

## ALAMO A BONANZA.

### Mill Will Be Erected Early in the Spring.

E. D. Trenholm, foreman of the street railway system of the Washington Water Power company, has returned from a visit to the Alamo mine, Sumpter district, a property in which he is interested. Mr. Trenholm spent three days on the property, and with the manager, J. G. McGuigan, made a thorough examination of it.

The Alamo mine is a quarter of a mile from the town of Alamo, named after the mine and about half a mile south of the famous Red Boy, which the Alamo closely resembles. According to Mr. Trenholm the property is developed to a depth of 150 feet, the ledge being crosscut at the 75-foot level and a drift run thereon 125 feet, showing a continuous vein of free milling gold ore twenty feet wide, averaging \$17 to the ton. The vein dips at an angle of 70 degrees and does not vary in width at any place yet uncovered. On each wall there is a seam of talc from 10 to 14 inches in thickness.

"While there," said Mr. Trenholm, "I met many prominent mining men who had heard of the property and desired to make a personal examination, a privilege which is granted to all. I saw at least 40 tests made from ore taken from the different levels and the surface, and in no case was there a failure to secure a good showing of free gold in the pan. The universal opinion of those who examined the property while I was there is that the Alamo bids fair to equal the Red Boy both in extent and richness."

"The property is owned by the Alamo Consolidated Mining and Milling company. J. G. McGuigan, the veteran Slocan miner, is president and manager and John R. Cassin is secretary and treasurer. The head office is at Spokane. The stock in the company is held chiefly in Spokane, Portland and San Francisco."

"The management is satisfied with the showing made and a tunnel is being run on the lead to tap the ore shoot at the depth of 400 feet; this will enable the ore to be taken out and landed at the company's millsite, where a ten-stamp mill, already contracted for, will be erected early in the spring."—Spokesman Review.

#### La Grande Land Office Business.

E. W. Bartlett, register of the United States land office at La Grande, is a visitor in the city. Mr. Bartlett is accompanied by A. H. Burke, ex-governor of North Dakota, who is government inspector of land offices. Mr. Burke is on his way to Burns to inspect the office at that place, and will leave over the Sumpter Valley railroad this morning. Mr. Bartlett, in speaking of the business of the office of which he is register, said that there had not been a month since he took charge that the business of the office had not reached the maximum, and sometimes far in excess. The average of homestead entries for the past year has been seventy per month. Mr. Bartlett tells that La Grande is rapidly growing in population and many substantial building improvements have been made this year.—Democrat of Saturday.

#### Exhibits in a Great Mining Trial.

Great mining trials, like the one just occupying the courts wherein two big companies, such as the Mammoth and the Grand Central, are striving to quiet title to coveted ground, are an education in themselves, in matters pertaining to the mining industry, and a person of ordinary intelligence, were he to attend the case through its wearisome length, would, in the end, be fairly well posted in mining

phraseology, geology, mineralogy, dips, spurs and angles, formation, faults, and in legal lore pertaining to mining litigation. The models used, the maps employed and the diagrams illustrative of underground workings are in themselves works of art and each and every detail is worked out so that a better impression is given of the working of the properties in question than if one should visit these workings personally.—Salt Lake Mining Review.

#### Big Electric Power Scheme at Huntington

Snake river is to be harnessed at a point two miles east of Huntington; electrical power will be generated and be transmitted to Huntington and the adjoining district, for lighting purposes to Huntington and as power to operate the various dredges on Burnt river. The project has been in contemplation for some time and it is learned on the authority of a Portland concern, one of the most prominent promoting companies in the northwest, which is associated with many of the largest mines in Baker county, that it has been decided to go through with the undertaking very soon. The plans are for an extensive electrical plant, which it is estimated will furnish sufficient power to operate all the dredgers on Burnt river.—Press dispatch from Huntington.

#### C. H. Packard and his Experience.

C. H. Packard arrived in Sumpter Friday of last week from Seattle, and left on the stage that day to take charge of the Prairie City Miner for its owners. Mr. Packard has had some interesting experiences during the past few years. Five years ago he owned the Snohomish (Washington) Eye, the most widely circulated and influential paper in the county. He became interested in mining and neglected his paper. He acquired valuable properties in the Monte Cristo district. A flood washed out the railroad into that section and Monte Cristo became a deserted camp. In the meantime The Eye had suspended publication. Mr. Packard started to Alaska with the expedition fitted out by an Italian prince, nephew of the king of Italy, first cousin of the present monarch. The vessel on which the party sailed was wrecked and Mr. Packard was one of the first who were saved. He returned to Alaska and started again for the frozen north. For a year he didn't find a color. He got in on the first rush to Nome two years ago and staked some claims, returning to the states a year ago. He went back last spring and worked there all season, but bad luck followed him. He landed in Seattle a month ago. He is now in a country where his ability and experience will be rewarded.

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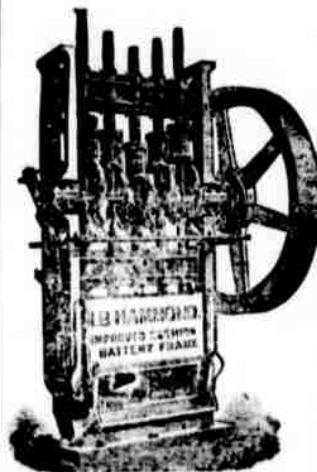
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