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Eagleville

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Placer gold said to have been discovered in the canyon south of Eagleville, leading down to Alkali Flat.

Austin

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The night of May 23 was spent in Austin, where we learned that no mining, beyond a little prospecting at places near town, was being done. Wm. A. Marshall, for many years Receiver for the Austin-Manhattan Company, eventually acquired the property, and has since sold it piecemeal, including the equipment. The main tunnel, over a mile long, was kept open for many years, has now caved. The present value of this famous old mine is very low, if it has any.

The Union Mine, credited with a production of over \$1,000,000 is believed by those familiar with it to have merit, and should silver ever revive, operations might resume there.

The Amidor Mines, which consist of a group of five silver-lead claims six miles north of Austin, are said to have promise. They are owned by W. B. Cummings and Chas. Kearns of Austin. Limited time prevented an inspection, but the veins, of which there are several, are said to be large, and there is plenty of water for mining and milling. Substantial tonnages are reported, and it is said only the unfortunate condition of the silver and lead markets prevent operations.

Steiner Canyon (Bobtown)

Placer

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Placer gold was discovered here in the Seventies, while digging a well for a stage station on the Austin-Battle Mountain road. The man digging the well was a placer miner from California. A large supply of water was encountered, inconveniencing the operation and sufficient for the stage station, so no further

Austin, continued.

Steiner Canyon, Placer, continued.

mining was done, and the shaft was not put down to bedrock.

The location is about 35 miles north of Austin on the highway. The property is now owned by C. A. Newman, of Valley City, North Dakota, who is a director in the Austin-North Dakota Mines Company of Austin, owning claims in Marshall Canyon. At the Bobtown placer, Newman has begun work about a mile up the canyon from the original discovery, with the plan of getting nearer the source of the gold, and avoiding excessive water. Water, excessive this summer, is being pumped out of the shaft, now down about 40 feet, by a large pump which has been installed.

Iowa Canyon Placer

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Placer gold has for a long time been known to occur in a canyon near the Jos. Phillipi ranch, on the old stage road, 16 miles north of Austin. From time to time it has been slightly prospected. A shaft put down in the gravel, encountered much water.

Barite

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A deposit of barite is located southeast of Austin toward Smoky Valley. It is owned by Gus Laurent of Austin. It has been sold by Laurent twice, and some work has been done on it, but in each case it has reverted to Laurent.

Mineral Paint

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A deposit of yellow iron oxide, or ochre, occurs about 35 miles north of Austin, and on the highway to Battle Mountain. It is owned by Doug Tandy, well known editor of Austin. Tandy has had many samples sent out and examined, and ex-