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THE DIAMOND BUBBLE.

From out the great Pacific slope, land rich in wine and gold, Mysterious rumors came, that read like fairy tales of old.

Of crimson rubies scattered round, and diamonds by the score, And mother earth so very kind, one only had to rake her.

Two honest miners from the west had made the lucky find, And sold for half a million of gold to men of frugal mind.

Who started off in joyful haste upon a first "prospecting," An I soon returned with jewels rare, all of their own collecting.

Now, in the Diamond Valley tale, so neatly told by Sinalud, Although the gems in plenty lay, yet one was "taken in" bad.

For after one had examined himself with lots of precious stones, He couldn't climb the mountain, and he had to leave his bones.

But here in Colorado there were diamonds by the ton, And every other brilliant stone that flashed beneath the sun.

A million sparkling diamonds lay loosely in the gravel, And any man who knew the spot could fill his bag and travel.

Again the owners of the field went on a tour "prospecting," With an expert from Yankeland, on science bent, directing;

But when upon the diamond mine all wearily they halted, They met one King, who blantly smiled and oft repeated—"Salted."

Wiser and sadder homeward came these sharp men of the west, An aching void lay hunched upon each throbbing breast.

The honest miners from the slope "sloped" when they heard the bubble, And took half a million of gold to pay them for their trouble.

MORAL.
To avaricious, greedy men, who dream of fields of rubies, And jewels in ten-acre lots: Take warning by these boobies.

As for the "cleverest miners two," bear not the absent malice; And if you buy up diamonds, accept "from great sales."

The State Fair.
It is to be hoped the citizens of Lawrence and Douglas county will make the proper effort this year to secure the state fair this fall. A better opportunity was never offered. The inducements to be offered the state board of agriculture are manifold, and are such as to bring about the permanent establishment of the state fair at this point.

The Lawrence and Southwestern road passes through the southeast corner of the fair ground, which road has direct connection with all the roads which pass through Lawrence. This stock and all bulky materials which have to be transported on the railroad could be taken within the very enclosure of the grounds.

The grounds are now owned by Messrs. Sprague & Akers, who are willing to let the society have them for the purpose of holding the state fair, free of charge as long as they own them. The only outlay required on the part of the city and county is the erection of suitable buildings. The Topkates appropriated \$20,000 for the purchase of suitable ground for the erection of suitable buildings for this fair. We should not hesitate to give one-third, or at least one-fourth, of that amount for the erection of proper buildings and a few other conveniences.

Mr. Akers proposes this year to build a high, substantial fence around the entire ground, and one also to protect the race track. He also intends to erect a new "jungle" stand, a received amphitheatre for spectators. Mr. Akers has no special interest here in having the state fair. His stock, or rather a good portion of it is certain to secure most of the premiums offered by the society wherever the fair is held, but now having permanently located himself here, and being one of us, he takes an interest in the city, and is willing to do all in his power to enhance its prosperity. Our merchants are aware of the benefits they would receive should the fair be held here.

Several members of the state board of agriculture expressed themselves to Mr. Akers last fall as in favor of holding the fair at Lawrence, and hoped the citizens would display sufficient enterprise in the matter as to offer some inducements. At present the times are very hard it is true, but they will never get better if we sit idly waiting for it to come.—*Lawrence Tribune.*

Sugar-Corn.
One of our enterprising citizens has found out that sugar can be made from corn—that, in fact, one bushel of corn if made to go through certain processes will produce twenty-five pounds of good sugar. We will not give the gentleman's name, but we know he has a good head on his shoulders, and he always knows what he is talking about. More of this anon. In the meantime let the farmers plant lots of corn.—*Lawrence Tribune.*

A hanging garden of sponge is one of the latest novelties in gardening. Take a white sponge and sow it full of oats, rice, or wheat. Then place it for a week or ten days in a shallow dish, and as the sponge will absorb the moisture, the seed will begin to sprout before many days. When this has fairly taken place the sponge may be suspended by means of cords from a hook in the top of the window where a little sun will enter. It will thus become like a mass of green, and can be kept wet by merely immersing it in a bowl of water.

There are one hundred and forty-nine savings banks in New York state, with assets amounting to about three hundred million dollars, the number of depositors being upward of seven hundred and seventy-six thousand.

"My dear," said the sentimental Mrs. Waddles, "home, you know, is always the dearest spot on earth." "Well yes," said the practical Mr. Waddles, "it does cost me about twice as much as any other spot."

Minnesota is deliberating whether wire fences or picket guides would be the cheapest means of keeping way-farers from straying off the prairie roads and freezing to death in snow-drifts.

Seventy-six per cent. of the weather-predictions from Washington, for 1872, prove correct, and fully one-half of the rest only anticipated slightly the condition of weather announced as "probable."

An unfeeling Maine manufacturer of melodious has procured the arrest of a pious youth who sold a parlor-organ before he bought it in order to place a headstone above his mother's grave.

The newspaper reports of Captain Jack's fight with the regular troops confirm the statement that the Modocs fought naked. The regulars were not that manner of fighting born.

Mrs. Swisshelm, having finished her work on "women who have been hanged," can now supplement it by a voluminous treatise on "women who ought to be, but aren't."

The marrying season has set in with even more than its accustomed violence. It is not so violent, though, as the season after marriage.

And now the washwomen of Cincinnati are getting in a wring.

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Give it a trial and satisfy yourselves.

W. E. MEAD,
Agent for Sedgewick County,
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