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### Song of the Great Collar Mine.

The following lines were composed by Thomas Satter (Antelope Tom), of the Maiden String Band. What it lacks in poetic merit is made up by hard facts and sarcasm. The tune is familiar to all:

A few simple verses to you I'll relate,  
Concerning my rambles through Montana state.  
A few simple verses, and I'll put them in rhyme,  
About the state of affairs at the great Collar mine.

CHORUS—Sing fol de diddle laddy, ri tooral li a

They had agents in Junction, St. Paul and New York,  
Importing all men who were willing to work;  
I grabbed my grip sack and fell into line,  
With the army going to work on the great Collar mine.

I arrived at Maginnis on April the 10th,  
A day a the post with pleasure I spent;  
Perusing the papers, you would find every line  
Advertising for men at the great Collar mine.

I left Ft. Maginnis, my place of abode,  
I shouldered my bedding and went up the road,  
And the boys at the mill, all did combine  
To give me the laugh, at the great Collar mine.

There were Chinese, Irish, Norwegians and Swedes,  
All hailing from abroad, to see Gen. Meado.  
He says there's two fifty and grub we will find  
All the time you're at work at the great Collar mine.

The boss, from his perch on the dump, would scold:  
"Run out them cars, there, confound your souls,  
And that's all about it, or else take your time,  
And skeddaddle away from the great Collar mine."

Some worked on the tramway, some on the mill,  
Of grub and of work, sure, they all got their fill.  
But the fume froze up and the boss did resign,  
And things went to rain, at the great Collar mine.

January the first, the boys looked like ghosts,  
They folded their blankets and struck for the Post;  
Captain McAnans, he proved to be kind, and  
Issued grub to the wretches of the great Collar mine.

Our merchants had many checks that were due,  
They were sent to St. Paul but didn't go through;  
The checks came back and our merchants do pine  
For the money they lost on the great Collar mine.

Some things have been sold and all are in pawn,  
Eighty thousand dollars is the size of the band.  
We are all very modest, and haven't much rhyme,  
But we will go to the sale of the great Collar mine.

MORAL.

Now I will end with this toast that I'll give:  
May you grow wealthier, the longer you live,  
But if you wish to live happy and have a good time,  
Don't wait for the paymaster of the great Collar mine.

MAIDEN, M. T.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Good bye, "Sawed off!"

Joe Mason looks lonely now-a-days.

The International is doing a lively business.

Louis Landt has a new sidewalk in front of his liquor store.

Stopping to build bridges caused the delay of last Saturday's coach.

The meeting of the Wool-Grower's Association has been postponed until Wednesday, April 16th.

There is a man over in Billings too lazy to labor under an impression. He should be hung for killing time.

Mr. Chas. Ball is completing his building on Montana street, the framework of which was put up last fall.

It is a common thing now for a Maidenite to go out and find a coal mine after a few hours prospecting.

Money is devilish tight, as the fellow said who tried to pick up a quarter that was nailed to the sidewalk, on April 1st.

Mr. F. C. Dwinelle has joined the stampede for the Coeur d'Alenes. He expects to return to Maiden in the fall, however.

The Century magazine—April number—can be had at Billy Jenkin's news stand. It is an exceptionally interesting number.

In last week's Justice Court proceedings the word "arrangement" was printed when the word "arraignment" was intended.

The cross man, who won't take a joke—or a snow ball—will be glad when the emblem of purity entirely disappears. He is tired of wearing his hat on the end of his nose.

The party given last Thursday evening at the International Hotel was a very pleasant little affair, and the friends who were detained here by the storm returned to their homes on Friday.

Joseph Herring has gone to be a granger; having rented the ranch of J. S. Atchison, at Overland, for one year. In plowing, Joseph, be sure to "turn on the corner." When you want to "haw" just say "alamande left."

From Mr. Jack Arnold we learn that the new saw mill of W. H. Watson, located in the North Moccasin mountain will be in operation about the first of May. It has a capacity of 10,000 feet per day. Mr Watson has 2,000,000 feet of logs ready for the mill.

### E. Rackowicz, Provost Marshal, at the Post, has our thanks for a fine mess of ducks. Mr. Rackowicz has just returned from the Missouri, where he went in search of stolen mules. The Marshal is considered the best wing shot in Eastern Montana, and usually goes prepared for feathered game. He seldom fails to secure his bird.

The Second meeting of the Lower Judith Wool Growers Association, will be held at the International Hotel, Wednesday, April 16th. The members of the association, and sheep men in this section wishing to join should aim to be present. A grand party and supper will be given in the evening, under the management of Joseph H. Wolfe, and promises to be an occasion long to be remembered by this young and vigorous organization.

The Regular Meeting of the Lower Judith Wool Growers Association Postponed till Wednesday April 16th.

DOG CREEK, March 25th, '84.

GENTLEMEN:

It has been deemed best to postpone the next regular meeting which was to be held on April 9th, until the 16th of April.

The convention will meet at the International Hotel, Maiden. A full attendance is requested and a cordial invitation extended to all wool growers of the Lower Judith. Important business will come before the meeting to act upon, and a full attendance is desired.

DAVID HILGER, Sec'y.

### A Novel Contrivance.

Among the labor-saving machines invented of late and which ought to be brought to notice, is one that a resident of Little Box Elder has brought into practical operation.

The contrivance is a power obtained of turning a grind-stone by a tread mill, operated by a large dog. The apparatus is plain and simple and the elbow grease of many an unfortunate boy is averted and the burden overcome by any dog of reasonable weight.

The "inventive genius" displayed is worthy of a gold medal.

### Letter from the Coeur d'Alenes.

Our fellow-townsmen, Mr. Wash. Kelley, received the following letter from a friend in the Coeur d'Alenes, a few days since:

PRICHARD CREEK, Mar. 16, '84.

FRIEND WASH.—I received yours of February 6th. I am not inclined to encourage or discourage any man from coming here. I know there are some wages diggings, but how much I cannot say. There is nothing to justify such a stampede as is coming every day. There is plenty of chances for prospecting. The country is large. George Savage is here. He has got some good ground. Yours as ever,

GEORGE IVES.

### MINING ITEMS.

[Mining Review.]

Ore is now shipped from Mexico to Denver, for treatment.

The Santa Eulalia mine, of Mexico, up to 1829, yielded \$275,000,000.

During the month of January, Butte, M. T., shipped silver bullion valued at \$362,376.84.

The bullion yield of the Alice mine, of Montana, during the past year was \$1,166,555.85.

Complete return show that 147,345 tons of lead were smelted in the United States in 1883, against 132,240 tons in 1882.

During the recent mining exhibition in Europe, the practical application of the telephone to mining was undeniably proved.

The latest novelty in mining machinery is an electrical coal-cutter, or, to describe it more accurately, a coal cutter of the ordinary type driven by electricity.

In the twenty-one years ending June 30, 1882, a little over \$306,000,000 worth of bullion has been extracted from the Comstock lode. Of this about \$132,000,000 were in gold.

Asphalt, which is so extensively used in the manufacture of pavement, roofing, etc., is found on the island of Trinidad, in a natural deposit which is known as the Trinidad Pitch Lake.