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New Mexican Gold Strike Said to Be the Richest Ever Made in the State.

CREEDE ORE RUNNING \$57,344 TO THE TON

Buffalo Waking Up-She is the Natural Gateway to the Big Horn Basin-New Strikes on the San Juan-General Western News.

A gold strike has been made in the Pinos Altos district which promises to be by far the richest yet made in New Mexico. The new strike is about two miles from the big gold mines which are now being worked at Pinos Altos, and hundreds of prospectors have gone over the ground since the camp of Pinos Altos was struck in the '60s. The formation is entirely different where the locations have been made from that in which the millions of dollars in gold have been found at Pinos Altos, and until this summer prospectors did not think it worth while to look for gold there. The discovery was made by William P. Dorsey, one of the oldest prospectors in this part of the territory, says a Silver City special to the Denver News, and he lost no time in locating all the ground which he thought contained rich mineral. The strike was kept very quiet for

short time, but as development work was commenced immediately it was not long until the discovery leaked out. Enough work has now been done upon which to base an estimate of the value of the One shaft is down about fifty feet and several others have been commenced All show ore in paying quantities and in one shaft the ore runs a little over per ton in gold. Several specimens have been found which ran up into the thou-sands, but these are of little value in determining the value of the strike. The ore is all free milling to the bottom of the deepest shaft, which is considerably below the depth at which the ore becomes base in the mines at Pinos Altos. How much further this free miding ore will continue is, of course, a matter of conjecture, but it is certain that the ore is free milling to depth of fifty feet. The ledge is about 30 feet wide or about seven times as wide as the ledge in the big Carlisle mine in the western part of this county, which for years was the largest gold producing mine in New Mexico. Besides, the ore which has been taken from the new strike so far is more than twice as rich as that found in the Car-

There may be some difficulty in getting water enough at the new camp to supply a Pinos Altos is not sufficient to run all of the mills there the year round. It may even be necessary to get a supply of water from the Gila river, which would require the ex-pe liture of a large amount of money, or to sh, the ore to some round. the ore to some point where there is we r for reduction. CREEDE'S BONANZA ORE.

Samples of ore were brought to Creede last week, which were assayed by F. E. Wheeler, and gave the following enormous results: 2,574.80 ounces silver, 2,787.40 ounces gold; total value per ton, \$57,344.37. This sample was a white quartz and free gold was noticeable all through. Nothing can be learned of the true location, says a Denyer News special, as the party making the dis-covery has not located the claim, but it is now out for that purpose. When the true location is made known there will be a stam-

pede for the place.

David Jacobs of the Free Coinage hotel. opposite the Jimtown depot, has been sink ing a well back of the hotel, and at a depth of about twenty-five feet struck a vein talc carrying galena and very much like the talc found in the Ridge and Ethel mines, which carries from three to five ounces gold No assays have been made, but Mr. Jacobs has made claim to his location.

GATE OF THE BIG HORN BASIN. BUFFALO, Wyo., Aug. 4.—(Special Cor-espondence to The Bee.)—The Board of Trade has taken active steps toward the construction of a good road into the Big Horn Basin, and without doubt before many weeks are over it will be completed, due regard to economy renders it imp for Johnson county to incur the whole of the necessary expense, but the Board of Trade has taken the matter in hand and is engaged in raising the necessary amount to supplement the county expenditure. is no doubt that Buffalo is the natural approach to the Basin, and that increa facilities for transportation are all that is needed to draw in this direction a large portion of the trade that now goes out of the county to Billings and Casper. Another factor which will greatly tend to increase the mutual intercourse of both sides of the mountain is the establishment of a daily mail from Buffalo to Hyatville. Vigorous efforts are being made to this end and there seems every probability that it will be es-The route to be taken is one so lected by Frank Grouard, the well known scout, who knows the Big Horn mountains like a book, and who has pointed out a road which will bring Hyatville, one of the prin-cipal settlements in the Basin, within fifty miles of Buffalo. Access to the far famed Ten Sleep lakes will then be obtained in a day's drive from Buffalo. The latter road will be the most direct road to the Basin for at least eight months in the year, former will be available for heavy traffic all the year round, and will, in course, accommodate all the various placer mines which are now being worked on the slopes of the divide at Otter creek and elsewhere. Another improvement to be made is accelerated mail and passenger service from Clearmont to Buffalo. The Board of Trade, which has only recently been established here, is doing good work in making known the resources of Johanson county and the Big Horn basin, and will make it their special business to welcome and assist all intend-ing visitors, settlers and seekers for invest-They will be glad to correspond with any secretary and to give them every information they require. Everything necessary in the way of outfits can be obtained here for hunting, prospecting, and mountain exploration, and guides, rigs, pack or saddle horses can be ordered by correspondence, and the secretary of the Board of Trade, who is the well known mayor of Buffalo, Hon. Charles H. Bemite, will see that a fair deal and good treatment is obtained.

Parties are daily passing through Buffalo on their way to the Shoshone hot springs and to other points in the Big Horn basin, and it is certain that a large and peaceful invasion of this favored portion of northern Wyoming will take place this year. The News Northwest, which will shortly be pub-lished, contains a sketch of the resources and at ractions of this section, which will give some faint idea of the matchless character of the country, both as a home and a field for investment. Buffalo being within two of the mountains, enjoys a clima's which is more exhibitating than that of any city in the west, with the possible exception of Denver, and is the natural outfitting point for hunting and fishing parties in the Big Horn mountains, Land is still cheap, on account of the distance (thirty miles) from the railroad, and living expenses are reasonable and rent low. ST. CLAIR O'MALLY.

SAN JUAN PLACERS.

Manager T. F. Walsh of the new smelter at Silverton returned to this city for a brief stay at his home, says the Denver News. He ecidedly enthusiastic over the of affairs in San Juan county, of which Silverton is the center and counity seat. New strikes are of daily occurrence in Hansen basin and other districts, many of them yielding fifty ounces in silver and from 200 ounces in gold to the ton. The country about Silverton is strongly mineralized, the veins wide and permanent. More development is going forward now than at any time in the past fifteen years, and with better re-sults. The search for gold has been wonderfully rewarded.

The big mines of San Juan county, the steady producers, are the Nevada, Silver Lake, Big Grant, Sunnyside, Sunnyside Extension, Mastodon and Silver Queen. The number of producers is being added to daily, and in another season San Juan county should produce \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,000 in gold and silver.

The section has taken on new life this cason. In Silverton there are no vacant couses, and a dry goods concern which

rooms in the second story of one of the

The new smelter on the Austin basis running regularly, handling 100 tons of ore per day. It has 10,000 tons of ore stored in the bins, so that bad roads or heavy snow falls will not interfere with work. The process has proved a great success, and has brought into Silverton large quantities of ore that could not bear the cost of shipment to the Denver and

CHAFFEE COUNTY GOLD.

A correspondent writing from Schwanders, Chaffee county, Colo, to the Times-Sun, says of the prospects in that vicinity, which lies near Crocked creek: "There are a good number of prospect holes and open-curs within a mile of this station, which is three and one-half miles scutheast from Buena Vista on the Denvsr, Lakewood & Golden railroad. At five of these I found men at work in a small way. They all claim thave free gold ore ranging in value from \$20 to \$400 per ten. The veins are of two kinds, contacts between granits and gray porphry, or true fissures in granite. In th rmer there is always a streak of hard on, stained quartz and a large amount of blue or gray tale, while in the latter there is a brown heneycomb quartz with streaks of black iron and very little tale. A peculiarity of the district is that there are hundreds of prospect holes where I could not find a man. At each of these is a pile not find a man. At each of these is of assorted ore ranging in size from hundred pounds to several tons. The holes are of all kinds and shapes, from two feet to forty-five feet deep, and open cuts from a few feet wide to forty or fifty feet, and ther are several tunnels, one of which I did not feel like going to the breast of, as there was no fresh signs of men at work, but unmis-takable signs of bears' work.
"I secured samples of ores from twelve

places, where there had been good rigid pile of ore sorted out and pounded and panned some from each sample, and in no case failed to get a fine showing of bright gold. I don't think, however, that any I found will run over \$400 per ton, but I believe any of it will go over \$20. I got a piece of ore at a newly open cut haif a mile from here that ran very rich. At the point where I got it the upper part of the cut shows the streak to be three-quarters of an inch, while it is three and three-quarters inches thick the bottom, six or seven feet down. couldn't find a name or representative fo the place. There is probably a location and the location work is well done. I should not object to working such a prospect for what SOURCE OF THE "GOLD" BRICK.

The recent alleged gold brick swindle, o which mention was made in The Bee recently has all been explained. The Colorado National bank, the Albuquerque bank and the mint have not been swindled. Had it not been for an Associated press dispatch which stated that the Albuquerque bank had been muleted in the sum of \$11,000, the truth of the story would probably never have been positively known. The Albuquerque bank people, however, do not like such a report circulating and have written to the mint authorities a true statement of the "won derful gold brick," says the Denver Times Sun. Two old Mexicans were digging among some mines in the neighborhood of Al-buquerque, when they found a mass of what closely resembled gold. Tales of the golden ornaments that formerly adorned the churches filled their mind and they speedily took their find to the First National bank of Albuquerque. The stuff looked like gold, but the bank officials were wary, and they accepted the trust, to be sent to the mint, only on condition that the finders of the treasure trove pay the express charges. This was done and the only persons who are out of pocket on account of the find are the

The ruins of old Mexican churches have long been thought to contain much treas-ure, but the Albuquerque experience will undoubtedly have a tendency to prevent any undue elevation of feelings when gold retorts

ANOTHER "LOST MINE," The Silver City (Idaho) Avalanche says. Messrs. Richard Benham and John Price. who have prospected the Quicksilver mountain country for several years past, were it this week and are feeling quite hopeful. It is said that in the early history of this camp a prospector had brought some rich gold quartz from that locality on several occasions, but died without divulging the whereabouts of his find. Messrs. Ben-ham and Price think they are on the same ground, and have christened their property the "Lost Mine." They have done any amount of work in the form of etc., trying to discover the source of the rich float to be found in that neigh borhood, and are now sinking on the ledge The extent of their ore body is not yet ascertained, but they brought in samples

Harlem, the nearest railroad point, and there are at present between seventy and

100 men in the camp, either developing claims or prospecting. Some of the richest strikes yet made in the district were made

visit of twenty days spent in the Rockles

and brought with him a number of specimens

of the ore, says the Helena Independent A portion of the Little Rockies is on the

Indian reservation, and that part is said to be richer than the portion outside. Ar

ndependent correspondent, writing from

"For the last few days this place has

July 1, Messrs. Blackwell, Whitehead

The same company also owns the

been the scene of some of the biggest dis-coveries made in Montana for many years.

and Newman struck the Hawkeye lode, which

shows up a twenty-foot vein of free milling gold ore that assays from \$50 to \$500 per

Columbia, Humboldt and several other fine

locations. All these lodes are situated or

the divide between Rock creek and Alder gulch. This find started every one out pros

pecting, and has been the means of turning the Little Rockies from a humdrum camp

DEPARTED GLORY.

"A poet could write on 'The Deserted Vil-

lage, with Virginia City as a subject and

the same topic," said a resident of San Fran-

isco to a reporter on the Condon (Nev.

"The first time that I was ever there," he

said, "the population of Virginia City was

greater than that of the entire state now.

Eve thing in wide open. Magnificent hotel

and opera halls, palatial residences, stores that would have done credit to New York, millionaires who spent money freely,maintain-

ing a society that for brilliancy and gayers could not be equaled in the United States

I was there a short time ago. The hotel

and opera houses are closed, the residence empty, the stores removed to other and

hundreds of thousands of dollars are given over to the bats, and the broken panes of

glass, the shutters hanging upon a single hinge or flapping in the wind, give a grew

some sense of loneliness. In years to com

it will afford magnificent spectacles of ruins, and even a sense to the beholder of being in a city of the past. Millions were made and last, and the history of Virginia City would be one of the most thrilling stories

CREEDE LIVENING UP.

Great is Creede! and prediction is ven-tured it will be greater before the snow

metal there is at present not much incen-tive. But the recent discovery of more lead bodies which carry gold, and the marked

improvement in the copper find, will give this locality the impetus referred to, says

As was announced in these dispatches some two months ago, the Ridge lead mine was at that time producing, with the use of a pair of Hartz ligs, concentrates that the amelier returns showed carried as high as

75 per cent lead and \$13 to \$15 gold per ton, and that there was a world of this character of ore in sight. Lately Manager

Nickel has been experimenting extensively on methods to extract more values than the above, believing that much gold (which is mainly carried in a blue tale) was escaping through imperfect machinery.

Now the ore is pulverized through rolls, sized in revolving screens and then passes into the jigs, where the zinc is separated

flies, notwithstanding it is known as ver-producing camp, and mining for

special to the Denver Times-Sun.

more prosperous places. Dwellings that cost

into one of the most active in the state,'

surpass Goldsmith's immortal production

Landusky, says:

Globe

wer written.

month. Jacob Harris returned from

THE W. & D. RAILROAD. The new town at the Larabee coal mines week which assayed \$65 in gold and four or five ounces in silver. The property is will be called Aladdin. The grading on the Wyoming & Dakota road between Minneabout ten miles from Silver City. Mr. Pric sela and the coal mines is progressing very rapidly, something like seventy-five teams being at work now, and about forty more informs us that there is an old river channover there which is very rich in placer gold and he anticipates a lively camp there in the near future." coming. It is now understood that a plant will be erected near the canal falls shortly, RICH MONTANA MINES. says a Minnesela dispatch to the Sloux Falls Argus-Leader. The flour mill will resume op-erations in a short time. New and improved From all reports the Little Rockies minng country in Choteau county is going to be a world-beater within a very short time. The district is located sixty miles from machinery will be put in, making it one of

the best mills in this section. Manager Nix of the Wyoming & Dakota line said that it was his intention to have the new road hauling coal by September 15. He purchased an engine for the coal mine, which will be used to pump air into the tun-It is understood that Chicago and Dubuque parties will soon arrive and put up a hotel and some stone blocks.

A FISH STORY. There is a report current of a lake re-cently discovered by John Edge at the head of Derby creek, near the county line be-tween Garfield and Eagle, says a Red Cliffe special to the Denver Times-Sun. The locality is isolated on account of its rough character and has evidently been avoided by prospectors and explorers. The lake contains about forty acres, and the fish stories told in connection with it bar all competi-tion. One report is that the water is fairly alive with trout, another that one party caught sixty that weighed 120 pounds, another that ninety were taken which weighed 140 pounds, etc. In fact, one does not need a hook and line at all—just go to the inlet with a big square pointed and go to throwing them out. The Blade here has been unable to find any one who has been at the new found resort themselves. but common report is that the lake was dis-covered by John Edge, and was before un-

known to white men. NEBRASKA. Mrs. A. Metz of West Point fell into a ellar the other day and broke her collar

roken by a horse he was riding, falling through a defective culvert. Dakota county ploneers and old settlers will hold their annual reunion at Clinton ark, Dakota City, August 30. The tramp who robbed the Elgin depot has arersted and lodged in jail to await

Ed Larson of Clay Center had his leg

trial on the charge of burglary. The minsterial conference of the Beatrice district of the United Brethren church will be held at Crete, beginning August 27. It is predicted that the Kearney cotton mill will be running again by September 1, and that 300 to 400 people will be employed

The Christian Endeavorers of Dakota county will hold a reunion picnic at Crystal lake August 8. There are over 300 members of society in the county.

Mrs. Northrup of Wakefield has a gold ring which was bought by General George Washington and presented by him to her grandmother about a century ago. It is needless to say that the ring is treasured as a price keepsake. Aifred Geist and his son, while riding near

West Point, were thrown from a wagon by the breaking of the pole and seriously in-jured. The boy had his leg broken and the old man was dragged for a long distance and severely bruised. A son of R. Kenner, residing near Pawner

City, became insane and attempted to kill his mother, but neighbors broke into the house and prevented him from carrying out his design. He has been in an asylum, bu had been discharged as cured.

A rather ludicrous scane transpired a the Congregational church last Sunday, says he Albion the Aibion News. The hitching posts on the south side are quite close to the church and the basement windows. A. B. Johnson's horse was hitched opposite one of the win-dows, and in some manner while fighting fliesm, became entangled in the harness, rolled over and crashed entirely through the basement window and landed on its back in the middle of the floor. The crash of breakmoved in last week was obliged to hire from the galena. At this point the ore is ing glass was sufficient to startle all, and

reduced from 15 per cent lead and 35 per many thought the whole church was coming nt zinc to 6 per cent zinc and from 70 to per cent lead. down, and involuntarily started for the door. The animal was led out through the door, As an evidence of the satisfactory work

the present plant is doing, it may be men-tioned that a test was made on small tail

lings on the present jig and mills, and worked as they would a slimer, with the result that ore worth \$97 a ton was produced. It has furthermore been shown beyond a doubt that a fortune in gold lines the sides and bottom of West Willow creek

from the Ridge mine to the Rio Grande river, which has escaped the owners from an

average output of twenty-five tons a day since last August. A few months ago the smelters returned on an average of three-

fourths of an ounce in gold per ton; now they return nearly two ounces, and the lead

values keep steadily above the 70 per cent

OUTPUT OF CRIPPLE CREEK.

The universal expression heard on all sides

s the output of the camp is increasing faster

than it ever has yet and that business is bet

ter than at any time since last January. There were 150 miners put to work on properties on Battle mountain and Bull hill the

past few days. An additional force will find

shaft house is completed and hoisting plant is ready for work. It is reliably reported

that the miners union will pay for the im-provements being put in on this mine. Soor

the Independence hoisting and electric light plants will be completed and the force of miners will be at least doubled and the out-

east 1,600 tens of high-grade ore to the

smelters for the next four months, says ;

special to the Denver News, as there is a

camp for some time. The ore is similar in appearance to the Leadville carbonates, and

dozen or more assays made of it would in

thing they ever saw and are convinced that no lead with ere in place will be found on

Ingersoll and Finch have opened up

Nipple mountain which assays from five to twenty ounces in gold. Superintendent Mc-

Closkey of the Pike's Peak mine has three

in excavating for a cesspeol on one of his

HUGE MINING SCANDAL.

Mr. A. G. Renshaw, a British capitalist, has commenced suit in the United States district court to recover \$245.000, says a San

group of mines in Alaska was accomplished by gigantic frauds. He accuses James Treadwell, John Treadwell, Captain James Carroll, W. M. Murray, N. A. Fuller, and George J. Smith with conspiracy to make

the sale by placing gold-bearing rock from the rich Treadwell mine in a barren mine adjoining and treating the ore from a dia-

mond drill with chloride of gold to make a showing of rich ore. He asserts that he has

confession of the entire fraud. He declares

that three British experts were deceived in

the salted mine, each one reporting that i

The enormous amount of money involved, the prominence of the parties to the suit

and the charges of fraud make these dis-closures the sensation of the day in mining

circles. The mine was sold to British invest-ors for \$2,500,000 in stock and \$1,500,000 in

bonds drawing 7 per cent interest. This was in 1887, and no gold has ever been taken from it. The projectors of the sale have so

LEAD'S LUCK.

silver, the second \$792.32. The men who discovered the ore have six tons already on

are confident the camp will be a good one.

The excitement over the new strikes or

far received about \$600,000 in money.

would yield a profit of \$1,000,000 a year.

Francisco special to the Denver News. charges that the sale of the Bears'

lots in Cripple Creek heights.

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the territory where discovery was made.

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and services proceeded as usual Frank Raiston, a traveling man, makes Hastings two or three times a year, and for the past five years it has never failed to rain in the summer or snow in the winter when he has been there. He visited Hastings the other day during the drouth and that evening some rain fell. As a rain-maker Mr. Raiston seems to be more of a success than the professionals that travel about the country.

THE DAKOTAS.

Gas was struck in an artesian well which is being bored at Pierre at a depth of 503 feet. The flow is strong and will furnish the city with fuel and light. Citizens are Jubilant.

The fourth annual exposition of the S. S. D. D. Fair association will be held at Sciand September 25 to 28 inclusive. For past three years this has been the most successful fair in the state. This year again renewed energy will be put forth to have a grand exhibittion-\$2,000 will be paid in purses and premiums.

The supreme court affirmed the decision of the lower courts in the case of A. C. Phillips against the city of Sloux Falls, involving the validity of paving assessments in 1889. The supreme court knocked out the assessment and in 1890 the city reassessed. Phillips protested, and the case has been before the supreme court for two years. This is a test case and the city

put increased at least four fold. There is no reason why the Independence cannot send at Rev. James Garvey, an Indian preacher at Santee agency, has distinguished him-self by arresting Bill Campbell, a notorious ast that amount of ore blocked out ready half-breed desperado belonging at Santes Campbell, a short time ago, claimed to own eighteen head of government cattle, which he sold for \$200. Officers fastened the crime The discovery of lead carbonates on the northwest slope of Mineral hill, close to Spring creek, has aroused more interest upon him and started in pursuit. For about a week he has been closely pressed among the Leadville miners and prospectors than any find which has been made in the by the sheriff's posse, but succeeded in evading arrest until the preacher took a hand. After arresting the desperado Rev. Garvey held him until the appearance dicate that it was as rich as the best ore of this kind found in Leadville. A sample assay the officers.

made returned \$30 in gold, fifty ounces in silver and 40 per cent lead. All old silver prospectors who have seen the ore by visit-News comes from Chamberlain that Jim Coleman, with the Flying V Cattle company, has a curiosity of the animal kind in the ing the ground where it is being mined say the formation is entirely different from anyshape of a 2-year-old Texas steer with three horns and one eye. The steer is of the average size and form. Its only eye is upon the right side of the head in the usual place provided by nature, but the place where the other should be is smooth and devoid of any place for an eye whatever. The horns of the freak are about fourteen inches long, and are three in number two horns grow out of the side of the head, in the usual manner, men sinking on a lead which he discovered but the third horn grows directly on top of the head, giving it a peculiar appearance.

Deputy State Auditor E. F. Swartz a few weeks since completed a table showing the cost per capita of conducting the governments of the states that were admitted a the same time as South Dakota, and proved South Dakota 40 per cent less than any of the others. He is now engaged in getting up a list of the comparative appropriations for conducting the business of these same states. While the list is as yet incom-plete, the table for South Dakota for the past five years is as follows: 1890, \$440,071; 1891, \$439,861.26; 1892, \$340,557.97; 1893, past five years is as follows: 1890, \$440,567, 1891, \$439,861,26; 1892, \$340,557,97; 1893, \$560,570,62; 1894, \$374,517,25. The seeming extravagance of 1893- is due to the large appropriation made by the state that year for the state exhibit at the World's fair. COLORADO.

A large body of paying ore has been struck in the Ridge mine at Creede. Citizens of Rocky Ford are raising \$1,000 for the sinking of an artesian well.

El Dorado camp, Boulder county, claims 150 prospects that are ready to lift ore. The Mastodon mine, Picayune gulch, shows fifty ounces in gold to the ton, with some The Moose, Cripple Creek, expects to ship

250 tons of high-grade ore. It has sixty men on its pay rolls. It is stated that the capacity of the chlorplant at Cripple Creek, owned by Captain DeLamar, will soon be increased to

Yellow creek, near Lead, is still at a fever heat, says the Sloux Falls Argus-Leader. 200 tons per day. neat, says the Sioux Falls Argus-Leader. There are a large number of men working on the different properties there, and some first-class ore is being taken out. A Lead business man had two assays made by Charles Henley. The first one went \$69.91 in gold and silver the second \$792.32. The mean she dis The Cripple Creek placers are to be worked by machinery with water supplied from the city water works. From 150 to 200 tons of earth per day will be handled.

The Fruita Fruit Growers association is crowded with orders, and like the Grand Junction association, finds ready market for the dump, and are sacking it as fast as it is taken out. The ore body is flat and improves with development. The men at work are stripping the ledge, and as yet do all the fruit it can furnish of all grades. Six hundred tons of Bulldozer ore, now on the dump, is to be handled at the Lewis mill and is expected to average

per ton. The Bulldozer is in the La Plata not know its extent. All claim owners there district. The Black Flag mine, Park county, coming into large bodies of ore. The mill is running three shifts per day on Orphan Boy ore, but is unable to handle the full

> Recent consignments from Summit county to the branch mint at Denver aggregate 161 ounces in gold, worth about \$3,220. The retorts came from the Victoria and Extension properties.

> At the Union smelter, Leadville, grading for the new buildings is finished. Their erection will be pushed. There are four lead furnaces in the plant, two of which are now in operation.

> The Grand Junction Star-Times says that Messrs. W. P. Ela and Thompson Bros. have about 400 head of cattle on the Pinion mesa ready for shipment, but in consequence of the great fall in the price of cattle now intend to pasture them until the market improves.

> The Lake City Phonograph, as the result of a personal visit, states that development is being prosecuted in the first, second and third levels of the Golden Fleece mine owned by Denver parties. The rich ore dis-covered in the first level holds good and promises to surpass anything ever taken from the mine. There are forty-one men on the pay rolls.

A party of masked men rode up to George S. Allsebrook's ranch, a few miles south of Meeker, and, after making Allsebrook helpless, they clubbed to death about 250 sheep The sheep were in the hands of the sheriff After this they rode to Smith and Trimmer's camp and shot 101 blooded rams. The mob gave Allsebrook five days to leave the country. They are thought to be a secret or-ganization formed to rid the neighboring ounties of sheep, which keep the country destitute of grazing.

Superintendent Butler informs the Sa-Crescent that the present force guache theOrient and Calumet iron mines the Colorado Fuel and Iron of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company is 110, and that he had telegraphed to Salida and elsewhere for an additional seventy-five men to report at the mines for immediate employment. working force will be rapidly increased until the number reaches 250 men. The present shipping capacity is 600 tons, or an average of about thirty-seven cars. But 600 tons of iron ore will not supply the company's demand, and with the increased working force the daily shipping capacity will be increased to 750 tons.

WYOMING. A stage road is being surveyed from Sherdan to the Big Horn basin. Miss Addie McDermott, who has been teaching school at Little Medicine, dis-

patched a large bear at the first shot the other day. Stockmen are unanthious in the expression that cattle are fatter and in better condition now than at any time for seven years. Ship-ping will now begin and the Wyoming range steer will bring the top prices.

Last June the statement was made in these columns that the W. F. Cody Hotel company was to erect a \$12,000 hotel at Sheridan. We now learn that the Sheridan Inn. the structure in question, represents a cost of \$60,000 instead of \$12,000. News from South Pass says Ed Collins has

just completed a twenty-ton mill run of ore from the Empire State, the result being \$1,390 in gold. D. D. Wolff made a six-ton run from his property, from which he realized \$150. The camp is doing well. Charles Johnson, returning from a month's business trip in Utah, Idaho and Montans, mays he could have bought sheep on his trip for \$1.25 to \$1.50 per head, such as they were. He considers Wyoming sheep fully

as cheap at \$2 to \$2.50 per head, as the a much better grade of sheep than those in the states above mentioned. Ex-Senator Warren's Wyoming ranch is 75x100 miles, stocked with 2,000 horses, 15,000 cattle and 120,000 sheep. The sheep are divided into bunches of 8,000 to 10,000, and driven from place to place, or rather located for a short time in one place, the herders living in movable houses built on wagons. In summer they are driven up into the mountains, in winter grazed in the val

levs. Two hundred miles of telephone wire covers this vast ranch, and each sheep and the "home" ranch, enabling Mr. Warren to unicate with the several foremen at

any hour. Many ranchmen in northern Unita and northwestern Fremont counties fear trouble with the reving bands of Indians in the vicinity of Fail River basin. They have listely been killing cattle on the ranges and making themselves obnoxious. They are not backward in telling white men that they have no business in or around the basin.

Notwithstanding that the Big Horn Hot prings on the Big Horn river are over 200 illes from a rathroad there are now over 100 cople camped there enjoying the exhibarating influences of the bathing afforded. physician sent a scaled package of water from he springs to an eminent chemist in Ger many for analysis. The analysis shows that the water ranks among the best mineral waters of the world for rheumatic and blood troubles. Some remarkable cures are claimed to have been effected by bathing in the

About two miles west of the bridge across the Platte river at Douglas an Elkhorn train a few days ago encountered a water spout. On both sides of the track the water ran three feet deep, and in ten minutes from the time the engine encountered the water the vast Fetterman bottoms, embracing about two townships of level land, had the appearance of a lake that would average two feet The cloud burst east and south of th big Feiterman cut. A stream twenty-five feet wide and five feet deep poured out of the east mouth of the cut. The Fetterman bot-toms are uninhabiled.

OREGON. In Linn county the aphis is settling on the tobacco plants.

There are 2,500 headers at work in the grain fields of Umatilla county.

Salmon fishing is over on the Rogue after a light run. Smelt and sardines are plenty. The dewberry has been introduced in Marion county, and is producing well, both in quality and quantity.

Some nine and one-half miles of the Bohemia wagon road is completed, and is said to have been very well constructed. The hop aphis is kept on the dead jump these days to keep out of reach of the deadly sprayer, loaded with a decoction of quassia chips and whale oil.

Mr. Parker, a South Omaba stock buyer, has contracted at Prineville for between 1,600 and 2,000 head of beef cattle. They will be taken to Nebraska in September and fed on corn. The Pendleton scouring mill now expects

to handle 4,000,000 pounds of wool this season. The flouring mills are being enlarged, and some Springfield, III., men are looking at the foundry plant, with a view to buying and operating it.

The people of Union are endeavoring to secure the donation of the required bonus of 3,500 acres of land to start a sugar beet factory. The company making the proposi tion offers a bond of \$200,000 for the faithful performance of its part of the contract. The tide of the wagon emigration through the Rogue river valley from b th north and south has been unusually heavy this year. Much of it is directed acress the Ashland Klamath Falls road, which is more traveled than for several years past. Large numbers of the Indians from other

reservations who visited with the Umatillas on the Fourth have returned to their homes, many of them minus their bright-colored blankets and herds of cayuses. It is said the Umatilla braves won everything in sight at the races. The barbers of La Grande have signed an

agreement not to do any work on Sundays to keep open later than 8:30 p. m. any night except Saturday, when they will keep open until 12:30. They have also agreed to treat the first one breaking the contract to a coat of tar and feathers. G. W. Kellog is to dig the new Harney

county well 860 feet deep and within twelve feet of the old well; will use the new jetting process. The county court is to pay inci-dental expenses, according to contract, untia good strong flow of water is obtained, which he is convinced can be secured. WASHINGTON.

The Davenport flour mill is to be enlarged o a capacity of 290 barrels daily. Five hundred cars of delayed shingles have

left the Tacoma yards for the east. Prizes amounting to \$8,000 will be offered for the racing events at the state fair in North Yakima this fall. Mr. Loney, a Dry creek (Walla Walla) farmer, has begun threshing his 31,500, or

thereabouts, bushels of wheat, A band of 1,150 cattle were driven through Tekoa, on the way to Spokane, from whence they will be shipped to Montana. They came from Camas prairie. The Garfield city council has ordered that

all property owners shall cut down the this-tles on their respective premises, the city employing a man to cut them in the streets and alleys. The water of the Fraser has receded very

slowly from the low lands and many farmers will be unable to cultivate the land this year. Where the water has receded heavy crops are anticipated. Pendleton, Athena, Dayton, Waitsburg, Ba-

ker City and Colfax fire departments signified a willingness to join with Walla in forming an association. De meet for the purpose at Walla Walla August 15. MISCELLANEOUS.

The Utah wool city is going eastward to market very rapidly. Las Vegas, N. M., will ship about 8,000,

000 pounds of wool this year. Egyptian corn is becoming one of the popular grain crops of the Pecos valley. The Woodland Orchard company of Las Cruces is shipping peaches east in refriger-

ator cars. Santa Fe boasts of a cherry tree which for each of the past fifteen years has produced two crops.

Shipments of gold from the United States assay office in Boise, Idaho, one week last month amounted to \$72,173.42. The farmers in the Pecos valley, New Mexico, are shipping alfalfa to Cuba. The price paid on the cars is \$8 per ton.

The Lembi Republic of Idaho reports the organization of a racing association and the acquisition of a fine piece of ground for a Fifty years ago the Apaches numbered

30,000. Now the tribe numbers 4,000 or 5,000, and in a few years will disappear entirely. They go into American history as the bray est, most cruel Indians on the continent. Prof. Aldrich, entomologist of the agri cultural experimental station at Moscow, Idaho, has investigated the grain aphis, which is found all through that section. Prof. Aldrich believes that the aphis will do no serious damage to crops.

The Salt Lake Herald reports a noted acarcity of silver dollars in that city. "Silver is not to be had in sufficient quantities for commercial uses, and frequent drafts are being made upon San Francisco and Denver. Even in those financial centers the coin is not forthcoming in its accustomed white flood. All of the banks of this city are com-plaining of the scarcity of the white metal." H. W. Johnson, an old trapper, came into

Ketchum, Idaho, from Lightning mountain, on the middle fork of Salmon river, bringing with him a valuable lot of pelts, comprising bear, beaver, lynx, etc., which he shipped to New York. Among other curlosities which he had was a set of nineteen-point deer horns, one of which had a hole pierced through it near the head, which was probably done by a bullet while in velvet.

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