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IN DAYS OF GOLD

Immense Output Follows Discovery of Metal in California.

For Eleven Years, From 1850 to 1861, the Yield Was Prodigious, Amounting in 1852 to Over \$65,000,000.

Washington.—"The historically important discovery of gold in California was made in January, 1848, at John Sutter's mill on South Fork of American river, near Coloma, a point only ten or fifteen miles southwest of the town of Auburn," says a statement by the geological survey.

"From 1850 to 1853 the greatest yield was derived from the gravels, and the largest annual output for this period was more than \$65,000,000 in 1852. There was some reaction in 1854, due to previous wild speculation, but a production of about \$50,000,000 a year, chiefly from placer mines, was maintained up to 1861.

"At first the gold was won chiefly from the gravels along the present streams. Those who first got possession of the rich bars on American, Yuba, Feather and Stanislaus rivers and some of the smaller streams in the heart of the gold region made at times from \$1,000 to \$5,000 a day. In 1848 \$500 to \$700 a day was not unusual luck; but, on the other hand, the income of the great majority of miners was far less than that of men who seriously devoted themselves to trade or even to common labor.

"The gold pan, the 'rocker,' the 'tom,' the sluice and the hydraulic giant, or 'monitor,' named in the order of increasing efficiency, were the tools successively used by the miners. Into the 'rocker' and the 'tom' the miner shoveled gravel or 'dirt,' rocking the machine as he poured in water and catching the gold, often with the aid of quicksilver, on riffles set across the bottom of his box. Sometimes a stream was diverted into a flume to lay bare the gravel in its bed so that the miner could get at it.

"In sluicing, the gravel was shoveled into a similar but much longer box through which a stream of water was allowed to run.

"The hydraulic giant was employed to wash into long riffle-set sluices immense quantities of gravel, especially from the higher (Tertiary) deposits much of which was too lean to work out by hand. Water was brought for many miles in ditches and flumes from the high Sierra and conducted under great head to a nozzle, from which it was projected with tremendous force against the gravel.

"It was the vast quantity of refuse washed into the streams by these hydraulic operations that brought about the conflict between mining and agricultural interests, finally decided in favor of the farmers."

BIG HAUL FOR "CRIPPLE"

This Beggar Kept Record of Receipts—Gives Police Hard Battle.

Allentown, Pa.—William Newbecker, a perfectly healthy man, who can twist his arms so that he looks crippled, did such a prosperous business begging in Allentown that he went on a spree and he was locked up, giving the bluecoats a fight before they landed him in a cell.

At court it was found out that he had a roll of several hundred dollars. Newbecker, who covers the entire East, kept a book showing his daily receipts. His best day here brought \$14.50, and the average for some time past was \$10 a day. He was fined \$5 for drunkenness and told to leave Allentown.

NO NEW JOBS AT PANAMA

Canal Office Warns Unemployed Not to Seek Work at Isthmus.

Washington.—The blockade of the Panama canal by earth slides has not created new work for Americans in the Canal Zone, and the canal office here issued a statement in an effort to counteract published reports which have drawn many Americans to the isthmus in search of employment.

"General Goethals indicates," the statement says, "that the number of men continually being laid off on account of reduction of force is in excess of the vacancies which were temporarily created by the work on the slides, and the influx of men looking for employment on the isthmus is entirely unwarranted."

They Rescued "Tige."

Huntington, Ind.—A dog belonging to William Wilcox, living west of Andrews, followed a coon into a ten-inch tile ditch recently. Hunters spent hours in trying to call the dog back, but got no response. The owners dug up the ditch at several places and finally located Tige forty rods from the opening and in an eight-inch side ditch. The dog was exhausted, but still alive.

Burned Tommy and All.

Appleton, Wis.—Desiring to see a tomcat burn, a seven-year-old boy living on the outskirts set fire to the animal, the aftermath being the destruction of a carpenter shop. The blazing fur of the feline communicated to shavings in the building, and the structure was converted into ashes within a few minutes.

Silas Erickson of Marathon, Ia., is here looking after business. He will probably buy land. Twenty years ago he bought land in Iowa for \$22 an acre that is worth \$150 an acre today and he believes that North Dakota land will do nearly as well.

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