

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1879.

There are one-third more German newspapers in the United States than in Germany...

At Frisco, Utah, water is fifteen cents per gallon, being a luxury rich people only can afford to enjoy.

Utah & Northern bonds are quoted in New York at 95. Not many months ago they were selling for not much more than half that figure.

It is explained that the reason why the British Government has ordered an express search in Zululand for the late Prince Imperial's watch, is because attached to the chain there was a fragment of the true Cross.

Near Reading, Pa., the other day, while some gentlemen were shooting on the farm of Henry Miller, one of them killed a partridge, which fell in an adjacent field.

CANNON'S EXPULSION.

The petition presented in Washington yesterday asking for an investigation into the private character of the polygamist delegate, Cannon, with a view of testing his right to a seat in the National Congress...

THE DEGENHART TRIAL.

From a legal gentleman who arrived yesterday from Deer Lodge, we learn that the excitement which resulted from the unexpected termination of the Degenhart trial, has, to a large extent subsided in that village...

The opposite version of the story which first became current in Butte materially modifies, it does not annul the animus of the complaints first circulated against the district court officers and jury.

The address of Attorney Mayhew, to which our informant attentively listened, is spoken of as being concise and logical, but not vindictive. The report current in Butte alleging that Mr. Mayhew did not labor with sufficient energy for the prisoner's conviction is explained by the gentleman as follows:

From the Terminus.

A correspondent of the San Francisco Bulletin, writing from Ogden, has the following to say concerning the terminus of the Utah & Northern railroad:

that he would try no more cases until another jury should be empaneled.

Concerning the rumors which reached Butte just after the verdict of acquittal had been made known, it will be remembered the MINER advised the public to suspend their denunciation until reports had been heard from parties better qualified to judge as to the facts...

THE BUTTE BOOM.

Recent developments warrant us in repeating that the future of the Summit Valley Mining District and especially of the mines in the immediate vicinity of Butte was never so full of promise as at the present time...

The distrust prevailing at one time in regard to the character of the ore when developments should be pushed in a downward direction has entirely disappeared. Explorations in the Alice banana have sufficiently demonstrated the absurdity of the theory at one time current in that regard...

It is not generally known, but it is nevertheless a fact, that all the mills and smelters in which ore from the large company mines is reduced in Nevada, are the individual property of a few bonanza kings...

COAST NEWS.

There are two feet of snow in the Yankee Fork country.

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Mrs. Frosham, the widow of the man who was lynched in Leadville a short time since, proposes to sue the county for \$50,000 damages.

Senator J. P. Jones is reported to have made \$250,000 through the sale of a Colorado mine.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

Managing Commentaries on Recent Scientific Discoveries.

It is curious to see, says Nature, the impression which the electric light has made on two semi-civilized monarchs, the recent barbarities of one of whom at least have proved him to be little better than a savage.

Berlin rejoices in the possession of a "Scientific Cooking Association," formed by house-wives of the city. It has a school of instruction in cookery, and a competent chemist gives the members of the society a course of lectures in practical chemistry.

A recent report to the French Anthropological society, states that the island of Andaman, in the Indian ocean is inhabited by a race of wild men, little superior to monkeys.

The ancient temples of Egypt furnish specimens of timber which are supposed to be the oldest wood in existence ever used by man.

A recent estimate of the date of the neolithic period by Mr. Sidney B. J. Skerrett, an English scientist, furnishes a good illustration of the processes by which the ages of the different epochs in the existence of mankind are hypothetically determined.

The geologist's evidence shows that, as the silting went on and the water came overland, peat grew and gradually spread over the land. In the course of time, however, the climate became unfitted for the growth of peat, which ceased to form. Hence a wide stretch borders the Wash, on which no peat ever existed.

Handsome Billy—A Romantic Story.

Wellsville, Allegany county, New York, lately developed a rural romance out of the usual way. William Freeman had worked as a boy several years for farmers in the vicinity of Wellsville.

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Miss Corson's Story of Shylock.

Grandfather Lickhinge sometimes calls the little children around his knee, and says that, since they insist upon it, he will tell them a story, when, at the same time, the children have not been saying a word about a story.

"Well, since you won't give me any peace, I'll improve your young minds with the story of one of Shakespeare's characters. I will take Shylock," continued the old gentleman, "which I regard as one of the best and most interesting of all the great master's creations."

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A Tableau.

Chloride got out of bed suddenly the other night and caught his daughter sitting on the lap of a young man for whom he entertains an especial aversion.

"Lizzie, didn't I tell you not to allow this young fellow to come fooling around here? What you been doing?"

"We are getting up a tableau for the church, father," said Lizzie.

"A tableau; what was them smacks I heard?"

"Oh! they was, was they? And what was all this huggin' I saw, about?"

"That is in the tableau, too," said Lizzie.

"Oh! it is, is it?" said Chloride, releasing the girl, and dragging the young man to the window.

"Oh! father, what are you doing?" shrieked Lizzie, in agonized tones, as the howl of a man and the growl of a dog came up from below.

"Nothing, nothing at all," said Chloride. "I was having a little tableau for the benefit of this family, and that was one of the most affecting situations. I did feel kinder sorry for that coon," remarked the father, when telling his wife the incident.

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