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Round Mountain and Its Rich Deposits of Gold

D SUND MOUNTAIN in point of age is the youngest of the great bonanza gold camps of southern Nevada, but it may literally be said that "it was born with a gold nugget in its mouth and has been cutting its teeth

them ever since.' In reading the outline story of this great camp it must be remembered that a little over six months ago what is now known as Round Mountain was nothing more or less than the usual vista of sand and sagebrush, rolling country, foot-hills and rugged mountains peculiar to tais region of the country. A lone, straggling prospector would occasionally to mer, and here and there, too, far apart f r inte chang of companionship one would find ins little canvas shelter dignified by the owner with the name of "camp."

THE STRIKE THAT DID IT.

The stirke that brought the attention of the public at marge and the mining world especially to Round Mountain, was made on ground located by Louis D. Gondon and on a rate giv-en by him soon after to C. R. Scott "Silm" Morgan and L. R. Scott on a claim that is recorded as the Sunnyside No. 2. Mr. Gordon located wat was known as the Sunnyside group, consist-ing of three claims and a fraction. Then began the discoveries of gold that was destined to starile the mining

world and which today is but in its in ception. Pannings of free gold of al most incalculable value were made from surface sand, loose rock-in fact whereever pick or shovel could go. A pound of dirt would when panned, leave a stringer of gold grains around the pan ranging in value all the way from \$1 to \$25.

MR. GORDON A YOUNG MAN.

Mr. Gordon, who is a young mining man on the "sunnyside" of 30, lost no time in striking out for Goldfield, where he succeeded in getting the half-heart-ed interest of some of the active mining -enough to get them to come and look at his property. It didn't take these gentlemen very

long to realize that there was "a whole lot doing" and the result was that a

The Round Mountain Mining com-pany was the result of Mr. Gordon's flying trip to Goldfield and was the first of the great corporations to begin op-erations there.

Before going any further it is neces-sary here to state, in order to give a fair idea of the richness of this property that the three men, the original owners of the lease, sublet it, and draw a good royalty, after paying the owners of the property their percentage; and the men who are now sub-leasing can stand all this and still make a very handsome income

WHEN THE RUSH BEGAN.

Then began the rush to stake off property in the new gold country. From Goldfield, Tonopah, Manhattan, Austin, Rene: from all points of the compass, with Round Mountain as the magnet, outfits began pouring in. Claims were staked on all sides and held with guns. staked on all sides and held with guns. There was bitterness and strife and im-pending law suits and all the petty bad blood that stirs when one man seeks to outwit or outdo another in the mad rush for golden wealth. But to the everlasting credit of Round Mountain, when differences were adjusted and every man knew what he owned-tem-porary chaos was at once followed by peace and order, and that without the shedding of a single drop of blood or the discharge of a gun.

STORY OF MERGERS.

The story of the gradual merging of various claims into great mining comresults of individual and unaided effort and the marvelous finds of leasers, to-gether with the growth of the camp, erection of mills, power plants and water lines, each forms its integral part of a remarkable story of sudden wealth uncovered. Each of the more import-ant will be briefly related, for in each of the energy, push and controlling which collectively reveals the character of the men on whose master minds Round Mountain must depend for the uncovering of its untold wealth in honbusinesslike fashion.

standing in the mining and financial world, that the affairs of the company would be handled in business like man-ner and development pushed. The ac-curacy of this forecast is verified by

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the fact that the Sphinx company, which owns 10 claims, was the first to which owns 10 claims, was the first to install a 25 h. p. gasoline holsting plant, together with fully equipped engine-house and boller room, but a few months after the discovery of the camp. Four well defined ledges have been uncovered, ranging from five to 16 feet in width, which give returns ou average samples of \$3 to \$150 in gold. These ledges have been traced to and cut at various depths and they are found to be almost vertical, what pitch found to be almost vertical, what pitch they have being into the hill. The

walls are as strong and well defined as any ever exposed in a mine. Like all of the properties in Round Mountain, the Sphinx as cut through seams and bodies of very high grade ore. Pannings of a couple of pounds of rock and ledge matter have shown values averaging \$2,000 to the ton. Even at this early period of its de-velopment this mine has all the indica-

tions (and conservative mining men are of the opinion) that tremendous ore deposits will be encountered as great deposits will be encountered as great depth is attained and that ledges and formations will be cut that will extend the western boundary line far into and through the wash of Smoky valley. In fact such confidence in this the-ory was placed by a syndicate of min-ing men that the Sphinx Extension Mining company has recently been in-corporated and incredible as it may seem

corporated and incredible as it may seem have already struck a body of ore. The company expects to continue sinking at this point to a considerable depth and then crosscut for the Sphyns ledge. The incoporation includes men who have made a number of successes in southern Nevada and who can be relied on to handle this property in the conservative manner that has characterized their other operations in the state

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est of the boys. Wilson was panning the hot dusty sand and ocasionally he would find a color or two, but before he could make any further progress his plifful little supply of water would be an-nihilated by the dust. It was getnihilated by the dust. It was get-ting pretty discouraging. One July day after nothing remained of his water but a sand cake in his pan. Wilson did a heap of thinking for water is a luxury in the desert and any quantity of it heavy to carry in any place and as he thought the situ-ation over he was tilly nouring a ation over he was tilly pouring a handful of sand from one naim to the other, watching it trickle through his fingers while the hot desert wind whisked the light dust back to its sunburned bed. And when it had all blown away Mr. Thomas Wilson look. ed down at the palms of his hands and found that the wind had removed the dross and left-the gold.

KEPT MUM ABOUT IT.

Keeping the information to him-Keeping the information to him-self. Tom Wilson put in his time pros-pecting the Sunnyside and Blue Jay properties and discovered very rich, pay dirt and soon became convinced that there was enough of ft to run a large force of men for a consider-able length of time. He then set him-self to the task of securing leases on the properties without exposing his the properties without exposing his hand as it were, and it was not until the 12th of September that Wilson succeeded in getting matters in such shape as to begin work.

shape as to begin work. On the first day two men working the dry washer took out 24 ounces of gold running about \$13 to the the second day and the number stead. by increased until there are now two shifts of 20 men working at the dig-gings from day light until dark. The average daily output is from \$500 to \$1.000 met

pector. To the Round Mountain Ante-lope Mining company belongs the honor of making the first shipment of ore ever making the first support of the even make from the camp. This consisted of 11 tons of \$2,000 rock, making the shipment worth \$22,000. This was ef-fected during the first week of July be-fore Round Mountain had been a mining camp 90 days. OTHER COMPANIES.

The following are other incorporated companies and the personnel of their officers. This list embraces those companies which are actually actively en-gaged in opening up and developing

the largest mining operations of Utah for many years. It was under his di-rection that every pound of ore from the great Sandstorm No, 5 bonanza of Goldfield was handled.

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Round Mountain Mining company is , laying a pipe line in order to operate its mill-but this statement is quite ikely to be construed as meaning that water is inaccessable. Such, however, is not the case. The great mountains which surround the district on all sides are natural sheds and reservoirs of abundant supply but it is obvious that when mines are situated in a sandy desert or upon the slope of a rugged hill, that water has got to be conveyed across that thirsty stretch, however When the excavation had reached a When the excavation had reached a depth of five feet, one of the miners gave a yell and told his companions to bring a piece of canvas on which to place what he had found. It proved to be a piece of rock on which lay a slab of solid gold 12 by 14 inches, and over two inches thick. The badger, it was found, had hored the hole directly over the near the correspondence of deshort that distance may be. There are a score of living streams of water of sufficient volume to operate the mills of a number of gold camps such as Round Mountain has good reason to expect to There be before very many months. There are canyons within short walking disthe vein, throwing out particles of de-tached vein matter that were in greater tance, to all oppearance perfectly dry, but as soon as shovel is sunk into the ground a clear water fills the hole and one has but to continue the operation to build a miniature reservoir. There is limitless water at hand, but it mus be systematically diverted and collect ed and the cost will not be great, and when once installed can be carried to

RAILROADS PROJECTED.

Even in this, its suckling days, rail-

no semblance of incompetence or ama-teurishness. Even to a person un-versed in mining matters, there is a business-like atmosphere and a ship-shapeness which breathes of experience road men have quickly learned the vir-tues of this new Comstock and are al-ready projecting railroads which shall while this is essentially a running story of mining possibilities of the dis-trict, no account would be complete without a brief account of the virile little city that has sprung into exist-ence within the shadow of the great mountain from which the mighty Lillpass through Smoky valley and take in all of the great gold camps which line its borders. No more feasable piece of territory for the construction of a railterritory for the construction of a rali-road line could be taken under ad-visement and consideration than the route which it is already believed will shortly t_{\bullet} lined with steel ralis. The fuel question doesn't seem to be trou-bling Round Mountain to any apprecia-ble extent at the present time, so that when coal is landed at her doors she will actually think the millenium has begun to dawn. begun to dawn.

A MILL IN OPERATION.

of claims he owned dedicated into a townsite. Accordingly surveyors were employed who hald out the city o Round Mountain. As a matter of fac Round Mountain. As a matter of some confusion arises in regard name of the city. While it we Gordon's wish that the name townsite should be associated we name of the mountain that has name of the mountain that has name of the mountain that has ruling in his postoffice departs the district famous. Uncle Sam ruling in his postoffice departs the effect that names of places sh be hyphemated or double, so as a pliment to the owner of the of discovery, the postoffics was done discovery, the postofliss named Cordon. It is a named Cordon. It is doubtful town will ever be known abroad official name, as it is too closely lin with Round Mountain to be disaclated, and a vetition has been sent to the department, asking for a spee dispensation in the matter.

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has already been proven beyond per-adventure, as there is already a mill in active operation on the banks of

Shoshone creek. This creek runs less than a mile from the center of the

mining district, and in itself has sufficient flow to operate a number of mills. The present mill is a Huntington of the

of the mines in milling ore is far ahead of the capacity of the mills in sight at the present time. There is so much of free gold to occupy the attention of

the camp that the big dumps of milling

ore which are scattered about awalting

What impresses the visitor to Round

Mountain as much as any other phase

of this remarkable camp is the fact that from the mine to the mill there is

and knowledge and it carries the con-

viction that every ounce that is to be

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LOUIS GORDON'S TOWNSITE.

As short a time ago as last April

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BIG SALE OF LOTS.

Long before the surveyors y Long before the surveyors were through with their work, application for lots came tumbling in. These were sold for \$50 to \$150, according to b-cation, and it was not long before Main street was well lined on either side by tents and all manner of light built.

The growth of the town has been The growth of the town has been steady, and unlike the majority of southern Nevada camps; where a stampede occurred, there were always a lot of men left high and dry with-out employment—the mines and leaded have made good to such an exetni that it is the exception to an idle mass it is the exception to an idle man

A GOOD NEWSPAPER.

The first plant of any magnitude to establish here was the Round Mountain Nugget, owned and edited by Messre Henry J. Bartlett and Jas. Traver Henry J. Bartiett and Jas. Travers. both of them well known newspaper men. They have today a plant second to none in the state, and publish a the-page weekly paper which covers all the mining news of the district.

A public school was started on the first of October with a competent teacher in charge. There Union hospital, with train attendance, and at the present sufficient funds are almost in hand f build an up-to-date and well equip build an up-to-date and well equipped infirmary. The canvas homes that went up at the start are being re-placed by substantial and cosy cot-tages, and all of the business houses are putting up permanent offices. Three large supply and mercantil-houses furnish the town with all the pecessities for food multice are in the town with all the

The present mill is a Huntington of the most improved pattern, and especially adapted to the particular grade of ore which predominates here. Aside from the Sunnyside mill now in course of construction there are a number of others being contemplated. There is plenty of room for mills, as the output of the millione in million one is for others necessities for food, mining, etc. necessities for load, mining, etc. there are brokers and real estate offices-telephone and telegraphic connections with the entire outer world and two mails daily which arrive by stage-one yia Austin, and the other by way of Tensenh, and Marabitan. Tonopah and Manahttan.

PLENTY TO EAT THERE

Fresh meats, vegetables, eggs an nilk are brought in every day from the neighboring ranches. The climate most healthful and invigorating. To sandy character of the soft makes possible for people to go out after heavy rainfall and remain complete du under foot. The rain merely serve to pack the roads and streets the hard er. Wh'le it snows in the mountains where it we'll knows in the mountains where it we'llke a transfe for hal-the year - and, by new it has all ven-ished in the streets of 5 and Mountain Surrounded by the clerial hills, with the limitless stretch of great, Smok valley before her-with days glowing with color and golden glory and nights of pure silver-Round Mountain has but grow, with all that nature

CLOSE TO TIMBER BELT.

ishing upon her.

Of equal importance is the quest of fuel and it can be said at once th there will never be a dearth of this e sential. There is a timber belt the above the camp that will supply n generations to come, that time shall arrive Round Moun

part gold. It was one of these that had attracted the attention of the pros-

gaged in opening up and developing their properties: Round Mountain Extension Mining company, the control of which was sold last June for a consideration of \$50,000, to A. R. Dearborn and M. F. Gorman of Birmingham, Ala., and J. P. Loftus, J. R. Davis, John S. Cook and H. G. Mayer of Goldfield, making one of the strongest companies operating in the district. L. B. Hzzeigrove, the ju-perintendent in charge, is a practical mining man and has handled some of the largest mining operations of Utah

pany owns what is known as the Short group of claims. The company has been working the property by the lease system. The officers are E. B. Cush Trust copany, president: J. H. MacMillan vice president; C. R. Evans of Manhattan, secretary and general manager, and C. H. Wise of State Bank & Trust company at Manhattan, treasurer. These with G. S. Johnson of the brokerage house of the same name in Gold-field, are the directors. Sam Bayles is superintendent in charge, which insures economical and intelligent development. The Rogers Round Mountain Mining company-Judge Lewis H. Rogers of Goldfield, president: Webb B. Parkin-Goldheid, president: Webb B. Parkin-son, secretary, and Floyd Russell, treasurer. This company started a working shaft on their Lookout claim, and from a depth of 12 feet have never been out of values. They are in the same formation as the Sunnyside.

any part of the district.

Gold Strike



there were only a few tents lined up at the base of Round Mountain, when A MILL IN OPERATION. The practicability of Round Moun- Mr. Gordon decided to have a number will be coal in plenty.

Manhaftan Ledges Promise to Yield Big Returns.

MUCH WORK GOING ON.

Already a score or more of organized capitalized mining companies are vely pushing development work. actively It would be mere repetition to con-sider them all so that only a few of the companies whose work goes far-thest in proving up the ground and whose workings embrace the greater area of the Round Mountain district need be considered, not necessarily in the order of incorporation.

ROUND MOUNTAIN FAIRVIEW.

The Round Mountain Fairview Mining company stands among the rich properties of the camp. The gold dis-coveries of this company in its progress of developments reads like a tale of the Arabian Nights. New discoveries of high grade ore: rich stringers of almost pure gold showing up with in-creasing frequency-such is the almost daily record.

Organized during August last with Reese B. Wampler, president; Tom Gordon, vice president, and Homer W. La Lime as general manager, together with A. S. Riggs and the above menwith A. S. Riggs and the above men-tioned as the directorate, the Fairview Was, and continues to be one of most was, and continues to be one of most steady producers of high grade and milling ores in the camp. Mr. Al San-derson is in charge of the property and has proven himself a very practical, thereare and enderstation is thorough and systematic miner

It is not the present purpose to be-wilder the reader with a mass of figures relating to the number of shares sold, or that will be sold; nor to attempt to say what stocks are worth, or what they might or will be worth. The pur-pose of this article is to state just what exists and can be seen for the looking Stocks will then look after themselves.

There is no place in the world like a There is no place in the world like a rich mining camp for the "picker" and the "rubberneck," an everlast ng nuisance, bore and hindrance: but for one who has a legitimate and rightful request to make for permission to see some of the wondrous gold specimens or free gold pannings that are being beradied broadcast no more willing heralded broadcast, no more willing, courteous and obliging set of men are to be found than the superintendents in charge of the various mines and workings about Round Mountain.

Mr. Sanderson started work with an incline which was begun on a narrow seam that was uncovered on the surface. As depth was attained this sean had gradually widening out, Or the 60 foot level it had become a ledge of rich milling value five and a half feet in width. Here a scam three inches wide honeycombed and impregnated with pure gold was found. An average sample taken from the muck of three shifts, mixed and quartered down to the size of an assay sample gave when assayed a value of \$25.48 per ton. During the six weeks one shift of two men hag meen out over \$4,000 in speci-men gold. This was not in pockets but well distributed along the course of the ledge and covered all expenses up to that time since the first pick was struck into the ground.

At the present writing the Fairvlew has three shafts with a maximum depth of 125 feet and about 700 feet of levels. drifts and cross cuts opened up, and the values not only continue, but keep inceasing and the ledge is now 11% eet in width.

THE SPHYNX MINE.

Meantime Wilson was revolving a number of problems in his mind and the outward and visible sign of it On what at the moment is along the western boundary of the camp is the Round Mountain Sphynx Mining comwhen he began to make practical cal culations was not with paper and pencil. Instead he carried a little frying pan and a canteen of water and he hovered around the base of pany, which has already done much work in opening up its various ore bodies. It was predicted that with its officers and directors viz., J. H. Shock-ey, president: R. P. Dunlap, vice presithe great round mountain that was pouring its gold into the lap of more

ROUND MOUNTAIN MINING CO. On Oct. 3, an exceptionally large clean-up was made and an automo-bile was called into use to take the gold to Tonopah from whence it is shipped via Wells Fargo to Carson. The result of this day's work is vari-ously estimated at between \$12,000 and \$12,000 The scene of the original discovery of gold was again destined to be the source of sudden and as yet unknown wealth to another man and through him to make known a means of gold getting unthought of in connection ith Round Mountain. It has been stated that Mr. Gordon and \$15,000

The pay dirt is all on the surface, ing of an average depth of about 18 inches above a porphyryltic granite bed rock.

MORE LEASES WORKED.

he is now vice president. The other officers are James R. Davis, president; Since the day that Tom Wilson's dry wash placer discovery became known it was but a question of a very short time before the sands about the Round mountain district were being J. P. Sweeney, secretary; John S. Cook treasurer. These gentlemen with J. P. Loftus, form the directorate. The property since its inception has been Round mountain district were being carefully prospected and there are a number of new leases which have been given that are already making their owners wealthy. Rich float is being discovered in different parts of the district, in many cases the values running high enough to make under the very able management of James McDonald and it stands today as one of the best mines in the district. The company is sinking three shafts, numbered 1, 2 and 3, and having the following respective depths. The fa mous specimen ledge had been traced during last June through all three claims of the company and even at the time had been followed dry washing profitable. Nearly every cubic foot of the ground on either side of Round meuntain will pan colors and that the district contains rich It was recently cut again at edges which are as yet undiscovered 125 feet. From an underground sur-vey of the foot wall it was found that the ledge was pitching at an angle is as certain as the day. Not any of the placer finds can be traced to the the placer hads can be traced to the ledges at present uncovered. The prevailing theory is that the float is from large, definite ledges, which when discovered will show great of 43 degrees whereas from the sur face down to where the ledge wa was left in the hanging (95 feet) the pitch was 28 degrees. Not only is the ledge a monster but may prove to be one of the richest in the state. The aver-

RECALLS THE OLDEN DAYS.

of the richest in the state. The aver-Men may be seen nowadays in and gives an assay return of \$64.25. Of this \$1.92 is silver. At every point about nay be seen nowadays in and about town with glasses, howls, tin-cans, in fact any receptacle that is capable of holding gold dust and to some of the old-timers it recalls the party California and it. broughout this company's workings the richness of the ore bodies are self evident and it does not require panearly California and Alaskan days, tings to convince one of the richness of the property. It is a fact that pan-

early California and Alaskan days, It is difficult to realize that all this wealth is being extracted from the ground when one takes a look around the district. Everywhere the same -primeval sage brush and untrodden sands meet the eye outside of town, with here and there a little dump which represents the source of all the fabulous wealth that has but be-gun to be accumulated. The Bound hings containing two or three hands-full of dirt from the ledges have pro-duced over \$60 in coarse gold. Some of the colors are small sized nuggets which when hold in the sunlight prewhich which hold in the sunlight pre-sent a beautiful sight. The extra-ordinary values found at the surface have remained to the greatest depth reached and there is shown every in-dication that might point to a con-tinued permanency of enrichment to the greatest depth to which mining may be practically prospected. gun to be accumulated. The Round Mountain district has not even been ratched as yet.

THE COMBINATION PROPERTY. Round Mountain Combination The company is laying a pipe line from Jefferson canyon so that an untining company has some very rich acer diggings on its properties and operations are going rapidly forward. During one week with only three malimited supply of water can be brought over to their new stamp, mill working 250 ounces was cleanwhich will be sufficient to handle their output, for as the ore tonnage is ed up which ran about \$15 an ounce. This wash is being worked to the bed This wash is being worked to the bed rock, being in places as deep as 12 feet. The ground owned by this com-pany, which is composed of Frank Golden, president; A. H. Mayne, vice president; E. H. Meade, secretary; James Degan, treasurer, who, with L. D. Gordon, W. E. Jeske and Richard Coe, a Nebraska banker, form the di-rectorate, hat been developed and proven up by leasers who are getting increased more stamps will be added THOMAS WILSON, A PIONEER. Among the many men who came to mountain during the first excitement none received particular at-tention or recognition aside from those who had providentially struck rich things and were therefore in the proven up by leasers who are getting good returns for their labors. Under lime light which the possession of great wealth throws over a man. these circumstances the company at a minimum of expense is in a position to begin active operations in sinking No one paid particular attention , a tall, raw-boned, broad-shouldered man who quietly and unobtru-sively went about his own business. Thomas Wilson had a gentle, cheery word of greeting for every one he passed—and that was all any one ever its shaft without further expenditure obe in prospecting as the ecres have been located.

ROUND MOUNTAIN ANTELOPE.

thought of Tom until he chanced to meet him again. Nobody bothered their heads about Tom—his going or his coming, and Tom Wilson contin-ued to greet people in his quiet gen-tic most for the second At the eastern extremity of the above Mountain Antelope Mining company, with which is associated the renowned and traditional badger who found a benanza-for it does not take long for our mining camp to build up its tra-

One day while the owners of the One day while the owners of the property were out prospecting and had about decided to return to camp, one of them noticed a badger darting for his home, a hole in the ground. Upon try-ing to hit the animal with a stone he was attracted by a piece of rock that hay near the entrance of the badger's domicile as 1 upon close examination if ANOTHER RED TOP.

The Round Mountain Red Top Mining company adjoins the famous Ante-lope. Assays running from \$4,000 to \$5,000 per ton have frequently been met with in the Edith Fraction of their estate. In the Black Hawk claim they is a tunnel 225 feet into the hill which shows splendid returns, while prospect ing this claim has developed the fact that it is rich in placer gold and it is expected that as soon as the leasers get their machines going they will be-

get their machines going they will be-gin churning out gold. The officials of this company are Gurney Gordon, pres-ident; R. L. Colburn, secretary and treasurer; H. L. Taylor, general man-ager. The company property comprises seven claims, viz: Black Hawk, Edith, Extension Detension 2014 Extension, Extension No. 1, Blue Jay, Blue Jay No. 1 and the Lost Mine, The Round Mountain Cahill Mining company owns an immense acreage

southeast and east of Round Mountain ome very good silver values have been found; they have a strong ledge and a

mine may be looked for in depth. The Smoky Valley Round Mountain Mining company, owning a large acre-age west of the Sphinx. They have a gasoline hoist ordered and are doing good, substantial work, and it is thought they will get the Sphinx ledges in depth.

The Round Mountain Virgin Gold Mining company, owning some of the best ground in the district, adjoining the Fairview, is doing but little at present, as the ground is in dispute. The Round Mountain Imperial is very

well located, adjoining the Fairview and Albatross groups. The officers are capable men and the outlook for the

company is very bright. The Round Mountain Bullion is northwest of the Fairview and east of the townsite. They have a very large acreage and some good values on the acreage and some good values on the surface. This property looks good. Round Mountain Alpine own ground south of the townsite. The ground is well located, but as yet but little development work has been do

The Round Mountain Mutual Mining company own large acreage south of Round Mountain, about 1,500 feet from Round Mountaing Mining company. The officers include Charles Wise, cash-ier State bank, Manhattan, and other

well known financial and mining men. An extensive campaign of development will soon be inaugurated. ROUND MOUNTAIN CITY.

Before describing the marvelous little ity of Round Mountain, it is well to note a number of facts which pertain particularly to the facilities afforded for

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successfully carrying on mining operations. In the first place water is a car dinal essential for all mining and espec ially carrying on mining operations. In the first place water is a cardinal essential for all mining and especially placer mining, in which Round Mountain now seems destined to take her part It has already them alored

A district which during the past underneath it all. Some of the best the News, are published in Manh summer has seen somewhat dull times is that of Manhattan, and there is a claim that it has as large if not larger reason for it. It is a well authenti- surface indications of any of the camps cated fact that San Francisco people would have none of Tonopah, nor of Goldfield, nor yet of Bullfrog and when they all proved to be first class mining camps and the strike was made at Manhattan just a year ago, these same San Franciscans fairly broke two miles away assaying \$2,000 per their necks in purchasing properties. This was during January, February ton.

and March and the writer happened to be in San Francisco during this period. Anything from Manhattan commanded a ready sale and found no end of purchasers. This continued until the earthquake and fire and then there followed a sudden standstill.

During this period the growth of Manhattan was phenomenal and the town grew in a night almost.

The writer has seen mining town grow for 27 years, but he has no hesitancy in saying that none that he ever saw or heard of grew so suddenly as did Manhattan. Town lots ad. vanced beyond all reason and mining claims likewise. It was the worst craze of all, but with that indescribable calamity of San Francisco came the collapse of Manhattan. People rushed out as fast as they had rushed in and for a time it was in an un-

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known mining men the writer has met lications, publishing a full quota mining news each week, and valuab nediums for keeping in with developments as they are viewe, on the ground. of Nevada and he can indorse what on the ground. Some rich ore has been found with depth, that on the Independence Con-solidated running as high as \$2,609 perton. The Manhattan Consolidated, regarded as the bainer mine in the 206 they say. Dry placers alone are producing about \$500 per day and there are between 300 and 350 miners at work throughout the district. The day before the writer left Manhattan district, has cross-cut from the 200 foot level and intersected the big yein on the foot wall and is now into some ore had been found at Central, it 18 feet, and all in ore with milling values running from \$25 to \$35 per

Manhattan lies north and east of Tonopah, a distance of about 50 miles. The trip takes about three or three and one-half hours by auto. You strike across the desert for the wooded hills plainly seen in the distance, and then entering a canyon, you begin to get into a more fertile country, where there are in evidence pines and firs and other small timber, smaller than we are used to seeing it in Colo. ado. However the change is very efreshing, a pleasing contrast to the

thence to Tonopah and it is also re-ported that a mill has been con-tracted for. The writer believes in the future of Manhattan and regards nonotonous desert country of which ne sets so much down below. Manhattan as a town is a thriving place with a number of mercantile es-tablishments, brokerage concerns, and the usual quota of saloons and other features which go to make a new minas the pleasantest camp and live in, in all this wonderful stafe; ing camp. There are good hotel ac-commodations, and the town is con-Sue Brett studied her lobster doubtected with the outside world both by telephone and telegraph. The popu-lation is in the neighborhood of 1,000

fully. "It looks awfully nice," she said, "but happy state. Then came the reac-tion and people came slowly back real-izing that a good foundation existed and there are a number of people is in the there-ah-a-slight smell?" "That's the sea water, ma'an," ex-wooded hills surrounding the business center. Two papers, the Mail and when the tide was on the turn."

values running from \$25 to \$35 part ton. It will take 25 feet more work to reach the hanging wall. Ten tons of ore were sent to Denver while milled \$86 per ton. It is estimated that the Manhattan Consolidated has \$2,660,000 blocked out. The Original Manhattan has seven to nine feet of Manhattan has seven to nine feet of

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\$60 per ton, What Manhattan needs is transpor-tation and milling facilities and these facilities and these facilities and these periods are set of the period facilities and the period of the per

it is said are to come soon. It is re-ported that the railroad will be ex-tended from Austin to Manhattan and

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