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Keystone Company Alleges Disregard of Temporary Restraining Order.

Contempt proceedings were to be instituted at Canyon City today by the Keystone Mining company, against the Equity Copper and Gold Mining company, of Quartzburg, for alleged disregard of the temporary restraining order granted last week by Judge Clifford, forbidding trespass on the property claimed by the Keystone company, pending a hearing for permanent injunction at the next term of Circuit court in Grant county. The necessary papers were prepared here by the company's attorney, N. C. Richards, and transmitted to its legal representatives at Canyon City.

This new feature of the case grows out of the allegation that the Equity company paid no attention to the order of the court in the matter of a temporary injunction, but went ahead taking ore from ground claimed by the Keystone company and involved in the litigation recently inaugurated.

In the first place, the Keystone people allege that the Equity company has an overlapping location, designated as the Oregon claim, on Keystone ground, from which a large amount of valuable ore has been extracted. The Keystone company, therefore, instituted an action to permanently restrain the Equity company from removing ore from the Keystone claim and asking \$20,000 for damages alleged to have been done the property already.

As stated, a temporary restraining order was granted by Judge Clifford, pending the hearing for a permanent injunction. Now, it is charged by the Keystone people, and they state that ample evidence can be brought forward in support of the charge, that the Equity company has totally disregarded the command of the court, and continued to remove ore from the Keystone. Hence, the institution of contempt proceedings.

In its answer to the first complaint the Equity company makes Frank Watson, of Portland, from whom the Geiser-Hendryx company acquired the Keystone claim, and who organized the old Keystone Mining and Milling company and the present Keystone company, of which G. M. Anderson, of Inwood, Iowa, is president, parties to the suit. An attempt is made to set up a state of facts showing that the assessment work on the Keystone claim was allowed to lapse and that the ground was subject to relocation. On the other hand, the Keystone company claims that there is abundant evidence to prove that the assessment work has been performed according to law.

President Anderson, who has been

here several days on account of the litigation, left for home this afternoon. He will probably return, he states, when the case comes up for trial.

Shareholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank, of Sumpter, Tuesday, February 16, 1904, at their banking house at 11 a. m.

R. H. MILLER, Cashier.

Dated Jan. 11, 1904.

LOST—Large silver belt pin, Saturday evening. Return to E. P. Hergman and receive reward.

BODY OF REESE WILL BE HELD

J. B. Fryer, of the Case Furniture company, returned from Greenhorn at 9:30 last night with the body of J. W. Reese, the victim of the explosion at the Virginia mine. It is not known yet what disposition will be made of the remains. The Greenhorn Miners Union wired a brother of the deceased at North English, Iowa, for instructions, and a telephone message to the Case Furniture

company from Greenhorn late last night, stated that a reply from the brother had been received, and that the body was to be held until his arrival.

He will probably be here Friday or Saturday, and it is not known whether the burial will take place here, or whether the remains will be taken back to Iowa for interment.

Reports from Baker City state that Weeden, the other victim of the explosion, is getting along nicely at the St. Elizabeth's hospital, and it is thought he will recover.

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