

Oroville Register

3-14-1895

## Supposed to be Drowned.

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The following letter addressed to Coroner Woodman is self explanatory:

CHEROKEE, March 11th, 1895.

A man by the name of High Heath is supposed to be drowned. He lived on the North Fork of the East Branch of Feather river. Hunter, his brother-in-law says he has not seen him since last Thursday, a week ago. They supposed he fell from a raft which he made to cross the river on and was drowned. If he should be found he is fifty-five years old, light mustache, has on a striped cotton shirt, cloth pants with blue overalls over them, had on short leg gum boots. He had a brass match box with some gold dust in it, also some coin, His brother-in-law will go down the river to hunt him. He will let me know and so I can telephone to you.

Yours Respectfully,

THOMAS F. MORGAN,  
Justice of the Peace.

# Oroville Weekly Mercury

3-15-1895

## COURT NOTES.

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### Items of Interest Culled from the Calendar.

The C P R R has instituted suit against John Q Will to foreclose contract for the purchase of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec 19, tp 21 N, R 6 E, for \$480, for failure to comply with its terms; also against Floyd Taber, G Tebbe and Ah Sang to foreclose on NW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec 27, tp 22 N, R 4 E, amount \$320. It is the property formerly used by Dr. Ah Sang at Deadwood.

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BIDWELL BAR, March 25, 1895.

This statement is to let my friends know why I will attempt to take my own life. I was born in Ohio the 18th day of March, 1836, crossed the plains in 1857; have worked very hard in the mines nearly ever since; have been badly crippled three times, have but one dollar and not able to work. Am in misery all the time both night and day. I left Plumas county nine years ago, owing some very honorable debts, that I am very anxious to pay or else I would have been at rest long ago. I don't believe in life after death and I want a long rest. I took one half ounce of carbolic acid last night but threw it up. I hope I will not make a failure this time. Farewell forever to my friends.

Yours truly,

JOHN SWAN.

# Plumas National Bulletin

4-4-1895

## **Gore Lost His Wife.**

A Chico dispatch of March 31st, says: "Henry Gore, a horsetrainer, who is well known in turf circles, is so anxious to find his young wife and child that he has sworn to a complaint charging her with grand larceny.

The bed in Gore's residence was made a receptacle for valuables. Thursday Gore put \$120 between the mattresses. Friday evening when he came home he found that his wife and child had gone and had taken all their clothing and other articles of value which could conveniently be placed in a trunk. The money had been taken from the bed.

Mrs. Gore hired a liveryman to take her to Biggs, and then she boarded the Oregon express for San Francisco. She told some friends that Gore's wife No. 1 would be in Chico in a day or two, and she thought best to avoid any trouble. Gore thinks that his second wife is in love with an Oakland horseman."

Mrs. Gore No. 2 was raised in Plumas and was married to Gore less than two years ago. In 1893, at Greenville, Gore had wife No. 1, known as Mrs. Clute. She is said to have been a hard character, and to have killed a man in Oregon.

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E. C. Wilson of Pentz has been sadly afflicted, first in the death of a young child and then by the loss of his beloved wife while the only remaining child lies seriously ill.

Dr. Reardon was called to Cherokee on Sunday to see Mrs Malgan and to Pentz the same day to see a little child of E. C. Wilson's.

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## Cattle in the Mountains.

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From Thos. Retson we gather some facts concerning cattle amid the mountains of this county. Mr. Retson and his brother are extensive stock raisers near Table mountain and in summer they drive their stock to the West Branch. They will send up this month about three hundred head. Miller Brothers summer there 600; Jones Brothers of Oregon City, 200; Chas. Campbell 150; H. C. White 150; D. C. Morgan 125; W. H. McKay 150; and Messrs. Elliott, Thompson and Stokes over 100 each, making in all about 2,000 head that range between the West Branch and Golden Summit. The stock fattens on the rich grass and on sweet birch. The seeds of this shrub are very fattening. Only four or five men remain to look after the cattle in summer and few head are ever lost or stolen. Once in a while a bear gets away with one or a California lion makes a meal of a calf. The animals are sent to the range in May and brought back in October.

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T. H. Francis, who works at the Banner quartz mine, got hurt last evening by slipping and falling just as a rock came down. His arm and shoulder were considerably bruised but no bones were broken.

## Further Notes on the Gold Ores of California.

Written by H. W. TURNER.

Some brief notes were published in the *American Journal of Science* on the gold ores of California in June, 1894, and the following may be considered as an appendix to that article:

*Gold in Barite.*—During the past summer the writer examined some gold veins on Big Bend mountain, in Butte county, California, and found that one of them was of an unusual character. The vein is known as the Pinkstown ledge. It is located about a half-mile due south of the highest point of Big Bend mountain (Bidwell Bar atlas sheet). The ledge strikes N. 13° W. and dips at a high angle (about 80°). It is from two to three feet wide where best exposed at the north end, and is composed of a soft, heavy mineral, some of which is coarsely crystalline, with a granular structure, but most of it is finer grained with a schistose arrangement of the granules. No single crystals of the minerals were noted having a greater maximum diameter than five-eighths of an inch. Some of them show plainly a characteristic cleavage. Dr. Hillebrand made a chemical examination of this soft mineral and reported it to be barite. Three sections of the barite were examined microscopically, and these show that when fresh there is scarcely any impurity in the mineral, and in fact no other substance was noted except scattered minute reddish opaque grains, which, as seen under the microscope, are reddish-yellow by reflected light, without metallic luster. They may be limonite. Many of the barite grains show distinct cleavages, which appear in the thin sections to intersect at nearly right angles. A tendency to a radical structure like that of epidote was noted at several points. The relief of the barite is rather high. A sample was examined for gold by Dr. Stokes, who reported that "the barite contains gold but too small in amount to be determined in the wet way." There is said, however, to be enough gold in the deposit to pay to work, and the writer understood that the owner of the ledge obtained gold from it by grinding up the ore in a hand mortar and panning it.

A considerable part of Big Bend mountain, as exposed along the road from the bridge over the west branch of the north fork of the Feather river to the abandoned village of Big Bend, is made up of clay slates, probably Paleozoic in age, with layers of greenstone schists, representing original augitic tuffs. The rocks along the east and south base of the mountain, as seen along the river (the north Fork of the Feather), are almost entirely greenstones, with one or two layers of sedimentary mica schists. These greenstones are largely amphibolitic rocks representing original surface lavas and tuffs, probably augitic porphyrites, but now containing little or no augite. The exact nature of the schist enclosing the barite vein was not determined. The south extension of the Pinkstown ledge, owned by Clarke, was examined, but no barite was found, the rock on the dump being a white, fine-grained schist, with a greasy feel. This, as seen in this section, is composed chiefly of minute, brightly polarizing fibers, perhaps talc, with numerous minute cubes of pyrite, arranged in rows.



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Henry Thunen was brought down from Cherokee on Sunday and took the early train with his brother Will for San Francisco this morning. Henry will go to Dr. H. G. McGill, who believes he can perform a surgical operation on his back that will give him relief.

Henry Thunen of Cherokee, will go to San Francisco in a few days to consult an eminent surgeon. Henry is the young man who fell from a tree last winter and got so badly injured.

Superintendent Hawkens of the Big Bend property and family have returned from a five month's trip through the East. Mr. Hawkens will make Yankee Hill his home.

W. Glower of Cherokee, was in Oroville on Sunday evening. Mr. Glower is proving himself one of the most capable teachers in Butte and his class of six that tried the school examination were successful.

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## Was it Henry's Ghost ?

Last winter the papers of this county published an item concerning the death of Henry Morrison, formerly of Cherokee. We all printed his obituary, called Henry a good fellow but that whiskey had got the better of him and then quietly laid him away to his esteemed rest in a San Francisco cemetery. We are told that Henry protested vigorously against being buried before the breath had left his body and "talked back" just as he used to when he was half loaded and his stage was fully loaded with paying passengers.

He met Fay Lott a few days ago on the streets of the metropolis and sent his regards to his old friends and asked the newspapers to announce him still alive and hearty. Was it Henry or his ghost or could Fay have been mistaken ?

A. W. Glover and Miss Nellie Wilson will be engaged as the teachers in Cherokee district. Both taught there last winter and are experienced and skillful instructors

The vast quantity of blackberries that can be grown on a small area is astonishing. R. A. Green of Cherokee from two rows only a few rods long estimates that he can pick 500 pounds.

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## How to Locate a Claim.

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To make a quartz location after July 1st, the prospector must sink a hole at least ten feet deep to solid formation, must have at least one well defined wall, and must stake his ground so that the stakes can be found. The notice of location must be placed in a conspicuous place at the discovery shaft—not on some stump or tree in the neighborhood. He is allowed ninety days to do this work. If he re-locates an old prospect hole, he is required to sink it at least ten feet deeper than when he first found it, and stake and record his location the same as though it was an original discovery. If he runs a tunnel it must be at least ten feet long, so as to determine the fact that a vein supposed to carry the precious metals has been discovered.--*The Mining Review.*

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One on Lou.

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L. F. Ward is usually not caught napping, but he gave himself away yesterday in a way that will make you smile. Judge John C. Gray had a little business to do at Oregon City and Lou informed him that he could get his Honor there quicker than any driver in Oroville. The Judge believed him and about noon the two started out with a prancing team. The Judge noticed that Lou was very anxious to get him a drink of water at every house where a young maiden lived, but said nothing. Finally when they reached Oregon City Lou lost the road completely. He had to stop at every residence to enquire the way and of course passed the time a day with the young ladies. The Judge was fearful lest Lou would not get him to his destination where two hearts were waiting to be made as one, and ordered his driver to go ahead or he would give him ten days for contempt of Court. Lou found the happy home and brought his Honor back in safety. As they crossed the bridge he innocently asked the Judge if he could not take him to Oregon City again soon.

Whenever the water is turned out of the big ditch near Yankee Hill there is rare sport among the residents catching fish. On Sunday last people all along the ditch were busy getting fish for breakfast on Monday.

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## DESIRED TO SEE IT.

### Came Many Miles to See the Miocene Flume.

Mr. George Evans of New Zealand has been visiting this place for several days past. On Monday he and Walter Cordy drove to Pentz and thence to Cherokee. Some years ago Mr. Evans, who is a mining capitalist and an expert engineer saw a picture of the famous Miocene flume where it is hung up on brackets along the rocky cliffs of Table mountain. He described this afterwards to prominent members of the New Zealand government but was laughed at for his credulity and told this was a "Yankee myth." Mr. Evans determined to visit the spot if possible and as he is now making a tour of the world and had reached California from London he came to Butte to ascertain if the photograph was really accurate. It is needless to say when he and Mr. Cordy reached Coal Canyon and had a good view of the structure he saw the flume was secured to the face of the great cliff just as described. They went up to Cherokee to view the old hydraulic works of the Spring Valley mine and had dinner with Superintendent Green. From there they drove down to Oregon City and inspected the quartz mines and then to the Banner mine where they were shown over the mine and mill by Supt. Rodda and remained to supper with him. Mr. Evans expressed himself greatly pleased with the trip and said he considered the Banner a model of good work and a well kept mine. It is a credit to the manager and to California he added.

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## Profitable Animals.

C. M. Nix of Yankee Hill, is probably the largest raiser of Angora goats in this county as he has five hundred head of good animals. They browse on the brush on hills and down along the river and keep as fat and plump as young ducks ere they can fly. He finds a ready market for the animals as those who use the meat prefer it to mutton. They are hardy, need but little care and increase rapidly. While they do not weigh quite as much as a sheep they sell more readily than sheep do and the wool is worth twelve and half cents compared to eight cents a pound for sheep's wool.

The hay crop at Concow valley is good this season, peaches and plums were damaged by frost. but the apple crop will be heavy.

T. L. Vinton, the well known Cherokee merchant, purchases on an average \$500 worth of gold dust every week from miners in that immediate vicinity.

J. R. Simmons of Concow valley visited Cherokee on Sunday after a load of supplies. Mr. Simmons is a believer in hops and has four acres of two year old vines.

J. L. Clark of Sacramento county has leased the twenty acre hop field of E. Stone of Concow valley and has four men at work on the land.

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Cherokee now lighted by candles and coal oil lamps was the first place outside of San Francisco in California to have an electric plant. When the mine was closed by litigation the electric plant was allowed to go to destruction and now lies in ruins in the big mine.

## Standard Booming.

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The owners of the Standard mine evidently mean business. H. C. White of Oregon City was in town yesterday and said there were forty men at work in the mine, the mill and on outside labor. The big shaft is now down about 275 feet and will go down if all goes well, to a depth of 425 feet. The ledge is about four feet wide and the rock is good. Mr. Spangler, the superintendent, is an experienced electrician and expert mechanic and under his direction things move ahead rapidly.

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### Successful Operation.

It will be remembered by local readers that some months ago Henry Thunen of Cherokee, fell from a tree and had his back so injured that he has been a cripple ever since.

He had to be lifted from the bed to the chair and back again and found life almost unbearable. He tried some of the best physicians in San Francisco, but they were unable to afford him any relief from his misery.

He came home much discouraged and disheartened. Lately he heard of a surgeon Dr. McGill in San Francisco who performed a successful operation in a case similar to his own and he made up his mind to try this doctor.

"It will be either life or death" said the doctor, "you will either be a well man or will die from the effects of the operation."

"I have made up my mind," replied Henry, "and will risk it. I would just as soon die as to live in this condition."

A telegram has been received giving the good news that the operation had been a success, that Henry stood it well and was likely to recover.



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### Telephone Communication.

The REGISTER office has had a telephone put in and we are now connected direct with all offices of the Sunset Company. This arrangement gives us greater facilities for securing news from around the county. We will present to our readers early in the morning any event of importance around the county which may take place as late as midnight. Anyone wanting to do business with the REGISTER should call up the Central office at Oroville and ask for No. 6. We have made arrangements with the Sunset Company and will assume all charges for such services.

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### **FIRE AT CONCOW:**

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#### **The Residence of Pet Simmons is Destroyed by Fire.**

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Early yesterday morning the residence of Pet Simmons was totally destroyed by fire at Concow. Mr. Simmons on arising built a fire and then went out to do the chores. In some way the roof caught fire from the stove pipe and it was all that the owner could do to arouse the inmates and get them out of the burning building. Little or nothing was saved. The residence was a very neat one and the loss is quite severe on Mr. Simmons as he had but a light insurance.

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## Sold Liquor to Indians.

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Ali Toy, the heathen Chinese of Chico, with his smile so childlike and bland was caught some days ago selling liquor to one of the aborigines. Monday he was brought before Judge Gray and after scrutinizing with some care the countenance of District Attorney Sexton whom he had been told would prosecute him he promptly said he would plead guilty. Judge Gray thought best to impose upon him a three year's sentence in hopes of effectually breaking up the practice among the Chinese of furnishing liquor to Indians.

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## Sawmill Started.

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Monday the Flea Valley saw mill began operations for the season. The cut this year will be mostly sugar pine which will be hauled here by teams and then shipped by rail to San Francisco. The yellow pine lumber will be handled by R. S. Kitrick of this town and also some of the sugar pine. About thirty men will be employed cutting and hauling logs and in running the mill. Five four and six horse teams are now engaged in hauling lumber here and more will be employed in a short time.

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## A Stream of Gold.

Stand on the streets of this town almost any day of the week and note the teams from the mountains loading with goods for which coin is paid and you will agree with us that a stream of gold flows from the mountains into Oroville.

Teams are loading every day for Magalia, Forbestown, Enterprise, Cherokee, Brush Creek and other places with all kinds of goods. In a single day this week Perkins & Wise loaded three big teams with goods for the mountains and these goods were paid for in cash. R. S. Powers and W. J. Schneider are both busy every day sending off large quantities of groceries to the mountains, while the hardware firms of Jas. C. Gray, Sadowski & Tuhey and Bills & Putnam are likewise sending to the mountains large quantities of mining supplies and hardware.

The whole mountain section for thirty or forty miles north and east of this town is filling up with miners who are taking out large sums of gold. They demand supplies of all kinds and send here for them. The hotels are crowded and we defy anyone to walk the streets here day or night without finding strangers here who are interested in mines.

The Goldbank, the Banner, the Standard and Mascot and many other mills are pouring out gold to swell the stream that rolls into this town. If one notes the improvements, the newly fitted places, the fresh paint, he will see that our business men are doing well and that the town is steadily advancing. The stream of gold that flows into it doesn't all flow through it, but some of the glittering metal clings to our skirts and gilds and brightens the stores, the hotels and other business edifices of Oroville.

**CONCOW CULLINGS.**

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**What is Being Done in that Mountain Valley.**

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Fred Kirby was down from that mountain valley on Saturday and said the hop crops there were looking unusually well. Stone and Scott the two leading growers had both leased their hop yards. Mr Scott, to a Sacramento gentleman, while Caleb Scott has leased his to his three sons Sam, Henry and John.

The apple crop is rather light in the valley, but coming this way the fruit crop at Yankee Hill and Deadwood is good. G. G. Marquis has a fine crop of prunes.

Hay in Concow will be heavier than ever before known. The gardens are all looking well.

The big reservoir or Concow lake is nearer running over this season than ever before and all the streams are high. Fishing ought to be excellent this summer. There is more water than known in any June for fifteen years.

Stone & Scott are doing well at their Murphy Hill mine. In all the ravines leading into Concow Valley men are at work mining and most of them are doing well. They have at least more money than anyone else.

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## A VISIT TO SAN QUENTIN.

### What Some Butte County Criminals Are Doing.

Sheriff Wilson spent a few hours at San Quentin on his last trip down and saw a number of Butte's criminals.

Jerry King the colored man was working in the jute mill and makes a good hand.

Young Johns who was sent down from Cherokee for stealing cattle is at work in the blacksmith shop, while Eldridge was in the jute mill. Cal Irwin was running one of the machines in the jute mill while the two Chinaman that were sent down lately were also working there.

Young Jones who killed his father during a row between the father and mother is a barber. Martin Meyers was idle. He wanted the Sheriff when he took him there to get him a position as a teacher but Mr. Wilson did not learn whether Martin gained his wish or not. He went through the jute mill, planing mill, tailor shop, carpenter and blacksmith shops, the foundry and machine shops as well as through the dining room, kitchen etc.

There are 1,280 prisoners and it takes quite a general to handle this number of prisoners, keep them employed and contented. He said the men working in the factories and jute mill appeared to take as much interest in their work as though they were getting paid by the day instead of serving a sentence. The men that have tried to escape are marked by having to wear bright red shirts and he saw two such men at work running jute machines.

Considerable mining capital is being brought into Butte and Plumas counties. Two or three recent sales have been made of mining properties in Granite Basin. Other capitalists are examining mines about Hurleton and Oregon City with a view to invest. Gold mining promises better returns than almost any other occupation a man can engage in and men with money are on the alert for paying quartz and gravel mines.

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Cherokee, Yankee Hill and Concow.

An Interesting Collection of News from  
the Above Named Places.

Wm. M. Wilson, who is just back from San Francisco says the Spring Valley quartz mine will start up again in a week or so.

A thousand cords of wood are to be cut for the Standard mine at Oregon City.

Fifty-seven acres of hops are under cultivation in Concow.

Messrs. Beach, Morrow, Farwell and Henry, owners in the Standard mine recently visited their property and made a careful examination of it.

Miss Maggie Lynch is teaching at Yankee Hill, Miss Lizzie Potter is teaching at Concow while the Reservoir district has a vacation of two weeks while Miss Julia Ward is home in Oroville on a visit.

The peach crop of these sections is fair, the prune crop good and the grape crop large.

Tim Diamond, a former resident of Cherokee, returned on Saturday after an absence of twenty-one years.

Mr. Golden has rented the Marquis place this year.

Henry Duensing of Yankee Hill, at an altitude of 1700 feet, has a fine orange tree loaded with fruit.

Pat Curran's family is at Yankee Hill this summer.

E. B. Lunt of Concow has moved to the Smith place.

Dr. Jones has charge of the hospital at Deadwood, while Alexander Carpenter is running the hotel there.



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### Mining Improvements.

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Messrs. Francis and Knapp went to Yankee Hill yesterday where Mr. Knapp has had Patterson & Savage running a hundred foot tunnel on the Christie mine. It is thought that Mr. Knapp will at once go ahead with work on this ledge.

It has been reported several times that when Mr. Francis came up from San Jose this time he would come prepared to open the Louisiana mine at Oregon City and many anticipate that this will be done.

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### HIDDEN WEALTH.

#### A Revival of Quartz Mining in Butte County.

Energy, enterprise and capital have at last proven that Quartz mining in Butte County is as rich in gold as in any part of this State.

For example; take the Banner, Standard and Mascot, which are now in operation. These mines were among the first worked in the State and were sunk to a depth of 150 or 200 feet, when they were abandoned, it was claimed that the body of ore was exhausted, this was in or about the year 1859.

Two years ago Colonel Frank McLaughlin undertook the general management of the once famous Banner Mine, four miles from Oroville, and by his energy and enterprise, has proven to the people of this section of the county that by sinking down five or six hundred feet, that the gold bearing quartz is as good as any in the state of California, and in time these mines will out rank those of Grass Valley, or Nevada City.

The Standard is located at Oregon City there are thirty men employed, and every thing in and about the premises is as at the Banner in a flourishing condition.

As an old experienced miner said to me, the Standard is an "A number one mine," and has a brighter prospect before it than any mine he ever saw in his travels, or expressing it in his own words. "It is the biggest little mine I ever saw."

I am not talking or writing for anybodys pocket, but simply to state what I know to be facts, as the shaft is now sunk to a depth of 320 feet, and the ledge is 4 feet in width, and in time there will be a hundred stamps running on these ledges, and they will prove a bonanza for the owners.

There are several other ledges in the locality, known by the name of the Louisiana, Rock River, Nisbet, and Blooming Dale; they will also prove to be as rich in gold as the above when once developed.

The old mining days when mines were developed with the pick and shovel are past. It now takes capital and machinery to accomplish anything, and I think the opportunity presents itself, right here in this section, better than any other place known of in this state. And all it requires to reach the "Hidden Wealth," is to sink deep enough on those ledges and you will be sure of finding it.

This article has not been written for the purpose of deceiving men of enterprise or anyone else who is in the mining business but to let them know that there is as good "Gold bearing quartz mines" in Oregon City and vicinity, as in any other section of the country, (and you might say in the world.)

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Mr. O'Neil a mining living on the West Branch of the North Fork has been missing several days. R. L. Bohannon of Big Bend went to O'Neil's cabin and found him absent. Supposing that he was at his mine he went there only to find the man missing; concluding that something was wrong from the manner in which the cabin had been left Bohannon made a careful search. All his tools except a mining pan were in the diggings. In the cabin were his best clothes and some money.

Bohannon at once notified others but no trace of the missing man has been discovered. These facts were given to us by Mr. John Thornton who came down from West Branch yesterday.

The report comes from Oregon City that a Frenchman named Peter Roi or King as he is called is missing. He has not been seen for several days and it is feared some accident has happened to him. The nearest neighbor is Richard Johnson who started out yesterday to search for him. King has been living at Potter's Ravine but intended to move his cabin farther up the river. He is a miner by occupation and his friends fear he may have fallen into the river and been drowned. Mr. Johnson says he has never been away so long before.

King usually wore a red handkerchief around his neck, wore blue overalls and his hair was gray. The description answers to that published of the body that was seen floating in the river on Saturday afternoon.

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## FISHING AND BOATING.

### A Pleasant Ride to Concow Valley and Boating on the Lake.

G. W. Braden and wife returned Monday from a trip to Concow Valley. They left here on Saturday afternoon at 5:30 and reached Yankee Hill at 9.30 p. m. The following morning Mrs. Dora Wells, Miss Gussie Wells, the Misses Hester and Annie Waldeyer, M. Wells, Miss Coon, Mr. Braden and wife, and Carl and Willie Waldeyer drove up to Concow Valley and spent a happy day fishing for trout and catfish, boating and having a fine picnic dinner.

Late in the afternoon all returned to Yankee Hill and as the guests of Mrs. Wells spent a pleasant evening with songs and music. In the latter Mr. John Francis joined them. Mr. Braden and wife left there yesterday morning at an early hour and reached here at 8:30,

Mr. B. tells us that business is good in the store and hotel at Yankee Hill. The hop crop at Concow he found very flourishing. He says Mrs. Wells did all that was possible to make them have a happy outing in the hills.

### Christiy Mine to Start.

Messrs. Francis and Knapp owners of the Christiy mine at Jordan Hill are opening this quartz mine with a new tunnel several hundred feet long. Six men will be employed and the new Superintendent W. S. Nile came up from San Francisco last night to take charge and push things as fast as possible.

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## THE BEER FLEW.

**A Runaway at Concow Occasioned by  
the Explosion of a Keg of Beer.**

Frank Ayers, day before yesterday, had an exciting runaway with his four-horse team and delivered a bale of hay while at full speed. He had been to Oroville with a load of lumber from Flea Valley mill, and was returning there, carrying among other things, a keg of beer for one man and a bale of hay for another. The keg was standing on end in front of Ayers, who was driving, when a loud report was heard, like the firing of a rifle. The head flew out of the keg and went up into the air twenty feet. Ayers was being covered from head to foot with the beverage, when his horses broke into a run and in order to see his way better, Frank kicked over the keg and the beer flew out over the horses, frightening them worse than ever, and they ran at terrific speed for half a mile or more. The bale of hay was for Bill Jones, and, just as the team passed his house on a keen run, the bale flew off and landed at his gate. On reaching a hill Ayers managed to check his team and finally got them quieted down so he could handle them.

He says, "As there was still some beer in the keg, I drove back to Jones' house and he and I had a drink or two from what was left. The horses ran at the top of their speed, but luckily I held them in the road and thus avoided a smash up.

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## RUNAWAY AT YANKEE HILL.

Antone Hadapp and Wife and Two  
Others Injured.

On Wednesday afternoon Antone Hodapp and wife of Yankee Hill, Miss Cora Voght and her young brother, George, were to go out riding. The ladies and the little boy were in the wagon and Mr. Hodapp was untying the horses, when Miss Voght suggested that the halters were very heavy and the horses would be more comfortable without them. Mr. Hodapp, at once removed the bridles of the animals in order to get the halters off, when the horses suddenly started, knock-d Tony and ran over him. One of the animals stepped on Tony's arm, tearing loose the biceps from the bone. The horses ran at full speed, and Mrs. Hodapp, fearing they would overturn the wagon, sprang out. Although she is a large fleshy woman, she was not injured, save some bruises and a black eye. Miss Voght and her little brother lay down in the wagon, and, although the boy was several times thrown against one of the wheels, he was not seriously injured.

The horses ran nearly two miles, when they were overtaken by a man on horseback, who was riding near the road. He ran them into the fence and succeeded in stopping them.

Mr. Hodapp is the only one of the four who was injured to any extent and his arm was badly hurt.

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## Good Service.

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A few months ago the Post Office Department established a Post Office at Hengy.

Miss Jessie Hengy was made Postmistress and has fitted up a office with neat boxes and cases. The people in Oregon City find the new office a great accomodation, as not long since they had to get their mail at Oroville and are greatly pleased with the service Miss Hengy gives them.

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Another Pioneer Lady.

Mrs. O. A. Campbell of Cherokee is another pioneer lady of Butte. Mrs. Campbell reached Oroville in the fall of 1851 and there were but two other women here then. She has made Cherokee her home during the intervening years.



## THE FIRST LEDGE

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Found at Oregon City was the Phoenix.  
It Was Worked by Dr. Smith  
And Company.

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## SOME FACTS ABOUT OTHER MINES.

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A Scotchman named Bruce made the first location of a quartz ledge in the fifties. It was called the "Buffalo". John Nesbit formed a company called the Nesbit Co in 1853 for the purpose of quartz mining on the Buffalo Ledge. Considerable gold was taken out. This mine was worked at intervals from 1853 to 1873 by different companies. In 1873 the mill was destroyed by fire and nothing has been done on the Buffalo or Nesbit ledge since that date.

But the Phoenix was operated earlier than the Nesbit by Dr. Smith & Co south of Oregon City near the junction of the Oroville road from Cherokee to Oregon City.

In 1857 White, Nutter & Derrick operated a quartz mine known as the "Oregon City". These gentlemen were also interested in a general merchandise store and several enterprises in river mining. Beyond sinking a shaft a short distance not much in the way of development was done in their mine.

Grummet erected a mill in 1852 or 53 on what is now known as the Mascot. It fell into the hands of Armstrong Bros. To show the development of the quartz mill Messrs Armstrong had a great shaft formed of the trunk of a pine tree and fitted with cans made of wood for raising the stamps. We are told that this was the idea of Hungerford the noted patentee of quartz machinery.

Of the Mascot we will speak in our future issue.

Mr. Crawford found a quartz ledge south of Oregon City.

Of the Louisiana we will write again.

Of the Standard the mine that is developing quartz mining under new and improved methods and which by its success is attracting the attention of the public an account will be found in another issue.

Mr. Crawford tells us that under the crude methods of milling in early days not more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  the gold could be saved.

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## All the Buildings at the Big Bend Mine Destroyed by Fire on Tues- day Night.

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Tuesday night a fire occurred at the Big Bend mine which swept the place of everything in the way of a building. From Frank James we learn that Monday afternoon a number of men back fired around the property as the forest fires raging in that locality were becoming dangerous. Wednesday Superintendent Hawkins went over from Yankee Hill and a desolate sight met his eyes. Not a timber about the place was left standing. It is believed that a spark lit on one of the wooden structures and ignited the shingles.

There were eight or nine buildings in all including a boarding house, bunkhouse and outbuildings. The Secretary's residence and office met the same fate. The office was neatly furnished while in the Secretary's house which was used for some years by County Clerk Harkness a large amount of furniture was stored.

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**Spring Valley Mine.**

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The mill started up on Saturday and ran for about five hours. Tuesday it started for a thirty-six hours run. The object is to crush some twenty tons of ore as a test of the rock. If this ore proves satisfactory then the mill will be run permanently.

Reid Brothers of San Francisco have a bond on the mine and have made some recent developments. If the rock pays then a large force will be set to work in the lower tunnel which is now in about 400 feet. Wm. Wilson Jr. is Superintendent of this mine and has handled it well.

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## Flea Valley

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Jas. Huthinson of the Flea Valley saw mill employs about twenty-five men not including the teamsters. There are several big teams engaged in hauling the lumber to Oroville, Chico, Palermo and other points. The mill is situated in a fine belt of sugar pine. Several orders from San Francisco are being filled. The cut for the season is 400,000 feet.

The following are spending the summer at Flea Valley: Mr. and Mrs. Turner of Portland, Oregon; Mesdames Brown and Frazer, Biggs; Messrs. Beard, Heiner and families, and Mrs. Simes, Oroville; James Hedgo and family, Enterprise; Miss Ainstead, Canton, Ohio; Mrs. Peachy, Los Angeles; Mrs. Thomas, Yankee Hill.

The Clark Brothers are mining on the river.

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Rich Rock.

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Mr. Fred Deakin who owns more land than any other man in Butte recently visited Jack Lynch of Oregon City and while there examined some ore from his mine which is named the Golden Fleece. He was pleased with the rock and said he would have some of it assayed. "Don't take that," said Lynch for I will get you some better specimens. "No" was the answer, "this is good enough for a test."

The ore was taken to San Francisco and placed in the hands of an assayer. This week Mr. Lynch received a letter from Mr. Deakin and with it a certificate showing the rock contained four and thirteen hundredths ounces of gold to the ton, valued at \$85.41.

They have run an incline of thirty-five feet on the ledge, and have run a tunnel on the same fifty-five feet. The ore body varies from two and a half to four feet in width and the deeper they go down the better the ore becomes.

## Game Plentiful.

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W. H. Mullen was down from Big Bend Thursday and told us the fires in the forest had driven great numbers of deer out on to the roads and they are plentiful about his home.

His fruit crop promises exceedingly well this season as the pears and prunes that are light in other localities are quite heavy while the peaches, plums and apples are all good. He will have a fine crop of figs and of French walnuts.

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Ed. J. Campbell and Miss Josie Hynen of Cherokee were married in Chico Thursday night by Rev. A. S. Parsons of Cherokee. Miss Rosa Thomas and Gordon Nisbet acted as bridesmaid and groomsmen. Both are well known and very popular in Cherokee.

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## Flea Valley and ConCow.

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J. S. Tolles who recently paid a visit to the localities above named says the Flea valley mill shut down for a week to enable the logging teams to catch up. The hops in ConCow are looking very forward and will be ready for picking in about three weeks. He questioned some residents who were living on a small ranch about their success and was told that between hogs, ponlry, now and then a steer to sell and what fruit and garden stuff they could raise that they made a good living. They did not need to dress as people in a town do, and they managed to keep out of debt and to lay aside a little money.

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### YANKEE HILL AND ITS PEOPLE.

#### Farming and Mining the Chief Occupations in That Section.

ED. REGISTER—Though your tasty sheet is not all headlines and atmosphere, it seems to have a quiet way of getting there, and we wish to make it representative of this promising section of Butte County.

Yankee Hill is the business center of the ridge of mountains that lies between the North Fork and West Branch of Feather in Butte County. It is the most centrally located town in the county, geographically speaking, and we entertain ideas that the county seat will be located here ere another decade. The citizens are talking of town incorporation and even are cultivating a corporative storage capacity in our anatomy, preparatory to running for alderman when that time comes. Mr. Waldeyer is already qualified to be our appointment.

In a business way, we are not booming, though every branch of business in this community—mining, farming, lumbering and teaming, are looking up.

Mr. Hutchings is running his saw mill steadily, and keeps four teams on the road continually hauling supplies from Oroville to Flea Valley. Many of our young men find employment, making shakes and posts while others are engaged in mining and prospecting. The Duensings and Clarks have made all necessary ditches and other preparations and will soon begin working the gravel in their claim on Big Bar of the North Fork. It is expected by all that they will receive large returns this summer. Francis and Knapp are prosecuting work on their ledge the Q. H. L. on Jordan Hill, and it was reported that they will put up a ten stamp mill this summer.

Farming is still in its infancy here, though there are a few well improved farms in the community. The best of fruits are grown here, hops have proven a success when there is a bottom to the market, while corn and vegetables yield remunerative to the amount of attention paid them. We are one of three co-operative farmers and though this is our first year we feel encouraged, although we have to prop our corn against the north wind and are at present trying to devise a way to shoe pigs, that they may cope with these rocky hill sides while rustling for their daily provender.

Altogether this is an energetic and prosperous community and will keep up with the rest of Butte County's procession in enterprise.

Miss Edwina Lunt departed for Humboldt county last Wednesday, where she will visit with her aunt four or five months.

Ira and Frank Rowe returned to their home on Jordan Hill, last week. Ira has been spending some months in Sacramento. Miss Annie Rowe is expected up from Chico today, and will keep house for her brothers.

Frank and Walter Clark arrived at Yankee Hill last Thursday from Mendocino county. Frank will remain among us about three months and Walter expects to return in a few weeks.

At times, clouds of smoke come sweeping down the North Fork, so dense as to obscure the sun. There is evidently a forest fire further up the stream. The Big Bend fire has not yet subsided.



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Mrs. Wm. Mullen who has been quite ill is now improving.

Mrs. A. Hodapp and Miss Minnie have about recovered from the effects of the recent runaway but Mr. Hodapp will have to be kept in durance vile for a month, ere he can go about nimbly. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

One of your contemporaries had a local ad, which read thus: "Drink Sasaparilla, celery and iron Perkins & Wise." Has the drink been analyzed?

The story comes from Flea Valley, that several young ladies having been frightened one night by a panther, ran screaming for safety to within the confines of the mill. A posse of young men headed by a chivalrous jehu that drives from Oroville went out to annihilate the obnoxious beast. One of the party clandestinely proceeded the rest and had prepared a coal oil can to represent his satanic majesty or something equally foreboding, with a lighted candle placed inside to give it a startling appearance. He shinned a tree with this mischievous treasure, and dropped it before the brave leader, as he was about to pass under. With trembling limbs and faltering voice their heroic knight drew his gun on the innocent can and said—"in-on must I sh-sh-shoot?"

The other night we attended a pleasant surprise party at the residence of Mr. T. J. Sweetman. It was a plessant party and well attended.

Coming home from the party we were on the road to our domicile when we noticed several horses which by the light of the moon resembled our own. We tried to surround them and start them homeward and pursued them in vain until we had gone some distance through a forest, and

then emerging into a clear spot we discovered that the animals were not ours. Fatigued and disgusted we sat between two trees to rest, and realized we had been a better man and we shrank with fear until those trees released us. While casting about for the proper course to pursue we noticed that the trees bore a strong resemblance to those illustrated in Dante's Inferno, and we had gone but a few steps when we saw the devil approaching on a bike. After passing greetings and enquiring about politics and the Durrant trial, he noticed that we appeared diffident and asked us the cause. We told him we did not feel prepared to meet him, when he gave us a reassuring glance and advised us to use T. L. Vinton's Cherokee Savon; that it would wash our sins away. He then invited us to go with him into the infernal regions, and accepting his invitation we soon entered a cavern. We had not gone far when we made a sharp turn in the cave and came upon a swarm of spirits, riding bicycles, merry-go-rounds etc. Each and every class of spirits had a certain amusements allowed them, and we noticed that the Populists amused themselves by sitting on their tails in a circle around the merry-go-round, and howling. As we are a pop we felt inclined to join them, but being desirous of learning more, we remarked to our host that we expected to see something different, he answered that there was a slow demand for fire and brimstone, so he constructed a new lades, and would sell the old plant cheap. We saw at once that the combination of fire and water in the old plant would create an endless amount of steam, we made him an offer which he accepted, (reserving the right of enough steam to run the merry-go-round and the calliope,) and we expect to go to Oroville in a few days to interview capitalists concerning the practicability of forming an electrical syndicate to run a system of railroads from Oroville via Yankee Hill and Merrimac to Plumas County.

WITCH HAZEL.

Yankee Hill, Aug. 11, 1895

## OREGON CITY ECHOES.

Gathered in by the Regular Correspondent of the Register.

The weather is much cooler and the sick are nearly all recovered, probably owing to the change of the temperature.

Many of our young people attended the dance at Cherokee Wednesday evening. All had a most enjoyable time. We hope this will be the opening of the season.

Mrs. Hengy visited friends near Cherokee this week.

J. Francis, B. Thayer and J. Everlith passed through our city on Tuesday on their way to the I X L mine at Jordan Hill.

Telephone connections are being put in from Cherokee to the office and mill of the Standard mine.

Geo. James attended the dance last evening. We do not know whom he escorted, unless it could have been his brother Dan.

Miss Tina Strang of Lincoln, is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. D. Brandt of Oroville, and is expected up here to visit her father this week.

Mr. Teggart, representing a Philadelphia clothing establishment, visited our city this week.

Mrs. William Wilson, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. Nesbit of the Banner mine, has returned to her home near Cherokee.

Henry White is erecting a residence. Are you in it too, Henry? Who is she? Bring her around and introduce her, won't you?

Who is it that is going to purchase a surrey? Don't forget your old friends. You know we think a great deal of you.

Miss Eva Hengy of Oroville, is expected home to spend a few days.

Rich Jones, who is hauling wood to the Standard mine, met with a slight accident the other day, breaking some portion of the wagon but doing no serious damage.

It is reported that the Standard has struck a new slute of ore.

Levi Spangler, who has been sojourning at our burg for the past few weeks, has returned to Sacramento. We know he will be greatly missed, as he was a great favorite with the girls.

THE GOSSIP.

August 22, 1895,

## Oroville Weekly Register 8-29-1895

### Mining Notes.

Mr. J. Francis who was down Tuesday from Oregon City said he and Mr. Knapp were sinking, tunneling and retimbering on the Christie mine at Jordan Hill. They recently had surveyed a lower tunnel to tap the ledge at a depth of 550 feet. They are now down 140 feet.

In the Louisiana mine at Oregon City Mr. Francis said he had been delayed on account of wood but that work would begin by the first of September.

He intends to sink the shaft 200 feet deeper than it is at present.

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## WHAT WITCH HAZEL HAS TO SAY.

### Interesting Letter Concerning Yankee Hill and the Surrounding Country.

ED. REGISTER—Chilly nights, a little rain, some north wind and many fleas is the order of the day.

The fire at Big Bend has been confined to a limited space by back-firing, much to the relief of many settlers in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Armbuster and J. B. Jarboe are on the sick list, Mr. A. Hodapp is getting off the list, and Mrs. Wm. Mc Mullen is convalescing.

G. W. Quigley went to Gridley last Friday to visit with the Messrs Simpson of that town.

John Clark, of the D. C. Mining Co. at Big Bar, went to Marysville last Friday to have a steel nozzle cast for the hydraulic pump which they use to throw the immense volume of water from their mine. He said they have thirteen men employed in the mine, and expect to work two months more this season. It is a gravel mine and they are nearly down to bed rock with fair paying dirt at present.

Mr. H. Duensing has the champion corn this season. The patch is small, but the corn is uniform in height about 9 or 10 feet and has 2 or 3 well developed ears on every stalk.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clark arrived at the home of the Mr. Clark's parents last Sunday and will remain here during the summer. Mr. Clark has been here a few months and went to Oroville last Saturday to meet his wife.

As Walter and Frank Clark returned from Mendocino county a few weeks since where Walter has been for several years their return was the event of a happy family re-union.

Mrs. E. Stone of Concow, died at her home on the 22d. at 12 p. m. and was buried on the 24th. Deceased left a husband and family to mourn her demise and their many friends deplore the departure of their esteemed neighbor and extend a sincere sympathy to the bereaved in their affliction.

Miss Duensing departed last Monday for Lovelock to visit relatives at that place.

We congratulate you, Mr. Editor, upon your acquisition of a liar's certificate, and trust that in your profession you appreciate it. It must be a source of intense satisfaction to you to know that for one year you may prevavicate unmolested.

Miss Gussie Duensing attained her majority on the 25th inst, and extended an invitation to friends to enjoy the day with her at her home by participating in an ice cream eat. Mr. and Mrs. Duensing, Mr. and Mrs. T. Sweetman, Miss Inez and Master Leon Sweetman, Mr. William Duensing, your representative and his fraternal relative were present. Others who were invited were unfortunately ill (fortunate for them) and could not attend. We did the ice cream justice at the table but it was too delicious to do justice with the pen. The party departed filled with ice cream and a desire that the fair hostess might live a long and happy majority.

Chas. Lutz returned from a shearing expedition in Plumas county this morning and says that it has been storming up there the past two days and there are big forest fires along the road from Quincy towards Oroville. That accounts for the smoke coming down the North Fork.

WITCH HAZEL.

Yankee Hill, Aug 29, '95.

**A Visit to Some of Its Points of Interest.**

It is quite probable that not more than one hundred people of Chico have ever driven over the major portion of the beautiful drives of Rancho Chico, though the entire ranch is immediate to Chico, and has become famous for its beauty and fertility. True it is that many of the gates on this large farm are kept locked, but this was not the case until some of the thoughtless people of the community so grossly abused the privilege allowed them, that restrictions had to be put on as a matter of protection.

Through the courtesy of Harman McCaiger a CHRONICLE RECORD representative enjoyed a drive through Rancho Chico yesterday afternoon, taking in the Wild Way, magnificent for its natural scenery, the olive orchards, the sheep camp where 6000 sheep are being sheared, the almond orchard and the orchards near by.

The prune orchard cannot be excelled by any in the world, and this is no boast for the fruit is of abnormal size, and so thick upon the limbs that every tree is braced with props. Even with these supports the limbs droop to the ground.

The money required to run this rancho is an important item for Chico, for the payment of wages to white help and on the regular pay roll, was made yesterday afternoon and about \$3000 was distributed. A crowd of men, women, girls and boys, swarmed into the office on Broadway and came out happy.

### **Concow Cullings.**

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The sawmill of Jas. Hutchinson is running steadily. Mike Gramps, at Big Bar has a gravel mine that is paying handsomely. Clark Bros., in their river mine, are taking out good pay regularly.

Mrs. Dr. Brown and daughter have returned to Biggs.

Mr. Carlisle's health is failing, although he is not seriously ill.

A good deal of lumber is being hauled from the mill down to Oroville and other places.

Hop picking is progressing, and thirty hands are at work in the field of Mr. Scott. The crop will be heavy.

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9-12-1895

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## CAVED ON IN A MINE.

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### Lawrence Kitrick Seriously Injured at Cascade Valley.

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On Thursday afternoon about five o'clock Lawrence Kitrick brother of Roger and John Kitrick was caved upon in a gravel mine he was working at Cascade valley. The locality was far out of the way, no teams can reach it and Lawrence when dug out was found to be so seriously hurt that medical attendance was imperatively necessary. A litter was made and he was carried by John Kitrick, A. B. Birmingham and such help as they could secure three miles up to Cascade valley. Here the team of Mr. Williams was secured and he was placed in the wagon and hauled out to Lumpkin Mills which place was reached about half past three in the morning.

From there M. F. Whittier was obtained and young Kitrick put in his wagon and he was brought through to Oroville about midnight. Owing to his injuries the teams were obliged to go slow hence the lateness of arrival.

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### Cherokee Chips.

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On last Saturday evening there was a farewell party given for Miss Eva Lott who has gone to Gridley to attend school this winter. Good Templars hall was used and the dancing and games gave a merry time for all.

One of Rev. A. S. Parson's sons has either scarlet rash or scarletina but is not seriously ill with it.

The public school house is undergoing repairs preparatory to opening school on the last Monday in this month.

H. F. Bader is making improvements on his dwelling and so is Jacob Sturmer.

Every house and cabin in this place is occupied and there are quite a number of campers who have come in for the winter.

### Accident at Cherokee.

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Lee and Dan Isaacs met with an accident yesterday that may prove fatal. They had been working in a shaft and were both in the bucket and were being drawn to the surface. When about half way up the horse that is used to work the windlass became balky and began to kick.

In some way the rope to which the bucket was attached broke and the boys were dropped to the bottom of the shaft.

The shaft is on the Ayers' place and is about two miles and a half from Cherokee.

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Charles Hines of Oregon City, was splitting wood a few days ago by the aid of powder when his hand was badly burned. He caught cold in it and now the hand is much swollen and in bad condition. He was taken to the County Infirmary Monday for treatment.

Another new building is being put up at Oregon City and the lumber is on the ground for still another but we did not learn the names yesterday of those who are building.

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The postoffice department has changed the name of Con Cow postoffice so that Concow is to be given in one word.

## FOR A LONG TIME IN LITIGATION.

The Titles all Settled and Development Work Will Soon Begin.

Col. Frank McLaughlin is one of the leading mining men in this State who has demonstrated the merits of California gravel and quartz deposits. Not content with operating a single mine he reaches out boldly and seizes or makes great opportunities.

The immense mining property known as the "Golden Feather," the great "Banner Quartz Mine," and the "Golden Butterfly Gravel Mine," are some of the valuable properties under his management. He has done much for Butte but has now on hand a proposition that bids fair to eclipse all other mining developments in the county.

Those who know something of the mining history of California will recall the famous French banker Pioche, after whom the great Nevada mining town was named. Years ago he operated in Butte when Oregon City had twenty or more quartz mills and from the "Rock River mine" of that place he took more than \$150,000.

The ore was impregnated with arsenical pyrites and had to be roasted and for this purpose works were erected and operated.

Many years after his death in the detritus of these works and on the dump of the mine itself valuable specimens of sulphureted ore were found. When he died his property became involved in litigation and a keeper for the Rock River mine was appointed and continued in charge for years.

It was not discovered until the death of this old man that the property had not been patented. Then the present owners searched the records and examined the maps. A short time afterwards they covered the locality with mining locations.

Friday the initial step was taken by Colonel McLaughlin to develop this once famous mine, as a contract was let for the erection of a power house, hoisting works, blacksmith shop, bunk houses and other buildings. A force of men will be employed to clean out the old shaft which was sunk to a depth of 250 feet and to open and develop the mine.

David Daniels of Pentz, was the last foreman in charge of the property and he says the ore was exceedingly rich when work was suspended. The proposition of Colonel McLaughlin embraces much more than the opening of this single mine and is among the greatest ever begun in the county.

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## 9-26-1895

### OREGON CITY ITEMS.

#### A Budget of Interesting News Gathered by "Gossip."

Our town grows more prosperous every day, preparations are being made for the starting of the Rock River mine under the management of Major McLaughlin.

Dr. Hendricks of Cherokee, visited patients here this week.

Miss Ruby Malgin of Cherokee, passed through here today on her way to Woodland where she will attend school this winter.

Taggatt, the tailor, is over from Chico delivering goods.

Mrs. Elizabeth Davis is quite ill; her daughter Mrs. E. McGrath of San Jose, has been telegraphed for.

E. W. Welden of Oroville opened school here Monday with nineteen pupils.

Miss Lena Straug who has been visiting in Oroville, has returned home.

J. Blaisdell is reported very ill.

Miss E. Williams and Miss M. Fratis visited friends here on Sunday.

E. W. Williams's residence is nearly completed. He and his wife will probably move in in a short time.

S. D. Martin the dentist, who has been doing work here for the past few days, has returned to his regular practice in Oroville.

Mrs. C. D. Brandt of Oroville, visited relatives here this week.

Gossip.

Sept 19, 1895.

Other interesting items gathered by  
Our Correspondent

ED. REGISTER—An organ—not a mouth organ, nor a political organ, nor yet “The Church Organ,” but an organ for the Yankee Hill school arrived last Saturday and now the young ideas of that district will be taught to march as well as “shoot.”

Mr. Scott of Concow. (Concow is spelled as one word and with a little d in the middle now) says that hop packing will be done in that place this week. The crop is good.

Henry Jarboe returned to his home today. He was at Angels Camp during the Summer.

Not so, Brer Lermo, that railroad company may build its roundhouses at Palermo, for we wish you all manner of success, but you cannot run the road down the Middle Fork of Feather river, for we have arranged that it shall come down the North Fork.

Wm Mullen received intelligence last Saturday that his wife died in Chicago on the 24th ult, while enroute to Boston. Her daughter, Miss Blake, was with her at the time of her death.

The Clark Bros are whip-sawing lumber to replace the flume which was washed out by the late high water. It is a difficult place to reach with a team.

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Another one of those “glorious sunsets in the mountains” occurred tonight and were we an artist with the pen we would give you a rhapsodical description of it. Be thankful we are not.

One of the saddest of funerals that ever occurred in this community was that of Mrs. Ellen Durett, who died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Jarboe, on the 23d ult., at 10 o'clock A. M., and was buried in the Cherokee cemetery on the 25th. Deceased was 26 years of age and had framed a beautiful character, resolute and kind, a firm friend, dutiful daughter and loving wife. She was one of those persons who could forget her own cares to shed rays of sunlight about others and to know her best was to love her most. Friends of the family rendered every assistance in caring for the remains and loving hands tenderly strewed the casket with flowers ere its interment. The services were performed by Rev. Parsons.

Sweet peace be thine, thy mission done,  
In sleep divine, rest faithful one.

And though He called thy spirit away,  
With memory's treasures thou'st stored for aye.

WITCH HAZEL.

Yankee Hill, Oct. 1, 1895.

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10-3-1895

Dr. Jones we have been told has rented the Deadwood property. The doctor takes pride in agriculture and would do better with the property than its former manager Hop Sing.

## A NARROW ESCAPE.

### A Close Call for Both of R. Isaac's Sons From Giant Powder Smoke.

R. Isaac told us Thursday evening the item about the rope in the well breaking and injuring his sons was not correct but said they had exploded a charge of giant powder in the bottom when his youngest son Daniel went down to soon. He found that the fumes of the explosive had settled to the bottom and called to be drawn up. When about twelve feet from the bottom the gases overcame him and he fell backwards out of the tub and struck on his head cutting the back of it quite severely.

Lee, the eldest son, descended at once to help him and secured the rope around Dan's body. Ere Lee, however, could be taken out he was overcome by the fumes and fell over.

Mr. Isaac then went down but could not secure the rope about him ere he had to be drawn up. Young Duensing next descended and succeeded in getting the rope about Lee and both were taken from the well.

The boys were in a precarious condition for hours and had to have whiskey placed in their mouths and to be rubbed until almost midnight ere they regained their senses.

A doctor was sent for from Cherokee and all that could be done by neighbors was rendered to bring the lads from their almost deathlike condition.

Friday they were brought to Oroville and feel about as usual except Daniel, who has a very sore head and a sprained ankle.

# Oroville Register 10-3-1895

## Information Wanted.

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Anyone who can furnish information as to the whereabouts of Henry Jarboe will be suitably rewarded. His sister is very ill and wishes to see him. He was last heard from in Placer and Eldorado counties, Cal. Address communications to B. J. Jarboe, Yankee Hill, Butte county, Cal. Others papers please copy.

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Jay Blaisdell of Cherokee is seriously ill and his friends have given up hope of his recovery.

## Oregon City News.

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Miss Jennie Davies of this place has been quite ill but is improving.

J. Blaisdell of this place, is reported quite ill. We hope to hear of his speedy recovery.

C. S. Spangler and W. S. Williams, Superintendent and foreman of the Standard mine visited Cherokee on Tuesday.

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10-10-1895

**The "Mercury" Changes Hands.**

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The Oroville Mercury that for the past three months has been ably and successfully conducted by Hart Downer, Friday reverted to the owner, Mrs. Price-Lawrence. Mr. Downer is popular socially and has made many friends during his residence here. Both he and his talented wife are trained and skillful writers and will make their mark in any newspaper field. We learn that Mr. Frank R. Meyer who has long been foreman of the office, will assume the position of editor and manager.

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"The melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year."

The trees are dropping their leaves not in wintry gusts, but as though loth to part with their summer's glory, clinging to them as a fond mother might, who strives to hold her treasures in her arms as long as possible before sending them out to be blown hither and thither as circumstance wills.

The flowers are all dead but already the grass is springing up to remind us that Mother Nature is only disrobing her children for a period of rest.

O. D. Brandt of Oroville, delivered an organ to the Yankee Hill school-house last Saturday. It is a fine instrument and the school is to be congratulated on its acquisition.

Mrs. D. E. Wells went to Oroville Saturday.

John Williams and family of Gridley, came up last Saturday to spend some time at Buchanan Hill.

Sam Williams will go below this week to be gone two or three weeks.

Andrew Armbuster has been hauling lumber for James McDonald's new residence near Sawmill Peak.

Frank Rudd paid Durham a visit last week.

Mrs. J. Patterson was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Campbell, of Cherokee, last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Hawkins is home a visit to his family.

Andrew Armbuster and George North are visiting the capital city.

Dr. Henrich was over from Cherokee visiting patients this week. We understand the doctor is thinking of locating in our neighborhood and a great many are hoping he will do so.

The city hall is nearly finished. A syndicate has been formed and will open a bank soon with a capital stock of \$75,350,-975.47.

We will also start a Woolen Mill during the winter which will afford a market for goats wool. Of course home industry will be patronized first.

When the "iron horse" comes prancing down the North Fork we will be a most enterprising community.

Yankee Hill, Oct. 2, 1895.

THRISTLE.

# Oroville Register

## 10-10-1895

### Yankee Hill Notes.

Miss Ava North has gone to Mooretown to finish out the term of school for Mrs. G. Marquis.

Mr. Simmons of Concow, is building a house to take the place of the one that was burned last spring.

Sidney Wellington has returned after a prolonged absence from Siskiyou county.

Miss Annie Waldeyer has gone to Oroville on a visit with her brother Carl.

Henry Jarboe and Ira Rowe two young men of this locality have gone to the Golden Summit mine to work.

Ad Patterson has returned from an extended prospecting tour through the mountains and the report is that he struck good pay gravel.

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Marysville Daily Democrat

10-16-1895

# AH WING'S HERBS AND TEAS.

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**T**ESTIMONIAL:—To all women who are afflicted (with nervous complaints especially,) I would advise them to visit Dr. Ah Wing's Sanitarium at Deadwood, Butte county, Cal., formerly under the management of the celebrated Dr. Ah Sang, a Chinese who sold herbs and teas. I had been ill for several years and had expended thousands of dollars with other doctors, but all to no avail. As soon as I began treatment with Dr. Ah Wing a change for the better occurred and now I am entirely well. I recommend this physician to all women who are suffering and I will answer all communications addressed to me at Oroville, Butte county, Cal.

MRS. V. M. HOUGHTON.

Ah Wing is now permanently located in Marysville and can be found at Ye Lung's 105 C street.

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# Oroville Register

10-17-1895

## OREGON CITY NEWS.

### A Batch of Personals From our Neighbor Town.

The Standard mine is running in full blast; the Rock River mine is rapidly getting there.

C. M. Spangler is below on mining business.

Jake Fuqua and wife of Redding are visiting his brother George of this place.

N. W. Williams was down to Oroville on Tuesday.

Mrs. Castle and her brother George visited Flea Valley last week.

E. J. Strang's new barn is completed and is being filled with hay.

W. J. Nile has returned to Oroville.

Frank James of Oroville visited friends here on Sunday.

L. Laster and family passed through our city on Sunday.

Miss Eva Hengy who has been visiting her relatives at this place has returned to Oroville.

E. H. Jones and family who have spent the summer in the mountains have returned to their home at this place.

Mrs. Charles Stroever of Oroville is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Hedge of Oregon Gulch was up on Wednesday.

W. S. Higgins is reported quite ill.

Frank Park of Oroville paid our town a flying visit on Monday.

Miss Jennie Davies who was sick has recovered.

Tena Strang visited her sister here on Sunday.

October 10th, 1895.

### Concow Cullings.

From J. R. Scott who is down from Concow we gather the following items: All the hops in the valley have been picked, dried and baled and a small portion of the crop has been sold. Caleb Scott and Mr. Stone each lost several tons of hops owing to the rains coming early in September. Mr. Scott has about eighteen tons of very fine hops now baled and ready for sale. The hop crop in the valley was unusually good this summer.

Messrs Scott and Stone have been at work most of the season at their mine at Murphy Hill one of the highest peaks in the region and their mine paid very well during the time they had water. They will extend a ditch this fall so as to have a longer season to work in next year. Three men besides the two owners were employed in the mine.

Nearly all the cattle from the Gravel Range pastures have been driven down to the foothills for the winter.

Dave Jones came down from the Jones Brothers mine at Gravel Range and reports the mine as doing as well as ever.

Four carpenters are at work repairing the big dam at the lower end of Concow reservoir and it will take from ten to fifteen days to complete the job and get the dam in shape for winter.

Two men are working on the Christey ledge at Yankee Hill cleaning out the tunnel and getting things in good shape for a large force of men to be employed.

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**BANNER MINE REPORT.**

*Nearly a Quarter of a Million Dollars  
Expended in Development.*

OROVILLE, CAL., Oct. 20.—The report of Colonel Frank McLaughlin, general manager of the Banner mine, was submitted to the meeting of London shareholders. The report was a favorable one.

The mine has been experted by J. B. Low of San Francisco. It has been in active operation under the present company about three years, during which time development work amounting to nearly \$250,000 has been done. During this development work about \$80,000 has been yielded from ore extracted, an average of \$35 per ton. Acting on the advice of J. B. Low and W. H. Rodda, general superintendent, they propose sinking to a depth of 1000 feet, tapping the mother lode at that point. When that is done thirty stamps will be added to the ten-stamp mill.

W. H. Rodda, who has been superintending the Banner mine for a number of years, has accepted the management of a large mining property in Johannesburg, South Africa, for which place he started on Thursday last. His successor has not been appointed.

# Oroville Register 10-24-1895

## OREGON CITY NEWS.

### An Interesting Budget From Our Correspondent.

Many of the men at the Standard are mid off; but more will probably be put on in their places soon. This would be a fine chance for a column of mysteries if we only had "Witch Hazel" of Yankee Hill to write it up.

Miss Mary Maack of Morris Ravine visited friends here this week. She reported every thing quite lively in the Ravine.

Mrs. E. W. Welden of this place visited friends in Oroville last week and attended the military ball.

Geo. Castle of Flea Valley visited our town this week.

Mr. Jay and family of Oregon Gulch have come to make their home among us. We trust they will remain for a long time.

J. H. Brady and J. Ellis of the Standard went to Oroville on Tuesday.

Miss Belle Nisbet of Spring Valley drove through our city on Sunday.

Mr. Taggart the clothing drummer of Chico, is here.

We hear that Ed and Frank of this town have recently purchased a fine buggy horse so suppose they will grace the streets of this town in a "two horse rig" as they have a buggy and one fine steed now.

Gossip.

October 22d, 1895.

# Oroville Register

10-24-1895

## Lots of Fun.

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The merry-go-round has struck Cherokee and many have patronized it from the grandfather to the youngest tot in town. The proprietor reports that two of his best patrons were H. H. McCloud and Neal Curley, they occupied the same seats and seemed as happy as if they were five instead of fifty.

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## A Rushing Business.

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Vinton's stage from Cherokee is doing a good business at present. Tuesday there were eleven passengers from the Standard mine and Campbell the driver had to telephone back to Cherokee and have another stage sent out to bring all the passengers down.

# Oroville Register

10-24-1895

## An Interesting Letter from Witch Hazel,

ED. REGISTER — Cold nights, falling leaves, cloudy days and warnings of the approaching winter.

Hogs are fattening and some are missing. Acorns are plentiful and the farmers of this community spend their leisure hours gathering them to feed their stock this coming winter.

Mr. B. J. Jarboe is making improvements on his farm and is clearing. Mr. Croghan is building, clearing and ditching. Frank Duensing is building a shed in addition to the barn on the premises at Sunny View, for the accommodation of teamsters and travelers, and many other improvements are being made in this locality, and though some are of minor importance they all tend to advance the general welfare of the community.

Dr. Jones has rented the Deadwood property and it is stipulated in the lease that he repair the fences and roof some of the buildings.

We visited the fruit farm of Wm. Mullen a short time ago and spent a profitable and interesting hour there. He was drying fruit and gathering nuts. In one bin we noticed about a ton of French prunes that were just dried. They had a rich brown color and were almost transparent. Mr. Mullen showed us many varieties of prunes, among which were the French, Silver, Hungarian, Golden, Gaester and Sergeant de Robe. He has orders from Mr. Geise, in London, for all his silver prunes, and they will make a good showing for Butte county, as they are nicely cured and are as pretty as so many new silver dollars. Almonds and walnuts, figs and apples are grown on the farm and of the best quality.

Mrs. Fletcher departed this week for her home near Avon.

Mr. and Mrs. North ventured out on the new road to Maple Heights last week and gave us a pleasant visit.

We met Pete Josephson the other day. His face wore a smile that was a facsimile of a new moon with the mumps. He explained all about that panther shooting and instead of the joke being on Pete it appears that the shoe was on the other foot. The other fellow got an Alex-sir of life from the shoe that was on Pete's foot.

Bright lamp of Union your Wixon the decline Turn it up or your sun may set How is Mr O P Oh! and how Johnny feel? You should have been here last night; it was a fine evening.

"Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones," quoted one of our contemporaries a short time since. That was in Yankee Hill a few Sundays ago. He had the blinds up. He visited the Sunday school and distinguished himself by making remarks about some of our estimable young ladies, and said that the people of the Sunday school did not seem to know much. After visiting the Sunday school he was hospitably received by some of the Yankee Hillites and afterwards showed his appreciation by blowing up his hostess through the columns of his paper. There are some people in our Sunday school who are old enough to know that they don't know it all, but we do know that Buffalo, N. Y., is not situated on the Northern Pacific railroad, as stated in the Times, and there is not a ten year old school boy on this ridge that cannot detect grammatical errors in that paper. For instance, "She done all in her power," etc. Such mistakes are small but they serve to show who lives in the glass house. People who have minds of their own are perhaps, capable of judging others. By his remarks the burlesque journalist placed himself out of the ranks of gentlemen, where he belongs, and it may be as well for the Times if he be kept in the "chappel" where he may be appreciated.

WITCH HAZEL.

Yankee Hill, Oct. 19th.

# Oroville Weekly Register

## 11-7-1895

### **Annie Is a Popular Name.**

Supt. Stout on a recent visit noted that the names of four lady teachers in succession was Annie. The first was Miss Annie Hutchins of Neal, the second Miss Annie Nelson of Stoneman, the third Miss Annie Pierce of Clear Creek and the fourth Miss Annie Garoutte of Mesilla valley.

'There are three other young lady teachers in the county having the same given name

# OROVILLE REGISTER.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1895.

## Flea Valley Mill.

W. H. Brown who was here yesterday afternoon says there were eight inches of snow in the mountains which put a stop to logging so he came down to the valley for a few days. The yard is full of logs and he had a number of days hauling yet to do to finish his contract. Several teams are still hauling lumber from Flea Valley to this town for shipment by rail.

H. S. Thatcher and Ed. Smith were hauling hay this week from Pentz.

Col. McLoughlin received a telegram yesterday announcing the death in San Quentin of Allen Presley. Many will recall him at Cherokee and Big Bend.



# Oroville Register 11-7-1895

## **ANOTHER MURDER.**

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### **Bill Tom The Indian, Killed by Harry Lorraine.**

Friday's Democrat says that Harry Lorraine a Swede shot and killed Bill Tom the leading witness in the Waller trial. Lorraine's story is that he went with a man named Hughes to help the Indian build a cabin and that he and Hughes after drinking freely got into a fight. Then Hughes made a rush for a rifle but that he got it first and knowing there was but one cartridge in it tried to fire this into the air but the lock caught in some and the bullet went through the body of Tom who was stadding some distance away and who had no part in the fight.

Constable Irwin who arrested him says the murderer told him a different story and it is evident there will be another expensive murder trial in Yuba.

## OREGON CITY NEWS.

### Items From That Place by Our Correspondent.

Mr. Thos. Bath and Mr. Sanders from Redding visited friends in this town on Wednesday.

Levi Spangler of Sacramento is visiting his brother C. M. Spangler of the Standard.

Mr. Fox of Oroville is on a business trip to Oregon City.

The painters and paper hangors are very busy doing work on Mr. James' new house. It will soon be completed and the family will move in.

Mrs. E. W. Welden is visiting friends in Oroville.

All enjoyed an elocutionary entertainment given by Prof. Hamilton in the school house on October 25th.

Mr. Taggart of Chico paid Oregon City a flying visit on Monday.

Barton Hengy has been quite ill with malaria.

Mrs. L. Laster of Oregon Gulch paid friends here a visit this week.

Major McLaughlin, wife and daughter Miss Agnes and a party of friends visited the Rock River mine this week.

L. H. Castle's brother Darling is expected up from San Jose.

Will Strang's new residence is nearly completed. He will no doubt move his family to this town in the near future.

Misses Medinich and Merideth of Cherokee visited Miss Jennie Davies of this place last week.

Mr. West Snieder has evidently recovered from his recent illness and he visited friends in Cherokee this week.

The Misses Hengy entertained some musical friends Monday evening. All had a most enjoyable time.

Mrs. M. Williams of Cherokee passed through our town on Saturday.

Mrs. H. Davies who has been ill was able to go out for a drive on Wednesday.

A great question is being discussed, that is "Who is the handsomest man in town?" Mr. Oberian has so far carried off the majority of votes. So of course, he feels the distinction.

Dave Williams of Cherokee Flat visited friends here on Monday.

Gossip.

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11-7-1895

"Thistle" Tells What is Going on at  
Yankee Hill.

ED. REGISTER—It commenced raining last night at this place and is nearly cold enough to snow. We wish old "Prob" would send along some nice warm weather once more. When the thermometer reaches the nineties life is worth living.

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Miss Lizzie Potter closed her school in Concow district last Friday.

The Yankee Hill school will not close until the 29th of this month, when our teacher, Miss Lynch, will be tendered a farewell party.

Severe colds seem to be the order of the day in our neighborhood at present.

Marguerite, the little daughter of Mrs. C. DeVail is ill.

We have labored long and faithfully for a word of commendation from the "Witch" in regard to our enterprise in furnishing public buildings, manufacturing establishments, railroads, etc., to our neighborhood, free of charge. Last week we received that longed for acknowledgement, but still he threw in a word of disparagement for neglecting to notice his gas well. Though it grieved us to be so misunderstood, we will not bear malice, but will endeavor to satisfy his critical mind.

The gas well referred to is located on Madrone Farm about five miles from Yankee Hill. While the supply seems to be unlimited, it is of the best quality. Pipes have been laid to nearly every house in and around Concow and Yankee Hill, and all the streets are lit by gas. A force of men are at work laying pipe to Cherokee as they have contracted for a large supply for their town. If anyone desires gas in any quantity at small cost tell them to address "Witch Hazel," Madrone Farm, Cal. We would have mentioned it long ago, but as it seemed his own special item, we did not like to make a "scoop" on the well, never dreaming it was his own innate modesty that prevented his chronicling his valuable gas supply.

"THISTLE."

Yankee Hill, Cal., Nov. 5, 1895.

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# Daily Register

11-7-1895

## NEWS FROM YANKEE HILL

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"THISTLE."

Yankee Hill, Cal., Nov. 5, 1895.

# Oroville Register

## 11-7-1895

### Yankee Hill.

The young ladies of the W O T U will give a basket social next Friday evening. Great preparations are being made. An entertainment will precede the sale of the baskets and much fun is anticipated. Come all who wish a jolly time.

The Sunday school organized last summer, has proven an interesting and beneficial organization and is rapidly gaining in popularity. We attended last Sunday and were surprised by the interest manifested in the school and amused by some of the younger classes that eclipsed the Bible class in answering general questions.

Jake Patterson and his son Ray were re-flooring the bridge at the West Branch today. Their work has been done economically and with good judgment but the bridge will shake and there are many who will complain. We were shown by Mr. Patterson what he considered the cause and we agreed with him.

Robert Hendricks has struck a promising ledge of gold bearing ore near Deadwood.

The new organ in the school house at Yankee Hill has an excellent tone and is a much needed improvement.

Thistle certainly is not wanting in enterprise now, but in his last communication he neglected to state that the gas well was in operation.

Fifteen of Cherokee's buxom lassies got up a conspiracy against a merry-go-round which stopped in that town lately. They boarded the concern and it did not run any more that night. The exact cause has not been learned. Some say it was the tickets they had, while others claim it was too much a verdupois.

We have been in the valley during the past week and most of the farmers we find are ready for rain. Many are putting in their grain in the dust.

The bridge across the slough near Hefner slough on the Central House road is nearly finished and improvements are being made on the Gridley bridge over the Feather river.

George Thresher has been inventing a machine to rake olives from the trees in his young orchard. This is the first year they have borne and he will take the olives to Oroville and have the oil pressed from them by Kusel Bros before they begin on their own crop.

Ira Wixon of Union was reported as in bed with the shakes. We trust he will soon shake them off that we may see his spicy articles in the REGISTER again.

One thing we observed of interest while in the progressive valley, the Chinese have become Americanized to that extent that they are going through insolvency. Perhaps we were premature in howling for the exclusion act.

WITCH HAZEL.

## THEY DEMAND A RECEIVER.

**Bondholders of the Cherokee (Butte County) Mine Make Grave Charges.**

**ATTORNEY CROSS UNDER FIRE.**

**He Is Accused of Unprofessional Conduct in a Big Mining Foreclosure Case.**

The productive Cherokee gravel mine of Butte County, one of the oldest and largest hydraulic mines in the State, may pass into the hands of a receiver to-day.

Judge Prewett of Placer County, who is holding a brief session of court in San Francisco, will this morning pass upon the application of the bondholders to have the property placed under his Honor's care, pending the foreclosure of their lien.

The demand for a receiver made by the bondholders came up before Judge Prewett in the form of an emergency affidavit, in which gross negligence, if nothing worse, was charged against the agents of the Bank of California, which for seven years past has been in possession of the mine.

Graver accusations were also made against C. W. Cross, the attorney for the mining corporation, charging that he has taken advantage of his position as legal adviser of the corporation to betray them for his own or the Bank of California's gain.

In the affidavit made by Attorney Blakeman, acting for the bondholders, it is charged that Cross, while acting as the attorney for the mine, has relocated, or, in mining parlance, "jumped," in his own name and in that of his two sons, the entire unworked portion of the lead to the mine. It appears that the mining company fifteen years ago purchased some 800 acres of mining land adjoining its property from a man named Charles Waldeyer, now deceased. Attorney Blakeman less than a month ago learned for the first time that Waldeyer never had a valid title to the land he sold the company. As the land is where the lead of gold now runs the peril of the situation alarmed him.

He took a surveyor with him to the scene of the property at Cherokee, twelve miles north of Oroville, in Butte County, for the object of locating the land for the benefit of all parties concerned, but when he arrived on the ground he discovered that Cross had been there a few days before and taken up almost the entire lead.

If his action stands it will deprive the company, of which he has been adviser for years, of one of its most valuable assets. Mr. Cross is known as a mining lawyer of repute.

For seven long tedious years the bondholders have been vainly seeking to foreclose their lien on the mine, but their attempt has so far been successfully opposed by the Bank of California and N. D. Rideout, the Northern California banker, both being unsecured creditors against the mine. The contest has been conducted on purely technical grounds, the points of dispute being fine and intricate.

When the bondholders brought their foreclosure proceedings in 1888 the Bank of California and Rideout were owed approximately \$50,000 by the mine.

They obtained possession of the property through a judgment, bidding it in at Sheriff's sale. Then they began their technical fight to have the bonds declared illegal and void. The case has already been before the Supreme Court, and on that occasion the bonds were held to be valid, Judge Prewett, who had decided that the bonds were illegal for informalities in their execution, being reversed by the Supreme Court.

The reversal occurred a few months ago, and now the bondholders are anxious to have a receiver appointed to supersede the agent of the bank.

The application was made last week, but owing to a technicality it could not be heard for ten days. Attorney F. C. Lusk of Chico, who is Rideout's adviser in the case, was served with the notice as attorney.

It appears that he is only a counsellor in the case and as such could not be aware of the proposed application in his capacity as attorney. In his address before Judge Prewett Attorney Blakeman said:

"I call upon you to protect the bondholders from any further loss. The Bank of California has been in possession of the mine since 1888 and this is the first time we have ever asked for a receiver. We do so now believing that the situation imperatively demands it. The flumes of the mine have all been ripped out, many of the 'chiefs' sold and now Attorney C. W. Cross suddenly, and in his own name, 'jumps' one of the most valuable assets we have been fighting for. He does not say whether it is for the benefit of all parties concerned and his silence is ominous, I must say. In many ways the mine has been despoiled of its assets and we ask that you take it into your own care pending this litigation."

Marysville Daily Democrat

11-9-1895

# **PILES PILES PILES.**

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## **A Case of Twenty Years Cured by Ah Wing's Celebrated Treatment.**

**TESTIMONIAL:**—For twenty years I had suffered from that annoying complaint, piles, but after a two and one-half months' treatment with Dr. Ah Wing at Deadwood, Butte county, Cal., successor to Dr. Ah Sang, a celebrated Chinese who sold herbs and teas, I am thoroughly cured and will highly recommend Dr. Ah Wing to all who are ill and suffering.

T. H. HOUGHTON, Oroville, Cal.

Dr. Wing is now permanently located in Marysville and can be found at Yee Lung's, 105, C street.

# Oroville Register 11-14-1895

## **New Irrigation Ditch.**

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It looks as though this section of the county would some day have a new irrigation ditch. It will be remembered that during the summer water rights were located in the Big Bend country by a prominent surveyor. Since then a man has been kept busy at work brushing out-lines and making other preparations for a survey. This week six surveyors began work near the Spring Valley quartz mine and are running lines toward the West Branch. They expect to put in six weeks at this survey, and the presumption is that several lines will be run.



# Oroville Weekly Register

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## OREGON CITY NEWS.

### An Interesting Letter From our Regular Correspondent.

Everyone is preparing for the storms that are pending.

Misses Nettie, Jennie and Mary Davies and Messrs. Grumbert Johnson and Williamson enjoyed the "Black Flag" at the Union theatre last week.

Miss Minnie Hodapp of Yankee Hill, has come to make her home here for some time.

Miss Dora Fisher of Oroville, visited her family here on Sunday.

Faggart, the drummer of Chico, is here.

F. C. Francis and W. S. Williamson paid Oroville a flying trip on Monday.

H. W. White has returned from the mountains where he has been rounding up cattle preparatory to the fall drive.

Mrs E. W. Welden has returned from Oroville, where she has been visiting friends.

The Rock River mine is booming in grand style.

Miss Maggie Lynch of Yankee Hill, spent Sunday with her people here.

Miss Emma Chambers of this place, is visiting in Cherokee.

The dead body of Chas. Campbell of Table Mountain, was found near the residence of J. B. Smith. A Coroner's inquest was held and the verdict brought was: "Cause of death unknown." His nephews Chas. and Ed took charge of the remains. The funeral took place on Tuesday from the residence of Mrs. J. Campbell, sister-in-law to the deceased.

# Oroville Weekly Register

11-14-1895

## Yankee Hill Notes

ED. REGISTER: It stormed in this neighborhood Sunday, snowing on the hills and a slight frost followed in the night.

The Richard brothers killed a panther near Sugar Loaf last Wednesday, that measured nine feet. That was a bad day for "screech owls."

A fire was making havoc on Mt. Jim and threatened to run toward Concow, but Sunday's storm put it out.

Salmon are running up the West Branch.

A Mr. Darge from Chico, was up looking through the Big Bend country for a homestead. As he returned via Oroville we trust that he found a desirable piece of land upon which to file.

Messrs. Mullen and Waldeyer went to Oroville last Wednesday. Mr. Mullen had a load of fruit for the Banner mine and the prunes which he is to ship to London.

The Concow district school closed last Friday after a successful term. Miss Potter, the efficient teacher, returned with her mother to their home near Paradise last Saturday. They have made many friends on the ridge and the community will miss them.

Mrs. L. A. Curtis was over from Paradise last Friday.

Last Friday Eb. Wright while eating his lunch on the Cherokee ditch, was surprised by something striking between his feet. His first thoughts were that he had disturbed a giant powder cap and caused it to explode, but upon investigation he discovered that a bullet had lodged between his feet, and on looking about he discovered that an oak twig had been cut off by the ball, nearly in range with his head. There is much speculation as to how and why the ball was sent, but it is hard to believe that it was intentional, as Mr. Wright is a very peaceable and quiet man and well liked by the community.

The basket social given last Friday evening by the young ladies, was a decided success. The evening was lovely, and so were the ladies. A short program was well rendered and then followed the sale of the baskets. We should judge the boys were hungry for they bid on the baskets like wild fire. As our population is limited, there were not many young men present, and it fell on them pretty hard, but they were good natured about it and responded handsomely to the auctioneer's calls, some of them buying two baskets.

Sydney Wellington, who is up to date, bought the "little joker," and as a result had three partners for supper, but the auctioneer happened to hold the trump basket and relieved Sydney of one of them.

After supper the party amused themselves by playing games and Frank Rowe performed some difficult feats on the floor, to the utter amazement of the rest. The sum of \$12.75 was realized by the sales.

This is the first affair of this sort of the season and we trust it is the beginning of a series of social gatherings for the winter, for there is considerable wholesome talent in these canyons and hills that could be used to a mutual advantage when put into working order. Cannot the boys get up something of the social order?

Yankee Hill, November 3, 1895.

WITCH HAZEL.

# Oroville Daily Register

## 11-15-1895

### YANKEE HILL LETTER.

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What Some of the People are Doing in  
that Section.

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A Late Communication from Our  
Regular Correspondent,  
"Thistle."

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ED. REGISTER—Last Sunday a quiet wedding took place near Yankee Hill in which W. G. Hively and Miss Alice E. Sweetman were made man and wife, Justice J. H. Anderson of Cherokee, officiating. Only the relatives of the bride were present. After the ceremony a sumptuous wedding dinner was served to which all did justice, especially the genial Justice.

Mr. Hively is a quiet, industrious young man, while Miss Sweetman is one of Butte's domestic young ladies and their friends join in wishing them a long life of happiness and prosperity.

The happy couple were serenaded by the local band, who after entering and spending the evening, enjoying music and songs and refreshments, took their departure with three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Hively.

Miss Minnie Hodapp is spending a few weeks at Oregon City.

Miss Maggie Lynch visited her home near Hengy last week.

Little Marguerite DeVall is improving slightly under the care of Dr. Low of Paradise.

Miss Ida Butterfield and her brother, Will, have gone to Colusa county to make their future home with their aunt, Miss Eccles.

Mr. Charles DeVall came up last week on a visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Haggerty paid Cherokee a visit last Saturday.

Miss Annie Rowe is visiting friends in Chico,

Les Denny went to Live Oak last Monday. It has been long since his beaming countenance has been seen in our vicinity.

We wonder why the "Witch" does not light the columns of the REGISTER with his newsy items.

The Yankee Hill school will close two weeks from next Friday with an exhibition in the afternoon and a dance in the evening. Every one turn out and see the "young ideal shoot."

Jake Patterson is building an addition to his house on Yankee Hill.

Mrs. E. R. Lunt is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Curtis, near Pentz, who has been very ill.

THISTLE

Yankee Hill, Nov. 14, 1895.

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## CONCOW SHOOTING.

### Wright Thinks Laney Meant to Kill Him.

Yesterday afternoon a case came up in Justice Leonard's court which is somewhat peculiar. A man named Col Laney of Concow was out hunting on the 31st of October and Eb Wright who attends to the Concow ditch was eating his dinner on the bank of the stream. Suddenly a shot was fired and strack the ground between the ditch tender's feet. He saw no one, heard no voice and does not know who fired the shot.

As Laney was in the vicinity and out hunting he presumed that the hunter was the man who fired the shot and so swore out a warrant charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon. We are convinced that when the Justice sifts the matter to the bottom he will have the case dropped.

Some half dozen or more Concow people were on hand yesterday afternoon to tell what they knew or what they did not know about this matter.

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## Yankee Hill News.

ED. REGISTER—Miss Alice Sweetman and Wm. Hively, both of Yankee Hill, joined the ranks in double file last Wednesday at the residence of the bride's parents. Though they made a cold sneak on the community we wish them a life of bliss and success.

Mr. Darde, who had been looking for a piece of government land on which to homestead, is here again and will remain a week with G. W. Quinn. He is pleased with this locality and will remain among us if he finds a suitable piece of land.

Mrs. North and Miss Lynch made a flying trip to Oregon City last Saturday.

Robt. Bohannon has engaged in the butcher business and is doing well.

Jas. McDonald will soon have the house replaced which was destroyed by fire last summer.

Pet Simmons is getting along nicely with his new house, assisted by Bert Wright.

Jake Patterson is building an addition to his house and Will Wilson has completed a portion of the dwelling which he is to build on his farm near the junction of Big Bend and Maple Heights roads.

Simon Frambull and Earnest Richards are preparing to mine on the Concow Creek this winter and Frank North and partner are to try their luck at mining in that neighborhood.

Mrs. Frank Clark has gone to Red Bluff to make that place her future home and Miss Ida and Master Wm Butterfield have gone to Mr Eckles of Colusa to spend the winter.

Miss Mary Kirby was up from Oakland a few weeks since to remain on her homestead and returned to her duties in Oakland this week.

The Flea Valley Mills have shut down temporarily and if it continues to storm they will be closed for the season. They have made a good run.

Will you tell us Mr. Editor, how long votes may be held over on the watch contest.

That gas well exploded last week. Since then parties have been booming for a gas well in the vicinity of Madrone Farm. The report that gas had been discovered there is premature and was caused probably by the seepage of gas from the gas pipes of the old well near Oak Dale. Our "innate modesty" prevents us from monopolizing the trade and besides, being a Populist it is against our principles.

And our friend at Union has a revolution in his attic and speaks derisively of our Cinderella slippers. Though "mountaineers use free men" they are also agreeable and if "small boys" shoes are not small enough for us we will obligingly charter a couple of flat cars.

WITCH HAZEL.

Yankee Hill, Nov. 12, '95.

## The apple crop at Concow is reported light.

Fred Kirby of Concow valley passed through town last evening en route to Palermo where his family is now residing.

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## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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The tunnel at the Golden Butterfly is now in over 500 feet.

The big shaft is down in the Magalia mine 380 feet.

Work on the Standard mine at Oregon City is steadily being pushed.

Everything is progressing rapidly at the Rock River mine at Oregon City.

A full force of men is employed at the Standard mine.

Twelve men are at work on the Rock River mine above Oregon City.

## An Interesting Letter from Witch Hazel,

ED. REGISTER — Cold nights, falling leaves, cloudy days and warnings of the approaching winter.

Hogs are fattening and some are missing. Acorns are plentiful and the farmers of this community spend their leisure hours gathering them to feed their stock this coming winter.

Mr. B. J. Jarboe is making improvements on his farm and is clearing. Mr. Croghan is building, clearing and ditching. Frank Duensing is building a shed in addition to the barn on the premises at Sunny View, for the accommodation of teamsters and travelers, and many other improvements are being made in this locality, and though some are of minor importance they all tend to advance the general welfare of the community.

Dr. Jones has rented the Deadwood property and it is stipulated in the lease that he repair the fences and roof some of the buildings.

We visited the fruit farm of Wm. Mullen a short time ago and spent a profitable and interesting hour there. He was drying fruit and gathering nuts. In one bin we noticed about a ton of French prunes that were just dried. They had a rich brown color and were almost transparent. Mr. Mullen showed us many varieties of prunes, among which were the French, Silver, Hungarian, Golden, Gaoster and Sergeant de Robe. He has orders from Mr. Geise, in London, for all his silver prunes, and they will make a good showing for Butte county, as they are nicely cured and are as pretty as so many new silver dollars. Almonds and walnuts, figs and apples are grown on the farm and of the best quality.

Mrs. Fletcher departed this week for her home near Avon.

Mr. and Mrs. North ventured out on the new road to Maple Heights last week and gave us a pleasant visit.

We met Pete Josephson the other day. His face wore a smile that was a facsimile of a new moon with the mumps. He explained all about that panther shooting and instead of the joke being on Pete it appears that the shoe was on the other foot. The other fellow got an Alex-sir of life from the shoe that was on Pete's foot.

Bright lamp of Union your Wixon the decline Turn it up or your sun may set How is Mr O P Oh! and how Johnny feel? You should have been here last night; it was a fine evening

"Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones," quoted one of our contemporaries a short time since. That was in Yankee Hill a few Sundays ago. He had the blinds up. He visited the Sunday school and distinguished himself by mak-

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ing remarks about some of our estimable young ladies, and said that the people of the Sunday school did not seem to know much. After visiting the Sunday school he was hospitably received by some of the Yankee Hillites and afterwards showed his appreciation by blowing up his hostess through the columns of his paper. There are some people in our Sunday school who are old enough to know that they don't know it all, but we do know that Buffalo, N. Y., is not situated on the Northern Pacific railroad, as stated in the Times, and there is not a ten year old school boy on this ridge that cannot detect grammatical errors in that paper. For instance, "She poses all in her power," etc. Such mistakes are small but they serve to show who lives in the glass house. People who have minds of their own are perhaps, capable of judging others. By his remarks the burlesque journalist placed himself out of the ranks of gentlemen, where he belongs, and it may be as well for the Times if he be kept in the "chappel" where he may be appreciated. WITCH HAZEL.

Yankee Hill, Oct. 19th.



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## From Yankee Hill.

ED. REGISTER—It is a cold winter night, or thereabouts, with occasional gales from the north and ice an inch thick on standing water. It makes us think of cranberry sauce and turkey.

There will be a Thanksgiving ball at Pentz, in the I. O. G. T. hall, under the auspices of Mr. Graves, Thursday night. Music by the Esman band.

Wm. Hively went to Truckee last week, where he will finish a contract, and then return to his—home, near Yankee Hill.

The saw mill at Flea Valley is still running and Mr. Jarboe says there are icicles one foot in length attached to the flume which carries water to the engines while ice was thick enough to bear up an empty logging truck.

The young men of this vicinity are requested to meet at Yankee Hill next Sunday, for the purpose of organizing a mutual improvement club. Attend without fail.

The Concow School Reservoir district, closed last Friday, after a successful term. Miss Ward was teacher.

Yankee Hill school will close next Friday, and look out for that day, as there is an excellent program of exercises prepared for the afternoon and a dance will succeed in the evening, and not, as stated, in a previous issue, on Thanksgiving evening.

We have noticed in various papers that Mr. Spreckles has been casting about for a desirable location for a beet sugar factory, but declined several localities because they were subject to overflow. Send him up here. We are not subject to overflow and we raised a good crop of German white sugar beets this season.

Steve Miller paid J. B. Jarboe a visit last Wednesday, and together the two old cronies hid themselves to the woods in search of honey. We didn't hear anything about it, after their return—from them.

Mr. Simpson, the genial vulcan of Gridley returned to that place last week, from an extended visit with G. Quigley.

Mr. Darge has filed on a homestead in Big Bend and is making some improvement thereon.

It is reported that the Clark brothers are taking some rich ore from their gold bearing ledge in Big Bend.

A family is expected to move into the Hull place this winter. We have not learned their names.

Dame rumor has it that Mr. Thos. Coleman and Mrs. Big Bar Jack, both of Flea Valley, were joined in wedlock last week, and Jack Hottman the popular Jehu that was, has gone by the board; i. e., he is a bachelor no more, but is the happy groom of Mrs. George Duenning of Flea Valley. This makes the third wedding this side of the bridge inside of a month and yet there are those who imagine we are wanting in enterprise.

Miss Minnie Hodapp was up from Oregon City last Sunday visiting with her parents.

The Argus-eyed "Lamo" thinks we write far-fetched. Excuse us. It was a mistake in the name. Though the Unionists light is brighter we would like to trim that Wixon more before he takes another pop shot at us with one of his re-Peters, if he hasn't Denny objections.

Mr. Fletcher of Arvon visited his home in Concow last week and will return again this winter to put out an apple orchard.

Mr. Scott has eighty bales of fine Concow hops stored at Durham and Mr. Stone has the same amount which he will soon haul to the market. WRITER HAZEL.

Yankee Hill, Nov. 26th.

### INFIRMARY ITEMS.

#### The Big Spring that Supplies the Hospital Has Failed.

There are seventy-four inmates at the County Infirmary, one being received yesterday making that number. The last one was a man named Alec McGlashen from Oregon City, who is afflicted with rheumatism so that it is difficult for him to get about.

G. McKernman came over from Biggs some days ago and injured his thumb severely. He was running a circular saw when the saw caught his hand and cut into the bone of his thumb. The wound is exceedingly painful and night before last McKernman was awake all night.

The Infirmary is supplied with water from a fine spring in Table Mountain but this week that spring has ceased to flow and now the inmates of the institution are scarce for water.

## NEWS FROM YANKEE HILL.

An Interesting Budget of News From  
Witch Hazel.

What Some of the People of that Thriving  
Town are Doing to Amuse  
Themselves.

ED. REGISTER: The winds blew and the storm came but no snow fell this time at this altitude.

Carl Waldeyer went to Oroville last Saturday with his sister, Miss Hester, who has been visiting with Mrs. D. E. Wells.

Mr. Darge, who has lately fled on the old Lafferty place at Big Bend, has just completed his house.

Mrs. G. Croughan presented her husband with an 11½ pounder last Saturday. Mr. Jarboe told us it weighed 11½ pounds dressed. It is a boy and mother and child are doing well.

The saw mills at Flea Valley are getting in a glorious run.

Mrs. F. G. Marquis paid Oroville a visit last week.

Mr. Hawkins returned from a business trip to the north last week.

The Yankee Hill school closed last Friday with an entertainment and the exercises were well rendered to a large and appreciative assembly. Those who attended pronounced it excellent and paid the teacher and scholars many compliments.

Miss Maggie Lynch returned to her home near Oregon City last week.

B. F. Croughan is very ill and is not able to be out of bed.

C. Durett, Sr. is on the shelf with neuralgia.

Will Cox was among us last Friday afternoon.

The ouji board, mischievous wretch, (so thinks Ray Patterson) has gone home, much to Ray's relief.

The W. C. T. U. has been gaining ground in this community and will meet next Sunday. An entertainment will be given that day.

Mrs. F. Clark returned to Concow from Red Bluff last Friday.

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## An Interesting Budget From Our Mountain Correspondent.

ED. REGISTER—Our little community is as lively as a beehive during swarming time.

A debating club was organized at Yankee Hill last Saturday evening, no females admitted, and the local talent is engaged in practicing for an entertainment to be given Christmas or New Year's eve.

Will Thompson of Biggs is visiting relatives at this place.

Miss Minnie Hodapp returned to her home last Sunday after an absence of several weeks.

Mr. Hodapp who has been on the sick list again for some time past, is improving.

Miss Annie Rowe has returned from a visit of several weeks to Chico.

Wendell Miller and wife paid Oroville a visit last Saturday

Dave Jones and family passed through our town today enroute to Concow.

Messrs Fred and Sidney Wellington and Will Cox have moved over from Jordan Hill to Bachelorville about half a mile above Spanishtown. There are seven young bachelors living within sight of each other and all of them too bashful to propose to any of our pretty girls. We don't blame the girls for leaving the ridge. We would just like to warn one or two of those innocent unsuspecting young creatures (the bachelors) that we heard a young lady say the other day that next year is leap year and she intended to exercise her privilege and propose to the prettiest "pretty-man" among them.

Mr. Ayers has been having bad luck with his teams lately. Last week the wagon run by Fred Duensing broke down and yesterday Bob Matthews smashed a wheel on his wagon.

We read with amazement a few weeks ago an article of the "Witch's" claiming the explosion of gas on Madrone Farm was caused by a leakage of gas at Oakvale. Now as there has never been any gas here except when we were visited by Witch Hazel, we cannot understand what he means. We are a "new woman" and while we reverence and respect the tender sex to which the Witch belongs and sincerely sympathize with him in the loss of his valuable gas well, we will have to disclaim any responsibility in causing the explosion.

It commenced raining and blowing last night in true winter style, but this morning the sun is making a brave effort to peep from behind the clouds.

THISTLE.

Yankee Hill, Dec. 15, 1895.

Oliver Josephson came down from Flea valley on Saturday with a six horse load of lumber.

## Dance at Oregon City,

The party given at Oregon City school house last Friday was well attended. Five sets filled the floor from early in the evening until the following morning. The music was good and the basket supper at midnight was greatly appreciated by all.

The party was a thoroughly enjoyable one.

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## 12-19-1895

### Colonel Frank McLaughlin Disposes of His Mining Interests.

Colonel Frank McLaughlin, one of the leading mining capitalists of California, has disposed of his interest in the Golden Feather, the Banner, Golden Butterfly, Rock River and other mines in Butte to an English syndicate.

In an interview Monday with a member of the Mercury force he gave the following details: "The changes in the management of the mining companies will be carried out by Edmund Harvey Managing Director of the different companies and when these changes are effected and affairs are running smoothly Mr. Harvey will return to London after paying me a visit at my home in Santa Cruz. George H. Evans who put in two months on the claim during the past summer will hereafter act as manager for the River Claim, Banner, Butterfly and Rock River."

The Colonel says Herbert W. Smith will remain as secretary for the companies while Mr. Geisse will remain with him. A. J. Walsh will continue in the same position he now holds in regard to the Golden Butterfly mine. Mr. Smith will be in Oroville most of the time and will look after the Colonel's personal interests here. Mr. Sanborn will resign after he has carried out some extensive repairs on the Miocene ditches and flumes.

Colonel McLaughlin will hereafter devote more time to his orange and olive groves, to his water rights and irrigation properties and will still continue to hold large interests in this vicinity.

The REGISTER regrets to see the Colonel part with his mining interests here for he has been the most successful man we ever had in the introduction of foreign capital and in opening and successful working of extensive mining properties.

His broad and comprehensive mind grasped the most intricate details and no work was too great for him to undertake. The planning of the Big Bend tunnel, the Miocene Ditch, the Golden Gate and Golden Feather mines, the reopening of the famous Banner, the development of the Golden Butterfly and the working of the rich Rock River mines are some of the properties which he has successfully managed.

Butte county and Oroville in particular owes Colonel McLaughlin a debt of gratitude for his loyal work for their best interests.

We hope he has business ties enough to bind him to old Butte for the remainder of his life.

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**BUTTE COUNTY MINES SOLD.**

*Colonel McLaughlin Disposes of His Interest to Englishmen.*

OROVILLE, CAL., Dec. 23.—Colonel Frank McLaughlin, who has for the past sixteen years managed several mines owned by himself and an English syndicate, has disposed of his entire interests to the syndicate and resigned. Edmund Harvey of London has succeeded Colonel McLaughlin, and George H. Evans will be appointed resident manager, with headquarters at the Banner mine.

"I have sold to my English associates all my interest in the River Claim, Butterfly, Banner and Rock River, and also my interest in the Mineral Slide mine, which property they propose to open if certain negotiations are carried through," said Colonel McLaughlin to-day. "This sale enables me to take a rest which nature long ago warned me was necessary. Hereafter I intend to mix the golden fruit lands with the golden gravels of quartz in my business. My control of the Miocene ditch and its great possibilities for irrigation and power for electric light and railways, is in itself sufficient inducement to attract me outside of my interest in citrus lands and a firm faith in their growing values—a faith which started in skepticism, but is now founded upon the rock of close and unprejudiced investigations."

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