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THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 10, 1859.

[From our Extra of Friday Feb'y 4.]

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RAIL ROAD CONVENTION AT DENVER CITY.

Speech of Gen. Larimer.

We had yesterday, the pleasure of meeting Messrs C. A. LAWRENCE, Dr. A. S. KUNKLE, J. W. WIMER and JAS. HALL, who arrived at this place direct from the Gold regions—Denver City.—They made the trip in twenty days, having left the gold regions on the 8th of January, and arrived here on the 1st of February, lying by four days. This is the quickest time made by other than an express.

From these gentlemen we gain the most valuable and reliable information.—Mr. Lawrence is of the "Lawrence Company," that left Leavenworth last fall; Dr. Kunkle is from Sioux City, Iowa, and went out the Omaha route; Mr. Wimer is from St. Louis,—son of ex-Mayor Wimer—and Mr. Hall is from Leavenworth. They all unite in saying that the route from Brownville is decidedly shorter than any other. They report the road from this place to the mines, in excellent condition and well supplied with wood and water, with the exception of 140 miles beyond Fort Kearney, between O'Fal-Bluff and Beaver creek, where there is no wood. but an abundance of "Buffalo chips" which in dry weather, answer every purpose. With due preparations, by cooking, &c., before entering this destitute region, no fears need be entertained, All routes center, however, before reaching this place, and have it to pass over.

These gentlemen have thoroughly prospected, and exhibit specimens of the precious metal. Mr. Lawrence is an old California adventurer, and has no hesitancy in pronouncing the Cherry Creek mines equal, if not superior, to any of those of California. Those now mining under the many disadvantages, are making from $2 to $12, and often $15 per day,—5 to 33 cents per pan. Gold is found from the surface, down to the bed rock, a depth averaging fifteen feet. The only difficulty at present, is the want of water. But as several companies of competent capitalists are already organized, for furnishing water, this, therefore, cannot much longer remain an obstacle of any consequence. The gold yet found to any extent, is what is termed "float gold," and quicksilver will necessarily have to be used to a considerable extent, in collecting the finer and more valuable particles. In giving the above wages, we give the lowest average given us, as we have no desire whatever to over-report what we hear. The information is perfectly reliable, and while we give it with our own endorsement, to our friends, we would rather have them, if they go to the mines, feel that we "have not told the half."

Shot gold has been discovered to some extent, and old miners are confident of finding "nugget gold," in the spring.—But little prospecting has yet been done in the mountains, owing to the season of the year and occupancy of time in preparing comfortable quarters.

Gold has been discovered in satisfactory quantities, along the base of the mountains, from New Mexico to Fort Laramie.

The party brought in over 400 letters to mail at this place, for various points in the States. They also had in their possession many specimens of gold, sent in to friends of parties now in the new mines. They were pronounced by old Californians to be exceedingly rich. Two specimens of a dollar and a half each, shown to us, were taken out of the bank of the Platte River in fifteen minutes washing. The Indians report shot gold as being plentiful in the mountains.

Water power is abundant on all the streams in that vicinity—South Platte, Vascour's Creek, Cherry Creek, Long's Creek, Rollistan's Creek and Cache la Poudre. There is, therefore, no necessity of freighting all the heavy accompaniments of steam saw-mills. Pine timber of an excellent quality abounds, and in inexhaustible quantities. Lumber, which at present is sawed out by hand, is worth from $125 to $150 per thousand feet.

Denver City and Auraria; only separated by the small stream, Cherry Creek, will be, if not already are consolidated, and will hereafter be known as Denver City. At that place are already erected over 300 houses; and when these gentlemen left, material was on the ground for one hundred and eighty-seven other houses which are in process of erection, to be completed by the first of March. The soil thereabouts is good, but not sufficiently extensive in area as could be desired to make the country one of great agricultural importance.

Excellent qualities of building stone and clay for brick-making are found. Notwithstanding the season of the year, trains are arriving constantly, and those who have been there, leaving for the States to procure supplies of various kinds, to return again in the Spring.

Arapahoe County has been organized of which Denver City is the county seat. H. B. Smith, Judge; E. Wyncoop, Sheriff; and Gen. Wm. Larimer Treasurer.

Marble, of an excellent quality, has been discovered. Plaster-of-Paris abounds; Pike's Peak is thought to be composed principally of the latter. Mr. Lawrence informs us, that there has been discoveries made of Silver, Iron and lead, not far from where the principal settlement is.—Discoveries of Stone coal and immense alum beds, have also been made.

There is, perhaps, no country in which game abounds more plentifully—buffalo, elk, black and white tailed deer, black and grizzley bear, antelope, mountain sheep and goat, turkey and sage hen.

Almost everything to eat, drink and wear, will be in great demand, and will pay well to take out from this portion of the country, except, perhaps, flour, which can be brought from New Mexico and sold at less price than can be afforded after freighting from here.

Mr. Lawrence, who has had great experience on the plains, thinks for heavy loading, cattle are preferable; but for light loads and quick trips, of course mules are best. He also thinks there will be no danger of over-stocking the country with beef cattle, as is feared by many, on account of the presence of such an abundance of wild game. If the diggings prove as lucrative as there is every reason to believe they will, miners will not take the time to hunt, but prefer paying even large prices for beef at their cabin door. This is, too our mind, sound reasoning. Milch cows will be in great demand.

In the course of conversation with these gentlemen, a thousand and one interesting and pleasing incidents are related, which it is not expected of us to give in print. They are intelligent gentlemen, and an hour's chit-chat with them is a treat rarely to be met with. They will return from this point in the Spring, having left their stock here to recuperate, and, also, made other arrangements, in purchasing stock, grain, &c., and making arrangements for additional purchases by the time they return from the States, say from the 1st to the 15th of March.

The Indians are perfectly quiet and no danger from them need be apprehended, as there are more than two white men to every Indian in that country. The gold region is in the Arapahoe and Cheyenne country.

It is needless to say that this encouraging and reliable news has given new impetus to the gold excitement in this vicinity. Many, who were before disposed to doubt, no longer hesitate, and will be off on the "first boat." This information, in addition to that we were before in possession of, from those with whom we are personally acquainted, now in the mines, leaves not the shadow of a doubt as to the fact that the new El Dorado is unsurpassed as a gold bearing country.

Heavy supplies for outfitting are now in readiness at this point; and by the arrival of the first boat up the river, our merchants will be prepared to fit out any and all adventurers to the new El Dorado, with everything they may want in the way of provisions, tools, and clothing.—There is perhaps a larger supply of corn in the warehouses now, in this city, than at any other point on the river. Besides, our farmers nearly all have in crib more or less surplus corn. for sale.

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We say to our friends in the East and elsewhere, who wish cheap outfits, and are desirous of traveling the shortest, most comfortable and practicable route to the mines, start from Brownville.

We have been favored by Dr. KUNKLE, one of the party who arrived at this place from the gold regions, with the following

Pacific Railroad Proceedings at Denver City, K. T.

A large snd enthusiastic meeting of the citizens of Arrappahoe county, Kansas Territory, was held at the house of Gen. William Larimer, jr., in Denver City, on the 4th day of January, 1859, to take into consideration the subject of the Pacific Railroad,

When on motion of Hon. William Clancy, Gen. Larimer was called to the chair and Dr. A. S. Kunkle, A. J. Williams, Marshall Cook, E. P. Stout, James Lowry, Dr. L. J. Russell and W. H. Brannan were appointed Vice Presidents; Chas. A. Lawrence, Secretary, and Samuel S. Curtis, A. Sagendorf, I. T. Davis, T. H. Russell and Richard Whitsell assistant Secretaries.

On motion of D. C. Collian, the following gentlemen were appointed a committee to draft a preamble and resolutions to be submitted to the meeting: D. C. Collian, Hon. Wm. Clancy, Hon. E. P. Stout, W. M'Gaa, Esq., Capt. P. T. Bassett, Capt. Wm. Parkinson, G. Bushey Capt John Scudder, John M. Kirby, C. H. Blake, L. Tierney, Geo. Gildersleve, Fulsum Dorsette, Judson H. Dudley and Capt. W. Spooner. The committee thro' the Chairman D. C. Collian submitted the following preamble and resolution, which after being fully discussed by W. H. Braman of Missouri, Hon, Wm, Clancy and E. P, Stout of Nebraska, Dr, L, J, Russell of Georgia, D, C, Collian of Kansas, Capt, Parkinson of St Louis, Williams and M'Gaa of the Mountains, and the President, of Kansas, were unanimously adapted,

WHEREAS: The subject of building a Rail Road to connect the Atlantic with the Pacific states, thus strengthening the bond which unite the widely separated members of our Republic, has become one of great importance and interest to the whole American people; And

Whereas: We believe that not only our Military and Postal together with our Commercial interests, recently extended by the opening of China and Japan, throughout their length and breadth, to our Merchants; and the movement set on foot by the British people during the past year backed by British capitol, for extending the grand trunk Railway of Canada to the Pacific via the northern shore of Lake Superior, thence to Victoria, thus threatening to divert American trade and travel from its legitimate course, demand the immediate construction of this road, but also that the internal interests of the country which have so long been overlooked, and that the land along the whole route as many of us can testify, who had an eye to this in our journeyings here, is capable of the highest state of cultivation, and that the mountains through which the road must pass, are covered with pineries which are destined to supply the entire country west of the Missouri with lumber; while the ravines, gulches and cannons, which intersect them are filled with golden treasures which promises to vie with any yet discovered, and in addition to these things, there is already a population of two thousand on the head waters of the South Platte, with a prospect of its increasing to one hundred thousand by the first of July next are alone sufficient to warrant, and amply repay the undertaking. Therefore,

Resolved, That we urge upon Congress the immediate passage of a bill providing for the construction, at the earliest possible day, such a Rail Road via the South Pass commencing at some convenient point on the Missouri river.

Resolved, That we ask the citizens of the States and territories lying upon the Missouri river, and also the whole Union, particularly the North-west to unite with us in sending petitions, numerously signed, calling the attention of our National Council to this subject.

Resolved, That Hon. W. Clancy, E P Stout, Isaac T Davis, A. J. Williams and Judson H. Dudley, be a committee to prepare petitions and have them numerously signed and forwarded to Hon. Marcus J. Parrott, our delegate, and other members of Congress.

In the discussion of the resolutions, much was said in relation to the different routes, and the heretofore opposition of the Southern members of Congress to the Central or South Pass route,

Dr. L. J. RUSSELL, of Georgia thought that hereafter the South would not oppose this route; that its importance was not confined to the North alone, but to all sections of the country; and he thought he might venture to vouch for the Georgia members supporting it in all its stages through Congress.

Gen. LARIMER the President of the meeting, then made a long and effective speech, a part of which is hereby reported. He commenced by stating that he was glad to hear the remarks of the gentleman from Georgia, Dr Russell: he thought it would have a telling effect upon Congress to nullify there previous opposition to our favourite route, to connect the Atlantic and Pacific oceans by railroad, via the *South Pass*. He then said that for his part he was in favor of two Railroads to the Pacific, the South Pass and El Passo routes, or any other route the Southern portion of our Confederacy wished: not because of the peculiar institutions of each section of the country, but he put it upon higher grounds, that the commerce of the country at large demanded it, and the Southern portion of California Arizona, Texas, and a majority of the Southern States of this Union demanded it; and another reason was *competition*; that one single Railroad might become an immense monopoly, nearly prohibiting in its character. My interests and those I represent, said Gen. Larimer, are immediately upon this road, the South Pass.—Arrapahoe county, and the number of persons now here and to come, can reach the South Pass Railroad until they get a branch of their own, at a distance of not much over, at the nearest point, of one hundred miles; and should it be practicable to pass up the *Cache la poudre*, it would not be over fifty miles. The importance of this South Pass route to those of us that are here and to come cannot be estimated. I feel like making every honorable concessions to other portions of our common country, to secure what to us is of such vast importance. We are now here in great numbers at the very entrance of the South Pass, I may say, and we find it free from snow even in mid winter, an objection to this route that has heretofore been nearly fatal to its being adopted, together with other causes. The General then spoke of this part of the country as we find it here in mid winter, on this 4th day of January 1859, with no chilling winds and without a particle of snow, with clean sunshine from morning until evening, with the sound of the axe and hammer greeting our ears from at least one thousand able bodied men with their coats off, and the flies buzzing in our houses. This, fellow-citizens, is the kind of country we ask Congress to favor with a Railroad. He then said, turning around to all parts of the audience, "Have you ever lived in a country where you could winter stock without fodder of some kind carefully secured in due season? If you have, I have not. If our Eastern friends were here I would go with them to-morrow morning and show them what they have never seen before on the 5th day of any January, open grass all up and down our valleys, even to the very base of our beautiful mountains, with good agricultural soil and plenty of timber. We have a country, fellow-citizens, worthy the attention of Congress, equal in all respects to either New Mexico or Utah, independent of gold. But, gentlemen, as you all know, we have gold sufficiently discovered even now to warrant all the emigration that may come here, with the almost certainty of new and large deposits being discovered in our beautiful mountains that are hanging over us. But a few days since, my St. Louis friend Capt. P. J. Bassett saw a miner, about six miles from here, that showed him a bottle containing one and one half pound of fine gold dust dug by himself in a few days. This is but a single case, but by early summer enough gold dust will be dug from the soil beneath our feet to build the railroad that we so much need and must have."

The General then asked the audience if he had drawn too high a colour upon this country and its prospects, and they all said, "No, no." He then asked the audience to make calculations for a moment upon the prospective revenue of this road if under way now and next season. What would one hundred thousand passengers amount to at $50 each to Denver City, or the nearest approach to it, with at least one thousand pounds of freight for each person amount to, besides the government freight that will constantly be passing over this road? Then go ask Wm. H. Russell of Leavenworth City what his contract alone amounted to within the last year, and he will tell you, at the lowest figure, five millions of dollars. Then comes all the commerce of California, China and Japan, and the commerce of mighty empires, with tens of thousands of passengers. The old idea was a Pacific Railroad with two ends only; now look at the way business of this proposed Railroad.—Utah with her numerous and increasing population, with the settlements all along the whole entire length of this road for at least one hundred miles both north and south of this great trunk line, and you can scarcely get figures sufficient to make the calculations. In my calculations I leave out the government troops, and postal service, and the mountain traders freight, and the return trains of deer, elk, and mountain sheep, together with the buffalo on the way, and a supply of grizzleys for the bulls and bears of Wall Street, all nicely packed in perennial snows of our alpine hills.

The discovery of this Gold field, it might be well to examine. The Georgia miners were the first to give it a thorough examination; they being from a gold country were competent to explore. Next came the Lawrence Kansas Company. This Company were induced to come here from an account given by a Delaware Indian by the name of Fall-Leaf, of large quantities of gold near Pike's Peak. It appears that Fall Leaf had procured some six hundred dollars near Pike's Peak with large pieces, containing from five to ten dollars. The price asked by Fall-Leaf was eighteen dollars per day to show the rich deposits. This the Lawrence party agreed to pay; but "Big Injin" then wanted two or three of his friends included in his party at the same price with himself. So the securing of his services fell through. But the Lawrence party went in search of those deposits, but as yet the spot has not been found where gold exists in such large quantities.

The Georgians and Lawrence party are still here. The Georgians made some good prospecting, and have taken out considerable gold, it is generally supposed about three thousand dollars. The Lawrence party also done well, but most of their summer was spent in prospecting about Pike's Peak, the Georgians coming to this point, which is the central point, North and South, of the richest diggings yet discovered.

After a vote of thanks to the President the Convention adjourned,

WM, LARIMER, Jr.,
Pres't,

C, A, LAWRENCE, Sec'y

An Act

To prevent trespassing on Timber Land.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Nebraska: That if any person knowingly or wilfully enter upon the land of another, and remove therefrom any wood or timber, or wilfully injure any timber, tree, shrub on the land of another, or in the street or highway in front of another's cultivated ground, yard or town lot, or on the public ground of any town, or any land held by this Territory, for any purpose whatsoever, or any burging ground, or any school land, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace, shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars—one-half of said fine to be paid to the school fund, and the other half to the informer.

SEC. 2. Any person found guilty of a misdemeanor as defined by section 1, of this act, and fined by any Justice of the Peace, shall be imprisoned in the County jail until such fine shall be paid.

SEC. 3. If upon the tial of any person arrested under the provisions of this act, the defendant demand a trial by jury the Justice of the Peace before whom such trial is being had, may issue a venire, and proceed to empannel a jury to try said cause.

SEC. 4. This act to be in force from and after its passage.

HIRAM P. BENNET,
Speaker of the House.
WILLIAM E. MOORE,
President of the Council, pro tem.
Approved, November 4th, 1858.
(Signed) W. A. RICHARDSON,
Governor of Nebraska.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the original act now on file in my office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the great seal of the Territory. Done at Omaha, this eighth day of November, A. D. 1858.

J. STERLING MORTON,
[L. S.] *Secretary of Nebraska.*