

AMENT DAM IS IN BAD SHAPE

Floods Damage It—Affairs of Gold Drift Company Are in Bad Way—Receiver Has Been Asked for.

An inspection of the Golden Drift or Ament dam near Grants Pass shows that the recent high water nearly wrecked the dam, and that very little water is going over, but a great deal through the structure. That section of the dam nearest the railroad is entirely gone and the expense of repairs will probably nearly equal the original cost of the structure.

The future of the dam is uncertain. The day before the flood waters did their damage suit was brought by the minority stockholders of the Golden Drift Mining company against C. W. Ament, C. G. Ament and M. C. Ament, alleging fraud and securing the appointment of George E. Sanders as receiver. Oliver S. Brown, claiming to represent the Chicago stockholders, has asked for Sanders' removal.

Great Public Concern.

As the company had a contract with the Josephine County Irrigation company to pump water for irrigation around Grants Pass, and the pump was swept away by the flood, there is great public concern over the situation. Mr. Sanders has stated that arrangements will be made to pump the water circuit to contract. The complaint cites that in 1901 the defendant, C. W. Ament, caused articles of incorporation of the defendant Golden Drift Mining company to be executed, purporting to incorporate said mining company under the laws of the territory of Arizona, which articles were duly executed as required by law and caused the same to be filed with the recorder of Yavapai county, but said articles were never filed with the said secretary of said territory for such filing nor were the fees for such filing ever paid as required by the laws of said territory, for the complete formation of said Golden Drift Mining company, as an Arizona corporation.

Stock Never Subscribed.

That no books for subscription to the capital stock were ever opened nor were any subscriptions to its capital stock ever made by anyone. Nevertheless, said defendant C. W. Ament caused one share of the capital stock of the incorporation to be issued to each of the incorporators, who were then pretending to act as directors, leaving a balance of stock in the treasury of 1,499,993 shares. That the only business pretended to be transacted at the pretended meeting of the directors, in addition to a resolution adopting bylaws for the government of the Golden Drift Mining company, was to accept a proposition made by said defendant C. W. Ament offered to convey to defendant Golden Drift Mining company what is designated in the proposition as the "dry diggings" for a consideration of all the remaining capital stock of the corporation, having a par value of \$1,499,993. That in said proposition there is no description of the property, its acreage, value, location, or other description, than the "dry diggings."

Ament Not Owner.

That at the time C. W. Ament was not the owner of the property he offered to convey and the same did not exceed in value the sum of \$5000. That by said transaction that said parties acting as such board of directors, fraudulently confederating and conspiring with the defendant C. W. Ament to assist him in acquiring without consideration practically all the capital stock of said pretended corporation, passed a resolution directing that said stock be issued to said C. W. Ament as fully paid and non-assessable, in consideration of the acceptance of his said proposition.

That immediately thereafter C. W. Ament opened offices in Chicago, Ill., in the name of the Golden Drift Mining company, and although every share of its capital stock had been issued, began the sale of stock in said company from the stock that had theretofore been fraudulently issued to him.

Fraudulent Use of Mails.

That he carried on such sales by the fraudulent use of the United States mails, and advertising that those interested were not selling personal stock, and that the stock of the company would shortly begin to pay a dividend of one per cent, and that its property was in operation and producing, although said Golden Drift Mining company was not at said time the owner of any property at any place.

That in order to promote the sales of stock in said Golden Drift Mining company said defendant C. W. Ament in February, 1902, caused said board

BOOSTS TRADE IN FANCY VESTS

American Commission to Liberia Has Queer Result—Shoe Trade Soaring.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4.—The American commission to Liberia accomplished one thing of advantage to this country, at least. Since the distinguished Americans visited the African republic, there has been a great demand for waistcoats of the pattern worn by Emmett J. Scott of Alabama, one of the commissioners, and secretary to Booker T. Washington.

Scott's fancy vests carried a peculiar appeal to his colored brothers in far-away Africa, and consular reports state that fancy vests from America are eagerly sought in Liberia.

Shoes like those worn by Commissioner George Fale of Georgia can be sold in Liberia for ten times their value in America, and the cravats that adorned the bosom of Commissioner Roland Post Falkner of Pennsylvania are regarded as highly as precious stones.

The effort has been to strike an average of the clothes worn by the three and to secure a tout ensemble composed of the most striking articles in each commissioner's wardrobe.

"The recent visit of the American commissioners has opened a new chapter in the history of the country," says a report to the state department from Charge d'Affaires George W. Ellis. "The demand for American goods has received a new impetus." So great has been this demand, continues the report, "that many European merchants have placed orders for goods in Europe made in imitation of American merchandise. When an American ship arrives at Monrovia the local merchants rush frantically to purchase the cargo for fear that they will be driven out of business if they allow rivals to secure the American stuffs.

Ellis says that the profits are very tempting and that with better transportation facilities America could control the market in most lines.

E. F. A. Bittner of Denver, Colo., will open an employment bureau and business chance office in room 5 of the Taylor & Phipps block, Tuesday, December 7.

Trouble Over Bonds.

That of the total pretended bond issue of the Golden Drift Mining company, aggregating \$165,000, \$105,000 thereof was taken by C. W. Ament for himself, and his relatives, who are defendants herein. That of said \$105,000 of the pretended bonds of said company, \$95,000 thereof were pretended to be taken by C. W. Ament in payment for moneys which he had claimed to have advanced to said company, but which are the amounts above referred to.

That said bond issue was never authorized by the stockholders nor was it ever ratified by any stockholders' meeting thereof, and the same is illegal and void and ought to be set aside and annulled.

That by fraudulent manipulations the Golden Drift Mining company has outside indebtedness to the amount of \$70,000 and that the company owes C. W. Ament a sum in excess of \$25,000, C. G. Ament a sum in excess of \$60,000 and M. C. Ament a sum in excess of \$60,000, which sums are all in addition to those for which C. W. Ament had pretended to issue bonds of said company.

That C. W. Ament caused dividends to be paid on only such stock as he sold and that they were made under the name of the Golden Drift Mining company that he fraudulently converted the proceeds to his own use, excepting the proceeds from those small stock sales payable in small installments.

That C. W. Ament realized from the sales of stock standing in his name upon the books of the company approximately \$300,000, most of which he has converted to his own use, but the exact amount of which to the plaintiffs is unknown and therefore a receiver is asked for. Ks emfwp jpu jpu jpu jpu jpu jpu

CONCERT WAS MOST PLEASING

Many Local People Enjoyed High Grade Musical Entertainment Given Last Friday Evening.

The concert at the opera house Friday night, given by Maxmilian Dick and his company, was a strictly classic entertainment, and it is to Medford's credit that it fully arose to the occasion and showed its appreciation. The audience was a large one and, notwithstanding the extreme cold, which made it almost impossible to sit the performance through, on account of the opera house to make way for the construction of the new building next door. Yet the audience was good natured and seemed to be thoroughly entertained clear up to the last number, which was close to 11 o'clock.

Mr. Dick and his wife, the famous Edith Adams, are musicians that represent the school of German classics. They are artists who would be received in any city of America or Europe with favor. The program was so well chosen that it would be hard to select a favorite number. The Faust "Fantasie," played by Mr. Dick, was perhaps received with as much degree of enthusiasm as any musical number that has ever been rendered before a Medford audience. The critic said, "It is perfection."

It has been said of Edith Adams that she is America's greatest cellist, and after hearing last night's performance one is inclined to believe that she has fairly earned that reputation. Her tone is beautiful and her execution is simply wonderful. In her rendition of the "Elf Dance," by Popper, she made one feel that the cello was an instrument of wonderful possibilities.

Mr. Knauer is certainly an artist at the piano. His touch and technique stamps him as an artist. Mrs. Isaacs and Professor Field agree that he is a pianist of unusual ability, and I would consider their favorable criticism as the highest praise that Medford could bestow.

Miss Meyer, the soprano, was well received, although it was generally conceded by those who are up in things musical that her selection was not the best. She is attempting to sing the German music with a voice that would be much better adapted to the lighter French Italian melodies. Rossini, Donizetti or Verdi are authors that Miss Meyer should acquaint herself with and leave the heroic German music to the prima donnas who start off with a good hundred and eighty pounds and a voice to match.

Take it for all in all, the Central Grand Concert company gave Medford the highest grade musical entertainment that our hopeful and growing city has ever had.

Marion Tryer, who is conducting a hardware store in Talent, was in Medford on business Saturday.

SPECIAL RATE TO THE OREGON THRESHERS' ASSOCIATION,

At The Dalles, Or., December 2 and 3, 1909.

One and one-third fare on the certificate plan will be made from all points on the Southern Pacific (lines in Oregon) to The Dalles and return. Tickets on sale November 29, 30, December 1, 2 and 3. Final return limit December 6.

Important addresses will be made by representatives of the U. S. department of agriculture, Department of good roads; Prof. Philip S. Rose, Madison, Wis.; B. B. Clark, editor American Thresherman; Hon. Lionel R. Webster, Portland, Or., and others, on subjects of importance.

Two hundred dollars in gold will be given as prizes for the best wheat raised in Oregon.

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