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On the north side of the Merced river,
above Coulterville, is the

RED CLOUD MINE

From which most favorable reports have been received of late. It is said, they have struck a bonanza in this mine and the ore taken out is fabulously rich with gold. This mine had been lingering along without any remarkable prospect, for along time, when all at once the owners were suddenly crowned with success and made rich. This simply illustrates the fact that indomitable energy and perseverance is frequently rewarded in mining as well as other enterprises.

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THE RED CLOUD MINE

Is owned by a San Jose Company, Gaines and Carter. They have a ten-stamp mill, put up by Jim Piper and is in good condition for crushing rock. This mining property in the past has been subject to too many fangled machines. It has undergone the Dodge process and Huntington's new invention, but is now back to first principles, the regular stamps. The last sinking on the vein is 100 feet below the 400 foot level and is on excellent ore, with a three foot vein. The mill will start up soon.

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RED CLOUD MINE

The Red Cloud quartz mine and the Ten-Stamp, steam power quartz crushing mill, belonging to an incorporated company of that name, located in San Jose, is situated on Berus Creek, ten miles north-easterly from Coulterville. The mill, for sometime past, has been running upon good ore averaging \$30 per ton. The lower level, which is 380 feet below the surface, shows two distinct chimneys, which was struck a short time back, was exceedingly rich and if there had ever been any lack of confidence in the mine, or had it about petered out, it was fully restored and with a four foot vein in the scope of considerable distance, probably to the surface, evidently gave rise to the value of the mine. The management is under Mr. J.S. Carter, the President of the company, who employs sixteen men. About ten ton of ore is crushed every twenty-four hours, which if the rock pays \$60 a ton (\$720 a day) it must be considered a financial success to its owners. Mr. Daniel Knight, the mill-wright, has been engaged in building and repairing at the mill for the last two or three months. He speaks very highly of the mine and thinks it one of the best he has ever come in contact with in the county. He also speaks in the highest terms of Mr. Carter, the superintendent and his wife Mrs. Carter, who, Dan says, is a gold mine within her own sphere. At the mill Thomas W. Marshall and Johnnie Guest, Jr. ably fill the places of millmen and old Uncle John Guest is the underground boss. The prospect of the Red Cloud mine is very flattering at present and judging from the great body of ore in sight, it will be a source of profit to its stockholders for a long time to come.

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Is down 380 feet, with a large vein at the bottom showing free gold in abundance. The walls are solid and require no timbering. The miners laid off last week in order to give the mill time to dispense of the quartz already on the surface. Mr Hornblower, one of the principal owners, is now at the mine and is much pleased with the prospect.

THE RED CLOUD MINE

Which is situated some twelve or fifteen miles above Coulterville, in Mariposa county, we are pleased to learn is doing well and is fast growing in importance. Every few days we hear of a fine body of ore being struck, that the vein is from ten to fifteen feet thick and that the whole body of ore is being crushed. They have a Twenty-Stamp mill with steam power, plenty of wood in the vicinity. It is said they have a very lively camp over there, some ten or twelve dwelling houses, two or three boarding houses, one store, two saloons, election precinct established there, expect soon to have a post-office, a school, a church, etc.. Mr. Carter, the superintendent, is erecting a fine home for himself and family, it is located on a commanding position near by the works. The mine has come to stay and gets better as it goes down. Another shaft of 100 feet will start sinking in a few days. Alonzo Dexler, we believe it is, has taken a contract to furnish wood for the mill for one year. It can't be said, but what if at least one mine on the north side of the river, in the vicinity is prosperous.

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RED CLOUD MINE

Daniel Hoeltzek and Charlie Wagner, who were here on the jury last week, gave a very favorable account of the Red Cloud mine, which is becoming a permanent institution. About every week an additional rich strike is made in the vein, which gives great encouragement to the proprietors and men employed about the mill and mine. The week previous, Mr. Hoeltzel informs us perhaps surpassing any of the rich finds heretofore made. Prosperity pervails the whole camp, which is growing daily. There are quite a number of our old home town miners and acquaintances employed at this mine and most of whom have families and are citizens of our county. In this particular, the owners and managers of this mine are entitled to great credit and worthy of more notice. Upon enquiry, we find John Guest, who is noted for his trust worthiness, hold the trusty position of "underground boss" of the whole mine. Thos. J. Marshall is "mill man", Johnnie and Bernie Guest, Eli Haat, Tori Marshall, Jr., Jimmy, the mucker and others whose names we do not remember are among the employees and Mr. J.S. Carter, who is superintendant of the works is most favorably spoken of by all his employees and neighbors. The surrounding area fast assuming the shape of a small village, which indicates a prosperous mine. There are other mines in the neighborhood of this mine, just as good and simply waiting for capital and labor to bring their wealth to the surface.

RED CLOUD

Which at present--as the boys would express it--"Is taking the cakes" from all others on that side of the river. It is owned by a San Jose Company and is paying regularly a fair monthly dividend to its stockholders. They have about thirty men employed in and about the mine. J.S. Carter is the general superintendent, a man, who is well qualified and liked and a good man for the position he holds in the interest of the company. John Guest, of Bear Valley, is his foreman underground, he is a good miner and a good judge of work, who wins for him the good will of all who work with him or under him. The mine is 380 feet deep, which nowadays is a very shallow mine. From each one hundred feet they have a drift or level run each way, which shows a good paying mine all through. The average of the vein is about five feet wide. They have an 18 Stamp-Mill, which is kept running by steam day and night by Louis Repetto and Thomas Marshall, Jr., two good reliable men.

Now, Mr Editor, as you are an old 49er and could appreciate a scene of mining industry, in a fresh locality where every thing was all life and astir, similar to 49, it would be well worth your while to visit Red Cloud, which by the way, is only about a year old. There is one store, two saloons, one school house, five boarding houses, two stables, one blacksmith shop and ten dwelling houses; so you can account for the life of the place. As I Have given you what I know about the mines, which I hurriedly passed by and of the mushroom mining town sprung up in consequence. I feel it incumbent upon me to notice the agreeable, sociable dance gotten up for the benefit of the school at this place. There was a large attendance and the dance was kept until midnight, when a recess was taken for supper, which was prepared by all the women folks about the mill and tickets for the ball

and supper sold very readily at \$1.50, all of which went to the school fund. The music by Morris Hunt and Marshall was furnished free. If its not to pressing, I will give you a list of all the ladies who were present, as follows: Mrs. J.W. Guest, Mrs. E. Hunt, Mrs. A. Goss, Mrs. Tom Marshall, Mrs. V. Bruseld, Misses Lizzie and Rosa Carter, Leona Hunt, Jullie Martin, Sarah, Lizzie and Isa J. Nreva, Netha Dexler, Louise Mitchard, Mary Delan, and several whose names I did not learn.

Thinking it is about time to close,

I remain yours,

Alameda

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The section from the Omparisa north to Bull Creek (six miles) has been a great producer, as evidential by the following list, several of them being on the same veins as the Omparisa:

Compromise or Marble Spring mine, \$750,00; Hasloe, \$500,000; Martin & Walling, \$1,000,000; Mammoth Group--Brosehi Brothers, \$70,000; Bandorita, \$500,000; Bandurant, \$250,000; Red Cloud, \$1,000,000; Cherokee, \$250,000; Diana Group--McCarthy & Co., \$50,000; Euban's, \$50,000; Geraldine, \$54,000.

These are figures of record, based on bullion shipped out.

A number of the above are working and producing well and several others are preparing to start up.

In the immediate vicinity of Coulterville, several very promising properties are being operated: The Benon Blanco, owned by Captian A. Ward, making an especially fine showing.

Summing it all up, there is no reason why Mariposa county should be so little heard from. It certainly offers to-day one of the best fields to the intelligent mining investor. The section I have mentioned presents only a small portion of the county, which, as a whole, carries some of the very best mineral bearing values of the state.

