ABOUT OUR GOLD MINES

J. R. Tregloan Superintendent of the Melba.

THE PROSPECTS AT THE GOLDEN WEST MINE

Strike of Gravel Ore In the Larkin.—New Water Power Machinery for the Cambriana.

CALAVERAS COUNTY.

Prospect: The newly organized Ozark Mining company, operating on 6-mile, near Murphys, is pushing operations with all possible vigor. The new hoist has proved to be a success, and the work of sinking was completed without a hitch. Last Monday bedrock was reached after passing through 25 feet of gravel, every foot of which showed good prospects in the pan. Very little water was encountered, the whole amount at present not exceeding 50 gallons for 24 hours.

The company will at present proceed to break out the ground as fast as possible. Though it cannot be washed at present, for lack of water, it will be all ready when the water does come. The dry weather is favorable for the present working of the mine, and the location of the channel seems to be above the others of that district, where the great volume of water has made the work very expensive. The channel of the Ozark seems to be a dry one, and even in the wet season there is not much water. The gold is exceedingly coarse and the promise for a rich mine is first-class.

Chronicle: The Lone Star mine is again at work under the management of a contractor from Nevada City. A crew of men arrived here during the week from the city and work sinking the shaft is now going on. The shaft is to be sunk 350 feet deeper. The big reservoir of the Lone Star Mining Company, on the Volcano road, at a place called Big Flat, about a mile and a half from West Point, which has been in the process of construction for some time past, is now completed. This company has started to build another reservoir on the north fork of the Mokelumne river near McQuaide's ranch, about eight miles above West Point. They are putting on a large crew of laborers and last Sunday Dave Berry of the Valley Spring stage line took up a load of ten men who will go to work there.

We understand that the Defender mine at Camp Contreras has passed by bond into other hands, under which management the shaft is to be sunk 300 feet which will make a total depth of about 700 feet.

W. W. Weatherwax, superintendent of the Burdena mine at Campo Seco, was in town last Tuesday. He reports that operations will be commenced at the mine in about ten days. A new steam hoist will be erected and a double-compartment shaft will be sunk to a depth of two or three hundred feet.

At the annual meeting of the Melba Gold Mining Company, held Sept. 12th 1900, the following persons were elected directors: W. H. Busch, J. P. Rixford, W. H. Hutchinson, E. Carl Bank, P. B. Whitfield, A. W. Bean, Geo. W. Baker, John R. Tregloan. Work will soon be resumed under the superintendency of Mr. Tregloan.

TUOLUMNE COUNTY

Independent: Messrs S. S. Petrovich of San Francisco and G. Ghiglieri and L. Giambonini of Stockton, were in Tuolumne this week examining the Golden West mine in which they are interested. This property is situated on the Comstock ranch, near the Black Oak mine, and is being operated by the Golden West Mining and Milling Co., of which Mr. Petrovich is general manager. The gentlemen were accompanied to the mine by Surveyor Eugene Barton, who is engaged in surveying a site for a mill which will be erected on the property. Mr. Barton is also surveying the boundary lines. The outlook at the mine is highly satisfactory. Several weeks ago a fine shoot of ore was uncovered, embracing a ledge four feet wide and showing gold freely the width of the vein. The company is going ahead with their work in a business like manner and will undoubtedly meet with liberal reward.

The Four Oaks had a bad cave-in a few days ago and while no one was injured, it did some good as it brought down rock containing gold.

Held Up.

Two men from San Andreas were held up in the tenderloin district of Jackson last Wednesday night, one of whom was knocked down and relieved of $35. The other one used his legs and escaped. Constable Kelly and Knight Watchman Parker arrested Fred Campbell the following day and charged him with the crime. He strenuously denied the charge. He was searched but nothing incriminating was found.

On Every Bottle

Of Shiloh's Consumption cure is this guarantee: "All we ask of you is to use two-thirds of the contents of this bottle faithfully, then if you can say you are not benefited, return the bottle to your druggist and he may refund the price paid." Price paid 25c, 50c and $1. For sale by A. Goldner, Druggist. *

Uncalled-for Letters.

Letters remaining unclaimed in the Jackson, Cal., Postoffice, for the week ending September 28, 1900:

Paris, Florentim 2 Fenoglia, Mrs. H.
Stice, G. G. (cd)

G. C. FOLGER, Postmaster.

Installation of Officers.

Jackson Rebekah Lodge No. 5, will install officers on Wednesday evening, Oct. 10th. A full attendance is desired.

Suit Against Central Eureka.

The East Central Eureka Mining Company has brought suit against the Central Eureka Mining Company for a large sum, said to be $120,000. The papers beginning the suit were recently filed in the County Clerk's office of this county, and the first hearing has been set by Judge Rust for Oct. 6, 1900.

The plaintiff, among other things, alleges as follows: "That defendant has sunk an incline shaft upon the lands and premises adjacent to the said lands of plaintiff, and is now wrongfully and unlawfully and without the license or consent of said plaintiff, working and mining said ledges and mining ground and taking out and extracting therefrom and carrying away and converting to its own use the mineral bearing quartz contained therein of great value, and that the said defendant threatens to continue said wrongful acts and threatens to continue to take out mineral bearing ore from said vein belonging to plaintiff."

A Painful Mistake.

In the San Francisco "Call" of Sept. 25, under the head of "Death of J. Forcade to be Investigated," there appeared a dark insinuation against undertaker Geo. Huberty of this place. The Call gave as its authority a letter which was written from Jackson "in which it was stated that Forcade had had a quarrel with George Huberty and received several severe blows in the encounter."

There appears to be no ground whatever for the above. Forcade roomed in Huberty's house for about two years. They were like brothers in every respect, and never had a dispute nor the semblance of one during the whole time. During Forcade's sickness Mr. Huberty cared for him as only one dear friend would care for another. The story is false in every particular, and has either grown out of a misinterpretation of the letter written from here or it is the result of some mischief maker. Geo. Huberty refers to the whole town of Jackson, as to his reputation, and to all of Forcade's friends here relative to the warm friendship that existed between deceased and himself.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Columbia Gold M and M Co vs A Caminetti et al—Order overruling demurrer.

Mary E Harmon vs Elizabeth Speer et al—Order sustaining demurrer.

Simone Molfino vs D H Rule et al—Order substituting executrix as plaintiff.

S Oneto vs P Kelly—Trial continued to Oct. 4th.

Guilia M Oneto vs Bartolomeo Oneto—Trial in progress.

People vs William Lester—Plead guilty; sentenced to serve two years in San Quentin.

B Levaggi vs G Gall et al—Hearing on motion for change of venue continued to Oct. 6th.

Estate of J P Thomas—Petition of bondsmen dismissed.

Estate of James Speer—Order denying costs of administratrix on contest.

Estate of Elison C Ruffner—Order appointing administratrix.

Estate of Wm A Ruffner—Order appointing administratrix.

Guardianship of Delphine Davis, an incompetent person—Annual account settled.

Estate of August Dennis—Hearing on final account.

East Central Eureka M Co vs Central Eureka M Co—Complaint filed; action to recover $120,000 damages for extracting ores from plaintiff's mine.

S Granger vs W L Morrow et al—Action to recover $217.50 for labor; an appeal from Justice's court township five.

A Good Selection.

At the convention in Amador county last Saturday, the Republicans of the 4th supervisor district nominated as their candidate for supervisor, E. B. Moore of Sutter Creek. We, on this side of the river, who have known Ed. Moore for many years, can safely congratulate the people of that district that they have made a wise selection. He is a man who can be depended upon. Of untiring energy and unquestioned integrity, he is the sort of material of which supervisors should be made. Mr. Moore has a wide business experience and the ability to use it for the benefit of whatever community he may be in. Always foremost in everything tending to promote the good of the people, he was long regarded as a leading citizen of this county while residing here, and should he be elected to the position for which he is a candidate, we are sure that Amador will have at least one good supervisor. We say this because we know this man, and not to the detriment of any others whom we do not know. The many friends of Mr. Moore in Calaveras will wish him every success.—Prospect.

Plead Guilty.

In the case of William Lester, of El Dorado county, which came up before Justice Goldner Tuesday, the defendant plead guilty and was remanded to jail to await sentence by Superior Judge Rust. The defendant, while hunting deer, shot a cow belonging to Mrs. Geo. Allen. He claims, we believe, that he shot at a deer and hit the cow. Be that as it may, he plead guilty to appropriating the carcas and selling or attempting to sell, some of the meat in this county, hence his trial here. He was sentenced to San Quentin for two years, and Sheriff Gregory escorted him there Thursday of this week.

Club Matters.

A meeting of the Republican Club will be held next Monday night at Webb Hall. Business of importance.

COMMITTEES.

Chairman Herrick has appointed the following committees:

Reception—W. A. Newcum, Neil A. Macquarrie, J. W. Caldwell.

Hall, Music and Parade—J. E. Dye, F. A. Voorheis, John Garbarini, Dr. P. B. Aiken, Wilbur Knapp.

Finance—J. B. Francis, R. J. Adams, W. P. Peek.

Card of Thanks.

The undersigned, cousin of the late Bernard Davito, for himself and in behalf of absent relatives, extends sincere thanks to all who participated in the funeral ceremonies of the late Bernard Davito. JOHN DAVITO.

Antonio Menotti Dal Piaz, of the University of California, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Neal, of the Experiment Station, a few days this week.

FROM THE ARCTIC REGION

Dr. C. H. and Maud Gibbons Take a Trip.

"E. LOIS" STILL KEEPS WATCH O'ER AMADOR

Back From Alaska.—Another Marriage Ceremony Celebrated In Amador.

SKAGWAY, Alaska, Sept. 16, 1900.

Dear LEDGER:

Last Monday Maude and I started on a pleasure excursion to the Yukon Valley a thing undreamed of three years ago.

When the great rush to the northern gold fields began in '97, there were two chief routes, one, the all waterway, by St. Michaels and up the river, the other by steamer to Lynn Canal, trail to the headwaters of the Yukon thence by boat, raft or scow to Dawson. Skagway and Dyea, at the head of the Canal, are only four miles apart. The trail to the latter leads over Chilcoot Pass to the head of Lake Lindermann, and the trail from Skagway runs over White Pass to the foot of Lindermann which is less than a half mile from the head of Lake Bennett. The length of each of these trails is about thirty miles but 50 cents per pound was paid to have outfits carried over on men's backs. Then the "Pack train" was started and goods were transported on the backs of horses. Mr. Brackett built a wagon road from Skagway and was doing a great business when a tramway was built from Dyea which threatened to take all the travel that way. Skagway, however, had the best harbor, and when capitalists saw that the northern boom had come to stay, a railroad was started from there and poor Dyea became dio-aisy. The White Pass and Yukon Railroad was opened to Bennett, forty-one miles, in July, 1899, and to White Horse, seventy miles further, and just below the famous rapids of the same name, last June. From White Horse to Dawson, 450 miles, there is no serious obstruction to navigation.

"But as I was goin to tell" as Widow Bedott says, we started on a trip to the White Horse. The train had four cars literally filled with passengers, one car filled with mail and express, another with baggage and another with dogs. The fare for a dog is $8 besides $5 duty, the passenger fare $20, only 18 cents a mile, but if you don't wish to pay it you are at liberty to walk. At 8:30 the train started up the whole length of Broadway, past the railroad shops and along the beautiful valley for six miles when another engine was attached and we began to climb the grades. This is called "The Scenic Railway of the World" and doubtless merits the title. We go up East Fork three miles, cross, return, always climbing upwards, until the loop is only a half mile across and the engines are headed directly towards Skagway, affording a magnificent view of the town and harbor with the mountains and glaciers as the background. Then around Rocky Point and for several miles the track is laid along a shelf blasted into the side of the precipice whose ledges often overhang the train, while hundred of feet below dashes the river with the old wagon road alongside. Brackett, by the way, sold his toll road, at a handsome profit, to the R. R. C., who needed it for construction purposes. Now another loop, longer, wilder and grander is one place tunnelled through a precipice that could not be doubled, and the interest is enlivened by a sudden stop on account of a rock which had just rolled down upon the track bending a rail so that a long wait seemed likely. But as soon as the rock was pried off the track, the engines started and the mighty wheels straightened the bent rail without expense or delay. Every half mile or so I had noticed near the track two posts about 5 feet high with two rails on top of them. On inquiry my stupidity was enlightened by learning that was to save digging in the snow to find a rail to replace a broken one. Now we come to the "switch back" a ravine too narrow to be doubled, so the train runs into the ravine, the engines are switched, run upon a turn table, changed ends and attached to the rear of the train which is pulled out of the ravine but on the other side and proceeds backward the rest of the trip. A cantilever bridge is being built across the ravine which will avoid this bother soon. A mile further and we reach the summit of White Pass, eleven miles in a direct line from Skagway, seventeen miles by the railroad from where the grades begin, and 2885 feet higher, the grade being nearly 200 feet to the mile. Here are two flags, Old Glory and Union Jack, side by side, with a provisional boundary post between them. The Canadian Custom Officers examine satchels, lunch boxes, etc., and we begin to run down hill again, along small lakes and rocky ridges, past the outlet of Lake Lindermann to the head of Lake Bennett where last year was the railroad terminus and a lively town but is now almost deserted. We get a fair dinner in a tent for 75 cents each and in twenty minutes the train proceeds. Lake Bennett is twenty-eight miles long and less than two miles wide. The train runs along its eastern shore, crossing on a drawback bridge at Caribon just beyond the northern outlet. Here it leaves the stream and strikes across the country forty miles over sand plains and low hills covered with small pines and firs and interspersed with small lakes. One lake was in the way of the railroad and an outlet was cut which widened and deepened until the water was lowered fifty-five feet and the railroad now runs three miles in the old lake bed. We strike the river a few miles south of White Horse and have a grand view of Niles Canon and the Rapids. Just at dark the train runs into the town which was a wilderness ninety days ago. Three steamers have arrived from Dawson today, the streets are full of people, and the newsboy of our train is crying: "Seattle P. I. San Francisco Examiner and Irish World, only 25 cents a copy."

To be continued. C. H. G.

AMADOR CITY.

AMADOR CITY, Sept. 25.

Mrs. Fleming of Jackson visited Amador last week.

Jessie Hammack and James Trevarrow were guests of Miss Myrtle Burns last Wednesday.

Mrs. Ousbey and sister, Jessie Mitchell, visited relatives in Amador Friday.

Geo. Wagstaff is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Keeney, at Woodbridge.

Freddie Kerr who has been in Alaska for thirty-two months, returned to his former home in Amador City last Thursday.

Mr. Lynch spent a few days last week in Amador.

Mr. Dunlap has been removed to the city, where he will receive special treatment.

John Moon of Jackson spent Sunday with his parents.

Wm. O. Clark of Drytown called on Amador friends Friday.

Mrs. Strickland spent Thursday in Amador.

Miss Lillie Setzer of the Amador Hotel, is visiting friends and relatives at San Francisco.

Miss Maggie Curran visited with Plymouth friends last week.

Mrs. Riley of Sutter spent Friday with Amador friends.

Wm. Berryman who is employed in a livery stable at Sacramento, came up Thursday for a visit with his parents.

Miss Mabel Wheeler of Drytown, called on friends here Saturday.

Mrs. Geo. Wrigglesworth and Mrs. Ben Thomas visited friends in Sutter Monday.

Miss Lizzie Pratt returned Sunday after an extended visit at the bay and other places of interest.

Miss Francis Mooney is visiting relatives here. Miss Mooney is employed as teacher at the Bay State school but owing to some cases of smallpox near, her school has been closed indefinitely.

Mrs. Jas. Blamey returned from Sacramento last Thursday.

Mrs. Ben Honeychurch accompanied by her neice, Miss Minnie, visited relatives here this week.

"Calfeo" Stevens returned from San Francisco last week, where he has been for some tims.

Nellie Hambley of Carbondale visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Williams and family of Kennedy are the guests of her mother Mrs. Hambley.

Farley Phipps has accepted a position in one of the mines of Trinity county.

Mrs. J. Esola returned Sunday from an extended visit with relatives at the bay.

A quiet wedding took place last evening at the residence of Judge Josiah Gundry, Mr. Robert Ludt and Mrs. Annie Trelease being the contracting parties. Mr. Warren of the Keystone company, the Methodist minister not being in town, officiated. Mrs. Trelease is the daughter of Judge Gundry. The affair was quite surprising to the inhabitants of Amador.

E. LOIS.

Congressional Nominee's Itinerary.

Sam D. Woods, the Republican nominee for Congress, will make a thorough canvass of the Second District. The first meeting was held in Coulterville Monday evening. From that date until the night before election he will be actively at work in the district. He consulted with the State Central Committee recently, after his Congressional Committee had made a skeleton of the route to be followed, and the announcement of meetings has been made. In the appointments for Mr. Woods Mono and Inyo counties have been left out because it is feared he cannot get time to go there, but meetings will be held in both counties to be addressed by eminent speakers and if possible the Congressional nominee will be present.

Mr. Woods route as laid out by the State Central Committee is as follows:

Coulterville	Monday	Sept. 24
Mariposa	Tuesday	Sept. 25
Hornitos	Wednesday	Sept. 26
Jamestown	Thursday	Sept. 27
Carters	Friday	Sept. 28
Sonora	Saturday	Sept. 29
Chico	Monday	Oct. 1
Yuba City	Tuesday	Oct. 2
Wheatland	Wednesday	Oct. 3
Lincoln	Thursday	Oct. 4
Ione	Friday	Oct. 5
Jackson	Saturday	Oct. 6
Sutter Creek	Monday	Oct. 8
Mokelumne Hill	Tuesday	Oct. 9
Angels	Wednesday	Oct. 10
San Andreas	Thursday	Oct. 11
Galt	Friday	Oct. 12
Sacramento	Saturday	Oct. 13
Oroville	Monday	Oct. 14
Marysville	Tuesday	Oct. 15
Placerville	Wednesday	Oct. 19
Georgetown	Thursday	Oct. 17
Tracy	Friday	Oct. 18
Lodi	Saturday	Oct. 20
Auburn	Friday	Oct. 26
Rocklin	Saturday	Oct. 27
Forest Hill	Monday	Oct. 29
Colfax	Tuesday	Oct. 30
Truckee	Wednesday	Oct. 31
Dutch Flat	Thursday	Nov. 1
Nevada City	Friday	Nov. 2
Grass Valley	Saturday	Nov 3
Stockton	Monday	Nov. 5

Farm For Rent.

For sale or rent, on easy terms, fifty acres of land, under fence; good five-room house and cellar; also good barn and fine well of water. Property situated 1½ miles from town. For further particulars, apply to C. O'Neil, Jackson, Cal. 9-7-tf

Eastern Star.

Golden Star Chapter, No. 66, O. E. S., had four candidates last Monday night, two ladies and two gentlemen. The occasion was highly enjoyable by all present. The impressive initiation ceremony was followed by a palatable lunch.

Ladies' vests, three for 10 10 cts. at Red Front. 8-24-tf

W. J. M'GEE IN AUSTRIA

Writes to Attorney Fred L. Stewart.

NOTED ATTRACTIONS OF THE CITY OF VENICE

Other Interesting Notes of the Characteristics of Italy and Its People.

KARLSBAD, AUSTRIA, Sept. 4.

F. L. Stewart Esq.,
Jackson, Cal.

Dear Fred:—We went from Rome to Pisa and thence to Florence. It has been eloquently said, "Who can describe the enchanting view of this art city of Tuscany and the world with its surrounding gardens? Who paint the distant horizon from Fiesole smiling at us with its fair towers to the blue ridge of the Lucca mountains standing out against the golden background of the western sky? Here everything denotes the work of generation of ingenious men. Like a water-lily rising on the mirror of a lake, so rests on this lovely ground the still more lovely Florence with its everlasting works and its inexhaustible riches. From the bold airy tower of the Palace, rising like a slender mast, to Brunelleschi's wondrous dome of the Cathedral, from the old house of the Spini to the Pitti Palace, the most imposing the world has ever seen; from the garden of the Franciscan convent to the beautiful environs of the Cascine all are full of incomparable grace. Each street of Florence contains a world of art; the walls of the city are the calyx containing the fairest flowers of the human mind:—and this is but the richest gem in the diadem with which the Italian people have adorned the earth."

In Florence the best Italian is spoken and the superiority of the inhabitants is apparent in their manner and dress. It is but a few hours from Florence to Venice, which is built on a cluster of small islands in a lagoon by that name. This lagoon is separated from the Adriatic by a long narrow sand-bank, divided by several inlets, of which the one known as the Porto di Lido was anciently the main entrance for ships, while the Porto di Matamsco is now the deepest channel. The chief of the hundred Venetian islands is the Isola di Rialto (island of the deep stream or rivo alto) which gives its name to the famous bridge.

The Cavalazzo or Grand Canal winds through the city in a double curve and is the main thoroughfare—a marine "Main street." There are 146 smaller canals or rii, which form the network of minor streets along the banks of which are sometimes narrow paths (calli) connected by 378 bridges; but for all ordinary purposes of travel and traffic the canal is the highway and the gondola is the vehicle. There are no horses or wheeled vehicles in Venice; the nights are delightful and the canals are often filled with gondolas, many with stringed orchestras and concert troupes, who "pass the hat" from gondola to gondola after each musical selection. About 75 miles west of Venice is Verona the home of Romeo and Juliet. I saw the balcony under which Romeo is said to have stood in the long ago and visited the tomb of the ardent lovers who sleep side by side in the village churchyard. From Verona we went northward to Inusbruck, Austria, thence to Munich, Germany, a great city with 800,000 people, then on to Ober Ammergau, where we saw the Passion Play. The scenery surrounding this picturesque Bavarian village speaks to the travelers of peace and simplicity, idylls and pastorals and shepherds—of anything in short, rather than of a great exhibition. The villagers consider taking part in the Passion Play an act of worship, hence the spectacle is profoundly impressive to the beholder. The theater contains 4500 seats and is generally filled to overflowing at each performance which takes place five or six times per month during this summer. Four hundred villagers take part in the play; all are Catholic Germans. The performance begins at 8 a. m. and with an hour for lunch, runs to 5 p. m. I quote the following as to the origin of the play: "The well-known origin of the Play is as follows:—Over two hundred and sixty years ago, at the time when the long Thirty Years War was devastating Germany, a severe attack of plague broke out in the villages and valleys of the Bavarian Tyrol. Partenkirchen, Mittenwald, and indeed all the larger towns were devestated by it. The little secluded village of Ober Ammergau was, however, exempt from the visitation; and in order to be safe from infection, the village authorities drew a cordon about the hamlet—already protected by Nature by its circle of mountains—and forbade any of its inhabitants to pass from the happy valley into the perilous outer world; while the conditions, of course, included that none should penetrate from the plague-stricken region into the charmed circle thus held exempt. Perhaps it never occurred to modest little Ober Ammergau that any attractions within it would tempt strangers to break through the dividing barrier. As it happened, however, a native of the village who had been for some time working at Eschenlohe, a village at the foot of the Ettalberg, where the plague was raging furiously, was seized with a sudden home-sickness, and, unknown to any of the village magnates, returned, finding his way by night over the mountains. Three days afterwards he lay dead of the fell disease, and no less than forty of his fellow-villagers succumbed to the same cause. In their agony of terror it occurred to the good people of Ober Ammergau that a pious vow might possibly propitiate Heaven, and turn the vengeance from their hearths and homes. They then and there, in solemn assembly, consulted as to what would be probably most efficacious, that is to say, pleasing to the Almighty, and finally it was resolved, then, and every ten years afterwards, to perform with all due reverence and solemnity, a play which should set forth the life, death, and mediation of the Redeemer. From that time, it is asserted the plague was stayed in the village, and the vow has been kept strictly and religiously, the decennial connection being only once broken since 1634, in order to establish the performance at the beginning of of every decade; for which a fresh start was, so to speak, made in the year 1680.

"There have been two or three extra representations between the interval of ten years; notably in 1815, for the purpose of celebrating the Peace; and then in 1871, in order to conclude the series of performance which were interrupted by the Franco-German War. For these special celebrations, permission was in each case asked and obtained of the Pope.

"The Passion Play consists of eighteen acts or scenes, together with a prologue or introduction. The play itself begins with Christ's entry into Jerusalem, but a series of tableaux vivants from the Old Testament history alternate with the acted, spoken scenes of which they are emblematical. While, in order that the spectators may understand the meaning of the living pictures and their connection with the scenes of the acted tragedy, a chorus is introduced with duties similar to those of the chorus of the Greek plays. Their part is to explain and make intelligible the action of the drama, and to engage in a kind of running commentary upon it, which is presented, for the most part, in a musical form in a series of very beautiful vocal pieces."

Karlsbad is undoubtedly the greatest health resort in the world. It is a place with 40,000 permanent residents, visited annually by nearly half a million people. The springs, nearly all hot, are on nearly every street and the water bubbles forth in abundant quantities, and nearly every person you meet wears a drinking cup fastened to some part of his apparel.

We go hence to Dresden, Berlin, Leipsig, Nuremburg, Heidelburg, Frankfort and Mayence, thence down the Rhine to Cologne, through Belgium and Holland and sail for New York on September 19. I expect to reach Jackson by October 2d.

Sincerely Yours,
WM. J. MCGEE.

Funeral of Bernard Davito.

The funeral of the late Bernard Davito was held at the Catholic church at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. The Italian Benevolent Society, of which he was a member, turned out in force. The funeral was well attended. Deceased came to Jackson from El Dorado county seven or eight years ago. For about two years he has been ailing with miner's consumption, which ended his earthly career last Monday, Sept. 24th. He was a man who stood well in the community, and his untimely death in the prime of life is a source of sorrow to all who knew him. He was unmarried and leaves a father and mother in Italy, having no near relatives here, the nearest being a cousin, John Davito, his partner in business.

Deceased was abont 47 years of age, and a native of Italy. He came to the United States in 1887, settling in Wisconsin, and later, after traveling quite extensively, located in California. For the past four years and a half he and his partner have successfully conducted the Columbo saloon.

Democratic Convention.

The Democratic County Convention was held in Sutter Creek last Saturday and was conducted after the usual sort of county conventions. A little stimulation in the way of music added to the affair, but, on the whole, it was exceedingly tame. The work was carried through in very good style, and the speaking in the evening, from a Democratic standpoint, was considered up to the mark.

Dr. A. L. Adams of Ione, was nominated for the Assembly and Townships 1, 2 and 4 selected candidates for Supervisors as follows:

Township One. M. Newman.
Township Two, J. T. Clifton.
Township Four, John Lithgow.

All of whom will be comfortably snowed under, we trust, November 6th.

DOCUMENTS RECORDED.

DEEDS.

E. and A. Ginocchio to A. Massa—Lot 3, block 3, Jackson; $707.

G. W. Hadley to L. Cassinelli et al—Irish Hill placer mine; $600.

C. Lozano to B. W. Thayer—W½ of NE¼; SE¼ of NE¼ and NW¼ of SE¼, section 33, township 5 N, N 10 E; $2500.

Wyatt Nichols to B. W. Thayer—Land in section 33; $300.

Bernardo David to Antonio Davito—One-half part of SE part of lot 19, block 10, Jackson love and affection.

A. Cassinelli to G. Calla—Land in sections 16 and 17; $1400.

MORTGAGES.

C. O'Neil to Bank of Amador County—Land near Jackson; $1300.

G. Cella to G. Oneto—Land in sections 16 and 17; $1400.

SAT. MORTGAGE.

G. Depaoli to Peter King.
M. Gorman to C. O'Neil.
L. Gazzera to L. Calamari.

Card of Thanks.

To the kind friends who assisted us during the sickness and burial of a devoted wife and loving mother, we extend heartfelt thanks. The comforting and supporting words of condolence during our great bereavement will ever be gratefully remembered.

CHARLES DUFRENE
AND FAMILY.

You can always get strictly first-class fresh fish the year round at A. B. Caminetti's Central Market. 6-8-tf

L. M. Parker, ex-manager of the Enterprise Stable, came in from his new home at Cosumnes, Tuesday. He is closing the accounts of Mr. Neely, former owner of the stable. Mrs. Parker accompanied him. They are stopping at the Globe.

Men's pants for $1.00 at the Red Front. Call and see them. aug3

Call at the Red Front and examine those $1.00 Men's pants, aug3

COLUMN OF ODDS AND ENDS

Short News Items of Local Interest.

LITTLE LORA PARKER NEARLY LOSES AN EYE

A Four-Year-Old Lad Overturns a Wine Press and Has a Leg Broken.

Ione flour is Peerless. 6-22-tf

Miss Eva Kent went to Saramento Wednesday.

Miss Rose Kelly returned from the city Tuesday evening.

Ladies' night-gowns, 45c, at Red Front. 8-24-tf

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Turner are home again, after a pleasant visit below.

Ed. Kay is engaged in the construction of a quartz mill at Gaston, Cal.

Misses shirt and drawers, 20c each, at Red Front. 8-24-tf

Ross Morgan was in town Wednesday, and busy as a bee in the Recorder's office.

Mr. Ross, superintendent of the Wildman-Mahoney, was a Jackson visitor Wednesday.

PIONEER FLOUR always has been and still is the best. 4-6tf*

Mr. and Mrs. D. McCall of Ione were in town Monday and lunched at the New National.

A case of smallpox was reported near French Hill, five miles northeast of Jackson, Tuesday.

Mrs. Breese, Miss Lottie and Miss Esther Breese, returned from San Francisco last week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Taylor and Miss Elizabeth Taylor returned from San Francisco last week.

Oysters, fresh or cooked in any style, can be had at the Olympus. 9-21tf

Look out next week for programme of concert to be given under direction of Mrs. Endicott, Nov. 2d.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Voorheis visited the Gwin mine Wednesday. Mr. Voorheis is one of the stockholders.

Pioneer Flour is the "Lily of the Valley," the "Pearl of Perfection." *

Mrs. L. J. Fontenrose and Miss Amelia Cademartori had a delightful trip to San Francisco. They returned last week.

Mrs. W. E. Kent and children, who have been visiting relatives in Woodbridge and friends in Sacramento, are expected home tomorrow evening.

Give us daily some good bread. Pioneer Flour makes the best. 4-6-tf*

Dr. Gall returned from his visit to San Francisco last Sunday. Mrs. Gall remained in Stockton, the guest of her mother, Mrs. E. B. Robertson.

Mr. Henry Weil, proprietor of the White House, returned last evening after an absence of several months. See his announcement in this paper.

Bread makers prefer it to all other brands—the Peerless Ione flour. 8-24

Grand opening fall and winter millinery at Mrs. Delahide's on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 4 and 5, in Kelley Bros. store, Main street. All are invited. 9-28-1t

"Signing away your soul," evening subject at M. E. church, Sunday, Sept. 30th. Morning subject, "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also."

Fresh shrimps, muscles, crabs, oysters in shell, ducks, Belgian hare, and lobsters served Wednesday and Friday evenings at the Louvre Restaurant, Weil & Renno building. 9-28-3t

C. M. Kelley, proprietor of the Enterprise Stable, reports business very good since he took possession. A showy sign has been painted and now swings at the masthead of the institution.

S, D. Woods and Fred L. Stewart will speak in Jackson on the political issues of the day, Saturday, Oct. 6. See announcement elsewhere in this paper.

We handle all kinds of building lumber, and the quality and price makes ready sale for it. Call at Amador County Flour Mills, Ione. 8-24tf

Pietro Bovetti helped himself to a shotgun at Sutter Creek and decamped. Constable Kelly arrested him at Mokelumne Hill and took him to Sutter, where Justice Giles gave him ninety days in jail.

Attorney Fred L. Stewart, Republican nominee for Assemblyman in this district, went to San Francisco on legal business Wednesday. He expects to return the last of this or the first of next week.

Ione is noted for several good things, but more especially for the best flour in the market—try Peerless. 8-24tf

A. L. Redlick, of the firm of Redlick Bros., proprietors of several stores, including the Jackson Bargain Store, was here Monday and Tuesday and made arrangements to occupy the Geo. Newman building on or about Nov. 1st.

Joseph, the four-year-old son of Mr. Bernicich, who lives near the Peerless mine, while climbing about a wine press yesterday, pulled the press over. It fell upon the child breaking his left leg above the knee. Dr. Gall has charge of the case.

Absolutely the best in the market—Ione flour. 8-24tf

Mrs. A. B. Caminetti and Mrs. John Garbarini attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Fitzsimmons, of Jackson Valley, Wednesday. Deceased was visiting friends in Oakland at the time of her death, the body being shipped to Ione for burial.

Lora Parker, F. W. Parker's little daughter, came within a hair's breadth of putting one of her eyes out Tuesday. She was at play with other children and ran into a sharp hook on a screen door. The hook raked across the eyeball, but did not penetrate deep enough to destroy the sight.

MT. HAMILTON.

Professor Geo. A. Gordon Describes His Visit to Lick Observatory.

To The Editor of Amador LEDGER:

After the adjournment of the Convention of Superintendents, which was the cause of my trip to the city of San Jose, I improved the opportunity thus occasioned and visited several localities of interest, one of which was Mt. Hamilton upon whose summit the Lick Observatory is located.

The trip to the mountain is one that a person must take in order that he may fully appreciate its grandeur. When one thinks of ascending to the crest of that mountain he is inclined to entertain misgivings as to his safety in making such a journey, but any fear he may have upon him is soon dissipated by the appearance of the broad and splendidly kept road that rises so gradually for the entire distance of twenty-eight miles.

This grade was constructed at the expense of the county of Santa Clara for something above $80,000. The incline, or grade, does not exceed six degrees at any one point and a loaded team can trot upon it any where. The observer views road above road lapping back and forth upon the mountain side as he ascends and finally, after a pleasant ride of five and one half hours, he alights from his carriage at the door of the Lick Observatory.

The Observatory is a magnificent structure erected at an expense (including its entire equipment) of about $700,000. The staff, consisting of eight attaches, resides upon the mountain in buildings apart from the Observatory. There is also a school near the dwellings for the accommodation of the children of the attaches and the children living in the immediate vicinity. Having gone to the district during vacation, I could not make the school an official visit.

Whatever may be the shortcomings of Amador county, she is worthy of esteem for this particular feature, that her sons and daughters, when you meet them abroad, invariably greet another Amadorite with a cordiality that is indeed to be appreciated. Why Sir! in the darkness of the night, upon mountain top, a manly fellow approached me and said; "Do you know me George?" I replied "Yes, I know you Robert, excuse me, Professor Robert Aitken." An occurrence of this kind tends to make a visitor feel pretty much at home. Robert Aitken is a Jackson boy and is now one of the astronomers located at Mt. Hamilton. As, at this altitude, he is lifted above the clouds, so do his aspirations for knowledge aim at the pinnacle of fame. May his hope be gratified.

The features of interest at the Observatory are too numerous to speak of in detail. The telescopes are the grandest.

The following extract from a letter written by an Amador county school girl who accompanied me upon the trip to the Observatory, gives a partial description of the telescope observatory: "Professor Aitken conducted us through the building and kindly explained everything we were capable of understanding. The largest telescope is sixty feet long with a thirty-six lens. There is but one larger telescope in the world and that is Yerkes and has a lens of forty inches. There are larger refracting telescopes. He explained the different machinery and moved the telescope all around for us, lowered the floor and revolved the dome by means of water power. The water is kept in an adjoining reservoir on a peak 200 feet above the level of the mountain. At a short distance from the eyeglass of the large telescope are placed two spider threads. They keep the spider to spin the web from which the thread is taken with tweezers and each end of the thread is then fastened to receive slips of paper wherewith they are then placed into the telescope for the purpose of measuring the distances between stars to the minuteness of 1-32 1-100 of an inch. Professor Aitken then took us into the smaller dome where through the twelve inch lens we saw venus crossing the Meridian. It looked like a half cresent. This is considered the finest twelve inch lens in the world. The lenses are cleaned only once every two years. Great care must be exercised in this work. First every particle of dust is removed from the lens by means of a camel's hair brush, then the lens is washed liberally with distilled water applied by means of a cheese cloth that has been thoroughly boiled to remove every particle of dust. The lens is then dried with cheese cloth prepared as above. We returned to San Jose, arriving at six in the evening."

The contrivance for determining the velocity of the wind, that for determining the earthquake belt, that for recording the time that an event, such as an eclipse takes place, that for taking measurments to the minuteness of 1-32 of 1-100 of an inch, etc., etc., each has its own wonderful power to interest and instruct.

In passing from the Observatory at night, conscious of the great altitude to which you have risen, you are impressed by the twinkling lights beneath that you have risen above the stars; but discover, or are told upon inquiry, that you are looking upon the lights of the cities of Oakland, San Francisco, San Jose and the lights of many towns. Let me assure you that it is a grand sight.

The driver of your conveyance allows you one hour at the Observatory and in this hour is crowded and pressed tons and tons of thought. Leaving the mountain top you find yourself, at the lapse of four and one half hours, again safe and sound in San Jose.

GEO. A. GORDON.

How Is Your Wife?

Has she lost her beauty? If so constipation, indigestion, sick headache, are the princip