

RICHEST GOLD DISCOVERY IN AMERICA.

(Trinity, Cal., Journal.)
News came to town this week of the richest strike in gold ever made in Trinity county or the State of California. It was made on Morrison Gulch, a tributary of Coffee Creek, by John B. Graves, R. B. Graves and Henry Carter.

About two years ago John B. Graves and a man named Mason located a placer mine on Morrison Gulch about eight miles above Trinity Center in this county and worked it for about a year. Mason then left and the Graves brothers and Henry Carter relocated the claim. This spring they sluiced the gravel and took out several thousand dollars. At the close of the sluicing season they discovered a small vein of porphyritic rock carrying free gold and ran a tunnel on it.

Soon after the tunnel was started they commenced finding gold in extraordinary quantities. At the top of their tunnel were two small veins varying from 2 to 4 inches in width one nearly perpendicular and the other running obliquely and converging to the first vein. Both carried a large amount of gold. Before they were in 25 feet they were taking out gold in large quantities. The rock seemed literally plastered with the precious metal. During the week ending Aug. 7th they took out nearly \$80,000. The output filled three iron horse buckets with coarse gold and nuggets and in addition they took out the largest and finest nugget ever taken from a mine in California or the United States.

They saw a large mass of gold imbedded in the rock and endeavored to pry it out, but there was too much of it. They then broke the country rock and extracted it by main force, breaking it as they did so. The piece was undoubtedly the finest specimen ever taken from an American mine and is the third largest specimen reported in the records of gold mining in the world. It measured three feet in length, 8 inches in width and three inches in thickness, and was worth by actual weight over \$12,000. When cleaned it was one of the most beautiful sights that ever was presented to the eyes of a gold miner.

This wonderful deposit of gold is not in a pocket but in veins and when the two converging veins meet, which they will at a short distance, from all indications the yield will be fabulous. There is no question but that it will run into hundreds of thousands of dollars and probably into the millions. In these veins nature sprinkled her treasure with a lavish hand. The gold is coarse and wiry. One piece taken out weighed ninety ounces and was a handsome specimen, being smooth excepting one end, which was honeycombed. The mine is, by no means exhausted. In the top of the tunnel systematic gonging yields from \$500 to \$1000 to the pan, and the veins show no sign of giving out. On the dump it is estimated that the waste rock carries several thousand dollars. It is impossible to estimate the ultimate yield of this bonanza.

Monday the Graves brothers took the greater part of their bullion, amounting to \$68,000, to Redding on their way to San Francisco. The gold was carried in a buckboard, an armed outrider preceded the team and an armed man followed. On their return from the city they will continue the work of extracting gold. The tunnel was left in charge of trusty men.

As was to be expected the news of the strike created great excitement in Trinity Center and hundreds flocked to the mine to feast their eyes upon the golden harvest. At the Nash Deep Gravel mine every man left to prospect for himself except the foreman and the Chinese cook. The advent of the bullion in Redding created no less excitement and for hours the city was astir.

The mine at which this strike has been made is situated in the heart of one of the richest mining sections of California. Not many miles away is the Altoona Quicksilver Mining Company's property, one of the chief producers of the world. A short distance off is the famous Strobe quartz mine, whose output has reached into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

In this vicinity are also situated the well known Blythe mining properties, the Nash Deep Gravel mine, owned by an English syndicate, and other remunerative and working mines. The adjoining country is ribbed with paying quartz and covered with auriferous gravel. For nearly fifty years this section has yielded a large amount of gold, and during the past few years the output has been greatly increased by intelligent labor and systematic development.

It lies at the head waters of the Trinity river, whose course from its source to its mouth has yielded millions. It is in the heart of the best mining portion of California. With a wealth of virgin mineral soil, with thousands of undiscovered ledges, with a wealth of forest and of water power, Trinity county presents the best field in the country for the prospector and the capitalist alike. Within a few years the dropping of the stamps and the hum of miners' labor will drown the voice of nature and in this favored spot will be reproduced the days of forty-nine with all modern improvements. Here is the home of gold, its gate ever open to the touch of the prospector's wand. Hard work and mining knowledge can nowhere be applied to a better advantage.

For many years owing to its isolated situation Trinity has been passed by in the fierce race for gold. The county possesses a large amount of unprospected and unlocated ground and is destined in the near future to be the leading mining county of the State and country. The output of any of the much vaunted Klondyke mines is dwarfed by the results of a few days' labor upon one of "old Trinity's" bonanzas and that far off frozen country will rejoice in the future to be known as the Trinity of the North, and in the day when Macauley's traveler from New Zealand sketches the ruins of St. Paul from London bridge some frigid prospector in far off Alaskan wilds will be writing in letters of gold the name of Coffee Creek upon the location notice above his frozen diggings.

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Canada's International Exhibition, St. John.

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The new poultry department is 30x65 feet with ceiling 12 feet high. Tables two feet from the floor are provided and exhibitors are desired to make their coops as neatly as possible, 2 1/2 feet high, the same in depth from front to rear and preferably the same in width.

Capable and painstaking superintendents have been appointed. Mr. John F. Brost will again superintend the stockyards; Mr. S. L. Peters will be at his post in the agricultural building, and Mr. W. A. Jack, will look after the poultry department.

All freight coming over the I. C. R. and C. P. R. will be delivered on the exhibition grounds. Exhibitors sending goods and stock by steamer will have to arrange to have them delivered on arrival of boat. Exhibits will be returned to starting point free by all the transportation companies. The C. P. Railway in addition refunds the going freight from New Brunswick and some Maine points.

Among the attractions of Agricultural Hall will be a creamery operated by steam power. Milk will be received each morning, separated by centrifugal separators, the cream cooled, ripened, and churned next day. All makes of dairy machinery milk testing machines and dairy supplies will be shown. Messrs. Harvey Mitchell and J. F. Tilley will be in charge of the creamery.

The X ray process and many other special attractions will be shown and all the beauties of a magnificent electrical display will be given. The buildings will be brilliantly lighted every evening by electricity and also the grounds when the fireworks and other attractions are not on. Six nights of the most elaborate fireworks ever given in the Maritime Provinces will be personally superintended by one of the firm of the noted pyrotechnic artists, Messrs. Hand & Co.

Amusement Hall, which this year comfortably seats 1000 persons, will be open every afternoon and evening and two first class companies of comedians will give four performances daily of clean, healthy, mirth-producing fun.

In the mornings the Amusement Hall will be open to the various associations which may wish to use it. Meetings of the Farmers' & Dairy-men's Association, the Maritime Stock Breeders' Association and the Good Roads Association are being arranged for. The expert judges will give addresses upon subjects in their line of work. Everyone interested is invited to attend these meetings.

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A SURPRISED SHARK.

A HINDOO WITH A ROPE PROVED TOO MUCH FOR HIM.

A Swimming Contest In Which the Man Surpassed the Fish—A Thrilling Scene, Upon Which an Immense Throng of People Looked With Varying Emotions.

"Talk about your shark hunters in the south Pacific islands," remarked the old traveler, "but I remember seeing an encounter with one of those long toothed gentry that for cool nerve beat anything I ever read about.

"I was loafing around Calcutta one day, late in the autumn, waiting for the evening train up to the city of Hughli, when I heard a tremendous shouting coming from the direction of the river Hughli, which is practically one of the mouths of the Ganges. Trotting over to the shore as fast as a white man ever traveled in India, I saw a huge commotion. Natives were hurrying away from the bank as if in terror and then running back as if their curiosity had overcome their greatest fears. The river was full of boats. The occupants of the larger ones were screaming with excitement, while those in the small ones were shrieking and jabbering with a considerable amount of fear.

"I soon discovered that the fuss had been created by a large shark which had come up with the tide and had ventured a little farther than it was customary for sharks to do. His dorsal fin was cutting the water here and there, and when occasionally he turned on his back and sent his nose and grinning teeth above the water groans and screams of horror went up in all directions. His sharkship was evidently out for supper and was casting longing glances at the succulent Hindoo babies, of whom a considerable number were in sight.

"In the midst of all the hubbub a tall, lank Hindoo stepped out upon the roof of a kind of houseboat and in a short speech announced that he would catch the shark.

"Instantly a dead hush fell upon the multitude. The Hindoo stood erect. He was perfectly naked save for a little garment at the loins, which our Texas cowboys call a 'gee string.' He was armed only with a long rope like a lariat, which he held behind his back with his left hand.

"Presently Mr. Shark came to the surface about eight yards from the boat and immediately the Hindoo plunged overboard.

"A chorus of groans and exclamations went up, in the midst of which the Hindoo reappeared, swimming with his right hand. Man and shark faced each other, and I fancied that I saw a pained expression in the monster's eye, as much as to say, 'Well, this is civil, to say the least.'

"The shark evidently thought he had a 'cinch' on the situation, for he swam leisurely toward the Hindoo, turned slowly upon his back and opened his mouth. The mouth closed with a snap and the people screamed, but the Hindoo had dodged, and presently he appeared again on the off side of the shark, smiling and still carrying his rope.

"The big fish looked surprised and then made another gentle dab at the Hindoo. The result was the same, and Mr. Hindoo came up fresh for the third round.

"Then the shark began to grow angry and made a vicious run at the Hindoo, and again he missed. The people on shore and in the boats began to feel confidence in the human champion, and their groans were changed to applause. Every time the man made a point against the fish those heathens would send up a rousing cheer.

"Well, by this time the thing was getting exciting. I never saw such swimming before, and I never will again. The man was a regular water snake. He dodged, twisted, dove and jumped like an eel. The fish made charge after charge. Once his fin grazed the Hindoo's arm, and the water was colored with blood. The man's stock went down a point, but it soon rose again, when the crowd began to see that the fish simply wasn't in it. The man was beating him at his own game. You see, the fish could only go in one direction—straight ahead like an arrow—while the man turned and doubled like a fox.

"Well, by and by the exertion and excitement told on the monster. He got rattled, churned the river into foam, and then became quiet again. At this moment the Hindoo faced him again. It was the last round.

"The shark charged languidly. The man waited, lying in the water until the great mouth was open to seize him. Then, with a convulsive backward leap, he straightened his body and sank, feet downward, like a plummet of lead.

"The shark settled down over him, lashing the water into a lather foam. They seemed to be grappling with each other. The crowd groaned and screamed, and then became silent.

"For the space of what seemed many minutes the people watched the surface of the water until even the bubbles had disappeared and all was quiet.

"'Lost! Lost!' screamed a priest, and the mob re-echoed the cry and began to beat their breasts like a lot of madmen. Then suddenly in the middle of it all the Hindoo reappeared, 30 yards up the stream. Both hands were above his head, and he was screaming, 'Tan, tan, tan!' He had slipped the nose of his lariat around the shark's tail and drawn it taut, and he held the free end in his hand.

"In an instant it was ashore, and a score of Hindoos were drawing at it. It took them half an hour to get Mr. Shark ashore, for he pulled like a locomotive, but they finally managed it. 'He proved to be nine feet long and sold for a sum which enabled his captor to live in comfort for nearly half a year.'—Philadelphia Telegraph.

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Crawls Under The Sea.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 27.—The Argonaut a submarine craft, was launched at noon to-day at the Columbian Iron Works in presence of a large crowd of interested spectators. Miss Miriam Lake, daughter of the inventor of the strange craft, christened it in the usual manner as it glided from the ways into the water.

The vessel, which is the invention of a Baltimorean, Simon Lake, is, as far as intentions and appearance are concerned, unique. It is intended for commercial work, including the exploration of the bottom of the rivers, lakes, bays and even seas, for treasure seeking and other purposes of a kindred character.

The vessel presents a curious appearance. The cigar shaped hull has two big iron wheels attached to it near the bow. These wheels are about as large as an ordinary cartwheel, and are of solid metal. The edges of the wheels are corrugated and cogged like those of a cog wheel. A smaller wheel of a similar character is attached to the boat at the stern. The wheels are intended to make the vessels to run along over the bottoms of rivers and other bodies of water, the propeller of the vessel supplying the necessary motive power. The boat will be so arranged that the divers can come in and go out of the vessel while she is on the bottom of rivers.

The Argonaut is thirty-six feet long, and nine feet in diameter, built of steel and strongly ribbed, to resist the water pressure. She is propelled, when on the surface, by a White & Middleton gasoline engine of thirty horse power. She can also be propelled, while on the bottom, by the same engine, the air supply being obtained through a hose leading to the surface and supported by a float. She can be propelled along the bottom by an electric motor as well, taking current from a powerful storage battery.

A strong searchlight is located in the bow, capable of lighting up a pathway in front of the craft as she moves along the bed of the ocean. Lenses are also arranged to project a beam of light to either side of the boat, so that objects may be seen in the vicinity of the vessel as she moves along.

Her speed is estimated to be about eight miles an hour on the surface and about five miles on the bottom. She will have fuel carrying capacity for a run of about 2000 miles. The crew will consist of a captain, an engineer and four divers. It is claimed that one man can handle her if necessary.

When not engaged in saving valuables from wrecks along the coast, she is to run on the surface of the sea with her string of barges like a tugboat and her tow. She is also to sink herself and barges to the bottom of the coast and run over the hard sands as if she were a locomotive with a train of cars.

The inventor of the craft proposes to look for some of the 2000 vessels sunk and the \$100,000,000 lost annually at sea. The boat may also be used in laying foundations for piers, lighthouses, bridges, docks, breakwaters etc. She may also make journeys among beds of coral and sponge for business purposes, or take down scientific and pleasure parties for an inside view of old Neptune. The boat is to be able to descend to a depth of 300 feet or more, and is to be sunk or raised at the will of the operator in the pilot house.

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