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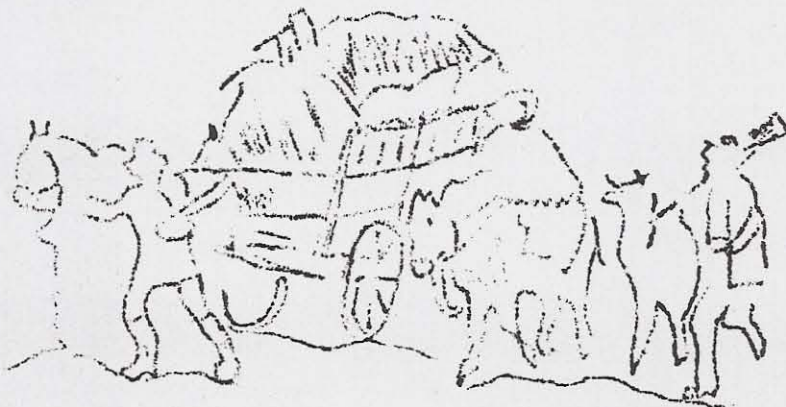
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THE HITHERTO UNPUBLISHED DIARY OF A
DOWNIEVILLE MINER IN THE 1850's

The following article is part of a series which has appeared in the Sierra County Historical Society Bulletin over the past three years. The part of the diary which has survived was written from April 12, 1856, to March 2, 1850. We again thank Mrs. Marian Lazezzola, Sierra County Treasurer, for making the diary available to the Historical Society. We have attempted to keep the flavor of the original diary by making a minimum of changes in the original punctuation, sentence structure and spelling.

Wednesday-August 19, 1857

Slept in Downieville last night or rather tried to sleep. The night was very warm and I could not sleep scarcely any until near break of day. Indeed, intended to have early breakfast but it was rather late when we went down to the table. When we were in the midst of our breakfast Osborn came in and shook hands with my wife and Emma, and then sat down and chatted away until we were done eating--when he invited us to visit him at his home. We did so and ate dinner there. I had the trunks and other baggage which Sarah brought with her packed up here. In the afternoon I hired a pony for Jane to ride up here. She carried Emma before her. We got the up here about four o'clock. Corbett was at work. I sent him to town with the pony. Jane got the supper in rather an improved style over my method of cooking. It amused her a great deal to see how things were carried on here. Poor thing, she has got here at last.

Thursday-August 20-1857

Put an extra cover on the house--tore down the old house where I lived last year. We took the old cover and put it on the little shanty where I have been living for the last two months. Worked in the diggings part of the day--saw a few pieces of gold. Bassett called here in the afternoon. My shanty has improved very much in appearance since my wife came.

Friday-August-21-1857

Have been busy as usual cleaning bedrock. Corbett complained of a lame back. I had a headache in the afternoon. A news vendor came along in the morning of whom I bought the last number of Harper's Magazine. Have not read much lately.

Sat.-August 22, 1857.

Quit work in the afternoon about four o'clock. Sent Corbett to town with our pick and an order to buy a few articles, broom, etc. Washed out the riffle and made fair pay, then cut a small tree down for firewood. Emma is not very well today--has diarrhea. Reading Harper's tonight.

Sunday-August 23, 1857

Mr. Davis and Mr. Long called here before I was up. Davis

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wanted me to read a couple of letters for him which he had just received from his wife in Virginia and the other from his nephew who resides near the town of Yreka, California. Have been at home all day. Corbett went to town last evening and did not return untill about eleven o'clock today. George Scholis brought a fine lot of plums here for us and Mr. McKlu also brought a few. It has been very hot. MacStephens called here on his way from town. The first time that he has been here.

Monday-August 24, 1857

Corbett left. He had an offer yesterday of better wages and as I could not raise any on the price I was giving him he concluded to leave. I paid him for the work he did here. There were four men here inquiring for work. I engaged one, a young man. He came this afternoon. Have been cleaning bedrock. Saw a little gold. Tried to read this evening in history of England but find it to be almost an impossibility. Emma makes so much noise that I cannot get along at all. It has been very warm.

Tuesday-August 25, 1857.

Have worked eleven hours. Cleaned considerable bedrock. Found a little gold. My wife has been washing. She has not yet recovered from the fatigue of her journey.

Wednesday-August 26-1857

Was up later than usual. Washed out the riffle after breakfast-found pretty fair pay for one day. The price of gold brings about thirty dollars as a result of labor yesterday. Today did not see any gold. Don't expect to find much tomorrow. My new man is lazy, is big and stout enough but lacks energy.

Thursday-August 27, 1857.

In the forenoon I cleaned some bedrock under the flume. The rock is very tough and has but little gold in it, did not find much gold. In the afternoon I began to clean rock at the upper end and had my man Charles stripping the gravel off of another side of the flume. There were three men to see me this afternoon one an Irishman in quest of work. The other two were Americans who live and work at the Buttes. My left hand foot is getting sore on the instep occasioned, I suppose, by the hard cow hide boot which rubs it.

Friday-August 28, 1857

Have been idle today. My foot is quite painful. I can hardly wear a shoe on it. Charles worked alone. He is slow but strong as a mountain bear. Jane has been working. She has labored the whole day and is not done washing yet. I had a headache in the afternoon. Have read a good many pages in history.

Saturday-August 29, 1857

Have been idle all day. Charles desired leave to quit work in the afternoon. I cleaned out the riffle and found six dollars as a result of our day and a half's washing. Went to town in the afternoon and bought a load of provisions, returned before dark, got the "Pacific"-my head aches tonight-my foot is very

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sore--is worse in consequence of my trip to town.

Sunday-August 30, 1857

Did not get up till nine o'clock and then Mr. Davis came and called me. He wanted me to write a letter for him to his wife and I promised to do so today upon which he left promising to return tonight to tell me what I should write for him. Charles did not come for his breakfast, he ate at Davis's Cabin. Uncle Stephen was here before noon on his way to town. The load of provisions which I bought yesterday arrived today. Have not read or done anything else except writing a letter for Davis.

Monday-August 31, 1857.

My foot has been so sore and painful that I have been unable to work. Have been in the house all day. Wrote a letter to father. Read part of the reign of Queen Elizabeth containing the trial and execution of the Queen of Scots.

Tuesday-Sept. 1st-1857

The Brothers Webu (unclear in original) called here early in the morning before we had our breakfast. Soon after Davis called to get the letter I wrote yesterday to take to the P.O. for me. My foot is a little better though it is far from well. Killed a squirrel with a gun which I borrowed off the French Co. below here. I returned the gun and Sarah cooked the squirrel for supper. It was very fat and ate well. Reading history-slept in the afternoon.

Wednesday-September 2nd-1857

Our breakfast was not got over when Mr. Albert (unclear) came to inquire if I was going to attend the election in the capacity of inspector today. I told him that I intended to stay at home partly on account of indisposition and partly because my wife did not wish to stay alone during the day and part of the night that I would necessarily be absent.

Started the wheel and had the diggings dry about middle of the afternoon. Went up to Miotts where the election for this precinct is held and voted. There was a drunken man there making a great row. I came home soon and worked a little while, not long though because of the pain in my arm and foot.

Thursday-September 3rd 1857

Got up and began to work before Jane had breakfast ready. My foot is well at last and does not trouble me, but still my arm annoys me. Have no hired men at present. Osborne came here about dusk and stopped about an hour.

Friday Eve-Sept. 4, 1857

Got along pretty well with the work until about middle of the afternoon when one of the paddles came off the wheel, which I repaired-got the wheel to work again, then the pump belt broke. I have begun to make a new belt. Will have it done by noon tomorrow. I hope. Mr. Maynihan brought three papers and three letters from the P.O. The letters were from my sisters. We

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were glad to get them. The weather still continues very warm. While we were at supper an Irishman came along in quest of a place to work. I engaged him to come by Monday next.

Saturday-September 5, 1857

Finished the belt and started the pump. It has worked very badly. Stopped a great many times when the water would pour over the flume faster than a dozen pumps could take it out. Have washed some gravel but cleaned no rock. Had no gold of any consequence tonight. Considerable wind today.

Sunday Eve Sept-6th 1857

Did not get up until it was late-got myself ready for Downieville about noon. Took the dust with me which I have taken out of the claim here this season. Made a few purchases, called at Osborns where I saw Mr. C.F. Jones and Uncle Stephen seated with the rest of the family at dinner. Paid the assessment due on the Wyoming Co. Tunnel for my share which is in Uncle Stephens name--Reached home by four o'clock and found the two brothers Weku with their wives and children at my place where they had arrived a couple of hours previous on an introductory visit to my wife.

Monday-Sept. 7-1857.

Martin Kam my new hired man was here before I was up, but I was soon out of bed and built a fire and Jane got the breakfast. We have done a good deal of work. Saw some gold. Davis came up in the afternoon and picked up several pieces of gold. Not so warm as usual. Considerable wind stirring-feel tired-had two hundred of flour come from town today-

Tuesday-Sept. 8th-1857.

Have been busily engaged cleaning bed rock. It is hard and tough and requires a good deal of picking. It was worked before but not thoroughly. It is getting cloudy and windy. Expect to have a storm soon.

Wednesday-Sept. 9th-1857

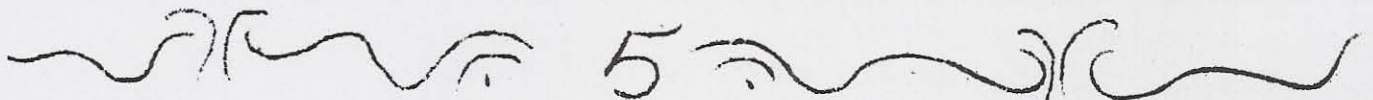
In the middle of the night there was a light fall of rain. We were alarmed thinking it might wet us but the shower soon passed over without doing us any injury. It has been very cold all day--there was but little sun. Sent Martin to the shop with two picks. Cleaned considerable rock but did not find any gold.

Thursday-Sept. 10, 1857

The weather has changed greatly in a few days. The sky is cloudy and from all appearances it will snow soon. I expected to have worked this flume out before this time but I have only about one half of it worked. Were cleaning bed rock. It is deeper than the pump-had to bail the water out to do the work which kept us even more busy--It is quite cold.

Friday-Sept. 11, 1857

Was up early and had breakfast over by six. Made a new belt for the large pump which occupied my time during the forenoon--Aman of

A handwritten signature, possibly 'W. R. Jones', followed by a large, decorative, wavy flourish.

Wehus' Co. came here to borrow an augur and Miott came to borrow one also and as they wanted different sizes I accommodated both of them. Martin was cleaning a lot of rock and gravel away so that we could lower the large pump. Sarah is not very well--complains of headaches.

Saturday Eve-Sept 12, 1857

Was not so cold in the morning as yesterday but was more windy though. Martin finished sinking the pump hole and I was at work cleaning some rough bed rock on which I found some gold. Cleaned out the large riffle--stopped the wheels--have got through with the history of James first of Eng--and began the Appendix to the same.

Sunday Eve-Sept. 13, 1857.

Uncle Stephen was here in the morning and stayed for dinner. Mr. Wm. Baker came here in the forenoon and stayed several hours. Emma, Jane and I went down to the lower cabin where Davis and Andy live--was there about an hour when we came home. Mr. Bassett called on us and brought a mess of trout which he caught on his way down here. He brought two numbers of a magazine for me to read.

Monday 14 of September 1857.

Weather some milder--cleaned some rock and found a little gold. Have more than half of the claim worked out. Want to finish the remainder in a couple of weeks. Began to read the history of the reign of Charles 1st in Humes History of England.

Tuesday Eve-Sept 15th-1857

At noon I went down to Davis and Co.'s place to get two of them to come up and assist me to move the wheel farther up the flume. The rock is deeper there so that we could not work it very well without having a pump to drain it. We moved the wheel and placed it so it would run--attached to the pump to the drum and tried to have it work but it was no go--I stopped the wheel for the night--was very much out of patience, as usual when anything goes wrong, and came up to supper. I have written a letter to my father.

Wednesday-Sept. 16, 1857

Started for town immediately after breakfast--took Martin's pick along to get sharpened. My purpose in going down was to mail two letters--one written by Sarah to her cousin, Nancy J. Daily, and the other I wrote last evening. I carried fourteen hundred dollars to town and bought bills of exchange on New York payable to the order of Samuel C. Dodson, my father--to pay for the farm which was bought a couple of years ago. Came home and tried the pump again, fixed the roller after which it worked better. Osborn was here in the afternoon, he had been up to see Uncle Stephen, stayed here about an hour chatting with Sarah Jane--

Wm. C. Dodson

Thursday-Sept. 17-1857

The wheel worked a little better today than it did yesterday. Felt almost too bad to work, but continued at it till night-moved the sluices and washed considerable gravel. The pump is not down on the bottom yet. Lowered it about a foot after which the wheel went slower and the water gained on the pump-The rock is deep, the gravel is tight and boulders are large and very numerous.

Friday-Sept. 18, 1857.

Got along better-the pump kept the water out of the diggings until noon. I lowered it into the rock about one foot and it kept the water out easily but just before noon we went to move the wupport on which the upper end of the pump rested when down that came and six or eight boxes but fortunatly none of them were broken. We started the pump again before we had our dinner but the water did not get out till night. We fixed the boxes up again and worked during the remainder of the day at the upper end of the diggings.

Saturday-Sept. 19-1857.

Have been at work around the pump most of the day. The water troubles us considerably. Cleaned off a lot of bed rock. Found some gold but hardly enough to pay us for our labor. The weather is quite pleasant, warm about noon, but cool in the morning. Reading account of the reign of Charles the first.

Sunday Sept. 20th 1857.

Worked in the diggings in the forenoon. Tried to get the pump down lower. Got my clothes very wet. Saw some gold and picked up a few pieces. Mr. W. Baker came about noon and took dinner with us. He came to get some specimens which Mr. Bassett left with me last summer in lieu of coin. Mr. Baker had been to town and brought the last magazines and "Harpers Weekly". We looked them through. In the evening Sarah, Emma and I paid a visit to Meekers. Found them at supper-was dark before we returned. On our way home met Uncle Stephen who was coming home from town. The hill above our house is very steep and rough and as it was quite dark Sarah fell as she was getting over some rocks. I was carrying Emma at the time. Sarah was considerably hurt in her arm and side. Martin was in town and brought a letter for me from father. There were three Tribunes also.

Monday Sept. 21-1857

Another man came to work for me this morning. He was here yesterday and engaged to work one month for forty dollars. He worked a couple of hours and then asked to quit. Of course I gave him permission to travel and he left.

Worked around the pump in the forenoon. Cleaned off considerable bedrock and saw some gold. Our boxes are high and of course difficult to shovel in-we were both wet through to the skin. We have been reading the Tribune since supper. We were both very tired after such a hard day of labor but finally got dried out and all enjoyed supper. Cool this evening. Weather is getting cooler.



Historical Society News!

October 19, 1975
Sierra City

30 members and guests were present for the potluck and meeting in the Community Hall. Minutes were read and approved; treasurer reported \$863.29 balance. Jeanne McMahon explained the two savings accounts. The Kentucky Mine fund of about \$300.00 receives \$2.50 of each \$7.50 membership dues paid; a special account of \$500.00 draws interest.

After a question concerning insurance on the Kentucky Mine, the mine committee stated it was taken care of although no bill had yet been received.

A motion passed to pay annual dues of \$13.50 to Conf. of Calif. Historical Society for our membership.

Old Business: No one entered the essay contest. Bill Copren announced new 2-page forms for inventory of historical sites. Although we have 18 sites recorded and filed, there are many more sites to be recorded and Pres. Copren asked for continued work on this.

A Kentucky Mine committee report was presented by Carroll Hayes. Mimeographed copies of the preliminary plan were passed around. With a fund of \$18,500 of Title 10 monies, only half of which has been spent to date, he announced the following work in progress: parking area roughed in; picnic area cleared; trestle restored; track replaced; cedar logs split for ties; septic system started; leech lines installed; work on tunnel has begun. Building of picnic tables and work on inside of mill to be done this winter. 12 men have been employed, at present 8 are working. The old mess hall will be restored to show a typical miners building. The design of the museum has been worked out by Milton Gottardi and Dave Edson. Living quarters for curator will be on the second floor. This building will be erected by funds from Prop. 1 which will be available July 1, 1976. An additional \$30,000 has been asked for from CETA funds.

A position of caretaker or curator for next spring was discussed. Mr. and Mrs. Pring, Darlene Messner and Joyce Green have expressed interest in the position. There is a need for temporary living quarters until the museum is erected. After further discussion, Pres. Copren suggested the mine committee write up a job description and qualifications for the two positions to be presented and voted on at the January meeting; then the committee will advertise the positions and interview and choose applicants. This was made into a motion and passed.

It is hoped the museum will be self-sustaining with a charge or donation from tours, donations from clubs and possible money from the county hotel-motel tax fund. We hope to have tours started by July 4, 1976.

New Business: Treas. McMahon has requested an audit of her records. The president appointed Wm. Piper of Downieville, Carroll Hayes of Sierra City and Bill Copren of Sattley to make the audit and report. Officers elected and elected were: Pres.--Milton Gottardi; V.P.--Ray Darrah; Rec. Sec.--Maren Scholberg; Treas and Membership Chairperson--Georgene Copren; Corr. Sec.--Darlene Messner. The next meeting--Jan. 18, 1976 in Sierraville School.

The meeting was then adjourned for a tour of the Kentucky Mine. At the Mine site, Pres. Copren re-convened the meeting. A motion was passed to buy pictures which have been taken and will continue to be taken of the progress of the restoration of the mine and the

project. The committee is to choose which pictures to buy. A Beautiful site for the building of the museum near the mill was voted and passed on. The meeting was again adjourned for further exploration of the mine and area.

-Maren Scholberg, Secretary

SOME HISTORICAL NOTES

I, Ruth Drury, have been curator of the Museum here in Downieville for the last 8 years,--this is my 8th year. I have taken a lot of notes and collected quite a bit of interesting history. I think it will be a good thing to get some of it in the Sierra County Historical Society Bulletins where it will be preserved, so here is the first installment.

Rutabaga Patch

This item from the Mountain Messenger of April 12, 1890 should take care of the idea that Juanita was hanged from the Jersey bridge. It definitely proves there was no bridge across to Jersey Flat, only a foot log.

The article by a man signing himself "Argonaut" and in which he describes Downieville in the winter of 1852-53. Several miners were spending the winter in Downieville. There was no contact with the outside world. The Argonaut, speaks of digging a tunnel to several of the stores in the vain hope that some crackers or a bit of flour, meal or something might be found to eat and that finally, "We bethought ourselves of a patch of rutabagas on Jersey Flat across the North Fork. We shinnied over this and as the patch of rutabagas we were after was near the river we soon got at them by tunneling under the snow. We tunneled about forty rods and reached the log across the North Fork.

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Story from Sierra County Tribune, Thursday June 7, 1883 --Wm. B. Owens in Alaska.

William B. Owens was the oldest son of David Owens and wife of Eureka North and later the Kuder place on the Goodyears Creek Road. Presently it is known as the Drury Ranch. William Arthur Drury was a nephew of Wm. B. Owens. I, Ruth Drury, Art's wife know he had made a trip to Alaska when a young man and this article sets the date. Uncle Bill Owens, remember him telling of running across Major Wm. Downie up in the Alaskan Country. He was selling books just at that time.

W.B. OWENS IN ALASKA--Sierra County Tribune, June 7, 1883
An interesting letter from Harrisburg, Alaska. HARRISBURG, ALASKA, May 1, 1883.

Eds. Tribune: Many of my acquaintances in Sierra County requested me to write to them individually from here, but as that would be an endless task, I concluded the best way would be to write you, so that all my friends could read the letter.

The steamer Eureka, Captain Hunt commanding, which I was on, was wrecked in Peril Straits, on April 26th. After being about three and a half hours from Sitka the pilot Captain George attempted to run the Eureka through at the lowest stage of the tide, when the steamer struck a rock with such force that it set the barrels and boxes to rolling on deck like foot-balls. After she struck the rock she slid to the left into deep water and began to sink. The

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engineers put on a full force of steam and ran her about a mile before they could find a place to beach her. The shore is almost perpendicular on both sides. The ship's stores were mostly saved, but nearly the entire freight was lost. There was but little excitement on the ship at the time. Everybody took the matter very coolly and worked hard. We camped four days on the beach, when the steamer Rose took us to Harrisburg.

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Which is a genuine bilk. The Steamship Company is making all this noise about the country and of course it makes money by this blowing. There is no money in the place. Traders use leather cnecks to trade with. People are coming here on every ship by the hundreds, and a majority of them have no money to get away on. There is no chance here to work for wages, for there are no mines to work. A man cannot walk one mile on account of the underbrush and moss. There is no gravel around here, and the quartz does not amount to much. There is some quartz on Douglas Island which prospected very rich on top, but gave out a couple of feet from the surface. Tell the citizens of Sierra County NOT TO COME TO THIS COUNTRY, at present, for there is nothing here. Something might be developed in the interior after awhile; but that will not be for sometime yet, as it costs too much now to get out through the country. It costs 10 ¢ a pound to get stuff over the portage after it leaves the canoes. It is packed on the backs of Indians. The Youcom river, which is about two thousand miles long, is the place I speak of when I say the interior. No one knows anything about the river so far as gold is concerned. Harrisburg is on the lower edge of Alaska. The weather here is fine. We have a little rain daily. The day's length at this writing is about 20 hours.

***** WM* B. OWENS

Letter received July 28, 1969

This was a sort of interesting letter I received from a Mr. H. E. Ellery of Placerville back in July 28, 1969--at that time he was near 98 years old.

He said his mother had taught school in Eureka City and Goodyears Bar in 1868 and 1869. The salary was \$16.00 a month and she boarded around. He said he thinks his granddaughter is getting around \$30.00 a day presently for teaching.

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GARIBOLDI'S OF DOWNIEVILLE

Lester Gariboldi of Jackson, California was in August 1969. He runs a gift store there.

His great grandfather Antone Gariboldi came to Downieville from Genoa, Italy. His grandfather was Louis Gariboldi. They ran a merchandise store in Downieville.

The Gariboldi family first built and terraced what we once knew as the John Ponta place; Angus James later. They kept two arastras going the year round working the tailings from the Sierra Buttes Mine. They only cleaned up once a year. Sometimes they would get as much as \$30,000 in one year.

The mother would be allowed a small gold brick as her share of the "cleanup", probably 4 inches by 2 inches by $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick. It was kept in a safe place around the house. Whenever "Mom" needed something special around the house, they'd crack off a piece of the brick and take it to the bank and cash it in.

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This notice was found by the August Rutishausers between the walls of their old home on July 1, 1971 as they were remodeling.


FUNERAL NOTICE

Died at Bangor, Butte, Co., Calif. August 24, 1893.
Antonio Garibaldi a native of Italy aged 40 years.
The funeral will take place from the M. E. Church, Downieville,
Calif., on Saturday Aug. 26th at 10 am. (Garibaldi was born in 1813)

FROM THE SIERRA DEMOCRAT, Downieville June 26, 1898
Advertisement for ORLEANS HOUSE, Eureka City (Eureka North) presently
Eureka Diggins.

Jane Gidley - - - Proprietress

The public will please take notice that this house has undergone a
thoro renovation and repairing and is now one of the best arranged
and best furnished Hotels in the Mountains. The beds are of the
best character and kept scrupulously clean. The table will be
supplied with whatever substantials and delicacies can be had in
the market. House open at all hours. A share of public patronage
is solicited.....Jane Gidley



PLUMMING: Everybody goes plumming now! The little jokers are just getting ripe, and are excellent for pies, etc. In half a dozen localities about here they are so plentiful that a basketful of them can be picked in an hour. They are vastly more easy to gather, than plums were in the States. There, you took a big rail on your shoulder walked off about 10 paces, wheeled and fired at the tree and if you were in luck, you felt a shower of plums rattling on your head, to alight in whatever might be under the tree, but here, the plums grow on low bushes from one to three feet in height, and you have only to walk leisurely about and take them off.

MORE WATER---Judge Smith is having logs bored thru which to bring water from a spring above town, down thru Main Street. The water is first rate article, and can be thrown from these conduits over any house in town. NOTE: the manner of making pipe!

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tucky Mine project, Historian's
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SIERRA DEMOCRAT, Downieville June 26, 1858

Advertisement for Coleman House at Gold Lake.

The proprietor sends greetings to the old patrons of this beautifully located resort from the toils of life and asks the attention of now as well as old friends to the fact that he has made a great improvement in the arrangements for the comfort and amusement of his guests...Has every facility for rowing and sailing on the Lake; hunting on shore, fishing bathing and every other character of diversion to be expected at a resort of this character...T.C.C.

SIERRA DEMOCRAT, Downieville June 26, 1858

Exerpts from ads of Saloons at Monte Cristo (a ghost town near Saddleback):

EMPIRE SALOON...McGinn & Thomas,
proprietors

Bar--Billard Saloon-Cushioned
tables....Best Wines & Liquors

EXCHANGE SALOON..Leo Knight, Prop
Cool Summer Drinks

Model Billard Tables

Monte Cristo June 12, 1858

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY THANKS THE FOLLOWING PLACES OF
BUSINESS WHICH SUPPORT OUR ACTIVITIES. WE URGE ALL OUR
MEMBERS TO REPAY THESE KIND PEOPLE BY SUPPORTING THEM!

DOWNIEVILLE MOTORS

Tires - Batteries

Towing - Repairs

Auto Parts

Downieville, Calif.

HARRIS 49er MARKET

Groceries, Propane,

and Cold Beer

Downieville, Calif.

SNIDER'S ANTIQUES

We Buy & Sell

By the Courthouse

Downieville, Calif.

289-3308

SIERRA HARDWARE A Complete Line of Hardware Supplies. Downieville,
California

SIERRA DEMOCRAT

Downieville

Aug. 14, 1858

Sierra Telegraph---Tommy Hagerman has bot up the stock and goodwill of the Sierra Telegraph and is now engaged putting up the wire between Downieville and Monte Cristo. From there he will continue it to St. Louis and La Porte. He expects to have the whole work completed in about two weeks. We have been promised the first dispatch.

SIERRA DEMOCRAT

Downieville

July 17, 1858

FRAZER LETTER---We have been put in possession of a letter from an old citizen of Downieville, now a resident of Whalcom, B.C... The document is lengthy, and principall devoted to points not generally noticed by letter writers. It will be found on the 4th page.

SIERRA DEMOCRAT

Downieville

August 21, 1858

EXCELSIOR HILL---The tummols at this place are being put in with all possible dispatch. The Excelsior and Dead-Broke companies are taking out good pay. In the former, the gravel is found to be richer than any at Monte Cristo on this side of the mountain. From two cars running during last Saturday afternoon and night the boys washed out over 26 ounces. (Today that would be over \$900.00 worth, about half that in those days).

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