

WOMEN MINING OPERATORS.

Sex No Bar to Success in the Search for Precious Metals.

There are six women miners and mine owners out west who are regarded as notably successful by men familiar with the facts. An Ohio woman, a practical metallurgist, is the active manager and owner of important coal fields and operates a bell foundry.

The woman commonly referred to as Utah's Silver Queen has lately come into prominence through owning one of the most productive properties in the vicinity of Salt Lake City. The woman stockholder is chief owner, the main factor in all business movements, and derives a large income from a single mine, the practical output of which she understands as well as the monetary details. Eastern men who have met the mining queen describe her as large and rather handsome, extremely fond of dress, and with manners that are taking, though eccentric. Nobody knows anything of her antecedents, but she is supposed to have been born in one of the southern states, just previous to the civil war and to have had few educational advantages.

Helena, Montana, boasts a prosperous woman mine owner and practical mineralogist. There is another woman well known in mining circles at Silverton, Colo., and two in California who have had long and adventurous careers, punctuated with all the ups and downs of miners' experiences. One is the married daughter of a large property owner in Napa valley, a man renowned for his fine horse ranch. This mineralogist is ambitious. Secretary of one mining corporation, she owns a considerable share of the stock in another, and has recently fitted out two experienced miners to prospect for her and take up a claim in the Cape Nome tract. She got her taste for mining enterprises from first-hand contact with the miners and metallurgists, who were always about her from the time she could toddle. And her knowledge is apart from all scientific learning gained in school or college.

Another Californian is the daughter of a Mississippi cotton planter who married and went to the gold mining state the year after Lee's surrender. She had never associated with miners and knew nothing more of geology and mineralogy than is usually acquired in any ordinary school education. She liked outdoor life, however, and when left a widow with a child to bring up, embarked in mining. Phenomenal success attended her efforts from the start and made her the envy of the region. After a time she became so noted for lucky prospecting that the natives of Lower California called her Oro Madera, or "Mother of Gold."

She has located one after the other a dozen profitable mines, taking the reports of the state mineralogists as a guide and searching over government lands. Of course, in such pursuits she braved much loneliness, discomfort and actual danger from the beasts of the wilds and has written herself a heroine, being out in all kinds of weather, riding, tramping, camping, often at a distance from water and beyond reach of aid should mischance befall her.—Exchange.

Pleased With This District.

F. J. Hard, well known in connection with the Oregon Stock exchange of Portland, left Monday for home, after a ten days stay here and at the Copperopolis mine in the Quartzburg district, which property he is largely interested in and has in operation. He also is in charge of the affairs of the Huronian Gold Mining company, owning claims near the Bald mountain, and which he has arranged to continue work upon at once, a crew beginning there in a few days. Mr. Hard is a former Colorado mining man

who has cast his lot in eastern and southern Oregon, but in conversation with a MINER representative while here, said he would prefer to concentrate his entire interests and energy to this section, as his observations lead him to believe it is the best country he has yet been in and all it needs is development by men of money and mining experience. He is well pleased with the progress, condition and future outlook for the Quartzburg mine, where Superintendent Dunn, the original owner, is in charge. Mr. Hard will return soon, bringing several Portland capitalists up who have mining interests here and desire to investigate the same.

New Map of the Cable Cove District.

Engineer W. H. W. Hamilton has just completed a new map of the Cable Cove mining district, 17x23 inches in size, showing the various properties there, the mountain ranges, water courses, wagon roads and trails. Blue prints of the same are for sale at THE MINER office at \$1.50 each, sent postpaid to any address on receipt of the price.

Quartz location notices, with affidavit of assessment work attached, for sale at THE MINER office.

ORDINANCE NO. 128.

An ordinance to provide for the purity of the water supply of the City of Sumpter, and to provide for the better protection of the reservoir and property of the Sumpter Water Co.

THE CITY OF SUMPTER DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to cast any article of any kind whatsoever into the reservoir of the Sumpter Water Company, or in any manner pollute the water in said reservoir.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit or allow any dog or other animal to swim or to go into the reservoir of the Sumpter Water Company.

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to wade or swim in the reservoir of the Sumpter Water Company.

Section 4. It shall be unlawful for any person to mutilate or cut down any tree, shrub or growing thing upon the property of the Sumpter Water Company surrounding the reservoir of said company, without permission of said Water Company.

Section 5. Any person violating any of the foregoing sections of this ordinance, shall upon conviction thereof in the Recorder's Court of the City of Sumpter, be fined not less than five dollars or more than fifty dollars, or shall be imprisoned in the City Jail not less than two and one-half or more than twenty-five days, or shall be punished by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Recorder.

Passed the council July 13, 1901.

E. L. MANNING,

Recorder of the City of Sumpter.

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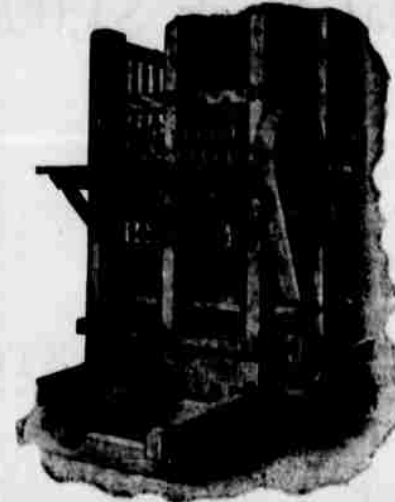
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