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 Rye Flour 70c for 25-lb sack
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VALUE OF BASE METALS

And Minerals Nearly Equal to That of Gold Extracted.

FORMER INCREASING YEARLY

Interest Naturally Centering in Colorado on Developing in Mining its Base and Inferior Mineral Deposits.

EDITOR MAIL:—As a diversity of crops is an evidence of the permanency and value of an agricultural district, so is the diversity of mineral products a gauge of the value of a mining field. The greater the diversity of the products of a mineralized belt, provided that the mineralization is heavy to compensate the miner for his work, the higher the standard of the district in the scale of merit.

While the states reputation as a mining region is based upon the yield of its auriferous placers and gold bearing veins, the total value of base metals and minerals is nearly equal to that of the gold extracted annually. The product of the base metals and inferior minerals are equal to that of the gold values. The value and volume of the former are increasing yearly.

While we reasonably cherish the belief that gold mining will continue to expand and the productiveness of the industry increase henceforth from year to year, the greatest yield from the mining industry of the state must come from the working of the deposits of other minerals than gold. It is better that it should be so. The production of gold adds very little to the industries of the land producing it after the metal has been extracted from the matrix in which nature has deposited it. The inferior metals on the other hand cut a larger figure in the industries after they have been mined and separated from the dross associated with them in nature than before, and their values multiply with every touch of the workman's hand.

Interest is naturally centering in the state on the development in mining its base metal and inferior mineral deposits. Many of these have thus far been little more than prospected beyond the point of knowing that they exist here. Others are attracting capital. The future mining industry of the state is chiefly dependent upon the developments made in its exploration. The base metal product has become the chief one of other parts of the coast also. There is Montana for example. Mining began there as it did in California in a search for the precious metal. While the search for the precious metal and the working of bearing ledges will never cease. The mining developments of the future lie unquestionably in the production of other minerals, and their diversity is one of the most encouraging signs of the times, from a mining standpoint.

It seems that our business men are either asleep or too stupid to see the great possibilities that are open to them. Foreign capital is organizing and taking up all the home mines, real estate, and in fact, will own the town of Salida in a short time. Here lies great deposits of low grade ore within a short throw of the town that the business men should by all means own and develop. It is a mystery to me that they stand by and see every good thing pass into the hands of strangers. The citizens of Salida are as able and competent to take hold of some of the enterprises that are plainly visible and make a success of them as strangers are. It is plainly perceptible that Chaffee county is becoming the center of attraction, and that Salida, yet in its infancy, is destined to become one of the foremost mining centers in the state.

The Ohio and Colorado Smelting and Refining company's smelter at Salida is smelting about 600 tons of ore per day. If the ores average \$30 per ton, the gross production would be eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) per day and in twelve months would produce six million, forty-eight thousand dollars (\$6,048,000). Allowing the smelter 20 per cent for their profits and 50 per cent for refining and freight rates, leaves a balance for labor, fuel and zinc oxenrs, three million, twenty-four thousand dollars (3,024,000) to the good of the state of Colorado. We are promised that in the next twelve months the above capacity will be three times its output of today, and a first-class refinery will be built in connection with the smelting plant, which will save our home producers of minerals almost two million dollars per annum. Still we have knockers in our midst who openly proclaim that this great enterprise is of no value to the country. It seems unreasonable that a man with ordinary reasoning faculties would make such a statement and still care to live among us depending upon these same enterprises for a living. Were it not for the railroads and mining industries in and around our surrounding country this same knocker could not exist in this beautiful valley, climate and perpetual sunshine.

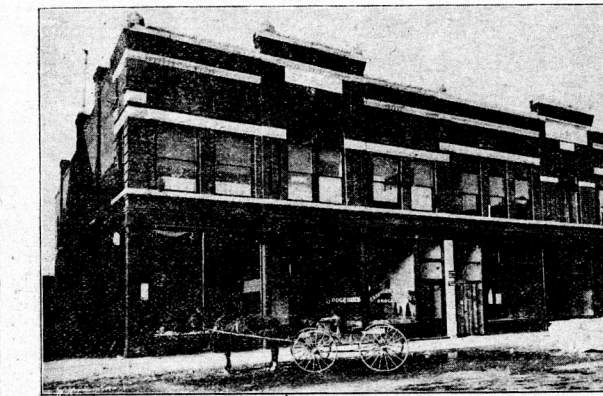
Yours respectfully,
 J. H. Brown, M. E.
 December 26, 1902.

MINING ACTIVE AT GRANITE

The W. B. Martin Leasing company, composed of Colorado Springs parties, has been formed to operate the Raven

claim at Granite, owned by the Prudential Mining company, says a special correspondent to Ores and Metals. The Leasing company has secured a three years' lease on the claim, and work will be at once started; two shafts will be sunk, and at a depth of forty feet in one a streak of mineral has been opened which shows values of \$70 per ton.

The Benson-Fuller Mining company has recently been incorporated to operate the Keystone Yosemite group of claims, located one and one-half miles north of Granite, Colorado. H. J. Benson, president; J. Cammack, secretary; C. W. Nelson, treasurer, of Marshalltown, Iowa, and C. R. Fuller of Cripple Creek, Colorado, general manager. A vertical shaft has been sunk on the Keystone to



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a depth of 106 feet, from the bottom of which short drifts have been run disclosing a five-foot vein of sulphide ores, showing values of \$5 to \$72 in gold per ton. A contract has been let to sink the shaft to a depth of 206 feet, at which point the company expects to find the ore values much increased, the shaft going down at the rate of 2 1/2 feet per day. The company has equipped the property with an iron covered shaft house, an up-to-date steam hoisting plant, good for 600 feet of sinking, also a pumping plant of equal capacity.

The Yosemite claim, paralleling the Keystone claim (belonging to this company) is among the oldest patented lode claims in the state, being patent No. 44, and patented in 1868; from a seventy-foot shaft on the Yosemite claim some very rich ore has been mined in the early days of mining in this state. A crosscut from the 200 foot level of the Keystone will be driven to cut this vein. The company has much encouragement to think that they may find a second or a continuation of the ore bodies from above, as the crosscut will be directly under the seventy-foot shaft. It is expected that a good grade of smelting ore may be shipped from this, the 200 foot level, in the Keystone-Yosemite shaft.

THE COPPER KING.

Situated on the same mineral dike as the famous Independence mine in the Turret district is the promising property known as the Copper King.

This property has recently been placed under the management of a company organized by E. E. Briggs, formerly the owner of the claims and the manager of the Mascot company. The ore shows large values in gold and quite a liberal percentage in copper. There are several tons of ore on the dumps which will be shipped as quickly as it can be sorted.

A number of shafts have been sunk upon the vein with gratifying results. The surface work has been extensive and the results of the system of prospecting will undoubtedly be most encouraging.

There is no doubt that before the year 1903 comes to a close the Copper King will have yielded handsome returns to its operators.

The Copper King is one of the properties whose development will be in the hands of men who know how to compel nature to reveal her hidden treasures with the least expense and risk. They are men who have made great success in other mining enterprises and have gathered valuable experience from their previous ventures.

The close proximity of the Copper King to the Independence, Liberty Bell and other valuable properties is sufficient to warrant the belief that it will not be long before the stockholders will be receiving regular dividends on their investment.

The Turret district has demonstrated its rich mineral value in every mine which has been opened up and there is every reason to expect the Copper King to be as constant in the matter of rich gold discoveries in the near future.

MINING NOTES.

D. M. Nichols reports a very valuable strike in the noted vivandier.

Some fine ore has just come in from the Mascot encountered at 150 feet in the tunnel.

Mr. Canfield, a pioneer of Pass Creek, and a wine owner of that camp, spent the holidays in our city.

Harry Angel and Conductor Brunbury are arranging to patent several valuable claims at Whitehorn.

Everything indicates one of the most active years in 1903, in mining in this vicinity, Salida has ever witnessed.

A lead of cinabar near the crater has

been discovered that is said to assay five per cent. This would be equal to \$100 per ton.

Chas. Judson is in Monarch at work on his property there. He thinks with development he has a mammoth mine up there.

The Broncho claim, near the Queen City, will be developed by J. D. Whitehurst. Some very rich ore has come from this claim.

The workmen, while digging for water on the "Pay Car group", struck a lead carrying some free gold. This is three miles from Salida.

The gold and copper territory north and east of Salida is fully 20 miles square. Here is a great field for the would be investor.

The two Bismuth mines are still showing good ore. One of them is situated on Badger creek and the other in the northern part of the Cameron district.

C. H. Richt, a prominent mining man, of Victor, Colorado, was attracted to our camps recently and spent some time in



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their examination. He may return soon. Traces of Wolframite are still found in the ore from the Gypsy Queen, below town, and it is likely much more of that ore will be found as the work progresses.

During the present increased and increasing interest in mining in and around Salida, it is quite likely the Molybdenite mines on Shavano will be reopened.

The Copperopolis, located between the Salida and Independence, is a mammoth vein averaging on eight assays \$36 in gold and copper. This belongs to the E. & D. company.

James Powers reports a strike in the Tiger in the Longfellow gulch. The vein is fully three feet wide and is gold bearing. This is a contact between lime and quartzite and may prove very valuable.

John Willoughby, an old time mining man of this section passed through here Tuesday on his way to Delta. He was feeling good as the Eagle mine had just struck a big body of ore and he owns the extension.

Good reports come from Monarch and



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from the amount of "figuring" going on in that direction we look for some active times there in the spring and to see some of the old-time ore trains coming down to the smelter.

The Independence, the mammoth copper lead at Turret, will probably build a leaching plant in the near future. This is the news that we all want to hear. These cheap processes are the winners for this camp.

Mr. Sunby, of the Pass Creek camp, was in the city a day or two since on his way to Pueblo. He says that camp is all right with big leads and good values. He reports a big mining sale on hand that will involve some \$60,000.

E. J. Short, an attorney of Denver, is here looking after his property in Pass Creek. He owns the old Springfield on which there is a stamp mill. Through Mr. E. P. Black he expects to do considerable work on it this winter. This property has produced much pay ore.

F. G. Charles has men employed opening up his gold claims on Cameron Mt. near the Cleopatra. He has a big vein with several good sized pay streaks in it assaying over one hundred to the ton in gold. That section is undoubtedly very rich and will soon have many producers.

The Sedalia mine, the greatest copper producing mine in the state, located three miles from Salida, has been leased to a company of Leadville men, headed by Francis Shine. We understand this company has a newly patented leaching process that saves nearly the entire value and does it wonderfully cheap.

It is claimed they will put up a plant and handle the vast amount of low grade ores in this property. It is said work will begin very soon.

THE ELKS

WILL EQUIP NEW HOME WITH FINEST

FURNITURE

Salida Lodge No 808, B. P. O. E. will not be behind the times in any sense of the word when their new hall in the McKenna block is equipped and ready for occupancy.

The committee appointed and empowered to act have made a selection of a complete set of eleven pieces for the main hall, which the manufacturers, M. C. Lilly & Co., of Columbus, Ohio, pronounce the very best to be had and they attach a guarantee for perfect satisfaction and good service.

The chairs for the exalted ruler and other officers, altars, desks, etc. are of quartered oak, highly polished, cushioned with the very finest quality of leather and are finished in the most approved manner. The order is already placed, a most fortunate fact, since it is known that several others are to be filled soon and the manufacturers expect to be pressed in completing and shipping in the time specified. They have, however, already notified Haight & Churcher, Salida furniture dealers through whom the order was placed, that their forces are already at work on the Salida furniture and there will be no delay in shipment.

Furniture for the other rooms will be in keeping with that decided upon for the main hall, and selections are now being made. The Salida Elks will have just cause for pride when they open the doors of their new home after its furnishings have all been placed.

Elks Social Session.

Salida Elks met in social session in K. of P. hall on Tuesday evening, and after witnessing the girations of Fred Trechter, A. Unger, Fred Payne, Carl Herzinger, Perry Strong and C. F. Calvin with the official goat of the order, W. C. Alexander, as master of ceremonies, inaugurated the social fest by calling upon each of the members present to "do" something for the entertainment of their brothers.

The very manner of prevailing upon individuals to take some part when they had not for a moment considered themselves capable of doing that thing demanded, was amusing in the extreme. For instance, Frank B. Churcher was given to understand that he possessed a deep, musical bass voice and he must assume the attitude of a renowned soloist and give them a sample of his stock in this line. Frank knew that he would be fined if he didn't and fined if he did, and after a moments consideration, he proved himself and "undertaker" not to be bluff. He was "there with the goods," and made the delivery.

John Carroll was called upon for a short story. The genial conductor has an enviable reputation as a story teller, but he usually confines his art to limited audiences. That is, "when two or



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three are assembled together" John won't take a back seat for anybody when it comes to telling stories, but here was a vast audience, and he just fairly trembled when his eyes met those of his expectant brethren. "No sir, I can't, I just can't tell a story," said the genial conductor with a slight tremor in his tone, "but I can pay the fine," which he did, and was given the privilege of "going way back."

All present were given a chance to "do" something add when the entertainment was concluded the universal opinion of Elks was that a program unprepared is much preferable to one long rehearsed.

During the evening E. T. Conquest, who has labored unceasingly for the establishment of Salida lodge No. 808 and for the good of the order since its institution, was presented with a handsome pair of cuff buttons, emblematic of the order. Exalted Ruler O'Callahan made the presentation in a few well chosen words.

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Consists in keeping all the main organs of the body in healthy regular action, and in quickly destroying deadly disease germs. Electric Bitters regulate stomach, liver and kidneys, purify the blood and give a splendid appetite. They work wonders in curing kidney troubles, female complaints, nervous diseases, constipation, dyspepsia and malaria. Vigorous health and strength always follow their use. Only 50 cents, guaranteed by Bode, the druggist, successor to A. M. Alger.

Views at THE MAIL Stationery store.

PROGRAM

PRESENTED BY SALIDA MASONS CONCLUDES WITH BANQUET

Members of the Masonic fraternity in this city were most royally entertained in their hall last Saturday evening by the presentation of a program consisting of musical and literary features of a high order by the best local talent.

It was the occasion of the installation of officers for the ensuing year, and at the conclusion of this part of the exercises, Mr. J. W. Barton was introduced as master of ceremonies. The address of welcome was assigned to Mr. S. S. Boughton, the newly installed worshipful master, and that gentleman acquitted himself of the duty in a most acceptable manner. On behalf of the Eastern Star, the Rev. J. W. Ohl welcomed all visitors upon this occasion.

Among the musical numbers of the program was a duet by Mrs. Samuel Axford and Miss Irene Barton, and solos by Miss Rose Craig, Miss May Armstrong, E. A. Sherman and Geo. W. Armstrong. Each number elicited hearty applause from the audience, and there was response to the demand for a second appearance. A chalk talk by James W. DeWeese was one of the most interesting and entertaining features of the entertainment.

The concluding part of the event was a banquet given in the banquet hall in which all present participated. "There was no leading part here," remarked one of the parties present. "There was united effort to dispose of the many good things before us, and that we disposed of them goes without saying."

RAILROAD NOTES.

It is rumored that we are to lose our genial M. M., he being advanced a notch higher and located at Salt Lake.

The wreckage of engine 711 is in the yard and the curious ones are viewing same. Well dressed parties—strangers—are to be seen taking notes and sketches of different parts of the hoodoo engine. It is rumored that they are experts from other roads.

F. L. Chaffee has been appointed round house foreman in place of Eugene Cattel, the latter having resigned. Mr. Cattel is an experienced railroad man from Kansas City. He came here to accept the position as foreman but found the altitude too much for him.

Engineer Russ, on No. 16, with engine 701, had an unusual accident on his run on the 27th. He was on schedule time when hitting a curve the left forward driving tire came off, and in striking a guard rail was partially replaced. On account of this, speed was reduced and the train was brought safely in several hours late.

THE ST. CLAIR HOTEL.

Elsewhere in this issue appears a half tone cut of the St. Clair, one of the leading hotels of the state. This popular hostelry is now owned and managed by C. G. Vaughn, who succeeded H. F. Cope about three months ago.

Mr. Vaughn is one of the well known and popular caterers of the west, having had long experience in several of the principal hotels of the state. One of these was the Victoria at Alamosa, which he conducted successfully for five years. Later he had charge of hotels in Creede, Palmer Lake and Denver.

Since taking charge of the St. Clair in this city, many notable changes have been made by him, all with a view to adding to the comfort and pleasure of his patrons. He expects to continue improving until the St. Clair will rank second to none in the west.

Croup.

The peculiar cough which indicates croup is usually well known to the mothers of croupy children. No time should be lost in the treatment of it, and for this purpose no medicine has received more universal approval than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Do not waste valuable time in experimenting with untried remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended, but give this medicine as directed, and all symptoms of croup will quickly disappear. For sale by all druggists.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Salida Building and Loan Association will be held in the office of the secretary at the rear of The First National Bank, Salida, Colorado, on Tuesday evening, January 13th, 1903, for the purpose of electing three directors for the term of three years, to vote on certain proposed changes and amendments to the by-laws of said Association, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The ballot will be open from 7 to 9 o'clock p. m. 60-65 F. C. WOODY, Secretary.

Finds Way to Live Long.

The startling announcement of a discovery that will surely lengthen life is made by Editor O. H. Downey, of Churubusco, Ind. "I wish to state," he writes, "that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is the most infallible remedy that I have ever known for Coughs, Colds and Grip. It's invaluable to people with weak lungs. Having this wonderful medicine no one need dread pneumonia or consumption. Its relief is instant and cure certain." Bode, the druggist, successor to A. M. Alger, guarantees every 50c and \$1.00 bottle and gives trial bottles free.

Onion skin tablets in three shades with envelopes to match, at the Salida Mail Stationery store.



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ul Attention Paid to Examining and Reporting on Property.

This, the first issue of The Mail in the new year, contains a condensed review of the various enterprises in Salida and of the mining districts adjacent. It also contains a record of the buildings erected in this city within the year just closed, and the amount of money expended in public improvements of any nature. There are also many beautiful half-tone views of public buildings, churches and residences and panoramic views of the city of Salida and the new independent smelter of the Ohio-Colorado company, which are by far the best ever produced for publication.

No special solicitations were made by The Mail management for patronage of citizens of Salida or Chaffee county, because of this special number, as orders were already on file in the office when it was decided upon, for over 6,000 copies, and in consequence a number of the business men of the city were unable to secure space. We trust, however, that all will find this first issue in 1903 what it is intended to be, a brief review of business conditions of both the city and county.

Five hundred copies in excess of the orders already on file in this office, have been printed and can be had on application for five cents per copy.

W. A. PLATT, managing editor of the Colorado Springs Telegraph, has resigned his position in that office and will in the future devote his time and attention to some other line. In retiring Mr. Platt says: "For more than ten years I have been engaged most of the time in this work, and have been editor of three different newspapers. Of the character of my work, and its influence in the county, it is more fitting that others should speak." This is the idea

ACADEMY NOTES.
 The next term of school will open Monday, January 5.
 Miss Blanche Thompson spent the holidays with friends in Denver.
 D'Lors Sutherland spent part of his vacation under the doctor's care.
 Theodore Greer's younger brother will enter the first grade next week.
 Ruth and Warren Davis were victims of tonsillitis during examination week.
 James and Pinnie Hesson enjoyed the mumps during the first week of vacation.
 Misses Florence Disman and Nellie Roller spent part of their vacation in Denver.
 The piano recently rented of James J. Baldwin has been purchased by the Academy.
 Miss Carrie Appleby entertained a number of her Poncha friends New Year's eve.
 The semester examination will be held two weeks after the opening of next term.
 Earl Ehrhart of Centerville, a former student, has arranged to enter school January 5.
 Butler Disman and Wesley Whitehurst sold clothing and groceries respectively during vacation.
 Ronald Taft, who missed two months last term because of illness, will rejoin his class at the opening of school.
 E. B. Whitcomb spent the holidays with relatives in Loveland, and made a tour of the state for sight-seeing purposes.
 Miss Elizabeth Hogue, a member of the Junior class, has the sympathy of the entire school in the death of her mother.
 Miss Graber has rented rooms on F street, where she will hereafter reside with her mother, who lately arrived in the city.
 Miss Elsie Beck and Mr. Sidney Himyo of Poncha, were reluctant members of the sick list a good part of the vacation.
 Two of the faculty attended the Teachers' association at Colorado Springs—Mr. Whitcomb and Miss Thompson.
 Miss Lula Orton spent her vacation behind the candy counter; Charles Hanks and Rudolph Good drove delivery wagons.
 The outside students spent their vacation mostly at their respective homes. Irving Dixon made a trip to Leadville. Louis Hayden remained at Hillside, Pauline and Laurel Hayden at Coaldale and the Poncha delegation at home.
 Fred Tomlin, '02, now of Colorado College, spent his vacation at home. He expresses himself as much pleased with his college surroundings. Miss Rose Hogue, also of last year's graduating class, came home from the State Normal school at Greeley for the holidays.
 The students, and in fact the entire community, were painfully surprised by the death of George Crutcher on Christmas day. He had gone to the old home in Kentucky hoping to find relief from his long sickness, but the change of climate did not prove beneficial. He was one of the most promising members of this year's graduating class, and no doubt had a career of great usefulness before him. He was taken sick last spring and was compelled to drop his studies before the end of the year.
 The senior class finished geometry at the end of the semester. A small section of the class will take trigonometry and others will begin zoology or American history. The course offers English, Zoology or American history for seniors. The text in American history will be Montgomery's Student's American his-

of a real newspaper man governed by necessary professional modesty. We might, however, cite the gentleman to a very different idea of establishing credits on character of work and influence.

THE work of laying stone and cement sidewalks in this city proceeds with due diligence, and yet the first condemned and by far the worst piece of plank walk in the city remains unmoved. It is that strip on First street near the corner of E and the officers in charge of this matter should enforce the same demands upon owners of the property at this corner just as they have elsewhere in the city where the plank walks were in much better condition.

THE New Year's edition of the Rocky Mountain News is one of the best ever issued in the west. It contains much valuable information concerning the progress of Colorado industries, and presents illustrations of many of the big smelters, sugar plants, mills, factories, warehouses and public buildings of the state. That of the new Salida smelter surpasses any presented. One thing is settled most conclusively and that is that the News is as progressive as the state and the state leads all its sisters.

"It's just as well, perhaps, that the state pay for the contests and squabbles of the general assembly at its next session," remarked a prominent resident of this county a few days since in the hearing of a reporter. "I, for one, have arrived at the conclusion that we already have too much legislation. Today we find many good laws upon our statute books that are utterly valueless, because their provisions are not and, it seems, cannot be enforced." There is much of truth in the gentleman's statement, and yet the muddle which will doubtless result from the attempt of Wolcott to bulldoze himself into a United States senatorship can do nothing but harm to Colorado. The state must shake off such leeches and the sooner done the better.

THE Stratton will contest has occupied the attention of Colorado Springs people this week and the preliminary occurring on Tuesday shows a decided advantage for the executors of the deceased millionaire. The will has been admitted to probate and the opposition declined to offer testimony until a hearing is had in the next court already appealed to. Harry Stratton, the contesting son, will find himself very much of a pauper should the existing will of his dead father stand, as a stipulation is there made declaring his forfeiture of the \$50,000 left him by its terms in case he contested. This very stipulation would seem to explode the theory advanced by young Stratton's counsel that the millionaire mining man was of unsound mind.

In place of civics, which will have been completed, the sophomores will take botany, and in place of physical geography, physiology. The Caesar class begins Latin composition next term.

S. H. Comstock Dead.
 The report of the sudden death of S. H. Comstock at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of New Year's day came as a shock not only to Mrs. Comstock, but to the many Salida friends of the deceased, who had seen him upon the streets less than an hour prior to the announcement of his death, and appearing in usual health.
 Mr. Comstock had visited his store that morning and after looking after a few business details, getting his breakfast, etc., he started for his home to lie down for a short rest, as was his custom. Half an hour later Mrs. Comstock entered the house and found her husband upon the floor alongside a lounge from which he had fallen, dead. Physicians were called, and after examination, pronounced the cause of death heart failure.
 Mr. Comstock was one of the pioneers of this city. He and his family located in Salida nearly twenty years ago, and deceased acquired a most enviable reputation as a caterer when in charge of the old Saddle Rock restaurant on lower F street. He conducted this popular cafe for a number of years in a most successful manner, and finally selling out removed to Denver. A little over two years ago he returned to Salida and formed a co-partnership with Mr. Kendall, the firm of Comstock & Kendall opening up a candy manufacturing establishment and luncheon parlors in a room owned by Mr. Comstock on First street. This enterprise, like all of Mr. Comstock's business ventures, was a complete success from the first, and today it is said to be the leading business in that line in this section of the state.
 At the time of death Mr. Comstock was 64 years of age. He was married 38 years ago and leaves to mourn his sudden death a wife, son and daughter. Fred Comstock, the son, is married and resides in Denver. Myrtle, the daughter, has acquired an extensive reputation as a vocalist and until the last few months was with a popular concert company. She is now residing at Somerside, Prince Edwards Islands. Both have been notified of their father's death and Fred is expected in this city to-day, after which arrangements will be made for the funeral. It is probable that the remains will be shipped to Hudson, Michigan, for burial.
 All friends of the deceased desiring to view his remains may do so after 5 o'clock this afternoon at Haight & Churcher's undertaking parlors.

Salida Letter List.
 A list of letters remaining unclaimed and uncalled for in the Salida, Colorado, postoffice for the week ending January 2, 1903:

Allen, Mrs. Lorena
 Borden, De Laney
 Baishman, S.
 Blake, Johnny
 Bartell, F. W.
 Burkland, Joe
 Carpenter, R. W.
 Edwards, J. M.
 Wickes, R. M.
 Persons calling for these letters will please say "advertised."
F. O. STREAD, Postmaster.

For Rent.
 Three roomed furnished cottage, corner First and D streets. 61-p Mrs. J. M. Foss. (The Esmond).

Card of Thanks.
 We wish to extend our thanks to the many friends and neighbors who kindly assisted during the sickness and death of our dear wife and mother.
ALEXANDER HOGUE AND DAUGHTERS.
 50,000 envelopes, white and cream, at The Mail Stationery Store, for 5 cents a bunch, worth 10 cents.


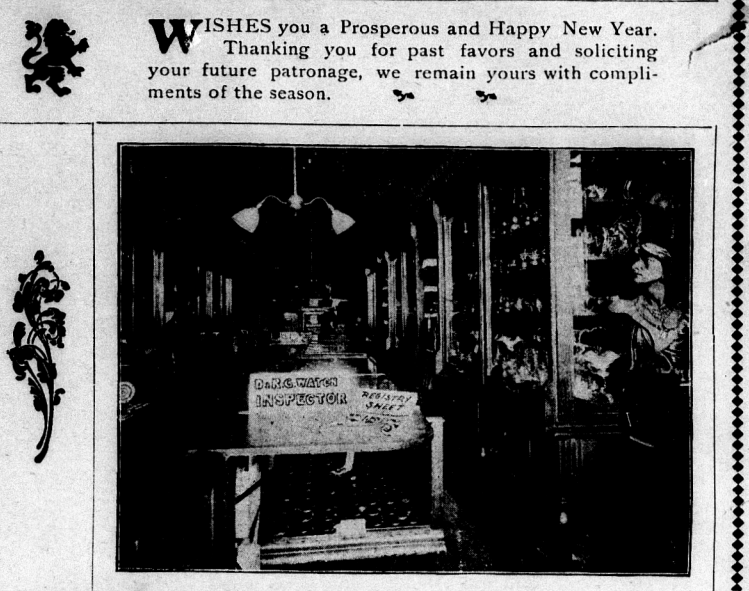
Church Notes.

Services will be held at the Catholic church on Sunday next at 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.
 Methodist Episcopal: All the regular Sabbath services in usual order. The pastor will preach both morning and evening on the following subjects: "Our Altars." "The Eleventh Hour."
 Baptist church: Regular services Sunday, January 4. Sermon subjects: morning, "Redeeming the Times"; evening, "How Old Art Thou?" A question for the new year.
HENRY CLARK, Pastor.
 Church of the Ascension: Services Sunday will be as follows: First celebration Holy Eucharist 8. Matins 9. Second celebration 11. Evensong and sermon 7:30. Strangers welcome.
JOHN WALLIS OHL, Rector.
 Presbyterian church: Regular services on Sunday. Text for the evening, "Forgetting the Things that are Behind." Beginning Sunday morning the Sunday School will hereafter have a part in 11:00 o'clock services. Begin the New Year right by attending some place of worship. A cordial welcome to strangers.
R. W. MASON, Pastor.

Neighborly Echoes.

Florence Tribune: Fred Holmes, manager of the Florence Pharmacy, went to Denver this morning.—Miss Stella Holmes went to Victor today to visit her mother.—J. D. Randol went to Pueblo today.
 Aspen Democrat: Mr. and Mrs. Grant Ruland, who were visiting in Aspen, received word Sunday night that their home at Basalt had been destroyed by fire, with practically all its contents. No cause is assigned. A small amount of insurance was carried.
 Gunnison Republican: Mrs. Will Hayden of Salida, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Rachel Clark.—H. C. Wyman is visiting friends at Salida.—Miss Mable Brown came home Monday after having spent a week in Salida with relatives and friends.—Miss Cecil Taylor, who has just finished her second term of school here, left Friday for Salida to spend her Christmas vacation with her parents.—Mexican: Pete, who is now located at Park City, has accepted the challenge of James J. Jeffries to stop any man in Utah in four rounds or forfeit \$200. The Mexican has been training for some time. He says the challenge, coming as it does, finds him in good condition, and that he thinks he can hold the champion off for the required four rounds.
Harrison—Smith.
 Miss Ruby Smith of this city and Mr. Clarence Harrison of Aspen were united in Marriage in Buena Vista yesterday. The groom returned to his home in Aspen and the bride to this city to "square" the matter with her mother, Mrs. Share.
A Natural Result.
 It is very reasonable to suppose if the foundation of a structure was removed that the building itself is bound to come down. This same principal can be applied to disease. Take a medicine into the system that will remove the cause of sickness, and the illness leaves of itself. Dyspepsia, indigestion, sick-headache and biliousness have their foundation in stomach disorders. Remove this weakness and the other symptoms are no more. There is one cure for this that all druggists sell for 25c per box, it is called Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills. They get right at the beginning of these diseases and make the cure by taking away the cause of it. We will send a small box free by mail or a large box on receipt of 25c. Address Dr. Bosanko Co., Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by Bode.

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ON SHAKING HANDS.
The Defensive Reason Why the Right Was First Used.

Did you ever stop to think about the custom of shaking hands and wonder why it is that we always shake the right hand? Probably you have never thought about it at all or if you have you think that the only reason for using your right hand is that you were taught not to use your left one, says the Buffalo Courier. In reality this custom, now so common, is a very ancient one, and it originated in this way: In the days when people were not so peaceable as they now are and when each man settled his quarrels in his own way every man carried a sword or dagger to defend himself. This sword was worn on the left side, where the right hand could quickly grasp it for use in time of peril. Therefore when a man wished to show that he was friendly, he extended his right hand, which would be clasped by the other's right hand if he, too, meant peace. Thus each could be sure that the other would not draw his sword. With the dawn of more peaceful times the custom lost its one time purpose, but it still retains its original meaning—to show friendship.

Atmosphere of Ceylon.
 When visitors enter Horticultural hall in Philadelphia, they pant. The heavy air, stagnant and warm and moist, oppresses their lungs. But the tropical plants in the hall would die without this kind of air, and a man said of it the other day: "It is very much like the air of Ceylon. Ceylon has just such a heat, and just such a crushing, prostrating humidity as this. Do you know that every European house out there has among its servants a clothes aler—a man whose sole duty it is to air and beat the clothes, which otherwise would become covered with a thick white coat of mildew in a few hours? I took a hundred and fifty dollar camera with me to Ceylon. The dealer had warranted the wood to be perfectly seasoned, but I had not been in the island a week before my camera had warped and fallen apart. The Ceylonese, in their horrible climate, are healthy because they eat no meat and drink only water."—Philadelphia Record.

Reverence For the Beard.
 Former reverence for the beard is well illustrated by the story told of Sir Thomas More, who was beheaded for denying the supremacy of Henry VIII. His usual cheerfulness did not forsake him even on the scaffold. "Help me up," he said to one standing by; "for my coming down let me shift for myself." As he laid his head on the block he begged the executioner to wait a moment while he carefully placed his beard out of reach of the ax, for, he said, "it hath not committed treason," which reminds one of the story of Simon Lord Lovat, who the day before his execution on Tower hill bade the operator who shaved him be cautious not to cut his throat, as such an accident would cause disappointment to the gaping crowd on the morrow.—English Magazine.

At a Quaker Wedding.
 No clergyman is needed at a Quaker wedding because the happy principals perform the ceremony themselves. This is the formula repeated by the bridegroom at a recent wedding, "Friends, here in the presence of the Lord and in the divine presence I take this, my friend, Edith Mary Hanbury Aggs, to be my wife, promising in the fear of the Lord and with divine assistance to be her faithful and loving husband." The bride repeated a similar declaration, the certificate of marriage was signed by witnesses, short addresses from Scriptural texts were made, prayers were offered, and the ceremony was ended.—Exchange.

Japanese Fans.
 Though the Japanese folded fan is a common object in this country, little is known of its manufacture. One of the largest factories is at Kioto, where an average of 3,000,000 fans yearly are turned out. Spain is the principal customer for the Kioto fans, Italy coming next in importance and then the United States and Mexico. The fans are not at all easy to manufacture, as eight different workmen are required to make a single frame, while before the fan is finished it has to pass through the hands of ten people.

Business Locals.

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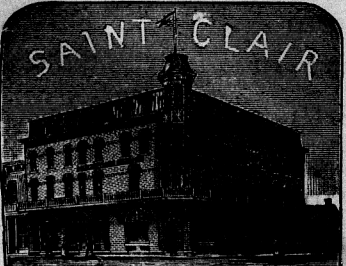
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MESSAGE

OF GOVERNOR ORMAN RECOMMENDS AID TO

FORESTS

Governor Orman's message to the legislature embodies earnest suggestions concerning the forest and water supply of Colorado which will doubtless be generally considered well worth careful consideration. The governor says: "The threatened water famine of last summer should have awakened us to a sense of our duty. Our very lives depend upon the water supply, and if that is jeopardized or the least doubt arises as to its sufficiency, the wealth necessary to the development of our state will perhaps be withheld."

Regarding the construction of reservoirs, the governor writes: "This work is quite as important, and fully as national, as is the deepening of rivers and the creation of harbors. To supply homes and to make possible land ownership to the masses of the country is the highest form of patriotism, and advances the welfare of the people more thoroughly than can possibly be accomplished in any other way."

It is pointed out that, though the irrigation situation in Colorado is more favorable than that of many other states, yet her supply of water is barely sufficient for the present needs under existing conditions.

"More lands should be reserved," says the message, "as unchecked conflagrations and the inroads of lumbering companies are rapidly sweeping bare the unreserved land."

"A larger force of rangers will be needed to keep the reserves clear of dead timber and rubbish, thereby preventing forest fires."

It is also asked that stringent forest laws be passed, so that it will become an expensive experiment to steal timber or set the woods afire.

"The timbered area of our public domain should undoubtedly be so administered," it states, "as to be no longer a burden upon the revenues of the state. The timber itself is capable of producing a revenue far more than ample to cover all expenses connected with its care and management."

It is made apparent that our laws governing the rights to water are admittedly poor. Many mistakes have been made governing the use of water: vested rights have accrued and cannot be disturbed; on many streams the entire flow has been claimed and is now insufficient to supply all claimants for direct irrigation. If a law cannot be passed without conflicting with established water rights, co-operation and rotation of water is proposed, and consolidation of small ditches into one large ditch which will prevent further litigation over disputed water rights is specifically requested. The arable lands of Colorado are estimated at 22,400,000 acres. But the irrigated is given at approximately 4,500,000 acres; that of land improved and under cultivation 2,000,000. Recent investigations in water-producing mountain counties by state officials have startlingly demonstrated that, owing to the denudation of watersheds, the volume of water applicable for purpose of irrigation is constantly growing less, and in a few years will have entirely disappeared.

He concludes this section of the message by saying: "We are a restless, energetic people, more given to instituting new enterprises than in preserving what is already ours. We must above all things preserve our forests, preserve the range, preserve the gifts nature in her lavish bounty has given us. We must cultivate industry and thrift, encourage permanent homes and industries and live more for and in the future and less in the present."

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Another New Year.

As the time approaches when we must watch our dates closely in order to get the right figures to indicate the year in which we live, the fact may also occur that there is yet several months of winter weather and it is not unwisely to prepare for the anticipated zero points by the purchase of suitable outer and underclothing.

Ben Dismore, on the corner, is prepared to meet the demands of Chaffee county people with perfect satisfaction when it comes to a stylish overcoat, suit of clothes, underwear, shoes, hats and caps and in fact everything worn by men and boys. You will always find his prices right, too. Call and inspect his stock and prices.

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Mathless Climate.

The following meteorological comparison for December of the year just closed with that of the one preceding is an exhibit of even-temperature but seldom found anywhere:

	1901	1902
Mean maximum temperature	48.2	45.3
Mean minimum temperature	14.7	15.1
Mean temperature	31.4	30.2
Maximum temperature	64	61
Minimum temperature	24	14
Greatest daily range	40	47
Total precipitation	5.27 in.	4.76 in.
Total snow fall	14 in.	6 in.
Number clear days	53	53
Number partly cloudy days	5	3
Number cloudy days	3	5

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Salida Man in Care of Officer.

An exceptionally pleasant joke was perpetrated, by telegram, upon Prof. Olen O. Larson on Wednesday, that is, pleasant to the mining engineer had recovered from his first impression of the message. It was as follows:

CHICAGO, December 31, 1902. "I am sending by rail tomorrow, freight charges paid, Briggs, wife and baby, under the escort of Commander Lucian Young and wife of the United States navy. I hope you will do all possible to make the commander's stay in Colorado pleasant."

WILLIAM E. MASON.

Senator Mason, of Illinois, is one of the stockholders in the Mascoit company operating in the Turret district, and the foregoing message is his manner of notifying local members of the company of Superintendent Briggs' return to Salida and the Turret district from a few weeks' business and pleasure visit in the east. Mr. Briggs and his family are accompanied by Commander Lucian Young of the United States navy, and his wife, who will be guests of Salida and Turret citizens for several days.

FAMOUS GODWOOD.

Something About a Historic English Race Course.

The Goodwood race course is quite unique. It is a long way from a station and is not near any town, says the London Tatler. It is on a hill the top of which is shaped like a horse-shoe, the space between the two horns being represented by a deep ravine. The course runs round the horse-shoe, the start being at the end of one horn and the finish at the end of the other. The result of this is that the equestrians who on other courses contrive to see both start and finish by the simple process of riding across while the race is in progress cannot do so at Goodwood. They must elect whether they will see and remain there. On the other hand, the course is very easy to follow with glasses.

The races as an institution are comparatively modern, but there must have been hunt races and matches on this course since the days of William III, when we hear of the Goodwood hunt as in existence. In 1800, however, the then Duke of Richmond made a new course, which is practically the present one. In 1801 the course was completed, and in order to celebrate this a regular meeting was got up by the duke with the assistance of the hunt and some officers of the Sussex militia and yeomanry, and prizes to the value of about £1,000 were put up. This meant a good sum in those days. This was the first Goodwood meeting of importance, and from that year it became an annual event.

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What Time Proves.

This thing of being sick and looking for a cure is a mighty serious business. People are not given to joking even at the first symptom of the approach of the grim destroyer. They do not want to be the subjects of experiment, but want medicine that has had the test of years behind it. A medicine that has been made and used for 20 years gives assurance of its worth, and can be taken with a faith that they have the very best cure the world affords. All this can be said of Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills as a remedy for sick headache, dyspepsia and indigestion, it begins right at the source of the trouble and removes the cause. We will send a sample box of these pills free, or a full box on receipt of 25 cents. Sold by all druggists for 25c a box, or address Dr. Bosanko Med. Co., Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by Bode, the druggist, successor to A. M. Alger.

Rev. Homer T. Wilson,

the noted lecturer of Fort Worth, Texas, says of the Schubert's under date of January 11, 1897: "Their entertainment is first class, will please, delight and uplift the most fastidious audience." Among their warm friends the Schubert Symphony Club number the leading ministers of the United States, as well as the better element of citizens everywhere. The quality of their entertainment is such that it receives the hearty endorsement and co-operation of the people who seldom venture to attend a performance of any kind. A little wholesome amusement occasionally is necessary to the moral, physical and intellectual welfare of the community. A little relaxation, a "forgetting of ourselves" for a time is a cheap tonic and can be had by attending the Schubert concert here on January 5.

Twenty Years Trial.

There are lots of good things the doctors know nothing about. We frequently cure people of diseases after the doctors have given them up. If the disease comes from overwork, dissipation, or exposure, causing weak and watery blood, and loss of flesh and strength, we have the one sure remedy in Dr. Gunn's Blood and Nerve Tonic. These tablets taken with meals turn the food into rich red blood, making strong and steady nerves, and increasing the strength, building up solid flesh at the rate of 1 to 3 lbs. per week. This means health. For nervous prostration, loss of memory, or a pale, sallow complexion, a better remedy was never made. Doctors know nothing about this remedy only the fact that we make cures; as we have been doing this for 20 years we know our method to be the right one. Druggists sell Dr. Gunn's Blood and Nerve Tonic for 75c a box, or 3 boxes for \$2, or sent by mail on receipt of price. Write us for a pamphlet telling all about this great medicine. Address: Dr. Bosanko Co., Philad'a., Pa. Sold by Bode, the druggist.

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Current News Notes.

From St. Petersburg comes the statement that the fathers of families are selling wives and children into slavery for the price of a yoke of oxen. This traffic in human flesh doubtless arises from the present distress of the peasants scattered throughout the central and eastern provinces of Russia. Here crops have totally failed, cattle are dying by the hundreds, and the peasants are starving.

Angus W. McPherson, a 19-year-old bell boy in New York City broke through the big plate glass window of a pawnshop when hundreds of people were passing to and fro and lifted a tray of diamonds which he attempted to get away with. After an exciting chase which was entered into by many spectators to the act the robber was captured. Only three of the gems were found on the person of the robber, and it is thought that he had confederates in the job. It was one of the most daring robberies ever attempted in the big eastern metropolises.

The following special from Monterey to Laredo, Texas, practically affirms the decision of a number of Boers to settle permanently in America: "General Samuel Pierson, the Boer commander, who became famous during the war between the Boers and the English by appearing at New Orleans and strenuously opposing the sale of mules to English agents, is in Monterey as the agent of thousands of his countrymen who propose to establish colonies either in Southwestern Texas or Northern Mexico. A committee of Boers is expected to arrive at New Orleans January 15."

John B. Richards, a circus man, residing with his wife and little daughter at 1010 Thirteenth street, Denver, thought his wife bluffing when she told him early Monday morning that she was going to kill herself. He simply replied to her threat: "Quit your kidding, and she inquired: 'You don't believe it, do you?' He responded, 'Go ahead.'" She had in her hand a small vial of carbolic acid and swallowed from its contents. Then the husband arrived at the conclusion that his wife's threats were not idle words. He hastened for a physician, but death resulted before arrival of the patient at the hospital.

The verdict of the coroner's jury which heard the evidence of the ten witnesses regarding the wreck of the Colorado and Southern in Trinidad which occurred on December 24, was made public Monday and is in part as follows: "We, the jury, find that the persons killed in this wreck came to their death one and one-half miles from this city at 6 p. m., by a head-on collision between two Colorado and Southern freight trains. We find that from the evidence produced we cannot fix the blame on any one person." The Colorado and Southern will hold an investigation of the wreck which will go deeper into the case than has the coroner's jury, and it is thought the blame will be fixed by the railroad and action taken in the matter within a short time.

According to dispatches from Omaha, a conference was to have been held today in the office of E. H. Harriman of the Union Pacific railroad between Mr. Harriman and the labor leaders, with a view to settling the strike in the machine shops of the Union Pacific. Mr. Harriman's secretary said, in reference to the matter: "We know nothing of any reported conference with labor leaders. We have called no conference, and have not notified of no conference and do not see why there should be any conference. There is no strike now to arbitrate. The trouble began about five months ago or more, and the places of the strikers have been filled by non-union men." James Wilson, business agent of the New York branch of the International Association of Machinists, said: "I do not believe there has been any conference yet, and I believe it would be hard to find the party. If there can be no conference and no settlement the strike will be extended to the shops of the Northern Pacific and other roads."

The Denver papers do not exaggerate the least bit when they say that the young man who, upon pretention of friendship, robbed a helpless girl in a Topeka depot, when en route to her home in Fort Collins, of all the money she had, \$24.00, was "The meanest man on earth." The young lady was Miss Anna Wilson whose home is a few miles north of Fort Collins. She is a paralytic and entirely unable to care for herself. For several weeks past she has been visiting a sister in Pennsylvania and her grandmother at Unionville, Mo. She started home several days ago and was taken suddenly ill and necessarily detained in the Topeka depot, and while there placed under the influence of opiates by physicians attending her. A young man approached the physicians telling them that he was a friend of the young lady and would see her to her destination. As soon as the medical men were gone this friendly young man robbed the helpless girl of all the money she had. Recovering from the effect of the opiate the young lady proceeded to Denver and true friends will see that she gets home.

Dislocated Her Shoulder. Mrs. Johanna Soderholm, of Fergus Falls, Minn., fell and dislocated her shoulder. She had a surgeon get it back in place as soon as possible, but it was quite sore and pained her very much. Her son mentioned that he had seen Chamberlain's Pain Balm advertised for sprains and soreness, and she asked him to buy her a bottle of it, which he did. It quickly relieved her and enabled her to sleep, which she had not done for several days. The son was so much pleased with the relief it gave his mother that he has since recommended it to many others. For sale by all druggists.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

In the matter of the estate of Andrew Dinsmore, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 2nd day of February, A. D. 1903, being one of the regular days of the January term of the county court of Chaffee county, in the state of Colorado, I, Mary Dinsmore, administratrix of said estate, will appear before the judge of said court, present my final settlement of said estate, and pray the approval of the same and will then apply to be discharged as such administratrix. At which time and place any person in interest may appear and present objections to the same if any there be. Dated at Buena Vista, Colorado, this 18th day of December, 1902.

MARY DINSMORE, Administratrix of the estate of Andrew Dinsmore, deceased.

ROBERT COLLIER, Atty. for Administratrix. First publication Dec. 23; last Jan. 13.

Notice of Final Settlement

In the matter of the estate of Constantine Christopher Waechter, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 2nd day of February, A. D. 1903, being one of the regular days of the January term of the county court of Chaffee county, in the state of Colorado, I, Anna B. Kerndt, as administratrix of said estate, will appear before the judge of said court, present my final settlement of said estate, and pray the approval of the same, and will then apply to be discharged as such administratrix. At which time and place any person in interest may appear and present objections to the same, if any there be. Dated at Salida, Colorado, December 31, 1902.

ANNA B. KERNDT, Administratrix of the estate of Constantine Christopher Waechter, deceased.

First publication, Jan. 2; last Jan. 23.

D. & R. G. TIME TABLE.

MAIN LINE WESTWARD.	Arrive.	Depart.
No. 1, Pacific Coast Limited from Denver, Colorado	5:04 p. m.	5:10 p. m.
No. 3, Utah and Calif. Exp. from Denver, Colorado	5:04 p. m.	5:10 p. m.
No. 5, Chicago, San Francisco Express from Denver	5:12 p. m.	5:17 p. m.
No. 15, from Denver, transfer to narrow gauge.	5:15 a. m.	5:15 a. m.
MAIN LINE EASTWARD.		
No. 2, Denver Express from the Pacific Coast and Salt Lake.	8:45 a. m.	8:55 a. m.
No. 4, Atlantic Coast Express from Pacific Coast and Salt Lake.	8:45 p. m.	8:51 p. m.
No. 6, San Francisco and Chicago Limited from the Pacific Coast and Salt Lake.	8:30 a. m.	8:37 p. m.
No. 16, for Denver, transfer from narrow gauge.	11:05 p. m.	11:15 p. m.
NARROW GAUGE.		
No. 315 leaves for Grand Junction	9:30 p. m.	6:45 a. m.
No. 307, leaves for Alamosa.	11:30 p. m.	5:15 p. m.
No. 304, arr. from Alamosa.	11:30 a. m.	
No. 327, Alamosa accommodation, daily.	11:30 a. m.	
No. 328, Alamosa accommodation, daily.	4:45 p. m.	
No. 64, for Pueblo.	1:15 p. m.	6:00 a. m.
No. 62, from Pueblo.	1:15 p. m.	
Freight trains carrying passengers with tickets. Nos. 222 and 223 do not run on Sunday.		

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MINES NEAR SALIDA

SHOW GRATIFYING RESULTS

TWIN CITY MINING CO.

The widespread attention which was attracted several years ago to the Leadville, Cripple Creek, Telluride and other now famous mining districts of the state of Colorado did not take into account the rich section lying adjacent to Salida. That section was left for later development to discover the latent wealth reposing beneath the surface.

The section which has been proved up as containing rich mineral values comprises a stretch of territory approximately twenty miles square with still greater tracts which are reasonably supposed to contain mineral but which have not as yet received the attention necessary to decide as to their extent.

From all parts of the world have come capitalists seeking investment in the Turret mining district. This peculiarly formed section, geologically speaking, has proven a series of surprises to prospectors and mining experts. The fact that rich sulphide ores have been found so near the surface can only be accounted for by the theory that a great inundation at one time covered that section, and contemporaneously with it, great volcanic forces asserted themselves and caused the interjection of masses of hematite ore in combination with porphyry intrusions and rich ore shoots.

In the richest portion of this section



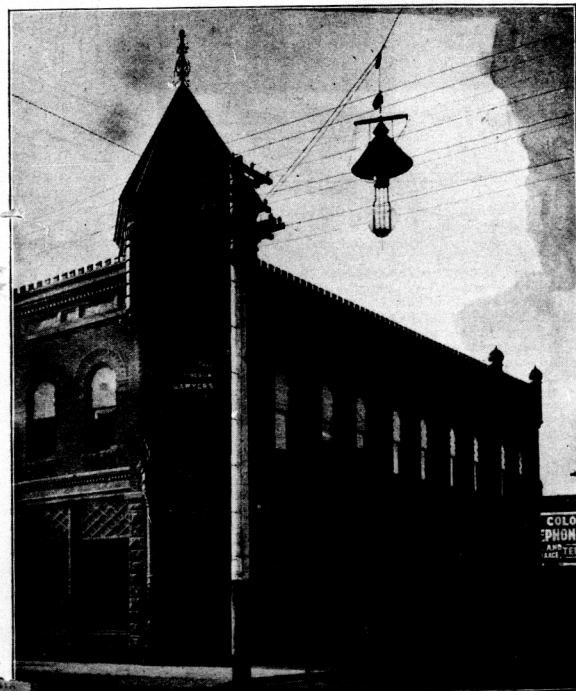
TWIN CITY MINING CO.

The sections thus far explored and demonstrated as gold-bearing properties include Turret, Whitehorn, Manoa, Monarch and Sedalia. Of Turret sufficient has been said elsewhere in this edition to show what wonderful possibilities are open in that region. Monarch also has manifested its capacity for rich production in the region of systematic development work by well-financed companies. Whitehorn has added materially to the ore production of the section and gives promise of richer developments during the coming year. Manoa, the site of the Sunset Consolidated and Golden Island companies has done wonderfully in the mineral line. As the Mail goes to press, superintendent Higham reports a body of sulphide in the Sunset which runs into extravagant values and widens with further exploration. At Sedalia is found one of the largest copper mines in the country. This property is being extensively enlarged and the ore bodies seem to be inexhaustible.

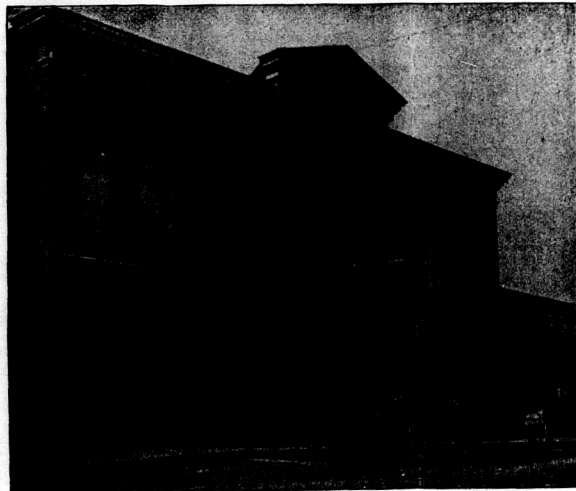
It is no Arabian Nights' dream to predict that the mining section around Salida will soon be the equal in importance of any in the state. The gold is found in rich deposits and the veins are clearly defined. In the Granite camp the formation is somewhat broken, but it gains in continuity and breadth as the trend of the ore strata follows to the south. When the ore from Salida are explored they are found widely distributed as to veins but broader and richer individually. Assays run from \$20 to \$400 per ton with comparatively little refractory elements in their composition.

The matter of transportation is one that is comparatively easy to provide for, while the close proximity of the immense smelter makes the matter of distance one of small moment. Good wagon roads penetrate to the heart of the mining regions and the present plans of the railroad company include spurs and branch lines to the principal shipping mines at Turret, Manoa, Whitehorn, Monarch, St. Elmo, Sedalia and other points within that territory.

With the completion of the refinery at the Ohio and Colorado Smelting and Refining company's plant the equipment for handling all the ores of the section will be as complete as human ingenuity can provide. The mining outlook therefore is brighter than it has been for many years and the prospect for making fortunes out of the ores here located is stronger than in many of the other districts of the state.



SALIDA STATE BANK BLOCK.



SALIDA OPERA HOUSE.

for a distance of 700 feet the vein lies between walls of granite, and for a stretch of 800 feet the vein is a traversal of the secondary formation. This formation is found peculiarly rich in gold deposits.

The Dangerfield claims are marked by an immense fissure which has been located for a distance of two miles, carrying assay values reaching generally as high as \$150 per ton.

In passing it should be mentioned that the Gertie shaft is a model which might well be copied by larger and more pretentious mining enterprises. The shaft, which is down about 150 feet, is divided into two compartments, one for the hoisting of ore and the

other a new wagon-road from Salida to the cozy mining town is one of the probabilities of the future, which will reduce the transportation distance nearly fifty per cent.

A sketch of the achievements of the Twin City Development Company would not be complete without reference to the energetic, intelligent efforts of Superintendent D. M. Nichols, to whose faithfulness and enterprise is due the credit for the great progress made and the substantial improvements effected. Mr. Nichols came to the district originally for the sole purpose of supervising the erection of the splendid power plant at the Vivandiere. His ability and ex-

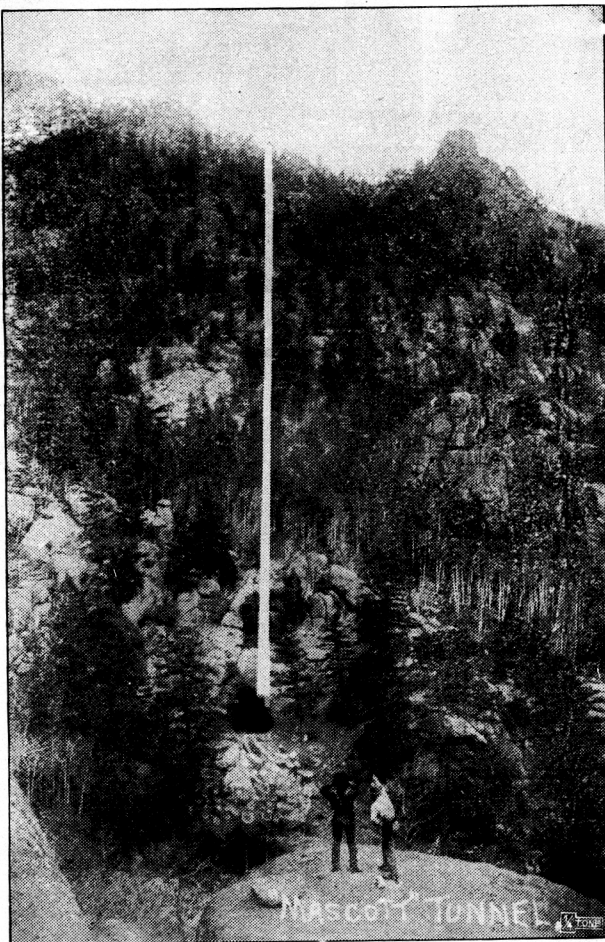
perience is now on the market for development purposes and enlarged mechanical facilities. The main office of the Twin City Development Company is located at Watseka, Illinois, the residence of the president of the corporation.

Such enterprises as the subject of the foregoing sketch should be encouraged in any community, for they foster home resources, enlarge local possibilities and stimulate the financial arteries of a commonwealth.

"Vive la Vivandiere!"

MASCOT MINING CO.

A contract for a tunnel 1,000 feet



MASCOT MINING CO.

other a ladder-way for the convenience and safety of the men. This latter point deserves mention, for the reason that a safety-platform has been constructed at intervals of sixteen feet to prevent accidents by falling, missing, etc. The shaft is vertical, enabling crossovers to be run at different points to the vein matter, and facilitating the removal of the ore to the surface of the mine.

A model mining town, Minneapolis, covering 100 acres, has been laid out by the Twin City Development Company, near its properties, where the company has its offices, the employees have their comfortable homes, and the necessary stores have been establish-

ment in mining affairs were soon recognized, however, and his present position as general superintendent was the natural result. Practical, progressive, economical and painstaking, Mr. Nichols has done much to make the Twin City Development Company's properties the valuable, promising and substantial mines which they are to-day.

The other officers of the company are J. J. New, president; George M. Williams, treasurer; C. O. Patton, secretary; Ramey, the newly-elected manager, all men of large financial resources and practical business men. The company is incorporated for \$2,000,000, of which stock a limited por-

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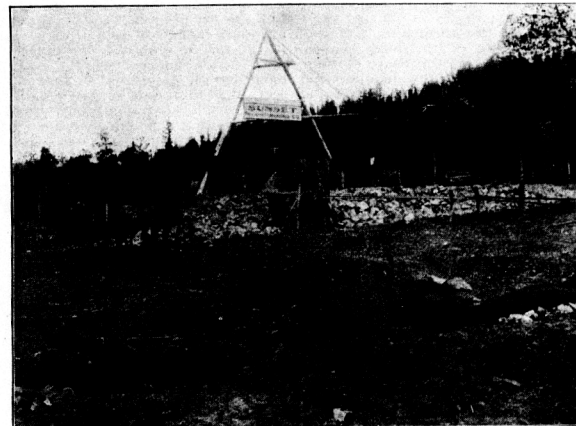
tunnel is exactly that of the course of the vein. The running of the tunnel will make the matter of removing the ore an economical one to say nothing of the other advantages which will accrue such as the permanency of direct connection with the ore body, and other equal items of advantage.

The tunnel is already in over 150 feet on the vein and the ore is of so high a grade that it will be but a very short time before the output will more than pay the expense of running the tunnel. In fact the quality of ore is such that recently when some of the reports were made public in Chicago the stock went at once from ten cents to twelve and a half cents a share.

SUNSET CONSOLIDATED MINING COMPANY.

Three and a half miles from Turret and two and a half miles from Whitehorn is located the promising district of Manoa, where many of the rich ore bodies have been discovered during the past few years.

The reputation of the Manoa district has been established to a great extent by the splendid showings made by the properties belonging to the Sunset Consolidated Mining Company. This company owns about 13 acres of rich mineralized territory, and embraces among its claims the Ameri-



SUNSET MINING CO.

The great vein has a clearly defined trend throughout the entire six claims of territory owned by the company, and from present indications the quality of the ore will soon reach a valuation of at least \$50 to \$60 a ton. When the ore reaches that figure it is expected that there will be a sufficiently large quantity to warrant shipments of several carloads at a time.

In consideration of the probabilities of the Mascot's future as a great gold-producing mine it may be well to refer to a report on the property which was made by Prof. O. O. Larson some time previous to the commencement of operations by the present company.

Prof. Larson is one of the best posted mining experts in the state of Colorado and has wide experience with the peculiar formations of the various districts of this state. His opinions are eagerly sought and acted upon by the leading capitalists and mine owners of Colorado as his judgment is considered superior to that of many who claim rank among the foremost experts of the country.

A portion of his report on the Mascot is as follows:

"As the great concentration of electrical energy, followed by disturbances and eruptions, are necessary for the deposition of gold, as well as for reef forming, nature has certainly lavished bountiful gifts upon the immediate section traversed by the Mascot fissures. There is no doubt that the initial mineral deposits of this section were formed in the tertiary age, the chemical as well as the physical conditions having at that time been extraordinarily favorable in every way."

As to the personnel of the Mascot Mining company reference is made to the list of officers and directors at the close of this article. It may be well to emphasize the fact, however, that the management of the company's properties is in the hands of the very capable mine manager, Mr. E. E. Briggs, a gentleman of large experience and practical mining knowledge. The officers are as follows: J. C. Blaisdell, editor of the Bradford (Illinois) Republican, president; J. C. Pirkey, fire and life insurance, of Streator, Illinois, first vice-president; R. W. Phillips, flour merchant and county supervisor, of Lostant, Illinois, second vice-president; F. L. Ream, grain elevator owner, Lostant, Illinois, secretary and manager; E. S. Plimpton, Jr., general merchandise, Salida, treasurer; E. E. Briggs, Minneapolis, Colorado, mine superintendent; Olen O. Larson, Salida, mining engineer; United States Senator William E. Mason of Chicago, general counsel. The directors are J. C. Blaisdell, J. C. Pirkey, R. W. Phillips, F. L. Ream, E. S. Plimpton, Jr., E. W. Briggs, R. S. Clowan, president Supreme Lodge Mystic Workers of the World, Rockford, Illinois; Dr. I. W. Gillispie, physician, Lostant.

The capital stock of the company is \$2,000,000, of which \$1,200,000 is paid in and the balance, \$800,000 is treasury stock.

The ore which is now being shipped from Stratton's Cripple Creek Mining and Development company's ground is of higher grade than for months past. The best showing is probably on the American Eagles on Bull hill

can Flag, Governor Irwin, St. Louis tunnel and others.

The ore is high grade sulphide and the startling results of the past few days seem to warrant the assertion that the properties are about to prove a veritable bonanza to the parties interested. The ore is reported as being the richest ever found in that part of the mining section and the stockholders are feeling jubilant over the prospect, while the general public is likewise deeply interested in its success.

About \$25,000 has been expended upon the properties by the Sunset Consolidated Mining company during the past few months and the investment appears to have been judiciously manipulated. In the St. Louis tunnel is found the finest granite in the state of Colorado for monument and architectural purposes, and it is expected that a ready market will be found for the material as far east as the Mississippi river.

The Sunset company is incorporated for \$500,000 by capitalists of St. Louis, Mo., and Keokuk, Ia. The management of the company's interests in the Manoa district have been in the hands of Charles Higham of Salida, one of the best posted and most experienced mining men in the state of Colorado. The future of the Sunset company is exceedingly bright and promising from every point of view, as is also that of the Golden Island, which is located about a mile and a quarter south of the Sunset properties.

HOLDREDGE MINING & MILLING COMPANY.

The statement that Mother Earth yet contains more mineral wealth within her rock-ribbed bosom than has ever been extracted is constantly being strengthened and proven as the search for her hidden treasures continues. New districts are being opened up and ore bodies laid bare that were never given attention a decade or so ago. Among these is the Turret district, which lies about fifteen miles from Salida.

Among the mining properties of this district, which have proven welcome surprises to the operators, is that known as the Holdrede tunnel, the property of the Holdrede Mining and Milling Company. This company owns absolutely and unincumbered 75 acres of the best mineral territory of the Turret district. Eight claims are included in the property, the group comprising the original Holdrede claim, the first claim located in the camp in 1897, the Marie, Bell, Ontario, Nansen, Punk, L. S. and L. S., Jr., all lying between the Twin City and Harrison groups.

The principal work done is the great tunnel and a shaft. The former has been extended about 600 feet into the famous Harper Hill, from a point about 150 feet from the Calumet railway of the Denver & Rio Grande railway. The expectation is to strike the Holdrede vein at about 800 feet. This vein was cut by a shaft and shows remarkable values, some of the assays showing as high as \$228.20. It was found that if the vein was to be opened up by means of a shaft, it would require that a wagon road be

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HOLDREDGE MINING AND MILLING CO.

BIG INDEPENDENT SMELTER

OF OHIO-COLORADO COMPANY

Men of the mountains and mighty deeds are closely associated in the minds of the thinking and reading public. The one seems to be considered the legitimate author of the other, and justly so. Those who depend upon the massive marvels of nature for their inspiration must of necessity conceive ideals which are limited only by the vaulted skies of limitless heaven or the deepest levels of subterranean formations.

With these premises then, it is but logical to presume that such enterprises as may be launched by men who deal with nature's most rugged elements should be upon a scale of immensity and greatness of scope as their environment may be expected to inspire.

Appropos of the foregoing it is well to consider one of the most stupendous enterprises of the State of Colorado, and which is now in operation in close proximity to the city of Salida. Reference is made to the great plant of the Ohio & Colorado Smelting & Refining Company.

Eighty acres of choice mesa land was donated by the public-spirited people of Salida as a site for the erection of the immense plant which has

been established here. The location is an ideal one, affording a broad expanse of territory for slag-dumps, railroad tracks and other smelter facilities.

The smelting plant of the Ohio & Colorado Smelting & Refining Company eclipses anything of its kind in the State in equipment, process of treatment, facilities for handling ore and capacity of output.

A fair conception of the great extent of the smelter may be secured by a consideration of the dimensions of some of the principal buildings and machinery of the plant.

The lead furnace building is of pressed brick and 40 feet wide and 129 feet long. The walls of this building are twenty-four feet high. There are four furnaces, each with a capacity of 159 tons daily. The matte furnace is at the rear of the lead furnace building, and is 40 feet by 60 feet in extent and contains two furnaces, each having a daily capacity of 300 tons. The immense flue chamber lies between the two furnace buildings and is 300 feet long on the level, with a total length of 675 feet from the front end to the base of the stack. The flue chamber is twenty-

four feet wide, while the sides arch to a point twenty-four feet from the ground. The stack rises from a twenty-foot base to a height of 150 feet, thus furnishing a total draft of 825 feet.

An extensive cabinet of ore bins has been erected, with a total capacity of 40,000 tons, to which a series of railroad tracks furnishes direct connection, enabling the ore to be handled with rapidity. The ore bins are located directly above the feed floor, below which the furnaces have been erected. The sampler is situated at the end of the group of ore bins, and is well constructed for the purpose. Upon the broad area of the mesa back of the furnace buildings are located the roasters and scales, as well as the office quarters, the latter being thoroughly equipped and complete in every detail necessary for the convenience of the officers of such an elaborate plant. The office building is provided with assaying apartments and chemical laboratory apparatus.

The chief marvel of the place is the electrical equipment, which has been installed under the direction of Mr. N. Fallek, the well-known electrical engineer of New York City, but who is

now located in Denver. The machinery and equipment was furnished by the New England Electrical Supply company of Denver, and is strictly up-to-date in every detail. The dynamo is a model of compactness and simplicity. It is a direct coupler, no belts being used. It is equipped with a six-pole generator and has a voltage of 125. The dynamo is known as a 75-kilowatt concern and can easily supply illumination for 1,500 lamps of 16 candle power each.

From the dynamo cables carry the current underground to the switchboard. The latter is of white marble and contains eight separate switches of the knife pattern. Back of the switchboard the current is conveyed from the building by means of four circuits of four .0000 cables each. An idea of the immense lighting facilities may be obtained when it is known that 80 lights are located in the ore bins, 50 in the sampling bins, 160 in the furnace rooms, 100 in the engine and fire rooms and hundreds of others scattered about the plant. Three arc lights are in the engine room and one in the fire room, besides others scattered about the grounds outside.

Two forty horse power motors oper-

ate the rock crushers. It will be impossible to injure the dynamo in case of any part of the system being struck by lightning, for a "lightning arrester" has been placed on the line which will send a lightning current into the ground before reaching the generator. It will not be possible for a fuse to "blow out," for an appliance has been arranged to indicate the limit of power to be used, 300 amperes, and when that amount is exceeded an automatic switch is at once thrown off, thus signaling the engineer that he is using too strong a current.

Upon the mesa is ample room for several miles of additional trackage, which will be laid as the business of the smelter shall require.

The Ohio & Colorado Smelting & Refining Company is incorporated for \$3,000,000, of which amount about one-third has already been expended in construction and equipment. The greater part of the capital has been furnished by wealthy residents of Cleveland, Ohio.

The president of the company is J. C. Kortz of Cleveland, while the other officers of the corporation are H. G. Redington of North Amherst, Ohio, vice-president; John M. Thomas of

Columbus, treasurer; H. G. Steinbrenner of Cleveland, secretary. Mr. Timothy Goodwin of Denver and Leadville is the general manager, and it is due largely to his executive ability that the smelter has been placed in active operation and on such a complete basis.

The parties principally interested in the smelter are the owners of the New Monarch mine, located at Leadville.

One fact in connection with the establishment of the smelter at Salida which should be given great consideration is that the enterprise is an entirely independent concern, having no alliance or interests with the smelter trust. The mine owners and operators have hailed with delight the founding of this enterprise for the reason that it gives them another outlet for their ores. Hundreds of cars of ore are being shipped to the Salida smelter, and there is no fear but that the smelter will be able to handle every pound of ore that may be sent to it from all over the State.

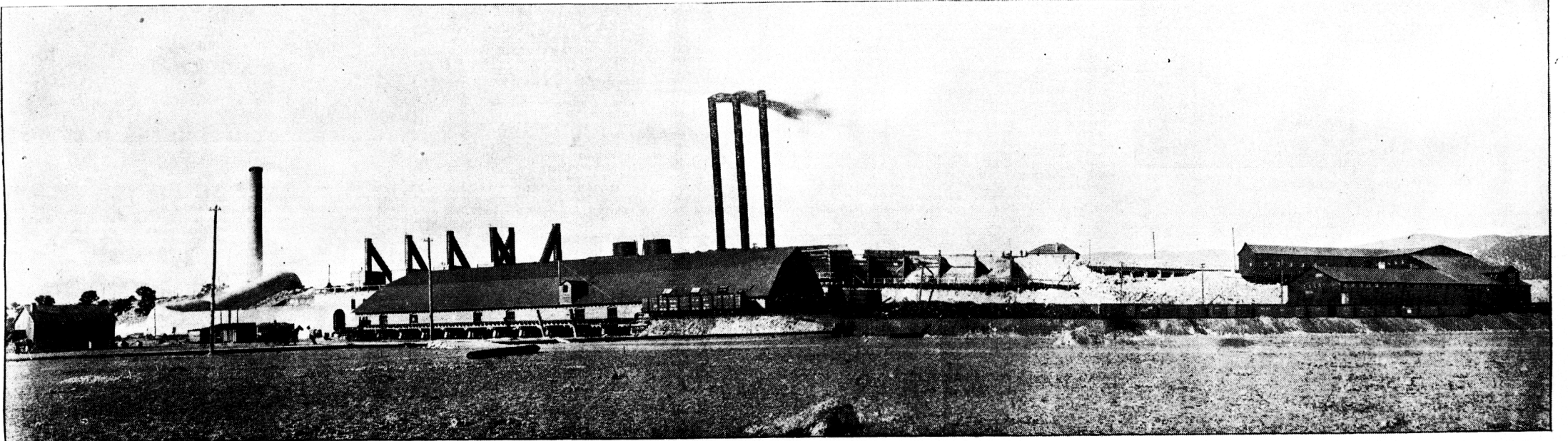
With a total average capacity of 1,000 tons and every possible facility for enlargement, the smelting plant of the Ohio & Colorado Smelting & Re-

fining Company is in a position to compete with the combined smelters of the State of Colorado and treat all ores which may be sent here.

Salida is to be congratulated on having such a mammoth enterprise located so closely, and judging from the immense shipments of ore which have already been sent it, and the large number of contracts for continuous shipments, the Salida smelter will soon be recognized throughout the State and nation at large as one of the most substantial and enterprising concerns of its kind in operation.

The establishment of the Salida smelter has caused a general feeling of satisfaction and security to prevail among the mining men, not only of this section, but the State at large, which, together with the fact that the attention of investors is being directed to this district more than ever, caused the opinion to be firmly grounded that this mining section will soon be in a position to rival any other section in the great treasure State of Colorado.

Such institutions as the subject of this sketch are evidences of the Providential provisions for deserving portions of this footstool of the Ruler of the Universe.



OHIO-COLORADO SMELTING AND REFINING CO.

SUNSET CONSOLIDATED MINING COMPANY.

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built for a distance of more than two miles at a cost exceeding that of driving a tunnel to the vein.

The tunnel will cut the Funk vein about 2 1/2 feet north of the Holdrege. The Funk vein has already been proven by a 50-foot tunnel, and several tons of ore have been treated at the Salida smelter, which have run from \$25 to \$50 to the ton.

The Nansen dyke will be cut at a depth of about 700 feet. This dyke is about 40 feet wide, well articulated with stringers, and has shown assays as high as \$108. The dyke extends clear through Harper Hill.

The Holdrege tunnel is a splendid proposition for other properties than those of the Holdrege company, for the reason that it offers complete drainage, stopping ground at great depth and delivery of ore down grade, directly into the railroad cars at a greatly reduced expense than any other method.

The location of such mines as the Gold Bug, Vivandiere, Anaconda and others will require sooner or later that their output be transported by way of this tunnel, to say nothing of the drainage advantages.

All of the claims of the Holdrege company show proportionate values as development work progresses. The L. S. has produced several shipments which netted \$100 per ton.

The Holdrege vein alone is rich enough to bear all the expense of driving the tunnel, as soon as it is cut and stopping ground opened up, while the cutting and opening up of the other veins will be most profitable contributions.

The management of the Holdrege Mining and Milling Company is in the hands of the following capable and experienced officers: Henry Furr, president and manager; D. G. Anderson, vice-president; C. J. Anderson, secretary; L. S. Atkinson, treasurer.

The future operations and success of the Holdrege Mining and Milling Company will be observed with interest by all mining men of this sec-

tion, and it is the opinion that the ultimate result will be not only highly profitable to the company, but of great value to the adjacent and contiguous mining enterprises.

TURRET-INDEPENDENCE MINING COMPANY.

An example of the progress and energy with which the mining properties of the Turret district are being developed may be gained by the consideration of a few facts concerning the operations of the Turret-Independence Mining company.

This company has been in operation just about one year. The properties consist of three claims running 3,000 feet along the vein. At the surface there was found about two feet of shipping ore. Further search, however, revealed the fact that the vein increased in richness with depth, until at present there are twelve feet of ore in the north drift which is between ninety and one hundred feet from the surface.

The ore in the Independence shaft averages \$25 per ton, but there is a streak fourteen inches in width which has shown values running as high as \$30 to the ton. The ore is rich in gold, silver and copper, with every indication of higher values as the work progresses.

Two shafts are being worked and there is a prospect of another being added in the near future, as the work may require it. The ore bins recently erected have a capacity of four hundred tons and may be enlarged as the output shall demand.

On the 17th of last September a well known Iowa capitalist purchased a half interest in the Independence for the handsome figure of \$50,000. The ownership of the properties is in the hands of the Turret-Independence Mining company, the officers of which are the following: E. D. Jones, president; E. S. Plimpton, Sr., vice-president; W. E. Crutcher, secretary, and E. S. Plimpton, Jr., treasurer.

The position of general superintendent is well and capably filled by the noted mine manager, Robert Denham.

The splendid results of intelligent work in the Independence in such a



FIRST NATIONAL BANK BLOCK.

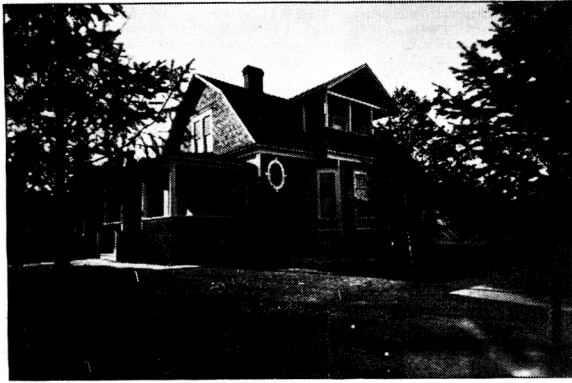
short time is evidence of the immense possibilities of the Turret district as a wealth producer when the efforts to extract the same are under competent and capable direction and management.

As the famous old Liberty Bell is closely associated with the Declaration of Independence, so it is eminently fitting that the excellent properties adjoining the famous Independence mine in the Turret district should be under the management of the Lib-

erty Bell properties are situated on both sides of a canon and the facilities for moving the ore from the workings to the railroad are the best and simplest in the region.

The company is incorporated for \$300,000, of which stock about one-third is finding ready sale for the purpose of establishing a fund for more extensive development work.

The officers and directors of the company are men of experience in mining affairs and intend to leave no



RESIDENCE OF DR. THOS. MOXON.

erty Bell Mining and Development company.

This company has thirty acres of splendid mineral territory immediately adjacent to the Independence mine and experts have declared that the showings already made on the property are strong evidence that the rich Independence vein is a large contributor to the richness of the Liberty Bell.

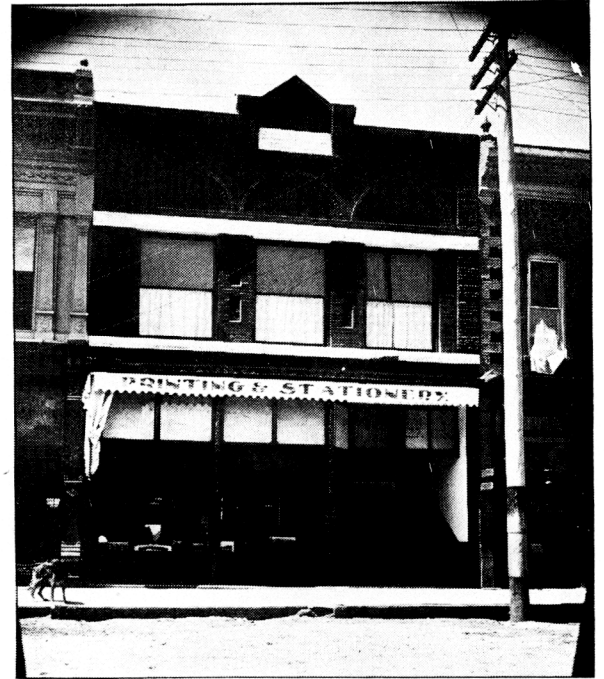
A lead has been discovered showing a large percentage of copper and running over an ounce in gold. This vein shows a decided increase in width and has a straight downward tendency, making the sinking of a vertical shaft an easy possibility, with the advantage of running cross-cuts to the ore body.

The officers of the company are A. Dawkins, president; D. J. Kramer, vice-president and treasurer; W. S. Charles, secretary; Edwin A. Sherman, counsel. These gentlemen, together with Garfield Charles and W. W. Kramer form the board of directors.

The Liberty Bell Mining and Development company also owns several acres of valuable mineral property in the Cripple Creek district and elsewhere, and are steadily adding new properties to their holdings.

Gold mining is only in the morning of its splendid future.

Home of the Salida Mail



SALIDA MAIL BLOCK.

Nearly a quarter of a century ago, the exact date being June 5, 1880, The Mail was interested as a factor in the upbuilding and development of Chaffee county and particularly Salida.

Mr. Moore, seated perhaps upon a soap box or cracker box, penned the following as an introduction for The Mountain Mail: "This paper has not been started to supply a long felt want, because there has been no demand for a newspaper here until the present time. Had any person said three weeks ago that a paper would soon be published on the ground where our office is located he would have been set down as a lunatic. But things change rapidly in this country, and in order to keep up with the times, people are forced to change their plans occasionally. Their opinions, the disadvantages of inferior quarters, and when they found that a heading for the paper would not arrive from Chicago in time for the publication date, they set to work and carved a fairly presentable heading with a pocket knife. The type had been removed from Cleora, about two miles east of Salida, and when these determined men came to put in type the news matter gathered from day to day, they found a state of 'pi' that would cause the average printer to 'throw up his sit.' Not so with Messrs. Olney and Moore. They were

here to stay, and to work against any and all odds.

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