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From the Excursionists.

It is a common thing in California to see a man plowing with eight horses, and a gang of ten plows, and as many as eight such teams in a field.

When we left Sacramento some four days ago, the river of same name was at its average height. This morning, May 27th, our route again led us past Sacramento, and we found a great portion of the city and as far as the eye could see from the cars, the country along the railroad was under water.

We started last evening on our trip to Portland, which we expect to reach Monday morning, 29th. Thence we go home. Sunday morning I knew it was Sabbath, for I saw a farmer with his mower cutting grass for hay.

I have seen no Canada thistles in this state, neither the thistle so common in Pennsylvania. But I see a thistle which grows large, has a broad leaf, and a blossom like our thistle.

May 30th, struck Oregon last night. Went up grades of 176 foot to the mile, for fifteen miles. A ninety ton engine was put on at Harbrook, a monster to behold, and kept at this point to help trains over eleven miles of steep mountain grades.

On the opposite side of the street is the Mormon tithing house, recently confiscated by the United States government. We took a look at Brigham's residence, and the Beehive in which his two scores of wives resided.

As we reached Dutch flats in the morning, a brass band was in waiting and a little army of men and women, to greet us.

Away down into the washed out mountain gulch we were led, three-fourth of a mile, there were long tables spread with a miners breakfast for us—pork and beans, sandwiches, coffee, etc.

We went into this true mining style, you bet. After breakfast many of our party tried their hand at gold washing. Immense streams of water, from a four inch nozzle played against the mountain side, wash loose the stuff, and every now and then earth as large as a two-story house would fall with a roar like a cannon.

From here we struck for Grass Valley, the great quartz mining district of California. The country around the city of Grass Valley is full of gold mines, and look where you will you see a gold mine.

inevitable brass band was there. Excursion trains of people from the surrounding country were there, to get a sight of the National Editorial Association, packing the streets, and waving hats and kerchiefs on all sides.

After dinner carriages were in waiting and such as desired were taken out to the quartz mines. I went down into one 2300 feet to witness the operation of quartz mining as distinguished from the hydraulic mining engaged in during the morning at Dutch flats.

The chances for any one making money are seven out of ten. As a rule, no one who moves to California ever wishes to move back again.

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As we reached the city, we found the station and its surroundings packed with people, to receive us, and the

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