

Arizona Weekly Enterprise

FLORENCE, SATURDAY, DEC. 17, '81

Arrival and Departure of Mails.

Eastern and California Mail arrives at 11.30 a. m., and leaves at 2.30 p. m.

Office Hours—From 9 a. m. to 1 p. m., from 1.30 p. m. to 5 p. m., and from 6 p. m. to 7 p. m.

Home News.

Four bars of bullion came down from Globe Thursday.

Attorney Horace L. Smith went to Phoenix this week on business.

Twenty-two bars of bullion came down from the Silver King this week. This mine is properly named.

The Lotus club gave one of their enjoyable dances at the Silver King school house Wednesday night.

The Silver King paid another dividend of 25 cents per share on the 15th inst. Total dividends to date, \$825,000.

Charlie Miles, of Mineral Hill, is confined to his bed by rheumatism. We hope his sickness will be of short duration.

We were made the recipient of a pleasant call this week from Mr. W. W. Hampton and Mr. G. A. Francis, of Bellaire.

Mr. N. B. Witt, one of the old Mineral Hill prospectors, left for Centerville, Fresno Co., Cal., being called home by sickness in his family.

Judge W. H. Benson is working the Black Diamond mine, near Silver King, with good results. The claim makes a good showing of ore.

There will probably be another change in the proprietorship of the Casa Grande hotel soon. Two parties from Pinal and one from Tucson are negotiating for it.

Tickets for the grand holiday ball to be given at the Court House Christmas eve are selling lively. Enough have been sold already to insure the success of the ball.

Postmaster Guild sent to Washington, this week, some rich-looking ore from the Atlantic mine, Old Hat district. The owners of the property are located at the capital.

Some new discoveries have been made in the Rogers district and are said to give promise of becoming valuable properties. We have not been able to learn the particulars yet.

Peter Scheffel came down from Mineral Hill Thursday, having completed all his assessment work for this year. He will continue to delve in the earth in that locality, however.

For choice Christmas presents see the stock of R. Young, Silver King, consisting of novelties, albums, frames, illustrated books of poems, pictures, fancy workware, etc.

Our friend, W. L. Bailey, came down from Pinal Thursday, on a business trip. He will probably become a resident of the prettiest town in the Territory, the other name of which is Florence, soon.

The pupils now attending the male school number seventy. One teacher cannot manage successfully a school of that size, hence it should be graded and an assistant teacher employed.

Mr. J. M. Olvany, foreman at the Cholla group of mines, paid us a pleasant call this morning. He says the horn silver strike in the Wedge is one of the richest that has been made in the district.

We had the pleasure of a visit this week from Mr. P. Lawson, of Silver King. He was located at Virginia City in the palmy days of the Comstock, and recites many entertaining reminiscences of early life in that section.

Work was resumed at the Chief mine, Thursday, and the shaft will be driven down to a depth of fifty feet with all speed possible. This is a promising piece of property, and we shall expect a fine showing in the new shaft.

Major Sisson and Mr. Wade left for Globe Thursday. The Major, in company with Recorder Divine, is negotiating for a bond on some valuable mining property located in this county. We shall give particulars next week.

Hinson Thomas has been appointed Clerk of the Board of Supervisors vice Horace L. Smith, resigned. Hinson is fully qualified for the position and will do justice to it. We congratulate both him and the Board upon the appointment.

Mr. Ed. Lenoue, son-in-law to Mr. Remy, arrived here from Pinal Thursday, with the intention of making Florence his permanent home. Mrs. Lenoue and her little daughter, Mamie, will arrive in a few days. We are glad to welcome them back to Florence.

The President has appointed Mr. C. D. Henry postmaster of Cottonwood post-office, Mineral Hill. The establishment of this new office will be a great convenience to the miners and prospectors of that district and Mr. Henry will make an efficient postmaster.

Under-Sheriff Whiteside returned from Stockton, Cal., Monday. He delivered his charge, S. O. Gorham, to the asylum authorities "in good order and condition." He was compelled to iron the unfortunate at Los Angeles, as he stubbornly refused to leave the City of the Angels.

Thos. McLellan started for the Silver Bell districts, Monday, for the purpose of opening up the California copper claim. He took with him a full kit of mining tools, a complete blacksmith outfit, and two men to assist in the work at the mine. He will not return till after Christmas.

The instruments and a portion of the poles for the Florence and Silver King telegraph line have arrived, and Mr. Mason is making arrangements to start the work of building the line. Labor is scarce, and he is experiencing some difficulty in getting men to do the work.

Messrs. Taft and Beach have made a good strike in their claim which lies about one mile north of the Silver King. It consists of a twelve-inch streak of high-grade mineral, and will probably widen as they do down. The ledge is five feet between the walls and carries more or less mineral all the way across.

The Pinal Consolidated Mining Company have two million pounds of freight lying at San Francisco, awaiting the completion of their road from the river to the mine. It includes the machinery for their reduction and hoisting works, and they will commence to ship it about the first of the new year.

Another strike of good ore has been made in the Hinson mine, located one mile south of Silver King. It is the property of a New York company, and is under the management of Mr. Stoughten, superintendent of the Silver Queen. The latter mine is turning out a large amount of good ore and is rapidly growing in public estimation.

The Pinal Consolidated Mining and Milling Company have laid out a town-site on the river, where their smelter is to be erected, and have given the new camp the appropriate name of Butte City. It lies about fifteen miles above Florence. Score one more for the Gila valley, the most beautiful and fertile belt of country within the confines of the Territory.

Charlie Beckwith paid Mineral Hill a visit this week, and took a careful look at the Alice, and like every other practical miner who has examined this property, pronounces it a "big mine." The opinions of practical men are far more valuable than the high-drawn statements of theoretical experts who possess only a superficial knowledge of geology and metallurgy.

The boiler connected with Pat Holland's threshing machine, sprung a leak the other day, and the escaping steam made such a terrific noise that the men around the machine imagined an explosion was occurring and took to their heels in terror. One of the number, a Papago Indian, has not been heard of since, and the supposition is that he is still running.

Little Georgia Louise Dempsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dempsey, of Montezuma, died last Tuesday, and was interred at Florence yesterday. She was only eighteen months old and a bright precocious child. The untimely blighting of this fair young blossom will touch with sorrow many hearts, and the entire community will join in the ENTERTAINER in extending the sorrowing parents a heartfelt sympathy.

New hoisting works are building at the Bilk mine, over the shaft which the company propose to sink three hundred feet as fast as muscle and giant powder can drive it down. The Bilk is the first west extension of the Silver King. The work is under the superintendence of Mr. Hampton, a gentleman who thoroughly understands the mining business. We know him at Silver Cliff, Colorado, where his standing as a mining man and gentleman was first-class.

Mr. Wheeler, one of the parties interested in the sale of the Goodenough claim, Pioneer district, passed through here Saturday, on his way east, for a brief visit among old-time friends. He stated that Mr. Coover, who negotiated the sale of the Goodenough, and was instrumental in organizing the company, to which the property belongs, had been appointed superintendent, and would arrive here soon with sufficient money to thoroughly develop the mine.

The first of a series of letters on mining and mining laws in Mexico, written for the ENTERTAINER by Mr. Wm. Jennings, appears in this issue. Mr. Jennings mined in Mexico for a period of twenty-five years and made a special study of their system of mining and mining laws. He is therefore qualified to give correct and complete information on this subject, and his articles will be of interest and value to the large number of American capitalists who are taking an interest in Mexican mines.

A bon-hon party will be given at Silver King, on the evening of Dec. 26th. It is to be gotten up by the trustees of the school district, and the proceeds will be used towards defraying the expense of finishing the school house. The tickets, entitling the holder to supper and admission to the ball, will be sold at \$3 each. All Florentines are cordially invited, and knowing the hospitality and sociability of the King people, we can assure our friends that they could not go to a better place to spend a pleasant evening.

Mr. John Torre, of Eureka, Nevada, was here this week and under the guidance of Mr. J. J. Stewart, made a trip up the river as far as Riverside. The object of his journey was to ascertain the amount of timber along the river suitable for burning charcoal. He found an abundance of the kind of timber necessary for that purpose, and has returned to San Francisco to make a contract with the Pinal Consolidated Company to supply their smelter with charcoal. He is an expert at the business, having been engaged in it for years at Eureka.

We were pleased to receive a call this week from Mr. Thos. B. Fish, of Mineral Hill. His business here was to close the sale of a third-interest in the Rialto and to pay over the money for the same to Mr. Peabody. Mr. Fish was one of the first prospectors to enter the Mineral Hill district. After making several locations, he traveled all over the Territory, but returned to his first love with the belief that it was the best district to be found. Since then he has camped under the shadow of Mineral Hill and means to remain there till its bullion output shall have proven the correctness of his opinion.

Six able-bodied young gentlemen, from Iowa, arrived here Wednesday, and will drive their stake at Florence. They are acquaintances of Mr. Aaron Mason and he has given them employment on the Florence and Silver King telegraph line now building. We give them cordial welcome. Pinal county has room for all the sterling young men the States can send her. But if our immigration con-

tinues to be exclusively masculine, we shall have to make a requisition upon the east for a few of her marriageable daughters. The rustle of skirts is very seldom hereabouts.

We received a pleasant visit, Friday, from Mr. Nelson, a San Francisco mining expert, who is here to examine the Alice mine, at Mineral Hill, in the interest of Philadelphia capitalists. He is a man of cool judgment and does not express hasty opinions. He says no man can examine a mine in a day and give a reliable report of it; therefore he proposes to spend a week in his examination of the Alice. We are glad to see experts of this character visit Mineral Hill. Her mines will bear careful investigation, and we have nothing to fear from reports made by men who examine our properties in that way.

Mr. F. W. Peabody, of San Pedro, was in town this week and gave good report of the mines in that district. He has charge of the Watson and several other valuable properties in that district. He anticipates a speedy resumption of work on the former claim. It is owned by a company financially strong, and feeling encouraged by the present splendid showing in the mine, they purpose spending a large sum of money in exploration of the ledge. There is but little doubt as to the result proving satisfactory. At any rate, we commend the wisdom of the company in deciding to ascertain as near as possible the exact capabilities of their property, before incurring the expense of erecting a mill. It is the only safe and sensible course for a mining company to pursue. The Silver Queen, which was mentioned last week as having been bonded to Tucson parties for \$50,000, is probably sold, but we have not received definite information to that effect. Mr. Peabody expected that the final consummation of the sale would occur on Tuesday. The Tucson parties were negotiating the purchase for some Illinois capitalists. The outlook in the San Pedro district is hopeful, and once the boom starts it will be permanent. That section possesses the double advantage of being a mining and an agricultural district. Either of these interests is sufficiently strong to insure it a prosperous future, and the two combined will make it a booming country.

Charlie Rapp returned Thursday from his stock ranch on the upper Gila. His ranch is located near the famous O'Brien and San Carlos copper mines, recently sold by Wm. Tweed and partner to New York parties for \$150,000. Charlie is enthusiastic over these mines. There are four claims located in a square, and show a solid deposit 1,200 feet wide. The company has taken up a mill-site on the river, and Wm. Tweed and Judge Bush have laid out a town-site at the same point. The coal fields lie only seven miles beyond this. A wagon-road is now building from the mouth of the San Pedro to the mines, a distance of eleven miles up the Gila. Judge Bush and Mr. Tweed have five other claims in the same vicinity upon which they are now working, and lively times are anticipated when the company commences active operations at the O'Brien and San Carlos group. There is some doubt as to whether this valuable property lies on the reservation, in Gila, or in Pinal county, and it will probably take a survey of the county and reservation lines to settle the question. The Saddle Mountain district lies but a short distance farther up the river and is in this county. Some large sales of property in the latter district are on the point of consummation, and there are strong indications of an early boom in that quarter. When all the districts in that section open up, they will add largely to the mine value of the smallest and best county in the Territory, viz: Pinal.

Just out of pawn—an elegant mine stone cluster diamond ring, worth \$140, can be bought for \$70. Uncle Harris, 221 Kearny street, San Francisco.

Notice to Creditors. Estate of B. W. Reagan, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of B. W. Reagan, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within ten months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator, at his office in the court-house in the town of Florence, in the county of Pinal, A. T.

P. R. Brady, Administrator of the estate of B. W. Reagan, deceased. 31-4t

Probate Notice. TERRITORY OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF PINAL, IN PROBATE COURT. In the matter of the estate of Fordyce

Phelps, deceased, notice for publication of time appointed for proving will, etc.

Pursuant to an order of said court, made on the 31 day of December, 1881, notice is hereby given that Monday, the 22 day of January, 1882, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day, at the court room of said court, at the town of Florence, in the said county of Pinal, has been appointed as the time and place for proving the will of said Fordyce Phelps, deceased, and for hearing the application of Aaron Mason for the issuance to him of letters testamentary, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

G. L. WATKINS, Probate Judge and ex-officio Clerk. Dated December 31, A. D., 1881. 36t

DEEDS—MINES. David Milliken, Jr., to Chester Mining Co., Good Will, Capitan No. 2, Canyon de Oro district; \$100.

George Seitz to F. Heitzelman, 1/2 Gally, Casa Grande district; \$1.

M. N. Tharinger to T. A. Cochran, Bodie, Pioneer district; \$1.

W. Schoenberg to W. F. Kurth and J. O. Fischer, 1/2 Mescal, 1/2 Spring, Mineral Creek district; \$200.

A. D. Brewster to Will A. Henry, 1/2 Lelo, Halstead district; \$600.

Ben Van Vlack to G. L. Wratten, 1/2 Mohawk, Pioneer district; \$5.

Geo. DeLong to J. D. Baker, 1/2 Derby, 1/2 London, Pioneer district; \$25.

J. S. Walston to Thos. B. Fish, 1/2 Rialto, Mineral Hill district; \$700.

Thos. B. Fish to K. McKendie and J. Fraser, 1/2 Rialto, Mineral Hill district; \$1,200.

MISCELLANEOUS. Power of attorney—J. S. Walston to F. W. Peabody, special.

Extension of bond—Mat Cavaness, Irene W. Beasley, James Dillabaw to Wm. P. Miller, 65 additional days on Alice mine.

Chance for Christmas Turkeys. A raffle for live Turkeys will be held at the Silver King Hotel on Christmas Eve. Terms and number of the raffle will be arranged by those holding chances. For further particulars inquire at the hotel.

TERMINAL NOTES. This camp has arisen to the dignity of one store, three saloons and a first-class boarding house, the latter under the management of Messrs. Hampton and Farrell. They are about sixty men at work in and around the camp, and the number is steadily increasing. It is located at the Silver Belle Quartz, and eight miles above Mineral Hill and in the same mineral belt.

The Pinal Consolidated Mining Company will petition for the establishment of a postoffice at this camp soon.

Mr. Linkton, general manager of the company, was here Thursday, making arrangements for having the company's freight hauled in from Casa Grande.

Allen Whitlow has been awarded the contract for hauling the ore from the mine to the reduction works on the river.

The company's new road from the river to the mine has been completed to a point within a mile of the former.

The Cliff mine, located near the Silver Belle Quartz and owned by Messrs. Hampton, Farrell and Meyer, is showing up well. An open cut, ten feet deep, has been made across the ledge and uncovers a fine body of galena, carbonate and red oxide of copper, twenty feet in width. The Columbus, owned by the same parties and lying in juxtaposition to the Cliff, is also showing up well.

The Martinez, the property of Mr. Linkton and some San Francisco parties, is steadily improving. A winze has been sunk in the tunnel to a depth of 50 feet, making a total depth of eighty feet from the surface. It shows a strong vein of galena running well in silver. The work of development will be continued till the mine is thoroughly explored.

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