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A Good Sized Claim.

Geo M. Sparks yesterday filed a claim against Butte county for the sum of \$6,000 of which amount \$4,800 is alleged to be due for 240 loads--480 tons of gold-bearing gravel and tailings removed by O M Turner et al under orders of Supervisor Ormsby from his (Spark's) land in Sec 1, Tp. 19 north, R 4 East, and used on the county road between the Whitewashed Trees and Miners Ranch, during the months of February, March and April, 1899. He values said gravel at \$10 per ton. For damages to his property by the cutting down of timber and making road across the land and by removing gravel and tailings, he asks the sum of \$1200, bringing the total up to \$6,000.

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FIRE AT CONCOW

The Hotel of Mr. Blair was Destroyed
Thursday.

A heavy fire has been raging in the hills about Concow valley for a day or two. Dense volume of smoke have swept over the country and made it look like clouds in the Sacramento valley. This smoke came from the vicinity of Concow, also at Inskip and other points of the Magalia ridge. At Concow people have been working energetically to protect their fences and buildings, but Thursday the flames reached the hotel owned by Mr Blair and the building was soon destroyed.

We had a dispatch from Cherokee last evening saying the hotel had been burned down.

A LARGE MINING DEAL

The Cherokee Property to Be Bought by a Pittsburg Syndicate.

W. P. Lynch, formerly the Assessor of Butte County, is at the Lick for the purpose of seeing various interested parties in this city and winding up a great mining deal which will result in the famous Cherokee mine, which is situated five miles from Oroville, near the north fork of the Feather River, changing owners and becoming the property of a Pittsburg syndicate.

The Cherokee mine is so well known to the people of this State that it is not necessary to repeat its history. Suffice to say that it was first operated in the early sixties, and from then up to the time it was tied up in litigation, some thirteen or fourteen years ago, it produced over \$14,000,000 of the precious metal. It is a hydraulic mine and one of the richest in the entire State.

The property now stands in the name of T. Z. Blakeman, who was the attorney for the bondholders, and who, after thirteen years of almost continuous litigation, won for them their suit against the Bank of California. The Pittsburg syndicate is represented by Dr. I. B. Hamilton of that city, and Mr. Lynch is associated with him, acting at this end of the line in securing an option on the stock held by local investors.

The property is principally owned in the East, as out of the 140 shares of the capital stock only twenty-four are held in California. What the price will be is a secret, but some idea can be obtained from the fact that at a sale held some time ago the 140 shares, of a par value of \$1000, were bid in by the bondholders for \$275,000.
