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Fort Smith, Arkansas had a \$75,000 fire in the business portion of the city, on the 24th ult.

The democrats of Massachusetts have nominated Ben Butler for governor, on a woman suffrage platform.

Frank Manzanarez is a republican, but one of that class who holds the country's good above party.

In Grant county Harvey Whitehill for the legislature, J. A. Pearson for county clerk, J. B. Woods for sheriff, and James Corbin for probate judge are the nominees of the democrats.

Valencia, Luna's county, is one of the largest in the territory yet. It has neither a newspaper nor a school-house within its borders. Is a man who is content to dwell amidst such ignorance a fit representative of an intelligent people?

There are twenty-two newspapers in New Mexico. Nine of these have the name of Tranquillina Luna at the head of their columns, and thirteen have not. Luna must draw the entire ignorant vote or he will never get back to Washington on a pass.

Ira Bond of the Mesilla News says that Frank Chavez struck him off the republican territorial central committee because he voted to admit the Socorro delegation to the late convention. He was rightly served. He had no business to attempt to be honest while training with such a crowd.

Las Vegas had a very destructive fire last Saturday morning which did great damage on the east side. The flames caught in the Comique dance hall and soon communicated to the Palace saloon, Fridinger's beer-bottling establishment and the Chinese wash houses, and reduced them to ashes. It is the largest fire that Vegas has had.

Frank Manzanarez is an active business man, full of life and energy. From his daily contact with men of all classes in the territory he knows the pressing needs of each. He could not sit down in a mud house surrounded by illiterate peons and be content, and his habits of business here will go with him to Washington.

The Albuquerque Review undoubtedly contains much interesting reading matter daily, for its editor, W. F. Saunders, is very capable, but nobody can tell just what it says because it is too badly printed to be read. Please get a new inking roller, Mr. Review. It will cost but a trifle but will make a wonderful improvement in the appearance and value of the paper.

The R. E. Lee, one of the largest of the lower Mississippi steamers, caught fire at a point about thirty miles south of New Orleans, on the morning of the 30th ult., and was totally destroyed, together with seventeen lives. The pilot and engineer both stood at their posts until the boat was ashore, and the loss of life was due to rash jumpings overboard.

Frank Manzanarez of Las Vegas is the nominee of the democratic convention held in Santa Fe, for delegate to congress. Mr. Manzanarez has become too well known to the people of New Mexico through the medium of the business of the extensive mercantile house of Browne, Manzanarez & Co., to need introduction. He is a business man and will be a man among men rather than a hound in the corner in the halls of congress.

There are five papers in the territory that are giving Luna warm support. The Las Vegas Optic gets its enthusiasm from a hatred of Prince; the Golden Retort shouts because Luna purchased the office and editor for \$450; the Albuquerque Review proprietor is a government official and has to puff or lose his whistle; the Mesilla News man wants to re-instate himself in the favor of the strikers which he lost when he honestly voted to admit the Socorro delegation to Albuquerque convention, and the Socorro Miner wants the Socorro and all other landgrants confirmed to the individual claimants.

The New Mexican in a recent issue, had on the page generally supposed to contain editorial lines: "Republican Ticket." "For Delegate to Congress, Tranquillina Luna." "Too Poor to Keep a Dog." They followed each other in the order given and although the last line evidently referred to an article on Ireland that was below it yet the three read too well together to be readily divorced. The application is good. The republican ticket is too weak and poor to survive such luxury. It has chosen the dog in place of the master and the animal will drag the ticket into the slough. New Mexico should have its best man at Washington. One who can command respect by virtue of his cultivation and refinement. Luna cannot, for he is less of an orator than the school boy who flaps, "You'd scarth expect one of my athe etc." and his orthography and penmanship are still worse. He is simply a cur in the halls of congress who does his best when he keeps from under the feet of his superiors. New Mexico is too poor to own such property and the people know it.

One thing brings up another, says the comet which gleams brilliantly in the east at half-past four these mornings.

Luna may have learned something about the manner of getting land grants con rised during his one season in Washington, but certain it is that he tried to learn nothing else.

Every stockman who visits the Black Range is charmed with its abundance of water and luxuriance of grass, and all agree that it is destined to be a magnificent cattle and sheep country.

Jim Sullivan, the man who killed Ike Stockton at Durango, last summer, has just been arrested in the mountains near Alamosa for cattle stealing. Himself and a companion had two hundred head of stock in their possession.

The men who witnessed the deliberations of the republican convention at Albuquerque which nominated Luna for stenographic in congress, laughed at the peculiar tricks and methods of the rulers. They couldn't help it no matter how angry and disgusted they might be.

Tranquillina Luna is the candidate of the republican wire-pullers, yet his only newspaper support in Socorro county is democratic. Why? Simply because the claimants of the Socorro grant own the democratic newspaper and it works for self rather than party. Luna is pledged to get the Socorro grant confirmed.

Tranquillina Luna is a land grant man and every effort that he ever put forth at the national capital was in the grant cause. That he accomplished nothing was due to lack of ability and not to the want of will. Hardly a miner in New Mexico but has seen the evil effects of these grants, and the one who votes for a friend of these steals will vote directly against his own interests, be he democrat or republican.

The Albuquerque Democrat's "Mining Notes" should be subtitled "Ignorance." It lately said: "Over five thousand dollars of silver float alone has been gathered at the new strike on the Perche." A single piece of the float alone is worth nearly that much while the entire value of the crop gathered will exceed thirty thousand dollars. The mine has nearly paid the purchase money already while the ledge remains unbroken. Such a quantity of silver float was never found before in the world.

Some papers are saying that Governor Sheldon is likely to be soon replaced as territorial executive by some more particular friend of President Arthur's. The story is improbable for the president will have hard work to find a more faithful henchman. He has slapped the governor before and kicked him behind, and yet at the late republican convention Governor Sheldon was on hand with fat in streaming eye and sleeve to flowing nose waiting that the election of Prince delegates was an insult to dear King Arthur. Mr. Sheldon knows how to hold his job.

Simpson and Cooney, the managers of the "people's convention" which meets in Socorro next Tuesday to nominate a mixed county ticket, might as well have saved the stamps and paper used in sending to the range calls for meetings at which to elect delegates to attend their show. We understand that the slate has already been made up, and any attempt of three or four delegates from this section to change the programme would simply subject said delegates to ridicule and insult equal to that received by the Socorro delegation at Albuquerque. The fact of the notices mentioned reaching here on the evening previous to the date fixed for the meetings were sufficient proof that they were intended simply as a blind. If representation from the range at the nominating convention had been desired by the managers, the calls for meetings to elect delegates would have been sent to the RANGE for publication a couple of weeks or so in advance. THE BLACK RANGE has one suggestion to offer. If the Simpson-Cooney ticket wishes any support from this section it must give us representation on its ticket. And we feel that we are entitled to one representative.

Let Her Boom.

The Lake Valley excitement is all right in origin but it won't pan out just as the inhabitants calculate. Lake Valley is a rich spot but it will never make a town. A "blanket" camp has never yet built a city and Lake Valley will not be an exception to the rule. All the Vegans who post off for Lake Valley will come back satisfied that there is no place like home.—Las Vegas Optic.

If the Optic man's mining intelligence equalled his dance-house lore, he would know that Leadville was built on the strength of "blankets." The city was larger than it is now when the fissures were discovered beneath the deposits. Lake Valley has, besides the fabulously rich Sierra mines, a scope of mining country about it of large extent which promises to be when developed, an immensely wealthy country. This region will build a city. It may not be at Lake Valley, we cannot be certain that it will, but there is no disputing the fact that that place has the start of all others at present. It has the boom. All that is required is confidence, and certainly there is as much there to inspire it, as there ever was at Las Vegas or Albuquerque. It is very foolish for the other territorial towns to be jealous of Lake Valley or

the Perche. They ought rather to be thankful that we have such boomers to attract the gaze of the world to New Mexico. It has been the misfortune of the mining camps of New Mexico that there was within her borders no Leadville from which loose capital could be enticed for the development of outlying districts. To the Leadville excitement is due, more than to anything else, Colorado's position among the states today. The growth of that magic city assisted rather than harmed its neighbors, and it will be the same with Lake Valley should its growth equal present promise. Development capital is the one thing desired among the mines of New Mexico. If any scheme can be devised for bringing monied men to see us, it should receive the hearty support of every section, for once get them into the territory and one place or another will be found to interest them. The RANGE can imagine no worse curse to its friends than the Optic, yet we would rejoice to see a dozen such sheets in full blast if they would assist in bringing wealthy visitors to our mines.

Real Mining.

Many of those who have made blind ventures in mining stocks with unprofitable results, are determined in their belief that they have thoroughly tested mining, and they are convinced to a certainty that there is no gold or profit in it. According to their firm convictions, loss and disappointment must be the inevitable result of every speculation in connection with mining operations. With as much reason and consistency, those who have lost fortunes in grain dealing on the boards of trade might indiscriminately condemn all agricultural operations as fraudulent and disastrous.

The reputation of mining has suffered largely from stock operations which have been foisted upon it by ignorant or designing men. Many have come to look upon stocks as one of the chief products of a mine, forgetting that mining may be prosecuted for the production of mineral without any connection with stocks or stock dealing. In fact, we are driven to the conclusion that the mines of this country would have shown a much better bullion record, and been a much better state of development for production to day, if stock-dealing never had been known in connection with them. Stock gambling has cast the baleful light of its degrading presence upon the fair name of a producing industry, and caused its true character to be misrepresented and misunderstood.

The day is now at hand when the truth will be known, and mining standing in its true light will be justified. Already men are opening their eyes to comprehend the real condition of affairs, and as a consequence the stock exchanges are dying a lingering death, while operations in the direction of producing bullion were never more active or extensive.—Chicago Mining Review.

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