was there last, one year ago. It now has a population of 1100, and forty buildings are in course of construction. Great activity prevails in mining and the building of a city, and carpenters and masons are in demand. There was a bank established four months ago, and now another is putting up a building." So far as Sumpter is concerned, this is drawing it very mildly, indeed. The town has quadrupled its population in half a year, and has now reached the 2000 mark.

**Inquiries Regarding Our Gold Mines.**

Under a Portland date line of the twenty-third instant, a press dispatch says: Large numbers of letters are being received daily by the chamber of commerce from all over the country, inquiring about the mines of eastern Oregon. The railroads report that many carloads of mining machinery are being unloaded in the eastern Oregon mining districts and many more shipments are on the way there. The railroad men say that from information already received the rush of men and money into the mines of eastern Oregon next spring will reach enormous proportions.

**Pretty Good Endorsement for \$600.**

The matter of raising the much needed \$600 for school purposes, which was laid before the Sumpter club a couple of weeks since, with no satisfactory result, has been taken up by citizens and a joint note signed, when last seen by THE MINER, by W. W. Looney, Thomas McEwen and A. J. Stinson, members of the school board, P. J. Jackson, N. C. Richards, A. W. Ellis, W. C. Calder, J. N. Doan, Ike Williamson, J. J. Fisher, C. S. Van Duyn, A. P. Jones, J. G. Connell, First Bank of Sumpter, John Gagen, W. E. Kahler, William Stinson, H. G. Wood, C. J. Johns, J. J. Riggs and N. L. Talifere. This note, signed by people worth more than a third of a million, will perhaps be cashed if a shrewd financier handles the deal. The church will be ready for occupancy as a school room next Monday, when all children of the town can be accommodated. This department will be in charge of Miss Catherine Stott Myers, sister of Miss Meyers, the principal, making four teachers now engaged at the Sumpter schools.

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that's her business.  
IF A MAN IS IN LOVE,  
that's his business.  
IF THEY MARRY.

then its our business to start the young couple housekeeping with the right kind of furniture, carpets, wall paper, etc. Our stock of house furnishing goods we believe is the largest in the state east of Portland. We have just added a big line of carpets direct from the carpet mills. A specially fine line of velvets, moquette and ingrains to select from. On all cash orders over \$50 we will, until further notice, prepay freight to Sumpter. Queen City Furniture Co.—Patterson & Epinger, aker City.

**To the Ladies of Sumpter.**

You are respectfully invited to inspect a beautiful line of modern hand-made Point and Battenburg lace work. I also have or will design patterns for any lace pieces desired, furnish materials, give lessons, of make work to order. The largest line and variety of genuine Mexican drawn work ever shown in eastern Oregon, and at such prices as will permit you to make handsome Christmas presents at moderate amounts. Call at the home of Mrs. Dr. Tape, adjoining the office, where I am temporarily located. MRS. MARSH.

For fresh fed fat fine fowls for Thanks giving leave orders at Johnson's meat market. Fifty cents.

**The Sumpter Lumber Co.**

It is hardly necessary to advertise for trade. The question is how to fill the orders we have on file. To get dry lumber we have a first class dry kiln. To get other stock we ship from Bridal Veil, Baker City, McEwen, Portland, Seattle and Tacoma. We will ever keep pace with the demands of business and the money that is in sight.

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