

DOWN IN MEXICO.

What A Salt Lake Business Man Says of the Country.

It IS VALUABLE MINERALS.

The Great Valleys and something of its Past and Prospective Future—Silver is Abundant.

Mr. Andrew C. Bixen, one of Salt Lake's foremost young business men, has recently returned from a trip to Mexico, the favored land to the south of us, where he has large holdings in gold and silver mining properties. The gentleman has an interesting story to tell concerning the advancement and progress of mining in that country—a country, like this of which, Mr. Bixen says, he has never before in his extensive travels, cast his eye upon.

"As to" as he is familiarly called, and his brother-in-law, in connection with a San Francisco syndicate, have secured concessions and a grant on seven miles of placer mining lands in the Guadalupe river bottom. The purpose of the San Francisco company is to begin the extraction of ore as soon as proper placer machinery of the most modern make can be put in place, negotiations for the purchase of which are now pending. Mr. Bixen is also interested in several valuable gold properties out of which he expects to make considerable money.

The gentleman in speaking of Mexico's mining resources, makes mention to the famous Valerian mines and its workings. For three centuries the mines had been a steady and persistent producer, until thirty years ago when operations in the property became somewhat lax. The Valerians had the reputation of producing the world for a long period two-thirds of the silver used therein. It has a main shaft which is 2,500 feet deep. It is cut in shape and measures 32 feet across, and is lined up with stone the entire distance. Up to July, 1895, this mine had never mined out even for the shortest space of time, but had kept working on continuously and putting its product upon the market of the world. At the latter time, however, great volume of water were encountered in the property, making it impossible to further promote development work without the aid of modern pumping machinery. The mine is owned by a Spanish company, which contemplates putting in the required machinery in order to enable it to resume operations and bring the valuable hidden ore to the surface.

At one time during the three century period, the owners of the bonanza had 12 reduction plants in operation, but latterly only about 20 or 30 were operated. At one time also the silver ore from the surrounding country was carried on the backs of burros, for a distance of 100 miles in every direction, for the purpose of being refined at these plants. While on a

trip to Mexico, Mr. Bixen saw the remains of the great reduction plant, which was built by the Spaniards for the purpose of refining the silver ore. The plant was built on a hillside, and the ore was carried up to it by a system of pulleys and ropes. The plant was built of stone, and the walls were thick and solid. The interior of the plant was filled with machinery, and the ore was refined in large crucibles. The plant was built in the 16th century, and it was one of the most important of its kind in Mexico at that time.

The advance of this mine, like the advance of other large mining properties in that country, has been slow. The mine is situated in a remote part of the country, and the transportation of the ore to the market is a difficult task. The mine is situated in a remote part of the country, and the transportation of the ore to the market is a difficult task. The mine is situated in a remote part of the country, and the transportation of the ore to the market is a difficult task.

Mr. Bixen is highly interested with the Mexican country and believes it has great future before it. The silver in the mine is very rich and the production is very abundant. The mine is situated in a remote part of the country, and the transportation of the ore to the market is a difficult task. The mine is situated in a remote part of the country, and the transportation of the ore to the market is a difficult task.

A number of prospectors and miners are interested in the mine and are working on it. The mine is situated in a remote part of the country, and the transportation of the ore to the market is a difficult task. The mine is situated in a remote part of the country, and the transportation of the ore to the market is a difficult task.

IN A FIRM ARMY.

Statement of the Success of the Bank of the State of Utah.

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GREAT RELAY RACE.

Rivalry Between Utah and Idaho in New York.

ARMED WITH A SWORD.

How Each State is Trying to Outdo the Other in the Race for the Great Transcontinental Relay.

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GREAT REPUBLICAN SILVER MEETING

FOR THE STATE OF UTAH,

At Ogden, Thursday Evening, September 3, 1896.

All True Bi-metallists are Invited to Attend.

Distinguished Speakers will be Present.