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A few evenings since Young Bacchus had such a lively set-to with the flowing bowl that two friends concluded to escort him home. Bacchus went along all right for some distance, and as if obvious of all surroundings. Suddenly he straightened up and said:
"Where you (hic) goin' to take me?"
"Home, of course," was the reply.
"No, don't take me there: take me to a (hic) hotel."
"Why not let us take you to your own room?"
"Cause, if you take me to my own room you go to take me past Jim Blobb's place. Now, I ain' been in Blobb's place to day, but if he sees me so drunk he'll have me charged with \$10 worth of whisky to morrow."
"So, Mary, you are going to leave me to take service with Mrs. De Vere?"
"Yes, ma'am, but you see she pays me more wages."
"I suppose so, and I suppose your mind is made up to go. Mary, I want to make you a present before you go."
"Please don't ma'am."
"Why, what do you mean?"
"I mean, ma'am, that Mrs. De Vere will want to know the cost of your parlor curtains, the number of your servants and the name of your dressmaker."
"And suppose she does?"
"Why, I'll have to tell her, and as much more as I can think of. It's my failing, and if you give me your old black silk not to tell, and she gives me a new seven dollar hat to pump out all I know, I feel that I shall lean toward the hat."
Mary is allowed to go, and Mrs. Erastus thanks her stars that the girl never knew that her diamonds were paste or the furniture mortgaged. —Wall Street News.

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The Mistletoe.
"Now darling one? he softly cried,
"Tis Christmas eve, and ere I go
I fain would take my promised bride
And kiss her near the mistletoe."
On details of what next occurred,
His recollection's somewhat dim,
But from his hints it is inferred
Her father's missile toe kissed him.
—Bismarck Tribune.

Why?
"Why," said a defeated candidate, "am I like the earth?"
"Because you are covered with dirt," said a listener.
"Wrong, guess again."
"Because you are always round."
"Wrong; try another."
"Because you are wicked."
"Try again."
"Give it up, why are you?"
"Well, it's because I'm flattened at the polls."

The Reason He Wept.
"What are you crying about?" asked a kind hearted stranger of a lad who was standing in front of a newspaper office weeping as though his heart would break.
"Oh, dad's gone up stairs to lick the hull."
"Well, has he come down yet?" pursued the gentle Samaritan.
"Pieces of him have," explained the boy, "indulging in a fresh outburst of tears, 'and I'm expecting the rest of him every minute.'"

He Waits on Her.
"What are you doing now days, Mose?" said a gentleman to a colored acquaintance.
"Nuffin', boss, 'cep'in' waitin' on my wife."
"Have you got a wife?"
"Yes, sah, an' she's a puffed lady too, sah. I don't has ter do nuffin' but wait on her."
"How is that?"
"Wal, she takes in washin' an' I goes every Monday an' gits de clo'es an' den I waits till Sat'day an' totes 'em home ag'in."

She Changed Her Mind.
Half an hour after the west-bound train over the Detroit, Grand Haven and Milwaukee Railroad had steamed out, a young man who was engaged to be married and was behind time arrived. "Hire a locomotive!" a policeman said. The young man, upon ascertaining that the Superintendent would supply him with a locomotive for \$40, said he would telegraph to the girl's father about it, and then let the Superintendent know. Half an hour later the youth said he should not want the locomotive, as the girl's father had telegraphed, "Susan has changed her mind yesterday, and was married to Frank."

What He Wanted.
Philadelphia Call.
"Now see here, William, you are not going out of the theater until the play is over."
"But I am not going out or the theatre."
"Oh, no, you are only going into the lobby to cool off. I have heard that story before. You just stay right here in your seat. Why is it you never wanted to go out between the acts before we were married, and now you want to dart out every time the curtain falls?"
"I don't know, my dear, unless it was because I had nothing to go out for."
"Nothing to go out for? Well, sir, what have you to go out for now?"
"I want to rest my ears."

Two Remarkable Needles.
London Times.
The international exhibition of needle work, which is to be held at Sydenham in July, 1884, will include, among other curiosities, two things which will not be the least of the attractions of the exhibition. One is the famous needle presented to the Emperor of Germany last year under circumstances worth recalling. The Emperor was visiting the great needle factory at Kreuznach, and was desirous of seeing for himself the relative power of machinery compared with skilled hand labor. A bundle of superfine needles was placed before him, one thousand of which weighed less than half an ounce and he expressed his astonishment that eyes could be bored in such minute objects. Thereupon the foreman of the boring department asked his majesty to give him a hair from his beard, and receiving it, bored an eye in it, threaded it, and handed back to the astonished Emperor this improvised and peculiar needle. The other, peculiar needle was manufactured at Radditch and presented to the Queen. It is a sort of Trajan's column. All around it are represented scenes from the Queen's life executed so minutely that magnifying glass is required to distinguish them. This needle can be opened, and within it are a number of fine needles, on which scenes have also been engraved.

The Land Grants.
Republican.
The best work Congress has done, and it will probably not do better during the entire session, is the passing of Mr. Anderson's bill for the forfeiting of all unearned land grants. If the bill shall be passed by the Senate, and the remarkably full vote it received in the House—261 ays to 18 nays—is an indication that it will, the people of the United States may congratulate themselves upon having won a victory over corrupt monopolies, and upon checking an evil that had grown to immense proportions, and which was growing bigger every day.
Everybody knows that the transactions between the government and such railroad companies as have been granted lands, have for the past twenty year, been rotten with fraud. The rights of the people, who have a joint ownership of the broad acres known as the public domain, have been ruthlessly trampled upon. Public policy has been set aside for personal gain, and the future has been lost sight of in the selfish scramble of the present. The honest settler, who took advantage of the government's generous offer to its citizens to take up lands and build up homes on the rolling plains, has been deposed by the mighty power of railroad monopolies. Individual rights were ignored, and grasping corporations, aided by corrupt government officials, practically ruled the stretch of country which belonged to the people. The time had actually come when the intended benefit of the public domain had become a curse.

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Another Railroad!
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An Ardent Admirer.
A hard-featured man, dressed in a very cheap suit of black, called at the house of a well-known clergyman, and upon giving his name, was invited to take a seat in the gentleman's study.
"I have a few days to spend in the town," said the visitor, "and I did not want to leave without calling and paying my respects to you. I have heard you preach many a time."
"Yes?" said the parson, beginning to take an interest in the visitor.
"I like your preaching, and though I do not belong to your church, yet I must say that you preach the best sermon I ever heard."
"Yes?" said the parson.
"There are so very few good preachers now, so very few in whose righteousness we can place trust, that when we meet one of the right kind, we like to express our appreciation."
"Yes," the good man repeated; and as the bell tinkled, he arose and said, "Come, my friend, and take some lunch with me."
The visitor was only too happy, and seated at the table, began to eat with an avidity that attracted his host's attention.
"You say that you have heard me preach many a time?" remarked the minister.
"Oh, yes," the man replied, conveying an ample allowance of mashed potatoes into his mouth.
"I don't remember ever having seen you at my church. I suppose you heard me in the country."
"No," said the visitor, helping himself to beans "it was not in the country I heard you."
"Certainly not in town?"
"Well, sorter, yes, and sorter no. You know that you preached at the penitentiary for some time. I was there for stealing a horse and cart, and finished my time to-day. Thank you for the excellent bread."

A Wicked, Wicked Man.
Detroit Free Press.
There was nothing mean in his looks, but at the same time he had no business in the ladies' cabin of the ferryboat. She had scarcely left Windsor when he sat down within two feet of a woman about forty years old and whispered:
"There's going to be some fun when we land in Detroit."
"Sir!" she replied, as she drew away a little.
"Oh, you just get ready for it!" he chuckled; "you'll see a woman get the worst set back you ever heard tell of!"
"What do you mean?" she asked with sudden interest.
"See that girl over there?"
She did. Indeed, as the girl was the third and the only other passenger in the cabin she couldn't help but see her.
"That girl is smuggling five yards of dress goods," whispered the man.
"No!"
"Saw her buy it in Canada?"
"And would you be mean enough to tell the customs officer?"
"Don't have to! They have instructions this morning to search every passenger. That's the reason I didn't bring over a new overcoat."
He got up and slid out with that, leaving the two females alone. The boat landed, the girl walked off as calmly as a clam, but the woman looked pale and frustrated and mad.
"Let's make a tour!" chuckled the man man as he beckoned the custom officer aboard.
"Of what?"
"Of the cabin."
They entered the place, and under the seat in the far corner they discovered a bundle containing two pairs of stockings, a pair of gloves, three yards of silk and a yard or two of plush.
"By George!" said the custom man.
"I knew I could scare her!" gurgled the other.
DR. DEEM'S says: "Kissing is a purely American habit." Let us remember this dear brethren, and ever liberally patronize home industry.
Two boys quarreling: "My pa is a preacher an' will go to heaven." "Yes, an' my pa is a doctor an' can kill your ole pa"—Arbansova Traveller.
"Yes sir," said Jenkins, "Smithers is a man who keeps his word; but then he has to." "How is that, asked Jones. "Because no one will take it."—Derrick.
BACON says: "Reading makes a full man." Here is another long-felt want filled by a valid excuse. You can now tell your wife you've been to the (hic) readin' room.—Bismarck Tribune.
ALL bachelors would like to shake hands with the man named Morse, who recently got married, and four weeks later applied to Parliament to have his name changed to Remorse.
We clip the following interesting item from the Denver News Pueblo special, of January 30th. "M. T. Chestnut, of the firm of Newman, Chestnut & Stephens, one of the pioneer business firms of the San Juan country, goes to Denver to-morrow for the purpose of receiving \$80,000, the last payment on the Newman, Chestnut & Stephens group of mines at Rico."

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The Gannison News Democrat of the 16th has the following special regarding the change in ownership of the Denver Tribune:

The Tribune was sold today to a number of New York capitalists. Chaffee has been trying to get control, but Rothacker has downed him. Rothacker sent Skiff to New York a few days ago to place the stock of the Tribune, having received an option from Bill Hamill, who seems to have grown tired of journalism. Skiff telegraphed to day that he had succeeded. The State is to be congratulated that this leading newspaper is no longer under the control of any one or clique of the party bosses. There is no doubt of the truth of this report. The money has been paid and Skiff will return as business manager on Thursday.

We see by the San Miguel Journal that parties at Telluride have been making serious charges affecting the official character of Hon. G. P. Costigan, County Judge of San Miguel county. He is accused with charging excessive fees for official services, making false entries on his docket and partiality toward certain members of the bar. From what we can glean of the affair, the accusations are entirely unfounded and are prompted by personal spite and malice. The accusers seem to deal in innuendos and meet in dark alleys and refuse to make specific charges or file complaints in order that the matters may be investigated. Our belief is that Mr. Costigan is an upright honorable gentleman and judge, and that San Miguel county is exceedingly fortunate in securing his services in the office which is filled by him. The accusations should be substantiated or the accusers should be brought to account for the unjust and unmanly attacks. The names of the parties complaining are not given in the Journal.

The government clerks at Washington, hailing from Colorado have organized a Colorado Republican Association. At the first meeting on motion to elect the State delegation in Congress honorary members, some fellow named Serrill objected to the honor being conferred upon Senator Hill, because of conduct unbecoming a Republican in the last campaign. Some suspicious persons may imagine that Mr. Serrill is the tool of Hon. J. B. Chaffee and that the whole business is a piece of petty spite. As a political maneuver it will prove a poor effort. However, it is probably but another indication of the war to the knife which seems impending between the Hill and anti-Hill factions in the Republican party in Colorado. Hill is ready to knife Chaffee—Chaffee is ready to knife Hill. Their hostility has long been open and above board, which is at least manly and brave. Neither will be in position to accuse the other of disloyalty or "conduct unbecoming" their party. Anything in the way of open hostility towards each other very well "becomes" the gentlemen.

Sheriff Shores met with rather a curious accident Thursday which came very near being fatal. He went up to Baldwin in the morning and was returning about eight o'clock last night, riding on the forward of two engines. The two engines were coupled together and had no train attached. On the engine with the Sheriff were the engineer, fireman and brakeman. Just as they arrived at the first switch near the station house above town the front engine jumped the track, broke loose from the other, and after bumping along the ties for some distance, turned up side down in the snow. The other three men jumped in time to save themselves and were only slightly bruised, but the Sheriff could not get out and when the engine stopped he found himself buried under the cab in the snow with the fire pouring down upon him. Fortunately the snow saved him from being crushed to death or burned, and he finally succeeded in getting out and was taken home in a sleigh. His back was injured severely and he had a lump on his head, and his left leg was also bruised below the knee. The wound on his head made him "dightly" for several hours, but that may lay him up for several days. Dr. Rockefeller is attending him and thinks he will be all right again in a few days.

The Kelley Bill.

The New York Mining Record is making an able fight on the Kelley bill, the real object of which is to demonize silver. It has no confidence in Mr. Kelley's reasons for the bill. It gives him the benefit of the doubt as regards the bona fides of his intentions and friendship for the silver interests, and deals directly with the measure itself. Under the title of "A Trojan Horse" it gives the following facts: "Resuming our assay, so to speak, of the extraordinary proposition of the Hon. W. D. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, in the alleged interest of metallism, as he strangely fancies, to put an end to the present to the coinage of standard dollars we must notice as extraordinary the chief reason which he said, substantially, to a Washington correspondent of a New York newspaper, had prompted him, namely, that such a suspension must break down the price of silver to so great an extent as to make the silver rupee of India, which is worth now 1s. 7 1/2d., worth less than to carry further trouble into

Indian exchanges of England, and in that way force the British government to concur in the demand for a bi-metallic currency. To get at this, the oldest member of the House of Representatives, noted for his effusive advocacy of the duty of Congress by protective legislation, to foster and stimulate the iron mining and fabrication industry of Pennsylvania, would advise and urge Congress to a measure that must at once paralyze the silver mining industry; whose product last year was of the value of from forty-six to forty-eight millions of dollars. It would seem to have escaped Mr. Kelly that any measure which would tend to make the rupees of British India substantially worthless, must serve also to place 100,000,000 of standard dollars in precisely the same category in this country. Therefore, what he seems to be willing to pay for ultimate general bi-metallicism, is the present neutralization for money purposes, here at home, of 160,000,000 of standard dollars with the direct consequent paralysis of the silver industry, whose production during the past five years \$40,000,000 yearly, a paralysis which would assuredly, not stop only with that industry, but must serve to lessen the production of gold by twenty per cent. (The silver bullion of Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, Montana and New Mexico, when refined, furnishes about twenty per cent. of the gold annually produced in the United States.) and which, moreover, must sensibly injure the railroad interests with all the industries that sympathize with the repair and maintenance of railways in active profitable business, not to speak of those industries and businesses in all parts of the country that are in one way and another employed in providing mining machinery and plant, and in the supply of mining communities with food and raiment as well as luxuries. In fact, this proposed measure, if accepted, would prove in operation to this country as a boomerang in unskillful hands, for it would not reach and smite the object at which it was thrown but would return back and strike the source whence it had proceeded. There can be no rational doubt of this. We do not doubt that the low price of silver is hurting British trade both at home and in India, and greatly harming the Indian subjects of the British Empire, but it would at the same time enrich certain classes both in England and India who, purchasing silver in London at something above 50 pence an ounce, would subsequently convey it into Indian rupees at the Indian mints, at the rate of a fraction above 60 pence an ounce, or one penny an ounce more than the value given to silver in our dollar of 12 1/2 grains. Therefore, very naturally, the lower silver was depreciated in London, the more of it would be taken up for India and the more of it coined at the Indian mints. Thus for the three following fiscal years ending 30th June, the Indian coinage was very large, taking up all the silver there was offered; witness the following statistics:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Amount in dollars and cents. 1877: \$30,518,415; 1878: \$7,741,556; 1879: \$40,557,984.

Ind coinage 30th June 76 to 30th June 70, \$149,811,955. Average annual coinage, \$49,937,318. The 24,000,000 standard ounces of silver which under Mr. Kelley's bill would be rejected from our mints next year, would necessarily seek a market in London, where the effect would of course be to depreciate the market below the lowest price hitherto reached (in 1876), and would be bought all the more readily for India coinage purposes, and yet with the enormous population of India, have little more effect than a pebble would have if flung into the Central Park reservoir. Not so, however, would be the effect in this country of the inevitable fall in the price of silver upon the wide spread complex, net-work of industrial and capital interests inextricably connected with the development of the underground wealth of our country in silver, which Mr. Kelley's proposed measure would make worthless.

Dave Wood's Toll Road.

Montross Messenger. A year ago Dave Wood put a force of men to work on a new road leading from Montrose to the head of Leopard creek, but after completing the road to the divide beyond Eckerly's mill, on account of other important enterprises it was given up for the season. He informs us now, however, that as soon as spring opens he will out on a big force and push the road to completion. Its route lies directly southwest across the plateau to the head of Leopard creek, then connecting with Otto Mears' toll road for Rico, Ophir, Ames, Telluride, Placerville and all points in the Miguel country, cutting off 20 miles between Montrose and those points, and bringing them about as near us as they are to Dallas by the old road. The entire route to Rico is not excelled in Colorado for water and grass, and with the heavy ox teams he is fitting up Dave says that on a contract he would be glad to haul freights in and ores out to and from Montrose for the same prices that were paid last year to Rockwood, thus giving the Rico trade not only the advantage of shipping by the main line instead of a branch, and saving 150 miles haul and 35 cents to \$1.00 per hundred on merchandise, and two to five dollars per ton on ores, difference in railroad rates, but also gives them the advantage of the competing markets of Salt Lake on the one side and Denver and Pueblo on the other. This latter is no small item, considering the late war on Utah business between the railroads, and the large stocks of goods laid in by the merchants there, and we will be surprised if the people of Rico do not take advantage of this route. Dave seems to think Rico one of the best camps in the state and he is bound to have a share of its trade.

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NOTICE OF FORFEITURE. Rico, Dolores Co., Colo., Feb. 2, 1884. To A. B. Gilbert, R. A. Rhuland, Joseph Hall, P. K. Scott and Frank Hancy: YOU are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the Puzler lode, situated on Expectation mountain about 3/4 of a mile from the town of Rico, in the Pioneer mining district, county of Dolores, state of Colorado, in order to hold said premises under the provisions of section 224, Revised Statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the same for the year ending December 31st, 1883.

And if within ninety days from the service of this notice by publication you fail to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as co-owner, your interest will become the property of the subscriber under said section 224. GEORGE MERTON.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE. Rico, Dolores Co., Colo., Jan. 5, 1884. To L. F. Hill: YOU are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the Black Bear lode, situated on the western slope of Elliott mountain, Pioneer mining district, county of Dolores, state of Colorado, in order to hold said premises under the provisions of section 224, Revised Statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the same for the year ending December 31st, 1883.

And if within ninety days from the service of this notice by publication you fail to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as co-owner, your interest will become the property of the subscriber under said section 224. GEORGE MERTON.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE. Rico, Dolores Co., Colo., Jan. 5, 1884. To Louis Waldron: YOU are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the Flying Fish lode, situated on Expectation mountain, on the south side of Horse creek, about three and one-half miles northwest of Rico, Pioneer mining district, county of Dolores, state of Colorado, in order to hold said premises under the provisions of section 224, Revised Statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the same for the year ending December 31st, 1883.

And if within ninety days from the service of this notice by publication you fail to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as co-owner, your interest will become the property of the subscriber under said section 224. S. BRYANT.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE. Rico, Dolores Co., Colo., Jan. 5, 1884. To A. C. Loomis: YOU are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the Orphan lode, situated on the western slope of Elliott mountain, one half mile from Johnny Bull mine, Pioneer mining district, county of Dolores, state of Colorado, in order to hold said premises under the provisions of section 224, Revised Statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the same for the year ending December 31st, 1883.

And if within ninety days from the service of this notice by publication you fail to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as co-owner, your interest in said claim will become the property of the subscriber under said section 224. S. BRYANT.

APPLICATION FOR A PATENT. U. S. LAND OFFICE, DURANGO, COLO., January 24, 1884.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A. J. Clark and Chas. H. Green and J. E. Peck, by A. J. Clark, their attorney in fact, whose postoffice is Rico, Colorado, have made application for a patent for 1500 linear feet on the Skeptical No. 1 Lode, bearing silver, the same being 750 feet northerly and 750 feet south-westerly from discovery shaft thereon, with surface ground 300 feet in width, situate in Pioneer Mining District, Dolores county, State of Colorado, and described in the plat and field notes on file in this office as follows, viz:

Beginning at Cor. No. 1, whence N. W. Cor. Sec. 26, T. 20 N., R. 11 W., bears N. 75° 10' 30" W., 22 1/2 feet; thence E. 80° 00' 00" to face of road, bears S. 0° 17' E., 12 1/2 feet, point of Chicago tunnel, bears N. 5° 5' W., West Peak of Dolores mountain, bears S. 20° E., 40 feet; thence S. 30° 00' to Cor. 2, whence Callio Peak bears N. 45° 49' W., Expectation mountain bears N. 82° 22' W., thence S. 14° W. 150 feet; thence S. 76° W. 300 feet to Cor. 4, whence Callio Peak bears N. 25° 3' W., Expectation mountain bears N. 47° W., thence S. 14° W. 150 feet to point of beginning, containing 0.32 acres and forming a portion of the N. W. 1/4 of Section 30 in Township 20 N., of Range 11 West of New Mexico Principal Meridian, said location being recorded in Vol. 23, page 131 of the Records of Dolores county, Colorado. Adjoining claimants on this lode none, on nearest known claim E. P. Snyder on Railroad Lode.

D. L. SHEETS, Register. 229-240.

APPLICATION FOR A PATENT. U. S. LAND OFFICE, DURANGO, COLO., December 20, 1883.

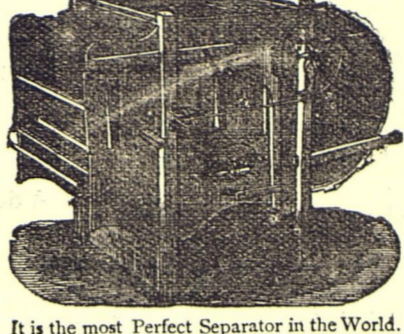
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT C. A. Haen, whose postoffice address is Rico, Colorado, for himself and his co-claimants, J. Tinslar and Ralph Williams, has this day filed his application for a patent for 1500 linear feet of the PILGRIM mine or vein, bearing silver, lead and other minerals, with surface ground 150 feet in width, situate in the Pioneer Mining District, county of Dolores, state of Colorado, and designated by the field notes and official plat on file in this office, Lot No. 124, in the N. 1/2 Section 25 in township 40 north, range 11 west, New Mexico Principal Meridian—said lot No. 124, as being described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at or on No. 1, whence a surface 37' dia. bears S. 7° E. 55 feet, Expectation Mt. bears S. 20° E. 30 feet, prominent cliff bears S. 1/4 W. and W. cor. sec 25 T. 40 N. R. 11 W. N. M. P. M. bears N. 66° 12' E. 98 1/2 feet; thence N. 20° E. 40 feet to cor. 2; thence E. 20° to cor. 4; post; thence N. 70° W. 300 feet to cor. 4; post; thence N. 70° W. 300 feet to cor. 4; post; thence Magnetic variation, 14' 37' E.; containing 0.43 acres; said claim running 150 feet N. 70° W. and 150 feet from the discovery shaft thereon, and being recorded in Book 10, page 240, records of Durango county, Colorado, under Book 4, page 244, records of Dolores county, Colorado. The adjoining claimants are the Richmond lode. Any and all persons claiming adversely any portion of said PILGRIM mine or surface ground are required to file their adverse claim with the Register of the U. S. Land Office at Durango, in the State of Colorado, during the sixty day period of publication hereof, or they will be barred by virtue of the provisions of the Statute.

D. L. SHEETS, Register. First publication Dec. 29, 1883. Last March 1, 1884.

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Table with columns for No. POLICIES IN FORCE, AMOUNT, and No. POLICIES IN FORCE. Rows include Policies in force Jan 1st '84, Risks Assumed, and Risks Terminated.

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

Table with columns for Dr. and Cr. Rows include To balance from last account, To premiums received, To interest accrued, and By paid death claims.

BALANCE SHEET.

Table with columns for Dr. and Cr. Rows include To reserves at four per cent, To claims by death not yet due, To premiums paid in advance, and By bonds secured by mortgage.

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The other night when the moon shone bright, and the "Beautiful Snow" all crushed over. A girl named Sally, who lives on my alley, slid off from a hill—down lower; Ere she reached the place, like a horse on a race, Her bobbed, it kind' careened, And with braided hair sticking straight in the air, Our Sally went—'crid over 'end.

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OSCAR DOWNTAIN explains the situation of affairs regarding the mail in a letter which we give, from which it appears there has been no mail to carry from Rockwood; that the contractors will hasten to us, on snow shoes, our mail as soon as it reaches that place; that in all probability there will be no trains over the San Juan branch of the D. & R. G. this month; that the snow is drifting in as fast as workmen can shovel it out; that Rico has not alone suffered with the late storms; that Louis Haberman is in Chicago. Read the letter for yourself.

PERLEY WASSON and family are holding the fort at Flag Station, and are said to have plenty of provisions.

FRED W. REED has a force of men at work opening a trail to the Newman group of mines. The ore on hand will be shipped at once to the smelter.

The estimated loss by the rise in the Ohio river at Wheeling was \$6,000,000 on the 11th. These figures will be multiplied by the continued rise.

The Durango Amateur Company gave the comedy "Clouds at Durango," on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of this week. From the caste of characters, we should say the play must have been good.

SINCE early this morning the barometer at the Rico Banking Co's. bank has shifted from "change" to "fair," and the wind being from the north, the prospect of a continuance of the fair weather of the last few days, is good.

At the meeting of the O. B. B. Feb'y 17th, a motion unanimously passed tendering a vote of thanks to the Ladies for the "Leap Year Party" and "Reception" given in their honor Feb'y 12th 1884.

Our conundrum editor having tried to find the difference between the top and bottom of Expectation mountain on snow shoes solved the problem so quick that it resulted in a general anatomical dislocation which explains the absence of the perplexing in this issue.

On Thursday last one of our most quiet and respected citizens was seen throwing his hat in the air yelling like a mad man. He was seized by the police force, when he yelled at the top of his voice, "I've got a paper and it came in through the mail." He was immediately released.

GOVERNOR CRITTENDON, of Mo., has refused to pardon Dick Liddell and render him a competent witness against Frank James, in consequence of which the indictments against the latter have been nolleed and he will be taken to Alabama on charge of robbery and murder.

The County Commissioners of La Plata county having refused to open the road from Rockwood to Castle Rock, as requested by Mr. Lamb, the latter gentleman will not open his road over the second range until the railroad is open. At that time Mr. Thompson will see that the road over the range in this county is open.

Though Silverton has the advantage of railroad and telegraph, those conveniences are not of much benefit to that snowy town at present, as the slides on the D. & R. G. have prostrated the wires and blockaded the road, so that the people of that place are shut off from communication with the outer world as completely as—Rico.

HON. JOHN W. PROWERS of West Las Animas, Colo., died at Kansas City, Mo., on the 14th. Mr. Prowers was one of Colorado's prominent cattle kings and financiers. In 1882 he was the democratic candidate for Lieut. Governor of the State. He came to Colorado in the early days, a poor man. Mrs. Prowers is a full blooded Indian.

WHILE Rico is and has been suffering very serious inconveniences we seem to be in better circumstances than our sister, Silverton. We trust that the general dearth of provisions threatened in that place may be averted. It has been suggested that possibly if the blockade in the Animas Canon continues for any considerable length of time, that the live stock in Silverton will perish.

It is estimated, by those who stood off and laughed at him, that Bean came down the mountain Thursday at the rate of 133,456,789,012,345,678,901,234,567,890 miles a second. Bean says he imagined he had a down hill pull on the eastern slope of the Conejos range, and was traveling to the land where sweet potatoes and possum grow on the lowest limbs and it never snows—he took a tumble though.

We received the following information concerning the Bancroft, which is now being worked with a will, from Gus Misch. The mine has an enormous body of ore at present they have a four foot vein with every indication that it will widen as work progresses. We are told, from two assays made this week, forty-two and six ounces in silver respectively, was the returns. The ore is heavy galena and owing to the immense body now in sight it is said that two men can take out eight tons of ore a day with ease. The Bancroft is making a wonderful showing and bids fair to become one of the best mines in our district.

ered up. In fact there is nothing to be seen but a vast expanse of snow. The public can form their own opinion as to when there will be a train into Durango.

The train that pulled out of Durango, yesterday morning for Elk Park, arrived at Rockwood last evening, about 7 o'clock. At the same hour this morning they resumed their journey northward.—Durango Herald 15th

F. M. Carroll, one of our old time printers of Durango, is a recent arrival from Silverton. He reports the facilities for snow shoeing very fair. In several places he rested on the cross trees of the telegraph poles. He reports an absolute news famine at Silverton, and intimates that a famine in coal, coal-oil, sugar, coffee, and canned goods, will set in soon. The town is well supplied with flour and meats.—Durango Herald 15th.

Rust came into Rico on snowshoes last Thursday in great haste after Dr. London. He came from the ranch some twenty miles down the river, where Percy Abbott, cousin of L. O. Towne of this place, had met with a very painful accident. While splitting wood a small piece of an iron wedge he was using flew off striking him above the bridge of the nose, going through the nose and penetrating the eye ball. If nothing more serious, it will at least cause the loss of that eye.

One of the most pleasant affairs that ever occurred in Rico was the party given at the residence of Harry Cahn on Wednesday evening last in honor of Miss Lillie Silverman. At 8:30 the guests arrived and after a season of pleasant converse the commodious drawing rooms were thrown open and the evening devoted to "tripping the light fantastic." Music was furnished by the Rico orchestra and was very good. After a couple of hours spent very pleasantly in dancing, the most nutritious and delightful refreshments were served, consisting of too many good things to admit of naming, but which reflected much honor on "mine hostess." Dancing was then resumed and continued till 2 o'clock when the guests departed, all loud in their praises of the splendid entertainment and evening spent so pleasantly. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schloss, Mrs. Wise, Mrs. A. H. Munde, Misses Lillie Hartman, Mary Othlhausen, Ollie Othlhausen, Angie Towne, Messrs. C. H. Steele, C. S. Kelly, A. B. Brydon, G. O. Gilbert, J. Bradley, D. M. Evans, S. Culver, W. H. M. Bangs, A. M. Rogers, C. P. Luce, A. V. Gorla, S. Enfield, H. Wiener, C. J. Pence.

The following from the Solid Muldoon of the 5th, speaks more directly toward the interests of Ouray county, but points in our direction, and considered in connection with the movements of our own people, is of local interest.

"The fact that the Denver & South Park are now under contract to build to the Cebolla iron fields, has induced the shippers of Ouray, San Juan, Hinsdale and Dolores counties to tender such mining and industrial statistics as are calculated to encourage the directory to extend their line into their respective counties. With the terminus on the Cebolla, it is but eight miles distant to Alln., which is located twenty-two miles south of Lake City on the Lake Fork of the Gunnison river. From this point it is but forty miles via the Blue and Outler's cut off to Ouray, and over an easy grade through a section heavily timbered and underlaid with strata of semi-bituminous and anthracite coal that would alone add countless thousands to the earnings. From the Dallas, or Dry Creek, where the road would enter the Uncompahgre valley, it would require thirty-five miles of road to reach Telluride and an additional thirty-five to tap the productive camps of Anas, Ophir, Trout Lake, and Rico; or to be more brief, the construction of 140 miles of road would enable the Union Pacific folks to secure an equal share of the trade that it has cost the Denver & Rio Grande 700 miles of expensive road to reach.

Upon the importance of the San Juan trade, it is unnecessary to comment, the simple fact that there are mines in Ouray county that will ship as high as 5,000 tons per annum, and hundreds that will ship from 500 to 1,000 tons, is certainly inducement enough for any road without considering the output of Hinsdale, the rich district of San Miguel or millions of high and low grade ores in Dolores. The mine owners and operators of the San Juan, while they feel kindly toward the Denver & Rio Grande for relieving them of the burden of Wagon freights, fully realize that the permanent and lasting prosperity of this country depends entirely and absolutely upon a competition that will mark the low grade ores. With the Denver & Rio Grande at Ouray, it would be folly to expect a tonnage to either Pueblo or Denver at less than twelve dollars, and add to this the cost of packing and treatment and we find that a mine yielding less than thirty-five dollar ore is but an annual pension upon the owner, while with a competing line the low grade mines would afford a comfortable revenue to the owners, and permanent employment to hundreds who now wander to and fro in search of labor that will yield food and raiment.

Our Silverton neighbors are now enjoying a snow slide in Animas Canyon, that for depth and general inconvenience is immense. The snow on either side of the canyon came down about five miles below the town, completely gorging the canyon and covering the railroad track to a depth of fifty feet. Trains will be delayed at least one week, and other vexations arise to confuse and rile the good people of that village. And thus do we record another argument in favor of the northern route to Rico.—Solid Muldoon.

TELEGRAPH NEWS!

The Ohio River Higher Than Ever Known.

71 Feet Above Low Water Mark.

1,500 Homeless People at Maysville, Kentucky.

Four Houses Above Water in a Town of 3,000 Inhabitants.

Great Damage to Property and Suffering People.

At this writing—Feb'y 21st—the latest metropolitan paper which has reached Rico is a San Francisco Chronicle of the 7th received by way of the northern route by Mr. T. Steudeman. This thing of receiving our intelligence of eastern events via San Francisco and Ames is not entirely satisfactory, but it is the best to be had, and as such, we glean from the paper mentioned, a few items of what we will designate (without being thought ironical by our readers) the latest news.

Here it is: Wendell Phillips, the philanthropist, died at Boston on the 4th. The funeral services on the 6th were such as his honored life deserved. The services were conducted by Revs. Edward Everett Hale, C. A. Barton, James Freeman Clarke, A. M. Miner and Minot J. Savage. The innumerable reform societies with which Mr. Phillips had in his life been prominently identified were represented. The symbolic feature of the occasion was the guarding of the coffin by four colored soldiers.

The Egyptians have sustained a severe defeat at the hands of El Mahdi "the false prophet" and his Arabian forces.

The Ohio river and tributaries are (or were) on a boom. At Pittsburg were the highest since 1852. More than 500 families were rendered homeless by the flood, and were given shelter in public buildings.

At Wheeling, W. Va., and Bellaire, Ohio, the rise was correspondingly great, the depots were surrounded, the gas and water works flooded, and the iron works compelled to suspend operations. Boats were unable to run on account of drift wood and ice.

At Cincinnati the gas and water works were flooded. Business was suspended. The Chamber of Commerce appropriated \$5,000 toward the relief fund. A special Com. was kept busy taking individual subscriptions, mostly of \$100 each. At 9 p. m. of the 6th proximo the river was at 60 feet 8 inches, having risen 6 feet 6 1/2 inches during the preceding 24 hours. Travel to and from Covington and Newport Ky. by usual conveyance had completely stopped, passengers travelling by skills. The general opinion was that the river would pass the highest stage of last year which was 66 feet and 4 inches.

At Louisville, Ky., the river was rising 3 inches per hour and a repetition of the flood scenes of Feb'y '83 were anticipated. Lawrenceburg, Ind., which was so completely submerged last year, had provided a new levee, but it seems to have availed nothing against the awful flood.

Concerning it the only statement was a special from Aurora, Ind., saying: AURORA (Ind.) February 6.—Intense excitement was caused here at 10 p. m. when the alarm bells in Lawrenceburg, two miles away, were distinctly heard. The levee above that town has given away, and no doubt the place is being subjected to a rushing flood. There are no means of obtaining particulars.

LATER From the Ouray Times we clip the following additional item regarding the flood of the Ohio River: CINCINNATI, Feb. 13.—At 9 o'clock p. m. the water had reached 70 feet 2 1/2 inches, showing a rise of an inch in the last hour. There was a heavy rain from 6 o'clock to 8:30 o'clock, with slight indications of colder weather. It is impossible to tell what may be the stage in 24 hours. During the day news from up the river was received, which showed that the water was falling from Marietta down to Maysville. This under ordinary circumstances would mean stationary or falling water here by Thursday afternoon, but the heavy rains of to-day and the thoroughly saturated condition of the earth, the river seems to respond instantly to the rainfall. Nobody thought to day that the water would exceed 70 feet; nobody can say now that it will not reach 71 feet.

Pearl street, which was yesterday closed by water except a space near Vine street, is now navigable from end to end by skills. At the market house on Broadway the water covers the bench, making a depth of nearly five feet on the floor. Vast numbers of people go to and from the suspension bridge in flat-bottomed boats, furnished by the bridge company, which they propel by means of long poles and having ropes stretched to telegraph poles to assist in crossing the currents at the streets. People fill their boats by standing close together. It has a perilous look, but no accident yet. Private skills are now plying very freely, carrying passengers wherever they wish to go. As intimated to-day, no news from Lawrenceburg was good news. Great fear was expressed lest last night's storm would bring disaster to that town. No news from there till to-night, when the News Journal special tells the wind had no specially disastrous effect, though last night and to-day had been a period of great anxiety. The river rose still night twelve inches. The houses still continue to float from their foundations.

By courtesy of Oscar Downtain and Fred Dressler the News is in receipt of the Durango Herald of the 11th, 13th and 15th. From the Herald of the 15th we clip what we presume will be the very latest accessible news from the east, in short telegrams of the 15th. The clippings of telegrams of different dates will give our readers something like a connected report of the history of the terrible flood.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 15.—The river is seventy-one feet and three and a half inches above low water mark. Since two o'clock yesterday morning, the weather has turned cold and the mercury now marks 30 degrees above zero.

GALLIPOLIS, Feb. 15.—The river is slowly rising, having reached seventy-one feet and four inches at noon, yesterday. The sudden change to cold weather, last night, made the suffering more intense. Many people in the flooded houses, either were not provided with fuel or had not the facilities for using the same.

NEWPORT, Ky., Feb. 15.—The wind last night moved the waters so as to topple over many more buildings and the loosened foundations have swung into the streets until in many cases the relief boats have great difficulty in passing around them. The need for help at Newport is increasing. One thousand dollars were received this morning, from Secretary Lincoln, and another from Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 15.—The first fall in the river was recorded at 2:30, yesterday morning. It is now seventy-one feet and one-half above low water mark.

SUBMERGED TOWNS. MAYSVILLE, Ky., Feb. 15.—There are 1,500 homeless men, women and children here, caused by the floods.

LIMESTON, Ohio, Feb. 15.—Argenta, a town across the river, is nearly out of sight in the water.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 15.—Eight carloads of provisions and clothing have been sent from this place to the sufferers.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 15.—At Hanging Rock, Ohio, a place of about 3,000 people, only four houses are above water. In Caseyville, Kentucky, only two houses are visible. At Catlettsburg, Kentucky, the people are occupying the second stories. The water is falling slowly. In Lawrenceburg, Indiana, the losses are estimated at \$400,000. More houses have gone out than last year.

MILLIONS FOR RELIEF. PITTSBURG, Feb. 15.—The citizens and press relief boat for the flooded towns along the Ohio river will be ready to leave this afternoon, laden with supplies of all kinds. A special meeting of the Relief committee was held this morning. Three thousand dollars in cash has been appropriated to stock the boat, which is under the charge of Rev. E. V. Donnell, and representatives of the daily papers of the city. One thousand dollars has been appropriated for the relief of the sufferers between Ironton, Ohio, and this city. The steamer Katie Stockdale has been secured to distribute the same. She will be in charge of Captain Rose, a detail of soldiers from the Alleghany arsenal accompanying the boat, and will proceed direct to Ironton.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Congress will probably appropriate \$500,000 more today for the relief of the flood sufferers.

Bank Robbery.

LEADVILLE, Feb. 15.—It appears, after careful examination by experts, that the officials of the Merchants' & Mechanics' Bank of Leadville, owe the defunct bank \$65,045, or \$15,045 in excess of the bank's capital. The revelation is not pleasant for the stockholders, and places the officers in a worse light than was expected.

At this writing we have not seen a Denver paper of date later than Jan. 31st. Let us hope that when they again visit us they will come without the horrible picture with which "Dr. Drury the Dentist" has adorned his advertisement.

FRED REED this week borrowed Louis Schloss' snow shoes for a trip to the lower smelter. Fred wears a good sized boot himself, but his right foot slipped through the leather on the snow shoe and the mere fact of his being a little knock-kneed saved him breaking a leg. Thus our infirmities protect us from danger. "God moves in a mysterious way. His wonders to perform."

SINCE the happy days of childhood we have looked with admiration and awe upon the fortune tellers and slight of hand performers, and have wondered with a curiosity like unto a woman, how it was some were blessed with such power of divining future events and explaining the mysterious. But, of all such gifted people, no one ever called forth such admiration as did our friend Mr. K. N. M (never mistaken) in his answer to the conundrums and mysterious remarks published in last week's News. But for his knowledge of public sympathy and Doc Craven's smile he might have failed, but did not.

THERE having been some talk of provisions getting scarce in Rico, we have investigated the matter and interviewed several of our merchants. Though the stock of some is very low, others have a plentiful supply of the necessaries. Mr. Ashcom, of Kephart & Co., says they have enough to provide the whole camp till July 1st if necessary. He has 8000 pounds of flour, and 2000 pounds of meat and a large supply of canned goods. L. Haberman has 1000 pounds of flour. Other stores have run short on flour and meat but have plenty of other goods. The blockade has caused no rise in prices, which kindness on the part of our merchants should be remembered with favor in future times.

Had All He Wanted. Philadelphia Call. How much are them a quart? a countryman asked as he picked up a strawberry in front of a fruit store on Chestnut street, and swallowed it. "Fifty cents a piece." "What?" shouted the greatly astonished countryman.

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Swift's Bear Story. Leadville Chronicle. Mr. George Swift, a ranchman in the Grand valley, told a story this morning which shows how uneventful is the life of the stock raiser in that wilderness. A few days ago Mr. Swift let his three-year-old daughter ride upon his horse, and after she had ridden about forty rods from home he lifted her off the animal and told her to run home.

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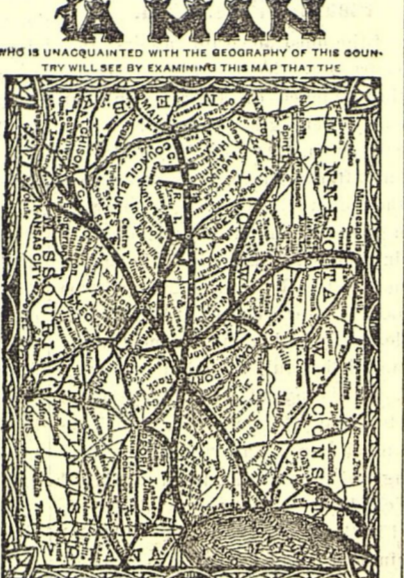
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