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LOCAL HISTORY RECITED

TURNER OLIVER CITES IRVING ABOUT HOT LAKE.

First Known Mention of Hot Waters Made by Washington Irving.

La Grande, May 11, (To the Editor Observer)—In your issue of May 7th was an article by A. B. Roberts, claiming that he discovered Hot Lake in 1861, and he doubtless thinks that he was the first white man to ever behold this natural wonder, but Hot Lake was really discovered by Mr. Stuart of the Astor party about the 3rd day of August 1812, as will ap-

pear more clearly by reading Chapter 44 of Washington Irving's "Astoria." The overland expedition led by Hunt had met with various disasters on Snake River in its journey west in 1811, and had passed through the Grande Ronde valley in the winter time, having spent New Year's Day 1812 on Catherine Creek near the present town of Union, and a week later reached the Indian camps on the Umatilla, almost starved, having wallowed its way through the snow on the Blue Mountains and finally reached the settlement at the mouth of the Columbia. Quite a number of Hunt's men gave out along Snake River and had to be left to starve or subsist from the unfriendly Indians, and on the 31st of July 1812, Mr.

Stuart and a little company of five others, having fitted themselves out with horses at the mouth of the Walla Walla, undertook to retrace the route followed by Hunt and save, if possible, the men that had been left behind. The party almost died of thirst on its first day out crossing the plains of Umatilla county without knowing where to find any water, and reached the Umatilla river late at night, probably a little above where Pendleton now stands. On August 1st, it got well into the mountains, and from the description given was in the canyon of Meacham Creek, and on the next day the party reached the Grande Ronde valley. From the azure appearance of these mountains from the plains of the Columbia, they called them the Blue Mountains. I quote the following from Irving, which leaves no doubt as to where they were and to what they found:

"Emerging from the chain of Blue Mountains, they descended upon a vast plain, almost a dead level, sixty miles in circumference, of excellent soil, with fine streams meandering through it in every direction, their courses marked out in wide landscape by serpentine lines of cottonwood trees and willows, which fringed their banks, and afforded sustenance to great numbers of beavers and other animals.

"In traversing this plain, they passed close to the skirts of hills, a great pool of water, three hundred yards in circumference, fed by a sulphur spring, about ten feet in diameter, boiling up in one corner. The vapor from this pool was extremely noisome, and tainted the air for a considerable distance. The place was much frequented by elk, which were found in considerable numbers in the adjacent mountains, and their horns, shed in the spring time, were strewn in every direction around the pond."

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