

GOLD AT \$5.00 AN ACRE.

The Story of a Remarkable Mountain of Riches in Queensland.

It is known to many that a veritable mountain of golden ore exists in Queensland, the sunny state of the new Australian commonwealth. This mountain is now being tunneled and leveled and its stone crushed and passed through chemical processes. In one year over 323,000 ounces of pure gold were extracted, and the value of the mine once rose in the share market to more than \$17,000,000.

Traveling in central Queensland a few months ago, curiosity induced us to visit this mountain of gold, which is situated about 35 miles from the populous city of Rockhampton. The train by which we made the journey runs some distance through open forest country, timbered mainly by blood-wood, boxgums and iron bark trees, and up a very steep ridge called the Razor back to a range of mountains stretching for miles from north to south, where occasionally the sullen boom of a blasting explosion, and the smoke from the furnaces and various peculiar chemical odors make the atmosphere less bright and invigorating.

On application at the office the manager readily gives permission to go over the works, and after a change of dress and payment of half a crown to a fund for the benefit of the miners the visitors are provided with a guide, who shows them the process from start to finish by which the common-looking stone quarried from this remarkable mountain is transformed into the finest quality for the mint or the jeweler's workshop.

In the immense tunnels made in the mountain here on tier, are men busily at work blasting and heaving stone and loading it on trucks, which convey it to buckets that are lowered down from one platform to another until the huge crushing machines are reached; then the ore is carried forward by trucks and dumped to the furnaces, where it is roasted and made porous for the Hall-Richard chlorination process. The ore is now placed in large barrels and treated with chloride solution under high pressure and afterward it is discharged into the leaching vats, fitted with sand and gravel filters, placed directly underneath. After being repeatedly washed it is finally made to percolate through perforated board work covered with cheese cloth and next through a bed of charcoal. This precipitates the gold and leaves it in shining heaps of fine dust on the surface. The whole process is full of intense interest to the visitor.

The grandeur and riches of nature are there, and also the science and ingenuity of man. More than \$5,000,000 has been spent on the machinery, the gigantic dams for the storage of water and the workings; about 1,500 men are constantly employed; and as the mine

iferous ore waiting to be exploited by men of energy and enterprise never entered their minds. The gold was carefully hidden in stone which in outward appearance differed slightly from the ordinary metallic structure of the soil around.

The discovery was made almost accidentally. In the early days of settlement in central Queensland a Scotch family named Gordon took up a section on the slopes of the Razor Back and by additional purchases extended their run down across a creek which divided the slopes from this mountain and partly up one of its sides. They stocked their lands with sheep and cattle and endeavored to win a living from it, but had little success.

Among other misfortunes a large number of their cattle died through eating a poisonous weed which grew abundantly in the neighborhood, and so their sons were obliged to leave the homestead for work elsewhere. One of the sons, Alexander Gordon, found employment with the Morgans, mining a few miles from Rockhampton. Mrs. Alexander Gordon was the daughter of a stockman who had often driven his cattle over the district and watered them at the streams flowing at the base of the mountain and she had received from her father a piece of gold-bearing stone picked up in a creek there. Gordon showed this stone to the Morgans, who at once saw its worth and offered him \$25 if he would show them the

spot where it was found. This he promised to do and the two Morgans, after equipping themselves in Rockhampton with horses and tools for a prospecting tour, started under the guidance of Gordon to find this modern Plectolus.

After journeying over the ranges they reached a creek where the gold was supposed to be, but their first day's investigations were very discouraging, for the stone they crushed yielded little gold. At night a tropical downpour of rain set in and all the gullies and creeks became flooded and ran in torrents, so they had to seek a place of safety on the mountain. Next morning as the rain continued they were in such a saddened and disheartened condition that they decided to make their way back, but this was difficult because of the floods. Therefore, they moved to higher ground, swimming across creeks and climbing up the steep sides of ravines and at last reached a spur of the mountain, where they found a Chinaman's hut. In this shelter they made a fire, dried their clothes and ate a hearty meal.

After the rain had cleared off one of the brothers, accompanied by Gordon, determined to prospect around the neighborhood to see if any gold could be found there. When they had gone about two miles—Gordon being some distance off—Morgan saw a big black boulder which he thought had some gold in it. So he broke a piece off and put it in his pocket. He also noticed that all along a reef there were similar

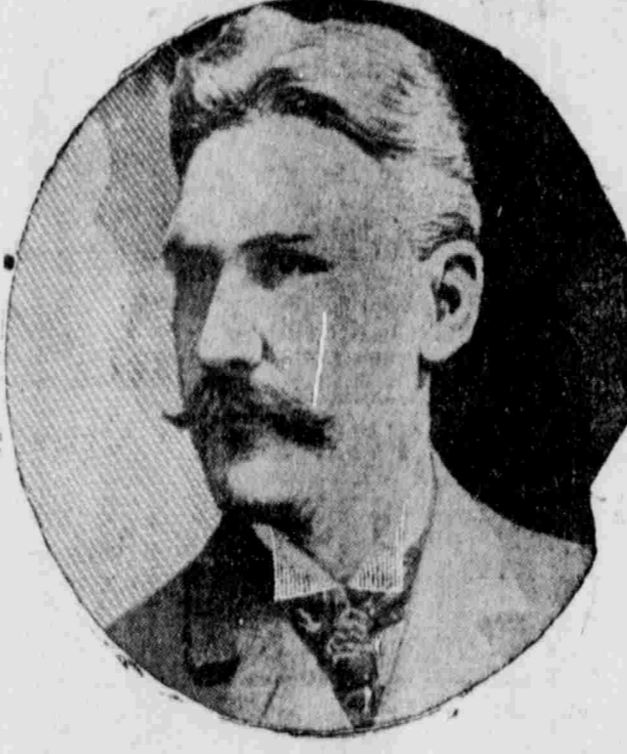
Ayer's Cherry Pectoral advertisement featuring an illustration of a man and a woman. Text: 'We are very proud of the fact that doctors so generally indorse Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. There are two reasons for this: First, we send the formula to any physician upon request; and, second, the physician sees for himself that the medicine is all we claim for it. We make no extravagant claims. We raise no false hopes. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Sixty years of experience make us believe that this is the best medicine in the world for colds, coughs, croup, bronchitis, and all other throat and lung troubles. And the doctors agree with us.'

A WISE WOMAN advertisement featuring an illustration of a woman. Text: 'A WISE WOMAN will try and preserve her beauty. A few drops of Imperial Hair Restorer restores gray hair to its natural color, makes thin hair thick and restores it to its original condition. It is easily applied, does not soil the clothing, and is absolutely harmless. Application: Use morning and evening on hair, and restore it to its original condition. Sole manufacturer, Imperial Chemical Mfg. Co., 135 W. 21st St., N. Y.'

Agate Nickel Steel Ware advertisement. Text: 'This is a copy of the Label pasted on each piece of the GENUINE Agate Nickel Steel Ware as a guarantee of Absolute Purity. LABEL Sustained by U. S. Circuit Court. NAME OF UTENSIL. AGATE NICKEL STEEL WARE. No. 1. Patented Feb. 12, 1902. COST \$1.00. SELL \$1.50. Analysis No. 15,399. New York, Dec. 1, 1901. We have made a careful examination of a sample of Agate Nickel Steel Ware, received from The Lalande & Grosjean Mfg. Co., No. 1, 135 W. 21st St., N. Y. The material coating is homogeneous, of uniform thickness, and of great purity. It is entirely free from arsenic, lead and other alloying metals, and is non-toxic. Very respectfully, STILLWELL & GILFILLAN, Chemists to the New York Produce Exchange, 100 N. 5th St., New York, N. Y. We find this enamel is absolutely pure and free from arsenic, antimony, lead and other substances injurious to health. We use the following methods for all culinary and drinking purposes. Respectfully yours, HICKS, OTIS & BRANES, Chemists to the N. Y. Mercantile Exchange, 100 N. 5th St., New York, N. Y. Guaranteed Double Coated and Absolutely Pure. Copyrighted. NO POISON Has Ever Been Found in the Enamel of Agate Nickel Steel Ware. Sold by First-class Dealers and House-Jewelry Stores. Stand for new Model. Lalande & Grosjean Mfg. Co. NEW YORK BOSTON CHICAGO'



CONG LESSLER.



LEAN E. QUIGG.

HOUSE MAY PUNISH DOBLIN.

Although the bribery investigation has ended with immunity for both Quigg and Lessler, by the committee, the house may take up the matter further and seek to punish Doblin for perjury. It is believed that this course would result in an expose of the influences which caused Doblin to change his mind so suddenly.

stones, and without telling Gordon of his discovery he broke pieces off and on his return showed them to his brother, who was still resting in the hut. Morgan went down to the nearest water hole, where they crushed and washed the ore and to their surprise and immense gratification found that these pieces of boulder yielded, as they said, "more gold than stone." On exploring the country around they found that the whole mountainside appeared to be of the same kind of gold-bearing stones. The discovery was kept from Gordon, as his family still owned some of the land; and after having the ore assayed in Rockhampton the Morgans bought the Gordons' land for the paltry sum of \$5 an acre and afterward secured the rest of the land on similar easy terms.—Chambers Journal.

SENT 5-CENT MONEY ORDERS.

The man who has caused the post-office department so much annoyance by sending 5-cent money orders for President Roosevelt, Senator Platt, Senator Dewey, ex-Gov. Hill, Richard Croker, Bird S. Coler and other New Yorkers has been discovered. He is Sam Sanders of Lexington, Miss., a negro who has been the victim of practical jokes for years past. He lives in a small hut, makes his living chopping

wood and splitting rails. He was a school teacher in reconstruction days. He was badly beaten in an election riot. Since that time he has been, to use his own words, "a true-blue Jeffersonian Democrat." Sanders is a subscriber to several New York papers and is an admirer of Senator Hill. About 10 years ago, he says, he forwarded \$1 to renew a subscription. This failed to reach its destination and has never been recovered. He immediately began to besigue Senator Hill with letters asking him to investigate the theft of the stolen dollar, sending him 50 cents as his fee. Senator Hill having failed to cash his order, Sam turned to new fields and wrote to nearly every man of national prominence in the Democratic party, with a like request and always with like results. This went on until Mr. Bryan's nomination in 1896, when Sam turned to him, sending him 5 cents to see about his lost dollar. The constant demand on his part for such small orders and his unflinching charge of theft against the postoffice department generally made him a nuisance in the local office and the postmaster obtained an order directing him to issue no more orders. Sam, however, is undaunted, and walks to Durant and other towns distant from 12 to 20 miles, always with the hope of hearing from his stolen money.—New York Sun.

THERE IS ONE STORE IN SALT LAKE.

WHERE ENTHUSIASM NEVER LAGS

Where continued efforts are made to supply the public needs for as little as possible, and the ceaseless throngs that crowd this store day after day is due to this fact. Each special selling occasion is worthy of note. Every offering is exceptional. Your attention is directed to the special sales for this week. If everybody in Salt Lake realized their import, our store would not begin to hold the crowds.

Ever Notice advertisement. Text: 'The crowds that come in response to an announcement of an "Auerbach Sale?" Think and consider our offer for tomorrow. A few things will not hurt you, especially if you are down here tomorrow at 10 o'clock. Extra Special! Monday Morning from 10 to 12 o'clock, 45 bolts, that's all we've left of our 10c Wrapper Flannels at 5c a yard. Just half price—2,250 yards to go—fleece on one side, figured on the other—all good colorings—all good patterns—the best of 10 grades, for two hours tomorrow morning, 12 yards to a Customer (a yard)..... 5 cts'

Auerbach & Bro. advertisement. Text: 'ESTABLISHED 1864. ONE PRICE TO ALL NEVER UNDER SOLD. Prices Talk. But the talk is effective only when backed up with reliable merchandise. Think and Consider Offer No. 2 for Tomorrow. A few things will not hurt you especially if you are down here tomorrow at 10 o'clock. Outing Flannel Extra! Monday Morning from 10 to 12 o'clock, 39 Bolts, that's all we have left of our 10c Outing Flannels at 5c a yard. And you'll never get another chance like this—they're thick fleeced, fancy striped, and checked—good weight, good colorings, and to make as many people as possible happy—we'll limit them 12 yards to a Customer, at (a yard)..... 5 1/2c'

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New Spring Dress Goods advertisement. Text: 'Our Advance Showing of New Spring Dress Goods Has Made a Great Hit. Our showing of new spring Dress Goods last week created an effect beyond our most sanguine expectations. The styles are attractive and exclusive. The colorings are the freshest and most fashionable. The qualities are the best; as for the prices what better proofs could be given than the following items: Silk Striped Challie, in cream, pink, blue, tan, gray, green and old rose, at 40 cts. 38-inch, all wool, Snowflake Suitings, in blues, browns, greens, tans, grays and blacks, at 60 cts. 38 to 40-inch, all wool, Crush and Venetian Suitings, in blues, browns, tans, grays, greens, old rose and reds, at 65 cts. 56-inch, all wool, Imported Crush Suitings, the very newest and most stylish in Dress Goods, for early spring suits, at \$1.85. MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED.'

THE GREAT MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SALE CONTINUES THIS WEEK. Text: 'With values! Mighty values! The thousands who attended this sale bought generously, for never were values so great styles so beautiful, nor qualities so perfect as the garments shown in this sale. You must not forget that we have immense assortments of the finer qualities—and the money we save you on these is larger in proportion than the sums we save for you on the ones quoted at lower prices. Some of the Bargains are— NIGHT GOWNS. Walking Skirts in 4 styles with deep plain deep hemstitched ruffle, embroidery or lace trimmed, all lengths, 90c values at 50c. SKIRT CHEMISE in great variety of muslin or cambric lace or embroidery trimmed at 50c, 75c, \$1, 1.35 and up. CORSET COVERS, dozens of styles in all sizes, unmatched bargains at 25c, 50c, 75c, 85c and up. LADIES' DRAWERS. Ladies' Drawers, made of extra fine cambric, trimmed in 3 inch thread lace or fine lawn ruffle, headed by clusters of fine ruffles and hemstitching and choice of 8 other styles, 90c values, at 50c. LADIES' SHORT SKIRTS. Ladies' Short Skirts of very fine muslin, with 6 inch flare ruffle, trimmed in 2 rows of hemstitching and 2 inches Torchon Lace, at 50c. Ladies' Short Skirt, made of extra fine cambric lace or embroidery, trimmed, a large variety of pretty styles at each—75 cents and \$1.00.'



Ladies' Jackets. \$5. EVERY Kersey Jacket in the Store must be sold. This includes light tans, castors, blue, red and black, in fact every 27-in. and 3-4 Kersey Jacket in the store will be on sale Monday and all the week (all sizes, 32 to 44.) FIVE DOLLARS.

\$5. \$5.

Ladies' Skirts. \$5. TEN styles, including our 300 skirts in black pebble chevot, chevot serge, Ladies' cloth and venetians lavishly trimmed. Lengths 39 to \$45, bands 23 to 30, values \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8 to \$10, on sale all week at FIVE DOLLARS.



Our Shoe Dept. We Show Best Values. 3 Great Specials for This Week. Text: 'Child's Kid Button Shoe, spring heel, 65c value, sizes 5 to 8. Special Price 48c. Misses' Kid Lace Shoes, extra value at \$1.25, sizes 11-1-2 to 2. Special Price 98c. Boys' Satin Calf Shoes, heavy extension soles, \$1.40 value. Sizes 9 to 13-1-2. Special Price \$1.10. All our Shoes are warranted, and we guarantee prices the very lowest. Specials for the Week In Boys' Clothing and Gents' Furnishings. Men's Sweaters, strictly all wool full fashioned in Navy, Maroon, Tan, Grey and the various shades in striped. All sizes 75c worth \$1.50. Special this week only. Men's Underwear in natural gray, the very heavy grade, just what you need for this weather, sanitary wool, in all sizes, worth \$1.50 per garment. Special \$1.00 this week, per garment. Boys' Suits and Reefers—All our Boys' 2-Piece Suits; 3-piece suits, Child's Vestee and Reefers, in navy blue, black and fancy patterns, that were sold at \$3 and \$2.00 \$3.50. Large assortment. Boys' Sweaters, in the latest shades in striped, blacks and red, blue and blacks and orange and blacks, extra good quality values at 75c. All sizes. This week 35c.'

Advance Arrivals in New Wash Goods for Spring 1903. Text: 'That, like the proverbial straw, will show the direction in which the wash goods wind is blowing, will be shown for the first time tomorrow. Among the special values we quote for this first selling are: 100 pieces New Percales, new spring styles, staple and fancy designs, Monday, at a yard..... 8 1/2 cts. An endless variety of New Patterns, in the Reliable La Reine Percales, in light, medium and dark colorings, Monday, at 200 pieces of the best 36-inch Percales, the celebrated Lyon make, celebrated for being the best 36 Percales in America—light and colored grounds—all fast colors—here on sale at per yard..... 12c. Mercerized Oxfords—the popular Shrim Waist Material, in cream, rose, two shades of blue, two shades of green, and black, opening price anywhere and everywhere 35c—here, per yard..... 22c. Corded Scotch Madras Zephyrs—from the leading Scotch makers—50 styles and color combinations to choose from, the popular fabric for children's dresses and Men's shirts, 32 inches wide, worth 35c, here (a yard)..... 25c. FOREIGN WASH GOODS NOVELTIES are rolling in daily. Patterns nearly all confined to us and you'll not find them elsewhere. Last season's beauty mark has been left far behind. New spinning prettiness, new loveliness in printing, designing and tinting. An early selection insures you better choice than you'll have later.'