

**EASTERN CAPITAL
FOR OLYMPIA GROUP**

**Michigan People to Develop
Property on Large Scale—T.
W. Davidson Makes Deal.**

On the report and recommendation of Mining Engineers Browne & Smith, of this city, T. W. Davidson, who returned from the east a few days ago, placed the Olympia group of claims with Michigan capitalists. These claims include the Olympia, the Sunset, the Venus, the Fractional, the Independence and the Olympia Placer, all situated in the Cracker Creek district between Cracker and Sardine Creeks immediately west of the famous North Pole mine. Mr. Davidson was first interested in the property by Judge Evans, of this city. He bonded it last December from its original owners, William Phillips and William Niel, who have been in possession of the property for the last four years during which time they did considerable development work. Mr. Davidson continued this work, and on his trip east he succeeded in signing the bond over to Michigan capitalists, who, it is understood, will push development, and later when they get around to it, install machinery. Mr. Phillips, one of the original owners, who had a contract for driving a tunnel on the property, was in the city last week and was paid in full for the work done and awarded a contract for 200 feet more tunnel.

The group is considered among the best claims in the Cracker Creek district, and is near the famous Mother Lode, which it parallels on the western side. It is situated alongside the well known Mountain View property which is being developed by Engineer Esselsteyn, for Portland people. Mr. Esselsteyn is a graduate of the Houghton school of mines in Michigan, and was formerly in the employ of Captain De Lamar.

A 500 foot crosscut is now being driven from the Sardine creek side to tap the Venus tunnel, thus giving 125 foot depth of ore. A rich ore body was exposed on Venus tunnel a distance of seventy feet from its mouth. The company has very little to say about its prospective work, but it is understood that developments are to be carried forward with all possible speed and machinery installed when the work has sufficiently advanced.

HOMESTEADS GETTING SCARCE.

**Oregon Citizens Should Not Throw Away
the Opportunity.**

The matter cannot be too persistently impressed upon the citizens of Oregon that homesteads and timber claims in this state are getting scarce; that a great tide of immigration is flowing into the country; that the new settlers are taking up claims; that they will soon all be culled over, and that many a citizen of Oregon will have cause to regret not having availed himself of his homestead and timber land rights. These lands will increase in value from year to year, and a tract that is now apparently valueless will bring a good price within the next few years. Many men, now the head of families, are working from day to day without laying up a cent for the

future, when if they would select a home, while the opportunity remains, they would have a place to go in their old age. Oregon citizens should not throw away this opportunity that will soon be beyond their reach. Every day's delay is that much lost.—Portland Journal.

To Wed.

Lieutenant Charles Johnston Nelson, U. S. A., and Miss Eda Elizabeth McCammon, daughter of Major and Mrs. W. W. McCammon, of Vancouver, Washington, are to be married at St. Luke's church in Vancouver, Tuesday, March 31. Miss McCammon is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McCammon, of this city. The newly married couple will visit relatives in Baltimore and will sail from San Francisco for the Philippines the first of July, where Lieutenant Nelson is to be stationed.

The Mormon Temple.

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