

Nez Porce--<sup>G</sup>old.

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The gold is selling for from \$12 to \$13 an ounce. At Warren's Diggings, near Florence, about 400 miners were working at \$14 to \$20(a day) in October.

Nez Porces mines are said to be paying good miners from \$7 to \$10 per day.

Boise mines: were discovered late in the season and but little is yet known about them. Mr. William Pervine says under date of Oct. 14: I find the mines both good and extensive, not so good as the diggings at Florence were but more extensive; eighty dollars to the pan being the greatest amount taken out at any one time. The mines may be set down at about \$18 diggings. They are situated about seventh miles a little northwest of Fort Boise. About \$2,000 in dust has been panned out by the prospectors since my arrival here. There is a good extent of mining ground and abundance of timber, water and grass in and about the diggings."

Hon. Lynn Shaffer says: "The mines are what are termed dry diggings and extend over low hills and dry ravines. Some are carrying dirt from 20 to 100 yards and taking out from \$8 to \$12, some \$20. A ditch company has been organized to build a ditch some six miles. About 500 miners are there and those who have opened their claims say they are satisfied with the prospects.

Late discoveries in Boise: Mr. John Caviness, just in from Boise informs us that recent discoveries have been made there which eclipse anything hitherto revealed. He expressed the opinion that the next year the mines will be the richest in the upper country.

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New mines have been discovered this fall late on Catherine creek, a branch of the Malheur river 50 miles below Boise--reported rich--also on the head of Burnt river.

..It is valued at about \$16 an ounce..the principal gulches are Griffins, Blue, Freeze, out, Union Flat, Rich Flat, Deer Creek and Bear Creek.

John Day mines--On John Day river do not differ much from Powder river mines. They are very extensive and rich. Some claims have turned out 15 ounces in a day. Some are hauling dirt on sleds and taking out \$40 per man. Some fine specimens of silver have been obtained from here. March 1, 1863, men were taking out \$20 to \$250 a day to each man.