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1-21-1892

O. A. Grummett of Oregon City was in town on Tuesday, looking as fat, hearty and muscular as though he had never known a day's sickness in his life. On inquiring after his health he said, "Well, I hung up my stocking on Christmas and got a present." "Present," we asked, "what kind of a present?" "Oh," he replied, "the grippe, and I have had it ever since."

The Rainbow mine near Yankee Hill has long been known to be rich and now that a company is ready to begin crushing quartz from the ledge it is to be hoped the rock will prove a bonanza to all interested.

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Deadwood Hospital.

Aleck Carpenter, who for the past two years has had the management of the hospital at Deadwood in this county has engaged the services of another Chinese physician in place of Ah Sang who has been there for so many years. The new physician, Si Kong, is a regular graduate of one of the best medical schools in Canton and we are told that he is very successful. Mr. Carpenter will aim to make Deadwood a health resort and a sanitarium. The altitude there is about 2,500 feet with pure water, a cool and pleasant climate and fine scenic attractions. The sanitarium contains sixty rooms and these are conveniently fitted up for use.

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Caleb Scott of Concow has been laid up with a very sore hand for the past month. He declares that he has chopped wood since he was big enough to swing an axe over his shoulder and thought he had hands as tough as a newspaper man's conscience, yet in chopping about a month ago he bruised his hand and has had a serious time with it. He lost thirty pounds of flesh from lack of sleep which shows how severe the pain was.

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Jourdan Hill Mines.

From parties down to-day from the Jourdan Hill mines we learn that seven men are employed on the Rainbow mine. They are engaged in cleaning and pumping out the incline which is about 150 feet deep. When this is finished additional men will be employed and a tunnel will be run so as to take out a few tons of quartz which will be crushed. If the rock pays satisfactorily then it is stated a tunnel will be run from the East Branch side of the hill so as to strike the lode at a distance of 300 feet from the surface. There is a five stamp mill now on the mine and this will be increased if the ore proves as rich as is anticipated. There are some fifteen or sixteen men now at Jourdan Hill prospecting and looking for quartz.

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W. M. Pence will shortly remove to San Francisco as he has sold his place at Pentz.

The Pence Ranch Sold.

Marion Biggs, Jr. bought this week from W. M. Pence the splendid property known as the Pence ranch. It is admirably located twelve miles from Oroville just at the foot of the mountains and is watered by a fine stream of clear water. Upon it almost every variety of fruits are growing finely and if the place were planted to oranges, lemons, figs and olives it would become one of the most valuable properties in the State, for it is well adapted to producing these fruits in perfection. We are pleased to see that Mr. Biggs has acquired this property for he will at once greatly improve it and put it in fine shape.

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Rich Mines.

Many years ago when quartz mining was in its pristine glory in Butte, the Oregon City mines were among the richest in the State. Fabulous sums were taken from them and it was confidently asserted that if better and stronger pumping machinery had been placed upon them so as to keep down the water these mines would have been worked for many years. Now they are being opened by a large company and it is thought they will pay excellently. On Saturday the following parties who are interested in these mines came up from Woodland, H. C. Gable, J. F. Fink, A. Barney and Wm. Goeggel and on Sunday in company with E. McGrath. A. T. Graner, J. N. Friesleben and E. P. Farnham all of whom are stockholders in the mines, visited Oregon City and inspected the work that had been done. It is reported that they were highly pleased with the work so far and believe they have a bonanza in the property they own at that place.

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Death of "Cap" F. M. Williams.

Yesterday the news came from Vina in a telegram to J. T. Brooks that old "Cap." Williams was dead, and to come up with a coffin.

The old settlers remember Cap. F. M. Williams, who made his home on Clear creek. He it was who headed a company of citizens who went after a band of Indians who had been committing depredations, and after their return there have been few Indians seen in that neighborhood. Deceased was a native of Missouri, aged 64 years, and leaves many old friends to mourn the loss of a true friend.

The remains were brought down from Vina, and will be taken to his ranch, on Clear creek, near Pentz.

DEATH OF W. C. HENDRICKS

He Passes Quietly Away to the Other Shore.

A telegram from Thomas P. Hendricks this morning, brought the sad news of the death of his brother, William Chalmers Hendricks, at his home in Sacramento. Deceased was a native of Pennsylvania aged 67 years. The sad news of the death of this honored citizen was not unexpected, as his disease, which was an abscess in the head, had baffled all the skill of his physicians, and after several days of unconsciousness death came to his relief. His family and his brother were constantly in attendance on him, but all the kindly ministrations of loving affection availed nothing.

W. C. Hendricks was a pioneer of Colusa, but afterwards removed to Butte county and engaged in mining in Oregon City, where the famous Hendricks mine was located. It was he who located and built the famous Hendricks ditch, a stream of water which was lately secured by Major McLaughlin.

In the politics of the State Mr. Hendricks took a prominent part and in the twentieth and twenty-first sessions of the legislature he represented Butte and Plumas counties. In 1886 he was nominated by the Democratic State Convention for Secretary of State, and his popularity secured his election, while the balance of the State ticket was defeated.

He also held the position of State Prison Director of several years, and by his study of penology introduced many new rules for the benefit of prisoners.

Mr. Hendricks leaves a wife and five children and hosts of friends all over the State to mourn his loss.

The announcement of the funeral will be made later.

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It Shines Brightly.

The Ralubow mine under the management of Mr. Fowler begins to assume a bright and glowing hue. This mine is located near Yankee Hill and the shaft is now down nearly 200 feet. Crosscuts and levels will be run and several hundred tons of ore taken out as a test. If the ledge proves what it now promises, a mill will be erected for crushing the ore early in the spring. This lode is now about three feet wide in the bottom of the shaft and gives good indications of rich rock.

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S **KONG,**

Resident Physician,

DEADWOOD, BUTTE COUNTY, CAL.

A regular graduate of one of Canton's best
medical schools. Diseases of women a specialty.

Postoffice address, Yankee Hill, Cal.

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New Quartz Mill.

The machinery for a new quartz mill arrived in Oroville last week and has been hauled to Jordan Hill above Cherokee. W. T. Coleman will erect a mill at that place on a quartz ledge that is believed to be as rich as the cavern told about in the story of Ali Baba and the forty thieves.

OROVILLE REGISTER.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1892.

The Rainbow mine at Yankee Hill has been sold by Fred and Sidney Wellington to Capt. Griffith of San Francisco. It is believed that this mine will richly repay its owner for the ore is good and the lode extensive.

Notice For Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT MARYSVILLE, CAL., }
March 8th, 1892. }

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Butte County, Cal., at his office in Oroville, on Friday, April 15th, 1892, viz:

ALFRED B. CLARK.

Homestead Application No. 3677; for the Lot 1. E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 10, Tp. 21, N. R. 4 E., M. D. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz.:

Frank M. Ayres, Uriah T. Hively, Jonathan McConnell, Samuel S. Hague, all of Yankee Hill, Butte County, Cal.

CHARLES HAPGOOD,
Register.

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ORANGE LAND FOR SALE.

Samuel Lemon, who owns one of the finest places in Northern California, offers for sale

**660 Acres of Magnificent Orange
and Olive Land.**

On Clear Creek 12 Miles north of Oroville

There is water enough on the land to irrigate the whole place. The elevation is 500 feet above sea level and the land is free from frost in winter. Mr. Lemon is too feeble to work the land and hence is willing to sell it. Anyone desiring information as to value, what the land will raise, etc., will please address

SAMUEL LEMON,
Clear Creek, Butte Co., Cal.
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OROVILLE REGISTER.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1892,

Good Roads.

YANKEE HILL, April 17th, 1892.

EDITOR REGISTER—All mountain grades should have a ditch on the upper side if it is possible to make it and should be kept open in winter with proper causeways for the water to cross the road and run off say every fifty or seventy-five yards apart. Put plenty of some kind of tough brush down and cover it with earth and fine rock or gravel so as to make a bar high enough to turn all floods off. The brush keeps the loaded teams from cutting through the bars. Give the causeway a long slope from the upper side so as not to jolt wagons. After the bars have been kept hilled up for one season they become compact so that there is not near so much expense attached in following years. In muddy weather the teams will naturally crowd mud down and fill up the lower side which must be kept open. ("A stitch in time," as the old saying is.) I know that it will save many a dollar in the end. Again, in filling up washouts and ruts one-half of the expense might be saved in the end if the rut or washout was filled with brush before putting in the dirt, for the earth will not wash away when the brush is there; but no, roadmasters would not get enough work if it did not wash away now and then. Now I say every community ought to have good roads, for what is a country without good roads? Whenever a purchaser goes into a new place to look for a home or a piece of land the first thing he asks is about the road facilities. We all know that good roads make the country; if we had better roads our fruit and farm industries would thrive much better, to say nothing of our vast timber resources, also the quartz mines. Why the roads now are in such a condition that it is almost impossible to get machinery to the mines, as it costs much more than it should. I suppose I will create quite a displeasure with some, but I consider that I am only doing my duty and what is every taxpayers duty. Speak out fellow citizens and let's have better roads.

Respectfully yours,

WM. H. MULLEN.

[We have ommitted a part of Mr. Mullin's article which we think too personal, but his views on road making are given in full.—ED.]

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5-5-1892

The Banner Waves.

Not the star spangled banner, the emblem of our country's pride and glory, but the gold besprinkled Banner, famous for its richness in the past. Dr. Lewis Burwell informs us that Colonel Frank McLaughlin at the request of the New York owners will reopen this mine. He, Dr. Burwell, will be Superintendent, and M. L. H. Ayer, one of the most experienced miners in the State, will be amalgamator. The mine will be pumped dry as rapidly as possible and then a shaft will be driven down 300 feet deep, making the total depth on the lode 500 feet. We hope the owners may strike it rich and turn out gold by the bucket-full.

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5-12-1892

Alex Carpenter of Deadwood was in Oroville on Friday last and says the mining prospects of that locality are bright. There are three quartz mines, the Rainbow, Christie, and Porter or Wellington, within a mile or two of Deadwood and these will all be worked this summer. The Rainbow is the one recently purchased by Captain Griffith while the other two are owned by J. T. Coleman of San Francisco.

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Fatal Mining Disaster.

Last Thursday word reached Oroville of a terrible mining disaster at Cherokee in which three young men lost their lives. The three miners were J. E. Powers, J. C. Hall and L. P. Hall. They were cleaning out some sluices in the main drain tunnel of the Spring Valley company when the accident occurred. It has been stated that a cut at the head of this tunnel was filled with water and that the miners were at work tapping this water, but such is not the fact and the labor they were employed in was safe under ordinary circumstances. This main tunnel is run through solid bed rock and will stand for ages, but there is a small tunnel or rather an incline known as the Whitelaw incline, leading into the tunnel about 200 feet from the upper end. The workmen went down a shaft some 400 feet below the Whitelaw incline and then up to the foot of the incline. Through this incline they had brought down a pipe of large capacity. The water was to be used in washing the gravel at the head of the main tunnel which had been filled by a slide from Table Mountain. Superintendent Myers warned them of the only danger that could possibly occur and which did actually follow and cost them their lives, though this accident was totally unlooked for. Several caves had occurred in the Whitelaw incline, forming a large clamber, these caves would stop the water for a few moments and then rise up and run over the dirt and gradually wash it away. The men paid no particular attention to these, for the ground was hard and did not move readily so that but little would wash at a time.

On the morning of the fatal accident they telephoned to the man in charge of the water to turn on 1,400 inches of water through the pipe which led down into the tunnel. About twenty minutes of nine, it is thought, a cave evidently occurred in the incline and stopped the water. It is believed that this was much greater than the previous ones or that there was more top dirt and sand which gave way more readily when the immense quantity of water was banked up behind it. Mr. Myers said to

us that ten seconds would probably be long enough to cause an immense volume of water to accumulate. The theory now accepted is that this cave temporarily stopped the water, causing a reservoir behind it and when it gave way it went with such power and force as to fill the tunnel. This must have swept down upon the imprisoned miners before they had time to run for the shaft and almost instantly dashed them out of the tunnel. The first word received concerning the fate of the men was when a Portugese at work near the canyon below the mine saw a man's bare feet in the debris. He hurried at once to Superintendent Myers and the latter gave orders to shut off the water from every part of the claim and then with others hurried to the scene of the disaster. One of the Hall brothers was found dead and almost buried in the debris and some distance further down the canyon the bodies of the other two unfortunate young men were found. One of the Hall brothers had his leg broken, while all three were terribly bruised about the head and face. They were at once removed to the town hall where their bodies were washed and dressed, for they had been dashed through the tunnel with such force and swiftness that all their clothing, even their boots, had been torn from their bodies. Mr. Powers was buried here on Saturday, the other two bodies have been embalmed and will be taken East by their brother, who came here from Montana for this purpose.

All three were popular young men and their sad fate cast a gloom over Cherokee such as has not been known there for many year. Mr. Powers was a son of O. P. Powers, or "Jack" Powers as he is usually called, and a brother of R. S. Powers. The Hall brothers were single men and had been in Cherokee but a few months. Mr. Powers left a widow but no children. His funeral was largely attended on Saturday by old friends from both this town and from Cherokee.

Undertaker Nunn received a dispatch to embalm the bodies of J. C. and L. P. Hall, who were killed at Cherokee last week, and place the remains in metallic coffins, the object being to ship them from here to Vermont, the home of the young men and where their father and other relatives are living. An elder brother was in Montana at the time of their death here but came on as soon as he received word of their fate and will escort the bodies across the continent.

New Quartz Mills.

The Cherokee Ditch to be Utilized.

From Surveyor B. L. McCoy we gather the following mining items. Mr. McCoy has been up in the hills for some weeks past surveying mining claims, running lines, etc., and is familiar with the subject he discusses. There are twenty-four or twenty-five men at work at the Rainbow mine at Yankee Hill. This is the old Wellington mine now owned by Capt. Griffith of San Francisco. He and W. T. Coleman will run a ditch four miles long from near Sawmill Peak to their mines and use a portion of the water from the Cherokee ditch to run their new mills. A fifteen stamp quartz mill will be erected on the Rainbow and another on Mr. Coleman's property which adjoins this mine on the north. Each mill will be of the same capacity and there will be an abundance of power for running both mills. Mr. Coleman has lately bonded the Porter ledge and will open the 700 foot tunnel and develop the mine. This is believed to be a rich lode and one that is extensive. Legal complications caused work on it to be suspended at a time when it was just beginning to pay. On the Rainbow the shaft is down 125 feet and new and improved machinery is being put in for working the ore. The vein is about two and a half feet wide and as the shaft is sunk deeper the vein grows both wider and richer. Mr. Coleman on the Christie ledge has a shaft down 100 feet and the bed of ore shows up well. Yankee Hill promises to be one of the best mining camps in Butte during the present year. At Nimshew the Butte Belle Co., will run a new level to tap the Indian Spring Channel and the owners believe they have a bonanza. Near Centerville there are twelve Chinese companies working mining land that has been almost constantly worked for forty-two years and yet they get fair returns for their labor.

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Chico Weekly Enterprise

6-17-1892

Josiah Boucher and Ah Sang.

To Mr. N. H. Thomasson, of this city, we are indebted for a copy of the *Chicago Times*, in which we find an article which brings to the forefront two prominent citizens of Butte county in the Lake City, viz: Josiah Boucher and Ah Sang. The practice of Dr. Don Sang, as he now calls himself, seems to have become popular, even in Chicago.

Mr. Boucher was interviewed by the reporter and the following is an extract from the reporter's notes.

While waiting to interview the doctor an old man upwards of 70 years of age, hale and well preserved, arrived on a visit to his old friend the doctor. He proved to be Josiah Boucher of Chico, Cal., formerly, a member of the constitutional convention of that State, and a highly respected citizen. He was on a visit to Indiana, and hearing that Dr. Sang was in Chicago, came on here to renew old acquaintances and see the physician who, he believes, saved his life. This was too valuable an opportunity to be lost and he was asked:

"Mr. Boucher, are you acquainted with Dr. Sang?"

"I am. I consider that I owe my life to him. It was while he was in California, before he came to Chicago. He cured me after all the other physicians gave me up. I was troubled with a weakness in the urinary organs. I had tried the best physicians in this country, in Washington, Philadelphia, New York, Boston and San Francisco and obtained relief from none of them. I am seventy years of age, but Dr. Sang cured me completely, and I am to-day a well man."

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James Hutchinson will start up the Flea Valley Mills in about two weeks and run them as late as logs can be got in during the fall. These mills cut a fine grade of lumber and the same will be hauled to Oroville for shipment as soon as it is dry enough to handle profitably for the teamsters.

Work is being driven ahead on the Banner and the shaft is now down 330 or more feet and will be sunk to a depth of 500 feet. Power drills are used and the pumping and hoisting machinery are in constant use. There are at present seventeen men employed in the mine and about the works.

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Struck an Iron Bucket.

James Bollinger and Ned Lewis of Cherokee were working at a shaft which is dangerous on account of foul air in the bottom. Lewis is an old and experienced miner and knew full well the danger. He would send up a few buckets of dirt and then come to the top for fresh air. He sent up four buckets in the morning and then came up himself. After resting for a few moments he went down and sent up three more buckets when he called to Bollinger, "The air has got the best of me." "Tie the rope around you," cried the latter, "and I'll pull you out." Instead of doing so Lewis quickly made a loop and thrust his foot into it and then catching hold of the rope told Jim to pull. Up he came as fast as a pair of strong hands could turn the windlass, but just as he reached the top and the fresh air struck him he fainted and fell backward headfirst down into the shaft. His head struck an iron bucket and the skin was torn from one side of his head and forehead and laid back down nearly to his chin while he received a severe cut in the back of his head. Bollinger called Andrew Beatson and another man and one went down and fastened the rope around Lewis who was brought to the surface. On Monday night he was brought to the Infirmary and placed under the care of Dr. Benjamin. It is not known whether he will recover from his injuries or not.

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8-18-1892

The Blue Gravel at Cherokee.

Editor Register: In looking over the *Mercury* the other day my attention was drawn to an article describing the blue lead at Bangor, so it occurred to me that it would not be amiss to say something about the blue gravel channel of Cherokee. This channel runs from northeast to southwest and has been traced for a distance of twelve miles. In 1853 Chas. Waldeyer, superintendent of the Blue Gravel Mining company sunk a shaft 100 feet deep. The prospects from the bottom of this shaft was so encouraging to the company that they concluded to sink an incline and open the mine for drifting. They sank an incline 600 feet and ran a tunnel across the channel 900 feet, total 1,500 feet. About the time that this work was completed hydraulic mining started up and the different companies consolidated and run off the top ground, leaving the blue cement gravel on the bottom, which averages 25 feet deep for a distance of one mile in length and 800 feet in width.

In 1885 Louis Glass, superintendent of the Spring Valley company run a bedrock tunnel 800 feet under the mountain and struck the blue lead. Five dollars per cubic yard was realized from the prospects. Mr. Glass immediately commenced to open up the channel on a large scale, and was pushing the work day and night when the company became involved in a lawsuit and was compelled to close down. Had Glass been permitted to open the channel as a drift mine, it would have paid the company well, have given employment to hundreds of miners and would have made Cherokee one of the most thriving and prosperous mining towns in California at the present time.

There are at present 65 men working on this bottom. One company of 15 men have been mining one portion for the last eight months. They will clean up about the first of September and expect to realize \$20,000. Another company of 11 men have been working with the arastra for the last two years with good results. The parties working this ground pay 15 per cent of the proceeds to the company and still make good wages.

Mr. John Slissman opened up his claim at the head of this same channel about one year ago. He owns 80 acres of mining ground and has one man working besides himself. They average \$10 per day to the man ever since he first started to work.

There has been several gold nuggets found that weighed from \$2 to \$10 in value. If a company was formed to work the tailings from this mine alone they would reap a rich harvest and would be liable to become millionaires.

AN OLD RESIDENT.

Cherokee, Aug. 15th, 1892.

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Rich Strike.

L. C. Paxton, superintendent of the Coleman mines at Yankee Hill has struck rich quartz we learn in one of the tunnels he had recently run. The machinery for a mill has been in Oroville sometime and it is thought now that rich ore has been found that the mill will at once be erected.

In the Rainbow mine at Yankee Hill twenty men are employed and the quartz mill runs night and day. The rock is paying well.

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Sam Rowe, foreman of the pipe shop for Floyd Taber, had a serious accident at Brown's Valley district on Supervisor Arnold's place on Tuesday. He was inside the big pipe varnishing the joints with asphaltum paint when the material caught fire from a candle he carried. He was considerably burned, but by tearing off his shirt he was enabled to put out the fire. His injuries were dressed and he was brought up on the train that night and taken to Cherokee.

W. J. Grubbs, whose residence near Wyandotte burned down last week, is at work hauling lumber to rebuild. His insurance was \$1,500 so that he will have something toward his new house.

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9-1-1892

Baseball.

On Sunday last a lively game of baseball was played at Cherokee between the nines named below. It was closely contested and excited much interest among the spectators. The game was won by the Table Mountains, the score standing five to nine: Following are the names of the players and the positions occupied: Table Mountains—Will Rupp, c; J. Tuhey, p; J. Fratis, 1b; S. Slissman, 3b; E. Richards, ss, S. Cheshire, 2b; M. Tuhey, lf; W. Dorby, cf; E. Slissman, rf. Sugar Loafs—A. Johnson, c; J. McGregor, p; F. Nix, 1b; L. Cheshire, 2b; E. Johns, 3b; E. Tegeda, rf; C. Tuhey, cf; T. Dorbey, lf; R. Johnson, ss.

Frank and Fred Faul went to Flea Valley on Monday to bring down nearly a thousand head of sheep that have been kept on the summer range during the past four months.

Smith Brothers of Oregon City will begin working their quartz ledge in a few days. They have waited for the water to go down so as to avoid putting on hoisting works and now think they can sink twenty or thirty feet before the force of water is too great for them to handle. It is thought by many that they have a valuable property when it is developed.

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Deep Quartz Mining.

Mr. E. C. Paxton, Superintendent of the Potter mine at Jordan Hill deserves much credit among the quartz miners of this county for his energetic efforts to induce capital to invest in Butte mines. When two years ago he sought to enlist the attention of capitalists in the quartz mines of this section, he was repulsed and they turned a deaf ear to what he had to say. His argument however was something as follows: "The mines of Butte were worked when wages were three to four dollars a day and when corresponding expenses of working and milling were high. The owners worked for pockets that would pay them handsomely and when these gave out they did not sink so as to develop the mine. Every quartz lode has its breaks and off shoots and you cannot point out a single instance in that county where a mine has been sunk two hundred feet to develop the lode. All that is required is to go down deeper the same as has been done in other counties." This theory prevailed and he began sinking upon the Potter. Lately foul air compelled a cessation of work in the shaft when down 180 feet and he has been opening an old tunnel which was run about 1,000 feet. The object was to get good air, but now he finds in order to do this he must put in a quantity of pipe and for this purpose he has had manufactured at the Oroville Pipe Shops 1,000 feet of

five-inch pipe. This will be used to force air into the mine. The shaft will be sunk to a depth of 500 feet. When the two hundred foot level is reached water power will be used for pumping and hoisting. This power comes from the ditch lately dug by the owners of the Potter and the Rainbow mines. The ledge now shows eight feet of good quartz that prospects well. A mill has been purchased and when the lode is opened to the depth of 500 feet and developed by cross cuts it will be erected if the mine proves as valuable as it now promises. Twelve men are employed and a night and day shift are kept at work. The elevation and formation are such as to induce Mr. Paxton to believe the mines of Jordan Hill are valuable and permanent and he thinks that eventually large mills will be profitably run, but he desires for the present to thoroughly develop the mine ere any mill is erected. The Rainbow in the vicinity is doing well and in the neighborhood some fifty men are employed in quartz mining. The Potter is owned by W. T. Coleman and E. C. Paxton, and the latter in speaking of the quartz said it was very promising, more so in fact than he really cared to make public. Others have followed his example and the Shakespeare, Stow, Rainbow, Banner and other mines beside the Potter are now being opened as deep mines.

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James Hutchinson informs us that the trail makers for the railroad surveyors are at work on the west side of the North Fork at Shore's Bar. This is ten miles above Big Bar which is at the mouth of Flea Valley creek. Jim says they are digging a trail broad enough for a lumber wagon, the object being to carry in provisions to the fifteen men who are coming down the North Fork surveying for the railroad.

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9-15-1892

Dave Williams, Wm. Rapp and Frank Park of Cherokee are sinking the shaft in which Ned Lewis was greatly injured a short time ago and will reopen the tunnel where John Powers and the Hall Brothers were killed. It is evident that they are not superstitious.

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9-29-1892

Arrested for Breaking a Dam.

A suit was before Justice Bliss on Monday that attracted a large number of residents from Oregon City. F. J. Williams was arrested on the complaint of Wm. Logue of Oregon City for breaking a dam. The testimony showed that Williams had as much right to the use of the water as Logue had and that it was a case to be settled by a civil suit as showing who owned the water rather than a criminal case, so Justice Bliss dismissed the case and it is not probable that anything further will be done in the matter.

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10-6-1892

G. G. Marquis of Concow is in town to-day and while discussing the proposed railroad said that he was confident he could select a route via Pentz that would make the line shorter and less expensive than the one recently surveyed.

Railroad Survey.

The survey of the S. F. & G. S. L. railroad from Oroville to Beckwith Pass is nearly completed. One party under Mr. Root ran a line from the upper end of the Delaney canyon to Soda Bar and is now at work crossing Sierra Valley from the Delaney canyon to the Pass. The second party under Mr. Lorain has finished the survey from Soda Bar to Big Bar. The third party under Mr. Oliver began at Big Bar, has finished the line around the Big Bend and on Friday last was at the mouth of the West Branch fifteen miles from Oroville. By to-day the survey ought to be completed to the junction of the Middle and North Fork leaving only a few miles to finish from there to Oroville. Four parties it has been reported have been at work between Beckwith Pass and the eastern line of Nevada while two parties have been surveying between Oakland and Oroville. During the present month the survey for the whole line ought to be completed. If the necessary capital is then forthcoming we may hope to see grading for a roadbed begun this fall.

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10-27-1892

Henry Morrison tells us that his sister brought from Lassen county a prairie dog and gave to his daughter, Miss Morrison and a couple of little ferrets which she placed in a cage with two older ones, but the two old ones drove the little ones out. She then put them in the cage with the prairie dog and the latter adopted them as her own. She takes good care of them and is apparently as fond of them as though they were her own offspring.

Chico Weekly Enterprise

10-28-1892

Monday.

—The grand procession of school children is evidence that the Chico schools are prospering.

—Hop Sing has now got the Dead-wood property of Ah Sang, and has a new Chinese doctor.



Hunters, Notice !

On account of danger from field and brush fires to fences and pasturage, I am compelled to forbid all shooting on any part of my ranch. All persons found violating this order from October 3d, 1892, will be prosecuted.

JOHN BIDWELL.

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Clearing the House of Fleas.

General John Bidwell, the Prohibition candidate for President, related a few days ago how a house was cleared of fleas at a time when the insects were very numerous in California. "I had been sent for by Mr. Livermore, after whom Livermore valley is named, to do some surveying, but at the close of the second day I said to Mrs. Livermore who was a Mexican lady, I must go away, the fleas are so bad that I cannot stay here." "Come," said I, "and look at my blanket," which I had spread over a low fence near the house. It was covered with many fleas. "Oh, that is nothing," said she, "look at the blankets of my little girls." I did so and they were almost black with the insects, while her baby had been bitten till its whole body was covered with red spots. I went away, but returned about a month later. There was not a flea in the house. "How did you get rid of them?" I asked Mr. Livermore. "It was very simple," was his answer. "We moved everything out doors and slept under the trees for a few nights. Then I built a fence around the house and turned into the little corral my band of a thousand sheep. Each morning the sheep were driven back over the hills for a mile or two and at night they were placed in the corral and in the house. At the end of a week there was not a flea on the place."

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Dave Williams and Frank Parke were working in the man killing tunnel at Cherokee when the tunnel caved and the two had a narrow escape. Williams ran out in time but Parke was caught and for a short time his friends worried greatly, but it appeared that he had warning in time to run further back into the tunnel and thus escape the cave.

Wm. James and Jenkin Morgan purchased on Tuesday 300 acres of land of R. R. Rush near Nelson, paying for the same \$16,000. Both gentlemen are heavy land-owners in that section of Butte and have in the vicinity of Nelson about 2,500 acres previous to the present purchase.

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Cherokee to the Front.

Cherokee is slowly forging ahead and there is not an empty dwelling in the town. In the past six weeks two families have been added to the population and it looks encouraging to the old residents to see new people coming in. If the big mine would only start up as a drift mine Cherokee would boom like a town in Kansas or Colorado during the great era of railroad building.