





# THE BLACK RANGE.

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## GENERAL LOCALS

### GRAFTON.

T. W. Hines, collecting agent for Brown & Manzanera of Socorro, is here looking after business.

By the way the Grafton boys are daily practicing base ball we should judge that they soon propose to challenge the best nine in Chicago.

Messrs. Swift and Smart have sold their ranches on the Negro to a Mr. Kyles, who has already placed about 7000 head of cattle on them.

O. Frauks had on exhibition here this week some fine potatoes, weighing from one to two pounds, which were raised at the head of Bear creek.

For schedule of prices of the "suburban livery stables" apply to Col. Geo. H. Weber. As a cheap serviceable conveyance the Colonel's "Go devil" is unsurpassed.

Mr. Chas. Bonsall, of Albuquerque, partner of Governor Stover in mining properties in the range, is here looking after their interests and is preparing to do assessment work for this year.

Jno. Sturgis, of Sturgis, Michigan, was in the range last week looking after his desert entry in the Cuchillo Negro valley and has made application to have the entry placed on the lines of the government survey.

A telegram was received from N. Uptegrove on Wednesday evening, stating that he had made a settlement on the Ojo Caliente ranches. Mr. U. is now in New York City; he will leave there in a few days for the range.

Capt. C. C. Harris and wife after a weeks work taking views and photographs in and around Grafton, have folded their tent and departed for the south, stopping a few days in Chloride. They will go by the way of Hillsboro and Kingston to Old Mexico.

Frank W. Graham, of Silver City passed through Grafton this week en route to his ranch property south of the Elk mountains, which he purchased from Dyer, Houghton and others, last July. Mr. G. intends placing 4000 head of cattle on this range; part of which are now coming from Texas.

### FAIRVIEW.

Jake Blun drove to Las Cruces this week.

Tom Chambers is back at his old post, driving the Grafton stage.

Mike Robinson is back and swears he did not count ties his on return.

Henry Blun has let contracts for sinking three wells, two above town and one below.

Capt. Sansom, wife and child returned this week. Capt. Sansom's mother accompanied them.

Ten wagons loaded with salt from the lakes above, halted in Fairview Wednesday night. Their destination was Georgetown.

Major Day is doing assessment on the Daylight lode, one of the spar lodes that Colonel Nulton got his fluxes from last spring.

A Black Knife assay to hand late this week gives ten ounces gold and forty ounces silver. How is that for the Cuchillos?

James Moreland and family have moved to the saw mill for a month, Mr. Moreland having a contract there that will last about that length of time.

Mrs. Day wants to sell her household effects, consisting of furniture bedding, cooking utensils, crockery, pictures, etc. Anyone wanting to buy will find this a good chance.

M. G. Levy has gone to Canada de Alamosa to try if change a will improve his health which has been poor for sometime. Harry Chandler is deputy during his absence.

Mr. Alexander discontinues to run his milk wagon this week as a regular daily. The milk war last spring brought the prices so low that there was nothing to be made in the business, so Mr. A. proposes to make butter and run a wagon when he can do so with a certainty of disposing of his milk.

John A. Cloudman returned from Hillsboro late last Saturday night. He has been working on the Bobtail mine and reports that property as being good, but owing to shortness of capital of the owners, rather slow. Mortgages and old debts consume the profits of the mine and consequently the employees not feeling too safe of getting their pay do not work with half the heart they would otherwise do. This added to mismanagement keeps the company for ever behind. The average value of their ore is counted at twenty dollars, which ought to be mined and milled for twelve dollars per ton, which in itself is more than the average value of some of the largest mining company's property in the Black Hills.

Hubbard and Richardson have finished their contract on the Black Knife and report the mine looking as well as at any time for the last twenty feet. There is an average of from eighteen to twenty inches of mineral since the con-

tact was encountered, with if anything an increase at the finish. The work has been done in almost an easterly direction and the end of the incline brings them as near if not nearer the surface than when they commenced work. That the mine wants an experienced man to control it instead of a band of men that don't know a silver mine from an hole in the ground is fully exemplified in this case. The company remain in Illinois and direct the workings of the mine by the points of the compass instead of common sense, and are running in a direction that neither develops the mine nor leaves it in such a shape as to handle the mineral to advantage. From the present workings everything points to a larger body of mineral to the right of the incline and had an incline been run from the foot of the old incline with even a more southerly course they would have had stopping ground on each side of them and a fair chance to work the mine cheaper as well as develop it better.

### CHLORIDE.

"Farmer" Stone is out working for Sherrard on the Humboldt.

Mrs. Chas. Myers left yesterday morning for her home at San Antonio, Texas.

Dr. Haskell has received news that the concentrator is purchased and that Mr. Castle expects to make Chloride his home this winter.

Dalglish and Plemmons have commenced assessment work on the Richards, Dorsey, Wolverine, and Dutch Girl properties on South Fork.

A double rainbow spanned the heavens Monday evening. For beauty, color and distinctness it surpassed anything of the kind ever witnessed.

The minerals forwarded by Dr. Haskell to the Cincinnati exposition are there on exhibition, neatly cased, and attracting considerable attention.

Dr. Blinn has moved into the house he purchased from Della Bennett. It is to be hoped that no one will mistake the present residents for the past.

Ed. Magner has gone on a hunting trip on Las Palomas his headquarters will be at the residence of McCavis.

Mr. and Mrs. Rieker and Mrs. Jas. Dalglish returned last Saturday after a ten days recuperation at Hermosa.

Alex von Wendt's broken leg is progressing favorably. Mrs. Von Wendt caught cold on her journey and is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Bob McBride and Oscar Pfotenhaure have finished the assessment on the Black Bear lode for Kingsbury Bros. They have taken out some good looking mineral.

Bob Norton brings in word that Charlie McComas is offered for ransom at the sum of \$1500 and that \$1000 of the amount was raised in Silver City in a short time.

H. S. Sherrard reports sixty-nine feet of his tunnel on the Humboldt Mining company completed. He has got easy ground and is pushing the work with three shifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Beckett left the range last Saturday morning. Mrs. Beckett returns to her home in Illinois for an indefinite period. Mr. Beckett accompanied her as far as Kansas city and expects to return some time next week.

Messrs. L. Habn and C. B. Coon, of Nebraska, who have been visiting the range with a view to purchasing mining property, went out yesterday morning. They thought the prices asked were too high considering the distance from the railroad.

L. Arnold has hung out his shingle as a dentist on the old Monte Cristo building. Now is the time to get your teeth set and filled for the winter campaign of case hardened beef-steak. Mr. A. will not remain long, his stay being controlled by the amount of business.

Sam Biggs the surveyor, came in early this week. Mr. B. states that he and Lampton, his partner, have a small contract on the river which he will leave this week to commence. They are figuring for a large contract and will possibly make Las Cruces their winter quarters.

Mrs. "Ma" Miller who left Chloride some weeks ago on a business voyage, has been heard from, she is in Los Angeles, California at present. She states that she has been over a good portion of New Mexico and Arizona and has found no better country to stay with than the Black range.

Messrs. Chamberlain, Magner and Turner and their ladies had a little better than fishermen's luck last week on their trip to Diamond creek. So J. M. Smith and wife, Knight Parker and Mrs. Caldwell have gone this week for a slight diversion among the finny residents of the sparkling stream.

Work is being done on the Silver Monument by the late employees of Alex von Wendt. Mr. von Wendt has appointed John McBride as his trustee in all matters pertaining to the property, relinquishing all further rights on receipt of the sum of one thousand dollars to be paid if a sale is effected, and should no sale be effected the men in possession will work it under the bond, take out mineral and sell it to pay the present indebtedness of the mine.

Dr. Blinn has got two specimens of the Preying Mantis, (campa mocha) a

species of fly that are very poisonous. They are of light green color, and are sometimes eaten by cattle causing death. The lower portion of the body resembles a goose in shape, but unlike the goose, have four legs which are a label on natural supports, from this goose like body a neck protrudes which would discount a giraffe. On the top of this long neck a head and two legs take shape, the head resembling an inverted triangle, and the legs appearing stout enough to climb a corn stalk and pull the rest of the body up after.

Mose Adams has been in town this week; he is hard to beat on a tongue racket. A party thinking he had recognized him as a long lost acquaintance greeted him with, "Where in h— was it I met you before?" "I don't know," says Mose, "What part of h— was you in, and maybe I'll remember."

Sixteen feet of water stood in Westerman's well yesterday morning. After working through twenty-five feet of cement and at an estimated depth of sixty-two feet a current of water was encountered which rose till it stands at the above figures. An artesian well would be an easy possibility.

A free and easy gent went through the emigrant train near Engle night before last making a raise of a revolver, some money and a satchel, but in jumping off the train hurt himself and was captured and taken to Engle. A special constable set to guard him got drunk and next morning had no prisoner.

George Turner has sold his business to Chas. F. Winters & Co, and intends to take a vacation. Mr. T. is so closely identified with the mining interests of the range that his leaving us for the present is out of question. Chas. F. Winters is so well known to the range people that comment is unnecessary, success in his new departure lies with him more than in good wishes. See notice elsewhere.

H. D. Bowman has opened a land and general agency office at Las Cruces and makes a specialty of business before the land office. This will be of great convenience to the general public as Mr. B. will have facilities to learn details that the visiting public would not be likely to attain on short time. While correspondence with him, would, in many cases save the expense and time necessary for a trip. See his card in another column.

L. Corson received the following letter which explains itself:

ALBUQUERQUE, Sept. 13th, 1883. L. CORSON, Esq.—Sir: "Will you do us the kindness to see if convenient, the men that have done work on the Hagan's Peak Tunnel mine and tell them to forward to me at once their various claims against said company, we have the means to pay them and desire to resume work thereon immediately. Please also give your opinion in regard to the work done and the prospects of reaching paying ore, and a full description of the whole premises and its availability." Very respectfully, A. J. BARR, Pres. of Co.

There are various opinions in regard to the property and conclusions are not to be jumped at in haste. That the project was a feasible and good one it carried out is beyond question. The object (the cutting of the Colossal lead) for which it was started, is dubious. There are several veins that crop below the montain that from indications centre in the direction of Hagan's Peak. The work done was well done, and cheap, but the direction of the tunnel started (provided that the veins centre at the peak) would lead one to suppose that the idea was to head them off on an quarter of a mile stretch rather than cross them on short notice. By heading square for the supposed location of the Hardscrabble lode that vein may be encountered in 300 feet with a possibility of cutting other lodes before or after. The Colossal may be encountered from the present tunnel, but the 112 feet now worked may be over it in the cap, to make sure of striking the Colossal vein another tunnel started beyond the present end line of the mine would be sure to strike it if it exists anywhere near where it is supposed to be. Work, well and intelligently performed, is nearly certain to strike something good, as Hagan's Peak is an apparent centre for a network of veins.

Plats Entered. U. S. LAND OFFICE. LAS CRUCES, N. M., Sept. 12, 1883. The following township plats were filed in this office on the 13th day of September, 1883, viz: Townships, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7 S Range 4 w. Township 6 S. Ranges 5 and 6 w. Township 7 S. Ranges 5 and 6 w. Township 8 S. Ranges 6 and 7 w. GEO. D. BOWMAN, Register.

Notice. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day sold his entire stock of goods to Chas. F. Winters & Co., possession to be given them on Monday next, 24th inst. All persons indebted to the undersigned will please make settlement of their accounts by October 1st. GEO. TURNER.

Notice. The undersigned having purchased the entire stock of goods owned by Geo. Turner, will enter into possession of the business on Monday next, 24th inst. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited. And it is the purpose of the undersigned to sell for "cash only" they feel confident that they can make it an object to customers to trade with them. C. F. WINTERS & CO.

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**FOOLISHNESS.**

"It is better to forget misfortunes than to talk about them" but a great deal harder.

"A common danger produces unanimity" in every fellow to look out for himself.

The next time a man at Niagara attempts to shoot the rapids he will do it with a gun.

Mrs. Partington, dear old lady says there are very few people nowadays who suffer from "suggestion of the brain."

The happy father of twins sent the following message to a distant brother: "Immense joy—we got twins to-day—more hereafter."

An Elk county politician is quoted as saying: "God bless the rich—the poor can work, beg, steal or starve. We'll work for awhile on trial."

If a great big man calls you a liar treat him with silent contempt. 'Tis well, however, to guard against that contempt being too conspicuous.

"Are trade-dollars taken at par?" Inquired little Rufus Botts of his mother. "No, but they are taken from pa when he goes to bed with his boots on."

The largest diamond in the world—weight four hundred karats—has just been found in India. It will be at least six weeks before hotel clerks all will wear one to match it.

The Springfield, Ohio, News says the reason why so few women are engaged in the post-office service, may be ascribed to the fear that they might tamper with the mails.

A Boston girl ate two quarts of ice cream on a wager. The loss was more than the gain, as she will not have another beau till the winter's icy winds whistle through her bangs.

Two little boys were playing with some beetles, and one of them complained that his walked lame, when the other one replied: "Break off anozer leg, Tommy, and make it walk even."

A Texas woman only ninety-nine years old has been married seven times, and has twenty-six children. Whatever the lady may have been denied, she did not deny herself of a family.

A newspaper is much excited over what it calls the "diseased wife's sister Bill." But what the wife's disease was, and why her sister's name was Bill, is not at all plain in the article discussing the subject.

Uncle Remus on courtship: "Man want gal, he jes got ter grab'er—dat's w'at. Dey may squall en dey may flutter, but flut'er'n en squallin' ain't done no damage yit es I knows on en 'tain't guine ter."

One man was asked by another, with whom he was on the best of terms, where he had taken up his abode. "Oh," he replied, "I'm living by the canal at present. I should be delighted if you would drop in some evening."

"And how old did you say she was?" asked Mrs. Jenkins of the museum attendant, pointing her sun-shade at the Egyptian mummy in a case. "Four thousand years, ma'am," answered the man. "Do tell; wonderfully preserved at that age, ain't she? Are her teeth false?"

The scarcity of gentlemen at a neighboring summer resort was so apparent that a Boston lady telegraphed to her husband: "George, bring down a lot of beans for the hop this evening." Thanks to the telegraph manipulator, George arrived with a "pot of beans."

A Cincinnati firm had for years kept in a drawer all the counterfeit money received in the course of business, and the other night a burglar got in and took every cent. It is supposed the burglar will write an indignant communication to the press upon the subject as soon as he calms sufficiently to handle a pen.

"Whut makes yer ack dat way?" asked old Nelson of his wife, as she turned and looked at a woman who passed along the street. "I wanster see whut she's got on," the woman replied. "Now ain't dat a fine trick? Wanster see whut she's got on. Doan think dat she's got any ob yerse's clothes, does yer? Think dat she's been stealin' somethin', I reckon. Come on heah now, an' quit er tryin' ter ack like a white 'oman"

There is more alcohol in a barrel of bread than in a whole tablespoonful of beer, and is therefore an unsafe diet for children. By learning them to use it internally, the parent is liable to fasten upon his offspring a habit which will remain with them life. We can scarcely contemplate a more frightful sight than a man drunk on bread. Unless the first request in the Lord's Prayer is stricken out, the whiskeyites will be taking advantage of the Scriptures. Another revision is sadly needed.

Everybody in Texas knows Colonel Bill Fritz Hugh, the man who talked General Holmes out of the ring during the war. Bill was at the Great Windsor, in Dallas, and sent a waiter off with his order. In course of time the fellow came back. Bill looked at him in astonishment a moment and then asked: "Are you the same man I gave the order to?" To which the waiter replied: "Yes, sir, I am that same." "Well, my goodness!" retorted Bill, you have aged so that I would not have known you from Aaron's scape-goat."

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Is purely a local paper, making no pretensions to widespread influence nor the controlling of national affairs. It is sufficient for the BLACK RANGE if it so succeeds in setting forth the advantages and wealth of western Socorro county, that capital may be induced to come hither and open up the rich prospects in gold and grass which are awaiting the advent of the capitalist. To advertise the facts set forth above and at the same time earn something more than a livelihood for the proprietor is the aim of the BLACK RANGE newspaper.

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