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MINING INVESTMENTS.

An Ordinarily Stale Subject Sensibly and Entertainingly Handled.

It has been some time since we have had the pleasure of publishing anything from the pen of J. G. Ridgley, whose articles on matters pertaining to mining are always practical, logical and sensible.

In view of much that has been said of the evil of mining investments, and of the fact that the investments continue and even increase, an observer may be allowed the suspicion that either this is a pet sin in the land or that possibly much of his heavy firing is at our own pickets.

I regard the primary and only valid objection to Eastern capital investing in Western mines to be the wide separation, geographical and industrial, between the mine and its owner.

When a business man buys a farm or a factory, he subjects the matter to severe examination—uses all his sense, common and uncommon; and if he has a suspicion that he is not equal to the occasion he takes counsel, and gets the service of men who have proven their right to estimate the values involved.

That mining pays, is a proposition which needs no proof from me, though if any think different the demonstration can be had. That there is any justice in charging mining with the entire capital launched in so-called mining investments I deny, as I also deny that more than thirty per cent. of even direct investments reach the mines, and I question if even twenty per cent. touches the ground.

There are in Colorado to-day hundreds of mines each of which would pay large returns on thirty to one hundred thousand dollars, but which are, and for years have been, burdened beyond all possibility of pay or progress by their enormous loads of capital and administration.

There are many hundred undeveloped properties which, bought for five to twenty thousand each, and worked with ten to thirty thousand more, will pay large and continuous profit. But if, as so commonly is done, middle man number one buys at five thousand, divides his advantage with number two for expenses and the use of number two's "opportunity" with number three—who is usually an Eastern operator, and who never shoots for small game—capital gets off cheap if it pays less than seventy five to one hundred thousand dollars for property which when improved will be worth less than the purchase money.

middle men. Next to paying more than is wise or necessary to buy property, the most obvious evil on the part of the buyer is mismanagement. From the day of '60 till now, Colorado mining has groaned under an intolerable burden of impractical processes, hair brained theories, and every conceivable form of grandiloquent and ruinous mine management and mill building, till from end to end the State is blackened by the shadows, and lumbering with the debris of mining, engineering, and financial blunders which are crimes.

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Tearing up the D. & R. G. Track.

The Denver & Rio Grande controversy is beginning to grow very interesting, and there is no telling how many business interests may be affected by its intricate muddle and complications. President Lovejoy seems to be determined that the Denver & Rio Grande shall come out first best in the fight, and Colonel D. C. Dodge is equally as anxious and determined that the Denver & Rio Grande Western shall be triumphant.

The Denver & Rio Grande Western line runs from Ogden to the Colorado state line, and covers 311 miles of track. The thirty-five miles from the State line to Grand Junction are owned by the Denver & Rio Grande, but have been operated by the Denver & Rio Grande Western in conjunction with their line, always, however, subject to the control and dictations of the Denver & Rio Grande.

Yesterday morning Conductor Jack Conlisk mounted train No. 7, at Grand Junction, with the intention of starting for this city on schedule time, 3:05 o'clock. Superintendent Ridgway, of the Denver & Rio Grande, also boarded the train and ordered all hands to leave the cars and engine. They all acquiesced, and Ridgway, putting his own men on board, started at once for the State line.

On reaching the thirty fifth mile post, west of Grand Junction, the men dismounted, and with the aid of the engine, one mile of the Denver & Rio Grande track was pulled up eastward from that point. This, of course, completely severed connection between the two lines of road, and will necessarily prevent any traffic between them until matters can be adjusted.

Jack Conlisk, who was left at Grand Junction, tried to telegraph from that point to Superintendent Bancroft, who was on his way to Salt Lake from Grand Junction. But he found it impossible to do so, as the telegraph wires had been severed and all communication in that way cut off.

The injunction granted by Judge Hunter only applies to Utah, and any action that the Denver & Rio Grande may take in Colorado to cut off through travel, cannot be punished by our courts. It was supposed that the severing of the connection between the two roads, would have taken place last Saturday night or Sunday, but it is evident that there was considerable consultation had before the step was taken.

What results will follow the breaking of connections at the state line cannot be determined fully. Below is given a few of the immediate results if a Receiver is not soon appointed: First—It will break the Utah Traffic Association, as the Union Pacific will operate the only through line to Salt Lake, and it is not probable that that road will give the Denver & Rio Grande a percentage of its business if it can carry all.

Second—It will involve the Denver & Rio Grande in a number of costly law suits, both with passengers on train 7, that was held over, and with the shippers whose contracts were not carried out. It will have to settle with the government for breaking its through mail contract. The Western people will operate the road locally and establish a stage line from the state line to Elizabeth. They have about fifty locomotives and 900 cars on their side of the break and claim that local traffic will pay all operating expenses. If a receiver is appointed for the road he will in all probability relay the tracks and operate the through line as the court may direct.

GROUND has been broken for the new Court House in Rio Grande county.

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Fort Smith, Arkansas, July 5.—The Choctaw troubles which originated in the refusal of certain property owners to pay the permit tax, has assumed a serious attitude. Milo Hoyt, a prominent Choctaw leader, has been outlawed and driven into the Cherokee Nation, where he has a gang of about thirty men, mostly desperate characters, who have rallied to his support.

A LETTER was received at the dead-letter office with the following unique superscription on the envelope, and no postage stamp to pay the bill: Hello! Uncle Sam! let me go in your mail. As I've taken a notion to ride on a rail to Illinois state, and there let me stop. And in McLean Co. just please let me drop in to see Roy P. O. there let me stay. Until Reason K. Gay takes me away. But the P. M.'s reply, just below, says: Played out my dear boy. There is no use in talking. If you can't pay your way You'll have to try walking.

WEDNESDAY Bob Laub was struck on the head by a falling rock while working in the Sheridan mine and it is thought seriously injured. He quit work at once and went down to the boarding house, washed himself and went to bed, seemingly not suffering much, but on the return of the miners at night after quitting work, they found Laub lying insensible. His case is yet a serious one.—Telluride Journal.

THE Evening Star, a daily paper recently started in San Francisco, has succeeded. In its valedictory the Star says: "With many thanks to our faithful friends and adherents, we cannot avoid concluding that Vanderbilt was not altogether wrong when he gave utterance to the expression, 'The public be d—d!'"

A CANON CITY lady two Sundays ago gathered three hundred or more roses and after services at the penitentiary distributed them to the prisoners. It is often a good thing to be b-a-d. You get so much sympathy from the fair.

"How did you vote?" asked a reporter of a southern delegate after the convention. "I voted according to my convictions." "What were your convictions?" "That I'd never get another chance to make \$100 so easily."

GOV. SHELDON, of New Mexico, has called upon the Santa Fe board of trade, asking that immediate steps be taken for the relief of the sufferers from the overflow of the Rio Grande and other streams in that vicinity.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN was once a country postmaster, with a salary of less than \$90 a year. The pay doesn't look very large now, but then Lincoln didn't have to read a peck of postal cards every day.

JOSE Dolores, who eloped from the Pine Ridge Agency with a Sioux maiden and a stolen horse, is to be taken back there, where he will be tried for horse-stealing. The theft of the girl is a secondary matter.

THE elements are all against the D. & R. G. Snow in the winter, floods in the spring and now comes fire. Several snow-sheds between Salida and Gunnison burned last week.

DENVER seems to be swarming with bunco men. A prominent California attorney was swindled out of \$1,000 by some of the fraternity a few days since.

THREE prominent Cubans, one of whom is chief of the Supreme Court in that island, were fined \$10 and costs in New York for disorderly conduct.

THE exhibition building at the Council Bluffs race track was blown down during a gale. Five men and several race horses were severely injured.

THE injunction brought by Gen. Dodge against President Lovejoy, of the Rio Grande, was sustained in a Salt Lake City court a few days since.

Now is the time of year when the newly-fledged graduate hesitates between becoming an editor right off or going as a waiter in a summer hotel.

THE Chateau of the Empress Eugenie at Marseilles is being turned into a cholera hospital. Accommodations will be prepared for 500 sick.

MARSHAL HYATT now puts in his spare time in sending dogs to the happy land of canine. (New joke, copyrighted.) Alamosa Independent.

DESPITE its long continued blockade, the silver San Juan keeps up its impregnable reputation for push and enterprise.—Denver Tribune.

IT is said that work on the Denver government building will soon commence.

THE amount of available cash in the United States Treasury is \$139,887,439. The wagon bridge over the Arkansas, at Brown's cañon was washed away. ONLY 90 cents on the dollar has been offered for the Denver bonds. THE Rothschilds own \$400,000,000 of Rio Grande bonds.

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MINING MATTERS.

THE WIZARD.

W. B. Norton has just begun work on the Wizard lode, near the mouth of Horse Gulch.

THE BADGER.

Frank Collier and Hesse Musgrave are securing the work done on the Badger. Wet ground caused fear of caving.

DOUBLE SHIFTS.

Day and night shifts were this week put to work upon both the Lucky Boy No. 1 and the Catskill lodes, up Silver creek.

THE BLACK HAWK.

Mr. Darling tells us that no ore is at present being taken out of the Black Hawk, but that tomorrow work will begin on the vein.

THE RADIGAN.

Gus Misch says that he intends to commence taking pay out of the Radigan lode, on Expectation mountain. We have no objections.

SHUT DOWN.

The entire force on the Grand View mine was dismissed at the close of work last Thursday evening. We understand that work will be only stopped for a few days.

NEW TRAIL TO THE MAGGIE.

Messrs. Jay Seelye, Chas. Dewitt and John W. Kring are building a new trail to the Little Maggie mine, which will shorten the distance by old trail considerably.

THE DOUBLE SIX.

The Double Six, in Horse Gulch, the property of the Rico Silver Mining Company of Colorado, has been worked extensively lately by Messrs. Seth Wardell and John Schnelle.

100-FOOT CONTRACT.

Jas. E. Watson has let a contract to Messrs. Brown and Sterling to run the J. E. W. tunnel 100 feet. When this work is completed, 50 feet of work will be done on the M. S. Butler.

THE IDEWILD.

The smoke of Joe Marshall's camp fire across the river is seen night and morning and he is doing good work on the Idewild. He says that he can now produce mineral that will pay for mining and treatment.

DRILLING AT LAST.

After many mishaps the skeptical folks commenced drilling this morning. Finding it impossible to exhaust the water with the means at hand, the casing was sunk to the bottom, surrounded by heavy stones and drilling started.

THE ROCKFORD BELLE.

J. H. and Dennis Woodruff have been working the Rockford Belle, near the summit of the range at the head of the main fork of Horse Gulch, for the past month or more and will continue its development, being encouraged by results.

THE LACKAWANNA.

Seth Wardell came down from the Lackawanna and reports the tunnel on the vein in 65 feet and showing a vein 2 1/2 feet wide, with a streak of 5 to 9 inches of ore carrying brittle silver and some gold. Assays have ranged from \$50 to \$708 per ton. The claim is owned by Messrs. Wardell, Uban and Cobb.

THE GOLD EAGLE.

Frank H. Bishop and J. R. Parmelee returned yesterday from a trip to Ophir, where the Hildebrand Mining Co. (in which both gentlemen are large stockholders) own the Golden Eagle on Silver mountain. While there they put a force of eight men to work on the property, on which much work has been done. The mine was purchased by the H. M. Co. last fall.

MAGGIE AND SUNLIGHT.

Frank Johnston, one of the owners of the Maggie and Sunlight, came down Thursday from the mines and reports that Byfield is now absent in Silverton with the first shipment of mineral. Messrs. Byfield and Hippler have purchased the Sutherland interest in the lease and are taking out fine ore. At another portion of the claim Messrs. Johnston, J. O. Campbell, C. J. Uban, B. A. Cobb, J. C. Thompson and J. Sutherland have just finished doing a quantity of dead work and have begun the extraction of ore.

THE PASADENA MACHINERY.

The first installment of the machinery for the Pasadena Reduction Co. arrived on Sunday afternoon last, by the freight teams of Wattles & Jones. The transfer of the machinery from Rockwood to Rico will be effected early as possible and it will be put in place at the smelter without delay. A considerable force is constantly at work on the grounds. Seven teams loaded with more of the machinery left Rockwood Thursday morning, four of them belonging to the outfit of Stanbaugh & Quinn. They will probably arrive this afternoon.

THE GOLDEN AGE.

The Golden Age, on Dolores mountain, is a relocation of the somewhat famous Rico lode and is now owned by Messrs. A. A. Waggoner, A. D. Demasters and Julius Thompson. Work was commenced on the claim a few days ago and it is expected to continue the development during the entire summer and fall, by which time they hope and expect to be able to show up a fine producing property. Much trouble has been experienced

in tunneling the property, one long tunnel having completely caved in and a new tunnel on the vein, now in only 20 feet, was commenced. The claim is in line with the mines of the Newman group.

BEDDING THE FURNACE.

The pack train of Van Liew & Watson is bringing down 20 tons of pure quartz from a vein in the vicinity of the Black Hawk. This quartz is to be used in bedding the furnace. After solidly tamping the pulverized quartz in the furnace, and heating it, a considerable quantity of broken slag (which has been obtained from the Grand View) will be introduced and after melting, the slag still remaining liquid and not absorbed by the quartz will be drawn off and the bottom subjected to a second tamping. This forms a perfectly hard, silicious bottom, which can absorb no metal.

THE RICHMOND NO. 1.

The Richmond No. 1, so named to distinguish it from its companion of Silver creek, is being developed by its owners, D. F. Taylor and W. W. Bodley, and the present development consists of a 40-foot tunnel, showing a 3 foot streak of ore (gray copper in character), the vein showing mineral matter for a width of 20 feet. The only tests made on the ore gave returns of 37 and 40 ounces in silver per ton. Messrs. Bodley and Taylor began work July 1st and will continue for the ensuing two months at least. They have built a cabin near their work at the head of the middle or main fork of Horse Gulch.

COAL CLAIMS JUMPED.

Messrs. Geo. W. Bemis and W. B. Norton have relocated 320 acres of coal land up the river, including the Grand View, Parks, and other claims. The relocators claim that the owners have failed to comply with the law in paying for land and proving title within one year from date of filing declaratory statement. Bearing upon this question we quote from instructions of the general land office to registers and receivers on coal-land law:

SECTION 34.—One year from and after the expiration of the period allowed for filing the declaratory statement is given within which to make proof and payment.

SECTION 35.—A party who otherwise complies with the law may enter after the expiration of said year, provided no valid adverse right shall have intervened. He postpones his entry beyond said year at his own risk, and the Government cannot thereafter protect him against another who complies with the law, and the value of his improvements can have no weight in his favor.

The rights of the contesting claimants remain to be settled.

The Silverton idiot who furnishes the Denver News with its telegraphic information concerning the Cain-Maher-Wilson shooting is a colossal liar. The News of last Saturday contained an article reflecting severely and unjustly upon the Rico friends of Cain who went to see him, insinuating that they went to Silverton with the intention of releasing the prisoners and of murdering the citizens if they objected to such a course. The men who went to see Cain from Rico are residents of long standing here and their reputations are quite the contrary to bad. They left here immediately on receipt of the news of the killing, knowing no particulars whatever, and had no intention of anything other than to see that the prisoner had a show for his life. The well-known strangling propensities of Silverton as a community, would naturally give cause for alarm as to the safety of any man who is confined on the charge of murder. Even admitting that the killing of Wilson was a cold-blooded murder, they would perhaps be excusable in having the fact demonstrated before submitting him to his fate. The friendship of no true man forsakes its object at a moment's notice, without any proof as to either guilt or innocence. The name of a popular Rico merchant, who merely happened to be in Silverton on business, a few days after the shooting, is coupled with other names in the dispatch. He certainly had not the remotest connection with the party which left Rico and the use of his name is a gratuitous insult.

POSTMASTER MOORE informs us that a special mail service has been ordered by the department to cover breaks between here and Gunnison, with pay at the rate of \$150 per day. The superintendent of the stage company telegraphed to put the service on, and Mr. Sanderson telegraphed back that it was impossible. That it is not impossible is proven by the fact that teams have come through and parties are coming daily. All the road it would really be necessary to stock for this service is the forty-five miles between the Lake Fork and Montrose, and it is stated that there is no difficulty anywhere on the road except at the Lake Fork, where the bridge has been washed from its place and carried down stream where it lodged. Though impassable for teams, it is crossed every day by men who are making their way in, and there would be no difficulty in making a transfer of the mail. It would seem that the stage company would be only too glad to take such a chance as is here offered, as the payment for the mail would go a long way toward, if it did not altogether, pay expenses, and the passengers and express business would make a good thing. But then the powers that be will take their time, and probably by the time the railroad track is repaired and ready for operation the stage company will get that little piece of road stocked.—Urday Times.

A MINE is just like any other kind of property, and its value is regulated in the same way. The interest that it will pay upon the amount invested after deducting all necessary expenses, is the true measure of value, and both buyer and seller ought to be governed thereby.

GEN. PALMER has resigned his position in the D. & R. G. directory.

A SERIOUS CONFLICT.

Which is Likely to Produce More Serious Results.

Cow-boys After the Ute Indians.

Rumors of a fight between a band of Ute Indians and a party of cow-boys have been confirmed by newspaper accounts and individuals. A dispatch to the Denver Tribune from Durango dated last Saturday gives the following particulars:

The cow camps of William H. Wilson, George E. West and Carlisle & Johnson were attacked by Southern Ute Indians, in the Western part of La Plata county, near the Utah line, July 8. Charles Cook, cook for Wilson, and Adolf Lusk, employed by West, were badly wounded. Four or five Indians were killed and a number wounded. The whites lost eleven horses killed and 100 stolen. Their wagons and camp outfits were burned and provisions carried off. The cow men were all driven off, and many narrowly escaped with their lives. Wilson's two boys, 8 and 10 years old, in their fright rode twenty-nine hours without food or rest. Wilson and the boys arrived in Durango to night much exhausted.

It appears that the Utes have for some time been causing trouble to the stockmen, killing cattle and stealing horses, and undertaking to secure the same. An Indian attacked him with a large knife and was killed. This precipitated the fight.

There is great excitement among the cattle men. Seventeen thousand head of cattle are at the mercy of the Indians.

Colonel Hall, commandant at Fort Lewis, ordered a company of cavalry out at once to drive the Indians back on the reservation.

The information that the marauders are southern Utes comes from the most authentic sources. The Indians wore new shirts and had new Winchesters and revolvers, bought in Durango with the money paid them as an annuity at Ignacio, by Agent Patten.

Prior to the attack Wilson's boys recognized and talked to several of them. The cattle men feel that it is high time the Ute nuisance was removed from the country. Cattle owned by residents of Durango foot \$2,000,000. The talk about Utes being engaged in farming and stock raising is all bosh. They are as devilish as ever.

A dispatch to the same paper on last Monday from Durango says: The Indian troubles on the western frontier of La Plata county are assuming serious proportions. The Indians are undoubtedly Southern Utes, and are anxious to get back to the farms near the agency, but high water has cut them off from the reservation, except by passing through white settlements.

Major Whiteside, of the Sixth cavalry, who has had ten years' experience in fighting Apaches in Arizona and New Mexico, has gone to the front with two companies of cavalry and with orders to make it hot for the Utes. Eighty cow-boys, armed to the teeth and swearing vengeance against the Utes, left for the scene of action this morning. It is believed that a fight will occur in a few days.

Ike Yoho came in from Disappointment creek last evening and informs us that the scene of the fight was not in the Blue Mountains, as has been stated, but that it took place in Montezuma cañon, in the valley of the same name. The cow-boys had gathered for a round-up, about 20 to 25 strong and were in camp five or six miles from the Indian camp. Two of the boys went to the Indian camp after some horses which were rounded up with the Indian ponies. It is not known whether they had started to drive the horses back or not, when a buck on horseback started at one of the two cow-boys with a butcher knife and made two or three attempts to stab him. The cow-boy pulled his revolver and shot the Indian dead from his horse and then whirled his horse and started on a run for camp. There were about 20 Indians in the camp and they fired on the retreating cow-boys killing one of their horses. Its rider jumped on behind his companion and managed to reach camp ahead of the Indians who were all in pursuit, firing as they came. The Indians at once fired into the camp, and shot two cow-boys—Dolph Lusk, who drove cattle into Rico last season for Geo. E. West, being shot through the fleshy part of the thighs and the other wounded man having a spent ball lodged near the ankle. Eight or ten cow horses were killed and many wounded and all the remainder were captured and driven off by the Indians. Very few of the cow boys had rifles, but all had revolvers and with these made a stand. Two Indians were killed, which with the one killed at the Indian camp, makes a total of three dead. The number of wounded is unknown. The number of horses now held by the Indians is about 100. The cow-boys took the two wounded men into Fort Lewis for surgical attention and have asked all the cattle men in the country to assist in recovering and protecting their property. Dolores county has sent a large delegation from Disappointment creek and other sections have sent a number of good men. On Monday last a large amount of ammunition was purchased in Durango and sent by team to Big Bend where the men were to assemble. The cow-men say they will follow the band to the end of time and will get the stock. We look for trouble when the band is overtaken, as all the renegade Indians in the country will assemble to help out old Narraquin, who is supposed to head the outfit. There are between 75 and 100 men on the trail and will do some swift riding and effective fighting. Both horses and men possess staying qualities and we hope they will

down an Indian wherever they see him and wipe out the whole band from the face of the earth. They will just about do it, too.

Grover Cleveland.

THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT.

Hendricks, of Indiana, For Vice President.

We held the paper back to-day to get the news from the Chicago democratic convention.

The convention commenced its labors on Tuesday last and on Wednesday got down to nominations.

Thomas F. Bayard, of Delaware, was nominated by Hon. Geo. Gray, of the same state.

Joseph A. McDonald, of Indiana, by Thos. A. Hendricks.

Allen G. Thurman, of Ohio, by John W. Breckenridges, of California.

John G. Carlisle, by James A. McKenzie.

Grover Cleveland, of New York, by Lockwood, of New York.

On Thursday, Samuel Randall, of Pa., by ex-Senator Wallace.

The Tammany influence against Cleveland seemed to help his cause, as indicated by the result.

Balloting began yesterday at 10 and soon resulted in Cleveland's nomination for President by more than a two-thirds vote.

Thos. A. Hendricks, of Indiana, was made the candidate for the vice-presidency by acclamation.

A Receiver Appointed.

Yesterday morning Judge Hallett in the United States Circuit Court, appointed Mr. W. S. Jackson, of Colorado Springs, receiver of the Denver & Rio Grande Railway. The order will probably be signed to-day, and before the day is over Mr. Jackson will have entered upon his duties. Mr. Jackson is a Colorado man, having resided in this state the past twenty years. From the organization of the Denver & Rio Grande until within the past few years he was Treasurer of the company. He resigned the position to attend to his largely increasing personal business. His interests all lie in the state, and it is safe to say that he will make a good receiver. Personally he is a genial gentleman, and his reputation for honesty and integrity among Colorado people is very high. That Mr. Jackson will make a good receiver no one doubts. The Lovejoy people say it is a victory for them. The creditors and bond holders who presented his name say that he will look after their interests. The Colorado Coal and Iron Company people are smiling, and the citizens of the state, the employes of the road, and all interested in the growth of the state, and its "baby" road are well pleased with Judge Hallett's selection.

The Red Mountain Miner enters the field lately deserted by the Review and in its first issue has this to say: "The Red Mountain Miner has come to stay. Some time ago we tied a big knot of faith to this camp, and are now busy forging links for a heavy chain of the same stuff to girdle the whole district with." Hill C. Smythe is the editor and lessee of the paper.

DENVER'S city council made no appropriation this year for sprinkling of the streets and the light dust of its streets is described as horrible. Jos. Meredith, recently arrived from there, says that the city has lost more money by the stampede of the tourists than would sprinkle the streets for a decade.

It will be three weeks before the Rio Grande Road is opened for traffic through to Leadville. In the mean time the coke supply of that camp is running short, and such arrangements can be made with the South Park every smelter in Leadville will be forced to close for lack of fuel.

The Telluride Journal has this complimentary notice: "The old-timers of Rico all say that the outlook for that camp is very bright this season, and predict that by fall Rico will be booming. Our neighbors in the carbonate village have our best wishes."

MR. CUSHING M. BRYANT, the justice who tried Paddy Cain for the killing of Billy Wilson, came over from Silverton to-day and will depart in the morning for the Sheridan mine, where he will remain during the summer.—Telluride News, 8th.

THE postoffice at Swan City, Colorado, was blown up with giant powder by some over-zealous patriots on the Fourth.

FOUR-HORSE stages now ply daily between Pueblo and Silver Cliff, carrying passengers and mail.

THE mails and passengers between Montrose and Gunnison now go by the buckboard route.

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Snake Bite.

Salt Lake Herald. On last Friday, the 28th ult., Messrs. R. Q. Houston, B. B. Johnson, George McMillen and W. K. Roberts went on a deer hunt in Alpha river swamp, about three miles from town. After taking their respective 'stands' Mr. Houston went below about three miles to "drive up the swamp." When he was near the Brunswick & Western railway bridge which crosses the Alpha three miles east of this place, on his return, a large rattlesnake sprang from the bush and buried its fangs in the calf of his left leg. He at once called for help, and fortunately Mr. J. P. Loyd, section master, was having some work done near and responded to his call. By the time Mr. Loyd reached him Mr. Houston's leg below the knee was swollen to twice its usual size and he was suffering great pain. Mr. L. bound a ligature around the leg above the knee and then boarded his hand car to come to Alapatha for a physician. Dr. Fogle was soon found and hastened to the scene of suffering. When they reached Mr. Houston's side, wondering to relate, he was found sweetly sleeping, and the swelling was almost gone from his leg. Around him were lying dead near a half bushel of mosquitos, which had drawn the poison from him. The gentlemen in great surprise, aroused Mr. Houston, who barring a little weakness from the loss of blood was well as he ever was. This is a wonderful story, and some may be inclined just as we were, to doubt it at first, but we are personally acquainted with the parties mentioned, except Mr. Houston, and we don't believe they would vouch for a story not true in every particular. The snake was killed by the section hands and measured five feet and four inches in length, and had nineteen rattles and a button.

Obstructing the Mails.

Denver Republican. The action of the management of the Denver & Rio Grande in tearing up the railroad track near the Utah line may lead to some interesting and possibly unexpected results. The railroad between Grand Junction and Salt Lake City is not only the private property of the two companies which severally own it, but it is also a United States mail route, and in that character, it is public and not private property. Whatever interferes with the passage of the United States mail is a subject of remedy by the Federal Government, and that remedy is sometimes found in a criminal prosecution. The following section of the United States Statutes applies to such cases: Section 3,995. Any person who shall knowingly and willfully obstruct or retard the passage of the mail, or any carriage, horse, driver, or carrier carrying the same, shall, for every such offense be punishable by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars.

When Mr. F. A. Putney received information of the tearing up of the Rio Grande track, he reported the matter to the head of the Mail Transportation Department of the West at St. Louis, who will forward the report to Washington. It will probably not be before the last of this week that the instructions of the Department at Washington will be received. When they come, some of the men who were active in tearing up the railroad may be brought up before the United States District court to answer for obstructing the mail route.

Sizer's Old Fruit Farm.

Trinidad Advertiser. For eleven years Doc Sizer dug away on a quarter section of land near West Las Animas, and watered by the Purgatoire. He set thousands of grape vines and fruit trees, leaving nothing untried that belongs to fruit culture. He did not forget to set out hundreds of cottonwoods for wind breaks as well as for shade and ornament. At the end of eleven years he was reaping some reward of his labors in fruit and a cash income the amount of which we do not know. At this date, however, he sold the tract on which he had bestowed so much labor for the neat sum of \$20,000. Clark and Irwin are the present owners. A gentleman who was on this fruit farm a few years ago, declares it the loveliest place he has seen in the west. The looker on seeks vainly for adjectives to express his thoughts. The cowboys often turned in to see Sizer and feast upon his grapes and melons. We suppose they still know the place. The owners are to be congratulated. As to Sizer, he is breeding Hereford cattle in another part of the state. His work on that farm, while he was triumphing over grasshoppers, drouth and universal unbelief as to the possibility of growing fruit in Colorado, now exerts an influence on everybody who visits the scenes of his labor.

CHICAGO cattle dealers when they find they have bought a cow with an amputated tail do not despair. They go to a slaughter-house, get the tail of a slaughtered animal and sew it to the stump of the cow they have bought. They then sell the cow to some city man whose wife wants to keep a cow, and all goes well until fly time, when the sewed-on tail isn't worth a cent; but it is too late then for anybody to complain.—Louisville Courier Journal.

THE blacksmiths of Pesh, Austria, have struck. They are required to work fourteen hours a day, and half the time on Sundays, for which they receive \$2.50 a week. They ask for twelve hours a day work, with their Sundays free, and \$2.80 a week. Their employers laugh at these exorbitant demands.

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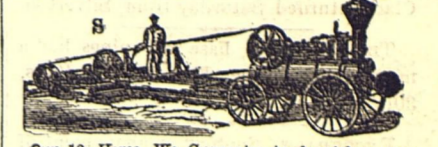
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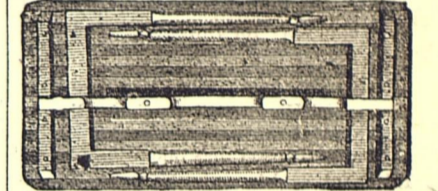
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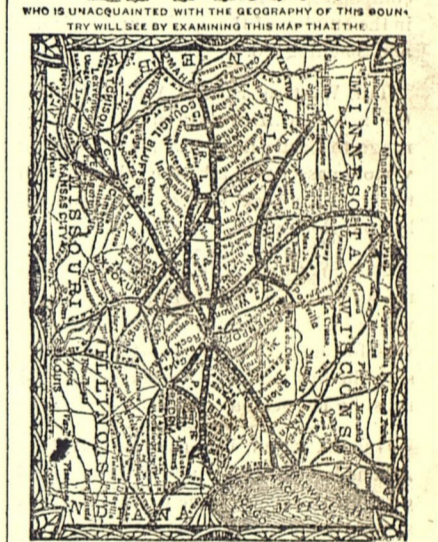
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