

The Storm King Mines

Facts Facts

Why Mining is the Best Investment of Modern Times

How can the **Banker** guarantee you 3 or 3½ per cent interest on your money? Does it not become apparent to you that he must invest your **Money** in an enterprise that will pay him not less than 10 per cent interest on **Your Money** in order to be assured a **Margin** of profit?

Business statistics of the entire world conclusively prove this fact, **That Your Money** in the hands of a **Banker**, is being placed in first class mining stock, as it is conceded by financiers that mining stock is a legitimate company is now one of the **First-Class** securities of the day.

There is a method in the **Banker's** way of doing business. Look at the many thousands of dividend-paying mines; they were at one time mere prospects, some of them of uncertain future prosperity, yet perseverance, coupled with an economical use of the stockholders' money, brought their **Golden Treasures** to the light of day, to be distributed in dividends to the patient shareholders.

The production of **Gold** is now the highest ever reached.

In 1902 the production of **Gold** amounted to \$296,000,000, and in 1903 the production amounted to \$310,000,000.

And it is confidently computed by experts that the production will reach the enormous sum of \$350,000,000 during the present year 1904.

The above figure are the **Facts** that determine the **Banker** in placing **Your Money** where he will draw from 25 to 1,000 per cent while **You** are drawing your begrudged 3½ per cent on the same money.

Now do you still wonder why **Bankers** are so wealthy, while your nose is ever on the grindstone?

Friend, shake off your old **Fogy** ideas. Mining is as safe as banking; if it were not, **Bankers** would not invest **Your Money** in mining stock.

You have as good judgment in money matters as the **Banker**; then why not use your reason, and place **Your Money** where it will bring you the greatest returns?

We ask you to thoroughly investigate the **Storm King** group of mines, owned by the **Forest Mining Company**. Send your own expert, and if we cannot substantiate each and every statement, we will cheerfully pay all of his expenses.

Bear in mind, three of the most widely known **Mining Engineers** and **Mineralogists** have examined the **Storm King Mines**, and their opinions and reports will be mailed to you upon receipt of name and address.

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REFERENCES—BANKS AND BUSINESS HOUSES—REFERENCES

LUMBER PLANT AT STICES GULCH

The sawmill plant purchased by the E. and E. of the Oregon and Wisconsin Lumber company at Stices gulch arrived by the Sumpter Valley this morning, and William Robertson, who has the contract for operating the mill for the company, will move the machinery to the location just above town at once.

The Oregon and Wisconsin company found this plant too small to meet its requirements and consequently sold it, with a view to installing a larger and more complete mill. The machinery is now on the ground and much of it has been installed. Dr. Ed W. Mueller, who is out at Stices gulch the other day looking after his company's placer interests, says that the new plant is a fine one, and that things are moving in the direction of early operation. The daily capacity of the new mill will be in the neighborhood of 25,000 feet. The old mill sold to the E. and E. cut some thing over 10,000 feet.

Dr. Ed. Mueller says the Stices Gulch placers are working night and day shifts. Lots of dirt is being handled and a long season is expected, with a big clean up at the end.

EVEN THE WOMEN FOLKS "PIPE" OFF PORTLAND

A woman who is a practical miner, who owns large mineral interests and who transacts her own business, Mrs. Charles D. Andrew, of La Porte, Indiana expresses wonderment at the

apathy existing in Portland relative to development of the mines of Oregon. Mrs. Andrew says she found in Chicago more general interest in the mineral resources of this state than among the merchants and others than mining men of the Webfoot metropolis. Mrs. Andrew but lately came to Portland from the east, but will make her home there. To the Telegram she said:

"I heard more in a three weeks' trip to Chicago from my home at La Porte, of Oregon's wonderful mines than I have heard since I came here. Your business men do not know, and it appears to me as if they did not care to know, the mineral production of the state. I have visited some of the mining sections of Oregon and am astonished at what I see and learn of the great ore deposits of the state.

"Why is it that Oregon has not a larger population than she has? Just compare this state with Washington. Oregon was admitted to the Union in 1859 and in 1900 is credited with a population of 413,536, while Washington was admitted in 1889, and had a population in 1900 of 581,103, or over 100,000 more than Oregon. I claim it is to the lack of push and energy of Portland's business men that this state of affairs is due.

"The same is true of your mining industry, and is equally applicable to Washington, which has practically no mines compared with Oregon. Yet the United States government gives Washington a greater output than Oregon is credited with. Your mines have not yet commenced to be worked, at least in the part of the state I have been in. Why, if the holes your people have abandoned in southern Oregon were in Colorado, they would be producing mines."

MT. RASTUS DISTRICT WILL BOOM THIS YEAR

Last Fall the Democrat predicted that Mount Rastus district would have a boom this spring and from all indications the Democrat's prophecy is to come true.

Claim owners who located last fall and who were unable to do development during the winter, on account of snow and a failure to get in supplies, are now preparing to get into the camp.

Many are there already and have started work. The Pennsylvania crowd has sent in supplies and miners and active development work has begun. Several persons see in Mt. Rastus camp an opportunity for business enterprises and will get things in shape at once.

One of these is T. J. Baldwin of this city. Mr. Baldwin will engage in the hotel, lodging house and liquor business. His buildings are already in course of construction and he has forwarded several wagon loads of freight from this city this week.

One outfit started over the road yesterday loaded with the saloon supplies and fixtures.

In a few days C. M. Kellogg, the veteran stage man, will stock the road from Baker City to the camp and put on a line of stages. This will be of great accommodation to the public and will accelerate the activity that is already manifest in the camp.—Democrat.

Another Hot Air Smelter.

An eastern smelter syndicate is interested in building a smelter near Marsh. Representatives of the com-

pany have visited the upper country and a site has been decided upon. This syndicate has been figuring on the proposition and has sent men here to look over the country. The smelter will occupy a tract of thirty acres between Marsh and Horseshoe Bend. The smelter will have a capacity of handling about 600 tons of ore a day. Employment will be given to 300 or 400 men.—Weiser Signal.

CRANE FLAT DREDGER SENT TO PROPERTY

Part of the dredging machinery for the Crane Flat placers, owned by Burch & Burbridge, of Spokane, was sent out to the property by the O. T. company yesterday and the rest will be forwarded at once.

It is the purpose of the company to get the dredger set up and in operation as soon as possible. Extensive work is contemplated this season.

Granite's New Industry.

A number of our mines have been closed during the winter, but the Gem is glad to report that there has been added at least one dividend paying industry to the camp this spring. We have reference to "Uncle" Joe Thornburg's wooden hen. It was started on a test run three weeks ago with 200 eggs, and this week has been engaged in making the clean-up. It is too early to state the percentage of values saved by this process, but there is no doubt but that the plant will be a dividend payer.—Gem.