"BUSINESS IS BUSINESS."

A Tale of this Christmas Time.

The Goodcheer Family Take a Fireside Ramble Among the Stores and Places, Before they Spend their Holiday Money.

Mr. Paterfamilias Goodcheer, Mrs. Materfamilias Goodcheer, and the numerous little Goodcheers of both sexes and divers ages and sizes, were seated cosily around the cheerful family hearthstone the other evening, and the conversation naturally turned upon Christmas time and the many good things desirable for the enjoyment of the holidays and the winter time generally. One store after another was mentioned, with the various things they contained, until sharp little Tommy cried out, "Let us go through all the stores and see what they all sell." This the other children said was a capital idea. As the whole family were in excellent good humor, all were quickly agreed, Mr. P. G. and Mrs. M. G. consenting, as they self-excusingly observed, "just to please the children." But how to remember all the stores was the question. This Mr. P. G. solved by saying they would take them alphabetically, and to do this the more readily and completely they would consult the columns of the

Deseret News.

in which, Mr. P. G. observed, Mrs. M. G. assenting, might be found the names of all the live business firms in the City, the News being the pioneer paper of the Rocky Mountains, having the largest circulation, and being moreover one of the best and most acceptable family papers published in the country, and being printed and published at the

Deseret News Steam-Printing and Publishing Establishment,

the largest and most complete institution of the kind in the Rocky Mountain Region. Therefore the choice of the News seemed eminently appropriate.

The first name on the list in alphabetical order was

Geo. A. Alder,

who deals in boots, shoes, hats, caps, ladies' furs, gents' gloves, etc., wholesale and retail, all of them necessaries, especially at this season. The store of

Carl C. Asmussen

came next under consideration, and here the feminines dwelt delightedly as they in imagination gazed upon his fine stock of clocks, watches, spectacles, opera and field glasses, telescopes, and general jewelry.

F. Auerbach & Bro.,

it was remarked, sold gents' furnishing goods, fancy dress goods, notions, ornaments, hats and caps, and dry goods generally. Here Harry had a thought about shooting rabbits over Jordan, and he said that

Joe Barker

could repair the shot gun, and put it in good order, besides repairing locks, stoves and cutlery, and also sharpening saws.

Blumenthal Bros.,

it was stated, had an auction of holiday goods at their store every evening, where some things might be had cheap.

Boukofsky & Bro.

were mentioned as purchasers of furs, hides and wool. The girls knew the store of

Calder & Careless

well, as thence came their Mason & Hamlin organ and Wilson sewing machine, and there were sold pianos and all sorts of musical instruments, musical literature, and musical merchandise. Tommy had also noticed the miniature steamships and steam engines of various kinds in the window, and he said how he hoped Santa Claus would bring him one, and the girls thought a musical box or a workbox would suit them better, while the smaller children were in favor of toy books and toys generally. It was observed that

Cornell & Co.

dealt in big turkeys, etc., and, of course, a turkey must be had for Christmas.

Cornell, Watson, & Ireland,

Mrs. M. G. observed, sold china, crockery, and glassware, also lamps and lamp furniture, with illuminating fluid to fill them, all very necessary things to a perfect enjoyment of the holidays.

Davis, Howe, & Co.,

was a large firm in the machinery business, which it would be well to think of after the holidays. But the store of

Geo. W. Davis

was one which hundreds would visit, as he sold family and fancy groceries, dried fruits, provisions, and was noted for his superior teas and coffees. The new firm of

Day & Co.

received favorable mention, as it sells staple and fancy groceries, hardware, glassware, crockery, provisions, and many other kinds of merchandise. Though the firm is new, Mr. Day is one of our old business men. Then said Angelina, "There is the music store of

Daynes & Son,

that is where Mrs. Perfect Semitone had her sweet-toned Estey organ from, and Mrs. A. Stitchintime her New American Sewing Machine." The firm also sells pianos and other musical instruments, music, and musical merchandise of every description. At the large new store of

H. Dinwoody,

Mrs. G. said, could be seen an extensive and elegant stock of furniture, and he also sold best live geese feathers at low prices. One of the girls remarked that

Dunford & Sons

sold boots and shoes, hats and caps, ladies' furs and gents' gloves, and that theirs was an excellent store for articles in that line, particularly in sharp or bad weather, as such things were greatly needed then.

C. R. Durst,

it was noted, sold lumber, firewood, cedar posts, bricks, etc., which would be remembered when building and fencing came along. At the name of

James Dwyer

all the little eyes twinkled and the little tongues chattered about his books and toys of divers descriptions, the dolls and the lively dancing little niggers receiving especial commendation. Willie here spoke up and said that

Dyer & Arbogast

had for sale a large and fine assortment of home made candies and confectionery, also oysters, all very good to take. Studious Sammy remarked that the

Educational Bureau

would furnish school books and many other things in that line, besides doing a number of other useful things if required. Tommy said he had heard that

Mr. Ellason

was a good mechanician and an excellent hand to put a watch to rights, also that he had a stock of good clocks and watches and attractive jewelry.

L. Goldberg & Co.

one of the boys said, sold hats and gents' furnishing goods, also ready made clothing, manufactured at their New York manufactory. "I know what

Daniel Grenig

sells," said little Willie, "he sells canary birds in cages, and they whistle beautifully." It was also stated that he sold groceries, provisions, and fruits of various kinds, and had a stock of cheap toys.

Mrs. E. H. Grundy,

said Mrs. M. G., cured bad eyes and cancers, which, unpleasant things, however, the Goodcheer family felt very thankful they were not troubled with.

Dr. Higgins,

said Mr. P. G., was reported as having effected many remarkable cures, but the whole Goodcheer family agreed that Christmas and New Year was not the time to be sick enough to need a doctor, at least till all the turkey and plum pudding, and mince pies, and other good things were disposed of. But there was no objection to go to

Knowlden's

for groceries, provisions, grain for present use, or seeds of various kinds for the garden and field in a few weeks.

Liddell & Brown

were discussed with a cordial feeling, because they sell turkeys and geese, ducks and chickens, groceries and provisions, and lots of other things especially desirable at this time. Mr. P. G. said

James McGhie

sold all kinds of cloth made at the Wasatch Woollen Mills, and very good looking and serviceable it was.

Mitchell & James,

it was stated, were a very useful firm in attending to gas fittings, as well as the tin, sheet iron, and coppersmith lines of business. Little Ned thought the gas lights in the street lamps and stores were capital things, and he asked his father when he would have gas to burn in his own house. Ned hoped they would have it before next winter, it gave such a splendid light. Toby wanted to know when they were going to have their new mantel and grate put in the parlor from

Morris & Evans',

and Sophia asked when the engraved stone would be set up over poor Lizzie's grave which caused a shade of sadness to sober the countenances of the entire Goodcheer family. But the cloud soon passed away, and next in order it was observed that

H. E. Phelps

sold good warm blankets, very necessary at Christmas time, clothing, boots and shoes, hats, furs, gloves, jewelry, and many other things and notions. Simon remarked that if father had not money enough for Christmas, he might borrow some of

C. E. Pomeroy,

who made a business of lending money. Mr. P. G. answered that though it might be necessary to borrow money in some particular cases, yet he couldn't think of doing so to spend in holiday festivities. Here somebody suddenly changed the subject by stating that

Dr. Plant

was esteemed a good botanical doctor, and particularly successful in some afflictions, but the Goodcheer family were so healthy that they did not make it very healthy for doctors. From doctoring to clothing was another marked transition, and the

Provo Tailoring Establishment,

with Taylor & Cutler agents in this City, was mentioned as producing superior home-made clothing from superior home-made cloth, very suitable for the cold weather about Christmas or New Year. Something besides clothing being necessary, it was suggested that

Reedall & Darling,

of the Utah Steam Cracker Factory, could supply any amount of crackers, which are very good eating. It was also stated that

Wm. Salmon

sold Robinson Weber Coal, of excellent quality, a thing doubly appreciated this time of the year, because of the extraordinary amount of both cold and cookery. The

Salt Lake Iron Company

was noted as an excellent place for the making or repairing of machinery, which fact could be taken advantage of after the holidays. Unusual interest was manifested when

C. R. Savage's

Pioneer Art Gallery was named. All the Goodcheers laughed when Susan reminded them that at the late Art Union drawing, the funny picture of the praying deacon had fallen to her. She also said Mr. S. was an enterprising man, and took excellent photographs of persons and things, and made beautiful picture frames. As a place for bargains it was remarked that

P. Schwartz

sold underclothing and dry goods generally, and had an auction of fancy goods at his store every afternoon just now. If anybody wanted a good wagon to carry home Christmas purchases, it was stated that it could be obtained at

Sebree & Robertson's,

who sell the popular Bain wagon, and wagon material also to repair the wagon when it needed.

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Sierra Nevada Lumber Association

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Stevens & Co.

had a large variety of illustrated books, elegantly bound, suitable for Christmas presents. When there was any building to be done

Obed Taylor

would furnish plans, specifications, and details therefor, and set some of the carpenters and masons to work, who are now standing idle all day, because no man hath hired them. The growing store of

Taylor and Cutler

was considered an excellent place to purchase dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, hats, stoves and hardware, family groceries, and general merchandise at very low prices. Mr. Taylor also knew how to keep a hotel. In the midst of all this business talk, Angelina ventured the suggestion that a little recreation would be very acceptable, that

The Theatre

was an agreeable and elegant place of resort, and will be open on Friday and Saturday.

Thomsen & Lyngberg.

It was urged, had turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens, staple and fancy groceries, fruits, vegetables, etc. For country people visiting the city, and strangers from a distance, the

Townsend House

was considered unsurpassed.

Walker Bros.,

said Mr. P. G., was the oldest mercantile firm in the city, was doing a large business in almost every kind of general merchandise, and was sure to be extensively patronized, as it sold many articles at very reasonable prices. "We must have plenty of nuts and some candy," said a chorus of the younger Goodcheers, and this brought up the name of

Henry Wallace

the principal confectioner in the city, at whose store may be found a choice and extensive variety of articles of that kind, much of it own-make. These fine, mild, beautiful days, Mrs. M. G said, it was really a treat to ride by the street railroad up to the

Warm Spring Baths

and enjoy a bathe in their medicinal waters. To this Mr. P. G. and the boys readily assented, the latter observing that they could have a plunge and a swim, and then go to the Hot Spring Lake and have an hour or two at skating, and perhaps a ride in the iceboat. But before going, Tommy said it would be advisable to call at the store of

Woods & Co.

and get a few crackers, as skating made a body hungry. This firm, it was also stated, sold family and fancy groceries, and delivered cake and bread to order daily throughout the city, the latter a great accommodation often to many people. Harry remarked that if one went skating, one not only needed skates, but a good pair of boots or shoes, and he did not know a better place to get them than at the

Working Men's Co-operative Association,

which made, sold, and repaired boots and shoes in the best manner, and also bought hides. Very appropriately, as a finale to this liberal list and review of business firms,

Z. C. M. I.

was introduced. This mammoth establishment, said Mr. P. G., dealt in almost everything merchantable at wholesale, from thimbles to thrashing machines, and including various departments and diverse articles too numerous to mention, besides selling clothing, drugs, stoves, wagons, ploughs, and farming implements, generally at retail, and buying hides, pelts, and tallow.

This closed the Fireside Ramble of the Goodcheers among the Stores, and then came a brief review and recapitulation of the whole list, and a careful noting of things determined to be had for the holidays, and the places where to get them to best advantage. The next day and the two or three next days Mr. P. Goodcheer, Mrs. M. Goodcheer, and three or four of the younger Goodcheers went down town and ocularly demonstrated the general correctness of their fireside discussion of the stores, and purchased the goods they concluded were necessary for the holidays, and, between you and us, they do say that, besides what were purchased and left to be "delivered," Mr. P. G. and the little P. G's. had their arms and pockets full of good things to carry home, more than once or twice either, and if they are not having a real good time this Christmas, appearances may no longer be accepted as the outward and visible signs of the inward and actual facts. And thus endeth our romantic tale of this Christmas time.

THE EVENING NEWS.

PUBLISHED DAILY, SUNDAYS EXCEPTED AT FOUR O'CLOCK.

DAVID O. CALDER,
EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

Thursday, - - Dec. 31, 1874.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

——The *Sacramento Union* was sold to-day for $65,000.

——An explosion in the Sutro tunnel, yesterday, killed three men and severely injured others.

——The Cornell factory operatives have struck against Chinese labor.

——Cobb, the San Francisco attorney, shot a few days ago by a female client, will recover.

——A meeting of French party leaders was held in Paris yesterday.

—— Warmouth has been discharged.

——The congressional investigating committee have commenced work at New Orleans.

——An important meeting of iron miners and manufacturers was held at Philadelphia, yesterday.

——At the reception to be given by President MacMahon, to-morrow, the Archbishop of Paris, the leader of the French ultramontanes, will stand at the right hand of the President, it being the first time such an event has occurred since the reign of Charles the Tenth. It is regarded as a slight to the National Assembly, and causes a sensation.

——Ex-Senator Morgan declines the Russian mission.

——Kalakaua attended a reception given by the New York Freemasons last night; he left for New England this morning.

——Three noted desperadoes have been killed on Pryor's Creek, Indian Territory.

——Small-pox is raging among Indians in Canada.

—— Rich and extensive gold mines have been discovered in Sonora.

——The son of ex-Queen Isabella has been proclaimed King of Spain; the army and navy are said to favor him.

——A letter from the Indian Bureau at Washington, instructs all Indian agents and superintendents, that no Indians must leave their reservations without a written permit, and that when the latter is given a military guard will be granted to protect the natives; and that any of the latter away from their reservations without permit and guard will be liable to be treated as unfriendly Indians.

——The Darien surveying expedition will leave New York on Saturday.

THE MEETING OF THE YEARS.

THIS is the last day of the old year 1874, and consequently to-morrow will be the first day of the new year 1875. Very religious people and very festive people throughout Christendom will agree upon one point, to observe, each class in its own peculiar fashion, the meeting of the two years a few hours hence. The very religious people will celebrate the event with prayer and praise and song, and the very festive people with feasting and revelry, which latter, though not innocent enough, and some of it not so innocent. Others, and not a few, will be reposing comfortably in the arms of Morpheus when the interesting event comes off, satisfied of that being the best place for them at that point of time.

The old year, like all those which have preceded it, has been an eventful year, and the new year will be likewise. In the passing year the enemies of the people have been successful in obtaining a little malevolent legislation from Congress towards Utah, but not nearly so much as they wished—hence they are trying to obtain still more, as they probably will continue to try until they either repent or sink to perdition. Whether they will succeed in securing any more such legislation the year now so near is not for us to say, but we know their will is good, and that they will lose no chance of doing it, all which constitutes the essence of their criminality and heaps up condemnation upon their heads for the day of retribution, which, though it may be long postponed, cannot be for ever kept back.

Notwithstanding the efforts of their enemies for the contrary, the people prosper and have much cause for gratitude to an over-ruling Power, who causes the wrath of man to praise him, and the remainder of it he restrains, for the good of his own people, and the manifestation of his own glory.

Pleasantly passes out the old year, with unwonted mildness are its last days and hours with us characterized. It has not furnished a great deal of work, nor dealt money profusely to those who have needed it, but it has given good harvests and cheap bread and meat, and it retires with the genial mellowness of fully ripe fruit and good old wine that needs no bush, and therefore we cannot do other than wish it a respectful and affectionate good bye, at the same time extending an equally affectionate and respectful welcome to its successor, while to our multitudinous readers, patrons, and friends of all classes we wish a happy new year, and many happy new years with all the attendant prosperity that will do them good.

By Telegraph.

PER WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH LINE.

Last Night's Dispatches.

EASTERN.

The Government and the Pacific Railroads.

WASHINGTON, 30.—The respective dates of service of the demands made by the treasury department upon the various Pacific railroad companies for payment to the U.S. of five per centum on their net earnings, required by the act of July 1st, 1862, were as follows: on the Central branch of the Union Pacific Company, Nov. 11th, 1874; Sioux City and Pacific, Nov. 12th; Union Pacific, Nov. 12th; Kansas Pacific, Nov. 14th, and on the Central Pacific Railroad Company, Nov. 24th, 1874. **The companies have respectively sixty days from these dates within which to comply with the demands upon them, and non-compliance in any case will then be reported by the Secretary of the Treasury to the Attorney General for his action under the law of June 20th, 1874, to compel payment by legal proceedings.** Secretary Bristow takes the ground that the completion of each road, and therefore its liability to provide for a sinking fund of five per cent. per annum on its net earnings, dates from its reception of the last instalment of the government subsidy bonds under the act of July 1st, 1862, which were issued upon the affidavits of the companies' officers, setting forth the completion in a first class manner, according to law, of the successive sections; having thus certified that their roads were properly completed section by section, they are, in the opinion of the treasury department, stopped from pleading the report of the government commission of eminent citizens, in the year 1869, that further expenditures were necessary to place the road in first class condition, and cannot maintain the assertion that their legal completion dates only from the recent formal acceptance of the report of this year's commission, to the effect that the aforesaid deficiencies had been fully supplied a few months ago.

Mutilated Currency.

The total amount of mutilated currency received from the treasury by the comptroller since the passage of the act of June 20th last, is over forty-one million dollars, nearly the whole amount of which has already been issued in new national bank notes.

Meeting of Miners and Operators.

PHILADELPHIA, 30.—A meeting of operators and miners was held at the Mansion House to-day, and a reduction of 15 per cent. on contract work, and about 10 per cent. on miners' and laborers' wages was decided on, to take effect Jan'y 1st, 1875; a committee was appointed to meet the men of Hazleton to-morrow.

Disaster Accounted For.

BOSTON, 30.—The report of Mr. Trench, chairman of the legislative committee on reservoirs, who visited Haydenville yesterday, says the cause of the late disaster is faulty engineering and material, that the dam is not wide enough and that the stone is of poor quality.

Warmouth Discharged.

NEW ORLEANS, 30.—Coroner De La Blanc made affidavit against Warmouth charging him with murder; the case was tried to-day before Judge Stoes. Several witnesses were examined, whose testimony agreed substantially with the account of ex-governor Warmouth. After hearing the evidence Judge Stoes decided that the charge of murder was not proven against Warmouth, and the prisoner was discharged.

Investigating Committee at Work.

The sub-committee, consisting of Foster, Phelps and Potter, commenced sitting here to-day; they decided to confine their investigations to the returning board and white league matters. Nothing new was developed in the session. At night Messrs. Packard, White and Burke, of New Orleans, and Lanoblech, of Lafourshe parish, were examined. Packard stated that he knew of the organization of the White League before Sept. 14th, and he believed it extended throughout the State. There were from 3,000 to 5,000 white Republicans in New Orleans, which was less in proportion to voters in other parts of the State. He believed colored voters were intimidated.

Declined—Will Close.

NEW YORK, 30.—Ex-Senator Morgan declines the Russian mission.

The Stock, Produce, Cotton and Gold Exchanges will close Friday, but will be opened on Saturday.

A Reception—Gone to the Grave.

Kalakaua was given a reception to-night by the Free Masons of the city, who were present in large numbers.

The remains of Gerritt Smith left to-night in charge of relatives, for Peterboro, for burial.

Arrived — At Work — Special Election.

VICKSBURG, 30. — The congressional committee to investigate the troubles here arrived to-day.

The legislative committee instructed to investigate the Vicksburg insurrection has been in session several days.

The special election to fill Crosby's place as sheriff will be held to-morrow.

Desperadoes Killed.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., 30.—Three notorious desperadoes, J. T. Beamer, Thomas Cox, and Frank Kansine, have been killed on Pryor's Creek.

TO-DAY'S DISPATCHES.

EASTERN.

$54,000 Awarded.

WASHINGTON, 31.—The Mexican Claims Commission have awarded $54,000 to Capt. Patrick H. Cooley and other owners of the *Rebecca Adams*, seized at La Paz by the Mexican authorities.

Indians Must Keep on Reservations.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs has issued a circular letter to the superintendents and agents of the Indian department, instructing them to notify the several bands or tribes of Indians under their supervision, that they must confine themselves wholly within the limits of their respective reservations, and under no pretext must they leave without a special permit in writing from the agent or superintendent, and no permit will be granted by the agent or superintendent except it should be made to appear to his satisfaction that its issuance will insure benefit to the applicant, and will in no event be likely to prove disadvantageous to the discipline of the Indian service. Whenever it shall be deemed necessary or judicious to grant a permit, immediate application should be made, before its issuance, to the commanding officer of the nearest military force, who will furnish a sufficient guard to accompany and remain with the Indians as long as they remain within the white settlements, and will require their passage through such settlements to be as expeditious as possible. Indians are to be warned that without the protection guaranteed them by a written permit, and a military guard or escort, they are liable to be looked upon and treated as hostile bands.

The Darien Surveying Party.

NEW YORK, 31.—The officers of the United States Darien Surveying Expedition arrived in this city yesterday and immediately proceeded to complete the preparations necessary for the expedition. The party consists of Lt. Fredrick Collings, commanding, Lt. James J. Eaton, Lt. J. T. Sullivan, Lt. S. C. Paine, Ensign L. Seabury, and assistant surgeon Norfleet. Two other officers were yesterday transferred to Commodore Lull's party. They leave on Saturday in the *Acapulco* for Aspinwall, where they join the U.S. steamer *Canandaigua*, which will convey the party to the Gulf of Uraba, and up the Atrato River to Napipi. The *Canandaigua* will also furnish such men and material as may be required for the prosecution of the survey. The party will return in May.

Gone From Their Gaze.

Kalakaua and suite left this morning for New Haven.

WESTERN.

Sale of "Sacramento Union"—A Fatal Explosion—Strike of Watchmakers—Will Recover—Rich Gold Mines Discovered.

SAN FRANCISCO, 31.—The *Sacramento Union* was purchased by Paul Morrill, one of the proprietors, for $65,000; the management will remain as heretofore.

John Delaney and Samuel Richards were killed yesterday by an explosion in the Sutro tunnel; Mr. Pillow was fatally injured and several others severely hurt.

Most of the operatives in the Cornell watch factory have struck against Chinese labor; crowds are at the works to-day. A meeting will be held to-night for the purpose of arranging matters, if possible, agreeably to all parties.

M. G. Cobb, the attorney who was shot by a woman last week, will recover; she is still in prison.

A dispatch from Tucson says that very rich gold mines have been discovered in Sonora, on the San Miguel river. The claims cover a surface of two miles.

FOREIGN.

FRANCE.

Proclaimed King of Spain.

PARIS, 31.—A dispatch from Madrid, of to-day's date, says that Prince Alfonso, son of ex-Queen Isabella, has been proclaimed king of Spain, and is recognized by all the forces comprising the armies of the north and centre.

A Sensation.

The *Journal Officiel* announces that at the reception on New Year's day by President MacMahon, he will be attended by the marshals and generals on duty, and also by Monsignor Guibert, archbishop of Paris, who will stand beside the President. This is the first time since the reign of Charles X. that the prelate of Paris has been so placed, and the fact of the leader of the French ultramontanes holding the post of honor causes a great sensation. Marshal MacMahon thus inflicts, indirectly, a slight on the prerogative of the National Assembly, although he possibly never intended to do so.

SPAIN.

Resigned—In Favor of Alphonso.

SANTANDER, 31.—The Governor of Santander has resigned. The town is quiet. The navy is favorable to Prince Alphonso. Serrano has gone to Madrid.

Correspondence.

Christmas Day.

BEAR RIVER CITY,
BOX ELDER CO., UTAH,
December 28, 1874.

Editor Deseret News:

I am gratified in saying that we as a people are doing well in this settlement. Good health exists, and also a good feeling prevails, which was shown most plainly in a grand Celebration held here Christmas day, wherein, with few exceptions, all the adults participated. The people assembled at noon, in our new and comfortable meetinghouse, which was very finely decorated with evergreens and other [illegible]. The feast was opened by songs and prayer, after which we enjoyed a well prepared, splendid dinner, to which we sat down, like one family, so that even if the United Order is not fully established here, we could form an idea of how it in time would look, when it would be established. The next thing was a most beautiful Christmas tree, with presents on, for nearly everybody; after the presents were distributed, the time was occupied, for a little while, with speeches and songs. About 6 o'clock a dance commenced, and lasted till a late hour, in which all enjoyed themselves finely.

The next day the children had a celebration of their own, all through like the first day.

We have in operation a day school and also a Sunday school, both of them well attended. Our Co-operative Store is doing good business. Money is scarce, but the people in spite of that feel well. They have plenty to eat and wear, and feel desirous to live their religion.

A SPECTATOR.

Our Country Contemporaries

Ogden *Junction*, Dec. 30—

The County Court has just received a very handsome safe in which to deposit records and other valuable county property. It weighs 5000 pounds and took considerable muscular effort to land it at the Court House door, where it arrived last evening.

The gander pulling at the Grove, yesterday afternoon, was what we should call cruel sport. The gander hung from the tree was alive, and suffered considerable pulling before a successful rider jerked off its head and claimed the bird. A second gander was suspended, and many ineffectual grabs were made at the poor thing's head until finally Will. Garner seized it with both hands, was unhorsed and came to the ground with the gander's head in his fist. A dispute arose as to whether this two-handed proceeding was fair or foul. While the disputants argued the point the blood was dripping from the decapitated gander upon them, and a sanguinary crowd they looked. That goose finally found its way to Clark's saloon where it was raffled o'er and o'er again, making lots of fun and turning over considerable money. The bird changed hands several times, but ultimately gravitated towards Clark's kitchen. It is hoped that the goose has now been put where it will do the most good.

PIOCHE NOTES.

From the *Record* Dec. 25—

The intelligence that we published yesterday morning of the safe arrival of the Castra family at San Bernardino will very much simplify and curtail the operations of the military. There is now nothing for them to do but to seek out and punish the murderers of the Honan party. One of the Indians who saw that assassination, though he says he took no part in it, is now in the jail of this county, and perhaps might afford some information as to the whereabouts of the others.

Yesterday we had the pleasure of meeting Mr. McGregor, of Salt Lake, who is a large share-holder in the Raymond & Ely mine. Mr. McGregor has been inspecting the mine and the machinery now erecting and is more than satisfied. The prospects of the company are excellent, though it may be some months before they are realized; still there is but little doubt that it is simply a question of time, and a short time at that, as to the Raymond & Ely resuming its position as a dividend paying mine. We are glad to notice the continued confidence of Mr. McGregor as well as other large stock-holders, which shows they are willing to prove their faith by their works, by which there is no doubt they will reap an abundant reward. We commend Mr. McGregor to the good offices of our fellow citizens.

DIED.

At Fillmore City, on Sunday, Dec. 20th, of scarlet fever, FLOY SOPHIAH, daughter of Roy H. and Tamson P. McBride, aged 17 months and 4 days.

Little Floy, early blessed,
Rest, my baby, sweetly rest,
Till the resurrection morn,
Welcome to thy parents' arms.

Tearfully we leave our darling
In her innocence to rest,
With the birds above her singing
And the sunshine o'er her breast.

Now we listen, vainly listen,
For the sounds we used to hear,
For the merry baby laughter,
And the pattering footsteps near.—COM.

MINING STOCKS.

MORNING BOARD.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.

1470 Ophir, 205; 207; 208; 205; 210; 211; 215, b 30; 209; 207½; 210
3190 Mexican, 47; 49; 48; 47½; 48; 48½; 49½, b 10; 50; 49; 50, b 30; 51, b 30; 48½
1385 G & C, 55; 54; 53; 54½; 54; 53½; 54, s 3; 53½; 52½; 54, s 30; 53½
5310 B & B, 75; 74; 74½; 76, b 30; 73; 73½; 75, b 10; 74; 74½; 75; 79, b 10; 75; 76½, b 30
45 Savage, 145; 146; 147; 149; 148; 150; 150, s 30; 151
1010 Chollar, 90; 89; 88½; 90, b 5; 89
305 H & N, 70; 68; 67; 67½; 68
1010 C Point, 49½; 49; 48½; 50, b 5; 50; 49; 48½; 48
360 Jacket, 164; 160; 159; 158, 163; 162
1440 Imperial, 18½; 19; 19½; 19½; 20, b 5; 19½; 20, b 30
595 Empire Mill, 15
350 G H Qtz, 8
1250 Kentuck, 24½; 25; 25½; 26; 25½
1035 Alpha, 42; 41; 41½; 42; 44½; 43; 44½, 45; 46, b 30; 43½; 45, b 30
755 Belcher, 56; 57; 56½; 57½; 57
410 Confidence, 47; 49; 48½, b 30; 47½; 47; 46½; 45
335 Con Va, 590; 585
1300 S Nev, 25; 24½; 26, b 30; 24
460 Daney, 2½; 2¼
280 Cala, 495; 490; 495; 500; 515; 520; 530; 540, b 10, 535; 535; 540
35 Exchequer, 240; 250
30 Seg Belcher, 160; 155
830 Overman, 92; 93; 94; 92½; 93; 94½; 95
380 Justice, 125; 140; 145; 147½
575 Succor, 6

New York, Dec. 31.

Gold closed 12⅞; Govts, strong and active; Money, 5 @ 6; Stocks active and strong; Western Union, 79½; Quicksilver, 33; Pacific, 36⅝; Wells Fargo, 83; New York Central, 101⅝; Erie, 29; Panama, 114½; Union Pacific, 37; Bonds, 94¼; Central Bonds, 96¼.

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L. S. HILLS, Cashier.
Salt Lake City, Dec. 31st, 1874. d32

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