

PULSE OF WESTERN PROGRESS

Determined Efforts of San Franciscans to Secure a Competing Road.

WIERD NATURAL FREAKS IN MONTANA

Idiosyncrasies of Helena's Famous Wapinitia Fields—Beauties of Central Wyoming—The Northwestern Extension—Summary of the News.

The engrossing question in San Francisco outside of earthquakes, is that of railroad competition. The metropolis of the Golden Gate is hemmed in by one corporation. It is at the mercy of the Southern Pacific company, which controls north, east and south.

The project will meet with tremendous opposition, as the present company occupies almost every inch of the city, possesses unlimited means and practically controls both the law-making and law-enforcing powers. The projectors possess sufficient means to make a fight.

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The northern part of Big Horn mountains and adjacent country in Wyoming has received the name of Sheridan county. This tract of land, situated in the center of a vast area of non-agricultural, but good grazing country, has well earned the title of being the garden of Wyoming.

Several towns were started on the outskirts of this farming region, but finally by natural selection the center of the agricultural district and today commands, as it always will, the business of the county.

An eastern party tells about a small band of Arapahoe Indians, who like their white brethren, drew their stipends and hied to the nearest town for recreation.

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side, or Casper or Poison Spider creek and north of Casper. By this route they would run the entire distance from here to South Pass through a country rich in natural resources.

Montana's Natural Wonders. In the production of freaks of nature, as in precious metals and gems, Montana ceases to be a wonder. She is a corker. She is alone and unapproachable. She towers above her neighbors like a Sisyphus, slipping nectar in altitudes others know not.

There is no scarcity of ice in the state, especially in winter. To provide for emergency, such as a snowing crop and protracted weather, nature has established a permanent ice house in the old New York gulch in Meagher county.

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out and removing the steel bits. The ball was placed in the socket again and the patient is getting along nicely. The Baptist church at Ashland has extended a call to Miss Francis Townsend of Chicago to supply the pastorate and she has accepted.

Next Friday is Ashland's birthday. The Vilette camp near Gold Hill shows up well in gold and silver. The imprisoned raiders at Fort Russell refuse to see reporters of papers which denounce their conduct.

Union county has over \$50,000 in its treasury. The Minnesota mine and mill, owned by Alex. Chisholm and partners, were sold to an eastern syndicate for \$30,000. A monster pelican was shot near Plankinton, its wings measured eight and one-half feet from tip to tip.

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MILITARY MATTERS.

Memorial Tablet for Lieutenant Casey Elected in West Point Chapel. A tablet to the memory of Lieutenant Edward W. Casey, Twenty-second infantry, has recently been placed in the east chapel, says the Army and Navy Register.

Major S. M. Whitside, Seventh cavalry, returned last Saturday from a leave of absence. The major will have charge of the Second battalion, on the range, next month instead of Captain Henry Jackson.

Private Ferdinand Muller, light battery F, Fourth artillery, was discharged Wednesday. Henry enlisted under an assumed name and other pretenses, not tried of military law at Fort Riley and then gave himself away.

Private Bartholomew Larkin, who was transferred from the Twenty-second infantry to the Twenty-first infantry, has been discharged under provision of the three-year act Saturday, May 14. When John held up his hand three years ago he weighed 110 pounds; he now weighs 219.

Private Felix Masahl, company A, has been transferred from Fort DuChesne, Utah, to Fort Yates from last, expects to leave here about the middle of next month, about the time of the opening of the upper river will make its appearance.

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