

## Oroville Register 1-15-1896

### Mascot Mine.

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Richard Uren and Jas Kendal were down from the Mascot mine at Oregon City last night. They report excellent ore which they think will mill \$20 a ton. The pay rock averages about fifteen inches in width and they think the ledge will soon widen out. They will continue prospecting and getting out ore for a month or more ere they start up the mill.

# Oroville Register 1-27-1896

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## Will Start the Mill.

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Kendall & Company, who have lately been prospecting the Mascot mine, at Oregon City, are making arrangements to start the mill. There is an abundance of water and they have engaged an experienced mill man who will begin work in a day or two. The ledge prospects well and is about three feet in width. The ore deep on the Standard ledge led to the renewed work in the Mascot, and if the rock pays it is probable that within a few weeks a good many men will be put on.

# Oroville Daily Register 1-17-1898

## Death of Theodore Fischer.

Theodore Fischer of Oregon City died on Saturday night about 9 o'clock and his remains will be buried today at 1 p. m.

He was born in Kiel, Prussia, and was 72 years, 2 months and 7 days old. He came to California about 1850 and had lived in Butte nearly the entire time. He left a widow and five children--all grown--to mourn his loss. Three years ago he was paralyzed and since then has been unable to help himself but little. On Monday he was taken ill and lay in a sleep most of the time, although when aroused he was able to answer questions. Night before last he was taken worse and soon passed away. Dr. Stewart of Chico, was the attending physician and all was done for him that was possible. He was a kind-hearted, good man, with many friends and no enemies. To the grief-stricken family we extend our sincere sympathy.

FISCHER, Dora  
Oroville Register  
11-24-1898

**OVER THE DARK RIVER.**

**Sad Death of a Most Exemplary Young  
Lady.**

Miss Dora Fischer of Hengy, died Tuesday morning at an early hour after a brief illness. The immediate cause of her death is stated to have been inflammation of the bowels. Her illness really dates back several years for during the past five years she has been under the treatment of different physicians for severe stomach trouble. Some of her friends feared it was cancer of the stomach but the attending physicians said not.

She was awakened at an early hour Sunday morning by very severe pains in her bowels and a dispatch was sent to Oroville for Dr. Karsner, who drove up to her home and prescribed the usual remedies for inflammation of the bowels. On Monday he went to see her again but found no change for the better and as stated above she passed away early Tuesday morning.

She was born in Butte county on Sept. 30th., 1869 and lived her whole life in Butte. She was an industrious, hard working young woman of exemplary character and highly esteemed by those who knew her. She leaves her mother, one sister, Mrs. Chas. Stroever of Clear Creek, and three brothers to mourn her untimely death. To the bereaved mother, sister, and brothers we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy. She was a good daughter, a loving sister and a kind friend.

Oroville Mercury  
6-26-1899

**Accident at Magalia.**

George James a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. James, of Oregon City, is laid up at Magalia from the effects of an accident which befell him yesterday. From meagre details at hand it seems that Mr. James was riding in a buggy between Magalia and the Magalia mine, when the vehicle was upset and he thrown out. At first it was reported that he had met with serious injuries, but later reports are to the effect that a dislocated shoulder was the worst.

# Daily Register

## 3-23-1901

### At Long's Bar.

There's a spot at the bend of the river,  
Where the travel of long ago,  
Came over the Long's Bar Ferry,  
As traffic passed to and fro.

When Sparks and Smith worked the  
"Banner."

And the "Monte De Oro" ran,  
And cheered the hearts of the owners,  
To the tune of five hundred a pan.

When Hendricks had tapped the mountain,  
And the "Perkin's Point" still paid,  
And the fate of Dan Shine, the miner,  
Had made no man afraid.

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Near this spot by the bend of the river,  
A little maid sleeps long,  
In a grave of her own sad seeking,  
In sound of the "feather's" song.

And happier she, thought another,  
Who dreaming beside its flow,  
Once wove in an artless childhood,  
The fancies of long ago.

Loving the murmuring water,  
The flowers and the shining sun,  
Not knowing that hungry hearted,  
We may be when the day is done.

To-day by the bend of the river,  
Its surging flow beside,  
The one through the long years living,  
Thought of the one who died.

The radiant green of the hillsides,  
The mountain far away,  
Rocks--river--and light and shadow,  
Made up the perfect day.

No longer she envied the sleeper,  
By the river's endless song.  
The burden of life has grown lighter,  
Though the years should be sad and long.

For renewed at the bend of the river,  
The hope and trust of life,  
Leaving no place for her sorrow,  
Banishing every strife.

After the pain and the parting,  
After the toil of years,  
After her heart was heavy,  
With the burden of unshed tears.

She has come to the bend of the river,  
To learn what is last and best,  
That the dream of her youth was immortal,  
And she need not grieve for the rest.

ANNA M. REED.

March 14, 1901.

## Anna Morrison Reed

1849 - 1921



*Anna Morrison Reed*

Anna Morrison Reed grew up in Oregon City, Butte County, Ca and later Wyandotte. She gave her first lecture in Tehama County, Ca at the age of 19. Her life story was published in the Oroville papers in 1871, at the age of 22. Later moving to Ukiah, Ca., she was the editor of the local paper for a number of years. She wrote and published three books of poetry. Her life story was published in 1978.



# Oroville Register 3-18-1904

## DID NOT PROSPER IN THE MINES

Recently the Oroville Register contained an account of finding a nugget of gold in Oregon Gulch, seven miles north of Oroville, by a man named Hedge, valued at \$110.50. Oregon Gulch in early days was noted for the number of nuggets of gold found some of them much larger than that found by Mr. Hedge. In 1860 a quartz lode was found in the side of the hill and a quartz mill was erected on it a short distance from the residence house of Col. Derrick, the property having been known thereafter as the White & Nutter mine. The following year when excitement of discoveries of silver in great quantities in the Washoe country now the State of Nevada, White & Nutter took down their mill in Oregon Gulch, loaded it on wagons and started for the new diggings.

In 1864 a company was formed in Marysville to work the White & Nutter abandoned mine, the members were A. D. Starr, D. B. Knight, Dr. Teegarden, A. J. Lucas, C. G. Bocklus, L. T. Crane, Herndon Barrett and T. J. Sherwood. The company bought a mill that had

## TALKS ABOUT OREGON CITY IN THE 1860'S

been erected on a quartz lode near Hansonville, and after taking it down moved it by teams to the site of the Oregon Gulch mine. A good ten stamp mill was soon in condition to crush quartz and the quest of gold began under favorable conditions, and it continued sixteen months. At a depth of 316 feet the lode pinched and the cost was from ten to twelve dollars a ton to bring the quartz to the surface, besides the cost of milling. Instead of dividends there were seven or eight assessments to pay for the work in searching for gold. At the end of sixteen months the mine was abandoned again and the mill was sold to a company who took it down and moved it by team to the Templar mine, near Indiana Ranch. The result of the eight Marysville men in quest of gold in Oregon Gulch was a total expenditure of \$53,000 and an income, including the sale of the mill, \$20,000. In other words, they put \$33,000 more in the venture than they took out, in a nugget district. Of the eight men who composed the company in 1864 only two are living. Judge Crane and Sherwood. Barrett, Teegarden, Lucas, Bocklus, Starr and Knight answered the call years ago. Marysville Democrat.

**Note: Oregon City became known as  
Bloomdale for a short time**

James, William  
Oroville Daily Register  
4-28-1905

**FUNERAL OF THE  
LATE WM. JAMES**

The funeral of the late Wm. James, of Bloomingdale, took place at Cherokee yesterday afternoon at two o'clock. Undertaker A. V. Reynolds had charge of the funeral. Rev. Mr. Ham of this town preached the funeral sermon and conducted the services. Mrs. J. H. Bullard and Miss Myrtle Brandt sang "Rock of Ages" and "Nearer, My God to Thee" at the family residence, where the services were held, and also rendered appropriate hymns at the cemetery.

The children of the deceased were all present, and six of the sons—Dan, George, Edward, Frank, John and Richard—escorted the remains of their honored sire to the grave, while the eldest son, Henry, aided the footsteps of the mother.

There were numerous and beautiful floral pieces, and a large number of old friends and neighbors gathered to do honor to the remains of one they had known long and well.



NISBET, Helen (Ellen)  
Oroville Daily Register  
1-4-1909

**MRS. HELEN NISBET  
PASSES AWAY  
AT HOME**

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WAS ONE OF PIONEER WOMEN  
OF COUNTY, COMING HERE  
IN FIFTIES.  
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Mrs. Helen Nisbet, one of the pioneer women of California, and for half a century a resident of Butte County, died early yesterday morning at Cherokee. The immediate cause of death was pneumonia.

The deceased was born in Scotland, and at the time of her death was something over sixty-nine years of age. When a young girl she came to California, making the trip to this State by way of the Isthmus of Panama. On coming here the family settled almost immediately in Butte County. With the exception of two years, Mrs. Nisbet had resided here continuously for the past fifty-four years, her home during this time being at Oregon City and Cherokee.

Helen (Miller) Nesbit



Her husband, Mr. John Nisbet, a forty-niner and one of the most prominent citizens of the county, died five years ago. Seven children and thirteen grandchildren live to mourn the death of Mrs. Nisbet. The children are: J. G. Nisbet, of Oroville, John Nisbet of Granite, Colorado; G. H. Nisbet, of Condoto, United States of Colombia; W. G. Nisbet, of Oroville, A. H. Nisbet and Andrew Nisbet, of Cherokee, Mrs. W. L. Whelan, of Cherokee, and Mrs. P. C. Hatch, of San Diego.

The funeral will be held on Tuesday. The cortege will leave the family residence at 12 o'clock, noon, and proceed to the Oregon City Hall, where funeral services will be held at 1:30 o'clock. Interment will be in the Oregon City Cemetery.