## The Granite and Mining Operations

A holiday edition of any newspaper would be sadly lacking and great would be the disappointment of the general public if a full resume of granite and mining operations were not chronicled.
It is not an idle boast when we say that the Salida monumental granite is the best in the world. It is a huge claim to make but it is nevertheless so true that we cannot refrain from calling attention to the granite progress of the last year. Our
table shows that we have shipped 35 cars of granit this year table shows that we have ship

The reason this granite is superior is because it withstands a greater heat than any other granite, being 915 degrees. The aborption of our granite is one-fourth of one per cent. The aborption of the Barre granite is 1.82 per cent. The density gives about 4.45 pounds more per cubic foot. The shade of of our granite is sufficiently dark that inking is not necessary to tone the quality, as is frequently done with other granites, and wears out with age, leaving it too light a shade. This is the reason that granite holdings have advanced in price so rapidly.
It has stimulated the price of real estate in Salida also. Besides It has stimulated the price of real estate in Salida also. Besides
this the lettering of the granite is a valuable feature. By some strange coincidence when a blow is struck the Salida granite the "stun" of the blow penetrates the granite to the depth of several inches, thus making it impossible for the clear, white
letters to wear out and become dull. The white o' the hammered letters lasts forever, as well as the high lustre and polish of the dark blue face. The blow on a piece of Salida granite acts the same as the blow on a large cake of ice: one can look through the ice and see the depth of the "stun." Investigation and experimentation have shown that the effect is the same on
Salida granite as it is on ice. This is not a fact with any other granite ever discovered and is a valuable adjunct because the letters
stands.

The Santa Fe trail is marked by Salida granite, selected from all the granites in the world, submitted for inspection by the experts. More than this the handsome large monument erected in memory of the eighteen brave men who were massacred by the Indians at Oberlin, Kas., in 1878 was likewise selected from Salida granite, which was also selected from all the granite of the world and the contract given for Salida granite, though the bid price was $\$ 60$ higher than the lowest bid.

Mining
The two large strikes of ore in the Madonna mine at Monarch and the large strike of gold and copper ore in the Lily mine at Garfield, together with the sulphide strike of gold in the Viviandier mine at Turret mark the most important mining operations of the past year. Both the Lily and Madonna are shipping ore regularly now and have been for the past two months, and forty cars going out from each mine every month is not placing the estimate too high. Some of this ore, in fact
almost all of it, gives smelter returns of $\$ 25$ per ton on an average. Some assorted lots have gone even higher than this and in the Lily samples of copper ore have been assayed to run 80 er cent copper.
Just over the hill from Monarch to the North Fork has altitude of 11,000 feet and is a large mill, costing approximately $\$ 20,00$ to build, being equipped with all modern machinery and apparatus. The capacity is fifty tons daily and the type is concount of freezing of the water supply it is the plan, we undestand, to run the mill the entire winter next season, as the orstand, to run the mill the entire winter next season, as the ore

The Cameron Mountain mining district is showing fine. A good vein of ore has been encountered in the Manitou' properties, which shows good assay values and this is one of the mines that will be a regular shipper as soon as David Heaton rebuilds the old Hecla branch ot the D. \& R. G. railroad, on

## ADVANCE OF CHAFFEE COUNTY

Steady Advance All Through the County. Monumental Granite Makes Big Advance

cHAFFEE COUNTY, by comparison of figures in our specially prepared table, has shown that she is on the move. There is an increase all down the on the move. There is an increase all down the spring the frost killed the fruit, or most of it, but the growers are almost unanimous in the opinion hat the buds could have been saved with the smudge pots Last year we shipped several cars of apples and in each and
every case they were pronounced the very best. Small fruits were not injured and produced well. There is also a marked decrease in range stock during the past year. This is caused by the hard winter of 1909 in which many cattle perished, the winter was so severe that they even froze on board train; a umber were driven out of the county to a better range. Ih he average temperature being 41 degrees. This, of course has been fine for range cattle and at the present time everything ooks promising for an easy winter for stock. The cattl shipped came from Nathrop but were billed from Salida. Hog have been fed in Salida and shipped out of here to a greate extent this year than last, on account of J. F. Hutchinson of
Salida selling out his meat business in the city and devoting his time to hog raising for export. Six cars have already been shipped and it is likely that three more will be shipped before

## Tabulation of Chaffee County 1909-10


the first of the year, as Mark Campbell, manager for Mr utchinson, declares that he is feeding up a fine bunch of hog The present time, getting them ready for shipment.

ked with a star to indicate that an explanation is necessary
The acreage was given us by Max Diekman, water commissioner and crop census representative for Lake and Chaffee counties, his figures including the acreage of both counties The hay acreage quoted is about two thirds raised in Lake ounty, but the balance of the products quoted hold the most creage in this county. A good deal of the hay shipped from Salida comes from the San Luis valley. The grain yield this eason has not been up to the average per acre on account of
more and the total amount raised is more than it was in 1909
Of especial note in the summary of the year is the market
Of especial note in the summary of the year is the market library almost doubling itself. Many valuable govern, the garden and large green houses of the Crutcher-Plimpton Co.,
located but a mile or so from Salida. These green houses and

## Carnegie Public Library

## Once again the spirit of the glad Christmas time has taken

 possession of the Public Library. The beautiful rooms are made even more attractive with potted plants, holly andChristmas greens. The whole atmosphere of the place is one Christmas greens. The whole atmosphere of the place is one
of peace and good cheer. The children's room which is the of peace and good cheer. The children's room which is the
great attraction of both old and young has on its holiday garb and troops of children are going there every day to read the magazines and papers provided for them. The St. Nicholas, the Youth's'Companion, The American Boy and many others which are on their tables are teeming with the most enchanting

Through the generosity of the University Club a fine colection of the latest and best juvenile dooks have been ordered and will

The bulletin board is artistically filled with pictures and teresting matter of the season

Adding greatly to the decorations of the place are the rustic vases and pots for the Oleander trees and other tropical plants which are in the library. These the Crews-Beggs Co., with their accustomed generosity to the library, have donated. The
English ivy recently given by Mrs. A. C. Twichell adds much English ivy recently given by Mrs. A.

The periodical department, like every other department has had a marvelous growth during the past year. There are now over a hundred periodicals coming regularly to the library, any of them being donated.

Right here is one of the most effective places for the Christmas giving. When you are sending in your orders for your magazines consult with the librarian and secure extra ou little or nothing extra and will help the library greatly Last month there were almost 1500 readers against nine in November of last year which shows the increasing interest and patronage of this special department.

Another feature of the library which has been most profitable and popular is the pay-fiction department. It gives the public a chance to read the latest books at a nominal cost and at the same time helps to build up the library. There are at the present 110 books on the counter while almost a hundred have paid for Ang the latest books received are the "Doce Xmas Eve," sequel to "Bride of the Mistletoe, by James Lane Allen, from the former our first page quotation was taken "African Game Trails," Roosevelt; "The Blue Bird," Maetertincke; "Friendship Village," Zona Gale; "Redpepper Burns,"
Richmond; "The Siege of the Seven Suitors," Nicholson "Ann Boyd," Harbin; "Rules of the Game," White; "Sonny's Father," Ruth McEnery Stuart; "Max," Katherine Cecil Thurston; "The Last Ambassador," E. Phillips Oppenheim; "Prodigious Hickey." Owen Johnson; "Clever Betsey," Louise Burnham, "The Uncrowned King," Harold Bell Wright The Way to Peace," Margaret Geland; "Keith of the Border," Randall Parrish; "The Green Patch," Von Hulten "Burning Daylight," Jack London;"The Shogun's Daughter," Robert Ames Bennett; "John Winterburn's Family," Alice Brown; "The Window at the White Cat," Rinehart; "The word Maker," Robert Barr. Besides these there are many attention are "Life's Tints" and "Wild Rose"" by Miss Clar V. Fleharty, who is known to many Salida people. Miss Fharty lives in Chicago and spent last summer in Salida. $y$ interested in its welfare.
The increase in the number of books has been good, the publications have been added, including the last census reports as far as now published.


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## In what will perhaps be the finest

 Elks, Salida children will be enter-tained $\begin{array}{lll}\text { tained } & \text { Monday afternoon at Osos } \\ \text { Grand. } & \text { The children are requested to }\end{array}$ meet at the old EIks Hall at $2: 00$
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In these joyful Christmas times we are constrained o turn our thoughts in the direction of the recent
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## TRUE GiIVING．

 Look into the skies，the soft filmy clouds，the lace
work of angels，beyond which is He who rules yon and me and all the worlds．For ages and ens he has been worshipped by men and women who never
knew Christmas．There were many religions，almost as many as there are becauses and quesions；but not one was founded on love．What in religion？Some－
times it might seem that it is anything a man might mostly of faith．And most of us don＇t know what faith is－axcept that it is one of the finest of all things we can experience and know．
That the sons and daughters of men should，know
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Cheapest."
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We wish to thank you for the liberal patronage extended during the year about to close. We extend to you all the greetings of the season

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## A.HapRs New Year

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salespeople to serve you.

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## GREETING

E extend a wish that in the dawning of W the New Year you may find the Bank of Prosperity holds a generous fund to your credit. We've been thinking maybe you have a suggestion how we may the better serve you this year. Send it along. It's our purpose to mierit your confidence in our service.

Very truly yourc,

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