

BROWN, ROE AND MOHR

New Mining Firm That is Billed to do Big Business.

Everett Brown, Claude Roe and Anthony Mohr have formed a partnership and will engage in the general mining brokerage business, cutting out stocks, the business combination dating from November 1. Everett Brown's contract with the Cracker-Oregon, as general manager, terminated October 31. The new arrangement has been a matter of slow growth, the parties thereto having been watching each other all summer, each getting on to the other's curves. The business arrangements were practically agreed upon several weeks since, but could not be consummated until the above date, owing to existing engagements.

The gentlemen, working in harmony, have already turned one big deal, the sale of the Cracker-Oregon, mention of which was made in THE MIXER last week, and have another one "on," which will doubtless be closed in a day or two.

They have formulated a plan of campaign that will surely win out; bring much money into the district, benefitting all concerned, the district, themselves and their customers. During the winter Everett Brown will operate at his old home in New York state, Claude Roe at his former home in Nebraska and Anthony Mohr will have charge of the office here in Sumpter, one of his most important duties being to secure properties for his partners to sell east.

All of these gentlemen are well and favorably known in Sumpter and throughout the gold fields or eastern Oregon. They are thorough, reliable business men and can see as far into a mountain as the most famous mining expert alive—and know a good thing when they see it.

Brown, Roe and Mohr are billed to cut much ice in the mining operations of eastern Oregon.

SOME FACTS ABOUT COPPER.

One of First Metals Extracted From Ores by Man.

A few historical facts about copper are given by the American Metal Market as follows:

Copper was one of the first metals extracted from ores by man.

There are evidences that a prehistoric race in America possessed the art of putting a keener and more lasting edge on copper tools than is now possible.

The ancient world of Greece and Rome possessed stores of copper.

There are good reasons for believing that the Phoenicians knew of the copper deposits of Great Britain earlier than 1,000 years B. C.

Spain has been supplying copper to the world for 2,000 years at least.

At the beginning of the eighteenth century the Cornwall mines in Great Britain were producing probably over three-quarters of the world's supply of copper.

One hundred years ago the United States, Spain, Chile, Mexico, Canada, South Africa and Tasmania, which now makes 85 per cent of the world's copper, were not producers, or, at the most, of only a few tons each.

Great Britain produced 7,000 tons of copper in 1799 and maintained its position at the head of the world's copper properties until the end of the first half of the nineteenth century, since which time its production has steadily decreased until its output of 1899 was but

550 tons.

In 1806 the Calumet and Hecla mines were opened and quickly took first rank among the world's produce of copper.

In 1876 the Rio Tinto mines were reopened after a century of idleness.

In 1883 the Butte, Montana, camp was opened, and has now become the greatest copper producing district in the world.

Silver Reached Low Water Mark.

Silver struck low water mark again last week, reaching in London market 23 5-16 pence per ounce, the lowest in the history of the world. The same price was touched on May 3 of this year—an abrupt decline being then caused by heavy selling from the United States and a slackened demand from China. After that date, silver recovered gradually, and on July 10, reached the price of 25 9-16 pence. This high price was touched in response to a considerable order from the Paris mint, and some improvement in the demand from India. Since September 11, when the price was quoted at 24, decline has been rather rapid. London advices have ascribed this whole movement to increasing sales from New York. But it is also noteworthy that exports from England have continued to decline. To India, Great Britain has sent, thus far in 1902, \$5,000,000 less silver than in the same period of 1901; to China, \$2,160,000 less; the total decrease from last year being no less than 25 per cent. Our own exports of silver, during the nine months ending with September, have decreased \$5,907,000 from last year, or 12 per cent. The latest Treasury report shows decrease of \$9,600,000 in our exports to Great Britain, but increase of \$1,749,000 in shipments to other parts of North America, and of \$1,080,000 in direct shipments to Japan. The world's production of silver last year, was estimated by the United States Mint at 175,700,000 ounces, as against 172,800,000 in 1900, 167,200,000 in 1899, and 157,000,000 in 1898.—American Mining News.

"Now is the Appointed Time."

The O. R. & N. Co. has just issued a handsomely illustrated pamphlet entitled, "Oregon, Washington and Idaho and their resources." People in the east are anxious for information about the Pacific northwest. If you will give the O. R. & N. company agent at Baker City a list of names of eastern people, who are likely to be interested, the booklet will be mailed free to such persons. Yours truly, A. L. Craig, General Passenger Agent.

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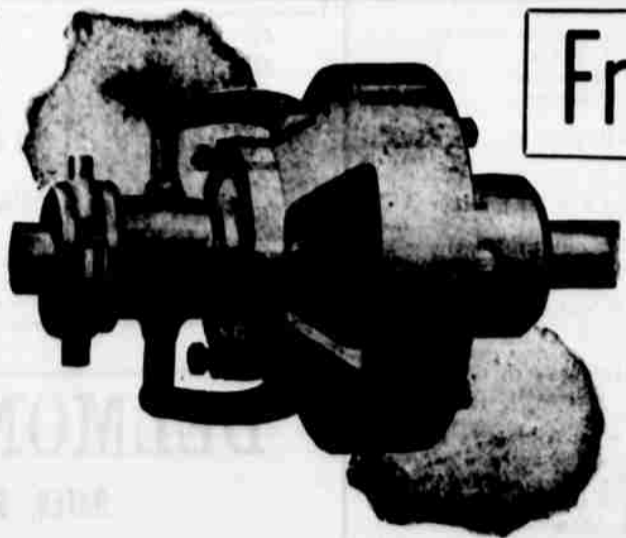
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