

Jan 3, 1857

Butte Record.

OROVILLE, BUTTE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, SATURDAY, JANUARY 3. 1857.

THE ST. NICHOLAS.—There is no question but that Oroville can boast of as good a Hotel as any town in California. The proprietors of the above house, Frank Johnson, who, everybody knows as the pioneer steamboat man on the Sacramento River, and Frank J. Lawlor, late of the St. Nicholas Hotel, New York, seem determined to make the St. Nicholas to Northern California what the house of the same name is to New York.

The culinary department and dining room are under the management of that popular caterer, Harry Goodman.

Huntoon Exchange Sold
Renamed St. Nicholas Hotel

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ORO TELEGRAPH.—The work of putting up the wire between this place and Marysville has been commenced, and will doubtless be completed within the week, if not in time to pass the compliments of the new year with the residents of the cities below, we shall soon be able to give our readers the latest items of news, Legislative proceedings, &c. This will be an important era in Butte county, and will give us the news on the arrival of the steamers, without waiting the slow course of Uncle Sam's vehicles.

We confidently expect a dispatch about the 10th of January announcing the gratifying fact that Broderick and McCorkle have been elected U. S. Senators from California, and we should regret to see it become the "mournful duty" of the telegraph to announce the election of anybody else.

For the Butte Record

CEMETERY.—The citizens of Oroville are requested to meet at the Court House this evening at 7 o'clock, to take some measures to secure a suitable site for a burial ground. Every one must see the importance and necessity of such a movement. The present place of interment is rendered almost inaccessible by reason of mining operations, and the whole ground is liable to be disturbed by miners. Nearly all the ground not already worked over by miners, is full of graves. It is earnestly hoped that all citizens will feel enough interest in the matter to attend the meeting.

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North Californian.

C. G. LINCOLN, Editor

OROVILLE.

FRIDAY, APRIL 3D, 1857.

REVENUE INCREASING.—Wm. Hobart, our very energetic foreign tax collector, collected \$5,500 from the Chinese during the month of March—\$1,500 more than he ever collected before in one month. More than one-half of these fourteen hundred Chinese miners are at work in the Oroville and Rancheria diggings.

The distinguished and popular caterer Frank Carpied, formerly of Frank's Restaurant, Marysville, and recently of Frank's Restaurant, Oroville, will open an eating house in his old style, on Montgomery street, between Huntoon and Lincoln, on Saturday, where he will be glad to see his old friends. His advertisement is unavoidably crowded out this week.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to J. M. Brock by note or book account, or otherwise, are requested to call on the under-signed and settle the same.

Oroville, April 3, 1857.

C. SCRIBER.

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Three Men Lynched at Bangor!

One of the most awful instances of summary vengeance ever known in this State was enacted yesterday at Bangor. Four men, Charles Ringgold, L. R. Lake, G. N. Johnson and Cha's Jones, were arrested at Long Bar, on the Yuba, on the 30th, on suspicion of being concerned in the robbery of the Chinese camp below Oroville, and in robbing and murdering a Chinaman near Bangor. A constable from Bangor brought the prisoners to that place for examination, on Wednesday last. About 2 o'clock Thursday morning, a band of men, with blackened faces, took the prisoners out of the hands of the constable, and hung three of them. Jones confessed their guilt and was saved, and now is in the custody of Sheriff Freer. Johnson is a smooth faced, and very light haired man, of about 30 years of age, marked on the left arm with a representation of the crucifixion in India ink, and according to Jones' statement was an escaped convict from the Penitentiary. He said he had belonged to Walker's band, and wore a piece of his skull as a talisman. Ringgold is about 25 years of age, with light eyes and hair, and Roman nose, and marked S. L. on the left arm. These two latter resemble one another so much as to induce the belief that they are brothers. Jones was pardoned out of the penitentiary about a year since, whither he had been sent for shooting a man in Marysville. These young men have all been loafing around our village the most of the winter, and were looked upon by the authorities as suspicious characters. Cha's Jones was for a time a waiter in Frank's Restaurant.

Sheriff Freer and several deputies, district attorney Kleine, and Coroner Harlow repaired immediately to the scene of the tragedy. We are indebted to Wm. Hobart, Esq., for the above particulars.

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OROVILLE, BUTTE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 1857.

NUMBER 219.

ROSS & WELCH,

DEALERS IN STOVES, TIN, &

Sheet Iron Ware,

Hardware, Wooden Ware, Cutlery, &c.

Montgomery Street, 2 doors above Huntoon

WILL KEEP CONSTANTLY ON HAND A
Well selected Stock of Goods in their line,
and would respectfully solicit a share of public
patronage. Particular attention paid to JOB WORK.
Oroville, March 18, 1857. m184

Purchased Joseph Brock's hardware store

North Californian.

C. G. LINCOLN, Editor

OROVILLE.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1857.

HONOR TO THE FIREMEN.—Since the parade of last Saturday, on which occasion the Firemen made such a splendid and imposing appearance, and the fire on Monday, when they distinguished themselves for their courage and efficiency, there has been no end to the honors and civilities extended to them. Mr. Constantine, the proprietor of the Restaurant corner Montgomery and Myers streets, invited them to a Champagne dinner on Sunday. A few of the company were present, and enjoyed an elegant repast, seasoned with a large amount of wit and wine. On Wednesday night they drank, by invitation, a basket of "Charles Heidsieck," with the "Count," at the Merchants Exchange. On the day of the parade, the company drank a few bottles of wine with T. W. Sexton, Esq., which were very refreshing midst the heat and dust of the march. The St. Nicholas and Orleans Hotels, Fireman's Hall, Hesse's Saloon, and other places, were also thrown open on this occasion. After the parade an excellent collation was served up in the Empire House, furnished by the generosity of our citizens. Saloons seemed desirous of outdoing each other in providing Schnapps and Lager Beer; Mr. Freer sent a basket of Champagne. Eloquent speeches were made, toasts drunk, and the whole passed off admirably.

Fire.

On Monday last our town was visited by a most disastrous conflagration, which destroyed nearly half a block in the business portion of the town. Had it not been for the energy and efficiency of our gallant Hook and Ladder Company, and the untiring exertions of the citizens generally, the whole business portion of the town would have been laid in ruins, and even their exertions would have been totally unavailing but for the extreme calmness of the hour. The fire broke out in the Metropolitan Theatre, about 6 o'clock, P. M., and within one minute from the first alarm the flame and smoke was bursting from every part of the building. So instantaneous was its spread that many are induced to believe it to be the work of an incendiary. The flames rapidly communicated with the adjoining buildings, but here a fierce strife ensued between the infuriated element and our daring and indomitable firemen, as to which should be foremost in the work of destruction. The latter were so far successful with their hooks and grapnels, that after the first two or three buildings, the fire had nothing to consume but a prostrate mass of broken boards and scantling; and its progress was arrested with a loss of six or seven buildings, which were worth from \$12,000 to \$20,000.

This is the first fire of any considerable moment that has occurred since the town was built. It has had the effect of enlightening our citizens upon many points about which they have felt a painful uncertainty. First, that on an ordinary day, with bravery and energy, and with those means of resistance which we can well afford to procure, there need be no fear of a general conflagration of the town. Secondly, that without a well organized fire department and hooks and ladder and engine, we are completely helpless and at the mercy of every fire that gets the slightest headway.

WEEKLY BUTTE RECORD.

GR: H. CROSETTE, Editor.

Oroville, Saturday, April 11th, 1857.

Destructive Conflagration—Metropolitan Theatre and Eight other Buildings Burned.

About 6 o'clock Monday afternoon a fire broke out in the rear of the Metropolitan Theatre, and notwithstanding the day was remarkably still, the flames spread with fearful rapidity, burning three buildings on Bird street and three on Huntoon. Two other buildings were torn down for the purpose of arresting the progress of the flames.

As near as we have been able to ascertain in the confusion which every where prevailed, the buildings destroyed may be estimated at about fifteen thousand dollars. To this must be added the loss of the inmates, which we have not had the means or time to ascertain. It will, doubtless reach as high a figure as the buildings.

The wildest excitement prevailed in every part of the town, and goods were hastily packed, preparatory to being removed to a place of safety. The loss, at a fair estimate, may be set down at about thirty five thousand dollars.

The estimated loss by the buildings burned and torn down, we put down as follows—some of the estimates being our own:

Bird & Morris, Metropolitan Theatre	\$8,000
Two buildings adjoining	1,000
Hall, dwelling	500
Apollo Saloon, owned by Caulkins,	
Spellman & Hudson, of Marysville,	3,000
Buildings owned by Spaniards	500
Mr. Hall, (saloon occupied by G.	
Lamp	2,000
Harlow	500
Arnold & Curtis	500

Various rumors are afloat with regard to to the origin of the fire, and the impression very generally prevailed that it was the work of an incendiary. The most probable report which we have heard, says that a boy employed to work around the theatre, was lighting a lamp, when it burst, or the chimney broke, and in endeavoring to blow it out, the flames communicated with the lining and instantly spread over the building. This statement is supported by several school children who were at play in and around the theatre, and does away with the idea of its being the work of an incendiary, as we in common with others had at first supposed.

Fortunately the fire was confined to the corners of the Plaza and Huntoon street. This done by the active and untiring exertions of Butte Engine Company, and the hearty co-operation of the citizens generally. The preservation of the town is undoubtedly due to the gallant Buttes, whose organized and well directed movements were effective in arresting the progress of the flames. They are entitled to all honor, and deserve the hearty thanks and encouragement of every citizen of Oroville. We trust they will soon be furnished with a more effective apparatus. The town has already sustained losses sufficient to purchase half a dozen engines. After the fire had been subdued, the assembled and gratified citizens sent up cheer after cheer for the gallant firemen and well did they deserve this spontaneous tribute to their noble exertions.

But few accidents happened during the fire, and none of a serious nature. A young man named Mullen, was busily engaged tearing down a building, and had no intimation that the hooks had been attached to the building, until the roof was pulled down and he was buried in the ruins. He was not seriously injured however.

The little wind that was stirring at the time, sent the heat in a southerly direction across the Plaza, and so intense was it that the windows of the Court House were in danger of taking fire.

The San Francisco Minstrels, who were playing at the Metropolitan theatre, lost their entire wardrobe and musical instruments, valued at about \$3,000.

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Geo: H. CROSETTE, Editor.

Oroville, Saturday, April 11th, 1857.

The Plaza Troubles.

We announced on yesterday that the "Boys" had removed a lime house, which was in process of erection on the Public Plaza. We learn from the Agent of the Lime Co., that the facts in the case are as follows: Mr. Gwynn desired a place to erect a temporary lime house, remote from other buildings, and had an agreement with Judge Lewis and his land grabbing crowd, to occupy a corner of the Plaza. The matter created considerable talk during the day, and in the evening "Schermerhorn's Boy" insisted that he heard some person under the building and in prosecuting the search for him, it was demolished. As it was too heavy to carry off bodily, a rope was attached to it, and the edifice turned over a perfect wreck. To prevent the recurrence of such a scene, the following notice was found posted upon the Court House, yesterday:

NOTICE.

"I have this day, April 8th, 1857, claimed this Lot and Building, known as the Court House of the County of Butte, and I do hereby forbid any person or persons occupying room, or renting of persons who style themselves the Board of Supervisors, as I do this day give notice I shall be able to attend to my own business. I do hereby forbid any person or persons erecting any Building or Lime Depot, on any lots that I have this day claimed. Any persons who wish to rent can enquire at the second door on right hand side.

SEAL

I have this day set my Hand
and Seal,
JUDGE EVERY BODY."

Previous to the removal of the County Seat it was generally understood from Messrs. Bird & Morris, that the Plaza had been donated to the County to be occupied with County buildings, and men had purchased lots from them fronting on the Plaza. After the removal, Messrs. Harris & Burt appeared as attorneys for Messrs. Bird & Morris, claiming all but one-fourth of an acre in the centre of the Plaza, and demanded three thousand dollars from the County for it. Of course it was refused, and the general indignation of the public compelled them to abandon, for the time being, their absurd claim. But it appears Judge Lewis is still endeavoring to obtain a recognition of their claim, so that they may compel the County or Town to pay for it. He had previously granted Mr. Lamp, one of the sufferers by the late fire, the privilege of erecting a building on the Plaza, but Mr. L. on being informed of the facts in the cases, by Thos. Wells, Esq., and others, sought another place for his dwelling. If they can establish a legitimate title to the Plaza, they should receive full value for it; but the course they have apparently adopted to procure a recognition of the claim is certainly extraordinary, infamous and contemptible. As much as we may regret the action of the "Boys" in keeping the Plaza from being occupied, it seems to be necessary, as it is but a short time since the California Stage Company were obliged to remove our land grabbing County Judge from their lot *vi et armis*.

May 17, 1857

Special Notices

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All persons indebted to J. M. BROCK, or to the Subscriber, must call and settle previous to next Saturday, if they wish to save costs.

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C. SCRIBER.

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL,

Corner Montgomery and Huntoon Streets,

OROVILLE.

FRANK JOHNSON,.....Proprietor

 HAVING purchased the House known heretofore as Huntoon's Exchange, I have renovated, re-fitted, newly furnished and opened it under the above name, with entirely new arrangements. I have erected a spacious dining hall—added a large number of elegantly furnished rooms for Families, and am prepared to accommodate any number of guests in a manner that I trust will be satisfactory to all. As I have had the benefit of long experience in the business, and as I shall give my whole attention to it, I intend to make my house in all its essential appointments, the very best in this section of California.

FRANK JOHNSON.

N. B.—The Cal. Stage Company's General Office is at this House, where passengers arrive from and depart to all points of the country.

December 30, 1856.

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July 22, 1857

OROVILLE DAILY BUTTE RECORD.

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OROVILLE, BUTTE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 1857.

NUMBER 8.

ply here to-morrow at the BRICK STORE.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NEW
HARDWARE STORE!

OROVILLE.

THE SUBSCRIBER WOULD RESPECTFULLY call the attention of the people of Oroville and vicinity to the stock of hardware, which he is now opening and offers for sale at

Extremely Low Prices For
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He will be in daily receipt of new and desirable goods, and hopes by keeping a good assortment and selling at Low Prices, to merit a share of public patronage.

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Iron, Steel and Coal,
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