

**PRESENT NEED SOLD.**

**P. F. Morey Buys this Valuable Quartzburg Mine.**

The deal that starts the ball rolling in this section was made last Monday. A Portland syndicate, represented by P. F. Morey, purchased the Present Need mine from W. E. Gifford.

The Present Need has always been considered the richest property in the Quartzburg district. Mr. Gifford came to this country when it was in its infancy, and under adverse circumstances took hold of this property and developed it to what it is today—a dividend payer.

The price paid by Mr. Morey and parties for this property, could not be learned but it is reported to be a very liberal consideration.

Mr. Morey's son Fred and Joseph Reese, the assayer, will have charge of the mine and development work will be commenced immediately.

Mr. Gifford and wife left yesterday for the east. They will stop in Portland and San Francisco for a few days and then go on to Delaware, where all of Mrs. Gifford's relatives reside. In conversation with the Miner man Mr. Gifford said: "The only reason I sold out here was that my wife was discontented, but as far as I am concerned, this is the finest country I ever saw, and I have travelled from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast, and to Mexico. I came to this country about fourteen years ago and located the Present Need, and had to cut and haul wood to town between times to keep the wolf from the door. I was even refused at one time a sack of flour on credit, and I told the party that refused me that I would go out of this town wearing diamonds. Of course I haven't got the diamonds, but I have got the wherewith to purchase them if I see fit.

"My business connections with Mr. Morey have been the most pleasant and satisfactory. He has a heart as big as an ox and as tender as a chicken's, and anyone who does right by him reciprocation will follow.

"Whether I will stay east or not I can't say at present, but don't be surprised if you see me back to Prairie City inside of three months. I am stuck on the country and don't believe I could settle down anywhere else and be contented."

Fred Morey and Joseph Reese moved to the mine Thursday. Mr. Morey accompanied them and will remain there a few days before returning to Portland.—Prairie City Miner.

**Revival in Sumpter Real Estate.**

THE SUMPTER MINER states that the real estate business is picking up again in that city. Last fall property was selling there at prices equal to those in most any large commercial city, but during the past summer a real estate stagnation brought things to a standstill. It is stated, however, that during the past week many sales have been consummated, and Sumpter is apparently entering another lively period of prosperity. Rich strikes continue to be made in the mines in that vicinity, and there is every reason to believe the mines are of a lasting nature, which is sufficient reason for lively times in that city.—La Grande Chronicle.

**Oregon's Coal Production.**

The coal product of Oregon in 1899 was 26,888 short tons, or 48 per cent larger than in 1898, but didn't attain the figures reported in 1896 or 1897. It was, however, larger than in any year prior to 1896. The Heaver Hill mine, about which much was promised and which helped to swell the total for 1896 and 1897, did not produce in 1897 or 1898. A table appended to the report shows a fluctuation in coal matters in this state. Of last year's product, 78,606

tons were loaded for shipment at the mines, 6656 tons were used in local trade, and 1624 tons were used at the mines for steam and heat. The greatest shipment of the state was made in 1897, when 92,921 tons were shipped direct from the mines. Although the total output of that year, 107,289 tons, was the greatest yet known, the product of the year preceding, 101,721 tons, brought a higher figure, viz., \$294,564. Another peculiarity observed is that in 1895, when the output was but 73,685 tons, the largest number of men yet employed in these mines were at work. That year the miners numbered 414, and in 1897 they were but 375, while last year they were reduced to 124, working on an average of 258 days for the year.—Government geological survey report.

**Portland Man Pleased and Astonished.**

Representative-elect James E. Hunt has just returned from a trip through the mining camps of Grant county, in eastern Oregon. He is himself interested in the development of some properties in the Greenhorn mountains. This property, he believes, will some day be a great producer. "I had little idea of the extent of this mineral belt," said Mr. Hunt in speaking of his observations, "and am now more fully convinced than ever that Oregon's mineral resources are second to none in the country. The mineral wealth is there; all that is necessary is for capital to take it out. I was surprised to find so many properties under development. There is work going on in the mountains in every direction, and something is bound to come of it. Mining men and investors are hearing more and more of this wonderful district, and the time is not far distant when there will be twenty producing mines where there is one today. Portland people are slow to believe what they hear of eastern Oregon's gold fields. I would advise them to see for themselves. To see is to believe."—Telegram.

**North Pole Tramway, 7700 Feet Long.**

The Eastern Oregon Mining company, owning and operating the North Pole mine at Bourne, is making some very extensive improvements there, the most important of which is the installment of a tramway from the mine to the mill which will be 7700 feet long. This will be the longest tramway in the district, to date, and means the more rapid and economic handling of the large quantity of ore at this big producer.

**Who's Your Tailor?**

The dressy man who can appreciate a tailor made garment need go no further than Baker City, where M. Steffen has recently established a merchant tailoring house that can produce a suit, overcoat, or trousers second to none on the coast. Mr. Steffen comes from Portland, where for twelve years he made clothes for the best dressed men of that city. See his card elsewhere in THE MINER.

**Scenic Line of the World.**

For an enjoyable trip east, take the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, Scenic Line of the world. Three daily trains between Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and all eastern points, and all points on the Pacific coast. Most magnificent scenery on this continent. The leading feature in connection with the trip is that the through trains pass through the scenic attractions of the Rocky mountains in Colorado by daylight, thus affording passengers a cool, pleasant and enjoyable ride, free from dust and the annoyances experienced via other lines. Superb dining car service on all through trains. Service a la carte, pay for what you order. Through standard and tourist sleepers. Stopovers allowed on all classes of tickets anywhere between Ogden and Denver. Call on your nearest ticket agent for tickets, rates and all information, or address, B. C. NICHOL, General Agent, Portland, Ore.

# Henry Finger

THE  
CELEBRATED  
OLYMPIA

5c
BEER

On draught or in bottles at five cents per glass or five bottles for one dollar. Full car load just received.

Center St., Opp. P. O.  
Sumpter, Ore.

# Henry Finger

## Pelton Water Motor

Is so superior to all others as regards strength, durability and economy of water, in fact all that constitutes a HIGH CLASS WATER MOTOR, as to admit of no comparison, adapted to every variety of service and made of sizes varying from the fraction of 1 up to 100 H. P. Recent scientific tests made at the Michigan University in connection with several other motors claimed to be the best on the market showed 45 per cent higher efficiency in favor of the PELTON, while the relative cost per H. P. to buy was only one-third to one-half that of others. Water companies desiring to make the best of their water supply should discriminate in favor of the PELTON. Deliveries made from New York or San Francisco, as may afford the best freight rates. Circulars free. One of these motors can be seen any time operating THE MINER presses.

### THE PELTON WATER WHEEL CO.

143 Liberty Street,  
New York.
125-129 Main St.  
San Francisco, Calif.

## GRANSTROM'S ..CAFE..

AND OYSTER  
HOUSE

.....Baker City, Ore.

NOTHING IN EASTERN  
OREGON TO SURPASS  
IT ... ALL KINDS SHELL  
FISH A SPECIALTY .....

NEVER CLOSED  
UNDER ANTLERS HOTEL

## George W. Weigand...

HIGH GRADE LIQUORS  
AND CIGARS

Mining Men's Headquarters
Next Door to Wonder Store

BOURNE, OREGON