

# Weekly Butte Record

1-4-1868

**LARGE MUSHROOM.**—A lady correspondent at Oregon City writes as follows: For many and large Mushrooms, our place, which we call "White Farm," goes ahead of any in the county, perhaps in the State. My little daughter brought in one, the exact pattern of which I send you; it measured 22 inches in circumference, the stem five inches in circumference, and three and a half inches in length. Do you think this worth a notice?

## DRUGS.

### OROVILLE DRUG STORE

ESTABLISHED IN 1855!

A. McDERMOTT,

**P**roprietor of this Well-known Store, desires to return thanks to the inhabitants of Butte and surrounding counties for their continued patronage, and to assure them that he will endeavor to merit a continuance of the same by reasonable prices, care and attention to business.

A large and varied assortment of all goods in his line is kept constantly on hand, consisting of

**DRUGS, MEDICINES,**

**CHEMICALS,**

**PERFUMERY, PAINTS,**

**OILS, VARNISHES,**

**BLUE STONE,**

**BRUSHES,**

**TRUSSES,**

And such other articles in his line as is usually found in a well arranged Drug Store. Also, a large stock of

**PATENT MEDICINES.**

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Consisting of

**Ayers' Cherry Pectoral, Wistars' Balsam,**

Schenks' Pulmonic Syrup,  
Hales' Balsam,  
Sauds, Ayers' and Bristol's Sarsaparilla,  
Hale's, Scovill's, and Townsends, "  
Kennedy's Medical Discovery,  
Hembold's Buchu,  
Constitution Water,  
Constitution Syrup,

**JAYNES' MEDICINES,**

Wright's Lees, Cooks,  
Ayers' and Brandreth's Pills,  
Graffenburg Medicines,  
Hamburg and Swiss Tea,  
Pollard & Mason's Antimalaria Pills,  
Hoch's Ague Pills,

**CHILEAN AGUE PILLS,**

Edward's Ague Pills,  
Clark and Sapington's Ague Pills,  
Ague King,  
Cholagogue, and all other Medicines.

The prescriptions of the various physicians residents in Oroville since 1855, at whatever store originally put up, are all in my hands. Persons wishing them renewed, can be readily accommodated.

Particular attention paid to the compounding Physicians' Prescriptions, and Domestic Remedies.

Orders from the country will be attended to with care and despatch.

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A. McDERMOTT.

**OROVILLE DRUG STORE.**—Mr. A. McDermott, proprietor of this old established drug house, has just returned from San Francisco with an immense stock of new drugs, paints and oils of every description, brushes of all kinds, fancy and toilet articles, perfumery, etc. There is nothing in the drug line that cannot be had at this establishment. Go and see his new stock.

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Whooping Cough. -- This disease is prevailing to a considerable extent in various portions of the county and has proven unusually fatal to the little ones, owing to the cold wet weather, or some other cause. At Cherokee, five or six children have died with it, and it is also prevalent in other portions of the county. Fortunately, it has not yet made its appearance in the Oroville School, and it is possible that a little care and watchfulness on the part of parents may prevent its appearance here until the milder weather of approaching spring shall render it less fatal.

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## 2-15-1868

CHEROKEE.—We are in receipt of a long communication from our Cherokee Correspondent, the greater portion of which is devoted to the discussion of the removal of the County Seat. As that question is now settled and, probably, permanently so, we have thought it best to omit that portion of our correspondents letter relative to the subject. Concerning matters at Cherokee he writes: "The weather is fair, but we have had some disagreeable frosty nights, which has cut down vegetation very much. The Cherokee Company have still a large number of hands employed, and if no more rain falls, have enough water in their reservoirs to last until March. These reservoirs are great institutions, and are a public benefit to Cherokee. The Blue Gravel Company are running day and night. Every one wishes them good speed and hopes they will box it big. The claims in Saw Mill Ravine have cleaned up very satisfactorily, up to date. So far as mining is concerned there is no cause for complaint.

"The large number of sick we have had in our midst are becoming convalescent. This is good news from a reliable source, for I had it from Dr. Davis himself.

"Mr. Schellhous lately gave two exhibitions of stereoscopic and telescopic views of the heavenly bodies, which were both instructing and amusing, particularly to the younger portion of our people. The second night was chiefly devoted to fun for the youngsters. Mr. Schellhous' tales and anecdotes were droll and amused them as well as his stereoscopic views. The nights, entertainment was enlivened by some good music volunteered by two gentlemen, and a song, very appropriate for the occasion, was nicely sung by Miss —, well, the room was darkened, so I have forgotten the name; but her voice was low and sweet, always an excellent thing in woman. Mr. Schellhous, on leaving, generously deposited fifty dollars with the trustees, towards building a new school house. The thanks of the people are due are hereby tendered to Mr. Schellhous for his generous and noble gift.

"As the Constitution of Cherokee guarantees to all the pursuit of happiness, a social ball was given on Friday last under the management of Messrs. McDanel and Goodday, for a charitable purpose. it was well attended, and over eighty dollars were realized over and above expenses, for the purpose for which it was gotten up. It broke up early, as people are busy now, but those in attendance enjoyed themselves as long as it did last, and there was good music and almost too good a supper for the occasion.

"An addition to our town has been made by a Jeweler's shop and a Photographic Gallery, but whether they will be permanent depends upon business. Report says they are both good in their way."

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## 3-14-1868

**PASSING BOGUS GOLD DUST.**—A Spaniard known as California John, alias Juan Lisalta, has been arrested on complaint of Fred. Degenfeld, of Oregon City, charging him with passing counterfeit gold dust. His examination was set for yesterday afternoon before Justice Dick.

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**THE JORDAN MILL AND MINE.**—We understand parties from below have purchased the Jordan mill and mine, for the sum of ten thousand dollars. This mine is situated some six miles above Yankee Hill and has heretofore yielded well. The purchaser is making preparations to work it in a thorough manner, and there is no doubt but that it will result profitably. He is putting new hoisting works, and will soon have the mine and mill in working order. Several Cornish miners, heretofore employed on the Crescent, in Plumas county, came down through the snow last week to work the mine. The mill has twelve stamps, and is run by an engine of fifteen horse power, and is capable of crushing twenty ton per day. Long may the operator wave to successfully operate the Jordan mill and mine.

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**MORE INDIAN MURDERS.**—A letter from John C. Shepherd, of Beckwourth Valley to Joseph Lee, of Thompson's Flat, states that a man named Bronson, his wife and daughter, were recently killed by the Indians near Buffalo Springs. The same letter also states that Dave Patterson, formerly of Oroville, had been killed by the Indians. Patterson will be remembered by many of our citizens. We have not seen the letter, and Mr. Lee did not remember the dates and places distinctly. It is high time that the military authorities afforded protection to the people of that section by a total annihilation of the Indians, if it cannot be done short of that.

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SATURDAY,.....JUNE 20th.

## Cherokee Flat Correspondence.

CHEROKEE FLAT, June 15th.

**ERRON RECORD:** In my last letter I mentioned the singular circumstance of a horse bringing a strange saddle into town. A Kanaka offered to testify that he had seen said horse along with some others in the possession of a Spaniard in Oregon Gulch. The Spaniard was brought into Cherokee on Tuesday last, but the owners of the horses could not, under such evidence, swear to any specific charge, so the man went his way, and the saddle remains here awaiting an owner. I do not suppose that every Spaniard is a horse thief, or that every Chinaman is a chicken thief, but both have a hankering after that species of stock. There is no doubt there is a band of horse thieves somewhere in this neighborhood, for a number of horses have been missed within a year or so, and it is pity but what some of them cannot be caught and made an example of.

A rich musical treat was given to the people of this place on the 5th inst. The Philharmonic Society of Cherokee gave a public rehearsal, inviting their friends and the public to attend. The building was crowded to overflowing, and a number of distant friends were present. The programme was in two parts, and to particularize would occupy too much space in your paper; the pieces were of choice selections, and were well executed both by the Society, as well as by the private members in their different parts; all gave great satisfaction, and each piece was greeted by the audience with well merited applause. The "Laughing Trio," by three gentlemen, caused much merriment, particularly with "Young America; the whole house was convulsed with laughter, and how many buttons and hooks and eyes gave way I am unable to say. Taking everything into consideration, the short time the company has been organized, their first appearance, and the crowded room, it was a great success, and did great credit to all concerned in it. There was not one in the large audience but was well pleased and highly entertained by the night's performance. During the evening Mr. Goodday astonished himself as well as the audience by delivering a very appropriate speech, and in behalf of the society presented Mr. Ramage, their director, with a beautiful and costly flute, as a tribute of esteem and regard for his attention and time bestowed on the society in their several exercises. Unfortunately I could not hear the gentleman's speech in returning thanks, but it must have been both humorous and pathetic, for it caused much applause and merriment, and I think it must have been pathetic, for I saw more than one of the male members of the society take out their pocket handkerchiefs, but whether they used them for a legitimate purpose, or to wipe away a tear I cannot say, (I have learned that Mr. Ramage is going to reside at Chico—that accounts for the handkerchiefs). After the concert a largo number retired to Union Hall where a splendid ball was held, which was kept up until a late hour in the morning; good music and fair partners will always ensure an enjoyable ball. Taken all together it is the biggest thing we have had this season.

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The Blue Gravel Company have had attached to their engine a whistle—none of your two-bit whistles, but one that can be heard "over the hills and far away." This has been a great accommodation to all the people of the neighborhood, and I think every one will join me in hearty thanks to the company for the time of day.

I wonder whether the great convulsions of nature that have happened lately had any effect on the atmosphere, for the weather is still unaccountable. On Friday night the windows of heaven were opened tolerable wide, and for a short time the rain poured down in a perfect deluge. On Saturday night a thunder storm set in about five o'clock, and for an hour there was one continuous peal of thunder, more in the space of time than I recollect since I have been in California.

As to politics, all is as quiet as mice stealing cream, and will be until the ides of July. I deeply sympathize with my Democratic neighbors because they have no candidate; but cheer up, gentlemen, don't be despondent, we have a good candidate—suppose you let your election go by default this year and vote for Grant, and some time when we have a poor candidate, or none at all, some of us may vote your ticket; besides, you have so many candidates in the field it will be impossible to please all. I would not be surprised if two are nominated next July; I know some of you will swallow the nominee but will not eat the platform, and some will gobble down the platform and will go hungry to bed before they will eat the nominee; and some will not take a bite of either, but will fall back on the letter of acceptance; as to California, judging from last year's election, betting is about even; if the Chinese Embassadors should return by next Fall, the odds would be five to four in our favor, and if the Emperor of China should come himself, it would be two to one, because San Francisco would be lost; in fact, I would not be surprised if they made a citizen of him against his will. I am beginning to feel a little uneasy about these Democrats; the talk is now of running Chase and putting in a universal suffrage plank in their platform. Well, they have a perfect right to do that, but for heaven's sake, gentlemen, don't steal our thunder.



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**ACCIDENT.**—Arthur Moore, of Cherokee, on Saturday last, was thrown from the seat of a loaded wagon, falling between the horses. The wheels passed over him, causing a fracture of his shoulder bone and badly bruising his hands.

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**GOOD PAY.**—Joe Hickman, near Cariboo, on the North Fork, took out forty ounces of gold from his claim last week. The Quincy *Union* considers it a good week's work for two men.

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CON COW VALLEY.—A correspondent writes from this place that the crops are looking fine in the valley. A heavy wind was experienced there on the evening of the 12th, which did considerable damage to fruit and fruit trees, destroying many that were loaded with fruit. As an evidence of the soil in that mountain valley, our correspondent has sent us a beard of timothy measuring eleven and a-half inches in length. It was not fully matured, and it is believed that it might have attained a greater length. The writer will have several tons of it the present season. The miners at Kimsheew have plenty of water, and are in good spirits over their prospects. Some claims are cleaning up and are doing well. L. A. Snow has got his water power derrick in operation, and it works to a charm. He met with quite an accident just as he got to running; he had hold of one of the ropes when it started suddenly and precipitated him headlong on to a pile of rock, dislocating his shoulder and bruising him otherwise. At last accounts he was doing well. I was down to Oroville the other day, and had an opportunity to contrast your town with Last Chance. The latter is about forty miles from the former, and has about five feet of snow on the level. "Hard Times" can probably give you the altitude. I see the Republican Central Committee recommend forming Grant and Colfax Clubs in the various precincts. I wonder if Judge Coughy wants them made of hardwood, as we have both yew and live oak up here.

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**ACCIDENT AT CHEROKEE.**—On Tuesday last the team of the Dogtown lager wagon ran away. The driver, in attempting to use the brake, missed his footing and was thrown from the wagon, falling on his head and receiving a very severe wound, cutting the scalp for several inches to the skull. The horses continued on in their mad career, dashing against Mr. Waldeyer's fence where one of them was instantly killed. The wagon was considerably broken up. The same day a hay team from the valley took into their head to run away; but some of the horses falling down, the balance of the team were brought to a stand still without much damage.

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**SUITS.**—Daniel Hilton, who has been a watchman in Chinatown for the past four or five years, has recently been removed by the residents of that burgh, for some cause, and have appointed Peter Freer to the position, with George Grover as active deputy. Hilton, being familiar with the haunts of that delightful burgh, has lodged information against several parties for renting houses to be used for illegitimate purposes, gambling; etc. A jury trial of this kind on Thursday, resulted in a verdict for defendant. Several other suits of a like character are said to be pending.

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### Cherokee Correspondence.

CHEROKEE FLAT, Aug. 23d.

ED. RECORD :—In writing a letter at this time of the year, the first topic to be mentioned will be the weather. I think we may safely say that our heated term is over, although we may expect considerable warm afternoons; yet our cool, refreshing nights will have a tendency to moderate the rays of old Sol during the day. The most oppressive weather I have felt this summer was a few days about the 20th of July and the first week in August, the thermometer in the store frequently ranging above one hundred degrees, and on one occasion, in the Blue Gravel engine house, with doors and windows open, it stood at 113. So far I have heard of no serious results from it. In this respect the climate of California stands unrivalled, and may challenge the world. Search the vast circumference of the Almighty's footstool, and then explore from pole to pole, and where can you find its parallel? It is the purity of our atmosphere and the wholesome refreshing nights that prevent the dread, fearful sun-stroke that has been so fatal and frequent in the eastern cities of this continent the present summer.

As to mining, should Providence visit us with an early winter, it will be a nip-and-tuck affair with the claim owners to be in readiness for it, notwithstanding they are making every effort for that purpose. Not even in the memory of the most venerable forty-niner, has there been such a busy time as there is at Cherokee this summer. The demand for skilled and unskilled labor has been greater than the supply. Improvements, progress and prosperity can be seen in unmistakable signs, turn which way you will. If you have not been up here lately, you will see quite a change when you do come. The old store of Moore & McDanel has been thoroughly overhauled, painted and fixed up in tasteful style, and rented to Gooday, who, in addition to his stock of dry goods, is dispensing the staff and stilts of life. The stilts are of the most tremendous or-

der; among them may be found nitro-glycerine, odd shaped bottles with very mysterious contents, giant powder and coal oil. The large hall over the store has been elegantly furnished and dedicated to Odd Fellowship, that Order having secured it for a Lodge room. A snug little Post-office is partitioned off in one corner of the store, where among our mail matter, lying side by side as quiet and tranquil as a babe asleep that is free from cholera and has done teething, all those tremendous cut-throat campaign documents, both Democratic and Republican, these political annihilators and party smashers, to read which will make every political hair stand on end, so stiff and stubborn that all the stump speeches ever made will never bring it down to a horizontal position again. Opposite the store is the new hotel, and near by a large barn and stable are being erected as fast as mechanics can put them together. These are heavy frame buildings, built on solid masonry foundations, and will be an ornament to the place and an accommodation to the public, and I have no doubt will be a good investment for the enterprising proprietors. The hotel will be under the management of Capt. Moore, and if I was to tell your readers that it will be the largest and best hotel on this side of Mason's and Dixon's line, I don't suppose they would believe me, so I won't do it. At the Lower Town, Vinton's store has been refitted and restocked with goods. The Davies Bros.' livery stable has been purchased by Wolf, from Oregon City, and converted into a store at the Upper Town. The three stores are running opposition, and are ram-jam full of goods from floor to ceiling, where every thing can be had from the smallest darning needle up to the most expansive 25 foot skirt, and all the way down again from a pickled elephant to the smallest sardine. Your readers may be skeptical in regard to the elephant, but I have seen that animal so frequently in California that I have no doubt they have got them. But they had better come and judge for themselves. They will find the elephant at Cherokee a very quiet and docile animal in comparison with some they have seen.

Our Public School will be opened to-day. This is good news, and I have no doubt the fact will be taken advantage of by the parents of this district by sending their children to school.

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### Cherokee Flat Correspondence.

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CHEROKEE FLAT, September 14th.

ED. RECORD: A sad and serious accident happened at the Cherokee Blue Gravel Company's works this morning. It seems they are using Giant Powder; a twenty inch hole had been discharged, doing good execution; there was about four inches of the hole left, and some time afterwards as H. Poppy was at work taking out the rock, either the concussion of the pick, or a spark from it, ignited the remainder of the powder that had not exploded. Poppy was terribly mashed and mutilated, his body, arms, face and head are one mass of bruises, and some of the fingers of one hand broken, his eyes are also much hurt; his injuries are severe, but not supposed fatal. Hitchen, who was at work on the same shift, had just turned away to receive the empty car at the time and escaped unhurt. The accident appears to have been purely accidental, but as the Cherokee Company and the Eureka Company are both using the Giant Powder, parties cannot be too cautious as on several occasions the powder has only partially exploded, requiring another fuse and cap to explode the balance. O. S.

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**PORCUPINE KILLED.**—We learn from Thos. McDanel, Esq., of Cherokee, that a porcupine, a rodent quadruped of the genus *Hystrix* of *Linnæus*, was recently killed at that place. We do not remember of hearing of the animal within the State before, and certainly not within this county. There seems to be no mistake about it, however, and the question is, where the Dickens did he come from?

Marysville Daily Appeal  
11-29-1868

**THE Quartz Mill at Yankee Hill, Butte county, was burned on the 20th instant. Insured for \$8,000.**



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## 12-5-1868

**BALL AT CLEAR CREEK.**—E. D. Clark will give a Party at his hotel, on Clear Creek, on the evening of the 18th instant. All are invited, and it is one of the nicest drives in this vicinity.