

Pulse of Western Progress.

Uncle Sam has several acres of valuable land left in the west. Although the public domain has been pretty well picked over, for mineral, agricultural and other purposes, some choice areas remain, which have been cut off from the huge reservations granted Indian tribes in early years.

Its have been received by the Park Transportation company since October 1, and the stages and hotels have been run in the past for the less completion of those who went into the park prior to that time.

The Union Pacific Railway company is engaged in enlarging its yards at Rawlins and has over fifty men employed in the work.

Some of the sheep herders have formed a syndicate to purchase the oil lands in the vicinity of Casper.

The Western Union Telegraph company will string a new wire between Cheyenne and Ogden and will practically rebuild their line between Cheyenne and Denver.

The shipment of coal from Rock Springs during September was 500 cars, or about 125,000 tons in excess of the shipments during the corresponding month of 1896.

During the past three months large bands of sheep, aggregating over 75,000 head, have been trailed through the northern part of Laramie county going from Douglas to Fort Laramie, and from thence on into Nebraska.

The sixth annual meeting of the Congregational churches of Wyoming convened in the first Congregational church at Cheyenne last Saturday.

The Wyoming Development company has secured 6,000 acres of land for reservoir purposes on the Laramie river west of Wheatland.

The first snow of the season fell at Wheatland on the 13th inst. and was about an inch, but was all melted off at sunset.

The persistent lingering of the straw hat in Deadwood threatens to provoke some shooting—the straw hat being the target.

Rain during the last two weeks put out the forest fires in the Black Hills and gave the inhabitants welcomed relief from smoke and heat.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Yankton Association of Congregational Ministers closed its session at Hudson Wednesday evening.

The grand jury at Park last week reported an indictment against President Salsbery of the First National bank of Minot.

There will be a novel teachers' meeting at Garrison on Saturday, October 23.

The grain palace enterprise for 1897 had the largest admission receipts in the history of the association, and will nearly pay out for improvements on stock as collateral.

A new company has been organized of eastern Pennsylvania capitalists, who will purchase the Uncle Sam mining property, which is located in the Deadwood region.

A much needed piece of work is being completed at the burned district of Rapid City, which consists of making a fill of 300 feet of earth to prevent leakage in the dam.

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Fall River has attracted much attention, and where nothing was working one year ago employment is now given to over 100 men.

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Material is on the ground at Rawlins for sinking an artesian well for the railroad. The hole will be started twelve inches in diameter and will go 1,200 feet.

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State Engineer Fiske has finished the survey of the disputed boundary line between Fremont and Chase counties.

The cost of the festival of Mountain and Plain was greater than ever before. The amount was \$25,000; this year it is not yet in, but it is estimated that the cost will be over \$40,000.

The jury in the damage case of Rhodes Allen against the Florence & Cripple Creek railroad after being out for two days and two nights at Colorado Springs.

A hard fight will be made by the railroad for an appropriation of the state when the legislature meets next year.

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Articles of incorporation of the Majestic Gold Mining company, a reorganization of the Golden Security, were filed last week.

Work has been suspended at the Overman and the latter is being reworked by a subcontractor.

A traveling lumber buyer was enquiring through Eureka county last week and offered to contract with a number of our lumbermen for home hides.

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A company of twelve Comstock miners and experienced prospectors is being formed for the purpose of accepting the proposition of R. C. Gunn.

Hogus that Dr. Webb engaged him to furnish guides and saddle horses for a thirty-days' trip, but when the party arrived at Cimmaron he was notified, and they engaged other guides instead.

James Keegan, superintendent of the Mountain Con and other mines at Butte, was arrested last Sunday by Special Deputy Sheriff Taylor.

The best barley in the world is produced in Montana. It is stated that the farmers in the Gallatin valley will this year realize for their crops \$1,000,000.

The Great Northern railway has decided to do more building of lines in the coal fields around Belt and Sand Coulee, and new coal fields are being opened up.

The Northern engineers began work the other day in running an extension of the Sand Coulee branch into the Cottonwood Coulee coal field.

The mines at Sand Coulee of the railroad company are said to be nearly exhausted. All the land in this neighborhood, however, given to the miners by the railroad.

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It is estimated that the output of the Old Jordan and Galena the present month will reach over 2,000 tons.

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It would require the employment of hundreds of miners and mill men and cause such a revival on the Comstock as it has not seen for twenty years.

A fifty-ton cyanide plant is being erected at Mojave, Cal. Jose Lopez shot and killed Juan Villa in self-defense at San Luis Obispo.

The Ashland Tidings says that the free-picture-and-you-buy-the-frame racket was worked in Ashland last week.

The Southern Pacific is building a new steel bridge over the Mokelumne river in San Joaquin county.

Miss Rosa Abougha, a beautiful young Armenian woman, fled from Turkey to escape persecution.

Elise de Vere, an actress, was arrested in San Francisco for stealing a hat.

The American mine, Andover county, Ore., is producing 12,000 tons of coal weekly.

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