

Weekly Butte Record

1-2-1869

A SPANIARD died very suddenly by hemorrhage at the bridge on the West Branch, on Thursday night of last week. His remains were taken by his countrymen and interred at their burying ground at Spanishtown.

AN OLD HAETUE RETURNED.—The Sheriff and Deputies of his office, were surprised the other day by the return of an old familiar face to their protection and care. Juan LaSalta, who it will be remembered was sent down from Cherokee some time ago charged with passing counterfeit gold dust, but was turned out on his own recognizance, as the complaining witness had left, came back to his old quarters the other day with a smiling face. He was sent down from Justice Wells' Court at Yankee Hill, to await the action of the grand jury on the charge of assault with intent to commit bodily harm. He is not very lively just now, as he is sleeping off the effects of a too merry Christmas.

[For the Butte Record.

Old Miners Mining Old Mines.

Famous were the Sky-High Diggings (situate in Bidwell township, near the division line between Butte and Plumas), in the golden days of other years. Fabulous were the thousands of ounces taken therefrom, twelve to fifteen years ago, when the Dewings and Haslams were sowing their wild oats, without care for the cost in the reaping of the same. But on the fragment of an old sluice-box left upon the claim, the old miner wrote "Gone in," years ago. Thus it was when—a few months since—Garst & Greiner came to the old diggings; like the other Cæsar, they came—they saw—and they "went in." With pick and shovel they went into the old tailings; without a half supply of water they went in; and the happy result is, according to their own report, eighty to one hundred dollars per month. A very fair yield from diggings which had been "entirely dug out." But they are not meanly selfish, Garst and Greiner ar'n't. For they have employed Mr. John Downs to build a bridge over the Little North Fork. Two weeks ago the piers and abutments were all finished, the bed pieces on, and the flooring and parapet only remained to be added, when the magnificent structure would be complete, and the stranger and the wayfaring "honest miner" would be invited to pass over without pence and without "pungling." Wherefore, blessed be the miners of old mines and builders of new bridges, with the reportorial
G. WHILLIKER.

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1-8-1869

MINING.—Those who have imagined that the mines of Oroville were exhausted years ago, should visit the extensive bank and hydraulic diggings of Mr. Hewett, at the intersection of Downer street with the bluff. He is working far beneath the tunnels of former claimants, and making a clean sweep of everything but the gold dust into the river. Stratas of earth only were formerly worked by means of tunnels. The entire bank, to as low a depth as the flume will permit, is now being successfully worked. Mr. Hewett employs some twenty-five or thirty hands, and finds their work of shovelling and wheeling the dirt up into the flume a profitable investment. There are thousands of acres of mineral land in the bluff that may be as successfully worked as Mr. Hewett's claim. It only requires to be energetically engaged in with a view to thorough work. On the opposite side of the river, the Kennedy Flume Company are about ready to commence washing off their track of 40 acres of bank diggings to which they have a title in fee. The claim of Messrs. Wardwell & Co. near Table Mountain, is producing a large quantity of rich blue gravel, and an occasional specimen that marks it as the true lead. These claims promise a permanent remuneration for the labor and expense of working them. There is nothing "played out" in this vicinity but surface mining. The hydraulic and the flume must take the place of the rocker and the crevicing spoon. That is all. The day for picking up fortunes is undoubtedly passed, but they may be washed from our hills for another century.

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Cherokee Correspondence.

CHEROKEE FLAT, Feb. 1st, 1869.

ED. BUTTE RECORD: Almost too busy to drop you even a few lines. The storms of last week have set things going in good old-fashioned style. The Cherokee Company have about thirty men at work, and the Spring Valley Co. have quite a number also. All the small claim owners are likewise taking advantage of the late rains. Considering the storm lasted so long, it did not furnish so much water as you would imagine. There is probably ten days' water in the reservoirs. At no time during the winter, have the two large reservoirs of the Cherokee Company been near full. Once filled to their utmost capacity, they would furnish a run of six weeks; but the season is flying away so fast, I have my doubts if they will be filled. At any rate, we must have a more severe storm than we have had this winter, to fill them.

With the exception of a few colds that are so prevalent during the winter months, the general health of Cherokee is good; and to show how lively times are, last week there were no less than five births in the town and two in the suburbs, and, report says, all of them boys. This is what you may call a big thing. Whether it was premeditated and done with malice aforethought, or by accident, or according to the eternal fitness of things, I am unable to say. Cherokee can not only claim to be the Eberhardt of placer mining in Butte county, but the very Eberhardt of babies also.

Quite a number of our citizens have the White Pine fever, and as it seems to be contagious, I fancied I felt some symptoms of it. So, if there is not much doing here the coming summer, I shall take up my blankets and strike an attitude for White Pine, Yellow Pine, Digger Pine, Sugar Pine, or some other Pine; but to rush there now would be madness. Situated as White Pine is, over 2,000 feet above the level of the sea, there must be many feet of snow on the ground; consequently, there can be no prospecting done. And as my financial resources

are in such a demoralized condition that I am not able to buy into the Eberhardt or Stanford Ledge, I think it best to bide my time, and I hope everyone else will do the same. I saw an account lately of one poor fellow who went out prospecting at White Pine, got lost, and when found, was in such a condition as rendered necessary the amputation of both of his feet. Suppose a man should happen to get lost out there, fall asleep, and forget to wake up again—what then? And besides, who in thunder is going to pay the C. P. Railroad Co. ten cents per mile, and at every steep grade have to get out and walk! I think we had better wait awhile; and those with families, who have comfortable homes, had better stay there, and not go at all.

Rumor says that Mr. Hendricks, who is extensively engaged in mining in Morris' Ravine, has gone East to organize a company to bring in a ditch of water from the West Branch to Morris' Ravine. It is to be hoped he will be successful, for there is no doubt there are rich and extensive diggings in that locality, if there was water to develop them. As to our Cherokee ditch, I have almost given up all hope of ever seeing it brought in. I have often thought that our Senators and Representatives at Washington might look after the mining interests a little more than they do. How prompt and ready they are whenever there is a railroad bill or bogus land grant, or some other land-grabbing scheme brought before Congress, to advocate it. When you reflect on the matter, it is easily accounted for. In ditch property or mining operations, there are no fat Government offices to be had; consequently, we poor miners are left out in the cold, and may take care of ourselves the best way we can. Now, if there was any plucking of Uncle Sam's goose, or any Government pap to be had, by bringing in a ditch of water to Cherokee, depend upon it, a ditch would be brought in in six months, though it took all the iron pipe in creation to accomplish it.

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STAGE TRAVELING.

CALIFORNIA AND OREGON
STAGE COMPANY.

THROUGH LINE FROM
LINCOLN, CAL.,
-TO-
PORTLAND, OREGON!

STAGES LEAVE THE OFFICE OF THE COMPANY every morning for Portland, Oregon, via the following named places:

- Oroville, Chico, Tehama, Red Bluffs, Shasta, and Yreka, California; and Jacksonville, Canyonville, Roseburg, Oakland, Eugene City, Corvallis, Albany, Salem, Oregon City and Portland, Oregon.

For passage, apply at the office of the Company at Marysville or Sacramento.
P. S. MOONEY, Agent.

STAGE NOTICE.

NEW ARRANGEMENT
CUNNINGHAM & RILEY, PROPRIETORS.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THE San Juan Stage will leave the National Hotel, San Juan, every day at 3 o'clock A. M., for Empire Ranch, connecting with the daily line of Stages from Nevada to Marysville, (Sundays excepted.)

RETURNING,

Will leave daily Empire Ranch on the arrival of the Marysville and Nevada stage.
The Marysville, Grass Valley and Nevada Stage will leave their Office No. 44 D street,

EVERY DAY, SUNDAYS EXCEPTED,
At 9 o'clock A. M.

RETURNING,

Will leave the National Hotel, Nevada, at 3 o'clock, connecting up and down with the San Juan Stage at Empire Ranch and with Hamilton's Stages from Colusa and Virginia City at Grass Valley.
CUNNINGHAM & RILEY.

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UNITED STATES MAIL LINE
-TO-
CAMPTONVILLE AND DOWNIEVILLE.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.

ON AND AFTER JULY FIRST, Stages will leave Marysville at 3 o'clock A. M. for Brown's Valley, Oregon House, Foster's Bar, Camptonville, Good-year's Bar and Downieville, every other day, leaving Marysville on even dates in JULY, and arriving at Downieville the same evening.

Passengers booking their names will be called for in any part of the city.
Office, at Western House, Marysville.
J. A. MURRAY, Agent.

MARYSVILLE AND COLUSA
U. S. Mail and Express Stage Line.

LEAVING THE WESTERN HOUSE, Marysville, DAILY, (Sundays excepted,) connecting at Colusa with

WILBUR'S STAGE LINE

for the Hot Sulphur Springs and Coast Range every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

Orders left at the Excelsior Stable, opposite Odd Fellows Hall, will receive prompt attention.

ROBERT CROUCH & CO.,

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Proprietor.

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Daily Line
FOR SACRAMENTO.



The new and elegant light draught steamer

GOV. DANA,

BENJ. BRWINGTON.....Master
Will leave Marysville at 6 1/2 o'clock every morning (Sundays excepted), arriving at Sacramento at an early hour, connecting with the San Francisco boats.

YOSEMITE and CHRYSOPOLIS,
For San Francisco.

Freight \$5 per ton, subject to revised printed tariff on piece goods.

For freight or passage apply on board or at the office of the Company, corner of D and Second streets, up stairs.
C. H. KIMBALL, Ag't.

C. N. R. R.



MARYSVILLE AND OROVILLE

TRAINS OF THE CAL. NOR. RAILROAD UNTIL further notice will run as follows:

- Leave Marysville, daily, at 1 P. M.
- Leave Oroville, daily, at 5 P. M.

Connecting at Oroville with stages of the Chico, Shasta and Oregon, Idaho,

- Susanville, Quincy and Indian Valley, and LaPorte Roads.

Freight reaching Marysville by steamboat, consigned to "Care of R. R.," will be received at the Steamboat Landing, and forwarded to Oroville without cost for forwarding, commission or drayage.

At Oroville, Merchandise for "up country" will be stored in the Railroad Depot, and delivered to order of owners, or forwarded by teams, free of charge for storage.

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ANDREW J. BINNEY, Sup't.



SAN FRANCISCO & SACRAMENTO!

Via VALLEJO,

Per Steamer NEW WORLD

AND THE

CALIFORNIA PACIFIC RAILROAD!

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, TRAINS WILL RUN on the California Pacific Railroad between Vallejo and Sacramento (Sundays excepted) as follows:

- Express Train leaves Vallejo at 5 P. M.
- " " Sacramento at 6:15 A. M.
- Accommodation Train leaves Vallejo at 7 A. M.
- " " Sacramento at 2:30 P. M.

Express Train from Sacramento connecting with the steamer CORA, for San Francisco.

Freight Forwarded with Dispatch at Lowest Rates.
D. C. HASKIN.

January 27th, 1869.

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3-13-1869

STORE ROBBED.—On the night of the 5th instant, the store of Mr. Bresler, of Oregon Gulch, was robbed of about sixty pairs of boots and a lot of clothing. Ten pairs of boots and three pairs of pants were recovered, having been found the next day in the woods near the store. From the investigations made by Sheriff Miller and Constable Hilton, it was very evident that John, the "man and brother," had "tilted" the articles.

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Cherokee Flat Correspondence

CHEROKEE FLAT, March 22d, 1869:

EDITOR BUTTE RECORD:

This morning, about ten o'clock, the people of the lower town were startled by an alarm of fire. The house of Mr. Everett, with most of its contents, was totally destroyed, notwithstanding all the efforts of our citizens. The fire had made such headway when discovered, that it was impossible to do much. The loss will amount to a thousand dollars at least. The family were from home at the time, but a small fire had been left in the stove, from which, probably, it originated.

The late glorious rains we have had, will not only benefit Cherokee, but will be a blessing to the whole State. Already the grain crop had commenced to croak about short crops, etc.; but the rains seem to have been so general, there can scarcely be any doubt of an abundant harvest this coming summer. The different companies are all busy washing, and some of them, who, during the winter were unable to wash their drift dirt, will have sufficient water to clean all up, and be ready for a fresh start again for another season. The late rains have not furnished so much water as we could wish. The hot days and the rapid growth of vegetation, having also had a good portion of it, we ought to be thankful to the giver of all good for the blessings showered upon us, and never let us forget that He who has an eye of pity for the mariner when he goes aloft, has the same fatherly care for the farmer and the miner, who are digging and delving below. I am unable to say how much water the Spring Valley Company have on hand, but should judge that the Cherokee Company have about ten days supply; but with their network of ditches and reservoirs, they have more available means of saving water than any one else.

The White Pine fever has taken off three of our citizens, and others are almost ready to kick the same bucket. But it is too early to start with teams or pack animal. At present there is plenty of work for idle hands to do, besides what Satan furnishes; so we had better wait awhile. I am varying between two opinions, whether to go or stay. Having made a comfortable living in old Butte for the last twenty years, I think I had better stay and let well enough alone. Should I go to White Pine, ten to one I should strike some base metal ledge, that would not furnish grub, and should return a poorer if not a wiser man than when I started. If any of you Oroville folk have a second hand velocipede, or what would be still better, one to loan, I might get some lightning snow-shoe dope, and run opposition to the Central Pacific Railroad out to the White Pine regions. There was quite a lively time here about ten days ago. It was ascertained that a good many claim owners were holding more mining ground than the law allows, or, rather, I ought to say, had pre-empted more so the surveyors were called into requisition, and there was hurrying to and fro to the Recorder's office. Two parties who were after some spare ground, had a nip and tuck race to have it recorded, both making the best time on record. One beat the other by several lengths. There has been some jumping of claims also, which will probably lead to litigation. So far there has been nobody killed, or nobody hurt, and all is quiet again on Sugar Loaf. On such occasions, I often think the valve for letting off superfluous gas is left open, for one party would say he could only die once, another would say that he would blow the top of any amount of canisters off, another would talk of making mince meat on the most extensive scale, as if he was going into the pie business; but these are mere flea bites to the people of Cherokee, and are little thought of.

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4-24-1869

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—The Rev. J. Bates will preach in Oroville, (D. V.) to-morrow morning, and in the School House, Cherokee Flat, in the afternoon. Subject in the morning: "The Rock in Horeb—a type of Christ."

LECTURE.—Miss Anna M. Morrison will lecture at the Court House on Sunday evening, the 25th inst., on "Memory and its Influences." This is her second appearance in Oroville in this capacity, and those who heard her first effort will, we feel assured extend the encouragement of their presence on Sunday evening. She is a talented young authoress, grown up in Butte, and we hope our people will go and hear her. Those who would encourage rare talent in its struggle with poverty, should put a dollar in their pocket, go and hear her lecture, and not forget to leave it with their best wishes for her success.

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6-12-1869

ROLL OF HONOR OF CHEROKEE PUBLIC SCHOOL.—Nettie Armstrong, Ida Campbell, Laura Cushman, Jennie Cooper, Mary Drinkwater, Ida Hale, Josephine Hufford, Ammie McGregor, Mary Williams, Celeste Oliver, Janette Wilson, Eddie Channel, Evan James, William Morgan, Walter Moore, Henry Moore, Robert McGregor. This school has been in session during ten months of the present school year; average daily attendance, sixty-five.

J. P. GARLICK, Teacher.

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ROLL OF HONOR.—Mesilla Valley Public School, J. P. Taylor, Teacher—Term ending June 30th. The following are the names of pupils whose average per cent. for the whole term is above eighty: Henrietta Stewart, Mary Stewart, Frances White, William Applegate, Milton Brown, William Wait, Willie Stewart, William B. Kelley, and Samuel Highet. All of the girls won the honor of a prize but one, and all of the boys excepting three; but the highest honor, of winning the \$5 Gold Medals, was awarded to Miss Henrietta Stewart and Master Clarence White. A gentleman, Mr. J. Scott, being pleased with the success of the two pupils, also awarded each of them a gold medal.

J. P. TAYLOR.

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7-31-1869

AN UNFORTUNATE MISTAKE. Mr. Henry Morrison, of Cherokee Flat, who has been temporarily sojourning at the Big Meadows, accidentally shot a friend by the name of Shaggh, a few days since, breaking his arm. The two had been out hunting deer, when Morrison seeing dimly through the brush what he supposed to be a deer, shot, with the result mentioned. Dr. Pratt set the broken arm, and thinks it will undoubtedly be saved. We learn these facts from Mr. Jas. Van Ness.

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9-13-1869

VINEYARD.—M. H. Wells, Esq., of Yankee Hill, who two years ago was unfortunate in his endeavors to be elected Sheriff, was in town during the early part of the week, extending his sympathy and condolence to the defeated candidates. He is putting out a fifteen acre vineyard on the south-east side of the hill, and will give his attention to the cultivation of the grape. Being a jolly good fellow, and having dipped into politics just far enough to test its hollowness, his planting a vineyard is but the old story, told by Byron, as follows:

Then the season of youth and its vanities past,
For refuge we fly to the goblet at last;
There we find—do we not?—in the flow of the soul,
That truth, as of yore, is confined to the bowl.

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9-18-1869

MORE SURVEYING.—The Plumas National states that Mr. Battelle, of Sierra Valley, has received a contract from the United States Surveyor General for California, to survey six townships of Government land in Butte and Plumas counties, and passed through Quincy on Thursday last with his assistants, to commence the work. The land to be surveyed it is stated, includes Concow Valley, Inskip, and will, doubtless, take in Humbug Valley, and all that portion of Plumas county west of that place. The land is to be laid off in sections and quarter sections. This survey will embrace many fertile valleys, and much valuable timber and mineral land. It will also embrace a scope of country on which the timber has been wantonly sacrificed for the miserable pittance afforded pitch gatherers.

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12-11-1869

MINING.—The principal placer mines of the county, those of Cherokee, have lain idle thus far in the season for want of water. It is probable that the rain of the present week has furnished them with water sufficient for a few days run. If so, we may reasonably expect a perceptible improvement in the money market of that section, which cannot fail to be felt throughout the county, and which will enable our friends at Cherokee to properly observe the approaching holidays.

CHRISTMAS BALL.—A social party is announced for Cherokee, to take place on Christmas eve, Friday, the 24th instant, the proceeds of which are to be applied to furnishing the new school house recently erected at that place. It will be remembered that their public school house was destroyed by fire sometime since. As public schools are indispensable in the mining as well as in the agricultural districts, we hope they may have a full house, and realize a plethoric purse for school purposes. Our young people should improve the occasion to visit Cherokee, and have a merry Christmas, after a glorious dance.