

INTERESTING NEWS OF THE MINES

NESPELEM MINES TO HAVE A MILL

WASHINGTON CLAIMS WILL BE MORE VALUABLE WHEN NEW PLANT IS INSTALLED.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Spokane, Dec. 25.—E. K. Jacobs, the Nespelem mining man, is in the city and states that Wheeler & Chapman of Vermont will install a custom mill on the Hattie E. early next spring.

Mr. Jacobs has been working on the Kickapoo, employing four men on a contract. The men have been making about two and a half feet per day, and are in ore that runs about \$10 to the ton in gold and silver.

Dr. Hudnut is working six men on the Multnomah claim and is getting ready to start a long tunnel to tap the veins at depth. He is taking out some good ore. John Wilson of the Apache mine is now in St. Paul. The Apache will have to put in machinery before much more work can be done, and this machinery has already been purchased.

Notice to Stockholders.

Butte, Montana, December 13, 1902. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Silver Bow National Bank of Butte City will be held Tuesday, January 13, 1903, at 4 o'clock p. m., at the banking house of said bank, for the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

Respectfully, FAYETTE HARRINGTON, Cashier.

MODERN DREDGES ARE TO BE USED

PRESENT PROCESS OF WINNING GOLD AT CARIBOO SAID TO BE ENTIRELY TOO COSTLY.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 25.—That there are millions in Cariboo yet is as certain as anything well can be, but it is a costly proceeding winning the gold. The newest proposal is to introduce modern gold dredges there. What he saw has convinced him that if his company's ground near Harper's camp, in Cariboo, prospects up to the average of what the mine has already promised the cheapest method and most satisfactory will be to use hydraulic elevators. One dollar to the cubic yard has been the yield so far, but the expense has so eaten into the profits that some other means must be adopted to save the gold.

He finds that the California dredges are worked by electricity, and the cost is only four cents a yard. If the dredges work well a new era may open up for Cariboo.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Butte will be held at the office of said bank in Butte, Montana, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 1 p. m. The object of the meeting is the election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

E. B. WEIRICK, Cashier. Dated Butte, Montana, December 14, 1902. Meet me at the Pfister.

WHAT IS DOING IN TONOPAH DISTRICT

THEY SEEM TO BE WORKING A NUMBER OF CLAIMS IN LIVELY FASHION DOWN THERE.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Tonopah, Dec. 25.—The Tonopah Amalgamated property, consisting of four full claims, lies a short distance south of the Gold Hill group. It is the property of a close corporation, organized with headquarters at Salt Lake. During the past week work has been started upon a shaft to be sunk 200 feet deep upon the Piedmont claim. The claims were purchased from Warren & Hill more than a year ago and there has been little or nothing heard about the property here since that time.

Ground has been broken for a double-compartment working shaft on the Molly claim of the Molly Mining company. This is one of the properties lately acquired by George E. Hensel from Messrs. Oddie, Siebert and McCarthy, and is situated 2,500 feet southwesterly from the G. & H. tunnel. Mr. McCarthy has charge of the work. The shaft will be sunk 50 feet, hoisting machinery for which will be on the way here shortly after January 1. The shaft on the New York-Tonopah, which, beyond question, lies on the westerly trend of the rich ledges disclosed in the Stone Cabin works of the Salt Lake company, has reached the depth of 300 feet. Progress downward is through blue-black porphyry striated with seams of calcite.

At the Halifax property, belonging to David Keith and others, the 50-horsepower steam engine has been set in place and the 70-horsepower boiler will arrive in a few days. Sinking will shortly be resumed.

NORTH POLE MINE DOWN IN SUMPTER

EXTRAORDINARY VALUES SAID TO BE CONTAINED IN A SHIPMENT FROM THE CLAIM.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Sumpter, Ore., Dec. 25.—Extraordinary values were contained in a shipment of concentrates from the North Pole mine last Friday. Early in the summer development was started at greater depth and was rewarded by the discovery of a ledge of unusual richness.

From a few inches its width increased to two feet, and today the output from this streak is phenomenal. Besides operating the mill concentrates have been steadily shipped from that mine, and it has been estimated that the product is as high as \$100,000 a month.

With the addition of 20 more stamps to the mill, which work is just completed, the output will be greatly increased. There were two carloads in the last shipment, valued at \$60,000. The sacks which contain the ore are smelted for the purpose of retorting the gold that adheres to them. A new tramway from the mine to the mill, just installed to replace the old one, is now in operation transporting ore.

A WISCONSIN TOPOGRAPHY

A Special Government Map Issued of Wausau and Vicinity.

A striking and interesting topographic map of portions of Marathon, Lincoln and Langlade counties in Central Wisconsin is now in press and will shortly be issued by the United States Geological Survey. The town of Wausau, from which the map takes its name, Merrill and other smaller settlements along the Wisconsin river, appear on the map, which is of great accuracy and represents the latest and most careful work of the survey.

Its scale, approximately one-half inch to the mile, is sufficiently large to show with exactness the direction of all high-ways, boundaries and drainage features, and to indicate the locations not only of the larger settlements, but even of the individual dwellings in the country districts.

Of great interest also is the exhibition of the region's topographic features by means of a system of lines passing through points of equal elevation at intervals of 20 feet, which accurately outline even the more delicate features of relief, the shapes of the hills and valleys and the steepness of their grades. The contours also show the altitudes above sea level of all parts of the region.

This map will be followed by one, on a similar scale of the region immediately west of the Wausau district, known as the Marathon special quadrangle.

NINTH JOB

Given Up by Governor Taft, the Man of Resignations.

[Washington Cor. New York World.] There is little doubt, if any, that the president will appoint Governor Taft to the United States supreme court bench to succeed Justice Shiras, who retires next October on account of age. When Judge Taft is named he will add another resignation to his already long list.

No man in official life in the United States has so large a number of resignations to his credit. He has already given up eight offices, and the probability is that he will have 10 resignations to his credit before he finishes his upward stride, as it is understood to be the intention of the president to make him chief justice when Mr. Fuller retires two or three years hence.

During the interim Judge Taft will be serving a sort of apprenticeship on the bench. There is no doubt that had he lived and had the opportunity President McKinley would have appointed Taft to the chief justiceship, and the understanding is that President Roosevelt has fully as high an appreciation of the comparatively young man.

The first office Judge Taft filled was that of assistant prosecuting attorney of Hamilton county, Ohio. That he gave up to take a seat on the bench of the common pleas court. He resigned that for a place in another court, and surrendered that to take a seat on the superior court bench. He was serving in that capacity when he

was invited to become solicitor general of the United States. He resigned to take a seat on the bench of the United States district court at Cincinnati. That was a life position, but at earnest solicitation he gave it up to accept the appointment of president of the Philippine commission with the distinct understanding that when he had organized the government of the islands he should be given a place on the federal bench.

When the civil government was established as superior to the military in the Philippines the governor had to give up the office he had in order to take an original appointment under the new order of things. That made the eighth lucrative office he had given up.

WON AND LOST

Queer Result of a Bet Placed on a Horse That Ran First.

[New Orleans Times-Democrat.] They had been talking about experiences at the race track, how they had made small bets and lost large ones, as men sometimes will while discussing the little sporting experiences which they have. "Did you ever win and lose at exactly the same time, under exactly the same circumstances, at the same breath, as it were?" asked a man who had just come from the track. "That's what happened to me the other day, but I want to say right at the beginning it's a bad plan to repeat the story or an experience of the sort at home where your wife can hear it. I made this mistake, and received the consoling remark from my better half that I was a perfect idiot for betting the way I did. But to the meat of the thing: A horse was marked up on the board, at least on one board at \$15 to \$1. I made a rush for the bookmaker's stand with a \$2 bet in my hand. Showing the money up to him I yelled out, 'Give me \$2 on Razzle Dazzle, or some such name, at \$15 to \$1.' The bookmaker told me rather gruffly that he wasn't taking any bets on that particular horse. Over a few feet down the line another bookmaker had posted the horse at \$3 to 1. He took my \$2 two ways, to win and for the place, \$1 each way. To cut the yarn short, the horse won, and I cashed in a ticket for \$10, as the net result of the bet I had made two ways. Here is where the trouble came in and if the first bookmaker had accepted my \$2 I would have won \$30, at the betting odds of \$15 to \$1, for it was my first impulse to play the horse straight. Now, what is the net result of it all? Simply this: I won \$10 from one bookmaker, beat him out of it, if you please. The other bookmaker beat me out of \$30. Deducting what I won from what I lost, we find a difference of \$20. Mathematically, I am out just that much, while the other man is \$30 to the good. Morally he is responsible to me for \$30, which represents the difference between what I would have won on my original bet, and what I actually did win at the second betting stand, and morally responsible to the other bookmaker for \$10 which would make the thing come out all right. But I am dreaming, and, unhappily for me, my wife is dreaming after the same fashion, and no matter what view the bookmakers take of the matter I will have to make the apparent deficit good to the home account."

ALL DIFFERENT.

No Two Persons Can Ever Walk Exactly Alike.

[New Orleans Times-Democrat.] "Why is it impossible to find any two persons who walk exactly alike?" said the observant man. "Now, what do you think of a question of this sort? What do you think of the man who would ask such a foolish and thoughtless question? A few days ago a young friend of mine, and a young fellow who is much above the average in intelligence, put exactly this question to me. Ordinarily I have no quarrel with the man who asks questions for the purpose of elaborating a thesis, and in order to get new light on an obtuse question. But where a man asks a question so easily answered as one of the kind under discussion I cannot refrain from criticizing a condition of mental indolence which would give rise to the query: Why is it that a duck waddles? Why does a dog walk on four legs instead of two? Why is it that chickens do not build their nests in trees? The man who doesn't take the trouble of thinking now and then is not, of course, expected to answer these questions. The fact is that there are many men who never get as far as the questioning stage. They never ask why. On the other hand, the man, as a rule, who will take the mental exercise necessary in formulating the questions will have the mental power of answering them. This is not always true, of course. Ducks waddle because they are built that way. Nature made dogs so they would have to walk on four legs. Chickens do not live and nest in trees because they belong to the terrestrial or earth-loving species, and nature has not fitted their bodies and wings for long aerial voyages. Put in general terms, these different creatures live differently and have widely different habits because they are widely different structurally. No two men walk exactly alike because, while in a general way they are structurally similar, there are certain minor but important structural dissimilarities which result in different ways of walking. Take an extreme case as an illustration: Here are two men. One of them has bowlegs and the other is knock-kneed. Could you expect these two men, so totally dissimilar in certain details of their structural development, to have exactly the same kind of walk? Manifestly no. In the same way we account for the difference which exists generally in the manner and method of walking. The difference in the style and character of the walk depends upon the degree of difference in the minor structural dissimilarities. I am not unmindful of the fact that affectation often has much to do with a man's walk, but even in instances of this sort there are certain lines of differentiation due to the fundamental differences to which I have referred."

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