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## HO, TO THE MOUNTAINS.

Mr. Schlatter Gives an Account of His Trip to Silver Plume.

DEAR JOURNAL:

Having heard and read a great deal of the grand sights to be seen going to Silver Plume, generally called the Loops in the mountains, forty miles from Denver, we took advantage of a Sunday (September 6,) excursion at the cost of two dollars for the round trip. Three trains were advertised, one—eight, nine and eleven a. m. The first train we took, and it had fourteen tourist coaches filled with excursionists. The land from Denver to the foot-hills, about ten miles distant from Denver, is under the very best of cultivation, made so by irrigation from the water of Clear Creek, which comes out of the mountains in a rapid and rapid and clear stream. From the cars we viewed fields after fields of wheat and oats in shock and stack, which compares favorably with the farms in Nebraska; also a great many fields of alfalfa already cut and put up in shocks ready for stacking. We also saw a great many fields of vegetables and small fruit, such as strawberries, raspberries, also, very comfortable farm houses, with trees planted in every direction. I am told land sells high. A man who owns ten acres of this land was offered four thousand dollars for five acres without any improvements on the same.

The foot-hills are ten miles out from Denver, and I think all this land in 1850 was a waste wilderness when I first traveled through with an ox team for the mountains.

Our first stop entering the mountains was the little town of Golden City, a small but very handsome little hamlet, lying in the valley surrounded by high mountains, with Clear Creek running through the north. Here is located the School of Mining, a large brick building, and also the Koor's Brewery, which supplies Denver with the pure and fine beer we drink every day. At this place our train of fourteen cars was cut down to four cars to each train and away we went into the heart of the mountains.

I must confess my pen is inadequate to describe the grand sight before me. One has to see with his own eyes to appreciate the scenes. It almost seems impossible to build a railroad in these narrow windings through the mountains and over-hanging rocks close by the track. At several places it seemed to me we would be dashed to pieces, as the rock came within six inches of the cars. No wonder the railroad company has posted in each car notices warning passengers not to look out of the windows or stick their elbows too far on the outside. At times we were scattered all over the mountains from top to bottom. Clear Creek runs beside the railroad, and is filled with large and small rocks, over which the water flows rapidly with a rattling sound. The water from Georgetown is of a yellowish tint. This is an account of the washing of a great deal of dirt from the mines. We could see mines in every direction crossing the mountains on the top of the mountains, some midway, but most of them at the foot of the mountains.

In the vicinity of Georgetown I was pleased to come in sight of an old wagon road and trail we followed in the mountains to Gregory, Russell and other gulches with ox teams loaded with provisions for the miners in 1850.

We reached Georgetown about eleven o'clock. This is a good sized mining town and built in a valley, but a great deal of mining is carried on in the mountains surrounding the town. The building of this railroad is a grand piece of engineering, and is perhaps the greatest undertaking of the kind in the west, with the exception of the building of a railroad on the top of Pike's Peak. We had left Georgetown for Silver Plume, for a while winding our way up the mountain and had to cross a large bridge, when the second section of our train came along under us some forty feet, and such cheers from the passengers of both trains you never heard. It made the mountains ring. Up we went and thought we had nearly reached Silver Plume when we found ourselves back to Georgetown, eighty feet above the town and four times as high as Denver. From here we went flying on the side of the mountains to Silver Plume, our destination, which we reached about 11:30 a. m. All sections of our train stopped here until the hour of our return to Denver.

Here we met a large gathering of people from Denver, all looking for a suitable place to eat, and lunches which they brought with them. We and a great many others took our lunch on the side of the mountain and on a large slab of white rock. We bought coffee from a tent where they also sold tea and vegetables. Silver Plume is a very small place, only intended for excursions. The water of Clear Creek here is very clear and cold as ice. We had an opportunity of going into the heart of the mountains some eighteen feet with a guide and lamp, but did not feel inclined to do so. The ladies enjoyed a ride on a burro. We arrived here at six o'clock, well pleased with our day's outing.

The Germans speak proudly of their river Rhine, with its beautiful landscapes and abandoned ruins of castles and towers, vineyards and hills. They should see the beauties of the Rocky Mountains. We have hundreds of towers and castles in the shape of solid rocks, hundreds feet high, covered with the finest evergreen trees and flowers. And think of Pike's Peak, fourteen thousand feet high, and a railroad climbing up to the very top, where the grandest sight is to be seen of the surrounding plains and mountains.

CONRAD SCHLATTER.

## Notice for Bids.

The Board of Education will receive bids on Tuesday, September 22nd, for painting window frames, casings and cornice of the Columbian school building, glass to be putty where needed. Two coats to be applied. The committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids. J. W. HANCOCK, Secretary.

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The lecture course is given partly for the purpose of enlarging the libraries of the various departments of the schools. But your children must know not only books, they must know people—men—the best the world can give, and it is for this reason chiefly that the course of lectures is being offered. Through contact with some of those who are most genuine in thought, music, and art, you can lead them to a higher appreciation of the good in life.

The entertainments in Plattsmouth are limited and most of you feel your lives are becoming narrow and circumscribed; get out of your rut this winter, help the schools and feel a betterment of soul because you have heard something that the rest of the world has heard.

## A Serious Collision.

In a collision Friday evening, which occurred on Chicago avenue, County Clerk L. A. Tyson lost a colt and a horse, a prominent farmer residing near Myrard, sustained a fall which might have caused fatal results. Mr. Tyson and three sons were returning from the country after dark, and as the ground was soft they were unable to hear the approach of Mr. Benzen's horse and buggy from the opposite direction. Mr. Benzen was thrown from his buggy by the force of the collision and was badly bruised and stunned. A few moments later one of the horses attached to the Tyson rig suddenly fell to the ground, dying almost instantly. Investigation showed a hole in its side where the point of a buggy shaft had penetrated the flesh. The occupants of the carriage were not injured, due to the fact that they were driving slowly. When Mr. Benzen was picked up his injuries appeared to be serious, but he was taken to his home and his condition is pleased to learn that he is almost his former self again.

## A Railroad Wreck.

Early Saturday morning a B. & M. westbound freight train stuck on the grade near the water works pumping station. As usual in such cases a helper was called into requisition and the engine backed down the grade for a fresh start, and in doing so a coupling was pulled out and part of the train detached. The engineer of the first engine not knowing this signaled it out of the way to get it to the railroad. It should receive attention from the commissioners as soon as possible.

## ADVISES WITH TEACHERS.

### Superintendent Wortman's Letter Regarding School Affairs.

Superintendent Wortman has recently issued to the teachers of Cass county a circular letter in which he elaborates somewhat on the duties common to all in that work. The letter is one calculated to remind the teacher of the weight of responsibility resting upon her. They are told that recommendations and certificate have aided them about as much as possible when they secure the position and "now everything devolves upon you and you will be weighed in the balance." The superintendent also tells them that the best way to insure success is first to deserve it, and in times that teachers should assume that they are being supported and not opposed by all who are interested in the cause of education. He admonishes them to be stony with their time and talents outside the school room but to give aid and encouragement to everything that tends to the betterment and enjoyment of the community. Do not be satisfied with merely the position but more than fill it regardless of whether the compensation is in proportion to the required amount of the times. Some of the suggestions are headed: "The Year Before You," "Dictionary and Globe" and "School Library." These common things are treated in a proper common-sense way that appeals to all, and will be appreciated by teachers and patrons. The Journal will add that if the patrons and members of the school boards do their part and to operate with the teacher in all that Superintendent Wortman has mentioned, the Cass county schools will rank the highest in the state.

It should be kept prominently before the people that our county superintendent is a tireless worker, that he has been and will continue, if elected, looking well after our school interests. He is entitled to a re-election, usually by a large majority, and we should urge everyone to vote on his candidacy, not according to political affiliation, but with an eye to the best school interests and his majority should be a big one.

## A Bridge That Needs "Fixing."

The Journal hears considerable complaint among the farmers living east of Cedar Creek, on account of the dilapidated condition of the bridge one mile east of the town. Some of them say it has been in this condition some time, and necessitates the hauling of their corn several miles out of the way to get it to the railroad. It should receive attention from the commissioners as soon as possible.

## A Boy's Wild Ride for Life.

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Indiana, endured death's agonies from asthma; but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures, Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip prove its matchless merit for all throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles, 50 and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s drug store.

## Splendid Showing.

A glance at the statement of the Murray State Bank, elsewhere in this issue, will show that the increase in the business of this institution is most flattering indeed. It is one of the solid banking houses in Cass county, and the excellent showing reflects great credit not only upon the directors but also upon the prudent and genial cashier, Chas. S. Stone.

## Peaches! Peaches!!

Peaches at Dan Kiser's from 75 cents to \$1.50 per bushel—extra good at \$2.00. I will be in Plattsmouth, at or near the corner of Fifth and Main streets, while they last if they sell fast enough. DAN KISER.

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## Social Events.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Gass entertained fourteen guests Saturday evening at a Dutch lunch in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Valley.

Miss Mia Gering entertained a number of friends at 9 o'clock supper Friday night last in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Valley. Sixteen invited guests were present, and it is needless to say that a most delightful time was enjoyed by all present.

Misses Josephine and Mae Murphy gave a most enjoyable select dancing party at Coates' hall Monday night in honor of their guests, the Misses Edmore of Omaha. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and all join in but one expression—that it was one of the grandest events of the season.

## AUTHOR PARTY.

Miss May Larson entertained about thirty of her young friends at an author's party at her home Saturday evening. Each one presented and represented some favorite author, which the company was requested to guess. Miss Hazel Dovey guessed the most, and consequently captured the prize. Miss Bernice Newell and Will Robertson won prizes in other contests. Elegant refreshments were served; and all in all, the evening was most delightfully spent, as all present can fully testify.

## SURPRISE FOR THE MISSES PROSP.

Misses Maude and Edna Propst were most agreeably surprised last Friday evening by a number of their friends dropping in to spend the evening. The party was gotten up as a farewell to the Misses Propst on the eve of their departure for York, Neb., to attend school. The evening was most pleasantly enjoyed in social games. Refreshments were served, and at a late hour the merry company adjourned, not, however, until after they had bid the young ladies farewell with the best wishes for success in their college work.

## FAREWELL TO MISS BERTHA WHITE.

Saturday afternoon about twenty-four of Miss Bertha White's friends responded to Miss Valley's invitation to a good-bye party in honor of that popular young lady, whose future home will be in Omaha. A progressive game cards, in which Miss Fricke came out victor, an elegant and sumptuous three-course luncheon was served by Mesdames Livingston, Gass and Streibling. The guests were favored with several vocal selections from Miss Valley and Miss Street, after which all spoke the word good-bye with congeniality. The guests were the departure of their dear young friend.

## IN HONOR OF MR. AND MRS. VALLEY.

The "Wood-Be-Goods" gave a beef-steak roast at the Parmele "Forty" on Thursday last in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John Valley, of Cincinnati, Ohio. The weather was propitious for such an event. When lunch hour arrived, the company gathered around the table to the boyhood reminiscences related by Mr. Valley, in a most clever manner. Just before leaving the scene of much pleasure and merriment, Mr. Parmele gave a check for an invitation to attend the "Village Parson" at the theatre in the evening.

## Ho, for Omaha Ak-Sar-Ben!

October 1st to 10th. Ten days and nights of Fall Festivities. Magnificent parade, a grandly equipped band of floats; 30 bands of music; grand day and night parade and the biggest, grandest, and best carnival ever held in the west. Terrific trip down spiral tower, bicycle races, and other amusements; bicyclist, rides wire. Magnificent fireworks effect, and a clean, decent midday with 20 shows. Animals, freaks, and curiosities. Reduced rates on all railroads.

## Death of George Black.

One of Plattsmouth's model young men, Mr. George Black, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Black in this city on Friday morning, September 11, 1903, aged 22 years. The deceased had been employed in the B. & M. shops here for a number of years and was most highly respected by all who knew him. Young Black had been ailing for several months, most of which time he had been confined to his room. In the past he had been a very energetic worker, and he gradually declined until death relieved him. The funeral occurred from the Presbyterian church on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, the services being conducted by Revs. Baird and Burgess, and were attended by a large concourse of sympathizing friends. The pall-bearers were Earl Wesscott, Dan Clark, Leon Popperberg, Ralph White, Edward Spies and Fritz Fricke. The deceased was born January 1881. Besides mother and father, two sisters are left to mourn the demise of a loving son and brother. The F. O. of C. W. society, of which the deceased was a member, attended the services in a body, and with the large concourse, followed the remains to their last resting place in Oak Hill cemetery.

## Corn Maturing Slowly.

The past week has been cold, wet, and generally unfavorable for agricultural interests. The mean daily temperature has averaged 4 degrees below normal in eastern counties and from 6 degrees to 9 degrees below in western. The rainfall has been heavy in the eastern part of the state, generally exceeding an inch and in some places two inches; in the western counties it was much lighter, ranging from nothing to half an inch. Threshing and haying have been retarded by the rains and some grain and hay have been damaged. The wet weather this fall makes this work now much behind the normal schedule, and the normal rate of advancement at this season of the year. Corn has matured rather slowly in southeastern counties, but has made more satisfactory progress in northern and western counties. Some early planted corn is now beyond injury by frost, but much of the crop needs two to three weeks of good weather. The late planted corn is just in the roasting ear stage. Sowing and seeding have progressed nicely, with the ground in excellent condition in most parts of the state.

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**Another Insane Case.**  
Mrs. Almira Chambers, aged 60 years, has been adjudged insane by the insanity board. She is the lady who was robbed last spring by John Green, and who is now in jail awaiting trial. Mrs. Chambers recently returned from Oklahoma, where she had been making her home with her husband and daughter, and when she returned to this city she was penniless, and was cared for by friends until two weeks ago when she was sent to the poor farm. Since which time she has shown strong symptoms of insanity, and will be sent to the asylum at Lincoln in due time. This makes four such cases in the past ten days.

**No Saloon at Union.**  
A special to the Omaha World-Herald, under date of September 11, says: "The village board today acted on petition of Jacob Dye, Jr., for a license to operate a saloon in the village of Union for the coming year. Considerable interest was manifested and a large crowd was in attendance, as there has been a fight over saloons for several years. Last year a license was granted over the remonstrance of several citizens, and when the case came up in the district court the license was revoked. This year a remonstrance was filed by Rev. A. L. Follen, Rev. W. W. Ayers and Lewis Bird. Profiting by last year's experience, the board refused to grant a license. The saloon man had on hand Charles L. Fritschner, attorney of Omaha. As the matter now stands there will be no saloon, and a rushing express office business is being done. There is considerable feeling exhibited between the two factions."

**Fearful Odds Against Him.**  
Bed-ridden, alone and destitute. Such, in brief was the condition of an old soldier by the name of J. J. Havens, Versailles, Ohio. For years he has been troubled with kidney disease and neither doctors nor medicines gave him relief. At length he tried Electric Bitters. It put him on his feet in short order and now he testifies "I'm on the road to complete recovery." Best on earth for Liver and Kidney troubles and all forms of Stomach and Bowel complaints. Only 50 cents. Guaranteed by F. G. Fricke & Co.

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