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JOSEPH BLOCH.

CHEROKEE FLAT, January 2, 1866.

FRIEND WAG.:—Your humble servant was
on a tour of observation, on the first instant,
to Cherokee Flat. I am satisfied of the great
mineral wealth of that section. The Winter
season brings the industrious miner rich har-
vests of gold—it is only then that water can
be obtained. The day is not distant when this
will be one of the most flourishing mining
towns in the State. The well known immense
wealth concealed in hill and valley must cause a
living stream to flow to that point. There was
a grand ball came off here on the evening which
I paid a short visit. It was numerously
attended, and excellent music. It was a jolly
crowd. Several ladies and gents from Oroville
were present, and seemed to enjoy themselves
hugely. We are obliged to say those of the
village who participated are "whole-souled,"
generous and liberal—most particular attention
was paid to distant visitors. The dance termed
"The Wild Irishman" was laughable—it took
us down slightly, but we still live. In haste,
OBSERVER.

THE following is the January apportionment
of school money from State Fund: Bangor
46; Didwell, 53; Butte Valley, 90; Central
House, 33; Cherokee, 97; Chico, 285; Day-
ton, 76; Delaplain, 69; Evansville, 47; Eureka,
37; Forbestown, 49; Hamilton, 47; Kimbrow,
69; Live Oak, 81; Lone Tree, 33; Mesilla
Valley, 44; Morris Ravine, 26; Mountain
Spring, 51; Mud Creek, 80; Oroville, 291;
Oregon City, 42; Pine Creek, 91; Rio Seco,
50; Rock Creek, 98; Salem, 27; Stoneman,
24; Union, 32; Upham, 25; West Liberty,
30; Wyandotte, 94; total, 2,117 children;
82,942 63.

JORDAN HILL.—The quartz mill at Jordan
Hill, Concow township, has recently had added
to its machinery four large stamps. It is now
a twelve stamp mill; the rock is good, and the
future prospects encouraging.

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NARROW ESCAPE.—The Eureka Company's mining claim, at Cherokee Flat, has a tunnel about 1500 feet in length, which, at the distance of about a thousand feet, is tapped by a shaft from above, through which a stream of water runs for the purpose of decomposing "pay dirt." This shaft became obstructed so that the water could not reach the tunnel; and, one day this week, two men went into the tunnel to remove the obstructions. They succeeded in doing so, when the accumulated water in the shaft rushed into the tunnel with the velocity of a "mill tail." Our "honest miners" soon found themselves on the outside, though in a rather sorry plight, from their sudden voyage. With exception of some severe bruises, and moist clothing, the "damages" were trifling. Before tapping another shaft, they will hereafter, probably, find out what head of water is above.

CALIFORNIA DIAMONDS.—The Sacramento Union, of Jan. 17th, says: "Assemblyman Smith exhibited to us, yesterday, several diamond rings, the stones of which were taken from Cherokee Flat, about ten miles from Oroville. Some of the diamonds were sent, some time since, to Crosby & Morse, lapidaries, in Boston, and were cut and polished by them in such a manner as to give them an appearance equal to that of the most precious stones. They were found on the top of the black sand, which all miners know is but a little lighter than gold dust. Some thirty or forty of these stones have been found so far. Those who are curious on the subject of California productions can see these specimens at Floberg's, on J street."

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A MINING ENTERPRISE.—It is well known that Cherokee Flat, notwithstanding the richness and extent of its mines, can only be worked during the heavy winter rains. This is owing to the fact of its altitude being greater than that of all points immediately surrounding. Plans to overcome this difficulty have been discussed for years, but no steps that we are aware of have yet been taken in the matter. The most feasible project we have heard is that of purchasing Concow valley, and using it as a reservoir. This valley, which is twelve miles distant from Cherokee Flat, is a deep basin in the mountains about two and a half miles long, and varying in breadth from one to one and a half mile. The East Branch of the West Branch flows through the valley, and leaves it through a narrow gorge, with high hills rising abruptly on either side; this affords a location for a dam by which an almost unlimited supply of water could be gathered from the streams in the valley and those flowing into the West Branch above. This project would necessitate the conveyance of the water across the canyon of the West Branch in iron pipes, and would involve great expense, but would probably be the most certain way of securing a plentiful supply of water throughout the year. There are a number of valuable ranches in Concow valley, but, as the mines of Cherokee Flat have the "spondulix" to pay for all "damages," agricultural interests will no doubt gracefully give way, and the inhabitants of this beautiful mountain retreat seek homes elsewhere—should the enterprise spoken of be carried out.

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TO BE REBUILT.—Evans' Bridge across the West Branch, on the road to Yankee Hill, having been swept off its foundations and carried away by the freshet of last November, we learn that it will be rebuilt, above high water mark, the coming Spring.

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FIVE INDIANS KILLED.—We learn that, on Sunday morning last, four Indians were killed, one mortally and one slightly wounded, on Clear creek, between Cherokee Flat and Wicks' ranch. Of course, it is not positively known by whom they were killed; but we have heard the following particulars: A party of eight or nine Indians were camped on Clear creek, engaged in fishing. It was supposed that two Indians, Dogskin and his son, concerned in the massacre of Workman's family, at Concow valley, on the 7th of August last, were in this fishing party; and certain white men went to the camp and demanded that the two Indians should be given up. This was refused, the Indians showing a disposition to fight, when they were fired upon, and Dogskin and his son, Oregon City Charley, and a Berry Creek Indian, killed upon the spot, one of the Cherokee tribe mortally wounded and since dead, and the squaw of Oregon City Charley shot in the face and thigh and severely but not fatally wounded. One or two of the Indians escaped. In a short time after the fight, we are told that a large party of Indians from this side of the river arrived on the scene, and carried off the dead to this side for burial, amidst cries and lamentations. This is a lamentable state of affairs for the mountain settlements, and involves the alternative of either extermination of all Indians in this county, or a very different reservation system from that at present in operation. We have good authority for the statement that Indians are continually going to and from the Nome Lackee Reservation, and mixing with the Indians who remain in this county; and it is said that the Concow Indians, taken to the Reservation for the second time two or three years ago, are now nearly all back here, and mixed through the different tribes who have remained on the south side of the river. If these Indians remain here, under the present circumstances, the scedish massacres of past years will be re enacted year after year, followed by expeditions against the Indians, some of whom will be killed and the rest driven off, to return again when the excitement quiets down. This must be the case, unless the mountain settlements keep a force on their trail continually, and that is impracticable.

Correspondence.

OREGON CITY.

EDITOR UNION RECORD:—Nearly twenty years have passed away into the invisible future since the glittering dust was first discovered in this beautiful State. Since that eventful period, many changes have taken place. Large and flourishing cities, smiling villages, and neat white cottages, have sprung up suddenly like Jonah's gourd—then disappeared like the mist of the morning before the rising splendor of the sun. The valleys have been exalted—the mountains and hills have been made low—the crooked made straight, and the rough places plain. Everything here is frail and unstable. "Passing away" is inscribed upon the pillars of nearly every mining camp in the State. But there are exceptions to the general rule.

CHEROKEE FLAT.

Ten years ago, there were but few families around this community, and a number of useless creatures called *bachelors*. But the darkling clouds have disappeared, and the golden rays of civilization, improvement, and glorious success, have shone upon it. Thank fortune, many of the old bachelors and their miserable, low, dirty, smoky huts, have vanished away, to give place to dozens of families. Under the new dispensation (or ladies' dispensation), we have neat white houses, beautiful gardens, with fruitful trees, delicious fruit, and fragrant flowers; and, above all, good society. Under the soft and gentle reign of Spring, all begins to smile; life in a thousand ways breaks forth; all is verdure, and fragrance, and beauty; all is joyous. What variety of colors, what harmony of sounds! The valleys stand thick with rising corn, and the little hills rejoice on every side.

THE MINES.

If, by some supernatural power, we could raise the Table Mountain from its natural bed, and place it away down in the burning sand of New Mexico, or the sage brush of Nevada, or the towering mountains of the Arctic Ocean, there would be more excitement about it than there was when the rebels of the Sodom of the United States fired on Fort Sumter. Mining in this county is in its infancy, and the work of exploration hardly begun. The territory between Morris Ravine and Cherokee is immense. Valuable depositories will yet be found all along Oregon Gulch and under the

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Table Mountain. We believe, and we have good reasons to believe, that there is one of the richest leads in the State running under the Table Mountain. All we need for the development of rich mines is capital, and the right kind of men to use it. Then old Butte will soon pass through the fiery furnace to a glorious success. We are glad to see that quartz mining, the great interest of our State, has been aroused from its slumbers, and we believe soon will be firmly established as one of the most permanent and paying pursuits in the county. A tendency of improvement of former abuses is visible in some parts of our county. Companies are being organized on business and not on speculative principles. The fiendish spirit of speculation has been crushed.

CAMBRIAN MINING COMPANY.

This Company is composed of practical miners and mechanics. They do nearly all the work themselves. They are not required to pay one hundred and fifty dollars per month to an inexperienced hand (as is often done) to superintend their works. They have one of the best mills ever introduced into this county. They have a monster pump, with nine-inch pipe. They commenced pumping last Monday morning. The slope is down some eighty feet from the surface. The lead is from twenty to twenty-four inches thick, and the indications are that it is rich, and that they will soon reap a golden harvest. The new mill is situated on the east and west branches of Oregon gulch, near Oregon City, six miles north east from Oroville.

Yours truly, J. J. P.

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TURPENTINE.—We learn that it is the intention of Messrs. Jones & Dunbar, to again start the distillery at Magalia for the manufacture of Turpentine. It has been no inconsiderable business during the past two years in this county, and will undoubtedly prove profitable with proper care and management in the future. We have not statistics at hand showing the amount of turpentine and rosin manufactured in this county during the past two years, but the shipments from this point have been as follows: 1,839 barrels Pitch; 7,222 cases Rosin; 1,183 barrels turpentine; and 1,146 cases turpentine. Forbestown has shipped much that was manufactured in that vicinity directly to Marysville.

DIAMOND MINE.—It is more than hinted that certain parties have discovered a veritable diamond mine somewhere in the vicinity of the table mountains, to the west of Mesilla Valley. Specimens have been shown to various parties here and are said to have been pronounced genuine by those engaged in the Diamond trade of San Francisco. Diamonds have been found at Cherokee, and it is not improbable that they should be discovered elsewhere. The exact location of the discovery has not been revealed.

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SCHOOL FUND:—The following is the apportionment of the School Fund to the various School Districts of Butte County, for the Quarter ending April 1, 1866 :

Names of Districts.	No. of Children.	Am't.
Bangor.....	46	\$8 28
Bidwell.....	53	9 54
Butte Valley.....	90	16 20
Central House.....	33	5 94
Cherokee.....	97	17 46
Chico.....	227	40 86
Dayton.....	76	13 68
Delapsin.....	69	12 42
Evansville.....	47	8 46
Eureka.....	37	6 66
Forbestown.....	49	8 82
Hamilton.....	47	8 46
Kimshew.....	69	12 42
Live Oak.....	81	14 58
Lone Tree.....	93	5 94
Mesilla Valley.....	44	7 92
Morris Ravine.....	26	4 68
Mountain Spring.....	51	9 18
Mud Creek.....	80	14 40
Oroville.....	291	52 38
Oregon City.....	42	7 56
Pine Creek.....	91	16 38
Rio Sico.....	50	9 00
Rock Creek.....	98	17 64
Salem.....	27	4 86
Sandy Gulch.....	58	10 44
Stoneman.....	24	4 52
Union.....	32	5 76
Upham.....	25	4 50
West Liberty.....	30	5 40
Wyandotte.....	94	16 92
	2117	\$381 06

OREGON CITY.—We learn from J. J. Powell, Esq., that the Quartz Mill at this place is now in running order, and will soon be at work crushing rock. The shaft on their ledge is down some sixty feet, and is filled with water by the recent rains and floods, and is being pumped out preparatory to re-suming operations.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Porter Gold & Silver Mining Co.,

JORDAN HILL, BUTTE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA. Notice. There is delinquent upon the following described stock on account of assessment levied on the 1st day of March, 1866, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders, as follows:

Names.	No. Cert.	No. Shs.	Am't.
Bordas, A.....	2	133	\$286 00
Blanchard, J.....	119	32	64 00
Bigeral, D.....	27,93	20	40 00
Barril, D.....	57,85,161	27	54 00
Billaseor, G.....	60,86,153	127	254 00
Barstow, G.....	144	100	200 00
Belcher, W. C.....	120,159	69	138 00
Davis, A. J.....	136	29	58 00
Giroux, D.....	59,162	30	60 00
Henry J B 7,50,51,83,141,142,150		230	460 00
Hamblet, G. E.....	168	425	850 00
Lamereux, Jos.....	78,90,101,157	78	156 00
Masson V B.....	13	15	30 00
Masson Marie.....	130	3	6 00
Morateur, A.....	76,91,154	157	314 00
Pratt, J F.....	67	1053	2106 00
Souhie, P.....	100,127,133,158	22	44 00

And in accordance with law and an order of the Board of Trustees, made on the 1st day of March, 1866, so many shares of each parcel of stock as may be necessary, will be sold at public auction by S. H. Rosenthal, at his Salesroom, on D street, two doors from Second, Marysville, on WEDNESDAY, THE 2d DAY OF MAY, 1866, at the hour of 12 o'clock M. of said day, to pay said delinquent assessment thereon, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

J. D. WHELOCK, Secretary.

Office—S2 First street, corner Maiden lane,
n23 Marysville.

Porter Gold & Silver Mining Co., Jordan Hill, Butte County, California.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT AT A meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Company, held on the 1st day of March, 1866, an assessment of two dollars (\$2) per share was levied upon the capital stock of said company, payable immediately in U. S. gold or silver coin, to the Secretary at the office of the Company, No. 82, corner of First street and Maiden Lane, in the city of Marysville. Any stock upon which said assessment shall remain unpaid on Wednesday, the 2d day of May, 1866, will be advertised on that day, as delinquent, and unless payment shall be made before, will be sold on Saturday, the 2d day of June, 1866, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

J. D. WHELOCK, Secretary.

Office, 82 First street, corner Maiden Lane,
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At Oroville, merchandise for "up country" will be stored in the Railroad Depot, and delivered to order of owners free of charge.

Freight to Oroville—\$4 per ton.

ANDREW J. BINNEY, Sup't.

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CONCERT AND FAIR.—“The Old Folks” of Cherokee Flat, in this county, announce a Concert and Fair, for Thursday and Friday Evenings, April 19th and 20th, for the purpose of adding to the fund to build a School House in that place. Their object is a praiseworthy one, and we hope they may meet with the most unbounded success. They are doing just what Oroville ought to do. It may be that other districts of the county, when they secure to themselves good comfortable School Houses, will join together and furnish one for the Oroville School District as a matter of county pride. It is not very probable however. But we hope this effort of the people of Cherokee may be eminently successful.

GOLD AND SILVER BEARING QUARTZ IN BUTTE.—The following communication in relation to the developments now being made in the quartz mining interests of the county, is forwarded to us by an old resident of Butte, and its plain recital of facts is entirely reliable. The interest that is awakening in this respect, is not without a solid and enduring basis, and with proper effort on the part of people, Butte county in two years may equal the mineral productions of any county in the State :

OREGON TOWNSHIP, Apr. 18th, 1866.

EDITOR BUTTE RECORD.—Dear Sir:—Having occasion recently, to pass through that section of our county lying in the vicinity of Mesilla Valley and Nelson's Bar, on the Dogtown and Susanville route, I was surprised to learn of the rich developments in quartz mining made in that section during the last winter and spring. I had always been impressed with the idea that the mineral resources of our county were greatly underrated. Many of the thousand and one quartz veins that traverse the entire length of our county, I am now induced to believe, are richly laden with gold and silver. The mineral resources of our county have been too long neglected by our people, and capitalists have shunned it as an unclean thing. While poor old Butte has been dragging her slow length along the trail of time unnoticed and almost despised, her people despondent, the good old soul has carried, and still carries within her bosom untold mineral wealth, and it only needs the application of confidence, energy and enterprise to develop it.

I had heard of the recent discoveries in Morris Ravine, but was surprised to see the extent of the developments made in Mesilla Valley and at Nelson's Bar. These companies are at work in earnest with every prospect of reaping a rich reward for their enterprise and perseverance.

Messrs. Burnham & Co., have located and developed to a considerable extent in Mesilla Valley, a very rich gold and silver bearing quartz vein. The ledge was struck by tunnel during the last winter at a distance of ninety feet. A shaft was then sunk twenty feet and the ledge again cut, showing a solid ledge three feet in thickness of rich gold and silver bearing rock, at a depth of sixty feet.

The tests that have been made there, and in San Francisco, by simple mill process, as I am informed, show the rock to be very rich in gold and silver; the results obtained being in the highest degree satisfactory, ranging from twenty dollars to twenty seven hundred dollars per ton. If this company continue to develop their ledges as I am told they intend to, by sinking two shafts or slopes in other places, to the depth of sixty feet, my opinion is that such developments will be made as will awaken, and give a new and living impetus to quartz mining operations in this county.

At Nelson's Bar, on the West Branch of Feather River, Messrs. Packard & Co. have been engaged for several months, running a tunnel to a large and beautiful looking ledge. This ledge is located in a rich mineral section. They are now taking out rock from a spur recently struck, which shows rich gold and silver bearing sulphurets, and is pronounced by experienced miners recently from Reese River, good silver rock. The existence of silver bearing rock in California being a new idea, the owners of this claim are very much elated in consequence of the discovery. They are all hard working, energetic men. The work has been diligently prosecuted, and attended with considerable expense, having to blast the entire distance of eighty feet through hard rock. They expect to strike the main ledge in about ten feet. Much credit is due them for the energy and perseverance displayed, and if Butte county had a thousand such men to day, before six months would elapse such developments would be made as would effectually stop the migration of our mining population to new localities; give an impetus to every department of business; drive poverty and despondency from our doors, and give our county that reputation for mineral wealth to which she is justly entitled.

Respectfully yours,

CITIZEN.


QUARTZ INTERESTS OF BUTTE.—Some rotten and scurvy dog of a politician, who has probably preyed upon this community for his living, and been a contemptible nuisance, and irritating scab on the body politic of the Union party of the county and State, signallizes his devotion to the mining interests and business prosperity of Butte, by writing to a disgraceful and nameless sheet published in San Francisco, as follows concerning the quartz interests of Butte county: "There is at this time considerable excitement about quartz in this county. Several rich leads are reported as having been discovered in different places, but up to the present time no very big prospects have been obtained, and I think it will amount to about the same that the copper excitement did here some three years ago—a great cry and very little gold." A more malignant or unprovoked misrepresentation of the facts, could hardly be conceived, and parties in San Francisco, where the misrepresentation first appeared, have but to call upon the Hon. R. C. Gaskill, at the office of the United States Postal Agency, and examine specimens in his possession, to prove the utter falsity of the correspondent's conclusion. Mr. Gaskill has quartz specimens from ledges in Butte county, that are unexcelled in richness by any in the State. Prospects of from \$100 to \$1000 are obtained from ledges in Forbestown, Wyandotte, Mineral Slide, Morris Ravine, Cherokee, Messilla Valley, and other portions of the county. These ledges can be worked as successfully as any in the State, and it is for the interests of the county and State that they should be. It is difficult to conceive why any one at all interested in the prosperity of the county, could put a statement in print so inconsistent with the facts. The people of Butte county spent much time and money prospecting for copper. They were unfortunate in not finding it, but have the satisfaction of knowing that they made an effort to find it, and did not sit down with folded hands like the political bummer, who tells San Francisco, through a disreputable press, that the mining interests of the county "will amount to about the same that the copper excitement did." It is not probable that San Francisco will be called upon to furnish capital to prosecute the quartz mining operations in contemplation in Butte county, the present season; arrangements are already completed for the erection of two mills, and with them in successful operation capital will be found to erect others, notwithstanding the misrepresentations of those who have been beasts of prey upon the community, instead of contributing to the productive industry of the country.

ENGINES WANTED.—One hundred more railroad engines wanted to haul freight from Oroville to Owyhee, Black Rock and Humboldt.

MASONIC.—Table Mountain Lodge will meet this evening for the transaction of important business. A general invitation is extended to the fraternity.

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A. McDERMOTT.

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SILVER EXCITEMENT AT CHEROKEE.—A letter from Cherokee Flat, in this county, from a reliable gentleman, under date of the 24th instant, says a great silver excitement has broken out at that place, and "immense silver leads were located yesterday and last night, and all day to-day crowds were rushing to the new El Dorado." Cherokee is one of the richest mineral districts in the world, and there is nothing surprising in the fact that silver leads have been discovered there. It has been established beyond controversy that Cherokee Flat has produced genuine diamonds, and why not silver as well as gold? The great drawback to the development of that locality is the want of water. It is so situated that water cannot be brought into the district, except at considerable expense. The small amount afforded by the mountain gulches and gathered into reservoirs during the rainy season, has been barely sufficient to enable a few claims to be successfully worked, and to prospect sufficiently to show that the location was rich in auriferous deposits. May the discovery silver give an impetus to the mineral operations of that section that will secure the construction of a canal to furnish a supply of water. The great extent and depth of the mineral deposits would enable mining to be successfully prosecuted in that vicinity for the next century.

BEATS THE COMSTOCK LEDGE.—Assays from the newly discovered Silver Ledge at Cherokee, have yielded at the rate of \$270 to the ton. This is equal to any of the Ledges in the State of Nevada, and there is an abundance of rock. Good for old Butte. She is to-day worth forty Sage brush States like Nevada.

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CAMBRIAN QUARTZ LEDGE.—We were shown, on Thursday, some fine specimens of rich quartz taken from the Cambrian ledge, at Oregon City, by the Rev. J. J. Powell. It was taken from the bed rock at a depth of fifty feet from the surface, and displays fine gold all over it. The company have taken out a considerable quantity of this rock, and will start their mill at work on Monday next. The company are much elated at their prospects, and judging from the richness of the rock shown us, not without good and substantial reasons. May they meet with the most unbounded success..

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AT CHEROKEE FLAT. A correspondent from Cherokee Flat furnishes us the following: "The Welsh Congregational Church, at Cherokee Flat, was opened last Sabbath. The Rev. John J. Powell preached an English discourse in the morning, and Welsh in the afternoon. The Church was well attended each part of the day.— Enough has been collected towards defraying the expense of the building, so it is free. May the Great Head of the Church fill this new place of worship with his glory. May it be a Light on the Hill."

VERITABLE DIAMOND.—An occasional Diamond is found at Cherokee, although no regular search is made for them. Doubtless any systematic process by which they could be separated from the tailings and debris thrown out from the washings for gold, would reveal them in profitable profusion. The one recently found in some tailings by Mr. Durette is the largest that has yet been found in that vicinity. It is not a diamond of the first water, being of a straw tint, but is nevertheless a veritable and valuable diamond.

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SAVING GOLD IN QUARTZ MINING.—When quartz mining in California was comparatively new, much of the gold crushed out of quartz was lost from the imperfect methods of saving it. It was under this state of facts that many of the ledges in this county, known to be rich and extensive, were found to be unprofitable in working. It was not because the ledges were valueless, but because of the imperfect method of saving gold. In many instances, running the tailings through sluices was found to be as profitable as the operations of the quartz mill itself. We have seen quartz from ledges at Yankee Hill and Forbestown, rich enough in gold to cut up into quartz jewelry, and yet the ledges were not successfully worked. Hence it was that Butte county, possessing numerous rich and extensive veins of gold bearing quartz, and having at one time eighteen or twenty mills in operation, has almost ceased to be regarded as a valuable quartz producing county. It was not because the lodes are not sufficiently rich and numerous, for no county can boast of more or richer veins; but it was occasioned by not saving the gold. Doubtless the heavy and unfortunate river operations, by which colossal fortunes were to be realized in a single season, was one cause that kept capital out of the county, and permitted the quartz mining interest to languish. The amount of precious metals that quartz mills even now lose annually can hardly be estimated, although something approximating the amount may be estimated from sluice-washing the tailings. With all the means thus far adopted for the reduction of ores, separating metals, the refuse of the tail-race is often as rich as the contents of the retort. This is proven by sluice washing the tailings. With the improved machinery, enlarged experience and a better understanding of the mineral natures in the working of ores, it is believed that Butte county possesses unexcelled advantages for quartz mining. It is yet in its infancy, and promises a permanency that cannot be realized from other branches of mining. It may take time and perseverance to render this description of mining profitable, but it requires the exercise of those qualities to insure success in every branch of business, and that can better be attained here than by removing to distant and unexplored fields.

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ROUTES TO SUSANVILLE.—It is known that semi-weekly mail service between Oroville and Susanville, has been regularly made for years, during all seasons of the year, with as few interruptions from the storms of winter, as have occurred between Lincoln and Marysville, or between Oroville and Chico. While the Oroville route has been thus servicable, the routes from Red Bluff and from Chico have been closed during the winter. We are informed by a gentleman, a resident of Chico, that nothing passed over that route since last fall, until Messrs. Spence & Bro., merchants at Humboldt, who shipped their goods through Oroville, some two or three weeks since, were prevailed upon by promises of assistance from Chico to put them over the snow. Notwithstanding there were no stages or teams passing over the route from Chico, a notice was kept posted in the railroad office at Sacramento that, stages were "advertised" to leave Chico for Susanville once a week. A contemptible quibble to keep the route before the public, until the summer solstice should enable the route to be travelled; or until Gen. Bidwell should succeed in swindling the Post Office Department out of \$5,500 annually to put the route through snow or no snow. Gen. Wood, the present mail contractor on the route between Oroville and Susanville, offered to perform semi-weekly mail service over this route for \$4,500 per annum. The Public are informed, however, by the *Chico Courant*, of Saturday last, that the route from Oroville to Susanville, has been discontinued, and the route let from Susanville to Chico for \$10,000 per annum. Gen. Bidwell's influence has been acknowledged potential in this matter. But this swindle of the Post Office Department, and the conversion of the public mail routes to his own selfish purposes, could only have been accomplished through misrepresentation most flagrant and unpardonable. He has, however, graciously condescended to extend his potential influence over the people along the route from Oroville to Susanville far enough to grant them a weekly horse mail to Humbug Valley. We fancy that we see our very Hon. Representative, and gallant Brigadier of our Militia, astride a mule delivering this mail at Messilla Valley, Magalia, and other Post offices on the route to Humbug Valley, and

running the gauntlet of the hardy miners and sturdy and indignant populace he has so grossly swindled and misrepresented. The experience of our Assessor, in Dry Creek last winter will be found mild in comparison with those of the man who shall attempt to deliver General Bidwell's Jackass mail, along the stage route from Oroville to Susanville. The General will have to deliver it in person, for a trip or two, until the people along the route shall become accustomed to the imposition. Nothing but his "potential" influence will be found adequate to bring about their submission to the outrage he seeks to practice upon them. The idea of making the terminus of the great California and Idaho mail and stage route, twenty-three miles from railroad communication with Marysville, Sacramento, and San Francisco, is John Bidwellonian in the extreme! We fancy we can see this "potential" Representative, seated under the umbrageous foliage of Chico, commanding the mails and passengers between California and Idaho to assemble at Chico if they want to be carried through to Idaho. How the noble Digger Indians belonging to this "potential" Representative's ranch, will have to sweat and labor to get the trade of the East Indies from the landing for weekly stern-wheel steamers on the Sacramento, to Chico, to pass over the only practicable route to Idaho. That portion of the Idaho mail that may arrive at Oroville by railroad, we suppose will have to be transported hence to the California terminus of this great Idaho mail route, in acron baskets by the Mohals employed on this "potential" Representative's ranch, and there be taken up by the great California and Idaho mail stage line, and sent through with "potential" influence to Idaho.— There will be no turning back then from the only practicable route to Idaho, to go by the way of Oroville, as Dr. Fisky, of the U. S. Army, was recently compelled to do to reach his command at Smoke Creek. Ten thousand dollars per annum,

and the "potential influence" of our Honest Representative, ought certainly to put through on the only practicable route to Idaho, what \$4,500 per annum, and the business energy of General Wood, can on the route from Oroville. If twenty-two thousand dollars (it amounts to that in four years,) thus swindled out of the Post Office Department by our Honest Representative in order to terminate an important mail route at his own ranch, and distant from railroad communication with the principal cities of California, does not enable the stages to go over the route in the winter, we fancy we can see our "potential" Representative turn with great dignity to him of the *Courant* (which paper will then have grown to the size of the *San Francisco Alta*, and be issued daily!) with the inquiry, "Bishop did you not state on several occasions, as well as in your issue of May 5th, '66, that 'There has not been a week during the year but what more or less teams have passed over the route?' " "Yes, Sir; but you must remember that we gave one Johnson a thousand dollars to go on to the summit with oxen and sled, stay there during the winter and drive the bulls through the snow once a week, so we could say that without direct falsification, hoodwink old granny Dennison, of the Postal Department, and enable you to get a fat contract. The route is entirely practicable, be assured. Don't be "so easily hoaxed." Will send up a reporter in a balloon, and have the road fixed so that the stages will get through without further delay." The whole is so excessively absurd, that we may well doubt the correctness of the reported action of the Postal authorities. It seems so difficult to understand why Chico should be made the terminus of this important mail route, while it remains isolated and disconnected with railroad communication. It is difficult to understand why the Postal authorities should discontinue the mail over a route with population sufficient to maintain an express line, and pay more than double to have it carried over a route entirely devoid of population, with the exception of an occasional whisky and way station. The route from Oroville to Susanville contains a population of five hundred busy men, miners, pitch manufactures, farmers and lumberman, for every single individual that can be found on the Chico route after leaving the Sacramento valley. Thro' this busy and teeming and thriving population on the best and most direct route from railroad communication to Susanville, the bid by responsible parties, for performing semi-weekly service, was \$4,500; but through the misrepresentation and selfish scheming of Bidwell whom the people honored and trusted with their confidence, the authorities are induced to pay \$10,000 annually for the same service over an uninhabited and uninhabitable route. The terminus of the route, instead of being fixed at railroad communication, as it should be, and the Post Office there made a Distributing Office, is established at an interior village, with but a single mail line passing through it from Oroville to Portland. For all practical purposes, General

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Bidwell might as well have fixed the terminus at Hog's Back, the second Station from Chico as that would have have turned the travel past his Ranch equally as well. A less narrow-minded and contemptible prejudice than that entertained by Bidwell, would have been content with transferring the mail to the Chico route, still leaving it connected with railroad communication at Oroville. But that would not satisfy his selfish purposes. He must vent his unmanly vengeance on weak and defenceless Oroville, that had dug him from the merited obscurity and contempt in which he was held by his own immediate neighbors, and honored and trusted him. His friends of this vicinity, who were instrumental in placing him in his present position, which he has basely used for his own aggrandizement, and to unwind the government and the people, hang their heads in shame and confusion as they witness the utter selfishness and vindictive malice of the ignoble wretch they had placed in a position of honor, but which he uses to their confusion and injury in property. His former friends and neighbors of the mountains, to whom he is indebted for his business prosperity and political advancement, he repays by depriving them of a proper mail facilities, appropriating them to his own use, and leaving their various important Post Offices to be supplied by a one-horse mail. He acts upon the proposition that these men, his fellow citizens of Butte have no postal rights that a Congressman is bound to respect. It was not in his selfish and vindictive nature to leave the people on the route from Oroville to Susanville proper mail facilities, and establish such on the Chico route also. He must gratify his malignant nature (true accompaniment of ignorance and self pride,) by pulling others down while advancing his own private and personal interests. The amount he swindled the government into paying for mail service on the Chico route, is sufficient to continue it on both routes. But General Bidwell's present position enables him to personate the powerful beast that hunted for food in common with others, and when they had been successful, planted himself upon it and told the others he would take such a part for being their leader in success, and another portion for his position, and with a lowering scowl upon those who had assisted him, the balance of it because I can, and let me see any of you who dare say nay.— Might does not always make right, and the General may as well be guarded against the recoil.—

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There are five Post Offices on the route which Bidwell has discontinued, and not one, as shown by the official list, on the Chico route to Susanville.— It is proposed to establish one on the route, to give a show of necessity for this scheme of plunder against the government. The important Post Offices on the route between Oroville and Susanville are, Cherokee, Pentz, or Mesilla Valley, Magalia, Inskip and Longville, which the magnanimity and decency of General Bidwell proposes to supply by horse mail, while the single Post Office yet to be established on the Chico route to Susanville, is to be supplied by semi-weekly mail stages at \$10,000 per annum. It is a swindle, that disgraces and destroys the postal service of the United States.— That great conservator of the public interests, under the manipulations of Gen. Bidwell has become an engine for his own aggrandizement, and for the destruction of neighboring and thriving communities and towns, that might, if not deprived of their rights by base ingratitude and misrepresentation, some day possibly rival Gen. Bidwell's famous town of Chico. The people thus outraged and belied by Gen. Bidwell, are preparing to thunder their remonstrance against this deprivation of mail service and useless squandering of government funds, to the Postal Department, to the President and to Congress, and it will indeed go hard with them if they do not find friends and influence sufficient to save them proper mail facilities, and protect them from the selfish swindle contemplated by their Representative in Congress. They are willing to accord to Chico and its route every facility required in reason, and will pay their proportion of government subsidies bestowed upon it without a murmur, but object to being deprived of their own rights and interests, for the benefit of other persons or localities. No honorable or fair minded person would contemplate such a swindle upon a community, be he a Member of Congress or not.— If it is the intention of the Postal Department to do away with mail service, and build up express lines in populous communities, employing mail lines only to build up routes and places of private interest, the action of Gen. Bidwell and his harpies is correct.

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NARROW ESCAPE.—Ewen Ellis, while prospecting a claim, met with rather a singular accident. A loose boulder rolled down and caught his arm against another boulder, holding him fast for a short time as if he was in a ten-horse-power vice. By a painful effort and considerable difficulty, he managed to extricate himself. The bedrock being soft and the boulder giving a little, he was fortunate in liberating himself, for he was alone at the time and there are few miners around.

I passed through that picturesque little gem, Concow Valley, the other day. At this season of the year it really looks beautiful, the crops look healthy and promising; the farmers are still putting in vegetables. Fears were entertained that the late frosts had nipped the peaches, but apples had escaped and promise a good crop. Fences were reconstructed and substantial; always a sure sign of thrifty farming at one of the ranchos. I was struck with the novelty of pitch barrels being used as bee hives; the bees seemed quite at home in them. If barrels full of pitch will not pay, barrels full of honey will, and I wish the owner lots of them. There is no question but the owner of those bees is determined to give them a show to spread themselves.

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SEVERELY INJURED.—We learn from Dr. PHIPPS that the wife of WILLIAM TOONAN, of Flea Valley, was thrown from a wagon, on the evening of the 20th instant, and severely, though it is hoped not fatally injured. The lady's arm was broken, and head badly cut and skull fractured.

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QUARTZ MINING OPERATIONS.—Quartz mining enterprises are being prosecuted with success in this county. The various mining districts and ledges are giving forth encouraging prospects, and promise a profitable revival in quartz mining. Our miners seem infused with new determination and fresh ardor, after their experience and observation amidst the many new excitements, to which they have heretofore given credence. The developments now being made in this and other counties of the State, will have the effect, ere the close of another season, to turn the tide of emigration from the frozen regions of the north to its first love, and to profitable ledges that were abandoned in the spirit of adventure. The Cameron ledge, at Oregon City is now being successfully worked, and will, in time yield of paying ore abundantly. A four days' run worked about ninety ton, with an average yield of about \$25 per ton. They have an inclined tunnel, extending into the bank about ninety feet, which taps the ledge some sixty feet from the surface.— This tunnel is now yielding as rich quartz as was ever taken from any ledge in large quantities, and another run is soon to be made, from which splendid results are confidently anticipated. At Mineral Slide, the work of tunnelling is progressing satisfactorily. The tunnel on the Independent ledge is now in about 20 feet, and the company expect to strike the ledge in about four weeks. Forbestown is prosecuting the work of sinking shafts on the splendid ledges in that vicinity with commendable energy, and will give a favorable report by the 4th of July. Other ledges are being opened, and the work of developing them is going on in earnest.— From what we learn concerning quartz operations on ledges in Butte county, the prospect looks well, and everything bids fair for an abundant yield of the precious metal at no distant day. Cherokee people are chary of giving information, but we are nevertheless positively assured that they have rich silver ore, and an abundance of it. We hope it is so, and that old Table Mountain may be levelled to the earth yet. That's where our treasure is, with which to build the Pacific railroad.

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THE SILVER LEDGE AT CHEROKEE.—Work on the Silver Ledge at Cherokee is still progressing.—Mr. DAVIS has tunnelled in some sixty feet, striking the ledge at a depth of about thirty feet. Rock from this ledge has been tested both in San Francisco and in the mills at Humboldt. Both trials yielded about \$60 per ton. A shaft will be sunk on the ledge at the end of the tunnel, and if it contains any hidden wealth it will be forced to yield it up to the demands and channels of business. The water season for Cherokee has passed, and that rich mineral section languishes in the summer sun. We do not believe it will continue so to do long. There are various reports and schemes that form a topic of conversation in connection with that vicinity, that will assume shape and proportions, and their placers may yet be visited by a flood more welcome and profitable than those that annually pay their respects to Sacramento. A thorough washing and raking of Cherokee district, must yet prove immensely profitable to somebody.

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7-21-1866

SHOT BY MISTAKE.—A correspondent writing from Yankee Hill, gives the following: Last Saturday evening, about 9 o'clock P. M., Mrs. NANCY DOWLEY, residing on the Frenchtown road, near the top of Nelson Bar Hill, was shot by Mr. NEAL SOUTHERN in a mistake. For more than a week we have been on the lookout for Indians, as a party of about thirteen, supposed to be from Mill Creek, crossed Butte Creek, heading this way and we have also seen tracks this side of the West Branch. It seems that Mr. SOUTHERN and Mrs. DOWLEY live in the same house. About 9 o'clock P. M., SOUTHERN's dog made a great fuss outside of the house, which awoke Mrs. DOWLEY, who got up and went out to see what the matter was, and while returning and passing SOUTHERN's door, who had just awoke, he bailed, which she did not heed. SOUTHERN hearing steps, and being somewhat bewildered, fired three shots from a revolver, one of which took effect in Mrs. DOWLEY's neck, passing along the right side, and partly cutting the wind pipe, struck her collar bone, and glanced downward on the left side of her breast making a very bad wound. Dr. DAVIS, of Cherokee Flat, probed the wound but could not find the ball. Mrs. DOWLEY was insensible for some time, and is at present very low. The chances are that she never will recover.

About this time last year, we had a raid in upon us by the Mill Creek Indians, who killed Miss SMITH and SCOTCH JOHN in Comow Valley, at the same time robbing Mr. ROBERT WORKMAN's house of some \$2,000. Mr. SOUTHERN's house was burned at the same time by the Indians—he being not at home, or he might have been killed. It was from his house that JOE MILLER, our butcher was shot at and hit in the side, but keeping on his horse he escaped, and gave the alarm. So sure were the Indians that they had MILLER, that they threw down their guns and ran a quarter of a mile after him, expecting him to fall every step. There were seven in the party, and all had a shot at him. Some were in a pile of rocks along the road-side, and others behind the fence. Mr. SOUTHERN, and a party from our township, followed them on to a ranch near the head of Mill Creek, and in the morning, surprised the camp, killing 12 out of 16 of the red devils. They are no regular tribe, but a band of renegades from all tribes. It is supposed they are in here again for revenge, as the nights at present are cool and moonlit. It is their favorite time for travelling, and every one should be on a good lookout for some time to come.

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LOCATED.—It will be seen by reference to his card, in our advertising columns, that Dr. W. P. Davis, has permanently located at Cherokee Flat, in this county, for the practice of his profession.— He is a regular graduate of the Medical College at Geneva, N. Y., and of the Union College at Schenectady, and has the necessary Diplomas attesting his fitness and capacity for the legitimate practice of his profession.

W. P. DAVIS,
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON,
Is permanently located at **CHEROKEE FLAT,**
for the practice of his profession. a15 3m.

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CHEROKEE FLAT.—Messrs. LOUIS McLANE, A. F. WILLIAMS, and other gentlemen from San Francisco, visited this placer mining locality on Thursday, with a view of ascertaining the probability of its affording a profit upon the cost of constructing an expensive canal to supply it with water for mining purposes. They returned below on Thursday evening.

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KILLED.—We have not learned the full particulars, but understand that a Chilianian was shot and killed a few nights ago, near the residence of Albert Grummed, in Oregon Gulch, in this county. It stated that they had been playing cards and drinking, and got into a quarrel. The Mexican made his escape.

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West Branch Correspondence.

Concow, Oct. 9, 1866

Editor Record: -- I notice an article in your last issue headed "making room." It is high time, not only for the increase of freight and business but also for the vast amount of gravel and tailings that will flow from the rich mines of Cherokee Flat down to the fertile vallies, and the bed of old Rio Plumas. It will come. The preliminary surveying has commenced. One line has been run through on the west side, and another on the east side of the West Branch. I was a kind of pilot or guide to the last surveying party. You say that this enterprise will give a new impetus to quartz mining, and make old Butte arouse from her lethargy, and her hills and canons resound with the pick, etc. They have already began to resound, not with the pick, but by rocks and boulders rolling down the mountain into the rivers and canons. On our survey, we struck the West Branch about a mile below the mouth of Kimsheew - a rough placed, indeed, but found camping and good water. The hills abound with Deer and Cinnamon Bear, and the scenery is grand and sublime. There are several quartz ledges along this ridge, and some of them look as though they contained fortunes. All they need is a thorough prospecting, and they will not fail to make old Butte one of the most flourishing and prosperous counties in the State.

Now about the great Feather river bridge: You must hurry up your cakes on that question for we have our next greatest necessity about completed, a bridge across the West Branch on the Yankee Hill road. It is one of the finest looking structures in the county and does credit to the builder, Mr. Slater. I think it out of the way of all floods this time. It was much needed and will be a great convenience to this section.

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FRARY'S PITCH TINDER.—Mr. A. P. Frary, of Pence's Ranch, left in our office a package of pitch tinder, which is made out of the scavings of trees previously taped for pitch, when chipped off one side is already covered with pitch, and by saturating the other side with pitch, it makes the very best of tinder. Mr. Frary has applied for a patent. The first invoice of 400 bales was shipped to Sacramento and San Francisco on Monday.

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NEW MINING COMPANY.—We notice in the telegraphic despatches from San Francisco, that the “Cherokee Flat Blue Gravel Mining Company,” to work in the Table Mountain Ledge, in this county, was incorporated on Monday last, with a capital stock of \$65,000. This means business in one of the richest placer mining districts of the world, and we trust the new organization will be eminently successful, and it cannot fail to be with a canal pouring its welcome flood of waters into that rich mineral District. The trustees are, A. Castelli, Edward Hunt, H. Kosmiasky, O. P. Sutton, and Julius Handmann.

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ACCIDENT.—Mr. and Mrs. Williams, of Oregon City, and Mrs. Daniels, of Cherokee Flat, were capsized out of a buggy, on Sunday week, in Saw Mill Ravine. Mrs. Williams had her face badly bruised. The other parties, together with the horse and buggy, escaped unhurt. As the Ravine has been washed away considerably for mining purposes, the buggy had to be packed over the place by hand, the horse clearing the ditches and gullies in regular steeple chase style.

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11-3-1866

BEAR MEAT.—Mr. Wm. Mullen succeeded, the other day in killing a fine fat cub, near KimsheW, a quarter of which with the foot attached, he has presented us, that we might taste the food upon which mountaineers doth feed. He was teaming into the mountains, and seeing signs of deer, concluded to devote an hour or two of the morning in the effort to obtain some venison. He found no deer, but came upon three bears—an old one and two cubs—on the side of the mountain. The dogs treed the old one, and the cubs endeavored to run away; but Mullen brought one of them down with his rifle. When struck, the little fellow sent up such a cry that the dogs left the tree, when the old one immediately came down and made her escape. They were of the Cinnamon or brown Bear species.

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11-10-1866

SCHOOL-HOUSE BURNED.—The School house at Cherokee Flat, was totally destroyed by fire on the afternoon of October 31st. Supposed to be caused by children playing with matches, as the school was not open at the time. A fine library of books, a stove and clock were burnt. The fire having made too much headway before it was discovered to save anything. As one-half of the fires and accidents happen through carelessness, people cannot be too cautious in regard to fire, and parents ought to be vigilant with their children in regard to keeping matches out of their reach.



Cherokee School Circa 1865

Photo courtesy of Meriam Library, John Nopel Collection

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ACCIDENT AT CONCEW.—A correspondent, writing from Concow Valley, under date of November 20th, says Mr. L. A. Snow, while adjusting his freight for packing into the mountains, accidentally cut one of his fingers with some iron pipe. The cut was not very bad, and had bled but a trifle, when he suddenly fainted and fell headlong amongst the freight, causing quite an alarm. Several men rushed to his assistance, and fortunately there was a Physician at hand, Dr. A. W. Thompson, who was assisting Mr. Snow in packing to the mountains, and he immediately applied the contents of a bucket of water to the face and head of the fainting man, and he was soon restored to consciousness. His injuries were not serious, and he was soon on the road again with his pack train.

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12-15-1866

GOOD FOR A TWELVE YEAR OLD.—Last week, near Yankee Hill, in this county, Master William Pinchstone, a lad of only twelve years, killed with a rifle five deer, one of which dressed 155 lbs.

Note: Name is William Pinkston

Sacramento Daily Union 24 Dec 1866

BUTTE COUNTY.—The Oroville *Record* of December 22d has the annexed items :

A correspondent writing from Concow under date of December 14th, says they have captured another bear, and had a pretty rough time in getting him. Our best dog—"Bango was his name"—got badly used up. On Monday last we started into the mountains for a bear hunt. We succeeded in raising one on the West Branch, above the mouth of Kimsbaw. Our faithful dog put him up a tree. I planted a ball between his two organs of sight, which brought him to mother earth. He rolled about two hundred feet, to the bottom of the hill, where the dogs closed in on him. He took down poor Bango and chewed him terribly before I reached the scene of action. I hastily drew my revolver, and a well directed shot made him give up the dog, and another shot made him give up the ghost. He was of the cinnamon species, was very fat, and weighed three hundred and fifty pounds when dressed.

John Branscombe, ditch agent on the Feather River and Ophir Water Company's ditch, from the head dam to Cherokee ravine, found the dead body of a man by the side of the road near a pine tree on the crest of the ridge, about one-fourth of a mile from the Miner's Ranch. The body when found was entirely naked. Justice Dick was immediately informed of it, and proceeded to the spot and had the body conveyed to his office, where an inquest was held. The jury returned the following verdict: "That Albert Dorman was a native of the town of Georgia, county of Franklin, State of Vermont, and that he came to his death from intemperance and delirium tremens, from the use of intoxicating drinks." His body was found on the morning of the 19th, and the inquest was held on the following day, after which the body was consigned to the tomb. He was formerly engaged cutting wood for the Oroville market.
