

In the United States Land Office at Missoula, Montana

In the matter of the application for patent for the Mountain Guide, Camis and Jim Placer mining claims situate in no organized mining district Ravalli County, State of Montana.

State of Montana::  
County of Ravalli:: SS.

D. A. Swick and Y. E. Russell being each

duly sworn for himself and not for the other deposes and says: That he is a citizen of the United States over the age of twenty one years and a resident of Ravalli County, Montana That he ~~has been~~ is by occupation a placer miner and has followed this occupation for some years.

That he is well acquainted with the Mountain Guide, Camis and Jim Placer Mining Claims owned by the Wood Placer Mining Company and for which application for patent is now being made.

That said Mountain Guide ~~is situated~~ Camis and Jim Placer mining claims are situate on Hughes Creek in no organized mining district Ravalli County, Montana, about 12 miles north east of the Post Office at Alta, Montana. That within the boundaries of said claims are well defined deposits of gravel and black sand containing ~~some~~ placer gold in paying quantities. That said gold can be easily extracted from said gravel by means of the usual appliances for mining placer gold. That during the years 1899 and 1900 considerable sums of gold the value of which is to affiants unknown have been removed from said claims and said ground is at the present time being ~~mined~~ mined.

That the improvements on said claims made by the present owner, the Wood Placer Mining Company consists of various excavations, ditches, drains, flumes and sluice boxes, also cabins; that a reasonable value for such improvements and the