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**NEWS AND COMMENTS.**

Minnesota went straight republican last week.

The republicans in Massachusetts gained two members in the senate last week.

Albuquerque is to have a rendition of Pinafore by a home-talent company, next week.

Yellow carbonates containing free gold have been found in the Star mine in Hell canyon, Sandias mountains.

It is unnecessary to state that Kansas is straight republican as that Mississippi is overwhelming democratic.

The jewelry firm of S. H. Lucas & Co., of Santa Fe has failed and made an assignment to W. H. Manderfeld. P. H. Kuhn was appointed receiver.

Mahone will make no more noise in Virginia. The state legislature on joint ballot is thirty-seven democratic.

The general missionary committee of the Methodist Episcopal church has appropriated \$13,900 to be used in evangelizing work in New Mexico.

The election in Nebraska went republican with a gain of 10,000 over last year in all districts except the first and seventh where democratic judges were elected.

The general dullness of the railroad business throughout the country has caused a suspension of the construction work in Texas of the Gulf and Santa Fe National railroad.

Moses, the husband of the fat woman, recently deceased, has sold the remains to a doctor. Even a dead wife is good for something to those who love money better than memory.

Funds can be exhausted even from the most plethoric coffers, as is shown in Albany, New York, where work has been discontinued on the new state house because the money vault has no contents.

The jail of El Paso county Texas, is so densely packed with prisoners that the Texas rangers have been placed over it to guard against the escape of the inmates should they succeed in pushing the walls apart.

A new strike of very rich ore has been struck in the Iron Mask mine in the Magdalena and the owners have done enough work on the new find to warrant them in believing that they have struck the ore fissure.

Geo. W. Starr is superintendent of the Chicago and Aerial Navigation company, and with funds furnished by this trustful organization is "perfecting" an air ship, which he feels sure will cleave the clouds like a bird.

Another El Paso policeman has been assassinated. Ramon Rodriguez the officer remonstrated with a bold, bad man named Santiago Montez for his lawless antics, and was immediately shot and killed. The murderer escaped as usual.

There is no foolishness connected with dueling in Mexico. Two gentlemen, Deghest of the Mexican National Bank, and Oliver a French merchant, fought with swords on the 8th instant, and as a result the latter was killed and the former badly wounded. If all fighters would fight in this manner there would be fewer of this class of people after a while.

Ben Butler was defeated for governor this fall by Robinson the republican candidate. Ben in commenting on the result said that he had rather be beaten with a vote of 150,000 such as he received than to be elected with 134,000 which he received last year. He has also announced that he will be a candidate for governor again next fall. He won't be a candidate for president thought it is very certain.

On the 4th of December the citizens of El Paso county Texas, will vote upon the question of removing the county seat from Isleta, its present location, to El Paso. Inasmuch as about half of the population of the county live in El Paso and the railroads connecting there make it particularly convenient of access it is right and just that the seat of county government should be located there and there is small doubt of the change being made.

The scene of the murders committed by the notorious Bender family near Cherryvale, Kansas, is again the theater of interest and excitement. For a long time the occupied farm by the Benders has been owned and run by J. C. Murphy. About ten days ago Murphy, while plowing, unearthed a sealed tin can which, on being opened, was found to contain a lot of greenbacks, silver and gold, amounting in all to more than \$30,000. It is supposed that the money is the proceeds of a few of the many robberies and murders of the Benders.

It is said that Murphy's claim to the money will be contested by friends of the victims of the Benders, who assert that they can identify a portion of the money. Parties are said to be digging here and there on the farm with the hope of finding more money.

The vote in New York last week resulted in the election of the democratic state ticket excepting the secretary. The state assembly stands seventy-three republicans and fifty-five democrats, and the senate nineteen republicans and thirteen democrats, the majorities on the state ticket were about 10,000 for the democrats excepting in the case of the secretary of state a republican who had 19,000 majority.

Whitney, the slayer of Otero in the Estancia grant troubles did not put in an appearance at the Los Lunas court last week, and Judge Bell gave his attorney a chance to show cause why his bond of \$25,000 should not be declared forfeited. It is claimed that Whitney is in California under medical treatment for the wounds received in the battle and which are very likely to prove fatal. Be this explanation the truth or not it is quite likely that he will never willingly appear for trial for this offense.

An old man whose experience should be of value advises young people to marry without regard to financial condition. He says: "Before I got my wife I never had a dollar ahead and my credit wasn't good for ten dollars. My wife was thrifty and the union gave people that confidence in me that to-day I can proudly announce my liabilities to reach \$30,000 with no assets whatever. Marry, boys, and marry early."

There is no abatement of the Chinese emigration to the United States since the law was passed restricting the admission of laborers of this nationality, but in the capacity of artists, actors, merchants, etc., they continue to pour in. And not only do the Chinese pile in upon the Pacific coast in numbers, but their first cousins the Japanese, are coming too, and when Congress amends the restriction law as it will have to do or repeal it entirely, the Japanese will come in for their share of attention.

Contrary to all expectations the cholera has broken out afresh in Alexandria, with its old virulence, and many Europeans have fallen victims to it. This unexpected circumstance is exciting reasonable fears that the disease will spread into Europe in the early spring and during the summer will spread all over the world. Since the pestilence first showed itself medical men have predicted that its dread image would make the round of the globe and this reappearance seems to justify their belief.

During the season just passed 130,000 Americans crossed the Atlantic in pursuit of business or pleasure. No sooner does the American become possessed of a few spare dollars than he has a desire to see how the remainder of the world lives and he starts traveling. It will not be many years ere Europe will more noted as a pleasure resort for Americans than for anything else.

The managers of lottery swindles are receiving no mercy at the hands of Postmaster General Gresham. The statute forbids the sending through the mails of anything pertaining to or connected with swindles, and inasmuch as lottery schemes have been branded by the department as swindles the person who writes to purchase a ticket is liable to arrest and fine anywhere between \$100 and \$500. Suit has already begun against the most prominent lotteries by the government and this species of business is likely to be squelched.

The little island of Jamaica an outlying British province is in a state of foment caused by the queen falling to notice the desires of the people on the topic of gubernatorial appointment and also for the taxation without representation. The island people aver that the force of arms will be required in the collection of taxes under these circumstances. If Queen Victoria cannot profit by the experience of the third George on the points at issue she deserves to have the trouble that is sure to come to her from her outlying possessions.

The remains of an ancient church that was destroyed about 500 years ago by the Poles when they took Smolensk, have come to light near the village of Klovko, in Russia. The walls are about nine feet high and are made of brick thirteen and one half inches long, seven wide and one inch thick, stamped with Russian letters. Fragments of the mortar that remains looks like porcelain. Curiosity hunters have already

begun to pull the walls to pieces and it is feared that in a short time not a trace of them will remain.

**Woes of an Inventor's Wife.**

"It is all very well to talk about working for the heathen," said one, as the ladies put up their sewing, but I'd like to have some one tell me what I'm to do with my husband?"

"What is the matter with him?" asked a sympathetic old lady.

"William is a good man," continued the first, waying her glasses in an argumentative way, "but William will invent. He goes inventing around from morning till night, and I have no peace or comfort. I didn't object when he invented a fire escape, but I did remonstrate when he wanted me to crawl out of the window one night last winter to see how it worked. Then he originated a lock for the door that wouldn't open from midnight until morning, so as to keep burglars out. The first time he tried it he caught his coat-tail in it, and I had to walk around him with a pan of hot coals all night to keep him from freezing."

"Why didn't he take his coat off?"

"I wanted him to, but he stood around till the thing opened itself, trying to invent some way of unfastening it. That's William's trouble. He will invent. A little while ago he got up a cabinet bedstead that would shut and open without handling. It went by clock work. William got into it and up it went. Bless your heart, he stayed in there from Saturday afternoon till Sunday night, when it flew open and disclosed William with the plans and specifications of a patent wash bowl, that would tip over when it got so full. The result was I lost my rings and a breast pin down the waste pipe. Then he got up a crutch for a man that could be used as an opera glass. Whenever the man leaned on it up it went, and when he put it up to his eye to find William it flew out into a crutch and almost broke the top of his head off. The other day I saw him going up the street with the model of a grain elevator sticking out of his hip pocket and he is fixing up an improved shot tower in our bedroom."

**She Got It.**

"There!" called out a woman who was a passenger on a Bay City train leaving Detroit a day or two ago, "I've went and gone and left my satchel in the depot! Somebody call the conductor!"

A benevolent man with a bald head and a double chin, volunteered his services, and after a time the conductor was brought in.

"Can't you stop and run back?" asked the woman.

"No, ma'am, but I'll telegraph to have your baggage sent on. What is it?"

"A satchel."

"Very well," he said, as he began to write. "It is an old satchel with one handle off and the lock broken, of course."

"Y-yes, sir; but it's none of your business if it is! "You don't buy my satchels!"

"No, ma'am—of course not. Let's see?" I'll telegraph them to open it. The first thing on top is a night-cap."

"S'posin' tis!" she blustered up. "I guess there is no law again wearing night-caps!"

"No, ma'am and the next thing is a pair of black stockings which has been darned in the heels. What next?"

"The next thing is that if any man in this 'ere state of Michigan dares to open that satchel and go to pawing over the contents I'll make of corpse of him!" she exclaimed as she untied her bonnet.

"But I must telegraph."

"Then you call it a black satchel kinder busted in one side and kinder busted all to Goshen by you railroad wretches on both ends, and let it go at that! I won't have it pawed over!"

"But, madam, you—"

"Not another word," she said, as her spectacles danced on her nose. "Do as I tell you, and if they can't find it I'll come back and stir them things up and bounce things around till they'll say it's a bad year for hurricanes. Just say a busted black satchel, and add that if it comes along with the other handle pulled off I'll begin to have a lawsuit to make this railroad ficker!"

The busted satchel left on the next day.

**A New Coining Metal.**

The prevalence of counterfeiting the subsidiary of coins of the country has become so monstrous an evil and so difficult to destroy that the attention of scientific men have been called to the discovery of some metal to take the place of silver for the smaller coins

In speaking upon this subject a distinguished New York metallurgist, showing a lot of disks of the metal, said: "These are aluminium, and represent the intrinsic value of the silver and copper coins of the various denominations now in use. See how light they are," and he held them up for inspection. The whole lot had scarcely a perceptible weight. "You cannot counterfeit them in any way that could not be detected at once by a blind man—and more, they can be converted into any form desired. Rolled out into sheets it can be stamped into shapes suitable for postage stamps, and in this way, affixed to a letter, would be taken off by the postal authorities, instead of canceling as is now done with the paper ones, and used over and over again. As they are exactly what they represent, no one could counterfeit them. The same for fractional currency, which in its present state is too heavy for transportation by the mails, and people who have occasion to receive small amounts from long distances have heretofore been obliged to content themselves with stamps." He proposes to bring the whole subject before congress, and, although it is not at all probable that aluminium will supersede silver for currency, it may be that it will be used for some of the purposes suggested.

**Telling the Truth as to Wounds.**

A William street saloon-keeper dropped into his store. He had been absent a week, and when he arrived his face looked like a chopping-block.

"What's the matter?" asked a friend.

"I don't see anything the matter," he answered.

"What have you got your head bound up like a bass drum at a soldier's funeral, for?"

"Oh, that's all right."

"Where did you get that black eye?"

"Now, see here," said he, "for fear that you'll go away with the idea that I've been splitting wood or got up in the night for a drink, or that my mother-in-law is in town, I'll tell the truth, so help me twenty-five cents!" My neighbors cat ate up all my chickens and I shot the cat."

And then the interviewer shook his head and knowingly remarked:

"I see! The gun kicked."

"No," responded the saloon-keeper. "It was the neighbor who kicked."—N. Y. World.

**Didn't See Him.**

"Did you see your girl last week?" asked a friend of a young fellow who had been calling the evening before where the folks didn't like him.

"Well, I should ejaculate to remark."

"Everything went, eh?"

"I should enumerate the particulars."

"See any others of the family?"

"Yes, the old lady and the boys."

"Didn't see the old man?"

"No."

"You had a nice time, then, did you?"

"Not exactly; the old gentleman kicked me clear over the fence."

"Kicked you over the fence? I tho't you said you didn't see him."

"Well, I didn't see him. That's how he got in his work. Do you suppose if I had seen him I would have hung around and plead with him to kick me. Not much. I would have mosed lively. He performed the ceremony however I saw him, and after the job I didn't feel any particular desire to see him or anyone else but the doctor. See him? You bet I didn't see him."

**A Good Enough Thing.**

"Father," he said as the two stood on Jefferson avenue, looking around, "that is the board of trade building over there."

"Yes, yes—I see; good big place to trade in."

"That's where they speculate."

"They do, eh?"

"Yes; if you were to give me \$1,000 in cash I'd go over there and buy wheat at ninety-five, wait a few days and sell for one dollar, and divide the profits with you."

"I declar'!" said the old man, as he reached into his pocket.

"It's an easy way to make money, father."

"Yes, James, it looks that way; but, after 'all, I don't see that its beats plantin' six acres o' ground, wurth \$35 an acre, into a buryin' ground of 400 lots at \$5 a lot. Guess we'd better stick to our graveyard.—Detroit Free Press.

A dyspeptic Turkling, being much reviled by his associates for his wan and emaciated appearance, quietly remarked that he would try to find time to step around and shed a few tears to their memory the day after thanksgiving.



THE BLACK RANGE.

Friday, November 16, 1883.

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I have a stock range with six miles of running water and unlimited range for sale at a bargain.

CHLORIDE.

Court convenes in Socorro next Monday.

The customary 10th of November storm didn't arrive this year.

Fresh Oysters on hand and for sale at the Chloride hotel restaurant.

The drug store has some very fine apples for sale at fifteen cents per pound.

Henry Schmidt is giving good satisfaction as an assayer and getting considerable work.

More machinery for the mill just arrived and placed on the mill site.

Arthur Hamlin, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., came out with Mr. Lyman and is taking a look at the Black Range country.

M. H. Koch has finished the winter buildings for J. P. Armstrong at Willow Spring and is back to business at Chloride.

The pumps are now being rigged and sinking the mill well proceeds rapidly.

The machinery for the concentrator is coming in as fast as the teams can haul it and it will probably be here by the close of the week.

J. Q. Willis arrived in Grafton from Albuquerque, the other evening to see about doing the assessment work on his Captain Pat mining claim.

The concentrator well is eroded up in good shape and a pump is being rigged up for the handling of the water.

The concentrator has already begun to make a little stir in Chloride and from this cause or some other unknown the town is enjoying the presence of a considerable number of strangers.

Parker Fletcher from Winchester, N. Y., a man of experience among the gold and placer mines of California, is looking about the range for something which shall offer him sufficient inducement for remaining.

The BLACK RANGE picked up itself and moved this week one square nearer the business of the town.

John G. Turnbull of Stark county, Illinois, traveling in the west for his health is visiting the range and will probably remain all winter.

Miss Annie Moore, who has been with her sister Mrs. Cantwell on the ranch on the west side of the range, since Mrs. C. arrived there in July, has returned home to Belton, Missouri, and left an universal regret at her departure.

A wedding occurred at Cuchillo Negro town on Monday, the contracting parties being E. Torres and Pubertia Montoya both of Las Palomas.

Another shipment of Silver Mountain ore and the one which is expected to square up existing accounts against the property is being taken to Engle.

Louis Schleicher and Ben Reeder write from Rio Arriba county to friends in Chloride. There is plenty of snow up there and some good prospects for mineral, but the land grants cover the country.

Are the roads from the mines down to the mill being put in shape? Frost will not stay away and is an ugly customer to deal with when it fastens itself in the mother slopes.

Contracts for the work for the concentrator were let as follows: Hauling lumber, J. D. Perkins, of Robinson, at \$9.25 per M.

Quarrying and delivering rock, Geo. Richardson of Fairview, at \$7.00 per cord in the wall.

Furnishing sand, E. C. Stiver of Fairview at \$1.20 per cubic yard.

Kean St. Charles and his partners still occupy Ojo Caliente post unmoistened and are sanguine that they will continue to do so, claiming to have good legal talent supporting.

Geo. F. Lyman of Cedar Rapids Iowa, who visited the range last summer accompanying Mr. Castle, returned last week bringing with him three hundred head of fine stock.

His herd consists of yearlings, mostly heifers bred seven-eighths Durham with the bulls all full-blood Durham.

The stock is at present on J. A. Anderson's ranch above Fairview which Mr. Lyman has leased for three months, while he is selecting a

Work on the Adams Bar placer mine at the mouth of Chloride creek continues with very encouraging results.

Sunday afternoon the little ones and some of the larger ones met at Dr. Blinn's at 2 p. m., and spent a pleasant hour in a Sunday school.

The Las Cruces Republican brings the information that Mr. and Mrs. Lampton have arrived in its town to reside during the winter.

Eugene Knapp has dug fifteen feet in a straight shaft on his recent discovery of the Columbia, located near the Silver Monument mine.

There has been some speculation as to whether the concentrator will buy the ores of the miners.

D. B. Lewis assisted by E. Payne, is sinking on the Mammoth claim up Chloride creek and getting some excellent mineral.

Richard Mansfield White has received three hundred ore sacks and he will proceed at once to sort and ship the mineral of the Palomas Chief.

Patrick Carmody with Bernado Chavez and other Mexican citizens of the Cuchillo Negro creek are paying a visit to their properties.

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The Chloride school is now a reality and Miss Alice Barnes is training the young ideas to spout.

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about and originated a ball for their entertainment and despite the short notice the affair was a success and much enjoyed.

The Royal Arch mine after a short season of work has again suspended operations for a short period pending the arrival from Denver of a new pump.

Sam Foster raised a little ripple of excitement this week by rock which an assay showed to contain \$38 silver per ton.

The less boom of an unhealthy character that this mining camp has the better for its permanent growth.

The above particulars concerning the wounding of J. E. Cale appeared in the Socorro Sun of Wednesday of last week.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

Mining Application No. 167.

U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., November 2nd, 1883.

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Notice of Pre-emption Proofs.

U. S. Land Office, Las Cruces, N. M., Oct. 28th, 1883.

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FOOLISHNESS.

The Mississippi river is very low, and cannot leave its bed.

Why is a kiss like a rumor? Because it passes from mouth to mouth.

A bottle of patent medicine cured the infatuation of a youth for an Iowa girl. She hit him over the head with it.

A man lately married, was asked at the club about his bride. "Is she pretty?" "No," replied he, "she is not; but she will be when her father dies."

"No," said a new bride. "I don't anticipate any trouble in managing Henry. I have turned that job over to my mother. She has experience, she has."

The young woman who was courted by an old millionaire, but loved another fellow, said the old man's entire fortune, as far as she was concerned, was not worth assent.

What are you laughing at, my dear?" asked Mrs. Jones of her husband, who was chuckling over his morning paper. "Something it saw here," he replied, "but it's hardly funny enough for two."

Professor to class in surgery: "The right leg of the patient, as you see, is shorter than the left, in consequence of which he limps. Now, what would you do in a case of this kind?" Bright student: "Limp too."

"Have you got quail on toast?" asked a seedy-looking party as he entered a Market street restaurant the other day. "Have you got an eagle on silver?" asked the proprietor. And the conference adjourned sine die.

A lawyer having lately gained a suit for a poor young lady, who was very ugly, she remarked: "I have nothing to pay you with, sir, but my heart." "Hand it over to my clerk, if you please; I wish no fees for myself," he replied.

A crusty old fellow once asked, "What is the reason that griffins, dragons and demons are ladies' favorite subjects for embroidery designs?" "Ah, it is because they are continually thinking of their husbands," was the quick retort.

Sweet little Meg came into her Sunday school class one morning, her eyes filled with tears, and, looking up into her teacher's face, said: "Our dog's dead, and, I guess the angels were real scared when they saw him coming up the path, for he's awfully cross to strangers."

"And what age are you now, dear?" asked the colonel, just back from India, of a tall daughter of his friend Tomkinson Smith. "Well, that is what I can't quite make out," returned the girl, taking care not to meet her mother's eye, "for when I go anywhere with papa I am sixteen, but when I go out mamma I am never more than twelve next birthday!" The colonel hastened to change the subject.

A few nights ago a young lady of Pottsville, who had long suffered from spinal disease, dreamed that her health had been restored and upon awaking found the dream realized. The other night we dreamed that our salary had been raised to seven dollars a week, but it hadn't. Pay your money and take your choice.

A Nevada man who has been mining in Mexico for two years has returned home some hundreds of dollars poorer than he left. He says he would have done well enough down in that country, but about once a month they were after him for subscriptions. The men who called for the subscriptions came with shot-guns.

The Mikado of Japan has decorated Prince Bismarck with the "Order of the Chrysanthemum," making the fifty-fifth bestowed on his princely ribs by various potentates. All these honors, and yet he gets blood in his eye when a Berlin butcher names a new vintage of sausage after him. He is not compelled to wear the sausage on state occasions either.

One of the first questions the princess of Wales asked Mary Anderson was "Where is Kentucky?" Like the good girl she is, Mary promptly informed her that Kentucky was bounded on the north by the Ohio river, on the west by the Mississippi, on the east by Henry Watterson, and on the south by 40,000 democratic majority. The princess naively confessed that she had never heard of the Ohio and Mississippi, but had frequently noticed Henry Watterson on the maps.

Stephen Girard's will prohibited clergymen from ever entering the doors of Girard college. At a recent meeting of the Knights Templar, of Boston to the institution, one of the knights, a well-known physician, who wears a white neck-tie, was passing in. The janitor accosted him, saying: "You can't pass in here sir; the rule forbids it." "The h— I can't," replied the physician. "All right, sir," rejoined the janitor; "pass right in."

In secluded parts of Mount Olivet cemetery, Washington, but far apart, are the graves of Mary E. Surratt and Wirz, the keeper of the Andersonville prison. Wirz is buried under a tall hickory tree, in which squirrels chatter and gambol. Tall, rank weeds and unkept grass surround the spot, and the simple word "Wirz" on a small block of marble at the head of the grave is the only thing to denote his resting place. Mrs. Surratt's grave is equally obscure. A small, plain headstone has simply the name, "Mrs. Mary E. Surratt."

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