

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Attorneys Hammond and Chance have dissolved partnership.

Mrs. Kerr and daughter Fay, of Bourne, were in town yesterday.

Miss Lutie Farnsworth, of Heppner, is here, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kahler.

Miss Richardson will close her millinery store during her absence, to purchase fall and winter stock.

Mrs. P. D. Healy has sufficiently recovered from her outing accident to be able to get out again.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. B. Smith returned yesterday from a visit with friends at Waitsburg, Washington.

W. H. Cade returned from Baker City yesterday with his wife, whom he went to meet. She is from San Francisco.

B. J. Watson, the veteran newspaper man, and now an extensive claim owner in the Cracker creek district, was down yesterday on business.

There was a severe hail storm out near the Golconda Monday afternoon, the ground having been covered to a depth of three inches in half an hour.

Ed English, a miner of long experience, who has operated in Idaho and Nevada, arrived in Sumpter some days since, and has taken a position with the Mammoth.

T. J. Seutert, of The Dalles, with one or two others interested in the Golden Eagle mine, arrived here this week and are on a trip of inspection to their property now.

John H. Cradlebaugh, the well-known newspaper, mining man and orator, is in a Portland hospital undergoing a surgical operation, from which it is hoped he will soon recover.

R. L. Neill and family returned some days since from the Hot Springs, over Prairie City way, where they camped for a month. They report many campers there, but few guests in the hotel.

Henry Hewitt Jr., of Tacoma, one of the lumber kings on Puget Sound, writes Seymour Bell that he will be in this camp next week, to look after his interests in the Sumpter Development company.

Letters received here from Major Manning dated at Prescott, state that the Chinese of Los Angeles would not enlist to fight the Boxers and he is now engaged in business in the Arizona capital and doing well.

Farmers from the Grande Ronde valley are coming in daily with wagon loads of vegetables and farm produce, hauling in the stuff from fifty to one hundred miles, because freight rates on the railroads are prohibitive.

A. W. Ellis and Harley Wood returned last evening from Bald lake, with some trout. They report that the lake is full of fish, but they are unusually wise, and it takes a very smooth con game to get one of them to swallow.

S. H. Bloomer, of the A. C. Shaw Lumber company, was called home to Chahalis Monday, on account of the sickness of his wife. As soon as he can return the sawmill here will be started up with a full force of men.

H. Meinhard, manager of the Sumpter smelter, Assayer Townsend of the same institution, and A. L. McEwen, the mining engineer, left yesterday morning for an extended trip through the district tributary to Prairie City.

F. J. Gonroy is over in Idaho. The Boise Statesman publishes an interview with him on the Sumpter district. Of course, he couldn't overlook this opportunity to make a bear talk. Mr. Corroy is a buyer and, naturally, a bear.

Messrs. Bellinger, Cupid, Snyder and Mikel returned several days since from the Hot Springs, well pleased with the John Day country and especially with the springs. Mr. Bellinger's friends will be pleased to learn that he is much improved.

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United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Aug. 11, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 1, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

ERWIN GATEWOOD,

of McEwen, County of Baker, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 650, for the purchase of the s¹/₂ ne 1-4, sec 12 s¹/₂ ne 1-4 of section No 31 in township No 10 n, range No 17 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Thursday, the 25th day of October, 1900.

He names as witnesses: Ansell Cook, Walter Cook, V. R. Mead, David McCoy, all of McEwen, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 25th day of October, 1900. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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