

Railroad from Salt Lake to Eureka.

Mr. Johnson, a prominent merchant of this place, who has lately made a trip to Salt Lake via the old overland route, gives us some new ideas of railroad matters. He comes back thoroughly convinced that the true policy of Eureka and the tier of counties lying south of the Central Pacific Railroad is to aid in the construction of a road running east and west, connecting with the Union Pacific at Salt Lake. There is a good deal of sound reasoning in this theory. First, all of the prominent mining districts, commencing at East Canyon, and passing through Deep Creek, Egan Canyon, Schell Creek, Robinson, White Pine, Bald Mountain, Newark, Pinto, Eureka, Spring Valley, Belmont, Austin, Mammoth, Gold Mountain, Lida Valley, Columbus and on to Cerro Gordo, lie from 90 to 120 miles south of the Central Pacific Railroad. Second, a half dozen or more of the localities mentioned are striving for separate rail connection, the efforts of all of which could be concentrated on a through east and west line. Third, the route is entirely practicable. Fourth, the counties of White Pine, Eureka, Lander, Nye and Esmeralda would all find it advantageous to subscribe liberally to the stock of the company, as the road would pass the full length of most of these counties. Fifth, Pioche, Bristol, Tem Piute and all of the territory stretching away to the Colorado river, would pay tribute to such an east and west line, for the simple reason that it would be 100 miles nearer to them than the Central. Sixth, the road could be continued south from Cerro Gordo to Los Angeles, or some other available point on the seaboard by a route which would be entirely practicable at all seasons of the year. These are some of the reasons advanced in favor of an east and west line, and we confess that they strike us as being very favorable. Salt Lake would be greatly benefited by the construction of this road, and would doubtless lend the enterprise material aid.

General Connor's Sevier valley and Pioche road, on leaving Salt Lake, runs due west for 75 miles, bringing it at that point within 225 miles of Eureka. It then bears south nearly 300 miles to accommodate Pioche and vicinity, when the same trade could as well be commanded by continuing west to Eureka, and the other places we have named. Will not our Salt Lake exchanges take up this subject, and impress upon General Connor and his associates the advantages of the route we have thus briefly mapped out? At all events there can be no harm done by discussing the question.—*Eureka Sentinel.*

— A Pottsville (Pa.) woman fell asleep in church during an evening service, and slept till the next morning, when she awoke and yelled till half the town's population came to let her out.

— "If you don't want the soot, don't go under the chimney," was the reply of an editor to "respectable" parties who requested him not to mention the fact that they had been arraigned in the police courts.

— It is said to be a fashionable thing, now, in London, for a lady to be followed about by a retinue of poodle dogs. Here our young ladies are less pretentious. One of them frequently exhibits satisfaction if followed by a single puppy.—*Ev.*

— The Duke of Edinburgh thinks, just as the London Telegraph courtly expresses the idea, "It is pleasant when the scent of orange blossoms is wafted over the somewhat flowerless fields of politics."

— One of the guests at a dinner recently, given by the Union League club, after eloquently responding to the toast, "Woman; God bless her!" reached home quite drunk, and had his eye "blacked" by his wife in a moment of emotion.—*N. Y. Commercial.*

— "The drain of emigration to America," says the Limerick Reporter, "is absolutely alarming. The people are leaving the country in crowds; respectable, well-dressed, intelligent and orderly population are abandoning their native country in countless numbers."

The experiment of planting pine seed on the waste lands of Eastham, Mass., is reported to be a complete success. A thousand acres of land are now covered with thrifty pines from seed sown. The land thus covered, but for this protection, would have been a waste of shifting sand. As a consequence, too, game has increased, and quail, plover, and other birds are plentiful, while foxes are not scarce.

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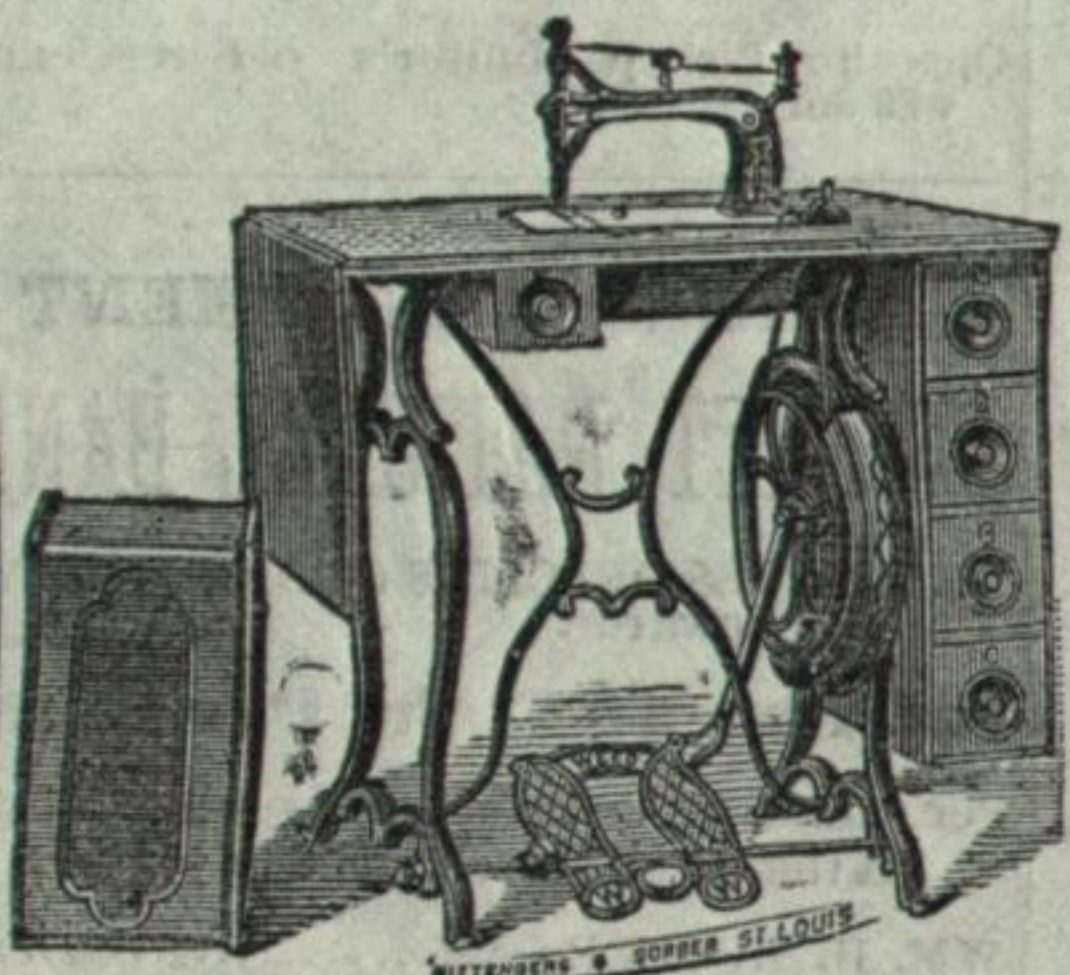
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