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JOSEPHINE COUNTY'S NEW EL Dorado

Courier Proprietor Sees Immense Wealth.

The big gold find of Southern Josephine county was visited this week by two Courier men, A. E. Voorhies and Fred Mensch, for the purpose of seeing the place which has put new life into the mining industry of this section, and of securing reliable and certain information as to the value of the discovery. The reports have been so varied and so widely different that it seemed there was little dependence to be placed in them, so, for the benefit of the readers of the Courier, the trip was made.

A journey by wheel to Holland and thence by trail on foot up Sucker creek and over the mountain brought us to the spot which is justly entitled to be considered one of the wonders of the world.

David Briggs and his family, son-in-law and brother, in all five men and two ladies, are in camp by their bonanza, carefully watching and guarding it and taking out some gold from time to time. They are making no effort to mine it and are merely taking out a few slabs of gold or handsome quartz specimens to pass away the time until they can safely deposit the treasure already secured. They argue with reason that the gold is safer in the ground than it is out of it. It is one of the peculiar conditions of this mine that the gold can be taken out far more rapidly than it can be taken care of. The fact that they are not working night and day on the vein, has been misinterpreted by some, who do not understand the conditions and the report has thus got abroad that the place is worked out. Nothing could be further from the truth. From all appearances they have only just begun to take out the gold which is lying near the surface.

The seam, as it is followed, is found to widen in places to an inch or more in width and in such places as this piece of gold nearly as large as a man's hand have been found. The largest piece taken out containing some \$1000, was broken in washing it. Mr. Briggs has a piece of gold and quartz which contains between \$600 and \$700. He has one piece of quartz as big as his two flats, which has a half inch thick slab of gold bisecting it and holding the two halves together, and there are a number of similar specimens of smaller size. These were secured in following the gold seam where it cut through the ledge from one wall to the other.

From the main seam, smaller veins of gold radiate like spider legs into the crevices of the rock. The red, rusty dirt in and about the seam is said to be fully half gold when looked at with a glass. As the miners followed the seam of gold, they threw the loosened rock and dirt into the cut behind them, covering up and concealing the bottom, so that the hole is filled up except for a small place at the extreme end. Pans of this loose dirt and rock, taken at random, yield from \$2 to \$50 each.

The gold is porous and is light in comparison with a similar bulk of placer gold, but is very pure, being worth in this crude state, about \$18 per ounce.

The find is located on one of the spurs of Tennant peak of the Siskiyou. Tennant peak is the culmination of a triple watershed which embraces tributaries of Sucker creek, Althouse creek and of the Klamath river. The ledge is on the slope which leads to Thompson creek, a tributary of the Klamath, and is only about 100 yards from the top of the divide which slopes on the north side to Febyly gulch, a small tributary of Sucker creek. It may be considered the same divide or "backbone" which separates Sucker creek and Althouse. This ridge is one of the biggest gold carriers on the Pacific coast.
Grants Pass is the only rational point of departure for these mines.

1000 SHOPMEN LET OUT

Southern Pacific Makes Reduction in Working Force.
The force of shopmen of the operation of the Southern Pacific Railroad west of El Paso and Reno and south of Ashland were reduced 10 per cent Friday, 1000 men being thrown out of employment. Last Monday the hours of labor in all the shops were reduced from 10 to nine, the equivalent of the discharge of 1000 men, so far as wage saving is concerned.

The railroad officials say there is not work for the force of shopmen that has been employed. The rolling stock is in thorough repair and up-to-date. Of the thousand men discharged, 250 were let out at the Sacramento shops.

By these two orders the Southern Pacific saves in wages about \$6000 a day, or about \$180,000 a month. The shops affected, besides those at Sacramento, are at Oakland, San Francisco, Dunsmuir, Bakerfield, Los Angeles and Tucson.
This is the largest reduction of its employees the Southern Pacific has made on this Coast since the summer of 1893. General Manager C. H. Markham says he has made the reduction on orders from the East and there is no telling when the discharged men and the saved hours of labor are to be restored.

Safe-guard the Children.

Notwithstanding all that is done by boards of health and charitable institutions, the death rate among small children is very high during the hot weather of the summer months in the large cities; there is not probably one case of bowel complaint in a hundred, however, that would not be cured by the timely use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For sale by all druggists.

Furniture Items that are interesting

Something new always to be found in this immense stock.
The largest assortment and the lowest prices.
CARPET REMNANTS - We're closing out short pieces 1/4 off.
LACE CURTAINS, 45c to \$6.50 pair - closing out some numbers 1/4 off.
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REFRIGERATORS AT COST to close out.
10 and 12-piece Toilet Sets at cost to close out.
NEW GOODS NEWS - Another lot of those cheap Iron Beds. See the new Dressing Bureaus, beautiful goods; they're right.
See the new Buffet China Closets, New Carpets, New Kitchen Treasures, New Porch Chairs, Camp Chairs, Hammocks 75c up to \$6.00.
Camp Stoves at cost to close.
Tents Lower Than Ever.

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The Ware that Wears
Lava Enamelled Ware
Our latest importation stands today without a rival in point of quality, style and finish; made from heavy steel rolled especially for the purpose; covered on the outside with heavy coats of very hard elastic enamel and on the inside with PURE white PORCELAIN. We guarantee this ware to be free from lead, antimony or arsenic - We guarantee every piece. You will be pleased with the reasonable prices.

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R. THOMAS & CO., The Housefurnishers

Grants Pass, Oregon.

W. C. T. U. Column

The W. C. T. U. were well pleased with the attendance and the interest manifested at the social meeting held in the A. O. U. W. hall on Friday, July 1st. Our next will be a business meeting on July 15th, in the League room of the M. E. church.

The W. C. T. U. at the World's Fair.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be given grand opportunities for doing good at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition than it has ever had at former world's fairs. No doubt every visitor at the grounds will have occasion to bless the temperance women for the free ice water which their beautiful bronze fountain will furnish. It is said that this fountain will be the only place on the grounds where ice water is supplied free of charge. The fountain is a work of art, modeled by Miss Elsie Ward, of New York, formerly of Missouri. The style is French Renaissance. It will cost \$1000, and is erected by the W. C. T. U. of the Louisiana Purchase states, and friends. The fountain will be found in a conspicuous place at the exposition, between the Varied Industries and Manufacturers' buildings, near the Louisiana Purchase monument. It is within a few feet of the Waterway, the main walk, and opposite the cascades. It is almost within the shadow of the statue of Peace.

Miss Ward is a prominent sculptor, having other commissions for the World's Fair, among which is the figure of George Rogers Clark.
In the department of Social Economy, the W. C. T. U. will have an exhibit 15x18 feet in size.
A display of charts, maps, maps, pictures, etc., from various parts of the world, will show the efforts the W. C. T. U. is making "For God and Home and Every Land."
An International Temperance Congress is scheduled for Oct. 10-15. The W. C. T. U. Days are Oct. 12 and 13, with Oct. 14 as Anti-Cigarette Day. On June 5, Flower Mission day will be observed in memory of Jennie Casaday, who inaugurated the work. 100,000 verses on cards will be given away with bouquets on that day, tied with the white ribbon.

Mardi Gras and Carnival.

Account Mardi Gras and Carnival to be held at Portland, June 28th, to July 9th, inclusive, tickets will be on sale at rate of One and one-third fare, plus 35 cents for the round trip. Sale dates June 27th and July 7th, with limit of six days after date of sale, but not later than July 10th.
W. E. COMAN, G. P. A.

Velox Demonstration.

H. L. Richardson of the Eastman Kodak Co. will be in Grants Pass Friday, July 8, and will give two practical demonstrations in the afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock with the developing machine and from 7 to 9 p. m., a velox demonstration. All who are interested in either of these subjects are invited to call.

Working on Blue Ledge
Supplies and Machinery Being Hauled to Mine.
The new owners of the Blue Ledge copper property have begun active operations for the complete development of that famous mine, says the Ashland Record. Over 5000 pounds of mining material and meshhouse supplies have been hauled the past week to Joes Bar by Decatur Davis and from there on to the mine, a distance of five miles, there is only a trail over which the supplies will be taken on pack horses. In this first outfit is a large steel range and a complete meshhouse outfit and supplies, and for use at the mine there is 5000 pounds of drill steel, coal and a full outfit of tools. Additional supplies will be sent out and in a short time a large force of men will be put to work driving tunnels and doing other development work. The wagon road is to be extended on to the mine from Joes Bar.
The work of making a preliminary examination for the survey of a route for the railroad that is to be built from Jacksonville to the Blue Ledge mine has been begun by Peter Applegate, the well known surveyor. Mr. Applegate has succeeded in finding a very feasible route that will be free from heavy grades and from heavy rock work and the bridges and trestles will not be large and expensive. The proposed route is to go up the right side of Jackson creek to C. D. Reed's place where it crosses the right fork of Jackson creek, with a left curve passing just below Mr. Reed's vineyard and across the right fork of Jackson creek by a high bridge and thence in a southerly direction up the hill and across the divide to Poorman's creek at Matt Demmer's place. The divide has an altitude of 600 feet above Jacksonville and it can be reached by a grade not to exceed three per cent. This is lighter than the grade on the Southern Pacific over the Siskiyou mountains which averages three per cent, going as high as three and a half per cent in places. From the point where this route would reach Poorman's creek, the grade would be on a water level down that stream and up Applegate to the smelter site.
Pending the arrival of the Company's engineer, Dr. J. F. Reddy and E. L. Jones are arranging all details possible that all may be in readiness when the company is ready to begin operations.
Brutally Tortured.
A case came to light, that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equaled. Joe Golobick of Colusa, Cal., writes: "For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from rheumatism and nothing relieved me though I tried everything known. I came across Electric Bitters and it's the greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by National Drug Store and Grants Pass Pharmacy.
Prospecting Outfits at Cramer Bros.

Do not build your fire in dense masses of pine leaves, stuff and other combustible material, where the fire is sure to spread.
Do not build your fire against large logs, especially rotten logs, where it requires more work and time to put the fire out than you are willing to expend, and where you are rarely quite certain that the fire is really and completely extinguished.
In windy weather and in dangerous places, dig a fire hole and clear off a place to secure your fire. You will save wood and trouble.
Every camp fire should be completely put out before leaving the camp.
Do not build fires to clear off land and for other similar purposes without informing the nearest ranger or the supervisor, so that he may assist you.
One Lady's Recommendation Sold Fifty Boxes of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets.
I have, I believe, sold 50 boxes of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets on the recommendation of one lady here, who first bought a box of them about a year ago. She never tires of telling her neighbors and friends about the good qualities of these tablets. - P. M. Stone, druggist, Rochester, Ind. The pleasant purgative effect of these tablets makes them a favorite with ladies everywhere. For sale by all druggists.
I try a Blue Ribbon 5-cent cigar.