

- 1 Banker's Exchange,
- 2 Nevada Hotel,
- 3 Empire,
- 4 Eldorado,
- 5 Placer Hotel.

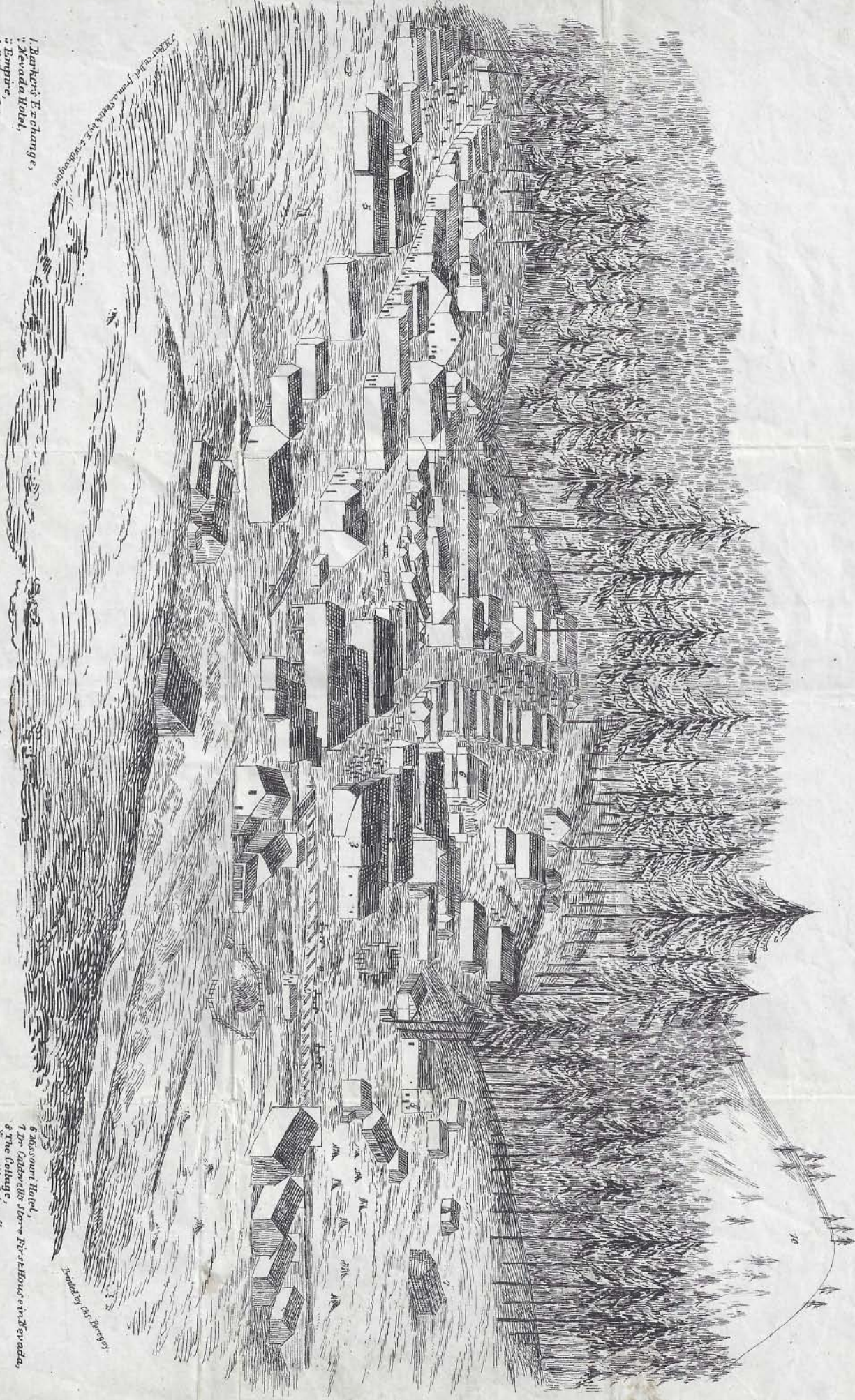
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- 6 Masonry Hotel,
- 7 Dr. (Gibber's Store) Dr. at House in Nevada,
- 8 The Cottage,
- 9 Tom's Washings,
- 10 Sugar Loaf.

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Wolf Creek May 4<sup>th</sup> 51

Father & Mother

as I wish to keep good my word as far as circumstances will permit I will just say that I am well have received a letter from you of a date <sup>as late</sup> as July 2<sup>nd</sup> & no later I don't know but you have kept your word with me and written answers to all the letters you have received from me but I have not had answers to half that I have written things remain here about the same as when I last wrote quite a heavy business is being done in this neighborhood crushing quartz & washing the gold from it this is done by machinery worked by steam several of these machines are now in operation & more are being built our friends are well as far as I know Josiah is packing supplies to the mountains on feather river Compton Cochran Lynch McDemment & Place start for that country today Joseph Lunn & Buckingham are working where they have been all winter & doing first rate have several hands working for them they clear from \$0 to \$100 <sup>each</sup> a day Francis Miller & Powers are working together doing well I believe Hanna & sons are working in a quartz machine in which they own a share Esq Miller mines a little & works at his trade Doran lives with Miller of his work I know nothing the two Whittells & Child have gone up feather river the Stiles & Crist are at Nevada of George Deal I have not heard at all

Thomas McCollum started for home the first of last month & is probably at home ere this or soon will be good luck attending by him you will receive the little money I could spare amounting to 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> ounces of gold dust this I want you to lay out for something that will do you some good & profit at the same time If you can get a farm by paying a part down & the rest to be paid in annual payments of 2, 3, or 400, deed the same to me use it as your own until I return, I think I can furnish money to make either of these payments without great injury to me if you should meet with any such chance make fast & write to me immediately you may think I know can get we can better to me so I can do as well live but the amount sick I or is I cannot fathers family & relatives & those with whom I formerly associated from these I never even hear, a letter from some of them would afford me great pleasure, they I hope are more pleasantly engaged & I will content myself by hearing from you whenever it shall please you to write. I will have time weather for writing or any thing else the hills are covered with flowers more beautiful than I ever yet saw in the most highly cultivated gardens. I you should hear from Josiah he would tell you that the snow is from 6 to 20 ft deep within at the place where he is packing & well I think of nothing more to say. Do good day to Wm Armstrong

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Wm S. Armstrong  
 Reynoldsburg  
 Franklin Co  
 Ohio

to Wm Armstrong

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