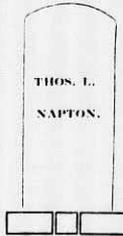


death, which occurred in 1886, was possessed of considerable mining property. The funeral of Mr. Mahan was largely attended by his old-time friends as well as by many "tender-feet," with whom he had been a general favorite in life.



..... Thomas L. Napton, who died in Butte, November 3, 1888, was a native of Missouri, a son of ex-Chief Justice Napton, and was born in Saline county, in 1840. He was educated at the University of Missouri, at Columbia, graduating in 1860. Mr. Napton bore a very strong resemblance to his illustrious father in mental and physical characteristics. He came to Montana in 1866 and practiced his profession in all the leading towns of the Territory till 1883, when he came to Butte, and up to the time of his death was one of the leaders at the bar of Montana.



..... Mrs. Chastine Humphreys was born in Baltimore, Md., in the year 1834. Mrs. Humphreys had eleven children, one of whom was born in Missouri, six in Nevada City, Cal., and four in Montana. Mrs. Humphreys, with her husband, crossed the plains with an ox team and first settled in Dutch Flat, Cal., in 1850, from where they removed to Nevada City, Cal. Again they pulled up stakes and came to Montana in the early days, 1866. Mrs. Humphreys died in Butte, March 17, 1888, at the age of 54. She was justly loved and respected by all who came in contact with her, and left a family to mourn her loss.

THE COLORADO COMPANY'S MINES.

THIS COMPANY is composed of the same gentlemen who own and control the smelter properties. The following are amongst some of their mines:

The Gagnon mine, which is up to date the principal one owned by the Colorado company, is one of the oldest and best producers in the district, more than \$3,000,000 dollars in value having been taken from it. It is almost within the city limits, and though in its early days it was not handled with a due regard to system, under the present management of Mr. C. W. Goodale, the workings, both above and below, are models. This gentleman is both a technical and practical miner. The ore, besides running high in copper, also runs rich in silver, making the ore a very desirable ore to smelt. The shaft is now 800 feet deep, having been sunk 100 feet during the past year, and the 700-foot level has been driven 500 feet during the year, and the 800-foot

level 300 feet. The amount of ore and waste hoisted through the Gagnon shaft has been 26,000 car loads of ore and 14,000 car loads of waste, or a total of about 40,000 tons. Ore shipments for the year to the smelter 690 tons, and to the concentrator 5,166.

Adjoining the Gagnon on the west is the original Butte mine. It is owned by a stock company, the majority of the stock being held by the Colorado company. It is operated through the Gagnon shaft from the 400, 500 and 600-foot levels. Shipments for the year to smelter 1,156 tons; to concentrator 13,225.

The Burlington group comprises several mines, which are located in the Independence district, about three miles west of Butte. So far as developed the first in importance is the Nettie. The main shaft on this mine has been sunk to a depth of 300 feet, and the total active workings aggregate over 7,000 feet. During the year 1887 complete hoisting works were erected, and they contain all the necessary appliances, including two large boilers, engine, pumps, etc. The ore in its general character is milling, but large quantities give good results in concentrating, the product containing a large proportion of manganese, which is desirable flux. The Nettie ore shipments to smelter and mills 3,600 tons; to concentrator 1,519 tons.

The Independent and Burlington shaft has been sunk 100 feet during the year, making the present depth 323 feet, and levels have been opened east and west at 250 feet and at the bottom of the shaft. Shipments to smelter and mill 1,678 tons; to concentrator 1,879.

The Colorado concentrator has treated 27,215 tons of ore during the year, or an average of eighty-five tons per day for the running time of the mill. The product, all of which was smelted by the Colorado smelter, was 11,098 tons. Among the improvements made during the year was the addition of an electric light plant.

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