

## FROM SPARTA.

### Placer Mining in Old Channel of Eagle Creek.

#### A COMPLICATED MINING SUIT.

Closing Exercises of the Public School—Personal Mention—Notes.

Silver per ounce \$1.20.  
Lead per 100 lbs. \$4.00.  
Copper per 100 lbs. \$16.40.

The above quotations show what benefits are already derived from the silver bill.

Several more new houses will be built next month, which will add materially to the appearance of our busy camp.

The upraise from the lower working tunnel on the Del Monte is completed and carpenters will commence next week to build the houses for the pump and hoisting machinery that will arrive here in a few days.

Contractor Waldron will finish work for the Union Tunnel Co. in a few days, making about 900 feet of work done under his management for the owners, Messrs. Clough & Reed. The property is one of the best in Eastern Oregon.

The clean-up on Thorn gulch by Younger & Hawkins was only \$1,400 instead of \$2,000 as expected, yet this leaves a net gain of \$900, which is not bad for twenty-eight days' run with three men.

Clough and Graham are washing very rich dirt the past ten days, and it is expected not less than \$30 a day to the hand will be realized from these diggings. This is an old channel of Eagle creek, one thousand feet nearly perpendicular above the present channel.

Jud. Cook, the "rustler," is down from his rich gold properties on East Eagle, and reports everything lively in the vicinity of Ft. McGee, and the mines are looking simply immense and if the ore brought with him from his "mint" mine is anything like an average, his is indeed a bonanza. The East Eagle country will soon attract the attention of capitalists, and then look out for a genuine boom.

Sparta is about to have a big sensation in the way of a very complicated mining suit, based on illegal location, trespass of rights, purchase of mines belonging to an estate, without an order from the court, sale of property by one heir only, and erroneous appointing of administratrix, are a few of the points in question.

The Silver Queen, owned by Jay Guy Lewis, is showing up nicely as work progresses and is the general opinion of mining men that this, and the Free Thinker, owned also by the Dr. will prove the best free gold properties in the camp. Samples of ore from the Queen gave \$31.60 by free amalgamation, and the sulphurets after concentration assay \$890 to the ton in gold.

Sparta is quite lively again. Weather cool and pleasant and roads very dusty.

Lots of building and lots of strangers in town, among them Mr. Beardsley of Detroit Mich.

Mrs. Scott of La Grande has been teaching the school here and giving extra good satisfaction. She had a school exhibition on the 23. Following is the programme of the evening.

Song—"Gay and happy," by the school.

Recitation—"Equals," by Miss Edna Scott.

Recitation—"Frogs at school," by the school.

Song—"What the Lambkin said," by the school.

Recitation—"Hang up the baby's stocking," by Miss Belle Henderson.

Recitation—"The bear and the beehive," by Master Phil. Ainsworth.

Recitation—"God bless the little children," by Miss Edith Sparks.

Song—"Maggie and chipmunk," by school.

Recitation—"Flo's letter," by Miss Edna Scott.

Recitation—"Deck of cards," by Eddie Forshey.

Song—"Daddy papa and I," by the school.

Recitation—"The old hens mistake," by Miss Belle Henderson.

Recitation—"Auction Extraordinary," Clinton Ainsworth.

Song—"Sleep darling sleep," by the school.

Recitation—"Good night and good

morning," Miss Minnie Ainsworth. Recitation—"The charcoal man," by Miss June Reed.

Song—"Medley," by school.

The students were highly applauded and everyone seemed well pleased with the exercises. Mrs. Scott intends to return to her home at La Grande the last of the week, to take charge of a school there. Mrs. S. will be missed by her students, and also in the social circle at Sparta.

KNOW MORE.

#### WOLF CREEK.

An Excellent Crop Being Harvested—Sale of Lands—The Public School.

Sept. 2, 1890.

Cool and pleasant weather. We had a fine rain last Saturday which was welcomed by all, and particularly by the lumber haulers.

Hay harvest is done. Grain harvest in full blast. This week will about finish grain cutting on Wolf creek.

Threshing on Clover creek is about complete and will begin on Wolf creek to-day. Reports are that the grain is turning out splendid.

Sam. Charnes has sold his ranch on Wolf creek to his brother Ed, and is talking of going to northeast Arkansas to engage in saw milling.

Hay bids fair to be a good price. It is now selling at \$8 and 9 per ton in the stack. Mr. Milt Hughes has sold 100 tons to Baker City parties at \$11 per ton baled on the ranch.

We are sorry to note that Uncle John Simonis is quite sick but we are glad that he is growing some better. We hope that he may soon be fully recovered and able to be up again.

W. L. Charnes, Jesse O'Bryant, Miss Katie Wicks and Miss Emma Hand visited Muddy creek last Sunday, and report that the threshing is in full blast and grain turning out beyond the farmers' expectations.

The directors of Wolf creek school are talking of beginning school the 8th inst. and continuing six months. Such a school should produce good results, as there are quite a number of young men and ladies wanting to attend. They have retained the former teacher, W. L. Charnes, this being the fourth term. We hope he will still continue to give good satisfaction. The directors are showing quite an interest in the school by purchasing of Andrew and Co. a globe, dictionary and maps and trying in many ways to supply the district with many of the appliances which are indispensable in the success of a school.

#### HIPPOCRATES.

#### MORTGAGE INDEBTEDNESS.

A Special Investigation of Real Estate Mortgage Indebtedness Ordered.

The following letter from Mr. Potter, superintendent of the census, explains itself:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CENSUS OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., 1890.

EDITOR OREGON SCOUT:—

The counties of Union and Umatilla in the state of Oregon, have been selected for the purpose of making a special investigation of real estate mortgage indebtedness. Inquiries will be addressed to the owners of mortgaged real estate, and in some cases to the holder of mortgages, to ascertain the amounts unpaid and the reasons for incurring the debts. The answers will be strictly confidential, and in no case will be revealed to any private person or public officer outside of the Census Office, whose employees are all sworn to preserve the secrecy of the information. It is hoped that the interest in the mortgage question, which prevails everywhere throughout this country, will enlist the co-operation of every one to whom the requests are made. This investigation is authorized by act of Congress in response to a general demand on the part of the people that it be made, and it now rests upon the people to make some necessary contributions to its success.

Very Respectfully,  
ROBERT P. PORTER,  
Superintendent of Census.

Mr. James W. Siler, special agent sent out by the department, is now in Union for the purpose of prosecuting this work.

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## THE SOUTH.

### Desire of its People to Get Better acquainted.

#### ADVANCE IN ARTS AND SCIENCE.

A Southern Exposition to be Held in Some Northern City.

RALPH, N. C., August 13, 1890.

EDITOR OREGON SCOUT:—

It is likely that one of the first great desires of every man coming from the North to the South to make a home is that the people of the North should know the South; its climate, its resources and its people.

Of course the people of the South have the same desire. And while Northern men are traveling in the South and writing it up for important Northern publications, the Southern people are organizing for systematic and wise efforts to place themselves and their home country correctly and fully before Northern eyes. Until 1888 these organized efforts have been confined to States. Now all of the Southern States are united into an organization whose aim and intention is to place the South and its people justly before Northern eyes. This organization has very wisely determined as the best means to accomplish the desire object, to hold a Southern Exposition in some Northern city.

It is quite likely that a great motive principle in the first world's Fair was curiosity; a curiosity to see what other parts of the world could do. It is equally certain that a higher motive has been the main factor in later Expositions; viz, a desire in the people of one part of the world to see what other parts can do, and from seeing to learn something for the advantage of self. As a means of diffusing knowledge, any large Exposition is not likely to be overestimated in its effects. The diffusion of knowledge is just the reason for a Southern Exposition in a Northern city. The people of the North cannot all come South. But the South can carry evidences of her agricultural, mineral and manufactured wealth, and spread it where northern eyes can see and study that wealth. This the South has determined to do. And when it is done, it is certain that it will prove a greater means of diffusing correct knowledge of the South among Northern people than all other means combined. The same motive exists for carrying the resources of the South to be shown in the North as that which will move England to place her great resources on exhibition at Chicago. Nor yet just the same; for the need of a better mutual knowledge between North and South is far greater than any need of mutual knowledge between this and other nations.

What can the South show? She can show her great variety of rich agricultural products and fruits. What prices do northern people pay for inferior market samples of these fruits and products? She can show proof of her mineral wealth, unsurpassed by any people on the globe. How rapidly are Northern capitalists even now placing their money to bring out this wealth and more money to their own pockets. She can show the progress of the Southern white people in arts and manufactures. And what is more, she can show under a systematic and well organized plan, the progress of the colored people since they became free.

In 1883 North Carolina alone held an Exposition in Boston, which was the wonder of all who gave it a visit. Now all the Southern States will combine their magnificent products, resources and wealth in a grand Exposition, probably equal in size to the first World's fair held in New York.

Who will go to this Exposition, and what will it be worth to the city in which it is held? One southern gentleman says four millions of southern people will visit the Exposition. They will go to see what their own state can do, and to see the North. The low rates of travel, probably lower on railroads and domestic and foreign steamship lines than have ever been granted before, will induce a large number of Southern people to travel North. If the gentleman is half right, and each person leaves three dollars in the city where the Exposition is held, that city takes six millions of dollars from the Southern people alone. Add to this the money which people from other parts of the country and from foreign lands will leave in that city, and the sum becomes enough to induce any city to say, "We want the Southern Exposition to be held here."

J. T. PATRICK.

#### THE COVE.

A Challenge to the Shirleyites—An Accident—Interesting Notes.

Sept. 3, 1890.

Mrs. Adam Crossman and daughter Miss Lena also Miss Arlie Foster have gone for a few weeks visit at Milton.

The first appearance of Jacob Frost happened Sunday night. It was only a little visit and no damage resulted.

Messrs. Wilson and Chandler have invested in a new thrasher and are now hard at work saving the crops in Lower Cove.

Minnick's steam thrasher is in our midst. Harvest should be finished early this season and much grain soon be ready for the market.

While driving last evening Mrs. Gen. Stewart was thrown from a cart and severely bruised. A physician was called to examine her injuries.

Mrs. J. G. Stevens started for Eugene this week for the purpose of visiting her mother and sister who are residents of that thriving town.

The Cove base ball nine hereby challenge the victorious Shirley club for a match game of ball. Conditions, time etc., to be mutually agreed upon.

Missionary work was resumed permanently in Albina, Sept. 1st by the Rev. Mr. Powell who also acts as assistant to the Rector of Trinity church.

Mr. Jas. Russell sends ten teams this week to work on railroad construction near Lewiston. Mr. Andrew Russell is at that place and had made all necessary arrangements.

The young folks who went to Union Monday night found out they were about the only ones who felt inclined to mingle in the merry dance. What's the trouble with the frolic loving Unionites.

Mr. Willis Fisher killed two large elk on the head waters of Catherine creek last Tuesday. They jumped up near and he shot both before they could get out of range of his deadly Winchester. The meat was all dried and brought in.

A Portland paper says the Bishop has rented Ascension school farm to Mr. Jas. Russell, formerly a pupil in the Bishop Scott Grammar school. It is expected the school will be opened the latter part of Sept. by Miss Mary E. Thomas of Bedford City, Virginia.

There is some talk of consolidating Cove and Shanghi school districts as the latter district does not afford children enough for a six months term. The move would seem to be a good one. It would necessitate building an addition to the Cove school house and employing three teachers.

Mr. E. E. Bragg a young man from Illinois arrived in Cove last week in search of a position as school teacher. In less than a week he had been engaged in the Iowa settlement for five months at a salary of \$55 per month, passed a creditable examination and commenced work. The Oregon style is a little bewildering to an eastern man.

A number of Cove bloods witnessed the match game of ball in Union last Sunday and were well pleased both with the interesting play and the gentlemanly manner in which both nines conducted themselves. At a critical point in the game Kelsav's arm gave out and the Shirleyites hit him very hard and soon routed the Nodinians, "Larries" playing was the feature.

The other day, while a circus was exhibiting at Reno, Nevada, a fiend in human shape named O'Gosh gave a boy two bits to walk around under the benches where an entire seminary of young ladies were seated, and let loose a hive full of trained bees near the hind legs of the young ladies above. Eye-witnesses of the terrible scene state that there was an average of nine sweet girl graduates in the air all the time. Well may the moralist ask: "Whither are we drifting?"

A Walla Walla mother traveling with her infant child, wrote the following letter to her husband at home: "We are all doing first rate, and enjoying ourselves very much. We are in excellent health. The baby can crawl about on all fours and drink from a bottle all day long. Hoping the same can be said of you, I remain your loving Mary."

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