

CARROLL B A WONDER.

Fabulously Rich Body of Ore Is Also Extensive.

A MINER representative was in Baker City a few days since and was shown many samples of the fabulously rich ore taken from the latest strike in the Carroll B, owned by W. L. Vinson. Speaking of these late developments, the Democrat of Saturday said:

The Carroll B mine in the Pleasant Valley district, twelve miles southeast of Baker City, the property owned and operated by W. L. Vinson, continues to be a wonder in the production of free gold ore. The rich shoot of ore in the south level is as rich as the reports given out from time to time during the past several weeks indicated, and drifting on the vein continues.

A day or so ago, in the old works and in the northeast level, at a depth of 80 feet, an ore shoot about twelve inches wide was run into in the ledge, which measures over twenty-five feet from wall to wall, that carries almost equal values with the rich vein in the south level.

Mr. Vinson went to the mine on Thursday and returned in the evening with a large quantity of the ore from the rich strike. The samples are on exhibition and can be seen at his office on the corner of First and Center streets. Large pieces of rock are one-third gold and are as pretty as any specimens recently shown in this city. The rock has very much the appearance of Virtue mine ore and the gold is equal in fineness.

Mr. Vinson says the large amount of development at the Carroll B puts the mine beyond the speculative period and establishes its permanency as a wealth-producer beyond a peradventure of a doubt. A reduction plant on the property is a matter of early carrying out.

Also "Knock" the Dog Poisoner.

Rip, THE MINER office dog, widely and more or less favorably known in the business districts, has fallen a victim to the cowardly poisoner, who has been plying his mean avocation indiscriminately of late, several favorites, terriers as well as canines, having swallowed his deadly bait. The death of Rip has filled this establishment with gloom. Though always in everybody's way, he had endeared himself to the whole force and a dozen ordinary dogs can't cover the numerous places he has occupied on the office floor, frequently apparently at the same time. He was a wise guy or a dog. In early youth one of his hind legs was broken, presumably while eating a live horse's foot. The working of the sympathy racket on account of this misfortune was his short life's work, and in this business he had become a true artist. Try to drive him away from the most frequented spot in the office, and he would hop away on three legs, with the many months before injured member hanging limp, as if it had no bones at all. But just let a strange dog appear in his territory and that lame leg of his instantly regained its natural functions and he would make a dash at the intruder that would break the greyhound's best record. Were the craven wretch who administered the poisoned portion as big as a box car, he can get a bare knuckle fight with the midget of this shop, by revealing his identity.

Coal in Grande Ronde Valley.

A gentleman of much scientific attainments and a geologist and mineralogist of note, has just returned from an extended trip and examination of the country of the upper Grande Ronde river and says there are without doubt as extensive coal mines throughout the section of country he travelled over as there ever was in

Pennsylvania or any other part of the globe. The formation of the country and the compositions of the various stratas of earth that underlie this section of Oregon, points undeniably to that fact, and it is his opinion the day is not far distant when this section of Oregon will be as great a producer of coal and petroleum as Pennsylvania ever was. The discovery of gold on Bayer creek on the lower Grande Ronde river, go to prove the statement of facts are indisputable.—La Grande Chronicle.

ST. VALENTINE BALL.

Will Be Given to Raise Funds for the Free Reading Room.

The executive committee of the free Reading room will give a ball for the sole benefit of the Reading room February 14.

There seems to be a misunderstanding in connection with this ball; some thinking it is given by the Sumpter Social society, thereby depriving us of the help we otherwise would receive. The Social society, as a society, has nothing to do with it, but the members thereof are helping us as they always have.

We are working hard to keep the reading room open, for we feel that it is a great benefit to our little city and we ask the help of all the people of Sumpter.

Let us all work in this common cause; let every one who feels an interest in the Reading room help it along by attending the St. Valentine ball. Those who do not care to dance can be served with supper early in the evening.

The lads and lassies will find a post-office in the hall, where they can buy and post their valentines.

The colors of the evening will be pink and white (valentine colors). Ladies who wish can dress in calico or light goods and gentlemen can wear large ties of pink or white. However, this is only a suggestion to be followed or not, as you like.

The following committees have been appointed:

Floor managers—Messrs. Edwards, Hillier, Davidson, Goss, DeNeff and Leon Stoddard.

Reception—Dr. Fisher, Mesdames Stoddard, Brown, O'Rourke and Mailory.

Table—Mesdames Condon, Summers, Newburry, Amell, Hickok and Fisher.

Lemonade—Mesdames Heron, and Bailey.

Valentines—Mesdames Greenlee and Stevenson. COMMITTEE.

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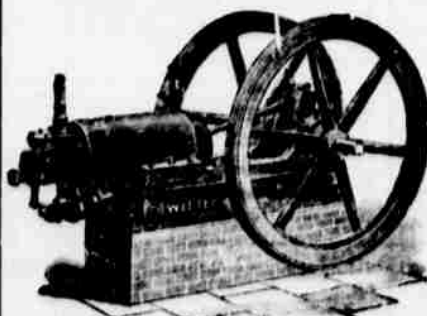


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