COUNTY RECORDS.

A Timely Discussion of a Subject of Vital Interest to the People of Montana.

BETTER SYSTEM NEEDED.

Hints Regarding the Keeping of Records of Entries and Transfers of Real Estate.

The following paper was read before the Montana Society of Civil Engineers at its annual meeting in Butte on the 22d inst., by George O. Foss, assistant engineer of the Northern Pacific and Montana railroad:

The importance of the records of the ownership and transfers of real estate in any country cannot be too highly estimated. On them the property holder depends for the quiet and peacable possession of his land; to them the purchaser must look for an abstract of title, and from them the assessment of taxes is made. It is, then, essential that they should be complete and so indexed as to show readily the ownership of every piece of such property. In Montana these records are kept in each county by an officer known as the county clerk and recorder. The laws relating to them are in many respects defective and incomplete, and in this paper I shall endeavor to call your attention to some of these defects and to suggest such changes as seem to be needed at the present time.

TOWNSHIP AND MINERAL PLATS.

The first authentic record of real property commences with the government survey of townships and mining claims and the plats thereof. The law should provide for a certified copy of all these plats in each county, to be kept in the county clerk's office, and for an index sheet or plat of each township in the county on a convenient scale, showing the relative location of all mining claims. The certified copies of plats should be added to as fast as new surveys are made and approved.

In unsurveyed townships there are at present many surveyed mining claims whose location is referred to an initial point, which is unconnected with the public land surveys. In order that these claims may be properly located in the townships in which they belong, the county surveyor should run the necessary connecting lines and file a plat of such survey with the county clerk, the survey to be made at the expense of the county.

MINERAL LOCATIONS.

The law relating to the location and recording of mining claims could be greatly improved. At present the discoverer stakes out his claim roughly on the ground, generally by pacing the distance between his stakes, and is then required to post a "location notice" and to file a copy thereof in the county clerk's office. The notice sets forth, that he has discovered a lode or ledge of silver-bearing rock, which he has christened the "Ruby lode;" that said lode is situated in the "Ten Mile Mining district," and that he claims as surface ground 300 feet in width on each side of the lode and 1,500 feet in length along the lode, and that he has set the necessary stakes at the corners of his claim. The township and range, that such mining claim is situated in are not given, nor is any mention made of adverse claims to the same surface ground. It often happens that the same ground is covered wholly or in part by several locations. Parties making a subsequent location may dispose of their interest by a quit claim deed, in which the description of the claim is a copy of the location notice. When a mineral location becomes valuable it is impossible to make a correct abstract of title and the purchaser of such a claim can not tell how many adverse claimants may appear when he applies for a patent.

It is frequently the case that there are several locations of lodes under the same name in the same mining district thereby adding to the confusion in the records.

In Colorado the law requires a survey to be made at the time of location, and a plat of such survey showing all conflicting claims to be filed with the county recorder.

This would be a great improvement, and while it would entail an additional expense on the discoverer, it establishes clearly the boundaries and location of his claim and lessens his chances of becoming involved in costly litigation in the future. At the same time the increased cost would prevent the filing of worthless locations, taken up with the hope of blackmailing some adjoining claimant, or of obtaining a small piece of agricultural land as mineral or for the timber on the land. Such locations are not unfrequently made, simply because it does not cost anything to locate a mining claim and once located opportunities are not wanting to dispose of it to others.

Plats of mineral locations should be filed in the county clerk's office and marked location survey No. — in the proper township and range. When the claim is officially surveyed and the plat thereof is received the clerk should write across the face of the location plat, in red ink, the number of the mineral survey and lot number of the township and range.

Such a law should provide for a location survey of all future discoveries, and also that the transfer of any claim, located prior to the passage of the act, should not be recorded until a location plat thereof was filed in the county clerk's office.

INDEXING TRANSFERS AND LIST OF PROPERTY.

The present system of indexing transfers of real estate is good enough so far as it goes, but it is almost impossible to find from the records the ownership of any particular piece of land.

The law for the assessment of taxes passed last winter provides that the clerk shall make out and turn over to the county assessor, on the 1st day of February of each year, a list of all the taxable property in the county, but as these books are in the hands of the assessor, while he is making the assessment, and after that in the county treasurer's office, they are not readily accessible. The assessment is made on the individual owning the property and the list is arranged alphabetically, so that the ownership of any particular piece can only be found by looking through the list. Besides, this list only contains the taxable property and is not a complete index to all lands transferred and claimed in the county. The clerk should keep another index book, showing all transfers and the ownership of each piece of real property. Each township should be indexed separately, commencing with section 1 and giving each section in its order. Then all surveyed mining claims in the township should be listed in the order of their lot numbers, and following these should be a list of all unsurveyed mining claims that can be located in the proper township. In unsurveyed townships all agricultural claims should be listed. This index book should show the date of each transfer and the grantee's and grantor's names and should have sufficient blank space to allow for at least ten transfers on each piece of property. These books could be started from the best information at the clerk's disposal and they would not interfere with any abstract books in the county, as it would be impracticable to make a complete record back of the year in which they were opened.

From this index book the clerk would find it an easy matter to make up the assessment books each year. This book could also be arranged to show all delinquent taxes and all sales for taxes.

PLATS OF LANDS.

In some states it is customary to have plats made of all the property in the county, on which the ownership of each tract is marked in pencil, but this is hardly needed in Montana at the present time, although a law, which allowed the clerk to have such plats made as were necessary to ascertain if all the land in any section was correctly assessed and described, would be advisable.

In Minnesota the county auditor, who performs many of the duties of the county clerk in this territory, has the authority where property is badly cut up and transferred by mete and bound descriptions, to order the same to be platted and thereafter the different pieces are described on the tax list as lots No. 1, 2, 3, etc., of Auditor's sub-division No. —. There are over forty of these auditor's subdivisions now platted in Hennepin county. The cost of such platting is assessed as a tax on the property.

PLATS OF TOWNSITES AND ADDITIONS.

While many of the plats of townsites and additions on file in the different counties are passably good, others are extremely bad and hardly one is perfect. The law is very loose in its wording and requirements. The most common errors are in the forms of certificates. Many of the plats contain errors of omission and some even it would be difficult to locate in the territory of Montana.

The law should state plainly the form of certificate to be used by the surveyor and by the parties owning the land, by which they dedicate the streets and alleys to the public use, usually known as the "dedication certificate." Each plat should show plainly the ground intended to be platted, which should also be described in the dedication certificate. All dimensions of every lot should be plainly marked on the plat; also the width of all streets and alleys and the distances and courses of the exterior boundaries; also all angles. Each plat should be carefully inspected by the county clerk before he receives it for record, and it should be his duty to refuse to record any plat that is not complete, according to law. The surveyor should set at least two monuments on every street, which should be correctly located on the plat.

In cities the plats of additions should first be submitted to the city engineer, who should examine them carefully and certify that they conform to the adjoining additions and parts of the town already platted. They should then be approved by the city council and the city clerk should certify to such approval. The last two certificates should be on the plat before it is received for record by the county clerk. The plats filed for record should then be copied in a plat book of a convenient size for the public use, and the originals should be deposited in the clerk's safe and only referred to by him to check the correctness of the copied plats. As the plats are now kept it would be an easy matter for any person, were he so disposed, to make erasures and changes on the originals, or to carry any plat away from the office and destroy it.

The law should provide for a sufficient fee for recording the plat in the manner suggested.

ROAD PLATS.

The record of the roads in the territory is very incomplete. A law was once passed making all traveled roads legal highways, but not providing for their survey. This law has since been repealed, so that only a few of the roads now traveled are legal, and the only record existing is of new roads opened in the last few years. The county commissioners should be required to have surveys made and legal roads established throughout each county and a plat of each road entered in the plat-book provided for that purpose. The above suggestions are submitted in the hope that the society may present such of them as meet with its approval, to the present session of the legislature and that some of the most needed amendments to the present law may be enacted at an early date.

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Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Helena Mining and Reduction company at the office of the said company, to wit: at the parlors of the First National Bank of Helena, in Helena, M. T., on Wednesday, the 13th day of February, A. D. 1889, at 2 o'clock, p. m. for the purpose of submitting to the stockholders of said corporation a proposition to lease a l of the property of said Helena Mining and Reduction company to the Helena and Livingston Smelting and Reduction company for a period of two years or longer. The property so proposed to be leased is distinctly specified as follows, to wit:

1. The ne¼ of sec 11, tp 7 n, r 4 w, and five acres situate in the se¼ of the se¼, sec 2, in the township and range aforesaid, and being the property whereon is situated the Corbin Concentrator.

2. The Alta California Lode Mining claim and Alta California mill site, being lots 64A and 64B, in tp 7 n, r 4 w. Also Faith lode and mill site, being lots 43A and 43B, in the township and range aforesaid. Also, the Custer lode and mill site being respectively lots 71A and 71B, in the township and range aforesaid. Also, the North Pacific lode and mill site, being lots No. 53 and 61. Also, Somewhere lode and mill site, being respectively lots 63A and 63B. Also, the Alta Brooke lode and mill site, being respectively lots 72A and 72B. And, also, the Grand Father lode and mill site, being respectively lots 77A and 77B, and all of said mining claims and mill sites being in the township and range aforesaid.

3. The chlorodizing and amalgamating works and mill-site, being lot No. 59; concentrating works mill site, being lot No. 58; smelting works mill site, lot 60; all in township No. 7 north, range 4 west; together with the smelting and reduction works thereon situated, and all tools, machinery, supplies, fixtures and personal property thereunto belonging or used in connection therewith, and all appurtenances, rigats, privileges and franchises.

4. The Comet lode, being lot No. 40, easterly 16 15-100 acres of lot No. 42, all in tp 7 n, r 5 w, and water right and ditches appurtenant to said last mentioned tract.

Lot No. 1 in block No. 9, in Comet town site, Jefferson county, Montana Territory.

Also, the rope tramway from the Comet mine to the foot of the Comet hill.

5. One hundred and ten acres in the nw¼ of sec 22. Also, one hundred and sixty in and adjoining the sw¼ of sec 21. All in tp No. 7 n, r 4 w.

6. Also, the Fayette lode, Alpha lode and Kate lode mining claims in Colorado mining district, Jefferson county, Montana. Also, the e½ of w½ of se¼, sec 31 tp 8 n, r 3 w, together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances, including all water rights and water ditches thereunto belonging. All of said foregoing property being situate in the county of Jefferson and territory of Montana and being or intended to be all of the property, real, personal or mixed belonging to said Helena Mining and Reduction company.

H. M. PARCHEN,
M. E. DOWNS,
M. H. KEEFE,
W. E. CULLEN,
Trustees.

[No. 2205.]

APPLICATION FOR A PATENT.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Helena, Montana, December 20, 1888.

Notice is hereby given that James P. Porter, Henry W. Foote, Thos. Goff and Frank R. Shaffer, whose postoffice address is Helena, Montana Territory, have this day filed their application for a patent for fifteen hundred linear feet of the Dies Fan tus lode mine or vein bearing gold, etc., with surface ground six hundred feet in width, situated in Helena unorganized mining district, county of Lewis and Clarke and Territory of Montana, and designated by the field notes and official plat on file in this office as lot No. 69, sec. 16, in township 10, north range 4 west of principal base line and meridian of Montana Territory, said lot No. 69 being as follows to-wit: Beginning at cor. No. 1, from which the northwest cor. to sec. 16, tp. 10, n. r. 4 W. bears N. 41° 11' W 2,096 feet; thence N. 52° E. 153 feet; thence S. 72°39' E. 278 feet; thegce S. 38° E. 1,270 feet; thence S. 52° W. 600 feet; thence N. 38° W. 1,162 feet; thence N. 2° 35' E. 445 feet to place of beginning, containing 19.11 acres.

The location of this mine is recorded in the recorder's office of Lewis and Clarke county, in books 2 of lodes. The adjoining claimants are University lode on the north and the Good Faith lode on the west, both unsurveyed.

S. W. LANGHORNE, Register.
Jno. W. Eddy, attorney for claimants.
First publication December 29d, 1888.

[No. 2221.]

Application for a Patent.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, HELENA, MONTANA, January 16, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that Timothy Wilcox, Harrison Asbury, Oliver C. Hinker, Ida B. Yergy and William Plato, whose postoffice address is Helena, M. T., have this day filed application for a patent for three hundred and twenty acres of the Placer mine bearing gold, situated in unorganized mining district, county of Lewis and Clarke, and territory of Montana, and designated by the field notes and official plat on file in this office as the s½ of section 35, in township 10, n. range 3, w. of principal base line and meridan of Montana territory, containing 320 acres. The location of this mine is recorded in the recorder's office of Lewis and Clarke county in book F of R and D. The adjoining claimants are unknown.

S. W. LANGHORNE, Register.
John W. Eddy, attorney for Applicants.
First publication Jan. 17.

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[No. 2210.]

Application for a Patent.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Helena, Montana, January 2, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of August Poller, deceased, by Louise Poller, administratrix, whose postoffice address is Helena, Montana, has this day filed application for a patent, under the mining laws of congress, for a placer mining claim designated as lot No. 54, survey No. 801, situated in unorganized mining district, Lewis and Clarke county, Montana Territory, in section 36, township 10, north range 4 west, which claim is not of record, and described as follows in the official plat and field notes on file in this office: Beginning at corner No. 1, a limestone 18x7x7 ins. and running thence s. 69° e. 1.29 chains, thence n. 28° e. 2.14 chains, thence n. 48° e. 2.98 chains, thence n. 32¾° e. 6.50 chains, thence n. 33½° w. 1.99 chains to corner No. 6 of this survey, the same being corner No. 18 of lot No. 47, placer mining claim of Henry Hay et al from which the ¼ section corner on east boundary of section 36, township 10, north range 4 west bears n. 89° 58' e. distant 30.88 chains, thence s. 12° 30' w. 3.79 chains, thence s. 62¾° w. 3.50 chains, thence s. 41° w. 3.80 chains, thence s. 6½° w. 2.15 chains to the place of beginning, embracing one and eighty six one hundredth (1.86) acres, upon which a notice of said application was posted the 17th day of August, 1887. The adjoining claimants to these premises are Henry Hay et al, placer mining claim lot 47 in said township.

S. W. LANGHORNE, Register.
Comly & Foote, attorneys for claimant.
First publication, January 3, 1889.

[2195.]

APPLICATION FOR A PATENT.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Helena, Montana, November 24, 1888.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas F. Moran, William O. Moran, Albert P. Moran, Kate Moran Anna Moran, Edward P. Durnen, Annie Durnen, and Edward V. Moran, an association of persons whose postoffice address is Placer, Montana, have this day filed their application for a patent for one hundred and sixty acres of the Placer mine, or vein bearing gold and fire clay, situated in unorganized mining district, county of Jefferson and territory of Montana, in tp. 9, n. r. 1 w. of principal base line and meridian of Montana territory, said placer being designated and described by legal subdivisions as follows: e½ se¼ se¼, n½ se¼ se¼, e½ ne¼ se¼, n½ ne¼ se¼, n½ sw¼ se¼, s½ nw¼ se¼, n½ nw¼ se¼, e½ ne¼ sw¼ of sec. 16, tp 9, n, r. 1 w, containing 160 acres. The location of this mine is recorded in the recorder's office of Jefferson county in book F of placers, page 621. The adjoining claimants are unknown

S. W. LANGHORNE, Register.
Jno. W. Eddy, attorney for applicants.
First publication Nov. 25, 1888.

[No. 2216.]

Application for a Patent.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Helena, Montana, Jan. 9, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that Harrison Asbury, William Plato and John H. Hardwick, whose postoffice address is Helena, M. T., have this day filed their application for a patent for one hundred and fifty-seven and 01-100 acres of the placer mine bearing gold, situated in Unorganized mining district, counties of Lewis and Clarke and Jefferson, and Territory of Montana, and designated by the field notes and official plat on file in this office as lots number 1, 2 and 5, and the sw¼ ne¼ of sec 3, in township 9 n., range 3 w., of principal base line and meridian of Montana Territory, containing 157 01-100 acres.

The location of this mine is recorded in the recorder's office of Lewis and Clarke county in book F of R. and D. The adjoining claimants are unknown.

S. W. LANGHORNE, Register.
JOHN W. EDDY, attorney for applicant.
First publication Jan. 10, 1889.

Notice to Stockholders

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Helena Steam Power and Lighting Company will be held in the parlors of the First National Bank in the city of Helena, in the county of Lewis and Clarke, Territory of Montana, on Wednesday, the sixth day of February, A. D. 1889, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering and voting upon a proposition to increase the capital stock of the company from the sum of fifty thousand dollars to the sum of one hundred thousand dollars. All stockholders are requested to be present in person or by proxy.

E. W. KNIGHT,
H. M. PARCHEN,
R. H. KLEINSCHMIDT,
HERMAN GANS,
Trustees.

Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Helena and Rimini Mining Company, at the office of the said company, to-wit, at the office of the A. M. Holter Hardware Company in the city of Helena, Montana, on Monday, the 25th day of February, 1889, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of submitting to the stockholders of said corporation, a proposition to lease and sell all or a portion of the property of the said Helena and Rimini Mining Company to the U. S. Public Sampling Company, or to some other company or person, one year or less. Said lease to provide for the privilege, on the part of the lessee, to purchase said property or a portion thereof during the term of said lease. The property so supposed to be leased, with privilege of sale, is in the county of Lewis and Clarke, Territory of Montana, and is distinctly specified as follows to-wit: Beginning at a stake set on the south boundary of the northeast quarter of of the northeast quarter of section number twenty-three of township number ten north of range number four west of the principal base line and meridian of Montana Territory, and which stake bears south 89°15' east 6.88 chains distant along said south boundary from the southeast corner of said forty acre tract, said southeast corner being marked by a stake on the east boundary of said section number twenty-three which bears south 0°25' east distant 20.38 chains from the original corner to sections numbered thirteen, fourteen, twenty-three and twenty-four, which is marked by a granite stone with three notches on the south edge, with pits and mound; thence running south 89°15' west 13.23 chains along said south boundary of said forty acre tract to a stake at the south west corner of the same; thence north 0°55' west 7.92 chains along the west boundary of said forty acre tract to a stake marked as the northwest corner of this lot, thence south 55° 20' east .96 chains; thence south 56° east 1.57 chains; thence south 56°30' east .79 chains; thence south 57°50' east 2.28 chains; thence south 58°50' east 1.57 chains; thence south 60°10' east 1.57 chains; thence south 61°12' east 1.58 chains; thence south 61°41' east .79 chains; thence south 61°52' east 1.56 chains; thence south 63° east .81 chains thence south 64°20' east 1.93 chains point of beginning. The premises hereby conveyed containing 4.91 acres, more or less. The whole boundary from the northwest corner of said lot to the point of beginning, having been laid out by offsets two hundred feet distant from the center of the Northern Pacific railroad track; save and except so much of said property as was conveyed by Alfred M. Esler and Ophelia Esler, his wife, to the Montana Central Railway Company for right of way purposes, by deed dated August 20, A. D. 1886, said excepted portion containing 1.25 acres.

Said property so proposed to be leased and sold being the same whereon is situated the Esler Concentrator. Said sale and lease to include concentrator and all other buildings and improvements upon said property, together with all tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, including all franchises and privileges.

S. T. HAUSER,
A. M. HOLTER,
A. M. ESLER,
FRANCIS POPE,
R. S. HALE,
W. E. FREDERICK,
Trustees.

Notice to Co-Owners.

To Geo Bowen: You are hereby notified that I have expended two hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the Lizzie quartz lode, situated about two thousand feet northwest of the Little Emma quartz lode mining claim, near Jackson creek and the Brandon quartz lode, situated about one half mile northeast of the Little Emma quartz lode mining claim and about two thousand feet north of Jackson creek, with the Sumner lode on the east and the Lizzie lode on the west, both in no organized mining district, in Jefferson county, Montana territory, as will appear by certificate on file in the office of the recorder of said county, in order to hold said premises under the provisions of Sec. 2324, revised statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the same for the year 1888; and if within ninety days after this notice you fail, or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as a co-owner, your interest in said Lizzie and Brandon lode claims will become the property of the subscriber.

W. F. CUMMINS.

Helena, Lewis and Clarke county, and territory of Montana, Jan. 17th, 1889.

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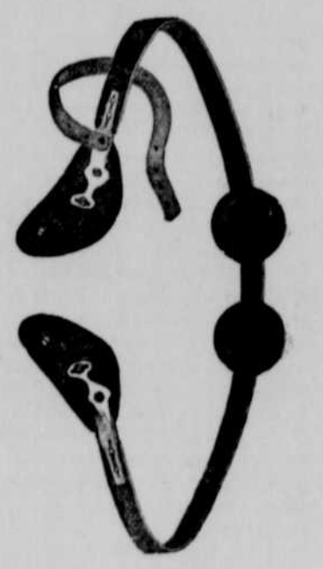

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