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#### Abstract

 The excitement created a couple Weeks ago by the extibition of gold and the reports directly from the Caur d'Alene plocer diging d'Alene placer diggings has been augs mented by still further developmenta and and moro startling discoveries, untll pitch, and squads of prospectora are securrying to the new camp. The ex. citement has not wasted its force in this place, but is apreadng through Wehingtor Washington, Montana and Idaho terri- tories And the wonderful productions are enough to awaken emotion in the most lethargical. There is no exagger- ation in the statement that if the pay gravel holds out here never has been placer mines discovered that would sur. pass these in richness Sunday D. D. Squire and W. J. Knox roturned from then squire and W. J. Knox roturned from the seenes of labor and their reports vard of one hundred prospectors havn vard of one hundred proopectors havg left this vicinity during tho week, and, athough late in the saason, the ruah although late in the season, the rush promises to be unprocedented in the | promises to be unprocedented in the |
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| history of new mining fields The | mineral bearing dirt is located in the fastness of the Ceur d'Alene monntaing, distant alout one hundred miles from Spokane Falls The road from from Spokune Falis The road from here to the point on the old Mullen mad road, where the trail turns to the mountains, is very good and can be traveled by wagons, but the mountain traved vy wags, and can only be path is sery rough traveled by sure footed animalk, and even then the road is so incumbered with rocks and fallen timber that a with rocks and fallen timber that a man has to walk and lead his horss for


 a number of miles With good horsena man can make the trip from the Falls a man can make the trip from the Falls
in four dayn. The great drawhack in
the heavy grade to cross in the mounthe heavy grade to cross in the moun-
tains. The snow falls early and to a great depth, making ingress and egreas
in the winter months almost inpractiin the winter months almost impracti-
coble. However, there is no doutt a
good wagon road-that is, good in com cable. However, here is no doubt a
goot wagon road-that is, good in com.
parison with none at all - will to cut
through, as there is no obstacle no phrough, as there is no obstacle no
great that men will not overcome in their thirst for lucre. If those who
are going in are going in now meet with the luck
they anticipate, we may look for a per thay anticipate, we may look for a per
feet flood of prospectors in the Spring teet flood of prospectors in the spring,
Of course the placers cannot bo worked in course the placers cannot bo worked
to spend ther cold monthe tho conclude to spend the cold monthe on the ground
do so merely to hold claims and to be
on an hand at the firat breaking up to work the miness It is the intention of
most of those who struck out this week mosk of those who struck out this week

to return to the Falls after taking up | claims |
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Yrom Messra Squire and Knox, who
have such confidence in the asp have such confidence in the camp as to
return to-day, to remain all winter it
necener return to-day, to remain all winter
necensary, we have gathared the fo lowing information: They both sta
that they are the most prouising placer that thay are the most prouising placer
mines they ever saw. When they lef there were nowe sixity or soventy men
on the ground. A great deal of lan on the ground. A great deal of land
had been taken up, but not much work done. The miners live in tents, al
though timber exists in abundance town nite has been haid off, which called Eagle City. The gold is of
course quality, mixed with gravel, an is found on the bed reck at a depth four to ton feet. The whole country
shows indications of having onco bee under water, and the deposits have
been wahedd down from some eldge in
the mountains On Pritchard creek, been wanhed down from some ledge in
the mountins On Prithard creek,
which, with the other numerous amall ntreams that out up the country, is
tributary to the Couse tributary to the Cour d'Alene river,
gold can be picked up in nuggrts weighing froni 82 upward. On the
12 th a man named Fiaher found a 12 th a man named Fisher found a nug
get in his claim worth $\$ 3848$. One get in his claim worth 838 48. One
miner was seen brushing out the crevi miner was seen brushing out the crevi
cen with a rough broom whitted frou ax wiece of pine, and the amount of gold
found by this crude means almost filled a common yeast powder can. Sop plies of every kind are very sarce in carap; still it will be but a short time before some enterprising individual runs in a stock of grods
All of the old miners we
All of the old miners we have talked
to are bewildered at the richnces of the
digginga. Many are willing to doubr would hardly believe their own as when the pure, wolid nuggets were dis
played. Men who bad experience in
the golden days of California, say the products surpass anything they over hoard of. Of coursa the mines may peter out, or be limited in extent, but Cose who have been thero nay that
color has been found wherever the proa pector has sunk a piek. This can only be determined in time Now thero Men are averag ing from procious metal. Men are averaging from $\$ 20$ to 830 por
dyy and have only the most primitive tools to work with. It stands to reaon that the find gold is entirely loast;
in fact no effort is being made to mave the small particies All the apecimens that hare been brought to this city are in the shape of nuggets, running all the way from pieces as large an a peen to
hunks as large as hazle nuta It is the general opinion that rich quarts dgen exist somewhero in theneighborbod of the camp. This is supported
by the appearance of the gold. Much of the appearance of the gold. Much hy the action of fre and then coolod hapes, being perfectly amooth. These tion of the evidently undergone the iecens are rough, tor years Other hering. Wo would not be surprised to learn of the discovery of rich rock at
any time, as wo underatand an old prospector in the hills hass fine apeolmens in his possession. When the
lodes are onx atruck the Panhandle of Idaho will ba a somne of activity never ations in the world.

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& \text { A correspondent sagg: "There is } \\
& \text { some smuggled ground hero yet, but }
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$$ his next week will let it all out. I hink it will make a good camp when evel, and will take long drains to

 rodst wide. It in about twanty.five miles long and all taken up. $\boldsymbol{A}$ good many are coming in here from Spo-
kans. There are about 125 men here now-150 more expected here this
woek. Supplies now come in from Rathdrum. I can not advise any one her, as he will have to fight his way and a hard one at that. Thero is nome talk of cutting down the claims to five
acres, but before you can receivo this acres, but before you can receive this
lotter every foot of ground will ba lotter ever
taken."

## Irtidh liumor.

"I ongagod," said a burly lawyer, " $n$ Wrive miles into to conduct me nome proceded some distance, when it hatue on audden standstill at tho beginning ma a raterer step incline, and the coach-
man, leaping to the ground, came to the door and opsned it. 'What are you at, mant This is not whero I ordered you to stop. Has the animal
iibbedr' 'Whist, yor honor, whists' said Paddy in an undertone. 'Tm only deasing the sly baste. IIll just bang whe door and the crafty ould cartur
will think he's intirely grot rid of yor will think he's intirely grot rid of yor
honor's splendid form, and he'll bo at honors splendid form, and he'll
the top of the hill in no time.'
On the edge of a small river in the county of Cavan, in Ireland, there in-
use to be -a stone with tho following inseription eut upon it, no doube in tonddd for the information of strangors
pasing that way: "N. B.-When this stone is out of sight, it in not nafe
to ford the river.' Even the abovo in lord the river. Even the abovo in mous post errected a few years since by the surveyors of the Kent roade in
England: "Thin is the tridle path to England: "Thisis the tridlo path to
Faverhham. If you can't read this
you had better teep to the you had better keep no the main road."
We are also reminded of a dobata Which took place in the Iriah Houne of in which the Chancellor of the Ex.
in chrquer, Sir John Plunkett, obseervod with great emphasis. "That in the
prosecution of the present war, every man ought to give his last gainea to proteot the remainder." Mr. Vandsthe tax on leather would be saverely.
felt by the bare-footad telt by the bare-foothd peasentry of
Ireland." To which Sir B. Roche replied that ""his could be cocily rean-
edied by making tho underlathers of wood "-Chambern'

