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THE MINER suggests that the money left over from the Fourth of July celebration, about \$89, be turned into the Burnt river road fund. Who can suggest a better purpose to which to devote it?

A PORTLAND mining paper speaks of "fertile" placer ground. Every one knows what the writer means, but the word in that connection sounds strange to ears accustomed to the vernacular of a mining region.

PRESS dispatches from Pittsburg for two days past indicate that the strike among the steel workers has assumed gigantic proportions, greatly to the surprise of the manufacturers, who are maintaining their customary "dignified silence."

MORE men of means are in the Blue mountains today for the purpose of buying mines, than ever before at one time in the history of eastern Oregon. They come from everywhere, many from the financial centers of the east, and all apparently mean business. They are not here for their health.

THE Major Strong who disgraced the army a few days since in San Francisco, through his escapade with the notorious titled actress, and is now trying to resign his commission to avoid a court-martial, is one of the numerous appointees from civil life, secured through a political pull. West Point doesn't turn out exactly that species of the disreputable soldier.

THE Salt Lake Stock exchange, during the past six months, says the Review, has surpassed all previous records in the way of transfers, the sales from January 1 to July 1 amounting to 8,906,558 shares of a selling value of \$5,211,022, or in the neighborhood of a million a month. During the period mentioned quite a number of securities have made sensational advances and quite a number of the companies listed on the board as "prospects," can now be accounted as producing and paying mines. When comparing this market with other mining share centers it will be seen that the Salt Lake board, in the number of transactions and value of stocks, takes the lead and surpasses all other stock exchanges in this western country.

IN A recent issue of the Portland Telegram is published a story under a Sumpter date line and these headlines, extending across two columns: "Mines of Sumpter district. Indications that they will prove the richest in the world." One would judge from these surface indications that this lead was all right; but, as a matter of fact, it was all wrong. The first paragraph was an unsubstantiated, exaggerated statement of conditions existing here, which gave the color to the head lines. The remainder of the story was a suspicion arousing warning to the people not to buy eastern Oregon mining stocks. It is difficult to understand what any one's purpose can be in writing or publishing such an article. If any of these newspaper reformers, these too-honest-to-live scribblers know of any fraudulent mining com-

panies operating here, why in the name of common decency don't they expose the fakirs by name, and not cast suspicion on all the unnamed companies? Such work is either cowardice, idiocy or a bungling invitation to be "called off."

## STREET IMPROVEMENT NOTICE.

Resolutions of intention to improve Sumpter street from the west line of Mill street to the east line of Center street.

Notice is hereby given that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by the common council of the City of Sumpter, Baker county, Oregon, at a regular session thereof, held at the council chambers on the 13th day of July, 1901.

Resolved, That the council of the City of Sumpter proposes to improve Sumpter street from the west line of Mill street to the east line of Center street by grading the same to the established grade, removing all obstructions therefrom and by the laying of all necessary sidewalks, said improvement to be made at the cost of the property owners benefited thereby, in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter.

That protests against the above proposed improvement may be filed in the office of the City Recorder by the owner of lots or land abutting upon said proposed improvement, on or before 4 o'clock p. m. of the 28th day of July, 1901.

E. L. MANNING,  
City Recorder.

Sumpter, Oregon, July 17, 1901.

Hauser's Olympic saloon lunch bill consists of Blue Point oysters, "Fishing Club" brand of sardines, Van Camp's potted chicken and tongue, deviled ham, pickled pigs feet and lambs tongues, herring, German style, and Swiss cheese.

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