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THAT Supreme court decision over in Idaho, to the effect that patented mining property is subject to taxation, "wont do a thing" to the mining industry in that state.

THE telegrapher's strike on the Santa Fe road resembles the war in South Africa—it's declared off every twenty minutes by the big power, but the fighting still continues without interruption.

THE Supreme court of Washington has decided that mining stock is not subject to taxation, in addition to an assessment levied on the capital stock of the company. The decision was rendered in the case of several large stockholders in the Le Roi against the treasurer of Spokane county.

RULES have been laid down by the Burlington Railway company, affecting all its employes in South Dakota, by which no man is allowed to use tobacco or liquor in any form during the hours of service, and they must also be vaccinated. Wonder if the Burlington permits its hired men to eat pie for breakfast.

THANK the Lord! There will be no more politics in these parts for two years, save a trifling diversion in the way of a municipal election one year hence. Now let everybody "get in and drill," bury the hammer and work for the development of the eastern Oregon gold fields in general, and the material advancement of Sumpter in particular.

THERE is much talk nowadays about carving up counties, changing county seats, and the like; regarding the merits of all of which THE MINER pleads ignorance. But when it comes to a county seat fight, this paper claims intimate knowledge of the fact that such a scrap is the bitterest, nastiest voting fight that the politicians ever pulled off.

YOUNG Harrison, the son of his father, was recently "honorably discharged" from his soft snap in the army, and the national gossips at once concluded that this was a slap at ex-President Harrison because he made only one speech for McKinley during the late lamented campaign. Now, the president and the ex-president dined at the home of a mutual friend, and the same high authority on governmental affairs declares that this incident was worked up to prove to the public that these great men are great friends—when everybody knows that they are not.

IT IS a long shot proposition that Booz did not die from the effects of hazing at West Point, which is alleged to have occurred more than a year ago. The young fellow was not game, he would not stand up and fight, according to the ancient and honorable custom of the institution, he quit the Academy in more or less disgrace, assigning weak eyes as the cause—he was trying to let himself down easy. The congressional committee appointed to investigate the case will receive cold comfort at "the Point," if it endeavors to make a case against the cadets.

THE suit brought in Pittsburg for the appointment of a receiver for the Bonanza,

alleging fraud and conspiracy on the part of the company's president, is really sensational. Those eastern capitalists don't know anything about mining, for a fact, but they can give the western operator cards and spades and then beat them in the game of thimble rigging a stock deal. They are experts in the operation of digging gold out of the pockets of minority stockholders, all right, all right; even if they are a trifle shy on information as to the best method of getting the stuff out of the ground. It has been said with more or less truth, that in the evolution of a howling, gold-ribbed mountain wilderness into a producing mining region, a job lot of litigation is one of the necessary factors. If such must be the case in eastern Oregon, let us welcome the annoying lawsuit as an evidence of the onward march of progress.

THERE seems to be no hope of the success of President Kruger's mission to Europe, acknowledged to be an effort to secure intervention in the British-Boer war. The French mob gave him a warm reception, but he was handed a frost by the French government. In the reichstag, at Berlin, Monday, the imperial chancellor, Count Von Beulow, replying to a question on the subject of Mr. Kruger's failure to be received by Emperor William, said the government did all in its power to ward off war, and left the two republics in no doubt as to the state of affairs in Europe and as to German neutrality. When, in 1899, the question of arbitration seemed not altogether excluded, the government recommended it to Mr. Kruger. He thought the time had not come. When Mr. Kruger later sought intervention his feelings were too highly inflated for the Dutch and German governments. For the German government it was lost time to give advice. Germany was convinced that any step of a great power at that moment would lead to no results.

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1:30 p. m.	Ar.....Clifford.....Lv	8:00 a. m.
3:40 p. m.	Lv.....Clifford.....Ar	7:30 a. m.
7:30 p. m.	Ar.....Austin.....Lv	5:00 a. m.

Connecting at Austin with stages for Canyon City and interior points.

1:40 p. m.	Lv.....Clifford.....Ar	7:30 a. m.
5:00 p. m.	Ar.....Bonanza.....Lv	6:30 a. m.

Connecting at Bonanza with stages for Pyx, Robinsonville, Worley, Virginia, Don Juan and Belcher mines.

SUMPTER-GRANITE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv.....Sumpter.....Ar	10:00 a. m.
4:30 p. m.	Ar.....Granite.....Lv	7:00 a. m.

Livery at Granite to North Fork, Red Boy, Banzette and adjacent mines.

SUMPTER-BOURNE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv.....Sumpter.....Ar	9:30 a. m.
3:00 p. m.	Ar.....Bourne.....Lv	8:00 a. m.
5:30 p. m.	Ar.....Columbia.....Lv	7:30 a. m.

Including North Pole, E. & E., Climax, Ohio and adjacent mines.