

"SUNNY SALIDA."

Her Location, Climate, Resources and Surroundings.

VISIT HER THIS SEASON

If You Desire to Improve Your Health, Invest in Mining, Stock Raising, Grain Farming or Real Estate—Her Railroads, Ranches, Mines and Quarries.

In response to repeated requests for sample copies of the MAIL issued last winter, containing descriptions of the ranches in the vicinity of Salida, its proprietors decided to get out this special edition, describing as completely as possible within the limits of such an issue the location, climate, resources and advantages of this locality.

Location and Climate.

Salida is situated at the junction of the main Arkansas and South Arkansas river, near the centre of the state north and south, 216 miles from Denver and ninety-six miles from Pueblo by the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, the fare from either being \$6.00, and about fifty miles southeast of Leadville.

Salida on the line of the D. & R. G.? Among invalids who have tried the virtue of these waters they are more popular than perhaps either Glenwood or Manitou. To the man of business seeking a few days of uninterrupted pleasure and rest, there is no resort in Colorado more preferred.

"The hot springs are numerous, boiling up here and there over an area of several acres. Their temperature varies from 145 to 185 degrees Fahrenheit. This resort is now enjoying a more liberal patronage than ever before at this season of the year, the hotel on the premises being taxed to its utmost capacity."

During the present season it is expected that a new hotel will be built with every facility for a magnificent summer resort, and that the water will be piped down to it, the location selected being in the town of Poncha, much nearer to the depot.

WELLSVILLE HOT SPRINGS.

Five miles below Salida, on the main line east, are as yet but little improved, but are a favorite resort with the young people of the town. They have a plunge bath of a temperature which is just warm enough to be enjoyable and not so hot as to be excessively weakening, and in addition beautiful picnic grounds and dancing pavilion are provided.

Railroad Facilities.

The Denver & Rio Grande railroad has its lines so constructed that Salida is the natural centre of its system, being on the main broad gauge line about midway between Denver and Grand Junction.

At this point the narrow gauge line to Gunnison, Montrose, Oury, Telluride and Grand Junction leaves the main line and climbs the tortuous way over the dizzy heights of Marshall Pass, one of the grandest scenes on earth being disclosed as the train ascends, opening to view the valley for miles and showing Pike's Peak in the background. The narrow gauge lines for Alamosa, Durango and Silverton; Antonito, Santa Fe, New Mexico; Monte Vista, Del Norte and Creede; also start from here to climb Poncha Pass.

Mining Resources.

The mining resources of the country tributary to Salida are so vast and varied as to be worthy of an entire edition instead of a few columns, ranging as they do from the production of marble, slate and lime to that of iron, lead, copper, silver, gold, mica, mineral paint, kaolin, garnets, rubies, topaz, aquamarines, agates, petrified and opalized woods and jasper.

MONARCH DISTRICT.

First in importance, on account of both the value and bulk of its output, is the great lime contact at Monarch, on which are located the Madonna, Eclipse, Silent friend and other properties.

The city contains about 4,000 inhabitants, the business portion being built almost entirely of brick; is supplied with a system of water works using gravity pressure; is lighted by electricity, and has nearly all the churches and lodges represented, as will be seen by the directory in another column. There are two large hotels, the Monte Christo, near the depot, and the St. Clair uptown; also many smaller hotels and lodging houses.

WHITE PINE.

Just across the range from Monarch lies White Pine, North Star and Tomichi, whose shipping point is Sargents, on the other side of Marshall Pass, and a large portion of whose supplies are procured here.

HOT SPRINGS.

At Poncha, six miles above Salida on the narrow gauge lines of the Denver & Rio Grande to Gunnison, Grand Junction and Oury, and to Alamosa, Creede and Durango, are a large number of springs, of which the Moffat Ledger says:

PONCHA SPRINGS.

"Who has not heard of the famous Poncha hot springs, six miles west of

Christo range, Villa Grove being its shipping point, and from the activity at present visible it promises to make its shipments more than double those of any previous year in its history.

THE LONGFELLOW

Is a fine property located about six miles east of Salida, which is shipping ore in car lots at irregular intervals, having at present a very nice body of lead and iron some of which runs well up into the hundreds in silver. It is being worked persistently by the owners and will make them wealthy ere long.

Iron Ores.

Next to the production of the Monarch silver-lead mines, in value and tonnage may properly be placed the great iron mines at Orient and Calumet, belonging to the Colorado Coal & Iron company. This corporation owns a magnificent manufacturing plant at Pueblo, consisting of steel works, steel rail mills, spike and nail mills, tube works, bar iron mills and foundry, and the entire supply of iron for these great works is drawn from the above named mines.

"There is now no doubting that the Bessemer Steel works will start within a very short time. The Colorado Coal & Iron company, in addition to other orders for rails, have received from the Rio Grande Western an order for 5,000 tons of sixty-pound steel rails. Blast furnace No. 1 will be started on Wednesday morning. In regard to business in the Merchant Mill, Vice-President Grove stated that business in that department had been unusually brisk, sales for March being 100 per cent in excess of the business last year."

THE ORIENT

Iron mines are on the other side of the Sangre de Christo range, about nine miles from Villa Grove, from which point it is reached by a branch line regular train running from here over and back every day when they are shipping. They have a very extensive plant of machinery and are equipped with the latest improvements in the way of tramways, hoisting apparatus and means for automatic handling ore at a minimum cost.

Zinc Mining.

Since the early settlement of the Arkansas valley it has been known that there were large bodies of zinc in certain localities below here, and for several years the zinc mines at

COTOPAXI

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one of the foothills at the edge of Sunny-side park. Development has progressed well since that time and many thousand tons of rich copper ore have been extracted and shipped, the last shipments being made about the first of the year.

For the last few years the property has been worked by lessees, who put up works last summer for the treatment of the ore, but failed to run them successfully. A great variety of ore is found in this property, it containing black and red oxides, green and blue carbonates, copper glazes, native copper, sulphides, lead carbonates and galena. The lower workings from No. 2 level are in good ore and have fair bodies of it, but owing to the low price of copper the owners have not been extracting any of it for some time. They have, however, been pushing work on level No. 3, further down the hill, a force of men now being at work on their second 100-foot contract this winter, the total length of the level now being in the vicinity of 600 feet.

Adjoins the Sedalia on the north and a few days ago its owners struck the same character of ore as that in the Sedalia and they are making preparations for extensive development. It is owned by George M. Hollenbeck and J. A. Israel of Salida.

THE BLACK JACK

Owned by Maacham, and Howard is about a mile and a half from town up Dead Horse gulch and shows four feet of ore running about \$40 per ton in copper, silver and gold.

There are a number of other good copper prospects near Salida but none of them have sufficient ore in sight to justify special mention.

and lead into a desirable concentrate. They are shipping a car of concentrates every five days, and about \$900 per month in gold bullion.

THE PAT MURPHY

Has a good vein of ore and is being worked by Joseph Holtschneider, who has a mill at St. Elmo and is working the ore as fast as possible. The capacity of his mill is not so great as some of the others, but it will be increased soon.

THE TRESSIE C.

Has no mill but ships a very high grade gold ore, carrying some silver. Their vein is small, but its great richness makes it profitable to work.

THE GOLDFIELD

Produces an iron sulphide running fairly in gold and silver. It is hoisting about ten tons per day and is owned and worked by Blanchard & Alcorn.

There are many other good properties in Chalk Creek district which will become producers this season.

Gem Stones.

At the Sedalia mine there is a very large bed of garnets which is being worked for specimens, the stones being too coarse to be of much value when cut.

At Natrop, in Ruby mountain, a great many small garnets of fine color and good quality are found, also yellow and smoky topaz. These stones are nearly all of sufficient brilliancy to be valuable when cut, and are much sought after.

On Mount Antero Aqua Marines, phenacites and a number of rare minerals are found, besides beautiful quartz crystals.

In Bassham park and at Agate mountain many fine specimens of jasper, moss and ribbon agate, petrified, agatized and opalized woods are found, and the search for them furnishes pleasant exercise for visitors.

Carbonate City.

Last, but not least, in the way of mining is the finding of lead carbonate and crystallized lead in the Last Chance mine at Carbonate City. This find was made only a few days ago and caused a stampede of prospectors to that locality, nearly all of whom located claims on which development work is now in progress. This camp is located on Badger

others; the J. B. B. and D. S. C., owned by Judge Bowne and D. S. Cotton, of the First National bank, Surveyor Demarest and Conductor Wm. Dunn; the Golden Star and Apex, owned by Kahn Bros.; the Jolly Boy and Iron Chief, owned by Francis Bros., Craig & Israel and others; also the properties owned by A. Unger, Sol Hecht and James Droney; Ed Lee, Powers and J. Gallup; Bateman and Frame, and many other properties whose names and owners are not at present known.

This camp is located on a lime belt having every whit as favorable indications as at Leadville, and is destined to become a valuable contributor to the mineral output of this section of Colorado.

PROSPECTING TERRITORY.

There is a fine field for prospecting lying east of Salida, extending from the Arkansas river to the great gold mining district of Cripple Creek, near the base of Pike's peak. Every day new finds are reported in this territory and prospectors are flocking into it, as it is free from snow, well timbered and easily worked. During the week previous to the publication of this issue several good copper properties have been located and some nice free float brought in from points within three miles of town.

Salida Crystal Lime.

The Salida Crystal Lime quarries consist of about fifty acres of patented ground reaching from the Denver & Rio Grande track, just above Wellsville, to the 1,300-foot ledge of almost pure lime about 3,000 feet up the hill. They are owned by D. H. Craig, L. W. Craig, S. W. Sandusky, J. B. Brown and Nancy I. Brown, and are leased for five years to the R. W. English Lumber company, who are under contract to burn at least 300 bushels of lime per day during that time. The works have a siding of their own on which to load cars and there are three large ovens each connected with the tramway in such a manner that the lime stone is dumped from the buckets into a chute and fed into their tops automatically. Two of these ovens are in operation; the fires being kept up at the base of the iron stacks and the stone drawn off while white hot into iron cars

York. Litigation and other causes that closed the property for the time being having been adjusted, it is said a good force of men will be employed to open it up. It is contemplated to run a tunnel of at least 1,500 feet to cut the ore deposit much deeper than the present workings. This property in the past was a heavy producer.

There is good authority for stating that negotiations are in progress for the sale of the Eagle Bird and Song Bird to Taylor's gulch to Denver capitalists. This property belongs to Mr. Brewington of Mayaville. It is a valuable group and the showings of ore are excellent. Quite a large amount of high-grade ore has been shipped from these claims. It is also understood that the Shamrock, in this gulch, has been leased and bonded to parties for quite a large sum—rumor has it \$30,000. A number of properties are being worked and it would not be surprising to see Taylor's gulch in booming array the coming spring.

The Garfield lime quarries are shipping about two cars of their excellent lime rock to Leadville smelters daily.—Denver Sun.

St. Elmo.

St. Elmo, March 26.—L. Yockey will put men at work on his new shop in a few days.

Miss Cochrane and her cousin will shortly open a grocery store in the Hurley building adjoining Whittenbergers. O'Bryan & Bowen dissolve partnership next month, vacating the Westfall building which will be fixed up and become a part of the Westfall store building.

S. S. Westfall will put in a full line of groceries in a short time.

Dr. Root has a position at the Pawnee company's mill.

Henry Brown has been slightly indisposed for several days, but is around attending to business once more.

James Boyd has put on a city delivery team, Al Seal in charge.

The Pawnee Mining and Milling company now occupy a portion of the Meskimen house on Gospel hill as an office. T. I. Briscoe has a position at the Pawnee mill.

A new hoister was received a few days ago and taken up to the Pioneer.

Several men have left the Tressie lately. One of their drills is out of order awaiting material from Denver to repair it. The men are putting in time to best possible advantage otherwise.

J. W. Dean is getting out cord wood for the Pawnee mill, and Jas. Boyd's teams are hauling it.

The work train which has been here during the winter has been taken to Schwanders, and an engine sent over from Como to run the train between Trout creek and Canon.

J. Holtschneider & Co. shipped a car of concentrates and a car of ore a few days since. Owing to scarcity of water in the creek, their mill is not kept steadily at work at present, and shipments will increase considerably soon.

There is being no ore shipped from any of the Lady Murphy properties, all being first run through the new mill and then shipped as concentrates.

The Pawnee Mining and Milling company are shipping a car of concentrates every five days, and send away about \$900 per month in gold bullion. The mill is a success in every way, working up otherwise valueless ore.

Parties from Buena Vista and Leadville visited the camp recently, and went up and inspected the Goldfield mine. They are intending to erect a smelter at Buena Vista, and require just such ore as the Goldfield outputs. In order to make a success of the undertaking, the matter will not be definitely settled for at least twenty days. A cheap rate has been promised them by the railway people in event of the deal going through.

J. H. Seek and wife recently spent several days in Denver. Their daughter is attending school there.

J. H. Kearnes is off on a visit to his wife at Denver. He goes over the Midland, and will stop off at Florissant and visit the Cripple Creek mining district. The O'Bryan boys are doing some work on their property on Chrysolite mountain.

Capt. Parry has put up one of his concentrators just below the Pawnee mill, and is working over their tailings. A quantity of his concentrates has been sent to Denver for assay. Fred Boyer has been helping him put the concern in operation.

During the absence of Mrs. Stark in Denver, Mr. Stark is batching in one of Holtschneider's houses.

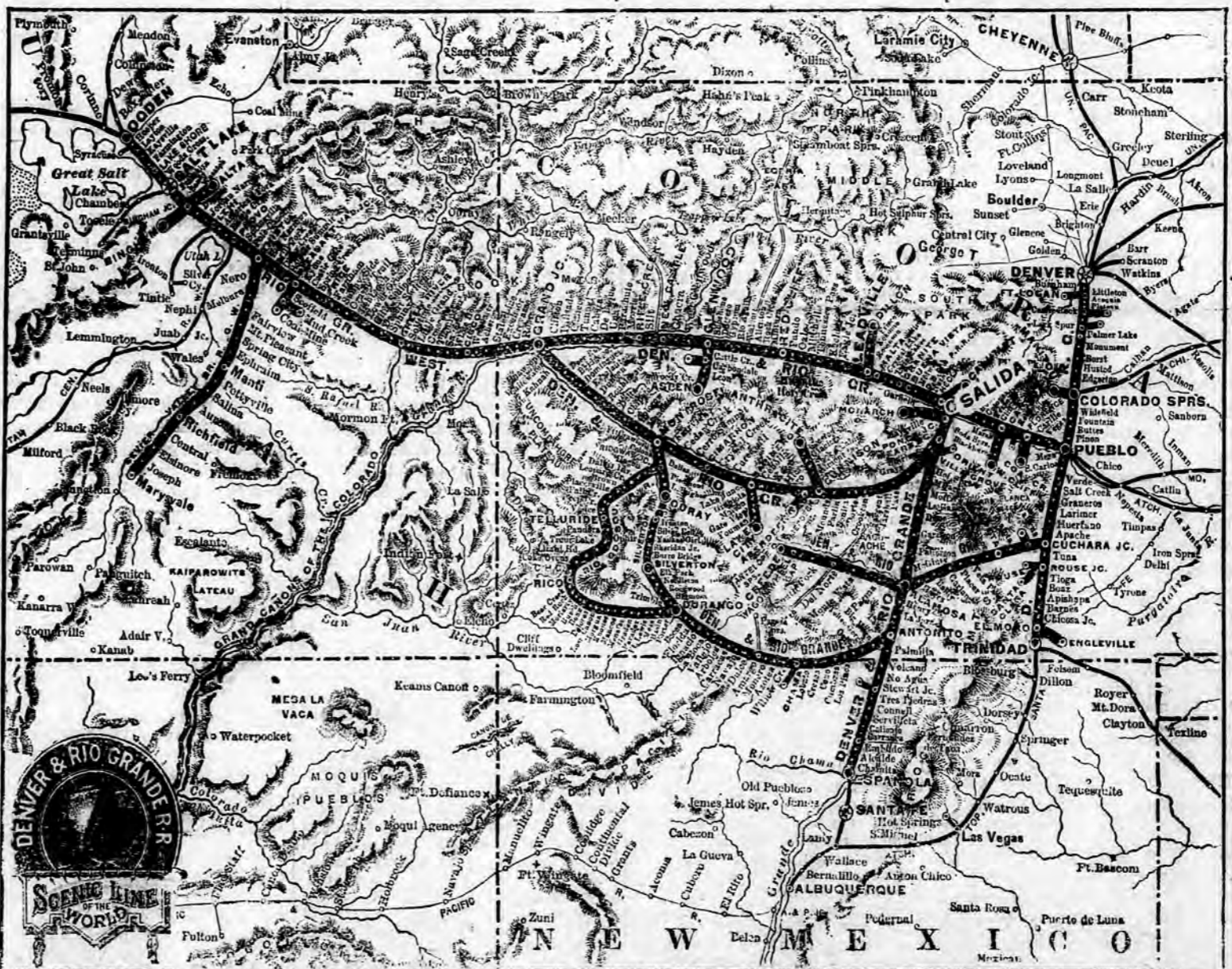
Thus far we have had beautiful weather this winter. Some snow has fallen within the past few days, and the weather, although clear and pleasant, is quite cold mornings.

Two tickets have been placed in the field for the coming city election—the People's ticket, and the Citizens' ticket. They consist of the following named candidates:

People's ticket—For mayor, John McBride; for trustees for two years, Geo. A. Kelly, P. Hurley and Geo. Wessell; for trustees for one year to fill vacancy, Jno. Heenan.

Citizens' ticket—For mayor, John McBride; for trustees for two years, Joseph Holtschneider, George Barrows and P. Hurley; for trustees for one year to fill vacancy, Jno. Heenan.

For Sale or Trade. A 400-acre ranch, extra good land, good improvements, good water right and plenty of water, close to railroad. Will sell for less than improvements cost if sold at once. Small payment down; time to suit purchaser in balance. Call at Mail office for particulars.



developed as it is in a systematic and workmanlike manner, the ore from this mine can be placed upon the cars at a lower cost per ton than any other mine in the United States except the Calumet. Superintendent T. B. Butler, whose office is in Salida, thoroughly understands every detail of putting an immense mine in shape to produce the greatest tonnage at the least expense, and in addition to the general management of the Orient mines he has charge of the

CALUMET.

One of the the greatest known bodies of iron. This property is located in what is known as the Cameron range, about ten miles northeast of Salida and has been worked ever since 1880. It is equipped with every modern appliance for saving labor in ore handling; is reached by a short branch of the D. & R. G., and is capable of furnishing ore enough to fill all the cars that can be got to it, and as fast as they might come. When shipping the Calumet employs about 100 men and the Orient the same number.

OTHER IRON MINES.

There are many other good iron mines in this vicinity in various stages of development, notably the Willard group, near Calumet; the J. D. Coon properties, in Coon's park, north of Calumet; the M. D. Gould properties, near Wellsville, and the rich veins of hematite recently found by Nick Warren, Henry Zilhaber and J. M. Warman, on Red creek, near Cotopaxi. Samples from the latter find run 73 per cent iron, \$10 per ton in gold and a small amount in silver. All these properties are owned by individuals and there is a splendid opportunity for some corporation to acquire them at a moderate price.

Copper Mines.

Next to the iron mines in tonnage and well up to them in value of output come the copper properties near Salida. Chief among them is the

uct shipped to La Salle, Illinois, and other eastern points. The freight was so expensive, however, that shipments were finally abandoned, and for some time these properties have been idle.

WELLSVILLE

Parties are now working a force of men on a number of claims, and expect to construct reduction works for the purpose of handling the output of the properties before shipping.

Cold Mining.

All along the Arkansas river from Salida to Leadville gold placers are being worked successfully every summer, their output amounting to a large sum. The principal quartz mining in this county is carried on at St. Elmo, the leading producers being the Mary Murphy, Lady Murphy, Pat Murphy, Tressie C. and Goldfield, all carrying both gold and silver. The

MARY MURPHY

Has shipped very heavily for years, and has several miles of development work in the shape of tunnels and winzes. It is equipped with an extensive plant of fine machinery, including air compressors and a complete mill with a capacity of about 100 tons per day. It is doing but little at present, the force being employed in driving the fourteenth level and the mill lying idle until the snow goes off sufficiently to enable them to go to work on their dump, which contains several thousand tons of good milling ore. This will be sent down over the tram as soon as the frost is out.

THE LADY MURPHY

Consists of the old Mollie and Pioneer properties, and is equipped with air compressor and tramway. Both workings are connected through the hill with the Mary Murphy, and a large amount of good ore is in sight, but little stopping having been done. The property is being worked by Brown, McBride and Schofield, who have erected a stamp mill at St. Elmo, and are treating the ore in it, saving the gold and running the silver

creek about fourteen miles northeast of Salida, and probably about five miles nearly east from Calumet. It is reached from here by a good wagon road about twenty miles in length, and all the travel is through here.

The Last Chance, in which the strike was made, has been worked for the past five or six years, and has shown small quantities of good ore, but never had a body sufficient to ship. A shaft had been sunk 125 feet and several hundred feet of drifting done from the bottom of it, developing a large body of talc with lumps of mineral scattered through it. An open cut had been run in a short distance north of the shaft and a little farther down the hill, until it reached what was apparently a lime wall. It cut through a body of brown mineral near the surface, and this season the owners concluded to do their work in the cut. Almost the first shot fired broke through the wall of lime and opened a cave about twenty feet across and extending upwards some distance. It was explored downwards to a depth of about thirty feet, where it pinched up so that further progress could not be made. Some ore was found down towards the bottom, but no further work has been done on it. It was then decided that the men should go to work on the brown mineral near the surface and follow it down. They went downward and to the right, and very soon came into a nice body of hard lead carbonate ore, carrying crystallized lead and a small amount of galena. It is reported that a force of men are now at work on this property and that it is improving steadily.

Among the parties who first visited this camp after the reported finding of the carbonate ore were a majority of the business men of Salida, nearly all of whom either located ground or secured interests in locations made by others, and at present development is in progress in the Geo. L. and First Chance, owned by Conny Commissioner, Barhart, County Assessor, Hon. State Senator Israel, Superintendent Highway and

and run out to the cooling floor, from whence it is wheeled into cars, one man being kept busy loading cars and one tending fires.

From the kilns a wagon road leads up nearly to the quarries, which are about half mile away, and a short steep climb up the trail brings the visitor to the other end of the tram. The tram is an endless wire with buckets attached, which are loaded from a chute at the upper end. The quarry has been developed to such an extent that it can now be worked for years without doing any dead work, and the supply of lime stone is very pure and practically inexhaustible. Last September, the foreman of the quarry, G. S. Ross, put down a twenty-seven foot hole and sprung it with three charges of giant powder, containing five, ten and twelve pounds each. He then put in twelve kegs of black powder and fired it. The result was the breaking up of about 15,000 tons of rock and they are still working upon it.

The capacity of these lime works is about 700 bushels a day, and at present they are running out 400 bushels a day. There are from eight to ten men employed in the quarries, six wood-choppers, three teamsters and from three or four men at the kilns, a total of about twenty. Ed Cavanagh also has a quarry with one draw kiln and so has Lonny Wenz, but a present neither are in operation.

Monarch Mines.

The past week has been one of unusual severity. It was snowing almost every day and as a consequence not much ore was shipped. The new strike in the Madonna is exciting considerable comment. Rumor has it that the ore body discovered is much larger than at first reported. As soon as the snow disappears somewhat a force of men will be put to work in the mine and shipments will be resumed.

The Columbus property, one mile above Garfield, it is stated will be put into condition to resume work early this spring. This is a valuable property and is owned principally by Jewett of New

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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Mayor, E. G. BETTIS.

For Treasurer, W. R. LEITHHEAD.

For Clerk, CHARLES HALLOCK.

For Trustees, V. C. DAVENPORT, C. W. MEACHAM, J. H. MORRISON.

County Republican Central Committee Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the republican county central committee will meet in Salida on Thursday, April 7, 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m.

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TARIFF PICTURES.

Just before the passage of the McKinley bill there were 17 pearl button factories in the United States.

What's the matter with Carter Harrison as a candidate for the presidency on behalf of the western democracy? He is an out and out silver man.

R. E. WALLACE has just returned from an extended eastern trip and says the people are wild over mining investments and that money will be easy to obtain for all legitimate mining investments this season.

CANON CITY and Salida can both stand considerable waking up, and the indications are that they are receiving it this season.

The Salida company which has been putting down a shaft on the Jo Jo has reached a depth of forty-five feet and are striking good ore.

The Rock Island officials arrived in Denver Sunday evening in a special car. The object of their visit was to get Mr. Lee of the Midland, and Col. Hooper of the Rio Grande to join the Rock Island in asking that the Trans-Missouri association make the rate \$18 from Missouri river points to Colorado common points and return, instead of \$25 as was decided at their last meeting; also to fix the sale of tickets beginning May 1, instead of June 1.

The convention to select two delegates to represent the second congressional district at Minneapolis will be held at Salida on Monday, April 26.—Pueblo Opinion.

The supreme court of Wisconsin has knocked the "stuffing" out of the democratic gerrymander of the assembly, senate and congressional appointments. Democrat politicians all over the country seem to be on the steal.—Sunday Opinion.

Memphis is losing a considerable portion of its population, caused by the exodus of the colored people from that city, who are migrating to Oklahoma in search of new homes.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The anti-monopoly element in the house, fearing that the sifting committee, appointed recently, was not favorable to certain legislation desired, Saturday morning ended its usefulness.

Mr. Beem (democrat) appealed from the decision of the chair, and the appeal was sustained. Yes, fifty; nay, thirty. Then the motion prevailed.

Phantom Ball.

Prof. Carroll's phantom ball or sheet and pillow case ball occurs Wednesday night, March 30. Prices of admission for that evening are all who come in sheet and pillow case costume, 75 cents each. Spectators, 50 cents each. Spectators allowed to dance after 11 o'clock.

Louis Hayden raised 1,200 bushels of oats and forty tons of native hay.

Chancy Hayden was short of water but succeeded in raising 800 bushels of oats.

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OUR RANCH RESOURCES.

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THE SEMI-WEEKLY MAIL.

MARCH 30, 1892.

Register to-day.

Easter Sunday, April 17.

Sheriff Crymble was in town Sunday. Charles Longacre was up Friday from Howard.

Henry White, of Canon City, was in town Saturday.

Miss Minne Brown has returned from a short visit to Buena Vista.

Monday evening, April 4, the McCutcheon & Cooley Theatre company.

R. E. Wallace returned Friday from a visit to Canada and other eastern points.

Mrs. M. V. Shonyo returned this morning from a visit among friends at Buena Vista.

Tomorrow is the last day in which you have to register. Please bear this in mind.

Mrs. E. G. Bettis has been very sick for the past few days, but is now improving.

Boston brown bread, moist and warm, at the Presbyterian ladies' supper March 31, Hively block.

Vote for the winning ticket early and then eat dinner with the young ladies at the Hively block.

Delicious home-made cake at the Presbyterian ladies' supper, Thursday evening, Hively block.

A boy baby was added to the household of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Elliott last Monday.—Buena Vista Herald.

Remember Thursday evening, March 31, the Presbyterian ladies serve supper in the Hively block. Price 35 cents.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. J. Mosgrove died yesterday morning. They have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

The public schools have a week's vacation beginning yesterday morning. The spring term begins next Monday.

Remember that the young ladies of the Christian church will give a splendid dinner and supper at the Hively block.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet Thursday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. J. E. Randol. All ladies are invited.

The McCutcheon & Cooley Theatre company began a week's engagement at the opera house on Monday evening, April 4.

At least two or three parties have received letters from Frank Prentiss, in which he states that he is well pleased with Aspen.

Mrs. L. W. Woods and Miss Mamie Woods have returned from Glenwood Springs, where they have been visiting for a month.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will give their election dinner and supper in the room in the Hively block, instead of next to Carpenters store.

The ladies' aid society of the Christian church will meet at the residence of Mrs. D. H. Craig on F street next Thursday afternoon.

See notice of dissolution of partnership of McComas & Hallock, the milliners. Mrs. Hallock will continue the business at the old stand.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Miller, of Falls City, Nebraska, on their return trip from California, stopped off for a visit with Prof. Woody and T. H. Brown.

Oliver Leonard, son of P. A. Leonard, came down from Leadville this morning en route to La Jara on a month's vacation with his mother at that place.

The young peoples' societies of Salida will have a union meeting at the Methodist church next Sunday at 4 p. m. Subject: "First Psalm, what has it to do with me?"

The revival meeting at the Methodist church will be continued throughout this week. Considerable interest is being manifested, and the congregations have been good.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Headrick gave a very pleasant party to about thirty of their friends on last Saturday evening. Dancing, cards and music were the features of the occasion.

The second union meeting of the Young Peoples' Societies of Christian Endeavor of the various churches will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday, April 3, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Parties who desire extra copies of the MAIL's big edition of to-morrow should give in their orders not later than this evening, as no more will be printed than the demand requires at time of going to press.

J. W. White, sheriff of Pitkin county, was in town Friday visiting old-time friends. He was one of the first settlers of Salida and has been at Poncha Springs for several weeks with a nephew who is taking the hot baths.

The old ruins of the Delmonico should be taken out from its present location just as soon as is possible, and not be allowed to remain there for summer visitors to gaze upon. Let the proper authorities look after this matter.

Milo Reynolds has quit Creede and gone to work on the Madonna at Monarch, where Mrs. Reynolds and the children will be a grand affair; something new and novel for the dancers of Salida. The best of music has been procured for this occasion. Everyone should go and have one of the best times on record.

Messrs. Cage & Sherman, of Alexander, Texas, write us regarding a remarkable cure of rheumatism as follows: "The wife of Mr. Wm. Pruitt, the postmaster here, had been bed-ridden with rheumatism for several years. She could get nothing to do her any good. We sold her a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and she was completely cured by its use. We refer any one to her to verify this statement." 50 cent bottles for sale by A. M. Alger, druggist.

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A New Mining Company.

The Lone Star Mining and Milling company was incorporated in Fremont, Colo., March 22, 1892. The officers of the company are: John Hulbert, president; E. B. Kelly, vice-president; F. F. Castello, treasurer and R. D. Weir, secretary; W. C. Kelley, superintendent. The directors are John Hubbard, E. B. Kelley, C. E. Mudd, E. G. Bettis and F. F. Castello.

The mines owned by the company are the Lone Star, the Lone Star No. 2 and the Lone Star No. 3 are on Gold Hill.

The properties on Gold Hill adjoin the Anaconda properties, and the same lead runs through the Lone Star properties and shows up in a well defined vein in their shafts. Mineral has already been shipped to test the property and average assays have been made, and the returns have been very satisfactory. The capital stock of the company is \$1,000,000 divided in 1,000,000 shares, of which 200,000 shares is treasury stock for development purposes.

The stock owned by the incorporators and members of the company is placed in the hands of a trustee to be held by him in trust for a period of three months and cannot be offered or sold before the expiration of that time.

The mines now have mineral that can be shipped at a good profit, so a small amount of treasury stock—30,000 shares will be offered for sale at 10 cents per share, and the proceeds from the sale of this stock will be used for developing, building shaft houses and necessary preparation for the shipment of mineral. Subscriptions are coming in rapidly for the stock, and any person wanting stock can obtain same from E. G. Bettis, Salida, Colo., who for a few days will offer a limited quantity.

The Salida Agassiz Association. The first meeting of the Salida chapter of the Agassiz association convened at the school building Saturday last. After a very interesting program a permanent organization was effected by electing Mr. S. J. Spray president and C. A. Woody secretary.

A committee on by-laws and constitution, consisting of Mrs. F. C. Woody, Prof. Champion and Prof. C. A. Woody was appointed by the chair, with instructions to report at next meeting.

A program was arranged as follows: Native Birds.....Will Gesner Light.....C. A. Woody Geology of Chaffee County.....S. J. Spray Hydrogen.....Prof. Lee Champion

Next meeting is at High School building on April 9 at 7:30 p. m. All are invited; no fees.

A Mysterious Sword. Not long since General Kennedy of Denver, found in the show window of a second-hand store a beautiful sword, which had been presented to "Capt. Altman" by his company in Pennsylvania, at the close of the war. General Kennedy paid the second-hand dealer \$5 for the sword, and wrote to Louisiana, Pa., to find the whereabouts of its owner. The result of the correspondence was, that a letter from W. P. Altman with \$5 enclosed came to General Kennedy and asked that the sword be forwarded to him. He also stated that his brother, Capt. Altman, was the owner of the sword, but they had lost all trace of him not having heard from him for nine years.

General Kennedy began an investigation to find out how the sword found its way to the second-hand store and after a vigorous search and with the assistance of others, he found that about nine years ago several boxes of goods arrived in Denver billed from Mayaville, fourteen miles from Salida, but as the freight had only been paid to Denver the goods were held there for a number of years and were finally in February last, sold at public auction for storage, which resulted in the sword finding its way into the second-hand store and later secured by General Kennedy.

Capt. Henry Altman and brother, W. P. Altman, were several years ago well known in this county, but what came of them was not known until this matter came up.

J. W. Wood went over to Cripple Creek Saturday to be gone several days. A. M. Alger has a new bicycle, too. The club will have jolly times this summer.

About fourteen of Creede's busted tourists sojourned in Salida Sunday and Monday.

If you want a good cup of coffee go to the Presbyterian ladies' supper Thursday evening, Hively block.

Mrs. H. L. Acker and daughter, Miss Helen, left Sunday for Norristown, Pa. Mr. Acker accompanied them as far as Denver.

If you are Bostonian enough to indulge in baked beans go to the Presbyterian ladies' supper Thursday evening, Hively block.

V. C. Davenport went over to Creede Saturday morning. It is reported that he will close out his interests over there this trip.

The Hively block is undergoing repairs, the glass front being lowered about sixteen inches which will add to the appearance of the place.

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A new course of study has been arranged, placing our schools upon the accredited list of the state schools. Nor has that crowned our onward march. The people of Salida voted last summer bonds to the amount of \$25,000 for a new high school, and now all is completed for its erection. The bonds were sold at a premium of several hundred dollars. The building will be heated by hot water and possess all the improvements known to modern architecture—gymnasium rooms, laboratory, library, lavatory, etc., indicating the line of growth. More than \$200 have been expended this year in books for school library, and the good work still goes on enough to show that the pride institution of our city, under the fostering care of a liberal and intelligent public, is worthy the confidence of the state and nation.

The Denver Republican for 50 Cts. The subscription price of the Denver Republican has been reduced to 50 cents per month, or \$6 per year, postage paid.

This reduction in the subscription rate does not mean any reduction in its high quality as a newspaper. On the contrary no money, labor or intelligence will be spared to raise its standard of excellence still higher in all its departments, editorial, telegraphic news, correspondence and local news. It receives every night the full reports of both the Associated Press and the United Press, aggregating 45,000 words and costing \$36,000 annually. In addition it receives from all parts of this and adjoining states "specials" giving the best news therefrom, as well as special telegrams from all the great news centers of the United States and the world.

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EIGHT FEET OF ORE Struck in the New Eclipse Tunnel at Monarch.

C. H. Abbot, superintendent of the Eclipse mine, at Monarch, brought the cheerful intelligence that the new tunnel on that property has reached ore and lots of it. They have cut an eight foot body of the finest appearing ore yet opened in the property, and the great depth below the other workings at which it was encountered goes to show that they have a large territory of rich stopping ground now ready to begin on. With silver at its old price this would mean the certainty of employment to a large number of additional miners at Monarch, but at present it is uncertain whether any additional force will be put on.

STATE AND GENERAL. Harry Hamilton on the Alamosa farm has seventeen teams at work plowing, harrowing and drilling.—San Luis Valley Courier.

A vein of natural coke is reported to have been found near Meeker. Some coal vein seems to have come in too close contact with some of the red-hot rocks kicked out of the center of the earth by Vulcan during one of his round-ups with Venius.—Georgetown Courier.

Charles D. Jones has received a very fine specimen of gray copper and chloride from his mine in Black canon. Competent judges assert that the specimen represents a better value than \$1,000 a ton. The size of the pay streak we have not yet learned.—Saguache Crescent.

The new town of Kinsey City will be a shipping point for beef, hay and grain when a railroad comes through this park whether it is built down the Blue river or along the Grand. The town will then enjoy the boom it is by natural surroundings and location entitled to. The farming area of that section embraces thousands of acres which will be devoted to the production of hay and grain and which will be watered from the Grand, the Blue and other streams.—Middle Park Times.

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Salida is surrounded by as fine an agricultural section as can be found in the state, as will be readily seen from a perusal of the following descriptions of trips made last winter. The ranches mentioned in the beginning of this article are lying close to town, and were omitted in the trips because of their convenience of access.

Between Salida and Poncha, on the river road, are the ranches of C. Carmean, Otis White and Mrs. Hutchinson, the latter place being nearest to Poncha. She has about 300 acres of ground, about sixty of which were under cultivation last season. Five acres of alfalfa were cut and seven acres more seeded last year. About thirty head of cattle, besides hogs and poultry, are kept on the place, and a flourishing young orchard is growing. Quite a large quantity of small fruit was raised last season. Mrs. Hutchinson is one of the earliest settlers of the valley, her first callers being such well-known old timers as Chief Oray and Chipeta.

Otis White has been devoting his time principally to fruit growing, having now 900 apple trees in his orchard all doing well and most of them beginning to bear.

C. Carmean has 460 acres in the Ranch El Campus and Alma Ceta ranch, sixty acres of which are in alfalfa and twenty in native hay. Last season he cut his alfalfa three times, and from thirty acres secured about 160 tons, the native hay cutting about one ton per acre. This year's crop will be about 300 tons. Thirty-five acres were in oats, peas and wheat, and yielded 1,000 bushels of grain. Two acres of potatoes yielded 20,000 pounds. Two acres were planted to cabbage, celery and cauliflower, and yielded tremendously, the vegetables being all of the finest quality. Mr. Carmean is making a specialty of dairying and gardening, having a herd of 100 cattle with the registered Holstein bull Onyx and Jersey bull Mikado Second at the head. He also raises about 100 hogs and 200 chickens every year, and has considerable small fruit in bearing.

J. T. Watkins has a ranch of 160 acres on what is known as the Missouri Park mesa, where he raises a large amount of vegetables and small fruits, and carries on dairying.

O. J. Kennedy has 120 acres near Mr. Watkins', very beautifully located and well watered. Last season he had twenty-five acres in alfalfa from ten acres of which he secured thirty-five tons in three cuttings. He now has eighty-three little chickens which will come into market as early fryers and will bring fancy prices. He has 100 grape vines, 100 rhubarb plants, 300 other small fruit plants and an order out for a lot of apple trees.

J. Droney has 480 acres lying principally on the mesa adjoining town on the west. Of this 160 acres is native meadow and is leased for pasturage. Twenty-five acres of timothy cut thirty tons last year, and twenty-five acres were seeded to alfalfa. This ground was sowed to oats but no record was made of the crop. Five acres of potatoes yielded well and a small quantity of corn was grown. Mr. Droney has 600 fruit trees out, his cherry trees bearing very generously, and a few apples and two peaches ripening last season.

### Missouri Park.

Every newspaper should become, in as large a measure as possible, the historian of its town, county and state, and its columns should be devoted largely to the development of the latent resources of its locality. This mission the MAIL, in its descriptions of ranches about Salida, is endeavoring to fulfill, and its success in that direction is left to the judgment of each individual who has the opportunity of perusing its columns. The estimates of acreage and yield in this article are mostly obtained from the owners of the ranches visited, or from their tenants, where property is rented, and are fairly accurate, though but little of the ground is actually measured and the product of grain given is machine measure, and would be greatly overrun if actual weight was figured.

The first ranch visited on a four day's trip was that of W. P. Blanchard and brothers, lying partly on Boulevard mesa and partly in the pinons at the lower end of Missouri park. During the past season these boys raised thirty acres of oats from which they threshed 685 bushels. Only five acres of the grain was irrigated at all. Twelve acres of wheat, of the seven-headed variety, gave a return of 250 bushels. From four acres of potatoes they gathered 40,000 pounds without irrigation. Thirty-

five acres of timothy and redtop meadow produced forty tons of hay, though a portion of the ground was only seeded the year before. Five acres of alfalfa, sowed the year before, cut fourteen tons. Twenty acres more were seeded this season. Twenty acres of peas yielded about 500 bushels. There are forty-seven head of hogs on this ranch and fifty cattle. About one-quarter of an acre is devoted to gooseberries and rhubarb, the sales last year amounting to \$76, and an order is out for 109 fruit trees, to be set out this spring. When these boys located their ranch they had only a team and wagon, and now they are in possession of 320 acres of splendid land.

S. J. Spray, the surveyor, has a 400 acre ranch lying entirely up among the pinons, on which he has an orchard of 400 trees which is now in bearing. He finds that most varieties of trees fruit heavily, and that the flavor and appearance of the fruit cannot be surpassed. His ranch was worked last season by H. J. Evans, who threshed 265 bushels of oats off ten acres of ground, and seventy-two bushels of wheat from five acres. One acre of potatoes produced 100 bushels. Fifty tons of alfalfa were cut from forty-six acres, thirty-five acres of it being first crop. W. C. Newby has taken a part of this ranch to work during the coming season.

C. Donaldson has forty acres in alfalfa, one-half of which was seeded this season, and cut about sixty tons from it. He secured about 200 bushels of wheat off twelve acres and 20,000 pounds of potatoes off two acres. His stock consists of thirty-five head of horses and cattle and about twenty fat hogs. Mr. Donaldson says he called upon two Salida butchers the other day and they would not buy his porkers unless he would sell at a lower price than pork would cost them laid down from Denver.

L. H. Brown raised 700 bushels of oats on twelve acres and 910 bushels of wheat on fifty acres. Fifty acres of alfalfa cut 100 tons. He has ten acres of timothy which was seeded last spring. Mr. Brown's ranch is beautifully located and improving in value with each succeeding season. A good, substantial ranch dinner was surrounded by the writer at this place and during an after-dinner conversation Mr. Brown stated that it was impossible to sell any of his grain or hay at Salida; that there was no one there who would pay cash and take grain at any price.

Robert Finley is on the Rogers ranch, but did not work it during the past season. The crops raised consisted of about 100 bushels of grain and thirty-five tons of alfalfa, the latter cut from twenty-five acres of ground. Mr. Finley expects to work the place during the coming season.

J. B. Brown has been opening up a new ranch among the pinons, having to clear it of the trees and stumps. He cut twenty-five tons of alfalfa off nine acres, at two cuttings, and has twenty-one acres more sowed. Two acres of potatoes yielded 400 bushels and thirteen acres of wheat 240 bushels. Mr. Brown has eight fine hogs and will make a specialty of pork raising. He has in one-fourth acre of strawberries and will put out fifty fruit trees this spring.

A. D. and W. P. Blanchard have a beautifully located ranch and are improving it nicely. They have sixty-five acres in alfalfa, from which they cut 150 tons. Most of this is new meadow, and next season the yield will probably be much heavier. On eight acres of wheat they secured 250 bushels and three acres of potatoes yielded 25,000 pounds. They have 100 fruit trees that were set out last spring and will put out 200 more this season. They have one-eighth of an acre of strawberries and also raspberries, grape vines, cherry and crab apple trees. Good fences and comfortable buildings for the shelter of stock are the features of this place. They have twenty-two head of cattle, mostly thoroughbred and grade Holsteins, and one three-year old registered bull weighing 1,900 pounds.

Henry Newby has a 600 acre ranch, 150 acres of which are in alfalfa, the crop this season being about 500 tons from two cuttings. Fifteen acres of potatoes yielded 100,000 pounds and quite a portion of the crop was left in the ground untouched. Ten acres of oats yielded 600 bushels and six acres of wheat gave a fair crop. There are about twenty head of cattle on this ranch. About 150 fruit trees were set out three years ago and they will bear some next season. Currants, gooseberries, raspberries and strawberries are out and doing nicely, one-eighth acre of the latter producing \$50 worth of marketable fruit after supplying the family and neighbors during the season.

Alexander Newby has 320 acres, forty of which are in alfalfa, two cuttings from which gave returns of about 275 tons. He also raised 300 bushels of wheat and 1,400 bushels of oats. Forty fruit trees are out and will begin bearing next season; also currants and gooseberries. Mr. Newby has fifty head of cattle and ten head of horses.

P. Murray devotes most of his attention to stock raising, having about

100 head of cattle. He has fifty acres of alfalfa from which he cut 200 tons, and raised six acres of peas which were cut for feed. Sixty fruit trees were out two years ago and are doing nicely.

T. J. Archer raised 440 bushels of wheat on twenty acres. He also cut six acres of hay and had a good crop of potatoes.

J. M. Bowring's ranch, on the mesa above Poncha, was reached just at supper time, and a cordial invitation to "step in and have a bite," was heartily accepted. Mr. Bowring is one of the pioneers of Colorado, having come to Denver in 1862, and possesses a large fund of enjoyable reminiscences of early days. He raised forty-two bushels of wheat on four acres, and 400 bushels of oats on fifteen acres. He has in eight acres of alfalfa and will sow more this season. He has fifty-four fruit trees, most of which will be bearing this season. The stock on Mr. Bowring's ranch consists of sixteen head of cattle and four horses.

### Little River.

From Bowring's ranch the writer returned to Salida and the next morning took the Monarch train for Maysville. Here a sprinkling of mining news was encountered, and, though it is not strictly in place in an agricultural write up, yet it shows how closely the ranchman's market is at hand and we give it in this connection.

The Rainbow, owned by E. B. Brewington, shipped ten tons last season with satisfactory results. The ore was taken out in doing development work. This property is showing up so well that E. C. Morey of Maysville and A. J. Vivian of Denver have taken a bond and lease on it and will probably work it extensively during the coming season.

E. B. Brewington also worked the assessment on the North Missouri, in Taylor gulch, and struck some very fine appearing copper ore in it.

E. C. Morey worked the Pinafore, in Cree camp, during the summer.

R. N. Scott has been working the Song Bird on a lease. This property has in past years shipped several thousand dollars worth of ore, and it is reported that Mr. Scott again has good prospects of making it a producer.

The Shamrock is reported as being bonded to Denver parties for \$30,000.

The Lilly Dale was worked all summer by Crosby, Hively and Miller, and has a good showing of fair grade ore in sight. The probabilities are that it will become a shipper next summer.

Addison Jay is running a sawmill near the foot of Shavano and supplying the Salida and local markets with lumber.

Miss Lizzie McClelland is teaching the Maysville school and reports an enrollment of twenty-six. She seems very deeply interested in her work, and appearances indicate that it is successful.

Robert Israel has a splendid 320 acre stock ranch on North Fork which was leased last season, but will be run under his personal supervision this season.

E. Schindler also has a stock and dairy ranch in the same locality.

E. C. Chapin is dairying, milking an average of eight cows all the year round. He raises rye and alfalfa for feed, the latter being cut three times during the season. He raised about two tons of potatoes and had good crops of beets, rutabagas and turnips.

The Payne ranch was sold last season to Nick Warren, who will work it next season. Last year its products, as nearly as could be learned, were twenty acres potatoes, 80,000 pounds, and seventy tons of oats and alfalfa.

Capt. A. W. Harrington's ranch was written up last fall and we omit mentioning it further than to say that his stock is flourishing and his specialties, poultry and hogs, are paying handsomely.

Good crops were raised on the ranches owned by the "Sons of Italy," but as we don't "sabe the lingo" we are unable to give particulars.

Alex Hogue raised 120,000 pounds of potatoes on eight acres; 300 bushels of oats on eight acres; fifty bushels of wheat on two acres; sixty-one bushels of rye on one and one-fourth acres. Mr. Hogue has fifty head of cattle, and has thirty fruit trees out. He raises a few hogs every season and about eighty chickens, selling 250 dozen eggs last year. He cut 100 tons of alfalfa off twenty-six acres last summer.

T. J. Wilson did not have sufficient water for his crops but raised about 50,000 pounds of potatoes on five acres. On eight acres of wheat, one-half of which was mowed for feed, he secured 160 acres of grain. Eleven acres of alfalfa cut forty tons at two cuttings. He now has fifty acres in alfalfa and has thirty head of cattle.

County Commissioner White has 320 acres in his ranch and devotes his attention almost exclusively to raising Cleveland-Bay horses, having eighty head of them and about 100 head of cattle. He has twenty acres of alfalfa and some timothy and native meadow from which he cut 275 tons last season. A small acreage of oats was cut for feed. Mr. White has sixty fruit trees out and some small fruit, such as gooseberries and currants.

M. V. Shonyo is making a specialty of cattle raising, having 160 head on the range and sixty-four head on the

ranch that are being fed for the spring market. He has seventy acres each of alfalfa and native meadow from which he cut 275 tons of hay last season. He is putting in some timothy and red top. While awaiting the preparation of dinner Mr. Shonyo showed us a magnificent two-year-old stallion from White's Cleveland-Bay horse and a Hambletonian mare. The colt is a beauty, both in appearance and action, and weighs 1,250 pounds. A splendid dinner attested the culinary skill of Mrs. Shonyo, and after a pleasant visit our tramp down the valley was resumed.

John Mundlein has a 200-acre ranch, well improved, and takes more than usual pride in keeping thoroughly informed as to the market at all seasons of the year. He cut ninety tons of timothy and alfalfa from thirty-five acres. Seven acres of potatoes yielded 100,000 pounds. Five acres of oats were cut for feed. From two acres of strawberries Mr. Mundlein sold \$300 worth of fruit, and he lost fully one-third of the crop by letting the fruit get too ripe before picking. He is feeding twenty head of steers, has forty head of other cattle, and five horses. Mrs. Mundlein raises a number of Mammoth Bronze turkeys each season; those hatched in June last year dressed fifteen to sixteen pounds at Christmas.

E. Orton is another specialist, his product being Percheron-Norman draft horses. Judging from the stock seen in his stables he is making a great success of it. He has sold one eighteen-months old stallion for \$550 and another two-year-old for \$450. He has one span of three-year-old mares that are perfectly matched, which he is now offering for sale. Mr. Orton raised 125 tons of alfalfa on sixty-five acres; 400 bushels of oats on ten acres; 250 bushels of wheat on ten acres; and 40,000 pounds of potatoes. He has twenty head of horses in all.

Thos. Alway runs three charcoal kilns in addition to his ranch, and was absent in Leadville at the time of our visit. He raised 450 bushels of oats on eighteen acres. He raised four acres of potatoes, six acres of alfalfa and eight acres of wheat, the latter being cut for feed. He has thirty-three head of cattle and six horses. An orchard of 150 trees, mostly apple, was set out last year.

W. H. Champ has 700 acres in his ranch. Thirty acres of native meadow produced forty tons of hay; fifty acres of oats threshed 1,000 bushels; three acres of potatoes produced 12,000 pounds. Mr. Champ has sixty head of cattle and twenty head of horses. A four-year-old orchard of 250 trees is beginning to bear nicely.

The Monarch train put in its appearance at this juncture, and the other ranches in this vicinity will be written up in some future issue of the MAIL.

### Adobe Park.

On Thursday morning we started up the valley for the purpose of inspecting the ranches between Salida and Chalk creek, the first on our route being that of Col. O. E. Harrington. He has seventy-five acres in alfalfa, from fifty-five acres of which he cut 230 tons. Thirty acres of oats yielded 1,300 bushels. Fifty fruit trees have been out seven years and are bearing some, but do not seem to do very well. Currants and gooseberries yield tremendously. Mrs. Harrington devotes considerable of her time to poultry raising and finds it very profitable. In 1889 she kept a record of the season's work and the results were most satisfactory. Starting in the spring with 130 hens she sold 710 dozen eggs; the family used about 600 dozen during the season, and she raised 210 chickens. Nothing was fed to them except milk and scraps from the table and they were practically clear profit, the eggs sold averaging thirty-five cents per dozen. Mr. and Mrs. Harrington are both intelligent and well informed, and take great care to keep up with the times in every way.

The county poor farm lies next to Mr. Harrington's place, and was well tilled. The new buildings are not yet accepted by the board of commissioners, but are very comfortable and substantially constructed. The house contains two wards, bath-rooms, bedrooms, dining-room, kitchen, pantry and closets on first floor and about six well lighted and ventilated rooms upstairs, all supplied with hot and cold water and heated by furnace. The barn is one story and basement, 28x44, and a substantial granary has been erected. The oat crop was threshed last week and is reported at 2,511 bushels, machine measure.

E. R. Naylor has a 200 acre ranch, adjoining the poor farm on the west, which is now being looked after by his brother, J. M. Naylor. Forty-five acres of alfalfa produced 200 tons; ninety acres of oats 3,000 bushels, and about 100 bushels of potatoes were raised. They are feeding 140 head of cattle and thirty horses.

J. B. French was visited, but as he was too ill to give any information about his work his ranch and that of James Rule, who was away from home, will be reserved for future notice. It must be noted, however, that Mr. French has a fine lot of horses, and makes a specialty of raising good stock.

Thos. Cameron has two ranches, one of 167 acres on this side of the river and 160 acres on the other side. He has twenty-five acres in alfalfa, twelve in pasture, and cut thirty tons from the other twelve. Sixty acres of timothy and clover cut 145 tons. Eighteen acres of oats yielded 600 bushels. Thirty bushels of wheat were raised. Mr. Cameron has thirty head of cattle at the ranch, about seventy head on the range and sixteen head of horses. He has about 150 fruit trees out and will probably put out considerable more this year.

Mrs. D. F. Jennings is teaching the Adobe Park school and reports an enrollment of twenty-two pupils.

J. H. Hathaway has purchased the two ranches owned by E. B. Jones. They contain 320 acres in all but were worked separately. On the home ranch last season sixty acres of oats were harvested with a yield of 1,780 bushels. Sixty acres of alfalfa cut 120 tons of hay. Fifteen head of cattle and six horses are kept on this place. The other 160 will be worked this season by John Goodall. Last season the only crop raised was sixty

acres of oats, which threshed 1,800 bushels.

B. F. Dinkle has a new ranch near the foot hills on which he raised twenty-four acres of oats which threshed 575 bushels, and three acres of potatoes which produced 300 bushels. He has out a few apple trees, gooseberries and currants.

R. Wheeler raised ten acres of oats from which he obtained 225 bushels, and four acres of potatoes. He has seven head of cattle.

Wm. Malcom has seven acres of alfalfa. Seventy acres of oats yielded 2,000 bushels and three acres of wheat thirty bushels. He has thirty head of cattle, eight horses and from fifty to seventy chickens.

C. G. Peterson raised 400 bushels of oats on thirty-five acres, and cut fifteen tons of hay from two and one-half acres of alfalfa. He raises considerable cabbage and other vegetables every season.

C. M. Lawrence raised eighty-seven bushels of wheat on fifteen acres and will work his own ranch, under the new Sunnyside Park ditch, the coming season.

Richard and D. L. Sueddon are mining most of the time and raised but little on either of their ranches.

The ranch of A. Wright, Jr., was reached in time for a very late and unusually acceptable dinner. He worked only about ten acres last season, believing that there was more money in gardening than field crops. He is well satisfied with the result, having sold 100,000 pounds of cabbage besides large quantities of other vegetables. He has one-half acre of strawberries from which he sold considerable fruit last season, and this year will undoubtedly obtain a handsome yield. He has put out raspberries, gooseberries, dewberries and currants.

Brown Wyrick raised a good crop of vegetables and garden truck on his place and is arranging to raise peas, pork and chickens next season.

J. Bowen raised six acres of potatoes, seven of oats, and has twenty-five head of cattle.

Miss V. S. Witmer is teaching school in Brown's canon, district No. 18, and has an enrollment of eleven.

### Centreville.

Henry Weber, Sr., raised fifty-two bushels of wheat on two acres; 215 bushels of oats on four acres; and 15,000 pounds of potatoes on four acres. He also raised between 5,000 and 6,000 pounds of peas on five acres, and sold 5,000 pounds of cabbage from one-fourth acre. Mr. Weber has fifteen cattle.

Henry Weber, Jr., had his ranch leased to T. G. Ewers, who raised fair crops of oats, peas and cabbage.

W. J. Chase raised 150 bushels of wheat on four acres; 300 bushels of oats on twelve acres, and about 200 bushels of potatoes on three acres. He also cut seven acres of peas for feed.

Perry Bertschey had ten acres in oats, wheat, potatoes and peas, his ranch being comparatively a new one. He raised about 200 bushels of wheat and oats.

County Commissioner Ehrhart's was the next place reached, and here the cold, weary newspaper man was hospitably entertained for the night. Mr. Ehrhart has very business-like methods in his farming, and seems to be prosperous. He raised fifty acres of oats, from which he threshed 1,400 bushels; five tons of alfalfa on three acres; 450 bushels of peas on fifteen acres; 1,200 bushels of wheat on forty-five acres; 2,500 pounds of potatoes on four acres, and cut thirty tons of hay off thirty acres of native meadow. He also raised 600 bushels of wheat on another ranch which was worked by Danies Paquette, there being forty-nine acres in the crop. Ten acres of oats on the same place yielded sixty-five bushels. Mr. Ehrhart raises about fifty head of hogs every year, and has sent to Iowa for a registered Poland-China boar. He has some beautiful grade Norman colts and will soon have some elegant draft horses and roadsters in his stables.

F. Bertschey raised twenty acres of oats and threshed 685 bushels; fifteen acres of peas cut for feed which will average about thirty bushels per acre; 60,000 pounds of potatoes on eight acres; five acres of peas and oats, cutting ten tons to feed. Mr. Bertschey raises about forty hogs and 150 chickens each year and is also getting in thoroughbred Poland-China stock from Iowa. He has twenty head of cattle and six horses.

Henry Yerkes and Jos. W. Taylor of Denver own the old Walker ranch, and also a fine ranch on Brown's creek. They have about thirty head of horses, their stud being headed by Minnie Almont, with a trial record of 2:24. They also have John Arman, bred from the Sprague family of horses, a very fine looking animal, and a splendid yearling by Almont, out of a Winship mare. Also a span or two-year old grades by Almont, valued at \$300 each. The home ranch contains 420 acres. It cut last season forty tons of native and twenty tons of timothy hay from fifty acres, fifteen of which were timothy. Fifteen acres of wheat threshed 200 bushels; 110 acres of oats yielded 3,000 bushels, and twenty acres of potatoes produced 80,000 pounds. Thirty head of cattle and 100 hogs are kept on this place.

D. M. Foreman is teaching the Brown's Creek school, district No. 2, very successfully, having fifteen pupils enrolled.

Mrs. Bassham's ranch was worked by her son-in-law, and produced 380 bushels of oats from ten acres; 300 bushels of wheat from fifteen acres; 6,000 pounds of potatoes from one and one-half acres and eight tons of hay. Twenty-five head of hogs were raised last season.

Wm. Cantonwine raised 352 bushels of barley on sixteen acres; 16,000 pounds of potatoes on two acres; four acres of oats and six of peas were grown and cut for feed. Mr. Cantonwine has fifty head of hogs, eighteen cattle and seven horses. He also cut twenty-eight tons of native hay off thirty-three acres.

Frank Land, on Gas creek, raised 833 bushels of oats on twenty-eight acres; 240 bushels of wheat on twelve acres; and cut seven tons of green oats and six acres of peas for feed. He cut eighteen tons of hay from fifteen acres of timothy and native meadow. He has fifty-four hogs, 200 chickens, twenty-two bronze turkeys

and fifty-four Pekin ducks. He sold \$835 worth of poultry in two years when running incubators, but is not now so extensively engaged in that line.

Smith Steele had his ranch leased to Lee Dixon and L. B. Walker, who raised ten acres of potatoes; forty acres of oats without irrigation from which they threshed 1,600 bushels; eighteen acres of peas cut for feed; and thirty-five tons of native hay. They have 110 chickens and a small amount of stock.

John D. Coon is the most extensive rancher in this section of the valley his ranch containing 640 acres. Part of this ground was leased, John Cantonwine raising eight acres of wheat which yielded 230 bushels, and twelve acres of oats from which he threshed 580 bushels. The home ranch produced 125 tons of hay, there being twenty acres each of alfalfa and timothy. Seven horses, twenty-five cattle, twelve hogs and 200 to 300 chickens are kept at this place.

J. J. Donley worked one of the ranches and raised twenty acres of red wheat from which he threshed 459 bushels; fifty-eight acres of oats which yielded 2,000 bushels, and twenty acres of peas which were cut for feed and would thresh about 34,000 pounds. We had the pleasure of dining with "Ike" and his pleasant young wife, and wish them prosperity in proportion to their generous hospitality.

Al. Cantonwine raised three acres of peas, which he was threshing at the time of our visit. From twenty-five acres of oats he threshed 796 bushels; and from thirteen acres of wheat 227 bushels. Six acres of potatoes gave a fair yield. He has twenty-five cattle, ten horses and forty hogs.

Bassham Bros. worked the Tom Walker place and on seventy acres of oats obtained a yield of 1,144 bushels; eight acres of potatoes threshed out 30,000 pounds, and they cut six tons of native hay. They have twenty-three head of cattle.

John G. Evans worked the Diggs ranch and raised potatoes, oats and wheat.

Krell, Gates and Peter Davis have all located new ranches under the highline ditch, but raised no crops of value last season.

Wm. Crymble bought the John G. Evans ranch and raised twenty acres of oats. Three acres were fed green and the remainder threshed 699 bushels; thirty acres wheat yielded 1,131 bushels; ten acres of potatoes produced 100,000 pounds. He cut fifty tons of native hay. Ten head of hogs, fifteen head of cattle and 100 chickens constitute the stock usually kept on the place. Mr. Crymble raised a fine lot of cabbage and cauliflower on his school land, but the cattle got in and destroyed all of it.

Thomas Morgan raised thirty-five acres of oats which threshed 820 bushels; forty acres of wheat which yielded 1,000 bushels; ten acres of peas cut for feed, and 20,000 pounds of potatoes on five acres. He has eight acres of timothy meadow and fifty head of hogs.

Mary Halpin is teaching the Gas creek school, having twenty-one pupils enrolled. This district has a very neat brick school house.

John Cantonwine raised twenty acres of peas and potatoes on his home ranch, the yield being about 300 bushels of each.

J. C. Irving raised 2,000 bushels of barley on 125 acres and 125 bushels of wheat on fifteen acres. Five acres of potatoes were raised and sixty head of hogs.

Robert Denham worked the Griffith Evans ranch. He raised sixty-one bushels of wheat and 300 bushels of oats on ten acres; also fifteen acres of peas cut for feed and fifty tons of native hay on thirty-five acres. He has twenty hogs and fifteen head of cattle.

Geo. L. Smith is one of the old-timers of Brown's creek, and so well known to our readers as to need no eulogy. He has been ranching successfully for years at his present location—the last place visited on our trip. He raised twenty-two acres of wheat last year which yielded 569 bushels; three acres of potatoes yielding 16,000 pounds; twenty-five acres of oats yielding 800 bushels, and cut 100 tons of native hay. He has fifteen head of cattle, ten horses, fifty hogs and fifty chickens, and is making a specialty of thoroughbred hogs, having had White Victorias and recently receiving a pair of registered Poland-Chinas from well known Iowa breeders. He also raised 25,000 pounds of peas for feed.

This closed the work of a four days' trip, and the remaining ranches in the vicinity of Nathrop and Salida will be written up as soon as possible.

### FREMONT COUNTY FARMS

**Found in the Vicinity of Howard and Coaldale—What their Workers Have Accomplished During the Past Season—Fruit Growing Commenced.**

The tourist, the capitalist or the home seeker who comes up through the Royal Gorge on the Scenic Line of America, is apt to imagine that from the time he left Canon City with her orchards and vineyards until he reaches Salida with her shops and yards, he has passed through a section of country devoid of resources, aside from its granite and lime quarrying, lime and charcoal burning. As the train turns and twists about the hills, following the tortuous course of the Arkansas river, an occasional patch of ground under cultivation may be observed from the car window and two or three young orchards may be seen near Howard station, but the general impression is one of beautiful scenery and solitude.

Realizing from the MAIL's large lists of subscribers at the various postoffices down the valley that there must be more in this section than could be seen from the cars, the editor started on Thursday morning for a three days' trip in that direction. Securing a rig from Peterson's stables, with a guarantee that the horse was not afraid of the cars, the start for Howard was made at half-past nine. The first surprising feature of the trip was the splendid condition of the road. Road Overseers Eugene of Chaffee county, and Freeman of Fremont, have evidently attended to their duties in a very thorough and conscientious manner. They have kept the road free from loose rocks and

all the bridges and culverts in good repair. The only suggestion that could be made as to its further improvement would be for the authorities of Fremont county to begin at Stout creek bridge and open a new road on the south side of the river from that point to Wellsville, thus avoiding a number of very dangerous railroad crossings. The ranchmen all favor this plan, and no doubt many of them would be willing to contribute labor during the winter months in order to assist in securing it.

Howard was reached at half past eleven and the store, managed by Mr. Pickett, the place visited. A stock of goods is kept here suitable for the limited trade of the section.

The residence of J. H. Freeman, Jr., was next visited but this gentleman was away from home, having left for Cripple Creek the day before. He is interested in townsite and mining property in the new bonanza district and is highly pleased with the outlook.

A few rods up the river the residence of L. L. Freeman was reached. Here improvements were in progress in the shape of an addition to the house. A nice young orchard has been planted here and this season one peach tree bore fine fruit and some splendid Concord grapes ripened on the vines. Fifty ripened plums were put out last spring on the place and a few older trees are beginning to bear. After surrounding an old-fashioned farm house, Mr. W. White, a nephew of J. H. Freeman, Jr., brought out some very fine views which had been taken with a \$15 Hawkeye camera. He came out from New York last spring and discovered a splendid vein of slate in the hills about five miles from Howard, from which he expects to be able to realize something next season. Good crops of oats, peas, alfalfa and potatoes were raised this year on this place, and with twenty-five head of horses and from 100 to 300 head of cattle its owner is in a fairly prosperous condition.

Proceeding up Howard creek L. J. Morrison's place was reached but he was away teaching school, so no information was obtained as to crops raised.

L. H. Mains was found at the next ranch where he is located for the winter, his own property being at the head of the creek, at which place he has forty acres under cultivation. Thirty acres of this is in alfalfa and timothy which was seeded last spring. Two acres of potatoes yielded about 600 bushels of excellent tubers. Mr. Mains is preparing for all the comforts of a home and has put in raspberries, strawberries, currants and apple trees.

Mrs. O. B. Hill owns the ranch where Mr. Mains was found, and had five acres of alfalfa and one acre of corn this year. She has thirty apple trees out, all too young to bear.

At the old Howard ranch Mr. Pickett was found. She stated that twelve acres of oats had been raised the past season, but as they were cut for feed no approximation of the yield could be obtained. A good crop of native hay was also cut on this ranch, most of which will be fed on the premises. Twenty-five apple trees are out, also strawberries, gooseberries and currants.

Next above the Howard ranch is the home of S. M. Amy, one of the pioneers of the valley. This gentleman came up to Pleasant Valley in 1873, and located the place now owned by L. L. Freeman, which he sold with the intention of securing a location in either the Grand or Gunnison valley on the removal of the Utes, but after looking around for a while he returned to his first love and selected the ranch on which his present cozy brick residence stands. The fences and buildings are well kept up, and everything about the place indicates a thrifty proprietor. During the past season thirty bushels of wheat were raised, two acres of oats; three acres of alfalfa gave a return of twenty tons for three cuttings, and three acres of potatoes were cultivated with light returns. Twelve of apple trees produced five bushels of apples this year, the yield being diminished greatly by hail and wind storms. Two cherry trees bore splendidly this year; also plum and prune trees. Fifty young apple trees were set out last spring, and currants, gooseberries and raspberries have been out long enough to commence bearing. An invitation to remain all night was accepted, but an hour of daylight remaining was spent in a trip to Booher Bro's ranch farther up the creek. They have recently located here, as also has W. L. Kirk, and the present season they all succeeded in raising enough vegetables for their own use.