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Bryan Answers Questions About Cheap Silver.

Answering a question of the New York World whether he is "still in favor of 16 to 1 with the silver dollar now worth just 33 cents," Mr. Bryan says, "Yes. The fact that legislation against silver continues to reduce the bullion price of silver is no argument against legislation which would restore the bullion price by opening the mints to the coinage of silver on equal terms with gold. For twenty years the advocates of the gold standard insisted that we could not maintain the parity because the production of silver was increasing more rapidly than the production of gold. If there was any force in that argument, it ought to be easier to maintain the parity now when the production of gold is increasing more rapidly than the production of silver."

Killing at Hope.

Word was brought in from Hope, last night, of another killing in the Hope country. Will Turk, a well-known young stockman, was shot and killed by J. E. McDonald, a saloon keeper of Hope. According to reports, the men had a fight the day before, in which Turk applied a foul epithet to McDonald. They were separated before any damage was done. Yesterday as Turk was passing the saloon, McDonald stopped him and demanded a retraction; Turk refused, and is said to have made a motion for his gun, when McDonald shot him three times, killing him. McDonald was arrested and brought into Carlsbad and lodged in jail. —Carlsbad Argus.

Natural Gas at Santa Rosa.

Dr. W. C. Spencer, of Boston, who has copper interests in the Jarilla mountains and is extensively interested in oil prospects at Santa Rosa, was in the city last week en route to Boston for Christmas. In talking about the Santa Rosa oil fields he stated that there was no doubt of oil being there, and gas as well. He said that in a recent boring a strong flow of natural gas had become apparent and that the oil in the deeper well was not showing above the water. The great difficulty in boring seems to be the amount of water that is encountered. El Paso News.

DEVELOPMENT WORK ON THE MINES AT NOGAL

Special correspondence El Paso Herald: Within three miles of this place are located the mining properties of the American Gold Mining company, the principal offices of which are in Chicago. The American mine was the first property purchased by this company. It lies within four hundred yards of the Helen Rae mine. Both these properties are on the same lead, and recognizing the importance of the Rae, and knowing its record as a fine producer of free gold in the short time in which it had been worked, the American Gold Mining company

geared 75 horse power hoist put run 309 feet further, now reaching a total of 969 feet. Level No. 1 runs twenty-five feet south and fifteen feet north. Winze No. 3 from bottom of adit, sixty-one feet deep. Winze No. 1 down fifteen feet below adit level, cutting rooms for hoist in the mine. Nothing will be handled higher than adit level, and the ore will be run out on tram. The track will have sixteen pound rails. All the grade work has been done for a fifty stamp mill, stamps

about equal distance from the two mines. The grade will be 4.79.

The American and the Rae mines are the two most important properties owned by the American Gold Mining company, but this company also own about seventy-five other claims, some of which will no doubt prove to be equal to the two named when they have received proper development. Over across the mountains, about six miles further on, come the Parsons properties, owned by the Eagle Mining and Development company. One of the largest plants in the southwest is being contemplated for these properties. The ores are low grade, but enough to last a century, with a working force of 2,000 men. The plans for this immense plant are being drawn by a representative of the Colorado Iron company, of Denver, who is now at Parsons. With proper management the properties of the two companies will make large fortunes for all of their stockholders. The gold is there, undoubtedly, and it only remains to extract it economically and profitably.

Relics of a Past Age.

Nearly every grown person can remember when it was a common sight to see three or four fine buffalo robes swinging to and fro in the wintery blast in front of the local dealers and when they were in general use by ranchmen and all team owners. Buffaloes were plenty then in the west, they running wild in droves of from 1,000 to 2,000 and over. Buffalo robes are now a thing of the past, owing to all the buffaloes in the western parts having been killed off. There was a time, thirty to forty years ago, when a splendid buffalo robe could be purchased for from \$6 to \$7, but they have been out of the market for years, and the few very old ones still in existence here and there are now regarded as relics of a past age.

Big Lumber Contract.

General Manager S. S. Hopper, of the Alamogordo Lumber company, last week closed one of the biggest deals in the history of the company with a Denver firm, when he contracted to deliver 2,500,000 feet of lumber. This order will keep the mills busy for several weeks.



VIEW OF THE AMERICAN MILL, NOGAL.

also purchased it from W. C. Robinson and E. S. Dolph, of Scranton, Pa., for about \$150,000. These mines are now being connected by a long tunnel, which is being run from the American, and has reached over half the distance to the Rae.

The shaft on the American has now reached a depth of 340 feet. Level No. 2 has been extended north 650 feet. A number of improvements have been recently added. A new shaft house has been constructed and a new double

850 pounds each. The mill will have a capacity of 150 tons per day. There will be eight Bartlett tables, with a cyanide plant in connection. A large reservoir to hold 384,000 gallons, will be built from solid rock. Dimensions 45x45 and twenty-two feet deep. Water will be supplied from the American mine, with a fall of 113 feet, to the reservoir, a distance of 1,800 feet. There will be a gravity tramway from the American and Rae mines to the mill, the mill being situated

THE CAPITAN PROGRESS

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Before your next issue you can write in 1903.

Mail can at last succeed in sending wireless messages across the ocean.

The Progress wishes one and all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Dr. Leonard, Curator of Washington is in Santa Fe looking over the New Mexico archives for material on the early history of the southwest and the Indian tribes.

Gov. William Jennings Bryan is to be a thorn in the side of the Santa Fe, New Mexican, as he will issue of that paper appears with a column in an article in reference to him.

The destroyed the big bridge of the Santa Fe Pacific railway at Albuquerque Wednesday morning shortly after midnight. There were some narrow escapes of patients but no lives were lost.

On the second Monday in January an election for justices of the peace will be held throughout New Mexico. What's the matter with the candidates in this "neck of the woods"? About time you were placing your names before the people, boys.

There was a shooting match Christmas at North Capitan. There were eight competitors, the entrance fee being \$5. Lee McBroom was the winner of the first prize, \$35, making a score of 7 out of a possible 25 at 150 yards. The second prize \$5, was a tie between Officer Wm. Smith and Mr. Robinson on a score of 6. They divided the pot.

I. B. Hanna, inspector of Forest reserves in New Mexico and Arizona, who spent two weeks looking over the Lincoln Forest reserve, left Capitan Monday on his return to Santa Fe. Mr. Hanna found the conditions quite satisfactory. The grazing problem remains to be solved, but it is quite certain that no interests will suffer from any rulings the department may make.

K. P. Ball.

The ball and supper given by Myrtle Lodge No. 19, K. of P., at the school house Christmas night, was a success in every particular, over one hundred couples participating. Lincoln, Fort Stanton, Nogal and White Oaks were well represented. A special train on the E. P.-N. E. was run for the accommodation of the residents of Carrizozo and vicinity. The supper was all the most fastidious gourmand could desire. Dancing was kept up until the wee small hours of the morning, when all departed for home declaring they had spent one of the most enjoyable evenings of their life.

Elderdo Chavez, Alvan Chavez and Salmon Montano, Lincoln, furnished the music for the occasion.

Merited Promotions.

Promotions are the order of the day in the forestry division of the General Land office. Mr. I. B. Hanna, with headquarters at Santa Fe, for the past three years superintendent of Forest reserves in New Mexico and Arizona, has been made local inspector, with a corresponding increase of salary.

Clement Hightower, ranger in charge of the Lincoln Forest reserve, has been allowed \$1 per diem in lieu of subsistence, commencing December 1, 1902, in addition to his monthly salary.

A Darktown Tragedy at Richardson.

Word reached Capitan last night that a shooting affray occurred at the Black ranch Christmas eve between two negro employed on the ranch, in which a negro named Henry was shot and killed by a companion named "Doc," who was wounded slightly in the forehead. Dr. Fletcher, of this place, was summoned to attend the wounded man. Particulars of the affair are very meager.

Arrested for Theft.

Thursday evening a young man was discovered taking a saddle and wagon sheet belonging to Charles Watson from behind the Pfaff saloon. Watson intercepted him and had the constable take him in charge till he could swear out a warrant. This morning the young man pleaded guilty before Justice Hurt and was fined \$5 and costs, the whole amounting to \$11.60, which he has probably paid by this time.

Wrong Font.

"What's your favorite beverage?" asked a Capitan citizen, as he marched a fellow-citizen up in front of Billy Brewer Christmas morning.

"No Beveridge can be a favorite with a citizen of New Mexico," was the answer.

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Henry Wallace, manager of the Southwest Mercantile Co., was the recipient of a handsome Christmas present from the management.

Christmas day in Capitan passed off quietly without any disturbance. There were a number of family reunions, with plenty of good cheer around the festal board to enliven the occasion. While the day was a source of enjoyment to many there were some to whom it brought sorrow. Business was as a rule suspended during the greater part of the day and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves to the fullest extent.

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., November 22, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the United States commissioner at Lincoln, New Mexico, on January 10, 1903, viz: Benjamin R. Land, homestead application No. 970, for the sw 1/4 of sec 22, tp 10 south of range 14 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

R. L. Herbert, Francis M. King and J. B. Burrell, all of Angus, N. M., and John K. Hunter of Capitan, N. M.

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Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell N. M., December 10, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the U. S. Commissioner at Lincoln, New Mexico, on January 26, 1903, viz: Ramon Mirabal y Torres, Homestead application No. 865, for the se 1/4 sec 8, n 1/2 sw 1/4 and sw 1/4 sec 9, tp 7 s r 14 e.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jesus Maria Romero, Jesus Mirabal, Elantrio Mirabal, all of Lincoln, N. M., Santiago Martinez of White Oaks, N. M.

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PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

J. JOSEPH HALL,
 Attorney-at-Law,
 Will practice in all the courts of the Territory.

CAPITAN, - NEW MEXICO.

F. O. MATTHESON
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 United States Land Office business a specialty.

CAPITAN, - N. MEX.

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Notice for Publication.

In District Court of the Fifth Judicial District, Territory of New Mexico, Lincoln county.

Harriet Ratliff,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
J. I. Ratliff,
 Defendant.

No. 1397.
 Civil action for divorce.
 The said defendant, J. I. Ratliff, is hereby notified that a suit has been commenced against him in the district court for the county of Lincoln, Territory of New Mexico, by the said plaintiff, Harriet Ratliff, for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and defendant, and for other and further relief.

That unless said J. I. Ratliff, defendant, enters his appearance in said cause on or before the 17th day of January, A. D. 1903, judgment will be rendered in said cause against him by default.

The name of plaintiff's attorney is S. F. Mathews, whose post office address is Lincoln, New Mexico.

[SEAL] **JOHN E. GRIFFITH,**
 Clerk.
 By **E. W. HULBERT,** Deputy.

DIED.

On Wednesday morning, December 24, 1903, at 4:45 o'clock, Mrs. J. N. Coe, aged about 48 years, of pneumonia, at the family residence in Glencoe.

She had only been sick for a short period, and her sudden demise was quite a blow to her family and many friends.

She leaves a husband and several children to mourn her loss, besides a host of relatives and friends.

The body was consigned to its last resting place at Glencoe on Christmas day with appropriate religious services.

Mrs. Coe had been a resident of this county for many years and had an extended circle of friends throughout this section.

Car Robber Caught.

Detective Billy Smith, of the Rock Island, came in on Tuesday's train with a prisoner and two witnesses. The prisoner, Frank Schlesinger, was taken before Justice Hurt and charged with burglarizing a car containing merchandise. J. C. Reed and Section Foreman Everett, of Torrence, appeared as witnesses for the prosecution. Schlesinger was bound over to await the action of the grand jury and taken to Lincoln for safe keeping. Two accomplices, known by the sobriquets of "Jack" and "Shorty," succeeded in making their escape before they could be arrested.

Well Named.

Hondo Correspondent in Roswell Record: Henry Fritz has a yellow "dog" (supposedly hound) that he calls Senator Beveridge, because when he tries to sit him after a cow or hog he invariably runs off and trees a skunk. Henry calls these runs his dog's "territorial investigations." He has a big bull dog now going by the name of Caesar that he intends to call Senator Bailey, or the gentleman from Texas, as Caesar not only catches anything pointed out to him, but usually comes back and gives Beveridge a drubbing after he is done with his job.

Thirty Days to Show Cause.

Several homestead claimants in the vicinity of Capitan have recently received notice from the register and receiver of the U. S. Land office, at Roswell, that their homestead entries have been held for cancellation for non-compliance with homestead laws, upon information furnished the General Land office at Washington, D. C., by its special agents.

These people are allowed thirty days within which to ask for a hearing in the matter and show cause why such cancellation should not be made.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney.

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(Seal) A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

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It will be good news to the mothers of small children to learn that croup can be prevented. The first sign of croup is hoarseness. A day or two before the attack the child becomes hoarse. This is soon followed by a peculiar rough cough. Give Chamberlain's cough remedy freely as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the rough cough appears, and it will dispel all symptoms of croup. In this way all danger and anxiety may be avoided. This remedy is used by many thousands of mothers and has never been known to fail. It is, in fact, the only remedy that can always be depended upon and that is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Robt. Hurt.

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New Method of Treating Lead and Zinc Ores a Success

During the past few months there have been carried on some experiments for the treatment of zinc-lead ores which, if they are as successful as claimed, will prove of incalculable benefit to the operators in Arizona and New Mexico. It is a radical departure from the old methods, no attempt being made to produce matte, but by fusion the zinc and lead fumes are carried off and later collected into bags.

The experiments referred to have taken place at Clifton, British Columbia, and the results obtained are stated to have justified the most sanguine expectations. In Arizona and New Mexico there are untold quantities of zinc-lead ores which are almost useless because of the penalty laid on zinc by the smelters. The new process, however, it is said, will prove the salvation of mines carrying ore of this character, and greatly reduce the cost of treatment.

The furnace is not a smelting stack of the usual type, as it resembles an ordinary heating furnace, except that it is fitted with blowers that have the power to turn on a terrible blast.

The Los Angeles Herald in describing the new process, says:

The ore as it comes from the mine is crushed to pass through an eighth of an inch screen. Later it is mixed with the waste from coal mines and is shoveled into the furnace, the blast is

turned on and the fusion starts. The heat generated is something terrific. The furnace gets so hot that one can hardly approach. The temperature is increased by the fact that there is generally sulphur in the lead ores, which ignites and serves as fuel. In the heat thus generated the zinc and lead are carried off in the fumes. The coal smoke is collected in the settling room and the gas from the furnace is forced by immense fans into the bag room. The room is filled with long cotton flannel bags, about ten inches in diameter and perhaps twenty feet long each. The gas is forced by the pressure from the fans into the bags and the air passes on through the fiber of the cloth, but the metallic zinc and lead are collected in the bags. These are drawn off from the bags into hoppers and calcined before being put onto the market. The finished article is known as zinc-lead white and is used by paint-makers to serve the same purposes as a white lead. In fact, it cannot be told from the white lead, and as it can be produced at perhaps 50 per cent of the cost of white lead, the product is making great inroads into the paint market. When the calcined mass finally comes out of the furnaces it is a fine, impalpable powder that in color and texture resembles talcum powder, such as is put up for toilet purposes.

New Mexico's Schools.

The annual report of Colonel J. Francisco Chaves, superintendent of public instruction of New Mexico makes interesting reading. In the amount of school property owned Albuquerque comes first with \$80,000; East Las Vegas, \$50,000; Raton, \$40,000; Roswell, \$30,000; Deming, \$25,000; Las Vegas, \$23,000; Socorro and Carlsbad, each \$20,000; Gallup, \$16,000; Alamogordo, \$15,000; Springer, \$10,800; Silver City, \$10,500; Cerrillos, \$8,000; Las Cruces, \$6,000; Santa Fe, \$5,000.

For school expenditures Albuquerque spent \$31,496.79; Roswell, \$20,788.11; Raton, \$9,086.76; East Las Vegas, \$8,022.22, and Las Vegas, \$6,183.50. While Santa Fe stands second in school census, with 1,705 children of school age, its average daily attendance was only 464, only a little over 25 per cent of the school population. Of the fifteen towns enumerated the percentage to the school census is as follows: Springer, 76; Carlsbad and Ala-

mogordo, each 70; Gallup, 65; Raton, 61; Cerrillos, 53; East Las Vegas, 51; Roswell and Socorro, each 40; Albuquerque, 35; Las Vegas and Deming, each 32; Las Cruces, 30; Silver City, 22.

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William Reiley went to Nogal this morning on business.

Joseph Beckman was in town Monday calling on friends.

Emil Fritz, ex-sheriff, was in the city on business Monday.

B. H. Moeller and wife, Lincoln, attended the K. P. ball.

Silas May and Henry Hall visited the county seat Saturday.

C. H. Brown, Nogal, called on the PROGRESS force Wednesday.

Frank Coe, of Glencoe, was a business visitor in Capitan Tuesday.

Joe Serano and sister, Lincoln, came over to attend the K. P. ball.

William Riley and Henry Hall went to Nogal the first of the week.

Chatley Jones, of the VV ranch, was calling on Capitan friends today.

Sam Craig and wife, Carrizozo, came over on the special for the K. P. ball.

Quite a number of ranchers were in town Tuesday buying goods for the holidays.

In another column will be found the advertisement of Roberts Bros., Nogal. Read it.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bourne were in from the Mesa Monday purchasing holiday goods.

Mrs. Silas May, White Oaks, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reiley during the holidays.

Prof. Porfirio Gonzales, of the Lincoln public schools, was a participant in the K. P. ball.

T. B. Brown, the vegetable man from Angus, was calling on his Capitan customers Tuesday.

Among the familiar faces at the ball Christmas night, we recognized that of Prof. Goodrich, Picacho's popular pedagogue.

Walter Fawcett, Capitan's up-to-date contractor and builder, returned from a business trip to Roswell Tuesday.

A. A. Maloney, Ed. Henry and Pete Gunn, from Ft. Stanton, arrived in town Wednesday evening to attend the K. P. dance Christmas night.

Joseph W. Blackwell, an old resident of this section but now of Three Rivers, was shaking hands with friends Monday and talking over old times.

Several of the boys and young men drove from Capitan to Nogal Wednesday night to attend the Christmas eve dance, returning next morning. They report the best and most orderly dance given in the county for all these many days.

E. E. Wright and family, of the Capitan saw mill, were trading with our merchants Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry, Nogal, were one of the many couples who attended the dance and supper Christmas night.

Thomas and Jeremiah were popular Christmas visitors at the hostelry on Lincoln avenue where liquid refreshments are served.

Manuel Aragon, of the popular mercantile firm of Aragon Bros. & Co., Lincoln, accompanied by his wife and Miss Otero, of Santa Fe, and Miss Oteroso, of Valencia, attended the K. P. ball Christmas night.

Surgeon General Weyman, of the Marine service, Washington, D. C., passed through Capitan this morning on his way to Fort Stanton. The general is on an inspection tour of the hospitals of the marine service.

Mrs. J. L. McCorkle, the proprietress of the Depot hotel, was highly complimented by her many patrons upon the delicious dinner served by her on Christmas. It was something to which the memory of an epicure might revert with pleasure.

Editor Hunt, of the Las Cruces Progress, was taking in the sights of Capitan last Saturday. This was Editor Hunt's first visit in this vicinity, and he was very favorably impressed with the outlook for this section of New Mexico. He regretted his inability to visit the county seat, having to return home on the 3 o'clock train the same evening.

Clement Hightower, forest ranger in charge of the Lincoln Forest reserve, has rented the Jackson building and will remove his family from Socorro to Capitan about the first of the year. Mr. Hightower is an old newspaper man, having published the Socorro Chieftian for a number of years, and will always find our latch-string hanging on the outside of the door.

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Department of the Interior,
Land Office at Roswell N. Mex.,
November 15, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the United States Commissioner at Lincoln, N. M., on December 27, 1902, viz: Henry I. Hall, homestead application No. 1971, for the E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 27, T. 8 S., R. 16 E.

He wants the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Leslie Ellis, George A. Peters, Randolph Welch, all of Lincoln, N. M., and George Montgomery, of Capitan, N. M.

HOWARD LELAND, Register.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Items of Interest to Residents of the Town and Neighborhood.

W. M. Clute is in Lincoln. F. C. Matte-on went to Lincoln Friday.

W. H. Finney came in from El Paso Thursday night.

J. F. Bonham, of White Oaks, passed through here for Lincoln Thursday night.

W. C. McDonald, of White Oaks, manager of the Carrizosa land and cattle company, came through here Thursday night on his way to Lincoln.

Judge Spooner, a government attorney, arrived here Thursday night and left Friday morning for Lincoln to take depositions in Indian deprecation case, committed years ago.

Miss Myrtle Meers, accompanied by her brother William, visited White Oaks Thursday night and left Friday morning for Lincoln to take depositions in Indian deprecation case, committed years ago.

A. C. Hunt wife and little daughter, from Alamogordo, located here. He is now engaged in putting up a telephone line from Carrizosa to White Oaks.

Col. Geo. W. Pritchard of White Oaks, passed through here for Lincoln.

Three Thieves of Progressive Dances. Three robbers were walking by the roadside one evening after a day of profitless anxiety.

"It's a pity," said one of them, "that we can do no better than this. I am unwilling to let a day pass without some gain."

"It's a chance," said another, and as they looked up they saw on the brow of the hill before them a man riding on a donkey and by a string leading a sheep with a bell attached to its neck.

"I will steal that sheep," said the first of the robbers. "You cannot," said the second. "Do you not perceive the cord and the bell?"

"What?" said the third. "Steal a man's donkey from under him? You cannot." "You will soon know better," said the second.

"If you do," said the third, "I will steal all the clothes on the donkey's back or fetch my pretensions to professional excellence."

"Hah!" said the other two. "You will attempt what you cannot accomplish." "I will see," said the third.

The unsuspecting man was walking along without thought of losing the cord and bell from the sheep's neck and attached the bell to the donkey's tail where its jingle continued to be heard.

"Yes," replied the person, "I saw a man lumbering down the hillside with such a prize, but I thought it was his own."

"Held my donkey for a moment," said the man, and as the person did so he went in the wrong direction in pursuit of the robber and his sheep.

"What is this?" he said. "Can any one be more miserable than I?" But the cry of anguish became louder and still louder.

"What's that loss?" replied the other. "I compared my loss of a good coat to thousands of dollars and without which it would only cost my life to return to the blog my master, who sent me with it as a gift of a royal friend beyond the sea."

"Why do you not go down in the water and recover it?" asked the man. "Alas," said the other, "I cannot swim, and I should only drown."

"When I will go down for you," said the good, honest man. "Will you?" exclaimed the other. "Do so, and here are four golden pieces for your pains, more than the sum of all your losses."

The honest man received the pieces of gold and placed them in his pocket and then took off his clothes and descended into the water. But after a long and careful search he came up of the water to get the string on which the gem had fallen, when, lo, he was gone! And the poor country man was without sheep or donkey or clothing, there all alone by the brink of a deep well.

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