

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

The Board of County Commissioners met on Monday last and transacted the following business, to wit:

The bond of N. H. Carlow, as Justice of the Peace of Bullionville Township, was presented, approved and ordered filed.

A petition from the citizens of Pah Rump asking for a new school district to be established was presented and rejected.

The petition of Mary Smith, who is in indigent circumstances, asking for relief, was ordered filed.

The bills of Miss Mary Carr referred to the Board of County Commissioners by the County School Superintendent for teaching school in Rose Valley School District, were ordered returned to the County School Superintendent without action.

R. P. Dayton, County Assessor, was allowed by the Board 375 days in which to complete the assessment for the county for the year 1877.

The following bills were presented and laid over: T. C. Poudjade \$15; T. C. Poudjade \$25.

The following bills were presented and allowed: John Lazenby \$6.50, Jos. Perival \$100, C. F. Phillips \$85, E. D. Turner \$130, S. L. Lee \$9, W. L. McKee \$43.75, J. P. Curtis \$180, Record Pub. Co. \$24.50, H. S. Crocker & Co. \$17, Wells, Fargo & Co. \$5; S. L. Lee \$18, W. L. McKee \$10, W. L. McKee \$11.25. The Board then adjourned.

OSCEOLA.—On Sunday evening Dr. S. L. Lee and Jim Mattson returned here, having accomplished the object of their journey in attending to E. Heckert and leaving him in a comfortable state and out of danger. After their return an account was given of that camp, who was there and what was doing. Dr. Lee showed some specimens of coarse gold that he had washed from three handfuls of dirt—the gold amounting to about one dollar—and also some specimens of gold quartz taken from the Golden Eagle ledge, owned by Jim Mattson. The ardor of most of our prospectors were considerably dampened when told that all the claims to the placer diggings had been located. Chas. Noakes, R. G. Schofield and E. Heckert are among the successful locators of placer claims. A rocker was made in Ward and sent there, and preparations are being made to receive the mill which is to run on Golden Eagle ore. The water to run the mill will be brought a distance of about five miles, from some small lakes on Jeff Davis Peak, which are accessible and there will be no difficulty in getting the water to Osceola. Osceola promises to be small camp, and a good one, but there is no necessity of running wild over it.

ALPS MINING COMPANY.—There are at present 42 men on the pay-roll of the Mazepa and Washington & Crooks mines and a number more will be placed to work shortly. The Mazepa has been started to work and on the first day extracted enough ore to occupy three days in hoisting. At the Washington & Crooks the work of overhauling the machinery was going during the week, and was completed yesterday at noon, the whistle sounding from the works at that time, being the first in three years. Work commenced on the Crooks during the week and 12 tons of ore laid aside the first day. The Mazepa and Washington & Crooks had heretofore been worked through the Mazepa shaft, but now both shafts will be employed. At the Alps mine there is a splendid prospect on the winze now being sunk. The Condor mill continues to run regular, having plenty of ore on hand.

RAYMOND & ELY.—Work has been progressing well during the week. In the lower level improvement has been made in regard to the ore and the quantity extracted, there seeming to be no diminution in regard to the quantity and excellent prospects of it holding on. As the old levels are being reopened above the ore becomes more abundant, so much so that the work of commencing to crash will begin next week at the mill. The pay-roll of the mine has been considerably increased of late and the signs indicate a prosperous run both in the mine and at the mill.

SUPERINTENDENT.—F. W. Clute has been appointed Superintendent of the Newark Mill and Mining Company. He is now in San Francisco with the Trustees of that company endeavoring to get them to start work on the same, and he writes word that they talk favorably of doing so.

OSCEOLA GOLD.—We were shown yesterday by Johnny Lynch some coarse gold from Osceola District, which was the amount taken from one hundred pans of dirt. The gold is valued at \$10 per ounce. The amount coming in on being weighed was found to be worth \$17.59.

DISTRICT COURT.—The District Court meets to-day at 10 o'clock, when the final account of the settlement of the Hamilton estate will come up and some few other cases.

LEADS BULLION.—During the past week bullion was received here from Silver Reef valued at \$13,471.66. Quite an improvement.

PICOHE BULLION.—Wells, Fargo & Co. shipped during the last week bullion amounting to \$10,092.95.

NEVADA CENTRAL.—The cars continue to be kept busy hauling ore to the mills.

BULLIONVILLE.

Being among the picnickers on Thursday on their trip to Bullionville we took occasion of visiting the Raymond & Ely mill, now in charge of John Cabill. We found that the eighteen pans were running day and night to their full capacity on tailings, the eight settlers also being busily employed. Atmagam was being turned out in pretty large quantities, the retorts being made ready to convert it into bullion. The tailings are being worked now to much better advantage than they have heretofore been, and the daily manipulation of them will make the process of working come easier as they are handled and tested. The battery of the mill is now being fixed ready to start crushing ore. Ore is accumulating at the mine and will be sent down pretty rapidly when the battery gets to work.

Near the Raymond & Ely mill Hugh White has his concentration works concentrating tailings from the Magnet mill. He is at present only able to work a few hands, owing to the Raymond & Ely mill being unable to pump a sufficient amount of water, having to use so much for the mill. To remedy this defect Mr. White has sent to Salt Lake City for a pump, by means of which he will be enabled to secure a large supply of water. The pump is expected to arrive there this evening.

The furnace is at a stand still and it is not known when it will start to work, although it is expected daily. The business portion of Bullionville looks much better since our last visit to that burg and the business men are not now complaining.

AT WORK ON THE ROAD.—Sheriff McKee arrested and locked up Sunday two Indians for being drunk around the streets. He endeavored to get them to inform on the parties who sold them the liquor, but did not succeed. On last Monday and Tuesday he placed these two red sons of the sagebrush on the road to work, under the superintendence of the man who is held under a charge of appropriating somebody else's mutton, picking and digging out the rocks. On Tuesday evening the Indians concluded that they had done enough toward the internal improvement of the county, so throwing down their picks, and bidding their guard a fond farewell, they made a break for the sagebrush and were free American citizens once more. The Sheriff says that if he can only catch the men who sell the liquor to the Indians he will also put them work improving the county highways.

KILLING DOVES.—We hear of constant complaints being made of the habit indulged in by some parties of going a gunning towards evening, killing doves and other small birds just now in the midst of their breeding season. The law of this State is very strict in regard to the killing of birds during their season of breeding, and here in our place, where birds are so scarce and should be allowed to increase and multiply for a few years, the law should be strictly enforced on those who kill them. It seems strange that persons with any sense at all, and who know that they are violating the law should spend their time in such destruction. Officers by visiting the outskirts of town any evening can find the offenders.

THE PICNIC.—Last Thursday a large number of ladies, gentlemen and children took a picnic excursion on the cars to Bullionville, where they took a tramp around town and visited the mills. On the return trip the train stopped within a mile of Delmol's ranch, at which place the lunch baskets were opened and the contents disposed of. The train was then run up to the ranch, the crowd disembarked and starting for the house, where dancing was inaugurated and kept up with spirit until half-past seven o'clock, the train returning here late in the evening. When the train ran down from town in the morning a photographic view was taken of it at the entrance of Round Valley.

HENRY JANIN returned from his trip to Pennsylvania District last Sunday and left here, in company with Judge Rives, for San Francisco District, Utah, to inspect the mines there. On Tuesday evening, by courtesy of Captain Day, he went through the Raymond & Ely mine and made an examination of it in regard to the recent strike made there, and although he did not make known to any one the results of his investigation, still we were given to understand that he was anything else but displeased with what he observed. He procured samples from the mine which he will take to San Francisco.

THE SENTENCES.—Roach, who was convicted of murder in the second degree in the District Court of White Pine county for the killing of Gleason, was sentenced by the Judge to imprisonment in the State Prison for the term of his natural life. Jim Crawford, who pleaded guilty to stage robbery, was sentenced to seven years, and John Leonard, convicted of manslaughter in killing Charles Bello, received a sentence of ten years, in the above mentioned institution.

ON A VISIT.—Rev. Father Monteverde arrived in Pioche on Tuesday evening from Eureka on a flying visit. He will leave again for that place some time next week. He will hold services at the Catholic Church to-morrow, Sunday, at 10:30 in the morning and 7:30 in the evening.

DEPARTED.—J. R. Duff departed on Monday for San Francisco. Mr. Duff is anxious to see the Trustees of the Meadow Valley mine and thinks that he may induce them to start to work placing in the pump.

ARCHIE YOACHAM'S BUTTER at Poudjade's.

INCREASED TRAVELING FACILITIES.

We are informed that it is the intention of the proprietors of the stage line to put on four-horse coaches between this place and Ward in anticipation of a grand rush to Pioche, caused by the late strike in the Raymond & Ely, and before the sun rises and sets many times more we expect the out-of-the-way camp of Pioche will be run down by an influx of "black-and-tans," "sole-traders," "sports" and showmen, and all the other necessary evils that go to make up a prosperous mining community, and we should not be surprised to see Montgomery Queen's circus coming this way so long as it appears we have a chance of becoming a little more prosperous than we heretofore have been; but its old saying about "rats deserting what they think to be a sinking ship," and now when there is likely to be a chance for fat pickings, back they come to share in what there is. There is nothing at present to justify a rush to this camp. It is true that most of the men who arrived here from abroad have been very successful in obtaining employment, and after everything is in readiness at both mines and mills, there will be quite a number more hands put to work, but it will be impossible for this camp to furnish all the idle men in the State with employment.

HOUSE CLEANING.—The average house-wife of Pioche is now busily employed having carpets taken up and shaken, ceilings whitewashed, and a general upsetting and turning upside down of everything moveable in the house. The husband is compelled to dine at some restaurant, as he knows he will not get anything to eat at home, and the affectionate "hubby" spends the time until a late hour of the night in that enticing game called "pedro." On returning home and attempting to enter the house softly so as not to break the slumbers of his tired out "better-half," he succeeded in placing his foot in a bucket of whitewash and upsetting it on the recently scrubbed floor, awakening his wife, and having to compromise matters by the promise of a new dress or hat for the coming warm season. Such has been the experience of at least one of our benedicts during house cleaning season.

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STATE VS. HARRINGTON.—The Virginia Enterprise received a dispatch from Carson, dated June 1st, stating that the judgment of the District Court of Storey county in the case of the State vs. Harrington, indicted for the murder Sullivan, has been reversed and a new trial ordered. The Enterprise has been informed that the reversal of the judgment is because on the trial the Court refused to allow the prisoner, while undergoing examination, to answer the question whether at the time he fired the fatal shot he believed his own life to have been in danger.

HOSE MEETING.—Last Monday evening being the regular monthly meeting night of Pioche Hose Company, and the members not coming to hand on time so as to form a quorum, a whipper-in was employed, who scoured the town and succeeded in getting enough to form a quorum. Business was then transacted in regular order, fines and dues paid and reports of committees read. Thompson Campbell and Sam Stoddard were elected members of the Board of Fire Delegates. The meeting then adjourned.

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DEAD.—Major Charles F. Powell, U. S. Consul at Iquique, South America, died of fever at that port on the 6th of May. Major Powell was a native of Washington, W. D., and was for nearly three years Indian Agent in Nevada, having charge of the Muddy Indians. During his term of office he resided in Pioche and there are many now living here who will remember the tall Indian Agent.

HIGHLAND FURNACE.—The Highland furnace being placed in thorough order and having a good supply of charcoal on hand started to work on last Tuesday afternoon. The proprietors calculate this time to make a run of fifteen or twenty days, and by the manner in which it is starting in we judge they will do so, as it is now running very successfully.

PICNIC AT HIGHLAND.—We are informed by Charley Wiederhold that the Germans of Pioche intend having a grand picnic at Highland on Sunday, the 17th day of June, in honor of the anniversary of Charley's wedding. They do not intend to be exclusive as the public are invited to attend and participate.

GOING THROUGH BANKRUPTCY.—J. Levin, of Eureka, and H. Horst, of Virginia City, are going through bankruptcy. These gentlemen were former residents of Pioche and did well while here, but they wandered away and the above is the result.

MR. HECKERTHORN, brother to E. Heckert, hearing of his brother's dangerous illness, came in from Silver Reef on last Saturday evening's stage, and immediately departed for Osceola in a buggy, which was awaiting the arrival of the stage.

ANNIVERSARY BLOW-OUT.—Monday last having been a year since the Bank Exchange Restaurant opened, the proprietor took that occasion to give a little blow-out to some of his old customers.

SUGAR.—Several Mormon teams arrived last Monday, bringing in barreled sugar and a general assortment of groceries to the store of F. W. Clute.

FRANK GARDEN SEEDS at G. R. Alexander's Drug Store.

COYOTES VS. RABBITS.—A law was enacted by one of the Legislatures of Nevada offering a reward for the scalp or skin of every coyote or wolf killed in the State. This had the effect of nearly exterminating the coyote and of breeding such a nuisance in the shape of the Jackass Rabbit that the last Legislature repealed the law. During the time the law was in force rabbits commenced to increase and multiply to an alarming extent, eating up crops of alfalfa and grass, and wherever there was a green spot of vegetation destroying it without the ranchers would take the proper precautions against such a nuisance. This state of affairs caused the repeal of the law in regard to coyotes as they were the natural enemies of the rabbits and succeeding in keeping down their number so that their destruction did not amount to much. Ranchers in Utah and Nevada have been in the habit of meeting together of late years and having a regular rabbit drive so as to kill them off to prevent destruction of crops. At one drive in Utah last year 5,000 of these little animals were slaughtered. We hear of many complaints this season of the destructions by rabbits and of intended drives to try and thin them out.

CLOSING EXERCISES.—The closing exercises of the Public Schools of Pioche, prior to vacation, took place yesterday. At the primary school the children were examined, in the presence of the Superintendent and Trustees, in spelling and the other branches in which they were taught, showing fair proficiency. Mary Sullivan was awarded the prize for proficiency in spelling, which was very closely contested by the little daughter of Thomas Saunders. In the grammar school the scholars passed a review of what they had been taught in mathematics, algebra, geography, grammar, spelling, etc., showing themselves remarkably proficient, especially in grammar. Wm. Miller was pronounced the best speller, he having beaten all the contestants. After the examination the schools adjourned for the term. No day has yet been set for the picnic to which the school children are going.

HOSE MEETING.—There will be a special meeting held by Protection Hose Company this evening, at their hose-house on Lacour street, at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to be present as business of importance will be transacted.

RETURNED.—A. J. Blair, Superintendent of the Alps Company, accompanied by his family, returned last Sunday by private conveyance from Eureka.

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A MURDEROUS SEA FLOWER.—One of the exquisite wonders of the sea is called the opolet, and it is about as large as the German aster, looking indeed very much like one. Imagine a very large double aster, with ever so many long petals of a light green, glossy as satin, and each one tipped with rose color. These lovely petals do not lie quietly in their places, like those of the aster in your garden, but wave about in the water, while the opolet clings to a rock. How innocent and lovely on a rocky bed. Who would suspect it could eat anything grosser than the dew or sunlight? But those beautiful, waving arms have another use beside looking pretty. They have to provide food for a large open mouth, which is hidden deep down among them—so well hidden that one could scarcely find it. Well do they perform their duty, for the instant a foolish little fish touches one of the rosy tips, he is stuck with poison, as fatal to him as lightning. He immediately becomes numb, and in a moment stops struggling, and then the other arms wrap themselves around him, and he is drawn into the huge greedy mouth, and he is seen no more. Then the lovely arms unclose and wave again in the water, looking as innocent and harmless as though they had never touched a fish.

The Sentinel of the 5th says: Sheriff Baum, of White Pine, arrived here about 4 o'clock yesterday with the three prisoners, Roach, Leonard and Crawford. They were lodged in jail, where they remained until the departure of the train this morning. The Sheriff's party were driven over by Harlow Thomas, in a private conveyance. They all appeared cheerful enough under the circumstances. Roach is the largest man of the three, Crawford next and Leonard the smallest. Leonard is also the hardest looking case among them, and next to him in that line comes Roach. Crawford, the stage robber, is not a bad looking man. When these men are safely landed, White Pine will have a larger delegation in the State Prison than she has in the Legislature.

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