# THE CEMENT MINE.

A PHILADELPHIAN'S EXPERIENCE IN SEEKING MYTHICAL GOLD.

A Hard Tramp Through the Sierras In Search for the Deposit That Assayed a Thousand Ounces to the Ton-Something About the Lost Cabin Mine.

Jacob Metz, a lastmaker of this city, is an old time California miner and was for eleven years a prospector in the mountains, and he tells a curious story about the alleged rediscovery of the Lost Cabin mine in South Dakota. He

There are two mountain myths that have been bothering the heads of imaginative treasure seekers in the Rockies since 1855. One is "White's Cement mine" and the other is the Lost Cabin. a half breed Blackfoot come into Fort and an old one quarrel the elderly dame Randal, on the Missouri river, with a bag full of nuggets and a story of gold deposits of incredible richness on Cabin creek, a branch of the North fork of the Chevenne river just west of what is now the Montana boundary line. As they were old mountain men, and Carson having a great reputation as a guide, everybody went crazy. No white man was supposed to have been within 500 miles of the place, and indeed men were being cut off by Indians within five miles of the fort.

Carson and Kinney went on a week's drunk, and soon gambled away their gold, but showed no disposition to take a party to the new Eldorado. The United States officers at the fort discredited the whole thing, and dissuaded the crowd from following it up, but men started out and none returned, and hundreds tried it from time to time. The Indians no doubt knew of the existence of gold there, and of course wanted to keep the whites out, and they did effectually for thirty years. A thousand lives and a mountain of treasure were spent in seeking the location in vain, and it was believed by the old timers to be a fraud from the first. Neither Carson nor Kinney ever made the attempt to seek it again, but both repeated their original story from time to time. So this is about the truth as to the Lost Cabin Lonanza.

White's Cement mine is much more remarkable as a narrative. White was a New Englander, sixty years old, who had come to California in 1842. As a gold seeker he was known and talked about in every mining camp on the coast and stories related of his phenomenal luck. He no doubt made many fortunes, but was always poor, and tramped about with a lean mule and half breed Indian boy, getting supplies where he could. I believe he was alightly demented, but all looked up to him, and he undoubtedly knew more about the gold region than any man living.

One day in 1858 White came to Horse Head gulch from the Sierras, driving his mule and looking ulterly used up. He got something to cal, and then took out of his pack a number of pieces of what looked like hard white clay glitman named Helvat, and an honest man. Before night it was known in camp that White's specimen showed 1,000 ounces of gold to the ton. In five minutes every one went crazy. Nobody slept that night, but sat around the fires and had been waiting long at a certain statalked "cement." In the morning a party headed by Senator Sharon's brother called on White, who was sleeping in one of the "shacks," He was told in a few words that he must pilo the men to his find, he should have the pick of the claims and help to work it, but go he must, and on his refusal was warned that his life would not be worth shucks if he "stood off" the camp. Then he consented. Every one was wild. I was offered \$1,000 for my two mules and outfit, but like a fool went with the rest. The trail led right into the Sierras. The first day was a race and one-third of the men broke down. The Indian leaped ahead like a wolf and then White followed, his long gray hair flying in the wind. By the end of the second day we were in the heart of the mountain, in a desert where no human being had ever been before. Half of the animals were lost, and the men were haggard with fatigue and excitement. White was told that if he played false he was a dead man, but i.e still pointed east. W passed good indications that showed color, but in that hand of desolution all the gold in America would not have availed a man then. On the evening of the third day White said we were near to our journey's end, and by tomorrow-and then he waved his long arms and such a yell went up from the frenzied men that partly made the pine clad mountains shake. Every one lay down expecting to arise a millionaire, but in the morning White was gone and left no trace. About one-had of the party, after incredible suffering, got back to life and civilization, and yet, despite our story, 100 men started back over our trail two days after. Three years after White reappeared in Balt Lake City with his cement specimens as before incredibly rich and again disappeared, and from that day to this has never been heard of, but men still wear out their lives in seeking his lost consent mine. After eleven years' labor is the mines I got home with \$500 and a heap of knowledge that will last for the rest of my life .- Philadelphia Press.

Australian Shark and Diver. Beauty Among Savages On one occasion a big shark came Among the Babines, who dwell to the ngside me where I was working. I north of the Columbia river, a large under lip is regarded as a type of beauty. A small incision is made in the lip during infancy and a fragrant of bone in-

seried. This is replaced from time to time by larger and larger fragments, each operation being attended with se-As I retreated ho still advanced, until I found myself jammed up against vere pain, and at length pieces of wood the rock. I could retreat no farther, seuring not less than three inches in and yet the brute came on determinedly. ngth and an inch and a half in width, But instead of approaching me with his are inserted, causing the lip to protrude long nose-for you don't see his jaws-he turned his side and began to rub up a frightful extent. A similar custom exists among the Paraguay Indians, and against me. I had a small "jumper" in the labnets worn by the Botocudos are my hand, which I held with the point inserted in a slit made in the lower lip. ontward against his skin, as I did not A Botocudo has been noticed to take

wish to have his rough skin scoring a knife and cut a piece of meat on it and along my dress. tumble the meat into his mouth. Among It was something like what a cow the Hydahs (Queen Charlotte islands) it would be rubbing against you. The considered a mark of the lowest breediron on his skin was, however, the very ing to be without this labial ornament of thing he wanted, as he soon gave me to the lower lip. When a young woman rstand. I was kept there at least half an hour scratching that monster will reproach the younger with her with the sharp iron. He took it like a youth, inexperience and general ignopig, bending his body and turning over rance, pointing, were further proof on his side so as to present a fresh surnecessary, to the inferior size of her lip. face to the jumper. I suppose he must This lip of beanty is not, however, peculiar to these aborigines, but is comafter a time he moved away. mon among some of the African tribes.

The Berrys, for instance, who inhabit I had one or two further visits from him on following days, on each of which sanbriat, a tributary of the Nile, insert I was obliged to scratch him for a time. in the lower lip a piece of crystal an I think he must have recognized me as inch in length. The Bougo women in a a kindly and effectual scratcher. I imsimilar way extend the lower lip horiagine he was suffering from some parazontally till it projects far beyond the pper. The mutilation of both lips is sitical or skin disease, to which he may have fallen a victim. Otherwise I might hserved among the women of Kudje, be in that scratching billet still .- "A in Segseg, between Lake Tsad and the Diver" in Chambers' Journal.

pend on these circumstances alone.

#### The Abase of Hypnotism.

Benwe .- Brooklyn Eagle.

An army of miscreants misuse hypotism to obtain money from their victims. They are constantly exposed by third parties, but seldom lose their power over their dupes, on account of the mesmerized condition of the latter. Lower still in the depths of sin are those who call themselves "massage magnetizers," "massage hypnotists," or those who advertise "electric baths," "massage baths," "magnetic baths" and states invariably appear immediately. put up in 25 and 50 cent boxes. 'magnetic treatment." There is no reason for their existence, unless it be in a prrectional or penal institution. Lastly there are the artists, professors or fakirs, who give public exhibitions of the hypnotic process. Some of these are sary to especially notice the different

honest and upright, others are unscrupulous and mercenary wretches. row, etc. All of them, however, are to be care fully avoided by sensible people. They are to be avoided even more by young boys and girls than by grown folks. If any one desires to see the marvels of hypnotism, let him or her go to their spices, coffee or tea. All these conditions more or less prevent or disturb the own family physician, and either he or coming hypnosis. Furthermore, outome other member of that noble profesward influences, such as temperature, sion will satisfy cariosity without injury dress, place of residence and surroundto body, brains, minds or morals. In taking interest in hypnotics in any

way, therefore, it is well to bear in mind Punch's advice to young men-don't .-Philadelphia Times,

### Speaking English

Almost any one who speaks English might be put down successively in half tering with specks of metal, but he said a dozen places where English is supstreet and said to Mrs. Sargent: little and went off to an assayer, a Ger- posed to be the mother tongue and hear as many dialects spoken, not one of which he would understand until it was Charles interpreted. An old Lancashire worthy and a London lady were one day occupants of a railway carriage. The train swered.

### What is a Wife.

The pretty school teacher, for a little stopped, of course, and stepped back qui-etly to let him pass. But he did not. best original definition of "wife" and the He came nearer. I then thought he boy in the corner had promptly respondwas curious, but soon found that an- ed, "A rib."

other feeling than cariosity was moving She looked at him reproachfully and nodded to the boy with dreamy eyes 103 Clinton Street who seem anxious to say something. "Man's guiding star and guardian angel," he said in response to the nod. "A helpmeet," put in a little flaxenhaired girl.

"One who soothes man in adversity," suggested a demure little girl. "And spends his money when he's

finsh," added the incorrigible boy in the

There was a lull, and the pretty, darkeyed girl said slowly : "A wife is the envy of spinsters." "One who makes a man hustle," was

the next suggestion. "And keeps him from making a fool of himself," put in another girl.

"Some one for a man to find fault with have felt easier for the operation, for when things go wrong," said a sorrowful little maiden. "Stop right there," said the pretty

little school teacher. "That's the bes definition." Later the sorrowful little maiden sidled up to her and asked :

"Aren't you going to marry that handsome man who calls for you every day? "Yes, dear," she replied, "but with us nothing will ever go wrong. He says so

#### Things That Affect the Hypnotic State. Chamberlain's Eye and Skin The differences in the climates appear to have great influence on hypnotic sus-Ointment.

himself."

ceptibility. Southerners and altogether A cartain cure for Chronic Sore Eyes, those who have been exposed to the Tetter, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Old tropical heat are much more easily in-Chronic Sores, Fever Sores, Eczema, Itch. fluenced than those who live in the tem-Prairie Scratches, Sore Nipples and perate or frigid zones. Hypnosis not Piles. It is a ling and soothing. Hunonly appears sooner in the tropical climates, but it is usually deeper, and the dreds of cases have been cured by it afmore complicated conditions of the ter all other treatment had failed. It is The hypnotic susceptibility does not de-

### She Colncided.

There are many other conditions which we must find partly outside of the indi-A young man with a wide-brimmed vidual and partly within. It is necesstraw hat on the back of his head and a look of forgiveness for everybody on his tempers of mind, such as delight, sorface entered a suburban car at a Southside depot yesterday afternoon, scanned What also works against coming into the hypnotic state is overexertion, either | the few passengers who had gone aboard mentally or bodily, an empty or over- and took his seat by the side of a pretty, loaded stomach, excessive use of cortain | black-eyed young woman half-way down nourishing substances, liquors, strong the aisle

I beg your pardon," he said with an ings, should all be considered. The mate if one makes the selection one's room in which experiments are to be self. Don,t you think so?" performed must neither be too warm nor

"Yes, sir, I do," she replied, rising up at once and taking a set by the side of a white-haired old lady on the other side of the car.-Chicago Tribune. On one occasion when the artist Parker

had been painting a portrait of Charles Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Summer, Whittier came to Chestnul

The best Salve in the world for Cuts, "Friend Elizabeth, wilt thee go with Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever me to see Friend Parker's picture of Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, "I should be very glad to," she anand positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect "Wilt thee go this morning?" he asked,



### A Good Excuse,

Mrs. G.-Ihope you will excuse my husband for not attending your brothor's funeral

Mrs. H .- Was he ill? Mrs. G .- No, but he had one of his silly fits on, and then he would laugh if you shoved a gas hill at him .- Texas Siftings.

George William Curtis had been associated with Harper's Weekly almost since its beginning in 1857, and had written the "Editor's Easy Chair" in Harper's Magazine since 1853.

### When a Dog Surrenders.

It is evident that a man who will seriman who was confined to an entirely the head to indicate dissent, accompanied often by a plain look of disgust at being misunderstood, puts up a paw to deprecate punishment, turns on his back to express submission, sticks up his

tail-the warrior brandishes his weapon or waves his flag; the dog has no weapon | Who knows whether the Eumenides may -by way of defiance, lowers it for shame not suffer a remnant of these useful

That turning on the back, by the way, to be a terror to long winded fogies, is well understood among dogs as a male and female?

ion, and there was no appearance of it | and upon her assenting they set off for starting, when the worthy remarked: "They're a gly, tauglesome lot here." "I beg your pardon," said the lady. Whittier seemed to Mrs. Sargent to be preoccupied and to be in haste to call "A'm sayin they're a gey daidlin lot her attention to something else. In a

oment he said: "I really beg your pardon, sir." "I'm observin they are a vera dreich ot here the nicht." The artist turned around an easel, and "Really I must again beg your par-

there was a portrait of Whittier himself. The poet was as pleased as a boy at Mrs. on. I don't comprehend you." "I was just tryin to say that the train Sargent's surprise, and as she had not even known of his sitting she was natu-rally not a little astonished. He was like was lute. "Indeed, sir, it is-very late," agreed the hady, and then collapsed .- London

# Forster's Poor Wit.

Tit-Bits.

at any dinner table.

color and perfume of the mayflower Oil, Mr. Forster, if taken at his own valuation, would be quite the biggest person under the grayness of the leaves in the spring .- Arlo Bates in Chicago Tribune.

-Exchange.

New York Times.

True Appreciation.

"1 did not hear of your bereavement,

man in the elevated train to another

passenger; "let me offer you my condo-

lences. I feel terribly sorry for you. It

must be an awful affliction to lose one's

"Yes," replied the other, "it is cer-

tainly very hard on me. Until she died

was to put a set of stude in my shirt .-

The Difference.

When a man leaves our side and goes

to the other side he is a traitor, and we

always felt that there was a subtle

something wrong about him. But when

a man leaves the other side and comes

over to us, then he is man of great moral

courage, and we always felt that he had

sterling stuff in him.-London Tit-Bits.

Getting a "Scoop."

too cold .-- Chicago Herald.

Whittier's Picture.

He used his wit like a flail, and then ooked round as much as to say, "See, Angle-Indian Words. now, how the air is choked with the Colonel Yule, the editor of Marco chaff of other men's talk." I do not think Crabb Robinson liked Forster, of London, a glossary of Anglo-Indian ough they often met-perhaps becolloquial words. In this work, along

cause they often met. They had both with well known loan words from reightly disparaging anecdotes to tell to mote oriental tongues, we are surprised to meet "Just the cheese," derived from As a poor instance of Forster's wit, I chiz, meaning "thing;" also, "Don't carber on one occasion Crabb Robina damn," derived from dam, a small on told the story of his butler whispercopper coin and equivalent for a "brass ing to him at the dinner table that the farthing." "Candy" sugar comes from up had run short, whereupon Forster, khanda, and means "broken" sugar. o the astonishment of his guests and to "Chicane" and "chicanery" are derived the dismay of his serving man, roared through French usage from changan, out the plagiarism, "Then let there be horsegolf, or what we call polo, a game more mullagataway soup," at the same time looking round as if he had said a very good thing indeed.-Mrs. Crosse in

## Plant for a Metropolitan Newspaper.

"I am a member of a syndicate that is going to start a new morning newspaper in New York," remarked Stuffley. "We have all our plans completed, and it's bound to be a success." "Who's your editor?" inquired Ass-

"We haven't any editor and don't want any, but we've got an architect who says he can put up a nineteen-story building," was the reply. "We've hidden three reporters in a sewer, inter-viewed five men who died ten years ago

Temple Bar.

and hired a Hoboken dog catcher to write cablegrams from Berlin. It will he a success from the start."-New York Herald.

### Charley's Part in the Service.

Sally Carter and Molly Gates were alking about a grand wedding that was to come off in a few weeks. Sally's cousin was to be the bride. "I am gong to have a new white dress and a enutiful pink sash," said Sally, "and

#### my brother Charley is going to be one of the rushers."-Youth's Companion. Cannibals and Shaved Heads,

### On the upper Congo the natives give a

ously undertake to put himself en rap- of them, however, like the Bangala, arrangement of their headdress. Some Bull Run. Bullets were flying thick as port with other animals can exchange | keep their heads closely shaved, except | amunication with them at least as for little tufts of hair on top and at the but the correspondent kept skirmishing satisfactorily as he could with another | sides. On the middle Mohangi river the | around in the thick of it all, notebook natives also shave their heads. This is in hand. Our major bawled out to him, different language. My dog, who has a very general custom among cannibal "Lie down, you fool-you'll be killed." had no special training, understands | tribes. Not all cannibals on the Congo | some half dozen of my gestures, and shave their heads, but it is certain that ting the d-dest scorp on the other all tribes which follow this practice are papers ever you saw?" A little thing cannibals .- New York Sun.

Some Winded Facilos. "The Scythians," said Sydney Smith, "ate their grandparents when they be-

came troublesome and told long stories." Soythians to survive even nuto our day

satisfaction, or money refunded. Price the studio. When they arrived they ex- 25 cents per box. For sale by J. N. Snyamined the portrait of Sumner, but der.

"Doctor .-- Your wife really needs hange, Jangle. Jangle-Jerusalem ! I gave her a \$10 "Friend Parker, where is the other?"

bill not a month ago.

# Two Vauable Friends.

A physician cannot be always had. Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains, Bruisa genial comrade in his fun, and, al. es and Burns occur often and sometimes though he was naturally grave and se- when least expected. Keep handy the date, there was in him a most beautiful fri ad of many households and the deand genial humor and sweetness, like the etro of a ' vain, the famous Red Fing 20.18 Man, a we 'ife could be saved

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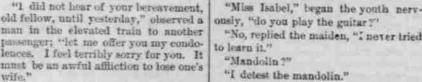
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Mrs. Sharpe .- We are going to housekeeping right away. I'm sick of this boarding house. Mrs. Bangs-Did you find a hair in the outter, too?

Mrs. Sharpe-No; it was on Herbert's coat soliar.

For lame back there is nothing better which has reached us for the second time since it was imported into Europe than to saturate a flannel cloth with from the east before the Middle Ages. Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bind it on Demijohn is not from French dame the affected parts. Try it and you will MAIL ORDER DEPARTMENT jeanne, but the town of Dannaghan, in be surprised at the prompt relief it af-Persia. Turban is a corruption of dulfords. The same treatment will cure band, a Persian word for a head wrap. rbeumatism.

Too Eager By Far.



"Orn-can you do fancy needlework ?" "Not at all. Fancy needlework is a I did not know for twenty years what it | trade." "Are you a stamp collector ?"

#### "I have no fads, Mr. Spoonamore." "Yoo-pardon me-can you cook ?" "Ob, yes, almost any kind of cooking." "Bread for instance ?" "My bread has taken the premium at more than one fair."

"Can you-can you darn stockings?" "I can." "Sew on buttons ?"

"To be sure." "Keep a house clean and neat ?" "Why, I think so. I do most of our

eagerly "will you marry me ?" "I will not, Mr. Spoonamore. I fear I would not not suit you. I cannot chopwood nor sjade garden. Our kitchen girl, Betty though, would make an ex cellent wife for you. Shall I go and send

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