

Linkville Star.

We have frequently, for the past seven or eight years heard different stories told concerning a dreadful monster that inhabited a body of water known as Crater Lake, which is situated about fifty-five miles west of north of Linkville, but up to this time paid but little attention to it, supposing that it was nothing more than a superstitious story circulated only by the native Indians. But since the return of Mr. John Shallock, who with others, has seen the monster, and no mistake, we are now compelled to believe otherwise, and that there is a very huge animal of some kind that inhabits Crater lake is a fixed fact. Mr. Shallock in describing this animal, says it looked to be as large as a man's body and was swimming with about two or three feet out of water, and going at a rapid rate, as fast as a man could row a skiff, leaving a similar wave behind it. Its face or head looked white, and although it was a long way off they could plainly see that it was of an immense size. Several shots were fired at it while swimming, but it was so far off that they could not even see where their bullets struck the water. Mr. Chas. Moore who has visited the lake says that the bluffs around the lake are from 1,500 to 3,000 feet above the water and almost perpendicular, there being only one place that parties can descend to the lake, and when seen at that distance look like small children. If this be the case, the animal seen by Shallock and party must indeed be a huge animal of some kind.