

THE GEM OF THE SIERRAS.

A Lake that Never Expires and Never Gives Up Its Dead.

Truckee, Cal., is a thriving railroad town, and the starting point for Lake Tahoe—called the "Gem of the Sierras."

The road from Truckee winds along Truckee river up a canyon bearing the same name. It is fourteen miles long, and a succession of fine views the whole length of the road.

The view as we emerge from the canyon is beautiful. The broad expanse of the majestic lake lies before us, encircled on all sides by towering mountains.

The finest place on the lake is Emerald Bay. Ben Holladay owns a beautiful building at the head of it—a very restful place in a beautiful spot.

Beggars in Tunis. A day or two after my landing, says the Rev. N. Davis, I rode out to view the surrounding country, and was rejoiced to spy, a mile from the town, a few Arab tents.

Crater of Vesuvius. Most of the travelers who have described this crater, agree in saying that it is from fifteen hundred to two thousand feet deep; and many of them speak of the possibility of approaching to the bottom.

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OUR GIRLS.

A Plea for Physical Development.—The Evils of Excessive Study and the Lack of Exercise.

Compare the form and health of a boy at sixteen with the girl at the same age. Why should the girl be so slender, so frail, and so distressed? The answer is plain. She is not allowed to use and thus develop her muscles and bones.

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FIGHTING THE REDSKINS.

Lieut. Rains and a Reconnoitering Party of Twelve Men Killed the Desperate Charge of Capt. Randall and his Sixteen Men.

Despatches from Lewiston, via Portland, Oregon, give details of the encounters with the Indians on the third, fourth and fifth of July, near Cottonwood. On the third Col. Whipple sent out Foster and Baird scouting for Indians in the direction of Gen. Howard's camp on Salmon river.

The next morning Col. Whipple started into a supply train from Lewiston, and kept on his skirting Laval with his train near Broad River, and escorted him to the camp on Cottonwood creek.

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THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Failures for the First Half of the Year 1877.—An Interesting Exhibit.

It is evident that the business of the country, generally, only, very slowly improves. The results of the first half of the present year are by no means encouraging.

No. of Failures. Liabilities. First half of 1877..... 4,749 \$99,606,000 First half of 1876..... 4,600 108,415,000 First half of 1875..... 3,563 76,746,266

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"Making Old Bones."

People who neglect their minor ailments rarely live to make old bones. The secret of hale and vigorous old age lies not only in the observance of sanitary rules, but also by judicious medication when the preliminary symptoms of bodily disorder manifest themselves.

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