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Well, the next thing on the program is to construct that road to Burnt river. Let the business men of Sumpter "get in and drill." Of course it will have to be talked over at a meeting. At the same time the question of erecting a brick school house should be discussed and the proposition pushed along. There is no use waiting another year.

As a "piper off" of fraudulent pretense, as a pricker of the bubble of hypocrisy, as a knocker of the false claim of monopolized virtue, as an exterminator of irritating shams, Editor Livermore, of the Baker City Herald, is an artist, a skilled artisan, a peach. He is not doing a thing in this line to his loathed contemporary, the ridiculous Republican.

A BAKER CITY editor man cries for a "gentleman's" club, where private lunches can be served, where a few of us exquisite exclusives can get away from the horrid mob. The dear creature has been feeding regularly of late on "con game" acquired grub, and is getting too gay. He is feeling his oats to the point of snobbishness and close observers can see his finish.

If those Ohio democrats carry out the McLean program, as outlined in press dispatches of this morning, they will have an impossible job on their hands, to square the platform with the national democracy at the next presidential convention. The party as a whole will never submit to the plan of making the organization either a second fiddler or a teaser for the trust controlled, corruption permeated administration party.

A MINING exchange says that in stamp milling a common mistake is to figure that when the mill is doubled in size that the output of gold will be doubled in value. In every case that has come to our attention, when the amount of ore put through the mill is doubled, the output of gold will not increase more than from one and one-half to one and three-quarters. The reason is that when the mill increases its demand on the mine many blocks of ground that would have been left standing when the mill was small, are broken down and sent to the mill. The value of the ore is thus reduced. It is a safe rule to figure, that if the ore sent to a twenty-stamp mill runs \$10 per ton, when the mill is increased to forty stamps the ore will run about \$8 per ton. Of course there is nothing invariable about this.

MEMBERS of the party that brought in the remains of John James, found some days since near Granite, say that the statement made over the signature of W. L. Brown in the Granite Gem of last week, regarding the matter, does not assay a trace of truth; that the story as published in THE MINER originally was substantially correct. Regarding the Gem's own headline threat of a libel suit against this paper, one of the gentlemen who was with the search party and with whom S. Heel Shutt, of the Gem, talked and to whom he expressed his opinion of this man Brown, says that he can furnish him with material for a

suit for slander against Shutt, but, strange to say, in this case he approached very much nearer the truth than he usually does. From every source come reports not at all complimentary to Brown, regarding various matters, and if he has any sense he will keep quiet—his bluffs are considered counterfeits.

EVERY indication points to the conclusion that the National mining congress that will meet in Boise the latter part of this month will be largely attended by delegates from many states. The last meeting was held in Milwaukee and was a failure, as it naturally would be, that being a beer and not a mining camp. This year, however, the congress will meet in the heart of the mining region of the great Inland Empire, which fact alone will serve to attract mining men from every quarter. The several delegations from eastern Oregon will have an excellent opportunity to attract the attention of the most desirable class of people to our unequalled mining resources, of which they will doubtless avail themselves. THE MINER will not presume to tell these gentlemen how best to accomplish this end, but suggests that as many as possible of the delegates from other sections be induced to visit our mines—even if kidnapping or shanghaiing must be resorted to.

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