

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Miss Poindexter, of Baker City, is in town visiting friends.

Harold Sweetapple returned Sunday from a business trip to Spokane.

Dr. Greenlee, dentist, is located over the Sumpter Drug company store.

Miss Emma Worswick went up to the Golconda yesterday to visit friends for a few days.

C. N. Worswick, of the Columbia mine, has been in town several days past, visiting his sister, Mrs. Brock.

Irvine & DeNeffe, of Spokane, have opened a neat and tasty cigar, fruit and confectionery business on Granite street.

Guy Turner and Arthur Moser, of Walla Walla, have located here, intending to engage in house painting, decorating and sign writing.

In accordance with the provisions of an ordinance recently passed, the sidewalks have been ordered cleared of wood, boxes and other obstructions.

Miss Myers, principal of the Sumpter schools, who was sick for some days, is sufficiently recovered to again attend to her duties in the schools.

Tom Gray's friends will be glad to learn that he is rapidly recovering from his recent illness. He returned to Sumpter from the hospital several days since.

The First Bank of Sumpter has moved into its elegant new brick building, though the fixtures, which are to grace this modern institution are yet to be put in place, and the finishing touches added.

J. B. Stoddard returned early in the week from La Grande, where he had been as a witness on several timber claim proofs. The gratters have filed numerous contests against such claims, but so far as heard from have not made a clean up.

The final payment, making a complete cash sale of the Duckworth lot on Sumpter street, was made yesterday. This deal was consummated by Mohr & Mayer for \$1300 a few days ago, Spokane parties being the purchasers.

The Hobson Mercantile company has been busy the past few days, moving its immense stock of merchandise—about three carloads in all—from the old Calder warerooms into the commodious basement under the new store building. These people are enterprising and thoroughly up-to-date merchants, and the quality and quantity of merchandise they are bringing in every day is a sight to see and a credit to the business interests of the city.

Opening of the Lyceum Theatre.

The Lyceum theatre, near the corner of Cracker and Granite streets, was formally opened last night with much eclat. The management has secured a company of talented entertainers from Spokane, among whom is John Gilday, a favorite in many Northwestern towns; Harry and Laurine

Seymour, acrobats and contortionists, and a galaxy of pretty girls who can sing and dance. The entire town turned out to attend the opening and Manager Ritchie is entitled to congratulations upon the success of his theatrical enterprise. James Gilday, a veteran in the business, is stage manager, and keeps the performance running smoothly. Although a dozen or more carpenters have been at work for some days past, the interior of the house is not yet completed. In a few days, however, it will be as snug and comfortable a resort as one would wish to visit.

Successful Mining Company Incorporated.

February 17 Messrs. Arthur Philbrick, Eugene A. Higginson and Charles H. Chance incorporated what will be known as the Successful Mining company, the offices of which are to be in Sumpter. The object of the company is to develop the mineral claim Majestic, situated three miles north of Granite, on Granite creek, adjoining the well known Cougar mine on one side and the Mastiff mine on the other. This claim is understood to be one of unusual merit, with surface values running as high as \$10, and a strong vein running from four to six feet wide on the surface and can be easily traced the entire length of the claim. Considerable prospect work has been done on the property, consisting of shafts, open cuts and tunnels, and is being continued at the present time with satisfactory results. The Majestic is entirely surrounded by good mines and with such development as is intended by the management, can scarcely fail to make a good record in time.

We did not sink the Merrimac or raise the Charleston, but we are gradually sinking high prices to a reasonable business profit and raising the standard of quality to the very best at the price of the other kind. Hobson Mercantile company.

New Electric Light Boilers Installed.

The battery of large new boilers has been installed at the electric power house and connected with the engine, but the large engine and additional dynamos have not yet been put in. There are now something over 500 incandescent lights being used in town and there is an active demand for a number of arc lights, which will be supplied as soon as the engine power can be increased.

Byson Ore Runs \$215.

The Byson Gold Mining and Milling company people are jubilant over a rich strike in their Dixie creek mines. A general assay from the three workings, shafts and tunnel, gave a result of \$215 in gold and silver. Active development was only taken up by the new company a few weeks ago, though much work had been done when it acquired the claims.

Wheat Gearms, in ten pound sacks is an inexpensive breakfast food, and is highly nourishing in every respect. Hobson Mercantile company.

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PLANS AND ESTIMATES FURNISHED

Sumpter Free Gold Mining Co.

IS developing the Storm King group of 6 claims, situated 3 1/4 miles northwest of Sumpter. There are five distinct ledges. The tunnel now being driven will tap three of them at about the following depths: The first one at about 100 feet, the second at about 150 feet, and the third at 250 feet. Assays from the surface as good as the average assays of the district. **WE INVITE INSPECTION.** A block of stock is now on the market at 2 1/2 cents per share. We recommend it as a good investment.

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