

CALDER ON THE TRAIL

Starts Out to Dispense Information About Sumpter.

W. C. Calder expects to leave today or tomorrow for the coast, remaining a month or more on Puget sound, and then proceed to New York. This is a missionary tour exclusively. He goes in the interest of Sumpter and this mining district and he goes loaded for bear, too; so will waste very little time in Portland.

Mr. Calder will carry with him considerable literature regarding the gold fields eastern Oregon, prominent among which, of course, will be many hundred copies of THE MINER. He will also have with him some average samples of ores from the various districts, with which to back up his printed and spoken bouquets tossed at this favored region.

And speaking of ores, he will of course not neglect to let the people know that there is such a mine in these parts as the Inter-Mountain in which he is heavily interested. He has prepared an exhibit of this rock that is very attractive and convincing. A half dozen samples have been roasted in an ordinary blacksmith forge, which process has driven numberless gold and silver beads to the surface, the character of which is easily detected by the naked eye, from the colors, yellow and white.

Information from this property continues very encouraging. The tunnel now being driven on the ledge 100 feet below the old workings is in 57 feet, in ore the entire distance. The lowest assay obtained in this drift was \$13.62. From that small figure, values run up as high as a couple of thousand. Mr. Calder says he can produce any desired quantity of samples assaying \$1000, and can supply \$100 rock by the ton. There is now about an even \$100,000 worth of ore blocked out.

Green Grass on Emigrant Creek.

John Garrett, the veteran stockman of Emigrant creek, is in town from his mountain ranch. He reports that everything in the mountains is in splendid condition; that stock is fat, grass green and growing, and the winter, thus far, all that could be desired. Mr. Garrett had the misfortune of a runaway while coming in, occasioned by a mule he was driving refusing to recognize a flag of truce borne by a wayside dog under the alias of a tail. No damage was done, but the mule, when seen by a reporter on Wednesday afternoon, still refused to submit quietly to the presence of such canines as came his way.—Harney County News.

Keystone-Bell Tunnel in 700 Feet.

The Keystone-Bell and Gold Boy Consolidated company, operating on the east extension of the Bonanza lead, has its crosscut tunnel run a distance of 700 feet at the present time. This tunnel is being driven to catch the Bonanza lead. Two shifts of men are employed and rapid work is being prosecuted under the direction of John W. Bolland, superintendent of the property, which is owned by Captain C.H. Thompson, Albert Geiser, F. J. Conroy, Clark Tabor and others. The group consists of seven claims and is considered a very valuable one.

Corner Posts on Placer Claims.

It has been repeatedly held of late years by the land department, and asserted by the courts, that where placer claims are held by legal subdivisions, all the corners of the claim must be marked on the ground by substantial monuments and stakes; and that failure to do this invalidates the location, if anyone having an opposing interest chooses to contest it. But it is not required that stakes should be placed at

the corners of every 20-acre plot. Monuments are only required on those corners which are indicated as corners in the land-track book, and at the intersection of lines with streams that are meandered.—Baker City Herald.

Expert Examines the Cougar.

Matt Baroch, a Denver mining expert, came in Saturday evening to look over the Cougar mine, with an idea of purchasing that excellent property for an Eastern company, so it is said. Mr. Baroch left for the east Tuesday morning in response to a telegram received from his company. No information relative to the sale of the Cougar has as yet been given out by anyone in possession of real facts and it is not likely there will be for some weeks to come.—Lawton Standard.

Sumpter-Alamo Mail Route.

The postoffice department is advertising to let the contract for carrying the mails between Sumpter and Alamo, six times a week, going via Lawton and Granite and depositing mail matter in boxes along the route. The conditions require that the mails leave Alamo at 4:15 in the morning, reach here at noon, leave at one o'clock and reach Alamo again that evening about eight o'clock. The service will begin February 1.

A fine selection of goods suitable as Christmas present will be here in a few days, including the following: Fine French china ornaments and useful articles, solid sterling silver table ware, novelties, Rogers Brothers knife, forks, spoons, etc; also a full line of watches and jewelry. F. C. Brodie, Opera House building.

Rocky Mountain Scenery By Day Light.

Day light stop over at Niagara Falls. Through first-class tourist sleeper from Pacific Coast weekly for Chicago, Boston, New York and other eastern points via Rio Grande Western (Great Salt Lake Route), Denver & Rio Grande, C. R. I. & P. and Illinois Central to Chicago, connecting in the Union Depot with Michigan Central's similar car for points east. For full particulars call on or address,

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

There came to my place Monday, December 3, two stray work horses. One is a gray horse with hook and anchor brand on left shoulder; the other a brown horse with a square and letter V joined at angle, on left shoulder. Owner can apply at my ranch, Alder Springs, Baker county, and secure the property by proving ownership and paying expenses incurred. JOHN ADAMS.

Notice of Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership existing between Ed Turk and Minot Austin, under the style of Austin Meat company, was dissolved on October 29, 1900, and said Minot Austin has assumed sole control of said business. MINOT AUSTIN.

Sumpter, December 15, 1900.

A big placer proposition wanted. See J. P. Wallace, general manager Monmouth Development company, Sumpter, Oregon.

Five quart bottles of Olympia beer for \$1.00 at Henry Finger's.

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