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STORIES OF PROSPECTS AND PRODUCERS

STRUCK $80 ROCK

WHAT BUTTE MEN MISSED IN THE PONY DISTRICT.

HAD A BOND ON THE PROPERTY

Allowed It to Go by Default—The Owners Resumed Work and Opened Up a New Shoot in a Drift.

A new strike of three feet of $80 ore was made this week in the east drift on the 50 foot level of the Mountain Meadow mine, says the Pony Sentinel. This property has been developed to the water level by a shaft and considerable shipping ore taken out during the past. It was recently bonded to Butte parties for $30,000, but they failed to come to taw and the property reverted to the owners, Cliff McKittrick and Hon. E. S. Adkins.

This strike places the Mountain Meadow in the front rank with the big mines in this district. The owners are delighted with the splendid showing and the fact that the bond was not taken up. A new hoist and pump will be installed at once and the shaft sunk to lower levels.

The Mountain Meadow lies west of the Garnet company's mines and just east of the Eagle group owned by Ellis & Lennstrend.

THE LESTER GROUP.

Property Is Meeting the Expectations of Its Owners.

News comes from Hulbert canyon that the Lester group of mines, owned by Joe Armors and Bob Jeffries, have a better showing now than ever, says the Madison County Monitor. The main workings on the grounds is a tunnel 570 feet long and about 350 feet under ground and at the face shows the lead to be 26 feet wide. At 470 feet a cross-cut was run developing a lead of 24 feet. An average of six samples taken show the assay value to be $8 per ton and it is claimed that it is good cyaniding ore. On the Iowa, which is one of the Lester group, there has been discovered a lead bearing values, the average of which is $34 per ton.

WILL RUN TUNNEL

WEST FISHER COMPANY HAS RESUMED OPERATIONS.

HAS GROUP OF EIGHT CLAIMS

Will Install New Ten-Stamp Mill as Soon as Spring Opens—Values Are in Free Gold and the Rich Vein Is Flat.

A special from Libby to the Helena Record says that the West Fisher Gold Mining company has let a contract to Garret & Noble for a 100-foot extension of the tunnel on its Last Chance in the West Fisher district at $12 a foot. The tunnel is now 100 feet long and at the face of the ledge is 13½ feet wide, as shown in an upraise, and carries good values.

This compapy owns a group of eight claims on the north side of Blacktail mountain, a water right and a mill site, between the American Kootenai Mining company and the Blacktail Mining company, on both of which properties there are ten-stamp mills.

It is reported to be the intention of the company to make arrangements to install a ten-stamp mill as soon as the weather will permit in the spring and a deal is on foot to raise the money for it.

The ore is similar in character to all the ore from the other properties in the West Fisher gold belt, the vein is flat, the walls are of slate and the values are in free gold.

Philosophic Maunderings.

(Baltimore News.)

When a fellow has nothing else to do, the best thing he can do is nothing.

A man who is suddenly accepted by an heiress knows what it feels like to jump into an ice-cold bath in winter.

The minute a man begins to think, he discovers plenty to think about.

When a man's trolley is off, current topics have little interest for him.

It's bad luck to drop a wedding cake, but it's worse to have to clean the carpet afterward.

More Than Low.

(Philadelphia Press.)

"Whew! the temperature's pretty low this morning."

"Low! It's positively vulgar."

A MAMMOTH ZONE

CONCATENATION OF STRIKES NEAR PONY.

EXTENT OF THE MINERAL BELT

No One Seems to Know Where It Commences or Ends—Nine Feet of Steel Galena Found in One Property..

Although the mineral zone surrounding Pony has been known for years, still the old timer, who long years ago pinned his faith to the district, is constantly being mildly surprized at new strikes that are frequently being made, says the Pony Sentinel.

The width and length of the mineral belt here is still an unknown quantity. New ground and new strikes are a matter of almost daily report. When spring comes many new properties will be opened up that have been idle through want of capital.

The Butte & Potosi Mining company has had a force of eight men at work on its group of four claims 11 miles south of Pony for some time past and has driven a crosscut tunnel 110 feet tapping the ledge at a vertical depth of 100 feet. At this point nine feet of steel galena was encountered, carrying 60 per cent lead, $48 in gold and 12 ounces silver. A drift of 300 feet on the ledge proves this great body of high grade ore to be continuous.

This strike will be an incentive for owners who for various reasons have been slow to develop their claims, to renew active operations with added vigor and faith.

Will Build New Smelter.

The Butte & Potosi company will erect a 100 ton concentrator in the spring to reduce their ore, it being of an almost ideal concentrating character.

In the Potosi district the veins are of immense size and are noted for their rich silver values at the surface. It is believed by mining men who have examined the outcrops that the silver is but a capping for copper, as was the case in Butte, for copper indications occur with the silver.

No depth to speak of has been attained, although considerable prospecting has been done in the past and prior to the slump in silver several tons of very high grade silver ore was packed out and shipped to Butte.

It is certain that with intelligent effort and capital this portion of rich old Madison county will show up more than one bonanza.

A Destructive Snowslide.

It Destroys a Ten-Stamp Mill in the West Fisher.

John Brannagan, manager of the Fisher Creek Mining company, returned to Libby last night from the West Fisher district and says that a snowslide completely destroyed the 10-stamp mill which was erected last fall by the Blacktail Mining company, says a special from Libby to the Helena Record. This mill was located on Bramlett creek, about a quarter of a mile up the creek from the Fisher Creek Mining company's mill, and was completed last fall and a trial run made, which showed the machinery to be properly in place and ready to grind the ore. Sanford & Grubb of Kalispell are the principal owners.

On account of the development of the mine not being sufficient to keep the mill running the mill was idle all winter, but was to have been started up this spring.

The report is that the slide carried away the boiler and engine room, together with the machinery and that the main building was crushed, the machinery in which has been seriously damaged. The watchman at the mill was not hurt.

The cost of the mill is estimated at about $10,000. What the owners intend doing toward its reconstruction has not yet been announced.

The destruction of this plant is quite a serious setback for the West Fisher district, as that camp is just assuming the proportions of a producer, and its loss will be indirectly felt by all who have property in that section.

Mr. Brannagan also says that the tramway of the American Kootenai Mining company was destroyed and that the snowslide also took out about 300 feet of the flume leading from Mill creek to the company's 10-stamp mill.

The tramway is about 2,200 feet in length and its destruction is a serious loss for the company. The damage to the flume, while inconvenient, is not serious and will soon be repaired.

CAVE IN PUNCHES MINE.

The Chamber Is Surrounded by Solid, Rich Ore.

Shipments of a carload of ore a day are being made regularly from the Punches mine in Greenhorn gulch, 12 miles west of the city, says the Record. Two carloads of high grade carbonate ore averaged from $250 to $300 per car. The shaft is down 270 feet on the incline and a crosscut shows the vein to be from 12 to 20 feet wide of solid ore.

A big cave was discovered in the ore body last week through which a man can go over 20 feet. The cave is surrounded on all sides by solid ore. A force of 25 men is employed. It is a contact vein between lime and granite, and is one of the most promising properties in the Helena district. The most remarkable thing about it is that it should have been run over for years by all the oldtime prospectors and no one suspecting its value. Punches started it with the idea of supplying the smelte with flux.

Work has been started by six men preparing for development on the Combination Mining & Improvement company's property at Greenhorn. The force will be increased as fast as work permits. This is the Beahm bonanza for which a company of Chicago, South Dakota and Red Lodge people was organized.

Jones' dairy farm. Pure pork sausage at Brophy's.

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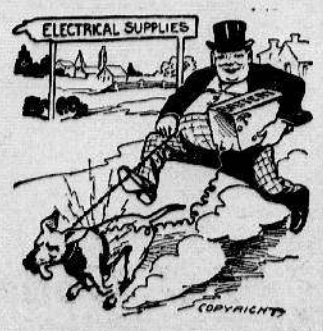

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NEW YORK GOSSIP

MISS GOELET'S ESTATE VALUED AT OVER A MILLION.

DEBUT OF PRESIDENT'S COUSIN

Row About Theater Ticket Speculators in Which the Managers Are Exposed—New York Hair Dressers' Styles.

(Special Correspondence.)

New York, Feb. 25.—There was a vague idea last night in certain republican circles that Thomas Brackett Reed, formerly congressman for the Portland district in Maine and for the last two years a resident of New York city, might make a good candidate to be nominated for governor by the republicans at the state convention, which is to assemble in Saratoga in September next.

Miss Goelet's Estate.

Miss Beatrice Goelet, whose sudden death 10 days ago after a short illness of pneumonia was a shock to society and to the many friends of her mother, is reputed to have left an estate of more than $1,000,000.

Had she lived to have attained her majority, it is said, she would have been one of the wealthiest young women in the country, as then she would have inherited a large portion of the many millions left by her father, Robert Goelet, who died on his yacht off Naples, April 27, 1899. Surrogate Fitzgerald today granted letters of administration on her estate to her mother, Harriet W. Goelet, who has been required to furnish a bond of $1,400,000.

Debut of President's Cousin.

Miss Cornelia Roosevelt Scovel, a cousin of President Roosevelt, made her operatic debut at the Waldorf Astoria recently, when she was supported by several members of the Metropolitan Opera company. Miss Scovel's father, Chevalier Scovel, was a famous American singer. Her mother is President Roosevelt's first cousin.

Mother and daughter were at the White house to assist at the coming out ball of Miss Alice Roosevelt January 3. President Roosevelt takes an active interest in the operatic success of Miss Scovel, who has been studying in Florence for several years and gives promise of winning much fame in her chosen line as her highly distinguished relative.

Ticket Scalpers Are Official.

Theatrical managers who have given loud voice to the general howl against speculators, whom they fain would abolish, apparently regard the public as foolish. Two of these licensed rowdies were arraigned in court the other day and one of them made an illuminating statement worth any amount of protests and good profession:

"Why, the theater people know we are ticket speculators. It is a regular thing for us to buy $60 worth of tickets a day at the box office. We can show tickets at most any time for a whole row across the theater. They know who we are when they sell us the tickets."

The next time you're held up, hustled, battered and assaulted by these sidewalk peddlers, don't get angry with them.

It is their business. Reserve your wrath for the man behind the man who is behind the box office window. The evil exists because the manager is insincere.

Policeman Victim of Bridgemania.

The Brooklyn bridge crush keeps piling up its victims, but the latest is unique. A policeman stationed at this end of the bridge was removed to Bellevue a short time ago with his nerves shattered.

The queer thing is that bridge and trolley car madness does not knock out a large proportion of motormen and other officers who have to do with that scene of morning and evening pandemonium. For many years the policeman kept dodging the trolleys at the loops and guiding the mad throng through aisles of safety. Now he is paying the cost.

Hilarious Wake Over Old Martin's.

It was day when the revelry ceased at the old Hotel Martin, Ninth street and University place, the other morning, and as the leading lights of Bohemia were leaving the famous old hostelry they elbowed the workmen who were entering to raze it. Rarely has an edifice doomed for destruction known a more delirous funeral or a more hilarious wake.

A great many who came to dine stayed to breakfast. M. Martin's private banquet to his personal friends did not begin until 11 o'clock, and at 6:35 this morning no one had called his ambulance. Downstairs in the dining room meanwhile the waiters were dropping tears into everybody's soup, and later on some of the diners were weeping with equal vehemence over the size of their checks. Miss Lillian Russell, Miss Anna Held and Frank Daniels were among the distinguished mourners who sat up with the corpse and dropped an honest sigh over another bit of old New York as it passed into oblivion. Saving Delmonico's itself no New York restaurant has had a more brilliant career than the Martin, and not one has approached its grand finale with a greater display of fireworks.

Jones' dairy farm. Pure pork sausage at Brophy's.

BIDS WANTED.

Sealed proposals will be received by the city council of the city of Butte, to be filed with the city clerk until seven-thirty (7:30) o'clock p. m., Wednesday, March 5, 1902.

For two street sprinklers of 600 gallons' capacity each.

Specifications and form of bid may be seen at the office of the city clerk.

Each bid must be in writing and must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of $100.00, which will be considered as liquidated damages if the requirements in the way of contract and bond shall not be complied with, within five (5) days after the award has been made.

The city reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

W. K. QUARLES,
City Clerk.

Dated February 21, 1902.

WILL NOT YIELD

MERGER SUIT GOES AGAINST STATE OF MINNESOTA.

VAN SANT WILL NOT STOP

He Says That They Will Proceed Anyway and Exhaust Every Means in Its Power to Enforce the Law.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 25.—The supreme court yesterday delivered its opinion in the case of Minnesota vs. the Northern Securities company in the application of the state to file a bill of complaint in that court. The opinion was read by Judge Shiras, and the motion for leave to file the bill was denied on the ground that this court was without jurisdiction.

This is the case in which the state of Minnesota made an effort to secure the intervention of the supreme court to prevent the merging of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads by injunction.

Shires Read the Decision.

Justice Shiras summed up the decision of the court as follows:

"As the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads are indispensable parties, without whose presence the court, acting as a court of equity, cannot proceed, and as our constitutional jurisdiction would not extend to the case if those companies were made parties defendant, the motion for leave to file the proposed bill must be and is denied."

The opinion is a voluminous one, but the greater part of it is a review of the history of the case. Justice Shiras said the question to be determined was whether the parties to the case were before the court, and he held that it was obvious that the minority stockholders of the two railroad companies are not represented in the controversy by the companies whose stock they hold, and their rights ought not to be affected without a hearing, even if it were conceded that a majority of the stock in such companies, held by a few persons, had assisted in forming some sort of an illegal arrangement.

"Moreover, it must not be overlooked that it is not the private interests of stockholders that are alone to be considered."

The opinion then continues:

"Directors of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific companies are appointed to represent and protect not merely the private and pecuniary interests of the stockholders, but the rights of the public at large, which is deeply concerned in the proper and advantageous management of these public highways. It is not sufficient to say that the attorney general or the governor, or even the legislature of the state, can be conclusively deemed to represent the public interests in such a public controversy as presented by the bill.

State Cannot Represent Both Sides.

"Even a state, when she voluntarily becomes a complainant in a court of equity, cannot claim to represent both sides of the controversy. Not only have the stockholders, be they few or many, a right to be heard through the officers and directors whom they have legally selected to represent them, but the general interests of the public, which might be deeply affected by the decree of the court, are entitled to be heard, and that when the state is complainant and in a case like the present, can only be effected by the presence of the railroad companies as parties defendant.

Allegations May Be True.

"Upon investigation it might turn out that the allegations of the bill are well founded and that the state is entitled to relief, or it might turn out that there is no intention or design on the part of the railroad companies to form any combination in disregard of the policy of the state, but that what is proposed is consistent with that policy and advantageous to the communities affected.

"But in making such investigation a court of equity must insist that both sides of the controversy shall be adequately represented and fully heard.

"When it appears to a court of equity that a case otherwise presenting ground for its action cannot be dealt with because of the absence of other parties, it is usual for the court, while sustaining the objection, to grant leave to the complainant to amend by bringing in such parties. But when it likewise appears that necessary and indispensable parties are beyond the reach of the jurisdiction of the court, or that when made parties the jurisdiction of the court will thereby be defeated, for the court to grant leave to attend would be useless."

WEEK'S PROGRAM

PHILIPPINE TARIFF BILL VOTED ON THIS AFTERNOON.

PRINCE HENRY MAY BE THERE

Week in the House Will Probably Be Put in Considering the Appropriation Bills—Ceremonies in Honor of McKinley.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 25.—In accordance with the agreement heretofore reached, the senate will begin voting at 4 o'clock on the Philippine tariff bill. All the time of the day's session previous to the hour was devoted to brief speeches for and against the bill, the time being divided between the supporters and the opponents of the bill.

The opinion has been advanced that Saturday's episode between Senators Tillman and McLaurin might have the effect of causing a postponement of the time set for the vote in order to permit senators to speak who desired to do so, but there is no probability of any change of program.

The senate regards a unanimous consent agreement very sacredly and never allows anything to interfere with them.

According to program, Prince Henry was to have been a witness to part of the ceremony of taking the vote on the Philippine bill and he would have been allowed to observe it either from the floor or the gallery of the senate, as he might prefer.

Probably all the members of the senate will be presented to him but it is not intended that his presence shall interfere in any way with the prosecution of the business of the senate.

Irrigation Bill Next.

The irrigation bill now holds the place of vantage on the senate calendar, next to the Philippine bill, and probably will receive the attention of the senate after the Philippine bill is out of the way.

There is, however, some impatience on the part of the friends of the ship and subsidy bill over the present arrangement, and if the irrigation bill should consume a great deal of time there may be an effort to displace it.

All will depend on the action of the republican steering committee.

The bill making appropriations for congress and the different departments of the goverment will be reported to the senate during the week and probably will be taken up for action the next day after it is reported.

Today the senate will unite with the house in the ceremonies in honor of the memory of President McKinley.

NEARLY A FIST FIGHT.

Wordy War in Provincial Legislature at Victoria.

(By Associated Press.)

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 25.—There was a disgraceful scene in the provincial legislature yesterday afternoon over the seat in the house usually alloted to the leader of the opposition. Richard McBride took it and when Mr. Joe Martin arrived there was a wordy war.

Mr. McBride held the seat until the chaplain arose to read the prayer. The new leader of the opposition rose also and Mr. Martin slipped into the chair.

Smith Curtis threw him back and Mr. Martin's followers sprang forward. It came within an ace of being a fist fight, but resulted in a war of words.

A special from Ottawa says the Hon. Clifford Sifton, in the house of commons, presented the order in chief in regard to the Treadgold concession.

The order makes provision that the Treadgold company must supply to the miners on Bonanza, Hunker and Bear creeks 2,000 inches of water at 25 cents per inch. The first order was for a charge of $1 per inch and required that the company should supply only 1,000 inches.

It is believed that this amendment will satisfy the Dawson miners, who are now paying 40 cents per inch for water in insufficient quantities.

The Result.

(Chicago Record-Herald.)

Jigfeller—Oh, yes; it's great medicine, all right! Three months ago the only pleasure I had in life was smoking.

Dr. Mendemall—And now——

Jifgeller—Now I haven't any pleasure in life.

Political Tendencies.

(North American.)

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