

the consideration will be something like \$50,000.

A light-footed individual entered the El Paso house at Buena Vista, Colorado, a few mornings ago, at an early hour and proceeding to the room where the proprietor was sleeping, drew his trousers from under the pillow and took two pocketbooks from them containing \$25 in money. No clue.

The Raton Electric Light plant at Raton, New Mexico, has been sold at public auction to satisfy a judgment of \$3,000 against it, held by the First National Bank of Raton. Fred Bruegman, the present manager of the concern, bid it in. The plant is valued at \$10,000.

The shipments of ore from Cripple Creek, Colorado, via Canon, for August and September, was 827,705 pounds. Of this 614,045 pounds went to Denver, 192,730 to Leadville and 20,930 to Pueblo. Teams are hauling constantly and the tonnage of the next two months will be increased.

New Mexico's school of mines is located at Socorro, where it has twenty acres of fine land and a \$40,000 building. The Socorro *Chieftain* has lately issued a pamphlet in regard to the school and calls on the territory to give it the support that its importance demands for it.

Spiro Dragomanovich and his wife, Loise, who were whipped and sand-bagged M. Kosach the other night at San Francisco, have been arrested and held on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. The Russians claim that they are not of their rationality.

The Boise *Mail* says F. B. Schermhorn, assistant mineralogist for Idaho's Columbian commissioners, now located in this city, is receiving his samples of ores from the various mines in Custer, Lemhi and Alturas counties. This collection is composed of more than 100 specimens and will be one of the finest shown.

The body of a man has been found on the beach about ten miles above Santa Monica canyon San Francisco, supposed to be the remains of young Anderson, who mysteriously disappeared from the sleeping car of the Southern Pacific company on the new wharf at the canyon on the night of the 16th of last month.

Fred Mendenhall, a miner employed on the Smuggler, at Aspen, Col., fell from the ladder on Wednesday, sustaining injuries from which he died. Mendenhall, with a number of other miners, was just going up from luncheon, from some unaccountable reason, deceased lost his hold and fell about twenty-five feet.

When Hon. George W. Childs was in Denver on his way to attend the dedicatory services of the Childs-Drexel home at Colorado Springs, says the Denver *News*, he stated that he desired to make a donation to the Newspaper Writers' union, this city. In pursuance of this promise the genial proprietor of the Philadelphia *Ledger* has forwarded his check for \$100.

Mining in Colorado is looking up, says an exchange. At Creede a num-

ber of determined gentlemen, camped on the outer bound of a valuable property, are facing each other, rifles of large caliber in hand. This is so much like old times that the heart of the pioneer thrills, but at intervals there comes a feeling of apprehension that after all there may be no shooting.

There is much excitement in the City of Mexico over a search that has been conducted by Inaco Dosha and associates in the little town of Tepezotlan, near where the \$21,000,000 in gold that, according to tradition, supported by documentary evidence, lies buried in the old cathedral of Tepezotlan, where it was stored by the Jesuits about the close of the eighteenth century.

Sundance (Wyoming) *Gazette*: Sundance witnessed another gold excitement yesterday. It seems that some very valuable placer claims have been discovered, just where we have not been able to ascertain. Several of our business men got wind of the fact and the town was almost depopulated in a very short time. It is a foregone conclusion that Crook county has gold, just how much it is impossible to state.

The city council of Durango, Colorado, has refused to grant permission to the Bell Telephone company to use the streets for its wires. The objection was that the company has contracted with seventy subscribers at \$80 per year; that its patents will expire in March; that the service will then become cheaper, and that it would be short-sighted policy to permit citizens to bind themselves with an \$80 contract when by holding off till March cheaper service will be possible.

A telegram from Rapid City, South Dakota, says Wilcoxson's saw mill was blown all over the town of Black Hawk, seven miles north, this morning (the 7th inst.) as the result of the explosion of a boiler. Three employees were buried in the debris and when dug out Ben Richardson was found dead and L. Hart and a man named Stewart badly crippled and injured. Stewart may die. The explosion is reported to have been due to low water in the boiler.

Says the Helena *Independent*: A voluminous complaint has been filed in the district court by Grant & Whalen against the Helena school trustees. It is alleged that the cost of the building was \$113,246.08, and that \$51,114.32 had been paid, leaving a balance of \$62,113.76. The contractors say they were delayed two months by reason of the deep excavations necessary for the foundations. Among other things it is alleged that materials were furnished not included as extras.

A report comes from South Valley that Joe Lynch, who was shot through the body some weeks ago in a saloon at Wellington by a vaquero named "Tex" and who it was thought would recover, is now in a dangerous condition, with the chances against his recovery, as blood poisoning has set in. If the man dies "Tex" may find himself in a bad box, as there seems to be considerable satisfaction among the people of that section because he was not held for the shooting.—*Dayton (Nevada) Times*.

Reports of the wanton slaughter of

game in the northern part of Fremont county, Wyoming, have reached Sheridan, says the Evanston *News*. Whole herds of elk and other game are being slaughtered, and even a number of the few remaining buffalo; supposed to be under the protection of the government, have been shot by the so-called sportsmen. The slaughter is certainly no worse in Fremont county than in this county especially by Indians, and Sheriff Ward will add new laurels to his crown if he takes prompt steps to bring the red rascals to punishment.

A special to the Denver *News* from Pueblo, Colo., says: Considerable speculation has been rife over the probable effect of the death of Jay Gould to Pueblo, and the different projects in which he was so largely interested in this vicinity. The consensus of opinion is that it will be of vast benefit, especially to the extension of the Missouri Pacific to Gunnison, as then the whole line to the east could procure fuel at simply the cost of production. Mr. Gould for some time has been indisposed to assume new responsibilities, while those associated with him have realized the advisability of many extensions of practical necessity to the system.

The Terris Gold and Silver Mining & Milling company, of Marysvale, are out with the prospectus. The company is offering a limited number of non-assessable shares for sale to enable the directors to prosecute work on the John Lincoln mine which is the most promising of their numerous claims. A tunnel is now in about 40 feet on the ledge and a contract of 100 feet more is to let soon, the end of which will be some 300 feet below the surface crop-pings. The ledge is a large one and some small streaks of rich carbonate ore has been struck in it, which will assay nearly \$156.00 per ton.

This from the De Lamar (Idaho) *Nugget*: Messrs. Fred and Archie Jordan have returned from the Neil Mining district, where they had been representing some mining claims. They brought with them some samples of gold ore which prospect way up, and feel much elated over the outlook for that camp. In the spring they intend to run a crosscut tunnel that will cut their favorite ledge at a depth of between two and three hundred feet. The Plowman mill is working nicely and giving satisfactory results. That Neil is destined to be one of the dividend paying camps of Idaho is as certain as any undemonstrated mining propositions.

A few days ago a prisoner at the Nevada state prison, while working in the laundry, was lifting some clothes out of boiling water, when the bench on which he was standing gave way and precipitated him into a large tank of hot water, where for a few moments he was completely immersed. He gave an agonizing cry for help, when several persons rushed to the tank and pulled him out. His clothes were removed at once and his body covered with flour, this being the only available remedy at hand. His face and body were horribly scalded and his left arm was literally cooked to the bone and shrunk to half the natural size. The physician says that in all his experience he has never seen so frightful a case of scalding.