

EARLY DAYS IN CALIFORNIA WHEN GOLD WAS COMMON DESCRIBED

Mrs. Nina Churchman Larowe Recalls Incidents of Long Trip Across Plains and Tells of Later Joys of Riding by Stage When Every Boy's Ambition Was to Handle Spirited Steeds.



WOMAN TELLS HOW SHE OVERCAME ADVERSITY. The accompanying article by Mrs. Nina Churchman Larowe, a well-known Portland woman, is the second installment of an autobiography that is of general interest to women.

Nina Churchman Larowe. Waples—you see their names have remained with me through all the years and also the memory of a little punishment I received for going over there one day without leave.

Dr. Ney Churchman, 10 Years Old. I did not confine their law practice to Nevada County. So great was the demand for their services over the state.

BY NINA CHURCHMAN LAROWE.

THE first years of mining were the halcyon days. Placer mining was from the top soil. It seemed to come very easily, of simply filling a pan with dirt and water and alternately shaking it back and forth till the water was gone and the smaller particles, and perhaps the large nuggets, alone remained.

Little Vanity Borne in Mind. My aunt was very busy sewing and preparing for the journey. Dresses, aprons, strong shoes, sunbonnets and dozens of stockings had to be provided.

Dr. Ney Churchman, 10 Years Old. The trains started out in the Spring and had all they could do to get over the mountains before the heavy snow began.

Everyone could locate a claim and work it with the highest profit. Children could fill a pan with dirt and wash it back and forth until the metal was all deposited on the bottom of the pan, and the rest was the result.

Terrors of Trip Not Realized. I seem to remember only very much talked-of events. My Irene and my Kate and I were so little as to know nothing of the terrors of the journey.

Rejoicing Is Public. My mother had given me up for good. Nobody thought of breaking my coming to her, but all the town arrived at the door at once.

Extraneous Common Rule. Early Californians were very extravagant. If they had any tendency to miserliness it was the kindest prod.

Buffalo Are Thick. Oh, the vast herds of buffalo and antelope that now and then used to come thundering along.

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and coming to the door she faced the crowd and me. I was the center of attraction and had been old enough I might have been eaten up with vanity.

Many Became Famous. Nevada City and Nevada County were the seat of the richest placer mines in all the state and here were gathered for a long time the most brilliant lawyers of the day.

Early Training Heeded. The consequence is I can go into stores and purchase without touching. My heart aches for the merchant who seems to wish to buy from me.

Food Prices High. All foodstuffs, especially those which had to be shipped in, were exceedingly high-priced in those days.

When the placer mines gave out and hydraulic and quartz mining was resorted to, so that large capital was required, there was an immense amount of money in the state.

Prohibition Will Eliminate "Neighborhood Inspectors." Washington Until Recently Also Had Post of Wreckmaster to Which Men Were Elected for Joke.

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OREGON SENIORS ELECT. MERLIN BATLEY, OF TWIN FALLS, CHOSEN CLASS PRESIDENT. Portland Men Are in Race to Lead Juniors, While Girl Is Unopposed for Vice-President.

Girls With Beautiful Faces or Graceful Figures. American girls have a world-wide reputation for beauty, but, at the same time, there are girls in our cities who possess neither beauty of face nor form.

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