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AMONG THE MINES.

The Mesaba Range states that Willie Olcott, manager of the Consolidated, does not want the state royalty reduced on iron ore and wonders why this is thus. Why, partner, that's dead easy. The Consolidated have evidently started in on a freeze-out game; the Oliver is on state land and any reduction in state royalties would help this mine; the Oliver is one of the thorns in the side of the Consolidated and if the state royalty is not reduced the mine will lose money from year to year until the lease is thrown up and the Oliver reverts to that synonym of greed, John D. Rockefeller and his satellites. A careful study of causes and effects will convince the people that their interests demand any legislation which is opposed by John D.

The receivers of the Penock & Gogebic Development Co. are going to surrender the lease of the Colby mine, the old portion at the west. The reason given is that the mine cannot be successfully worked as long as the royalty remains at present figures. Dan Crawford of Hancock, was appointed by the stockholders to report on the condition of the mine. He has just completed his work, and is reported as saying that the property is in better shape than had been hoped. Mr. Crawford's report will be submitted to the stockholders at a special meeting soon to be called. Efforts will probably be made to lease the mine but the royalties must be reduced fifty or sixty per cent before it can be made to pay expenses. The Tilden, on section fifteen, which for years has been the big part of what everyone has called the Colby, remains in the hands of the Consolidated company.—Ironwood News Record.

In taking upon itself the payment of certain taxes against the Ohio Iron company and the assumption of several leases involving that company, the Auburn Iron company has brought new litigation upon its shoulders. The Auburn's action arose from an alleged forfeiture of contract and leases by failure to mine a specified amount of ore and the company took possession on the lands in question October 1. The Ohio company has sued for re-possession and an adjudication of its rights in the property.—Commonwealth.

Manager Ruppel, of Johnstown company's steel plant at Lorain, Ohio, is quoted as authority for the statement that on Christmas eve a deal was closed between his company and the Carnegie Steel company, by which the latter acquire a large amount of land adjoining Black River, Lorain, opposite the Johnston plant, on which immense steel works, employing over 3,000 men, will be erected during the coming summer. For some time past the Carnegie company has been prospecting with a view of securing the location for a steel plant on Lake Erie.

John D. Rockefeller and F. T. Gates, the defendants in Alfred Merritt's suit for \$1,200,000 yesterday filed a \$5000 bond and petition for removal to the United States court on the ground that they are non-residents of the state. Judge Lewis signed the order upon presentation of the bond and petition, and the case will be removed from the district court. No answer has yet been filed in the case.

Last Saturday the several pumps at the new Canton shaft C were throwing out about 440 gallons of water per minute and yet the workmen could not get within 30 feet of the bottom of the shaft. It is not yet definitely settled whether the work of sinking will be continued in this shaft as it will be necessary to provide greatly increased pumping facilities. It is possible that continued pumping may finally drain the country so that sinking may be continued.—Range.

R. P. Dowse, J. E. Cooley and C. J. Petre, commissioners appointed to award damages in proceedings brought by the Duluth, Missabe & Northern against G. A. Elder et al to condemn right-of-way for the Adams branch and St. Clair, McInnis and Helmer spur, have made their report and awards.

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Building paper and hardware, a complete supply, at Prescott & Mars Co.

Fine assortment of mufflers at the Virginia Mercantile Co.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend the annual ball to be given by Virginia Fire company No. 1, at Crockett's Opera House on New Year's night, January 1, 1895. Do not fail to be in attendance if you enjoy a good time.

Mrs. H. Strehlau invites the attention of the ladies of the Mesaba range to her fine display of millinery, now being sold at and below cost.

Attend the closing out sale of millinery for the Holidays at Mrs. H. Strehlau's.

Latest styles and novelties in millinery at Mrs. H. Strehlau's.

Drop into the store of the Virginia Furniture Co. and inspect their elegant stock of standard goods and novelties before purchasing Holiday gifts.

Holiday handkerchiefs, Japanese hem-stitched silk, English twill silk and white linen, hem-stitched, handkerchiefs, all sizes at the Model clothing store.

A pair of sterling silver cuff buttons makes a fine Xmas present. The Model clothing store keeps them.

A fine line of Mochas and Kid Gloves and Mittens at the Model clothing store.

Wallace, the Tailor, can give you good value for your money both in style and material. Give him a call.

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