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Dredgers will be built in Nome harbor to extract gold from the sands and silts. The harbor is shallow and it is thought that the work will be easy of accomplishment.

General Funston and staff is paying a visit to Prescott and Fort Whipple. The rehabilitation of Whipple has been accomplished and the people of Prescott are all smiles thereat.

The Mining Record of Denver and Colorado Springs, states that Thunder Mountain is a fake. Correspondents who have been in the camp report that nothing of value has so far been found and that people are rushing from the camp at a livelier gait than they went in there. These rushes into the snow capped mountains of the north are much worse than braving the desert's heat.

We have received notice from Chairman Ellinwood that the democratic territorial convention will meet in Tucson on Wednesday, September 3, 1902. Mohave county will have eight delegates in the convention. Maricopa, Yavapai, Pima and Graham counties have enough representation to control the convention, there being ninety-four delegates apportioned to these counties to seventy-nine to the other nine.

The drilling contest at Bisbee was a record breaker, the winning team drilling to a depth of 41.8 inches in a boulder of Gunnison granite in fifteen minutes. The next highest was 40.5-8 inches. The match was won by Ropp and Mc-Nichols, of British Columbia and second money was taken by Malley and Chamberlain. The two latter won the contest at El Paso last winter. All records in this class of granite was broken by the winners. Sometime this fall Prescott is to have a contest and 5,000\$ will be put into purses. Miners from all over the world are invited to participate.

It is reported that the Mineral Point oil company has encountered oil in their well in the Lonesome Valley country, Yavapai county, and that thousands of claims are now being staked out. Should oil be found in paying quantities Yavapai county will become one of the richest sections of the territory. The lack of fuel in the mining counties of the territory has been a great drawback, but this will be overcome by the discovery of fuel oil. Mohave county has all the indications of oil and a test well will be put down sometime this year and if a strike is made there will be a boom on that will dwarf all other booms the west has ever had. This county has a world of mineral that the lack of fuel has made unprofitable to the mine owner, but the discovery of oil in the vicinity of the mines will put them on a paying basis and give the county as great a production of gold as the Cripple Creek mines now enjoy.

The board of supervisors again last Wednesday illustrated their lack of knowledge of business methods and to what degree they would stoop to get even on any person that had incurred their displeasure by refusing the tender of the railroad tax, because it was made through District Attorney Dickson. In some manner Dickson had incurred the displeasure of Boss Mike and Boss Mike being the whole show, never, even in a moment of weakness, allows the District Attorney to be consulted on any question affecting the interests of the county. Mr. Dickson, not having any such motive in view, we believe, turned the matter back to Judge Blakely, who again tendered the money to the supervisors and was by them accepted. As the settlement of the tax for the year 1901 was negotiated by the

District Attorney it was but justice to him to make the final settlement. We wonder if this same aggregation will be imposed upon the people for two more years, or will the decent people of the county rise up and vote them into obscurity?

The papers of Phenix have a method of obtaining news that is in nowise original with them, but then, they obtain the news. This method consists in taking readable matter from exchanges without the courtesy of credit. Last week articles from the MINER appeared in the newspapers of the alfalfa region as original matter. Now, this is not the right thing and we would suggest that the least the papers could do, even if they wanted the articles to appear to be original matter, would be to localize them. Now, who in the city of Phenix would know where the C. O. D. or other mines were located if the newspapers that used the items referring to them failed to make credit it or localized the article? We want all our interesting matter copied into other papers, but we want the county and the mines thereof to get the credit that is due them. If no credit is given other newspapers will copy and credit the C. O. D., Golden Gem, Nighthawk and other mines of this county to Maricopa county.

Munificence of the "Rat" Sheet.

If one dollar sixteen and two-thirds cents per day is munificent wages then the "rat" sheet has been munificent. It states that if paying the highest rate of wages is an indication of "rat" tendencies, then it may be classed as a "rat." This is the same plea that the Los Angeles Times puts up, and it is the only "rat" sheet in that city. But the fact of the high wages is as far from the truth as is the editor's unionism. Jacob Mitchell, who worked for that sheet for about two years, received the munificent wages of 35\$ per month, out of which he had to board, lodge and clothe himself and obtain the other necessities. Just think of the munificence of 1.16 2-3\$ per day for a printer? Again did the editor of the "rat" sheet ever give employment to a union printer, and when? A few years ago a populist friend of Kean St. Charles was dilating on the woes of the down-trodden workmen, while at the same time he was paying his own workmen one dollar per day. He was reminded of this fact by a bystander and became very angry thereat, setting up the contention that he had a right to pay his men whatever he saw fit. Once on a time a union printer worked for the "rat" sheet for a period of three days and was then incontinently fired because he tried to put some system into the method of running the office. This is the only one of union proclivities that ever worked a day in that office to the knowledge of this office. This fellow has been pinging as the champion of the workman and especially the union men of the county for its political effect, but had he been of the right stuff his office would have been run on the union plan, instead of employing at all times men who were opposed to the unionism of labor. When H. G. Otis, of the Los Angeles Times, is stirred up he always makes the statement that his office pays the highest rate of wages paid by any office in Los Angeles, in fact far higher than the union scale. St. Charles attempts this plea, but the union workmen of the county are referred to Jacob Mitchell, who now resides in Chloride, in refutation of this statement.

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Something Up at the Iron Mines.

That something important is brewing down at the iron mines in the vicinity of Cedar City was indicated by the hasty departure of Colonel S. B. Milner and a party of iron operators from camp last night. No amount of persuasion would tempt the colonel to say a word concerning the objects of the trip, nor would he divulge the identity of those who were to accompany him. It is known, however, that for some time past he has been figuring with the smelter officials on a scheme for supplying the new plant with iron fluxing ores, as well as planning to have the deposits prospected at depth with boring machines. One or both of these matters is now believed to be receiving attention, and upon his return something definite may be given out. To supply the smelters with the ore means that some fifteen or eighteen miles of railroad spur will have to be constructed to facilitate its hauling and as the smelter is said to be willing to pay only 2.50\$ per ton for the ore, f. o. b. at the new plant, it may be that the railroad management is not remotely interested in the visit now being made to the mines.

In the meantime it is understood that the big deal involving the sale of the properties is progressing satisfactorily, and that results in that line may be looked for in the not-distant future.—Salt Lake Herald.

Photography is among the agencies employed by the anthracite mine operators in their struggle with the miners. One of the companies near Nanticoke has mounted at each corner of its fence a large camera under the charge of an expert. The camera is masked and not used in the daytime; but at night when the miners' pickets or marching parties are within range a powerful flash light is ignited. It is claimed by the company that it secured quite a collection of fine negatives by which they are able to identify many of the men who have indulged in suspicious and hostile demonstrations around the company's property. When the time comes for resuming work these photographs are to be used as evidence to determine whether applicants for positions were active in their war on the company.—Cattaraugus Republican.

Saves a Woman's Life.

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