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Marysville.

The *Express* was received yesterday, through Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express. That paper speaks thus encouragingly of the agricultural prospects and resources of that portion of the State :

The prospect of an abundant harvest was never better in this portion of the country than at present. Ceres seems to have made this her dwelling place, for the season at least, for each grain, each germ of budding grass or flower, that has found its way to the soil, has sprang up and is growing with a luxuriance we have never seen excelled. Along the roadside, ever and anon the wayfarer sees flowers, usually cultivated, but which, sown by chance, flourish as kindly as if reared by the most skilful gardener ; and the extensive fields of barley seen on every hand, delight the eye with the glitter of their changing green, now light, now dark, as the fitful wind which rolls them into waves, determines.

The farmers seem to enjoy the prospect even more than we do. Many a one of our tillers of the soil are well capable of writing bucolics, and we doubt not but their appreciation of rural beauties is heightened by the thought that growth, bud and blossom are all for them.

They wear smiling countenances now, and appear in that happy frame of mind too, required for a due appreciation of the beautiful.

By far more labor has been devoted to agriculture in this country during the present season, than ever before ; and though many were, in the times of high water, disposed to regret their efforts, we believe there are none but

have entirely forgotten ~~their~~ momentary dissatisfaction.

Nevada.

The *Journal* of Friday says that the small pox has prevailed to a great extent among the Indians the present season, and that it is computed by those best acquainted with the details of Indian life, that not less than four hundred of all sexes and ages of the Indians have been destroyed by this disease the past six months—that is one tenth of the whole number.

The Indians are totally helpless when thus attacked, and if anything is resorted to besides groans by the sufferers or howling of their friends, the supposed remedy generally hastens death. The most common sufferers are children, which are swept off in numbers. The Indians are very uncleanly and careless in exposing themselves, and thus easily contract disease in its most deadly shape. The ravages of small pox have been mostly confined to the Indians, and but very few whites have suffered.

The Democratic Convention is to be held at Nevada on the 4th of June next.

A new stage line has been started between Nevada and Cold Springs, on the Washington (Yuba road.)

R. M. Taylor has been performing on the Nevada boards with great success.

Mr. and Mrs. Waller are also connected with the Nevada theatrical corps.

RICH DISCOVERY.—We learn from Mr. Weber, the enterprising county assessor, that new diggings have been discovered in a flat between Washington and Jefferson on the South Yuba, by some men named Keene, Hurd and Brown. On Tuesday, 17th inst., these men took out with a tom \$530. On Wednesday, they washed from one-half pan, \$183. Our informant passed about noon and then their morning's

passed about noon and then the morning's work amounted to \$440 75. This party of men had worked about five days on the spot. Some six or eight other companies are at work, and all that have been at work a few days so as to get in, are averaging about twenty dollars to the hand. The place contains about four hundred acres, and rises very gradually from the river. The gold lies in crevices, and is quite coarse, the largest piece taken out weighing about \$30. The party had made a cut in the bank from the river among the rocks, to drain their claims, which, at the point where so much gold was discovered, was about six feet deep to the crevice. We are sorry to say that the new diggings are called "Brandy Flat," and the distinction of being true denizens of such a place cannot be denied to at least the party whose success we have just chronicled.—*Journal*.

CHEROKEE AND SAN JUAN.—We learn from a gentleman from Cherokee that mining is very successful and extensive at that place. Thirty-one sluices are kept running. In some places are leads twenty feet in depth, running into the hill. Among the successful companies are Turney & Co., Hurd & Co., and McGraw & Co., who have made from \$100 to \$150 to the hand per day.

At San Juan the water was introduced last week by the Grizzly Ditch, and the first five days \$500 worth of water was sold. The returns to the miners for the water were really big strikes.
