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A Bacy Description of a Newly-Opened Territory Infected with Mining and Agri-cultural Experts--- A Country Companed of Climate and Sheep, but mostly Sheep---The First Exploits of "Billy, the Kid."

[From the Lincoln Journal,]

ALBUQUERQUE, which promises to become the Chicago of New Mexico, is another quaint old town, just 902 miles from the Missouri river. Like Santa Fe, it is located in the valley of the Rio Grande, surrounded by mountains whose towering peaks seem to cast a shadow over the town. It is distant from Santa Fe, about 100 miles, and is di-Jas. McNexy. vided into what is known as the new and old towns. The former is located about the depot of the Atchison, To-peka & Santa Fe railroad, and the old town about one mile and a half away. The stranger alighting from the cars, is surprised to find the streets lighted with gas and a street railway running to and from the old town in full oper-ation, the streets thronged with white people and unlike Santa Fe, the pre-

> old one. One of the prominent contractors informed your correspondent that ten months since he could have covered with minerals of every descriptions. The museum is a small the purpose of taking his scalp the purpose of ta umber there was on the town site: to day there are four extensive lumber vards in the place, and the dealers find it impossible to supply the demand for lumber. Many of the houses are adobe, two stories, plastered on the inside and covered with Portland cement on the outside. The leading hotel of the town-the Armijo (pronounced Armeho)-is a large, three story building, made of adobe. The rooms are large, airy, high ceilings and furnished in elegant style. The rates (for a Millionaire) are very moderate, \$4.50 per day. Two wholesale houses, each 150 feet long and fifty feet wide, stand near the depot and they are filled with goods of every des-

mile and a half distant from the depot, is much like Santa Fe. The streets are very irregular and narrow, the houses adobe, and mostly one story. The principal business houses surround the public square or piaza. The proprietors are either Jews or the descendants of old Spaniards who came to this country centuries ago. They carry immense stocks of goods and seem to be doing a thriving business. Saloons, conducted by Americans may be found on every street. They are well patronized by the Mexi-cans, who delight in drinking and

gambling. The agricultural resources of the erritory, I should say, are very meaere, though the aborigines delight in telling you Manchausen stories of the productiveness of their soil, and grow rapturous in speaking of their big onions and mammoth cabbages; but when you mention the cereals, they shrug their shoulders, and with elbows akimbo and long faces, quietly reply that the rainfall is small, an that irrigating large fields of wheat and oats

is too much trouble. The farms, or gardens, as I should call them, are situated close to the banks of the Rio Grande river, the water from the stream being conducted to them through large ditches or

canals. The climate of New Mexico is certainly the finest on this continent. The atmosphere is dry and clear and pulmonary diseases are scarcely smaller than in any other state or territory. The summers are long and warm, but such extreme heat as is experienced in Nebraska is never known here, owing to the elevated position of the country and the breezes from the mountains. The rainy season usually commenced earlier than before. As I

write, May 18th, quite a heavy rain is falling, and the Mexicans are jubilant over the prospects for heavy crops of onions, cabbage and hay. The mountain sides are covered with heavy bodies of pine, cedar and spruce trees; while here and there along the watercourses, may be found an occasional cottonwood or sycamore tree.

The commerce and manufactures of Tobacco, Cigars, Lamps, &c.

New Mexico as yet are not worth speaking about, and the products of her mines are not visible to the naked ordered for parties who may want anything ordered for parties the owners are able to tell vou some wonderful stories in regard to their he lives, and he subsides, with the re- last week. richness; but when you ask them to show you a handful of nuggets or an

> As a pastorial region, I should say that New Mexico was not a success. The vast expanse of emerald green that covers your prairies in Nebraska to-day, is not to be found here; instead a great valley covered with sand, with might say, and truthfully too, that this forms the chief industry of the territory. In a word New Mexico is nine- in New Mexico:

TALES OF A TOURIST.

from a market basket, he walks off. a specimen from the "Big Bonanza of the sheriff to the scene, but before he Mexico;" not a picked specimen, but got haif way across the street, a bullet one that he gathered from a million pierced his heart; and he was at dead strewn on the ground, just before he left the mine. He reaches deep down pocket and another in his band he into his breeches pocket and hauls up a few dirty looking stones, spreads them upon the palm of his left hand,

hand raised, proceeds to dilate upon their richness. You look upon the man in surprise, and find that his storekeeper and told him to steedle and with the index finger of the right face is beaming with smiles, and that and bridle that horse or he would send he has found his hobby. You spmpa-thize with him, but the dread of being ed the order while Billy stood on the talked to death compels you to say, "But where is the gold?" This is the revolver pointed at him. While he straw that breaks the camel's back. was arranging the saddle on the horse He turns from you in disgust and re- the Kid thought he had not drawn the marks in sotto voce, "d-d if you know gold quartz from cobble stones."

The next friend you meet is an agri-

productiveness of the soil. He greets

you with a smile and clasps your hand warmly. He asks, "Well, what do think of New Mexico?" You answer, "a fine country, splendid climate, great place for sheep and goats; but your soil, sir, seems to be too sandy for the cereals." The agriculturist straightens himself out, and tapping you on the shoulder exclaims: "Never known; the proportion of deaths from more mistaken in your life, sir! The consumption, I am informed, being soil is very rich, and all we want is soil is very rich, and all we want is rain! a little rain!" You gaze upon the great plain of red sand, and look at your new found friend in amazement, wondering whether he is "kidding" you or in dead earnest; you see no smile on his cuuntenance, aud find that he means just what he says; you commences in July and continues dislike to wound his feelings and blast through August; but this year it has bis hopes of a productive soil, and begin by saying that such soil would not raise white beans in the country you came from, but here it may pos sess productive powers that you are not aware of. This pleases the old gentleman, and he again becomes excited, and gesticulating in a terrible manner, he exclaims "Why, sir! we bushel basket." For a moment you Platte.

potatoes?" You have hit him where sented to the Crete city council during mark that the people of New Mexico ounce or two of placer gold, you have and building ditches from the Rio RED CLOUD, - NEBRASKA. got them on the hip-"they can't show Grande, to irrigate soil for a few they can buy at eight cents per pound drowned at Eimwood recently, with the quartz that they gather from attempting to rescue stock.

any of the mountains. This picture is not overdrawn in the least. You find the two classes 1 speak of-the dealer in mines and failed to find in the vicinity of Las will converse with you by the hour on from that place next month. Vegas, Santa Fe, or Albuquerque, a the richness of the mines and the pro-single herd of 100 cattle, but for sheep ductiveness of the soil. They seem to carloads of freight passed over the A. husbandry this country has no super- be sincere in what they say, yet you & N. railroad for Pawnee City. upon thousands of sheep may be tains of stone frowning down upon found grazing in the valleys of the you on all sides. Yet, I will qualify Amos Root—Wahoo: Gastline ing that the history of Colifornia and explosion—hands and face, badly Colorada may possibly repeat itself burned. Gasoline warranted non-

ty-seven per cent chimate and three That New Mexico about there is no doubt. The gold and silver mines now being operated in the Magdalena mountains and other places are said to be very fich, and when the owners receive the proper machinery for working them there is no doubt there will be plenty of the yellow boys on exhibition in the towns. That time is not yet at the position of the towns. That time is not yet at the position of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violence are the general topic of the departments at Wash-deeds of violen

eastern capitalists with pluck and en- Mexico, as the boys say, dead broke ergy, will soon develope what was He applied to one of the great sheep once, hundreds of years ago, an extensive and rich mining region. Prof. extreme youth was against him, and Wilber, who is here on business con-nected with the great coal fields in this need of herders so much as he was of vicinity, says many of the mines now men who could handle a gin and re-being discovered, were worked centu- volver and who would and could prories ago by the Spaniards with splen-did results. The professor was not of the greasers, I might say, within here at that time, but he has found parenthesis that this sheep man is the from personal examination that the owner of 10,000 sheep, and that his mines were so rich in precious metals losses in the way of stealing has averthat the old aborigines carried miles aged about 100 head per month. He away the dump dirt and covered the was becoming fired of losing so many, mouth of the mines up, that they might not be discovered by their foes, the Indians. These old mines are being discovered again, and are said was granted, and the next day he was to be very rich, but the great scarcity sent to the sheep pasture with two re-of water prevents working them sucsecond day after his arrrival at the

The water in this country is not the best in the world, by a long shot. In New Albuquerque it may be found such as it is, three feet below the surface of the ground. In mixing mortar, the builders scoop out a hole, mand. The next moment a ball was usually on the sidewalk and directly the greater's skull and the great usually on the sidewalk, and dip the sent through the greaser's skull, and water into their sand pile close by, and commence mixing mortar.

Sent through the greaser's skull, and be had killed his first sheep thief. water into their sand pile close by and commence mixing mortar.

The stranger who visits Albuquerque for the first time, will be surprised to town, tenmice away, and buried, and Billy's salary increased from \$40 to \$60 per
month. The next day the Kid disstone and lumber, are going up in all directions. The inhabitants are principally Americans who have only been hospitality be meets with on all sides, especially if he is well and appears to be a gentleman of means. (Do not suppose for a moment that your correspondent has been taken for such an individual bit he knows a fellow from Nebraska who was.) After being introduced the Albuquequian, who in nine cases only a vast sand plain.

There is quite a difference in the age of the two towns. The new one is just eleven months old, while the old one of the prominent contractors informed your correspondent one is over 300 years of age; yet the new town has already out grown the old one. One of the prominent contractors informed your correspondent in the mean of the prominent contractors informed your correspondent one is over 300 years of age; yet the new town has already out grown the old one. One of the prominent contractors informed your correspondent of the prominent contractors informed your correspondent of the prominent contractors informed your correspondent in the mean of the prominent contractors informed your correspondent.

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The time time is first time, will be surprised to town, the month is first time, with the month is first time, with the stranger who town, the month is first time, with the cription. Here you find a specimen tention to the mandate but continued of quartz from the "Long John mine," to advance, when the Winchester rifle which your new found friend informs was again brought into requisition and you assays \$640 to the ton. Then he two more Mexicans dropped. The picks up another stone, and handling other four took to their heels in flight but were followed by the Kid, and smile on his face, he exclaims with joy: "Here, my friend, is a small specimen from the 'Mary Ann lode,' that is richer by far than any quartz that has ever been found in California, Colless than one week was depopulating orado or Montana." You see the the country of aborigines too fast, and Albuquerquian is about to become the legal authorities (all Mexicans) excited over the array of stones before took the matter in hand, and suchim, and you are prone to remark, ceeded in arresting Billy. He was "Well, let's see some of the gold? manacied and bracelets put about his You have shown me plenty of quartz, but no gold." This settles the hash. He looks upon you in disgust, and while the sheriff was eating dinner in muttering something about tender- a house across the street, and his depfoots, who dont know gold quartz uty standing guard over him, the boy struck him over the head with the The next man you meet invites you handcuffs felling him to the ground. to the museum; you tell him you have In an instant the guard was releived already visited that place and inspec- of his revolvers, and the next moment ted the stones But he must show a ball went crashing through his skull you something new, something rich, The report of the revolver brought

marched to a blacksmith shop and compelled the smith to relieve him of the odious iron fetters. Seeing a horse standing close to a store, where opposite side of the street, with the sinch or girt tight enough, and shouted to him: "Don't get excited; but put your knee against the horse culturist who "sees millions" in the

and draw that sinth tight." The job was completed to his liking, and walk ing across the street he mounted the horse and after bidding the twenty-five or thirty dumbfounded persons good bye, he rode off. Farm laborers are in demand at

The new bank at Tecumseh will Pawnee City public library contains Ashland's village expenses last year footed up \$506.69.

The balance sheet of the Crete city reasurer foots up \$388.71. The Citizen's bank of Creft opened up in its new quarters, Monday.

The heaviest rain for several years fell at Bone creek Tuesday night. Saunders county has had a busy time repairing bridges the past year. Wahoo complains of sneak thieves,

who prowl about the town at night.

raise onions here weighing eight Mr. Bean, of Lowell, says he can pounds and cabbages as large as a make five dollars a day fishing in the

about wheat, oats, corn, barley and Pour petitions for license were pre-

The rye crop' it the Republican are not slaves who are tilling the soil, valley promises to be very large. It is already heading out. bushels of wheat and pointoes, that A young man named McCaig was

The Dakota City Eagle has just entered upon its sixth year. It is an bondt to the section it represents. here and there a clump of grass, a minerals and the agriculturalist. The Friendville Tagraph says shout cactus or something of the kind. I Both are enthusiasts in their line, and thirty cars of stock will be shipped

FRESH FRUITS, through to Albuquerque thousands plains all around yet and the moun-been planted in Saunders county this

explosive. The individual known as "Billy the Stephen R. Whitney, of Republican

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