

**FINAL PAYMENT MADE**

**The Bald Mountain Liquidates Months Ahead of Time.**

H. S. McCallum returned Monday afternoon from a business trip somewhere, but not to Boston, as was published in a Baker City paper. He was out at the Bald Mountain yesterday.

Secretary Reed, of the mining company, confirms the report published in the Democrat, to the effect that the last payment of \$25,000 has been made on the property, several months before it was due. The company now has a flawless title to all of its claims. Regarding this payment, the Democrat of Sunday said:

"In compliance with telegraphic instructions, the First National bank of this city released the escrow deeds to the Bald Mountain group of mines, and C. A. Johns, attorney for the Boston purchasers, placed the deeds on record, transferring the title to the property from George W. Newman to the Bald Mountain Mining company for and in consideration of the sum of \$50,000, the whole amount of which has been paid, the last payment of \$25,000, made yesterday, being several months in advance of the time required under the bond."

**Carroll B Still in Rich Ore.**

Miners in the Carroll B are at present drifting in some very rich ore. W. L. Vinson was out to his property on Sunday and brought in more of the fabulously rich ore, some of which was placed on exhibition at Baker & Pearl's cigar store. The specimens attract a great deal of attention, being plastered with free gold. Of course these are picked specimens, but the pay streak, which is several feet wide, is showing a high average just now. The Carroll B is a "hummer" and no mistake.—Democrat.

**QUEER SHOOTING SCRAPE.**

**Man Arrested Five Days After Committing Offense.**

There is something peculiar, to say the least, about that Burge shooting scrape.

W. W. Burge, foreman of the American, Sunday night a week ago, stuck his head in Gus Woodward's saloon, fired his gun at nothing in particular and ran away. Nothing was done in the matter until the following Thursday, when he was arrested on the charge of assault with intent to kill, the complaint being sworn out by the bartender.

At the preliminary trial he testified that he was asleep at the time the shooting took place. It was then also developed that some days previous Burge had won considerable money from Woodward, about \$240 of which was not paid. On the night of the trouble Burge had tried to collect this money, but instead got a smash over the side of the head with a gun. The day of the arrest Woodward left town, going to Bonanza, it is said.

Justice Felix, before whom the case was tried, bound the accused over to the Circuit court in the sum of \$500, and afterwards voluntarily reduced the bail to \$300. Burge could not secure bondsmen and is now in jail at Baker City. Attorney Craig appeared as his counsel at the preliminary.

Before being taken to the county jail, Burge told all kinds of stories, here, declaring that the American management was responsible for his arrest; that it was an attempt to railroad him to the pen because he refused to leave the country, having been offered \$200 to do so. He stated further that he had positive proof that the first mention of the affair in the Baker City Republican, was inspired by the American people. He had been given

notice of his dismissal in two weeks.

It is the opinion of many, to whom he talked that some of his statements should be taken with a sack of salt. There are those who think that certain local officers instigated the arrest, as a means of revenge against the American, which has abused them unjustly and persistently, not knowing of the trouble between Burge and that paper.

**SALE OF THE LAST CHANCE.**

**Colonel Grayson Buys It for the Baby McKee Company.**

Cable Cove district is the scene of great mine development and presents a most encouraging sign of future permanency from an ore producing standpoint.

Colonel J. T. Grayson, general manager of the Baby McKee Gold Mining company, assisted by his able superintendent, W. O. Reynolds, has three eight hour shifts developing the Baby McKee group. A 2500-foot tunnel is being run to crosscut the Cincinnati, Chloride and Baby McKee ledges. On Thursday last Burleigh drills were set in operation on the tunnel. A force of 23 miners is employed in the development work under way.

A deal of considerable importance, involving a Cove property, was consummated a few days ago. A. H. Sprague, acting for the Baby McKee Gold Mining company, purchased the Last Chance mine, owned by Edward Rawson and J. C. Young, paying therefor \$10,000 spot cash. The Last Chance is said to be a very promising property.

Colonel Grayson is in New York city. A telegram was received here yesterday from him stating that he would sail for London on January 1.

Mine owners in the district are placing their properties at fair prices and the result is that many transfers are being made and many more are expected to follow.

There is three feet of snow in the district.

The California and Crown Point mines are each running Burleigh drills.

All the properties under development are showing well. A large number of prospectors are at work and considerable assessment work is being done.—Democrat.

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