

NEWS FROM THE FARMER WEST

MINING IN THE BLACK HILLS

Latest Advances from South Dakota's Rich Mineral Region.

IMPORTANT STRIKE IN NORTHERN HILLS

Layer of Quartzite Five Feet Thick Has Recently Been Struck at a Depth of 355 Feet.

LEAD, S. D., March 31.—(Special).—One of the most important strikes ever made in the Northern Hills occurred Friday in Nevada gulch, on the Snowtown property, owned by R. M. Maloney. Many attempts have been made by mine owners in this district to reach the lower layer of quartzite. Last Friday this layer was encountered in the Snowtown mine at a depth of 355 feet. This practically settles the question of the future richness of this district. A short time ago some parties from Montana attempted to reach quartzite in this mine, and at a depth of 344 feet they encountered a layer of sand-quartzite which was taken for quartzite. Considerable drifting was done, but no ore was encountered. Mr. Maloney secured a bond on the property and sank a shaft only twelve feet deeper when quartzite was struck. The layer has been penetrated and is five feet thick. Enough of the formation in this district to make it almost certain that rich bearing ore will be found on this quartzite as in many other mines. The theory is that the formation is the same in the north and south. Holes will be sunk to the quartzite at intervals from the tunnels made by the Montana prospectors. A substantial hoisting plant has been placed over the shaft, with an air-compressor and pump. The hoisting plant on the Baltimore and Richmond shaft, adjoining the Snowtown, is now in operation. A tunnel will be run from the both mines.

Receiver Bradley of the Union Hill company has arrived from Philadelphia with sufficient money to pay off all the accounts for labor and supplies furnished the company, which amounts to about \$20,000. The company is paying 95 cents on the dollar, and it is stated that this claim will be carried until the company gets on its feet again. It is expected that all accounts will be turned over on that basis. No claims have been disputed. It is stated that money has been secured by the company with which to continue development work at the mines and on the Edgemoor smelter.

BUSY PLACE.

The site of the D. & G. smelter is a busy place at present. Work on the rebuilding of the new works has commenced with a large force of men and a night shift will be put on soon to get the plant completed as soon as possible. At least four months will be required. One of the reverberatory furnaces at the works was found to be unburned by the fire and is now smelting about fifty tons of ore a day. Carpenter states that the smelter is a Deadwood institution first and last. The new sampling works will be ready in a short time, when the company will determine the amount of ore as before the fire. A trundle is to be built across the wagon road in front of the works for the purpose of conveying the slag further down the valley. It is authoritatively stated that the development work in the mine of the Hardin Mining and Manufacturing company in Two Bits, will shortly be closed down to await the building of the proposed smelter at Redwater. This mine has been thoroughly explored and it is known almost to a certainty that the extent and value of the body of ore. A large amount of ore is on the dump ready to be shipped. The officers of the company are interested in the smelter and they have decided not to ship any more ore until the smelter is built. It is a costly matter to haul the ore to Deadwood by team and it is thought both the Edgemoor and Burlington will build in on their surveyed routes this spring. The plans of the Redwater smelter are assuming definite shape and it is expected that the grading will be commenced this month. It is stated that the other Hardin company will suspend work as soon as the mines have been thoroughly explored.

The shaft on the Deadwood Development company's property in Two Bits is down 180 feet. The material has changed from lime shale to a highly siliceous shale and has the appearance of aluminous ore. Pieces of hematite ore have appeared which show the ore body to be close. It is reported that the citizens of Spearfish are working out a proposition to convert the building which was started for a chlorination plant into a smelter. It is stated that \$50,000 has been raised by eastern parties which is to be placed against a like amount furnished by the citizens of Spearfish, who have raised nearly all of the necessary money. Negotiations with the city are being conducted and the purchase of the site and incomplete buildings and arrangements are being made with the mine owners in the Deadwood district. The smelter will have a capacity of 100 tons.

TO ERECT A SMELTER.

Dr. H. H. Muggaley of Chicago, who bought P. L. Edgemoor's interest in a group of nineteen claims southwest of Redford in the Central hills, has arrived from the east and is making plans to erect a thirty or forty-ton smelter on the property. The plant will have one upright furnace, similar to the D. & G. smelter. The plant can be erected in four weeks. It is also the plan of the company to put in a hoist quartz mill which has recently been introduced into the Black Hills. Several carloads of free milling ore, which is found in large quantities on the property, have been purchased in Chicago, before the mill is purchased. The property is nicely situated for water.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pearson Mining company held in Deadwood the following board of directors determined: John Haggard, J. A. Harding, H. B. Baker, E. Zipp, John Baker and N. P. Haggard. The officers elected are: President, H. B. Baker; vice president, J. A. Harding; secretary and treasurer, J. A. Harding. The hoisting plant on the Hardin standard company's claim, in Two Bits, under the management of Charlie Hardie, has been put into operation. The shaft is down forty-two feet to shale. A night shift has been put on. H. B. Swain has leased 500 feet of choice placer to the city of Spearfish. Top district of Dr. Paddock, A. J. Smith and others, for a period of nine months. The ground will be worked through the Little Hill Fraction and it is expected that some rich ore will be taken out. A complete hoisting plant, drills and pump, have been ordered by the purchasers worked on the two school lots. The shaft is down fifty feet in good ore.

HURON HAPPENINGS.

H. J. Jordan has been accepted by Rev. W. Jordan of Sioux Falls to deliver the address before the high school graduating class at the approaching commencement, which will take the place of the usual exercises on such occasions. The class numbers seventeen. A reception was tendered Rev. Mr. VanderLaas at the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening which was very largely attended. Mr. VanderLaas is the new pastor of the church and comes here from Cedar Rapids, Ia. D. E. Monies of Des Moines, Ia., has purchased a large tract of land in the north part of this county, near Lake Byron, and will establish a cattle ranch thereon. Other parties from the same locality are interested in similar projects near the same lake. Complete buildings on White River. CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., March 31.—(Special).—Workmen have returned here from south of White River, on the Rosebud reservation, where they have just completed the work of erecting several buildings for the government. The buildings show three courses of double red brick, a combined wagon and blacksmith shop, issue house and residence of the issue clerk. They

RESERVOIRS FOR THE WEST

Official Report on the Proposed Sites in Wyoming and Colorado.

NECESSITY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT

Captain Chittenden on Reservoir Sites in the Arid Regions—Work to Be Done by the General Government.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 31.—(Special).—Elwood Mead, state engineer of irrigation, is in receipt of a copy of the report of Captain Chittenden of the United States corps of engineers on reservoir sites for Wyoming and Colorado. Captain Chittenden was for some time the engineer in charge in Yellowstone park. The report and appendices, outside of the illustrative plates, covers 108 printed pages. The work touching these reservoirs was done under the authority of the river and harbor act of June 3, 1896. The report says that the reservoir sites considered at present all the varieties to be met with in the west. They are grouped under three heads, viz.: Open valleys on the course of streams, natural lakes, natural depressions without outlets. The former predominate and are common and easily available in nearly every stream, and are most desirable because they often occur in connection with narrow, deep gorges or canyons, where the confined surface would present less chance for evaporation. The Sweetwater site in Fremont county, Wyoming, he declares to be one of the best of the class, and is found in the world. He recommends very highly natural lakes and cites the fact that the largest and least expensive artificial reservoirs in the world are of this kind.

WANT A DAY PASSENGER TRAIN.

ABERDEEN, S. D., March 31.—(Special).—A petition is being circulated here asking the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway company to put on a day passenger train between this city and St. Paul, to accommodate the heavy travel during the summer to and from Big Stone lake. Some necessity is felt for such a train, as excursion tickets is also asked for.

DEED TO THOUSANDS OF ACRES.

Final Transfer of Alleged Title to an Old Grant in Mexico. SANTA FE, N. M., March 31.—(Special).—The deed to 1,200,000 acres of land in this territory was filed for record in Chavez county last week, the title passing from the Texas land company to Robert Lindsey and G. Goodrich. The tract sold is the old Beales land grant, which was originally connected with the celebrated Maxwell grant, but fell back again into the possession of the Mexican state of Coahuila. The grant is located in Chavez county and runs west from the Rio Pecos to the middle of the channel of the Rio Pecos and north to within a short distance of the booming town of Roswell. The land in the eastern part of the grant encroaches upon the state lands and is therefore of no account, but the western portion can be made very valuable, being watered by the Pecos river and its many large springs. With this water to be used for irrigation purposes there is no reason why that part of the so-called grant cannot be made as highly productive as the best of the other side of the Pecos. This big piece of land was first provisionally granted to a man named Wilson, but having failed to fulfill the stipulations of his contract in 1832 the land was again granted to John Charles Beales and Manuel Jose Royelma as imprisor.

REFUSED TO BEG FOR MERCY.

YUMA, Ariz., March 31.—(Special).—Fred G. Hughes has just been admitted to the territorial prison to serve a five years' sentence imposed by the district court of Pima county. The charge, which was one of five in total, was the appropriation of \$25,000 belonging to the Society of Arizona Pioneers, of which he was president. He secured the money, which had been voted by the society, for the purpose of buying a house, but had never asked mercy of any man, and would not now, at nearly three years and ten.

DEATH OF A SOUTH DAKOTAN.

CORINNE, Utah, March 31.—(Special).—John Williams of Parker, S. D., was found beside the railroad track near here dying and soon thereafter he died. A note pinned to a railroad ticket signed by the railroad agent at Denver, stated that he had been in a hospital at that point and jumped out of the car window on March 24. They had detained him a few days and he became so ill that he died. It is supposed that he again became demented and jumped from the train, death resulting from exposure.

COLORADO MINE DIVIDENDS.

The Wildman-Mahoney mine, Amador county, has declared a dividend of \$12,000, 10 cents per share. The January output of the mine was nearly 140,000. Other California mines that have just declared dividends are the Pennsylvania, \$2,575, 5 cents per share; the Morning Star, \$14,400, \$5 a share. The South Europa mine is paying from \$2,000 to \$5,000 per month above expenses. An eight-foot ledge of good milling ore has been found on the 500-foot level of the Antia mine.

BLACK GANG STILL LIVES.

SILVER CITY, N. M., March 31.—(Special).—There is every reason to believe that the report sent out from El Paso stating that the Black Gang of border bandits had been surrounded and killed by the officers of the Mormon colonies in Old Mexico is without foundation. Members of the gang are reported to have been seen since the date of the alleged killing and no confirmation has ever been received from the colonies of the extermination of the desperadoes.

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PURCHASE OF DANISH ISLANDS.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Senator Lodge has reported from the committee on foreign relations to the United States to purchase the Danish West Indian islands of St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John, or any of them, for a naval coaling station. The purchase is to be made in such terms as may be in the discretion of the secretary of the navy, or as may be deemed advisable. Five millions of dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the purchase.

NEWS FOR THE ARMY.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—(Special Telegram).—The following transfers have been made in the First Cavalry: First Lieutenant William H. Ritt, from troop D, to troop I; First Lieutenant George T. Langhorne, from troop I to troop D. The following named artillery officers, having completed the course of instruction at the United States Artillery school, at Fort Monroe, Va., have been ordered to join their respective batteries: First Lieutenants John L. Hayden, First artillery; Richmond P. Davie, Second artillery; George H. Foster, Second artillery; Henry R. Lemly, Third artillery; John E. McMahon, Fourth artillery; Wilcox E. Ellis, Fourth artillery; Edward T. Brown, Fourth artillery; George W. Gabel, Fifth artillery; Peyton C. March, Fifth artillery; John K. Cree, Sixth artillery; and Eliza S. Benton, Seventh artillery. Second Lieutenants: First Lieutenant George F. Frank E. Harris, First artillery; William Chamberlain, First artillery; Louis Leroy S. Lyons, Second artillery; T. E. Mann, Second artillery; Charles M. Jones, Second artillery; Kenneth M. Brown, Third artillery; George H. McMahon, Third artillery; Andrew Herr, Fourth artillery; and Clarence C. Williams, Fourth artillery.

POSTMASTERS APPOINTED.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—(Special Telegram).—Postmasters appointed: South Dakota—J. A. Wallace, Braggland, Beadle county; William G. Wallace, Canton, Spink county; Charles S. Fasset, Hitchcock, Beadle county; John F. Baker, Hermosa, Custer county; Dora Springs, South Dakota, R. Z. Bennett, Beadle county; Ole J. Maeger, Prairie Queen, Beadle county; Henry C. Sexton, Talcott, Clark county; Freeman E. Kelly, Vandervoer, Beadle county; Carrie C. Schultz, Wilson, Clay county.

CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The senate today confirmed these nominations: German Consul of New York, consul at Cardenas, Cuba. To be receivers of public monies: Miss Martha C. C. Williams, Canton, Cal. To be registers of land offices—C. F. Hamlin, at Gunnison, Colo. Postmasters—Missouri, W. B. Lewis, Eldora Springs; South Dakota, R. Z. Bennett, Beadle county; Nebraska, F. E. Healey, Nebraska City.

DAILY TREASURY STATEMENT.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$225,137,327; gold reserve, \$173,686,763.

NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The president today sent these nominations to the senate: Thomas H. Bolton, to be surveyor of

case of war with Spain. Our National Guard, consisting of one regiment of infantry and one company of artillery, are ready for service at your call.

Montana News Notes. It is reported that beef cattle have recently sold as high as \$60 a head in the Big Hole. Judge James Stour has donated about fifty volumes to the school library at Mountain Home.

The 5 per cent dividend of the Merchants' National Bank of Helena, amounting to \$47,000, has been distributed.

The new mine tunnel made to carry water to the smelters at Anaconda and Butte is nearly completed. It cost \$90,000.

During his recent absence at Billings William Courtenay of Fort Benton closed a deal by which a herd of 5,000 native cattle were sold at \$30 per head.

Reports from Lethbridge are to the effect that the Crow's Nest railway is to be completed by the 1st of August. Eight new engines have been ordered.

Justice Fitzgerald of Belt would not accept the plea of a man who claimed to have killed a beaver in self-defense and bound the statute law violation.

The abandonment of the Ella mine seems to confirm the views of many mining men as to continuous ore bodies on the Meadeville in the Butte district. The shaft of the Ella was down 252 feet on the Meadeville shaft when the pumps were pulled last week. Some silver ore was encountered, but not copiously.

The consolidation of the Granite Mountain and Bimetallic Mining companies is one of the most important mining transactions in Montana in many years. These are the big silver and are common and easily available in nearly every stream, and are most desirable because they often occur in connection with narrow, deep gorges or canyons, where the confined surface would present less chance for evaporation.

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