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Imported and Domestic Cigars a Specialty.

Parties in the Judith and Muss-shell, besting
 goods at wholesale or retail, will do well to send
 to me for prices, before purchasing elsewhere.

Head of Main St. MAIDEN.

SHALL WE BE CUT OFF?

The time is rapidly approaching
 when the citizens and miners of this
 district must take steps toward the cut-
 ting off from the Fort Maginnis reser-
 vation the mineral belt now definitely
 defined and traced on maps.

The people, having placed this mat-
 ter in the hands of a committee of
 three, feel confident that it will be
 promptly and carefully attended to,
 and are unanimous in the belief that
 no trouble will be experienced in secur-
 ing the desired reduction. This opin-
 ion we heartily concur in, but a defined
 plan of action must be decided upon
 by the committee and endorsed by the
 people, in the shape of a petition to
 Congress, and as it convenes next
 month, with a numberless amount of
 bills and petitions to receive its im-
 mediate attention, in order to secure a
 hearing and action on our petition it
 must reach Washington in the early
 part of the session.

Two months have elapsed since the
 citizen's and miner's meeting and the
 appointment of this committee, and
 as yet, so far as known to the vitally
 interested public, no further progress
 made. The time is now ripe for action.
 Procrastination is dangerous. We have
 been informed directly by both the
 Secretary of War and President, that
 unless we secure favorable legislation
 before next July, that all civilians now
 on the military reserve will be forced
 to evacuate. Our only safeguard lies
 in immediate action on the part of the
 citizen's committee, and prompt and
 unanimous response to any and all calls
 of the committee by the interested
 public.

Not only for the immediate benefit
 of our business and mining interests is
 prompt action advisable and neces-
 sary, but the present existing circum-
 stances greatly retards the growth and
 depreciates the value of both mineral
 and real property.

The amount of injury sustained by
 our town, not in the value of real
 property alone, but in the loss of a
 great number of would-be residents,
 could they have been secured in the
 possession of acquired property, is in-
 disputably the greatest disadvantage
 under which it has labored, and noth-
 ing but the cutting down of the reserve
 and restoring to the public domain all
 the mineral belt therein will influence
 people to come here and locate or
 invest.

Should congress neglect to act on
 our petition before July next, the order
 received by the commander of the
 post last fall will be executed beyond
 a doubt, and a number of property
 holders and business men will lose all
 their capital invested both in real and
 mining property, and the future of
 Maiden will be settled for eternity.

Let immediate action be taken by
 our committee, their plans submitted
 to the people, and the result be for-
 ward to Delegate Maginnis without
 delay, so that a press of business will
 not keep it from being presented to
 congress and acted upon.

MONTANA'S SETTLERS.

One is often impressed with the
 remarkable contrast between the set-
 tlers of Montana and those of our
 sister territory, Dakota. We seldom
 see among us the short coat and green
 cap of the freshly arrived emigrant.
 He would be out of his element in
 Montana. Government land and free
 homes are not so easily obtained here,
 that is, land well adapted for farming.
 Hence our increasing population is
 largely American born, from the States,
 and are men of means, energy and
 intelligence, who come to engage in
 some industry to which the country is
 adapted, and which will eventually
 return a handsome income. Although
 our growth may be a little tardy com-
 pared with Dakota, it is a source of

gratification to know that it is being
 settled by a thrifty class of people.
 That foreign emigration to the vast
 prairies of Dakota is the secret of its
 present prosperity and future greatness
 is beyond question. That our growth
 will be of a different class can be
 attributed to purely natural causes.

A FOOLISH CHARGE.

The Chicago Herald still insists that
 the coinage of the silver dollar was
 ordered simply to please the silver
 miners. The Herald should be more
 careful of its reputation than to make
 such a statement. The ordering of the
 coinage was part of the bill remonetiz-
 ing silver, and was passed because
 such arguments were presented that
 there was not a man in the senate and
 not a paper in the Union which could
 at the time answer them. The man
 who was then president, tried by a veto
 to defeat the measure, but it was swift-
 ly passed over his head; the man who
 was then secretary of the treasury tried
 to emasculate the bill by making un-
 worthy terms with the New York bank-
 ers, but his efforts failed though his
 work was most hurtful; suddenly, after
 the passage of the law, a wonderful
 prosperity followed a dreadful depres-
 sion; a prosperity which has continued
 ever since; not one of the evil prophe-
 cies which were indulged in have been
 fulfilled, and reviewing the whole mat-
 ter, it is time to cease charging that by
 some vague and undefinable process,
 some half a dozen silver miners were
 able to carry the measure against the
 better judgment of the wise men of the
 East. The charge does too much
 honor to a few silver miners; it is too
 severe an impeachment of the intelli-
 gence of the men of the East.—Salt
 Lake Tribune.

MINING NOTES.

The Silver Lion ledge, Tidal Wave
 district, was recently bonded in the sum
 of \$8,000.

In the Neptune excellent progress is
 being made. The quartz is now three
 feet wide and assays \$150 in silver and
 \$30 in gold.

A shipment of bullion has been
 made from the Algonquin mill, Phillips-
 burg, the total value of seventy-two
 bars being \$125,000.

In the production of gold Montana
 stands fourth, and in silver fifth; in
 both gold and silver, sixth of the
 United States and Territories.

In the Summit Valley district, in the
 Alice mine, drifting on the west 800-
 foot level on the north or hanging wall
 side of the vein still progresses on
 about three feet of forty or forty-five
 ounce ore.

Gentlemen who visit Anaconda, ex-
 press surprise at the magnitude of the
 smelter now in course of erection. It
 will turn out a hundred tons of copper
 daily, and will require 500 or 600 tons
 of ore every day to keep it going.—
 Miner.

In the Rabbit mountain mine, Can-
 ada, there is a very large vein carrying
 native silver and silver glance. Some
 of the most extraordinary silver speci-
 mens ever taken from any vein have
 been found in this mine. Solid nuggets
 of black silver weighing as high as
 eight and ten pounds have been ex-
 tracted from the vein stone.

A trip through the extensive estab-
 lishment of Fraser & Chalmers, Chicago
 manufacturers of mining machinery,
 shows more than usual activity in
 every department to meet the orders
 received from every part of the mining
 country. At no time in the history of
 this firm have they been so crowded
 with orders for their different classes of
 mining machinery, which has achieved
 a world wide reputation.—Mining
 Review.

Notice of Partnership.

We, the undersigned have formed a partnership
 for the purpose of carrying on the blacksmith
 business, and do hereby agree that all debts con-
 tracted in said business, shall be paid regularly by
 the firm.

J. J. JOHNSON,
 W. S. DEER.

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A valuable pipe. The owner can have same by
 giving a complete description of pipe to the post-
 master at Ft. Maginnis, and paying cost of this
 advertisement.

MATTHEW MARSHALL.