

**DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.**

**Blown 40 Feet, Skull Fractured and Is Still Alive.**

While thawing out some giant powder last Thursday at the Sumpter Free Gold Mining Company's properties, four miles from town, an explosion occurred, injuring one man, several standing near by fortunately escaping.

J. J. Foler, the man injured, was struck on the head by a piece of rock and knocked forty feet down the hill.

He came to town unassisted and medical attention was not sought until Friday. He acted a little queer at times Thursday, but no special attention was paid to him. Friday he fell on the street, unconscious, and Dr. Brock was called to attend him. An examination revealed that the skull had been fractured, about an inch in length, and was pressing on the brain. For immediate relief, the indentation was raised, the doctor thinking at the time that a trepanning operation would have to be performed.

Consciousness was soon regained after being relieved of the pressure on the brain, and Saturday Mr. Foler was so much better that it was decided that the operation would not be necessary.

**Resume Operations at the Strasburg.**

Next to the Red Boy there is perhaps no mining property in eastern Oregon that is better known than the Strasburg on Olive creek. This property, though long ago patented, has been lying idle for two years by reason of the fact that the principal owners have died. On last Friday's stage there arrived a man who brings the glad tidings that this property is once more to begin operations. This man is Joseph L. Warner, of Tacoma, engineer and general manager of the re-organized Strasburg Consolidated Mining company. Mr. Warner will at once take out a large force of men and begin operations on an extensive scale. With his experience and the capital backing him there is little question that out of the Strasburg there will soon be made a mine that will equal the Red Boy, Bonanza or any other in the Granite district.—Granite Gem.

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