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CAMP and COUNTY.

Who killed Cuck Robin? And who hung Joe Fowler?

One or two mining sales are on the string. Here's luck to both sides.

A. K. Lve went with Bro. Langston on his last cattle trip to mighty Manzano.

Ed. Keely has been a trifle under the weather of late, with a bad cold and fever.

Ask Charley Buford whether it hurts to have a tooth pulled. Charley had actually quite a serious time.

The Bonito camp is reported generally dull and inactive. More money for development is what is wanted.

Charley Anderson, over at the saw-mill, was taken suddenly sick on Tuesday, and is no better as we write. We hope it is nothing serious.

Mr. Stewart, wife and family, arrived this week from San Antonio. Mr. Stewart goes into business here with Arthur Bond. Glad to see new business men come in.

The "Diablo" dance at Dr. Reid's building on last Friday eve gave the boys a pleasant evening, but some of them complain that they had to pay the fiddler.

Trying to do business without advertising, is like winking at a pretty girl through a pair of green goggles. You may know what you are doing, but nobody else does.—Ee.

Jim Brent and Ex-Sheriff Kimbrell started out of town together on Monday morning. A bunch of horses are said to have turned up missing, and we shouldn't wonder—

It is suggested to us that the term of our school might be prolonged if the appropriated sum were increased by contributions from parents of pupils, the same to be applied on rent.

Is there contagion in the air, or what is the trouble? A number of our citizens have been ill for the past week; although we are glad to say that all are in rapid recovery and beyond danger of serious trouble.

E. W. Richards, who lives over the divide, has been for some days seriously ill of congestive chills and we regret to say that at writing he is unable to leave his bed. We hope that he will soon be entirely recovered of his trouble.

Mr. J. G. White, from the Pecos, again loomed up in our midst on Monday morning. Glad to see the Pecos folks here, and we are confident that we can make it a big object for them to trade here. To see White Oaks is to remember her always.

Our jolly friend George Cullen was taken suddenly ill, the latter part of last week, with a serious cold and a dull kind of fever which confined him to his bed for several days, and deprived us of his cheerful smile. Glad to say that he is now better, and that he will soon be about again.

We heard some one complaining, the other day, that White Oaks was terribly dull. It is dull here now for White Oaks, but can you show us a mining camp, or a town, anywhere else that is not dull? There is an undeniable depression everywhere. The reaction will come later. In the meantime, do not be so foolish as to depart in search of a better country a little further on. Stay with it, boys. It is the stayer that wins.

To indicate the power of printer's ink we cite the following: Lou Edwards came into our office last week to advertise for some lost horses. We took his ad., and in due time proceeded to set it up, but before we had finished that part of the business, Lou came hurriedly in, and said "For Heaven's sake don't print that ad! I've found my horses already, and I'm afraid if the thing ever gets into print, I'll find more horses than the law allows me." The singular virtue of an advertisement, even its comparatively embryonic stage, was perhaps never more beautifully illustrated.

From Mr. Reynolds, one of the owners of the well-known Kesa mine, Bonito district, we learn that Mr. Burt will not be back for a month or more; that Mr. Burt and Mr. C. L. Houn have as yet been unable to find a single manufacturer of mining machinery who did not have "just the thing they wanted"; that they do not feel disposed to make rash moves, or to buy any machinery until they know what they want, where to get it, and exactly what it will cost to set it running without any failure; and that the concentrating machinery will be bought, and will be put up in the Bonito district without fail, and without failure.

Beautiful winter weather.

The distance over which it is proposed to pipe water to the Delaware Gold Mills has been paced off, and found to be something over a mile and a quarter. The probable cost of the job will be from \$6,000 to \$10,000.

Wm. Stamer, Peter Murphy and Theo. Fendall, of Nogal district, have sunk a sixty foot hole on an extension of the Rockford mine and have shown up some fine looking rock from which colors can be freely panned, and which we hear is quite rich.

If there are any who have been so particular as not to like the whisky which our old saloon men have been supplying them, they can now try a new brand, guaranteed to be "way up," which is brought here by Mr. Littell direct from the warehouse at Owensboro, Ky.

At the dance at Eli Chandler's on the evening of the 25th, there were present from the Post, Mrs. Major Van Horn, Mrs. Capt. Pratt, Lieut. and Mrs. Kavanaugh, Misses Ferguson and Young, and Lieuts. Gale and Smith. Such guests can make an evening not otherwise than pleasant.

Dr. Shapley spent a few days in town during the first of the week, snaking the riotous wolar, jamming nuggets into the tired incisor, and quelling the ravages of the fiery untamed toothache on its native jawbone. He's a good one. We almost had a notion to let him pull a little tooth for us; he said it felt so nice.

Mitch Lee and Kit Joy, the last of the S. P. train robbers, were captured near Socorro by a confidence racket worked on them by a shrewd posse of deputies. Kit Joy will be remembered by many of our citizens. Both have been fully identified. This makes out the number of the train robbers, who do not seem to have had such very good luck after all.

We call attention to the card of A. C. Rogers Esq., whose law and land office is situated at Roswell, in this county. We trust that the value of THE ERA as an advertising medium will be gradually appreciated by residents of all parts of the county. It is our ambition to bring ourselves before the wider country, and the lower country before our readers, to as great an extent as possible.

Mr. Sander informs us that he received a dispatch from Mr. Adna Lamson, well known in this city, stating that he left Philadelphia yesterday morning for Socorro. He will come by way of Tapaka, where he will be likely to stop a day or two. The many friends of that genial gentleman will be glad to hear this good news, and be ready to give him a hearty reception on his arrival here.—Saa.

Messrs. Hoardle, Chase and Steek, who for sometime have been quietly busy over in Dry Gulch, now have their acquia from Nogal export to Dry Gulch nearly completed, and will soon be able to begin washing operations in earnest. The late snows have given a good supply of water; which has been running through the acquia in fine shape, we are told. The richness of Dry Gulch in placer gold is an old and well-known fact.

From a party who was in Socorro on the night that Fowler was escorted to the happy hunting ground, we learn that some of the outcry which was made was probably the work of Fowler's cousin. The body was cut down at about half-past eight the next morning, and was shipped to Fowler's wife, at Fort Worth, Texas. Mrs. Fowler, tired of her life with this amateur death angel, had concluded to secure a divorce from him. Her letter to her lawyer at Socorro arrived on the very morning that Fowler swung. It was answered by return mail—by the ghastly corpse of the executed felon. She has gotten her divorce; the best possible one which could have been granted her.

As soon as the files for the Glass stamp mill have arrived, as it is expected they soon will, the last mill run upon the Solitaire ore, mined by the contract workers, will commence. The present contract expires on the 10th of next month. We hope that the outcome will be satisfactory to the boys. They have stayed with their contract for all it was worth, have been careful and industrious, and while helping themselves, have helped the camp more, perhaps, than any of us realize. Their work has given the always desirable development upon what is in all probability the best mine ever struck in the camp, and has helped to make things passably lively during what is everywhere an exceedingly dull season.

The Fletcher mill in Dry Gulch will probably start up in a week. This mill is not very large, but the fact that Col. F. superintended its erection is sufficient guarantee that it will go, and that proper attention has been paid to details. The lode upon which this mill is situated has been known to its owner, Billy Gil, for more than fifteen years, and was first located by him, we believe, in 1871. Then the Mesclero reservation was extended north until it took in his claim, and Billy went off somewhere and sat down until yet another government survey so far drew in the reservation lines as to leave the claim again out of doors, whereupon he came back and re-asserted his rights. The lode is an enormous affair, and if it be as rich lower down as it is on top, Billy will have slugs to throw at the birds.

The Lower Country.

ROSWELL, N. M., Jan. 21 1884.

Your correspondent reached this pleasant little town, situated between the forks of the Hondo and North Spring rivers, the afternoon of the 20th. The surrounding country is very level, and possibly this fact may have aided the recent rains and snows in fixing up the first-class article of Illinois mud which has troubled us, and which doubtless is largely responsible for the comparatively small attendance which at writing has marked the meeting of the Stock Association.

The first session of the Association was called to order at 11 a. m., of the 21st, and was adjourned until 10 a. m. of the 22nd. Very little business being transacted on the first day. Three new members were admitted, viz: J. A. Lamo, A. B. Allen and R. P. Segrest. Mr. Allen represents Reynolds Bros., of Las Vegas, whose ranch lies about 33 miles south of Fort Sumner; Mr. Segrest comes from Seven Rivers. The President of the Association, Mr. W. E. Anderson, presented the members an elegant seal, for individual use of the members in private bills of sale, all the Association members being furnished with blanks to which the seal is appended. The object is to restrict fraudulent bills of sale.

Messrs. John and James Chisum extended a most cordial invitation to the members of the Association, and to your correspondent, to spend the night at their ranch, and Col. Cronin, Mr. Larue, Mr. Fritz and Mr. Dolan accepted very gladly.

Mr. Wm. Peacock, who has charge of J. J. Cox's ranch, 25 miles south of Fort Sumner, informs us that they have between 5,000 and 6,000 head of cattle. Mr. Cox resides at Las Vegas.

Mr. J. W. White, one of the members of the Littlefield Cattle Company, has returned from McCarty's ranch, at Mesclero Springs, about 50 miles east of Roswell. He reports 50 Pueblo Indians camped there, hunting buffalo, of which they had killed about 25 when he saw them. They were hunting with lances, had about 60 horses, and were well fixed for the hunt. Mr. White himself killed two buffalo, but we believe not with a lance.

Pursuant to the adjournment of the first day, the Association met again upon the 22nd inst., and much important business was transacted, full report of which will reach you in pursuance of an arrangement which has been made to that effect, and of which we will here take space to mention only the following. "Resolved, That the thanks of the Lincoln County Stock Association are hereby extended to the secretary, Col. M. Cronin, for the efficient manner in which he has conducted the duties of his office; and further for his conscientious scruples in declining the full amount of the salary offered him, and in accepting a smaller amount for the same."

The Association declined Colonel Cronin's offer, and by unanimous vote decided that his salary should remain as before.

Mr. John Chisum was the wit of the day, and kept every one in good humor. Your correspondent will tarry with him a space while on the way to Seven Rivers, from which point expect—

STOCK ASSOCIATION.

Proceedings of Meeting of the Lincoln County Stock Association, Held at Roswell, N. M., January 21st, 1884, Being a Special Meeting Thereof.

Meeting called to order by W. E. Anderson, Esq., President of the Association, when the Secretary read the proceedings of meeting of Association held at Seven Rivers, N. M., August 2nd, 1883, and on motion the same stand approved.

On motion of Henry Milne Esq., seconded by J. J. Dolan, Esq., the pres-

ent Secretary was requested to withdraw his resignation until the meeting for the general election of officers for the Association.

The names of J. A. LaRue, Esq., and J. and J. S. Reynolds, by A. B. Allen, were proposed for members of the Association, and on motion were balloted for and unanimously elected.

Adjourned until 2 p. m.
Roswell, N. M., Jan. 21st, 2 p. m.
Association convened pursuant to adjournment.

A list of the non-paying members being read, it was directed that they have until next meeting of Association to settle their dues, or be dropped from the rolls of the Association, and the Secretary is ordered to notify each non-paying member of the action of the meeting hereof.

On motion the Treasurer's report, as submitted, of funds received and disbursed for the year 1883, was accepted and approved.

Communication from John H. Riley, Esq., Secretary Dona Ana County Stock Association, in reference to the action of Carlos Armijo, a member of the Lincoln County Stock Association, in being security for parties arrested for cattle stealing, was read, and it is ordered that the said Carlos Armijo be cited by the Secretary to be and appear at the next meeting of the Lincoln County Stock Association, to satisfactorily explain then and there his conduct, as represented and complained of, or be expelled.

The name of R. P. Segrest, of Seven Rivers, being presented for membership, he was, on motion, duly balloted for and unanimously elected.

On motion, duly seconded and carried by the requisite two-thirds vote, the time of the next annual and regular meeting is changed from the first Monday in May to the first Monday in April, 1884, a notice of the same to be published in the official organ of the Association thirty days prior to going into effect.

Resolved, That it be suggested, and it is hereby recommended to members of the Association, individually and collectively, that the requisite number of bulls to each one hundred head of she-cattle is five, and that the same should be of the best grade procurable.

On motion it was directed that all sales of stock by members of the Association, to be legal, in the future shall have the seal of the Association impressed thereon, and the Secretary shall furnish members with the proper blanks to execute the same. This to be embodied in by-laws, and notice of such to be published in the official organ thirty days prior to going into effect.

On motion of Henry Milne, seconded by Mr. LaRue, the thanks of the Association are hereby tendered to its President, W. E. Anderson, Esq., for the present to the Association of a new and beautiful seal of exquisite design and finish.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m., January 22.

Roswell, N. M., Jan. 22, 10 a. m.
Meeting re-assembled pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, duly seconded, it is held that the Association is responsible for, and will pay on sufficient proof being furnished, the \$1,000.00 reward, as advertised, to the party who captured and secured the conviction of the person who stole a horse from John S. Chisum, Esq., a member of this Association.

On motion of Henry Milne, Esq., seconded by John W. Poe, Esq., the thanks of the Lincoln County Stock Association are hereby tendered to its Secretary, M. Cronin, for the efficient manner in which he has conducted and performed the duties of his office; and further, for his conscientious scruples in declining the full amount of salary offered him by the Association for said services, and naming a less amount for same.

On motion of Mr. Chisum, seconded by Mr. President, the Association refused to accede to the proposition of the Secretary, that his salary should be reduced, and that until further action in the premises, the same stand as first agreed upon.

Directed that the Finance Committee estimate the cost of a number of books of memorandum size, with the caps and brands of the Association printed thereon.

On motion of Mr. LaRue, seconded by Mr. Dolan, the thanks of the Association are hereby tendered Mrs. Capt. J. C. L's for her generous hospitality to members of the Association.

Adjourned to meet in Lincoln first Monday in April, at 10 o'clock a. m.
M. Cronin, Secretary.
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STOCK NEWS.

The government purposes to buy 400 cows and 20 bulls for the Mesquero Indian Agency in New Mexico. Bids will be opened on the 21st inst.

Thus far this year the run of cattle on the far western ranges shows a shortage of 40,000 head as compared with last year, while the run of Texas cattle is 120,000 less than at this time last season. This makes a total shortage of 160,000 head.—*Ex.*

Reports heretofore current that many cattle were dying in parts of New Mexico for want of water are contradicted by stockmen, who say that not a single death has occurred from that cause. Water has been abundant all the year past, and cattle are in fine condition.—*Stockman.*

The following is an extract from the *Stock Journal's* Matagorda (southern Texas) correspondent: "There have been no contracts made for spring delivery, yet prices for cattle are about \$24 for fours, \$20 for threes, \$20 for cows, \$15 for twos, \$12 for ones, and \$30 for cows and calves. It is the general opinion of buyers that cattle will be lower in the spring.

A Denver exchange says: We are informed by a cattle man who "lays over" the average Weld county stock man, that there is some talk of the heavier cattle dealers forming a pool, consolidating the many large herds in the county and thus by power of wealth get possession of all the land fronting watering places, and in that way absorb and freeze out these owning small herds.

Dr. J. Willis, an Iowa veterinary surgeon, is in the city on his return from the Laureles ranch, belonging to the Texas Land and Cattle Company, where he has recently completed the spaying of 750 heifer calves. The company have had these spayed as a trial, and if it proves successful will probably spay about half their heifer calves every year. The Hunt and Cattle Company have had spayed about 2,000.—*Panhandle.*

A move is on foot for the organization of a stockgrowers' association for central New Mexico, to take in the counties of Santa Fe, Bernalillo, Valencia and Socorro. This is timely and proper, and we hope it will be successful. The stock interests of that section are growing to be very important, and it behooves stockmen to combine for protection, especially as the laws relating to stock matters are inadequate and almost useless.—*Stockman.*

Underwood, Clark & Co., managers of the Laureles ranch, southwest Texas, sold to Messrs. Grant & Sport, of Kansas City, 300 yearling mules to be delivered there. The mules were loaded in the cars at San Antonio, Texas, and on their arrival at Kansas City Saturday, 80 were found dead and since then 80 more have died. It was said that they were neither fed nor watered on the route, and to this is attributed the loss, aggravated by the intensely cold weather.

Cow ponies are worth from \$25 to \$40 on this market, wild mules from \$45 to \$55, broken mules from \$125 to \$160 by the pair, and these are Spanish mules. Driving horses are worth, say animals fifteen hands high, from \$60 to \$100. Wild mares sell at from \$14 to \$25, according to size and grade, and one-year-old colts are worth from \$6 to \$12, and twos at about \$2 advance. The demand for stock horses is good, but the demand for cow ponies is better and is improving.—*L. S. Journal.*

It is often the subject of remark that the Gulf States have made so little progress in improved stock. The native stock thrives and increases from year to year, finding ample sustenance winter and summer. The scrub cow wanders at will through the woods or prairie, and regularly bears her annual calf, at a cost to the owner of only a few handfuls of salt. The ancient breeds of land pikes from the piney woods, and wild hogs infest the swamps and jungles, finding ample food to sustain life. Every third year the mast comes and then the hog has a holiday. All grow fat and pork is plenty and cheap. Animal life is so easily sustained in this climate, and yet the people of the Middle States get north raise yearlings that will out-weigh our four-year old native bees,

pigs six months old that would make more pork that two of our grown hogs, and cows that will yield ten times as much butter as our lean kind.—*Panhandle.*

Life in the American Metropolis.

Father Ryan, the poet-priest, says in a New York letter to the *New Orleans Times Democrat*: All the highways of seas and lands meet in New York. Like an immense magnet, it attracts to itself the energies of all the world. It is not the ships from all shores anchored in the harbor; it is not the railroads from all over the continent converging toward this great center; it is not the vast business establishments spread all over the city; it is not the massive and magnificent residences of the fortunate in life, nor the tenements and hovels of the miserable, nor any such material things, that give to the visitor the real character of the city. It is the people. Of all races, from all lands, you meet them on every street, and all work, work, work—some with hand, some with brains, some with both, some in honest ways, some with the wits of dishonesty, but for all the watchword is work. Once idealized, but dollars have dethroned ideas, and they govern the government and are presidents of the people. "How much are you worth?" That settles your status—defines your position, and gauges your influence. New York is the Rome of Mammon. Dollars there are dogmas. New York, which to a narrow eye seems the very Babylon of iniquity, you will find a hidden Jerusalem, a holy city with a thousand tabernacles here which religion worships. At first you only see the veil—dark, woven of wickedness, bordered with crime—but behind that black veil is many a holy of holies of beautiful lives, of glorious virtues. There is not on earth a city of such charities and generousities. And, breast to breast with men who are working with all energies for money, you will find men of equal energies working for the amelioration of human wants. I know too little of other churches save my own to form an estimate of their numbers or their zeal; but, speaking only of my church, I can justly say there are twice more Catholics in New York than in Rome, nor can the city of the Seven Hills boast of more piety than the city of the sound.

How did you come to break off your engagement with Miss Snowball?" asked Uncle Mose of Andy Perkins, an Austin dandy. "In due place, Uncle Mose, she wasn't berry young, and she had no money; and secondly, she wouldn't have me, and went and married under niggarly, so I took the advice of my friends and just dropped her."

Henry Ward Beecher attended a lecture and gazed rapturously upon a corps of ballet dancers a few days ago, and the following Sunday lectured on "Chimneys of Paradise."

STOCK BRANDS.

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Article XIII. The association shall advertise to pay to any person who will report the name of any person who has stolen or who is believed to have stolen any of the stock of the association, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100), provided that the person so reported shall be responsible for the recovery of the same. The association shall not be liable for the payment of the reward until the stock of the association has been recovered and the name of the thief reported to the association. The reward shall be paid to the person who reports the name of the thief to the association, and the name of the thief shall be published in the *Golden Era*. The association shall not be liable for the payment of the reward until the stock of the association has been recovered and the name of the thief reported to the association. The reward shall be paid to the person who reports the name of the thief to the association, and the name of the thief shall be published in the *Golden Era*.

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Theatrical troupes begin to strike the railroad towns. Why, oh! why can we not have a circus?

Great depression of the mining interests of Grant county is reported, which we regret to chronicle. So rich a field ought not to be lying idle.

President Arthur has been embraced by one of our Mesquero braves. He is said to be worse paralyzed than when he tackled the Florida shrimp-salad.

The Optic's New Year's Annual is somewhat like Napoleon's hair—very long in coming, and not very long when it got her, and yet very enthusiastically received.

Delegate Luna is working for an appropriation to allow us a session of the legislature. There are a good many things which certainly do need looking after. And then they want to sit.

The San Francisco Examiner says there is a girl out there who is selling precious kisses at two bits a dozen. Humph! Cheaper than bread and cheese. And much nicer. We wish we were on the San Francisco Examiner her.

We have also—ahem! Bro. Leader—long been an educator of the press and people, although we 'fess up, we did not invent the 'interview' idea, and did not before know who did. But when a revered contemporary will use such Latin as in statu quo, we feel that there is no God in Israel. In statu quo is good, too.

In the record of substantial justice we are glad to place two more events—the acquittal of Young Nutt, who killed Dukes, the slayer of his father and seducer of his sister; and the lynching by Colorado vigilantes of the infamous Cuddigan man, and wife, who froze, starved, and beat to death an innocent and helpless little girl, who had never harmed them nor given them the least offense.

A. C. Ayers, local agent of the Cincinnati & Northern road at Cincinnati, after being arrested for embezzlement, cut his wrists with pieces of glass, thrust a sharpened lead pencil deep into his neck and tried to cut his throat with a pocket comb—Ez.

Ought to have been shot with a baked apple, and sand-bagged with a roll of butter. Then, if not dead, he would have been all but—ah!

We are in receipt of a neat pamphlet headed "Proceedings of the National Convention of Cattle Breeders," which contains much solid information, and many able papers, among which we notice those upon "Prevention of Contagious Diseases," "The Texas Cattle Fever," "The Gulf Fever," "Tuberculosis," "Pleuro-Pneumonia," &c., &c. Any cattle man can have the book by calling at our office; it might be of value to him.

We learn from the Journal that Prof. Paul Longhammer, of Albuquerque, has received the governor's nomination for appointment to the position of commissioner for this territory to the World's Fair at New Orleans, to be held next spring. We doubt not that Prof. Longhammer will represent us well; and we are confident that if we are half-represented, the occasion in question will be of the utmost importance to us as a territory. A large portion of our population comes from the south, and anything which tends to bring our great resources before that section of the country cannot fail to work to our benefit.

A new and healthy looking cousin of ours, by the name of The New Era, comes to us from Lake Valley. In Vol. 1, No. 5, with the "X" mark on its face. The first thing in it that our eye fell upon was the following:

"A most cowardly murder was perpetrated at Seven Rivers, Lincoln county, on Tuesday of last week. As a party of Mexicans were returning home from their day's work they were fired into by a band of rustlers and four of their number killed. Gov. Sheldon offers a reward of \$500 for the capture and conviction of the murderers."

Yes, we will exchange with you, little cousin, for we rather like your looks. But the first thing you want to do, if we are to be friends, is to take that murder story right square back. You are misinformed. Of a verity, the only newspaper do, lives after them.

What eager creatures the pursuers of Fortune are, and how fondly does each one hug to himself the delusion that he is the favored one of the fickle goddess! From all over the country you may see little notes in the papers to the effect that such and such an one has started for Idaho, or will start for the Coeur d'Alene in the spring, &c. That means a rush into the new gold fields in the spring; and means success to a few, death to many, disappointment and disaster to nearly all. And yet you can not persuade one of these Argonauts to think that any deception has been practiced upon him, or that the boom is not a disinterested scheme to enrich himself, or that he is not sure to strike it rich in the new field. It is always on, and on. The better country is always a little further on. It is useless for us to urge upon miners the folly of leaving so promising a field and so lovely a climate as we have in New Mexico, for the cold, the snow, and the three months season of that far northern country. It is useless, because no miner ever doubted a boom, and no amount of experience will ever teach him to do so; if the notion takes him, it is good-by miner. But we solemnly protest against the folly of it, and if any of our people will go, we will just sit down and smile until they come back to us. For they will come back.

Joined the Angels

We have heard much comment on the week-end sociable held at Socorro on the evening of the 22nd, in honor of Joe Fowler, and we have yet to hear the first man who did not say "served him right." The very unanimity of public opinion on this point is a terrible rebuke to the administration of justice which could make possible so deplorable a deed as the hanging undoubtedly was. It was a rebuke to justice, who left us to fear that the very chief of offenders would go unwhipped of her right hand; and at the same time it was a rebuke to lawlessness, which may now well remember that the stern god parent of all justice—common consent as to what is right—has vet a hand which smites sure and heavily.

We all say that "we deeply regret, &c.," but at heart we do not regret at all. We are all glad of it, everyone of us. We know that the illegal hanging was the only logical solution of the Fowler question, for it was not reasonable to suppose that he would ever be legally hung. The territory is a thousand times better off as it is. It is time that technicalities should cease to shield murderers, and that sentiment should be allowed to throw its cloak only around the corpse of the brute who makes such partial payment on his crime as the Allwise may credit him with for his wretched, worthless life.

The bad man must go.

Our Washington Letter.

Regular Correspondent of the Era. Washington, D. C., Jan. 19, 1884.—The letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting to the Senate, in compliance with the resolution of December 15th, 1883, copies of all vouchers not heretofore communicated to the Senate, showing the expenditures of the Dep't. of Justice, has some interesting points. The amounts shown by the report just printed to have been paid to attorneys in the Star Route cases are as follows: To Col. Bliss, \$31,307.50; to Mr. Ker, \$31,677; to Mr. Merrick, \$17,500; to Col. W. A. Cook, \$8,199.18; to B. H. Brewster, \$5,000; to A. M. Gibson, \$5,000; and to H. H. Wells, \$300. Allan Pinkerton, for detective service, draw, altogether, \$1,324.11.—Thomas P. Shalleros, an inspector of the Gen'l. Postoffice Department and who draws his regular salary of about \$350 or \$400 every month, seems to have had a very soft thing, as he has been allowed numerous bills for expenses on account of the Star Route prosecution. Making his monthly income average about \$700 or \$800 monthly.

Listening to conversation of Brady, Dorcy and others was made to do duty every time one of the detectives wanted a hunch, if one is to judge from the report. One fellow went to the Congressional hotel and spent 30 cents seeking information about the proprietor, Mr. Fletcher. Excursions, admissions to theatres, and all sorts of places of amusement, were charged up under the general head of "seeking information." In fact, it is plain that Pinkerton's men had a thoroughly good time at the government's expense. One charge is "expense at the National hotel examining registers," a thing that can be done by anyone at any time without cost. Detectives were sent to track Vaile, Spencer and others, who were either defendants or witnesses, and wherever they went they carried that same convenient custom of seeking information in saloons and charging the government for it.

Careful examination of Ex. Doc. No. 4, first session of the Forty eighth Congress, will show that Mr. George Bliss, a special assistant U. S. attorney in the late Star Route cases, and

Mr. W. W. Ker, another special assistant attorney in the same cases, traveled from here to Philadelphia, New York, and other places, and charged up to the government the expenses of said trips, railroad fare and other expenses, including hack hire and hotel bills. It is alleged, and it is susceptible of proof, that both of these men traveled on passes. If Mr. Springer will but open his doors, he will not only be able to prove the above, but many other equally disreputable transactions.

The United States Senate Wednesday enjoyed a debate upon a subject which is probably as interesting to the average Congressman as any to which the legislative mind could be directed—that of liquid refreshments for the care worn representatives of the nation. A joint rule prohibiting the sale of spirituous or malt liquors in the Capital building called forth an amendment from the genial Senator from Delaware, Mr. Bayard, who expressed himself as entirely in favor of excluding spirituous liquors, but proposed to allow the sale of malt liquors "with a view to temperance and good health" and possibly in the interests of higher statesmanship. Mr. Fry, of Maine, had no sympathy with this logic, and referred to the violation of the temperance rule at former sessions, when members were accustomed to evade the prohibition by drinking their liquors out of teacups a good deal after the fashion of Mrs. Gump. The vivid picture did not seem to shock the Senate as it should have done, but in the interest of appearances it was agreed to prohibit the sale of "intoxicating" liquors in the Capital without specifying their particular character. To the ordinary visitor to the Capital who imbibes the non-intoxicating liquors sold there, this new rule may have its perplexities. Senator Fry asserts that at previous sessions he has seen grave and reverend Senators drinking out of teacups non-intoxicating liquors that seemed to produce a strange exhilaration, and it may be that similar sinful devices will be employed during the present session.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.

This periodical for February is already on our table, and is as usual overflowing with good things in prose, poetry and illustrations. The articles particularly interesting are: "Hurry Irving and His Work," "New York City in its Early Days," "Sobieski and the Relief of Vienna in 1683," "The Colossal Statue of Germany and France," "Life on the Surface of the Ocean," etc., etc.—they are profusely illustrated. In the department of fiction Etta W. Pierce's serial, "A Dark Deed," is continued, and there are short stories by Mary A. Denison, Edwin F. Trafton, C. G. Rosenberg, Surrey Wyatt, etc., etc., and Sketches, Adventures, poems, etc., by favorite writers—many of the poems are beautifully illustrated, in fact, all the illustrations are highly finished, and the colored plate, the frontispiece, "Little Mischief" is worthy of an elegant number. The price of a single number is 25 cents, and the yearly subscription \$2.50, postpaid. Address, Mrs. Frank Leslie, Publisher, 53, 55, and 57 Park Place, N. Y.

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U. S. Land Office, Las Cruces, N. M., January 19th, 1884. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Leavey, Casworth and White Oaks Gold and Silver Mining Company, of Leaveyworth, Kansas, by Charles B. Hill, its attorney in fact, whose post office address is White Oaks, Lincoln County, New Mexico, has this day filed its application for a patent for fifteen hundred and thirty-two acres of land, more or less, situated in White Oaks mining district, county of Lincoln and territory of New Mexico, and designated by the field notes and official plat in file in this office as survey number 424, in 70 degrees 30 minutes, east 90 feet to corner No. 2, a porphyry stone, chiseled 2-1/2 x 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 inches, east 80 feet to corner No. 1, a cedar beam 8 inches x 6 inches, east 47-1/2 feet to corner No. 3, a porphyry stone chiseled 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 inches, east 32-1/2 feet to corner No. 4, a porphyry stone chiseled 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 inches, east 32-1/2 feet to corner No. 5, a porphyry stone chiseled 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 inches, east 32-1/2 feet to corner No. 6, a porphyry stone chiseled 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 inches, east 32-1/2 feet to corner No. 7, a porphyry stone chiseled 1-1/2 x 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