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FORKS OF SALMON, April, 1855.

MR. EDITOR:—By last evening's Express, we are in receipt of your valuable paper; and by looking over it, I see you have correspondence from almost every other place in the northern mining region, except this. If these rivers are lacking in correspondents, or neglected by the press, they are not by the mining community, who are daily coming in and settling down, well contented, with the prospects of reaping a good reward for their labor the coming season. Those who remained here during the winter have done exceedingly well. I do not know of any company that have made less than six dollars per diem to the man, while some have been making as high as sixty dollars per day, and will continue to do so as long as the water lasts.— Among the lucky ones, is the company who own the water privilege on this bar; they have been making from one to four ounces ever since the rains, and will continue to do as well as long as their water lasts, as they have an inexhaustible supply of paying dirt. We will be supplied with an abundance of water by the middle of the summer, from the Lead Company. They have their saw mill almost completed, and will commence their flume as soon as the mill is finished. They

intend to make their flume large enough to carry all the water in the North Fork at its lowest stage.

We have quite a little town here. Messrs. Donnelly & Condon have one very large store; St Clair Adams, another, and John C. Wright & Co., another; a very fine bowling saloon; one butcher shop; two blacksmith shops; and there is in course of erection a bakery, and a very large saloon, that will be completed by the middle of next month.

You can readily see, that we have at least a chance of being supplied with the necessaries of life, if not the luxuries. Traders get their supplies from Union and Trinidad; the freight they charge is from ten to twelve cents per pound.

We have some very fine gardens in the vicinity, that supply us with all kinds of vegetables in their season. There is but little snow on the mountains, and it does not hinder pack trains from crossing. Provisions are plenty, and selling at fair prices. The Indian difficulties on Klamath are being settled by Mr. Whipple, our special agent, and government troops are to be stationed on the river to preserve peace among the settlers and savages, so that we do not apprehend any more difficulties with the Indians in these mountains. Miners are commencing to work their claims on Klamath and the lower part of Salmon, without standing guard for their safety, as they have had to do all winter.— But here is Mr. Spriggs, our worthy Expressman; so I drop

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