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EASTERN capital is looking for investment in the Sumpter gold belt, as is shown by a letter received by W. H. W. Hamilton from an eastern syndicate of mining men, asking for a good property of merit that is reasonably worth from \$250,000 to \$1,000,000.

AND now the excitement is about oil. In another column of THE MINER today there is a story regarding the oil fields recently discovered in Washington, to the north. A gentleman is quoted in a Portland paper as saying that in this state there are in several localities every indication of oil. To the south, in California, this has become a great industry and many fortunes are being made. It is not probable that bounteous Nature has withheld this rich gift from Oregon, while bestowing it lavishly on adjoining states. Over in John Day valley there are extensive coal fields, with every indication of the presence of oil also. This region ought to be prospected. Where is the man or men with money and nerve enough to make the gamble, one with almost an even break to win and the prize a hundred fold greater than the money ventured?

ALFRED HARMSWORTH, editor and proprietor of the London Daily Mail, has contributed to the January number of the North American Review an article on what he calls "Simultaneous Newspapers of the Twentieth Century." Harmsworth expresses the opinion that in spite of all progress that has been made in the development of newspapers hitherto, we are still merely at the fringe of journalistic development. Predicting what the journals of the twentieth century will be, he says: "I feel certain that the newspapers of the twentieth century will be drawn into the vortex of combination and centralization. Where there are now a multitude of papers, good, bad and indifferent, there will then be one or two journals. The method by which such journals would be established would be precisely those employed in the formation of any ordinary trust. Possessing its own cables, wires, dispatch boats and special trains, the simultaneous newspaper concern will soon have its own paper mills, printing ink factories and machine shops. The simultaneous newspaper will represent a standard of excellence never before attained." He should go further, and point out that, though an unequalled news collector and distributor, such a paper will be a business enterprise, purely and simply; that for business reasons its news columns will be colored and no intelligent reader will be influenced by its editorial utterances, knowing that they are controlled by the counting room.

PAPERS in Portland and other western Oregon towns are publishing much smooth, pacifying editorial matter about all the state institutions being in a bunch—in western Oregon, of course. The occasion for this peace talk is the agitation in eastern Oregon of the question of state division. Eastern Oregon wants a separate state government because the political storm center, the headquarters of the machine, is at Portland and this portion of the state has never received a square deal from the bosses. This latter statement no one has yet had the hardihood to

deny. Now, aside from the local advantages accruing from political prizes and alleged honors, there are no benefits to be derived from state division; it will materially increase taxation. The most practical solution of the irritating subject will be for the western combination to throw a crumb to the eastern portion of the state. And this brings the matter to the point where THE MINER becomes interested; to a subject on which it can work up some enthusiasm.

There is no question but what the state needs a school of mines and, furthermore, no one can reasonably deny but what such an institution should be located in Baker county. It ought to be here at Sumpter. Baker City, of course, will put in a claim for it, but if that town is wise, it will join forces with Sumpter on this issue; remembering that the popular heart is fired at this writing on the question of county division also, and that the votes out this way are worth considering. Besides, the real advantages to be reaped from a school of mines located at Sumpter would be as great as if the institution were at Baker City. The purpose of such an institution is not wholly, or perhaps even primarily, to turn out annually a lot of half baked "experts," M. E.'s. It is to scientifically study the mineral formations of the state, to determine by experiment how best to treat the ores, to aid in the development of the mining resources of the state.

The western powers should give these suggestions due consideration.

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

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

1:40 p. m.	Lv. Clifford	Ar. Bonanza	7:30 a. m.
4:00 p. m.	Ar. Bonanza	Lv. Sumpter	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. Granite	10:00 a. m.
4:30 p. m.	Ar. Granite	Lv. Sumpter	7:00 a. m.

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

SUMPTER-BOURNE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. Sumpter	Ar. Bourne	9:30 a. m.
3:00 p. m.	Ar. Bourne	Lv. Sumpter	8:00 a. m.
1:30 p. m.	Ar. Columbia	Lv. Sumpter	7:30 a. m.

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