

GAZETTE CLEANINGS.

BORN.—To the wife of Antonio J. Baca, at Peralta, Valencia Co., June 27th, a son.

Mike O'Keefe, the bloated waterman, we understand proposes to take unto himself a better half. The marriage will transpire shortly.

Stoops & Bell of the Western Meat Market are fitting up the old GAZETTE office on South Second Street and will open up a branch shop there.

The following officers were installed at the I. O. O. F. lodge Tuesday evening: Theo. Rutenbeck, N. G.; W. G. Kogler, V. G.; Robert Sowell, R. S.; J. D. Wolf, P. S.; M. Heise, Treasurer.

The hunting party consisting of J. W. Nowers, Harry Kelley, P. L. Cooley and Ned Gross returned from the Pecos yesterday. They caught 172 trout and killed one deer. This is doing pretty well for so short a time. The boys had a good time.

Clemens & Martinez moved yesterday morning into their new store room in the Hilly Block. They have one of the nicest finished store rooms in the town and will fill it up with a most complete stock of general merchandise. It is a good location.

The item in yesterday morning's GAZETTE which stated that Hugh Pritchard had bought the stone quarries west of town was an error, in that he had not bought but leased the quarries. The lease is for a term of five years. The stone is the best in the whole country.

The trial of Pilcher, before Judge Steele, was concluded yesterday morning. He was ably defended by Capt. Ford and Judge Lee. The latter made a very clear and forcible speech in the case in the morning. Judge Steele decided for the defense, and Pilcher was discharged.

Among the incidents of the 4th, overlooked yesterday morning, was the celebration by the students of the Las Vegas college. The college brass band, composed of the boys attending the college, has become quite proficient considering the short practice they have had. The day was spent at the college in general sport and patriotic demonstrations. In the afternoon the boys were formed in procession, headed by the band, and marched through the streets. They made a very creditable display.

The railroad bridge over the Rio Grande at El Paso, to connect the A. T. & S. F. R. R. with the Mexican Central Railway, was completed yesterday. Track laying has already begun at the bridge and in a day or two loaded trains will be able to cross. The bridge is a substantial structure 640 feet long. The A. T. & S. F. yard at El Paso is filled with material waiting to be hauled across the bridge. All the material is in bond and cannot be unloaded on the American side. Grading is going on, bridges are being put in and in a week work in earnest will be begun.

A New Music Store. We are going to open a music store on the plaza about August 12th, and will keep all kinds of musical instruments and merchandise. Have already a lot of pianos and organs on the road. They will arrive in a few days from New York. Will have a complete stock of violins, guitars, strings, etc. We are agents for Chickering, Steinway, Weber and Decker pianos. None but the best, and none but such instruments as we can warrant will be kept. We are musicians ourselves of many years' experience in instruments, which is the best recommendation.

Yours respectfully, MARCELLINO & BOFFA.

The Berger Mystery Cleared Up.

ROSWELL, July 3, 1881. EDITOR GAZETTE.—Berger, as I suppose you have heard before, this has been found and buried. The man who buried him told me that his horse undoubtedly killed him, as his head was mashed and his clothes pulled up around his head, one boot and one sock nearly pulled off, and marks on the ground where he had been dragged.

A man by the name of Garcia, of Albuquerque, shot himself through the thigh June 30th, three miles below Cedar Canyon. The ball lodged against the knee cap.

Fire.

The tannery of Chas. W. Flegal, located on the east side of the railroad track, not far from the Depot Hotel, was burned last night. The fire was discovered about 10 o'clock, and was not extinguished till the building was practically destroyed. A small dwelling house adjoining the tannery, occupied by Mr. Flegal and his family, was torn down, the roof having caught fire. A large part of the stock and the household goods were saved. The loss will be about \$500. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Col. P. Smith, manager of the Miner's Smelting and Reduction works of Golden, Colorado, came down from Denver and is a guest of Hon. M. A. Otero. He is visiting the Territory for the purpose of looking at our mines.

THE REDS.

Particulars of the Depredations and Massacres Committed by Indians in Chihuahua.

How the Five Mexican Central Engineers Were Massacred.

Indians Jump the Stage Bound for Chihuahua.

Story of Key Captured By the Reds.

Intense excitement prevailed in Las Vegas on Monday, when the GAZETTE published a confirmation of the report that members of the engineering corps of the Mexican Central Railway had been massacred by Indians in Old Mexico. A representative of the GAZETTE took the first train for El Paso, after the news had been received. Hunting up and interviewing, in that city, members of the different parties, who had discovered the remains of the massacred men and others, latest in from the region where depredations had been committed, we are able to give our readers a full account of the operations of the Indians.

On the 26th of June, five men attached to the engineering corps of the Mexican Central left the camp of the locating party, about 120 miles out from Paso del Norte, bound for that city. It comprised Charles Haines, Guy Leavitt, Larry W. Fordham, Charles H. Grew and George Wallace. They were making their journey leisurely in a light wagon, that had just been sent down with supplies. They passed the little plaza of San Jose and were never afterwards seen alive, save by their murderers.

On Saturday last as a party of gentlemen were making their way along the stage road in the direction of the city of Chihuahua, they were halted by three Mexicans who informed them that the bodies of several men were lying in the other road only a few miles away. They gave it as their opinion that they were victims of an Indian massacre and one showed a hat that he was wearing, saying that the murdered men were Americans. Thereupon, Colonel Henry Altman, a prominent mining man of Hortense, Colorado; Colonel J. F. Bennett, of Silver City and W. P. Shields of Las Cruces, who formed the party left their team and struck off in the direction indicated by the Mexicans, the latter acting as guides.

The place where they had been stopped was a few miles this side of the fork of the roads, where a road through the sand hills to Paso del Norte, diverges from the stage route from Chihuahua leading via Guadalupe. The party struck out and made for the former road, but before reaching it one of them struck an Indian trail, plainly defined. Colonel Altman, who is an old-timer in Colorado, and who has seen enough of Indians to make him cautious, suggested that a sharp lookout should be kept in fear lest they might be pounced upon by the reds.

Coming up to the road they found the ruins of a burnt wagon, standing square in the middle of the highway. It was almost entirely destroyed, one hub with a part of three felloes of the hind off wheel being all that had escaped burning. What was their horror to find in the charred heap, all that remained of the wagon, the trace of human bones burned to cinder. The body of a dog was found a little in advance of the wagon.

The road at this point ran between two small mountains, covered with mesquite bush and rocks. The locality has a marked resemblance to the fatal trap at Goodsight Mt., in the southern part of this Territory, where so many stages have been "jumped" and scores of men have been massacred by the murderous Apaches.

After inspecting this ash heap, that marked the crematory of a human being, the party stretched out again, and clambered up the side of the small mountain on the opposite side of the road. As Col. Altman was making his way up the rocky steep, his miner instinct caused him to halt before a huge blowout of copper stained rock. He was about to call out to his companions informing them that he had struck a lead, when a gust of wind blowing from the westward wafted a frightful stench. He started up the hill, when Col. Bennett, who was at his left, cried out, "here's a body." He quickly supplemented this by adding "there's another one," and again "by George, there's three." This called to him Col. Altman and Mr. Shields, and they found that they were the decomposed remains of three Americans that had been dead about thirty-six hours. The stench was frightful, and all they could do was to search about in the hopes of finding some clue to the massacred men. They discovered a packet of letters and papers addressed to Guy Leavitt and from them made the revelation that the victims were evidently attaches of the Mexican Central Engineering Corps.

Col. Altman's party was on the way to the San Domingo ranche, Col. Bennett being agent of the grant, and was negotiating with the party for the sale of the property. But having made this discovery they deemed it their duty to turn back to Paso del Norte and give information of what they had found.

They reached the city Sunday forenoon, and the greatest excitement prevailed when the horrible news was made known.

The commandant of the Mexican barracks, who was apprised of the facts laconically remarked, "I will have troops ready in half an hour." There is considerable red tape about sending out troops on an Indian expedition, even in Mexico, but the Colonel in command of the post ordered out twenty-five mounted soldiers who left at noon for the scene of the massacre.

One word about the Mexican troops. In uncleanliness and uncouth style, they impress an American quite unfavorably. But appearances are sometimes deceptive; and decidedly so in this particular. The Colonel was quick to act and the men were on hand ready for duty. They rattled down the long street and out of the city, at a rapid rate, and waited not for wagon trains, it being the custom on such expeditions to forage for supplies. Messrs. Perdue, Case and two others were sent out with the troops by Gov. Anthony, manager of the M. C. R'y., to bring in the bodies for burial. The whole party reached the place of the massacre, distant fifty miles, about 9 o'clock Monday morning.

The bodies were badly decomposed and under the burning sun were blackened, so as to render them unrecognizable, even to Mr. Perdue, who knew them well. But from their dress, and form he was able to establish the identity of two or three of them. The three who lay together were Fordham, Wallace and Leavitt. The body of Charlie Haines was found about three hundred yards further up the mountain.

Grew was undoubtedly burned in the wagon. It was found impossible to move the bodies, and they were buried where they were found. In digging the grave of Wallace, his pocket book was found buried at his side. How he ever managed to secrete it is a mystery. It contained \$5 in currency and \$680 in certificates of deposit on the First National Bank of Santa Fe, a Pueblo bank, and four pay checks of the Mexican Central.

The bodies had been but slightly mutilated by the Indians. Fordham's skull was stove in, leaving the brain exposed, and bugs were running over it. Two of the bodies were partly stripped, and in one instance wolves had bitten at one of them. The pockets had been rifled. The identity of all was not fully established until Resident Engineer C. C. Upham came in from the front, he knowing who had been left by the wagon.

THE VICTIMS. Chas. Haines, or "Old Charlie," as he was known, was a man over fifty years of age. He had spent nearly all his life in this western country, and was an old driver of the National Mail and Transportation Co.'s stages. He was considered unusually cautious.

Guy Leavitt was about thirty years old, and had been with the A. T. & S. F. R. R. for a number of years, employed as a civil engineer. He was engaged on the Raton mountain division for a time, and, when work was slack, fired on the road, afterwards going to the southern country. He was leveler on the Mexican Central, and had resigned and was just returning to Paso del Norte to accept a better position. It was his intention to make a short visit to his home in Indiana, where a relative lay dangerously ill, and he was to have then accepted a position on the Denver & Rio Grande R'y in Colorado.

Larry W. Fordham had been with the A. T. & S. F. R. R. for eighteen months. He was for a time employed in Colorado, and being a popular, faithful and attentive young man, had worked himself into favor with his employers. He was to have been promoted to Mr. Leavitt's position. He was about 28 years old, and his home was in Shelter Harbor, Long Island.

George Wallace was head chairman of the party, and a sober, industrious, economical young fellow, who came from Illinois.

Charles H. Grew was also a faithful fellow, twenty-three years old, whose people reside in Lawrence, Kansas.

HOW THEY WERE KILLED.

The popular supposition is that the party came along to the little pass just about daybreak. The redskins, who are known to have been lurking in the neighborhood, probably had secreted themselves behind the rocks, waiting for the team to come up. When the wagon was in the canyon they probably dashed down the hill, whooping and yelling. There were marks of the plunging of the mules, who undoubtedly became frightened and started to run. The reds evidently hemmed in the party, some of them starting down the road at the same time that the others came over the hill. Grew was shot in the wagon. The others ran for the hill, and Haines made the best time. There is nothing to indicate that any of them showed fight, but were pursued by the reds, some on foot, others on horseback. Everything goes to show that the men were shot down in the rocks at short range. Had they not been panic stricken, and stood their ground, they might not now be sleeping their last sleep in that desert country. The dog showed fight, being a vicious brute, and was killed in the road.

JUMPING THE STAGE.

The horror was increased by the receipt of news in Paso del Norte that

the stage that left there Saturday morning had been taken in by Indians eighty miles out. Mr. C. C. Upham the resident engineer of the Mexican Central Railway who was driving through from the camp which the five unfortunate men had left, upon reaching Lucero met two men who had made their escape from the stage when it was attacked. He tells the following story of the adventures of the two men, and what he saw.

The stage was rolling along about 3 o'clock in the morning when all at once the mules reared up and the Mexican who was driving was unable to urge them on. The regular driver, who was lying in the boot jumped up and inquired what the matter was. Just then the mules shied to the right and started off on a jump. The Indians, who were ambushed, commenced firing and the driver fell dead. The Mexican on top jumped off and made his way to the bushes. There were only two passengers inside, an American named Comstock and another, Thomas K. Pugh. Comstock jumped through the door, and told Pugh to follow. He never stopped to look behind but supposed the latter had made his escape. He made his way from the spot, hiding in arroyos, and crouching under mesquite bush in the hopes of keeping away from the reds. He heard three shots fired from a revolver. When Comstock arrived at Lucero he found the Mexican there before him, who said that he had not seen anything of Pugh.

Mr. Upham and Slade, a teamster who was with him, went out with a party to where the stage had been jumped. They found the body of the driver, and at first no trace of Pugh. The Indians had rifled the mail, torn up the papers and letters and scattered them about. The stage had been burned and the stock evidently run off. After searching for some time, picking up and examining every piece of paper, Mr. Upham finally found a bit of paper lodged in a bush that was especially interesting. It was an envelope that had contained a letter written by Don Miguel A. Otero of this city to some one in Chihuahua. On one side was written "Apaches have got me. Hurry up relief." Signed "Thomas Key Pugh." On the reverse side was written "McManus, Chihuahua. Give the bearer \$100, and draw on State National Bank, El Paso—Pugh."

It is presumed that Pugh crawled away from the coach and while the Indians were destroying the mail, this piece of envelope was blown to him. He caught it and wrote the message, hoping that it might be the means of indicating his whereabouts.

When Comstock leaped from the stage, he says that Pugh was fumbling under the seat for something. The former suspected that he was searching for his revolver, and is of the opinion that the shots that he heard might have been fired by the Indians who gained possession of the gun and emptied the chambers.

Pugh had been quite dissipated and was considerably broken up in health, and it is thought by a gentleman, who saw him just before he left, that he was very much frightened and was seized with an epileptic fit. The fit may have seized him before Comstock left the stage. This theory is supported by the fact that Mr. Upham found a bottle of medicine for epilepsy near where the stage was burned. Pugh probably fell out of the stage and the Indians thinking him dead commenced rifling the mail. In the meantime he was able to scrawl the message alluded to.

Where he is now, dead or alive, can only be conjectured. His captors may have tortured him, or may be holding him as a hostage, subject to the release of three Indians confined in jail in Chihuahua.

Pugh was a young fellow only about twenty-one years of age. He was a son of the late Senator Pugh of Cincinnati, and a grandson of Key, author of the "Star Spangled Banner." He had connections of high social standing in Ohio and Maryland. He has spent the years since his sixteenth in the mountains, and has been very active in mining with variable success and ill-fortune. When only sixteen years old in company with two young companions he made his way on horseback from Denver to the Sierra Madre Mts. below the city of Chihuahua. He had bonded a mine below that city and was on his way there to arrange for the payment of \$5,000 that came due on the property.

Parties have been sent out in search of him, dead or alive, and troops sent out on Monday will endeavor to discover his whereabouts.

Rubber Coats of all descriptions at the New York Clothing Store.

Attention Miners!! The Boston Clothing House has just received a full line of Levy Strauss & Co's. patent copper riveted Duck & Denim Clothing warranted never to rip.

Fresh vegetables every day at the Park Grocery. 4-10tf

Perdido. Una bolsa colorada baquete conteniendo un poco dinero y algunos papeles de valor. Una recompensa liberal sera pagada por el retorno del mismo por J. H. OVERHULS, East Las Vegas. 6-28-1w

The Levi Strauss & Co., patent copper riveted California overalls for sale only at the Boston Clothing House.

J. J. FITZGERRELL, THE LIVE REAL ESTATE MAN, Las Vegas, N. M.

J. J. Fitzgerald, the live real estate man, has for sale a large number of fine business and desirable residence lots in different parts of the new and old portions of the city. Parties seeking investments in real estate, business chances, business and dwelling houses, should call on Fitzgerald; he can accommodate them.

For sale, one dairy and gardening farm very cheap, two miles from the city. One business house on Lincoln street at a bargain. One livery or sale stable, at a bargain. Two desirable four room cottages, with good some cellars each; one on Main and other on 6th street, at a bargain. Will rent for 50 per cent. on the investment. One hotel furnished complete. Has all the business it can accommodate. One hotel paying 35 per cent. on the investment. One business house on Lincoln avenue will pay 50 per cent. on investment. Business house and lot on Railroad avenue that rents by the year for 30 per cent. on investment. Five room house and lot near the depot, renting for twenty dollars per month. Price, \$400. A splendid new residence, 6 rooms, 2 lots, renting for 35 per cent. on investment. Price \$1,500. Business house and lot on Railroad avenue at a bargain, renting for 55 per cent. on investment. One of the best corner lots and business houses in the city for sale at a bargain. Call and see. I have vacant lots for sale on Railroad avenue, Centre street, Lincoln street, Eighth street and Grand avenue, in the heart of the city at a bargain. Call and see. One of the finest gardens in New Mexico. A rare chance for a gardener and florist to make a fortune.

I have for sale the most desirable business property and stock of groceries, on Centre street. Part payment down, balance on time. Very cheap. Owner wants to turn his attention to mining. For sale—One restaurant, one saloon, one steam laundry and one drug store. For particulars call. For sale, in Geofrion and Lucero's new additions. These are very desirable residence lots. They enter the market cheap. There is really one hundred per cent. profit in these lots as an investment within the next six months. I have residence property and lots for sale in all parts of the city. Examine my list before purchasing. I have for sale in Mills & Chapman's addition to the Hot Springs; these lots will be sold cheap. I have bargains to offer on Main, Lincoln and Douglas streets, also on Zion Hill, that will pay from 40 to 60 per cent. on the investment. I have for sale a large number of the most desirable lots at the Hot Springs that will be sold cheap. I have for sale the finest stock and farming ranch in New Mexico, commanding the attention of capitalist and colonist. Apply for particulars. I also have for sale several fine stock ranches in the different portions of the Territory.

FOR RENT. A number of desirable business houses on the different business streets of the city, also restaurants and dwellings. If you want to rent property call. Remember that the best business chances are always to be had by calling on J. J. FITZGERRELL, Lockhart's block, up stairs.

Choice lots on Blanchard St. at one hundred dollars each. Examine them. Three nice lots on Prospect avenue will be sold cheap on the monthly installment plan.

A rare chance for a few days: Two valuable lots between 8th and Acequia street, \$250 each, in monthly payments. J. J. FITZGERRELL, The Live Real Estate Agent, Lockhart's Block, up stairs. 6-28-1w

Ten lots. Your choice at \$100 each. They lay most magnificently, not far from the post-office. FOR SALE—The Buena Vista Town Company's lots, the most desirable lots in the north part of the city, will be sold cheap. Just in the market. J. J. FITZGERRELL, The Live Real Estate Agent, Lockhart's Block, up stairs. 6-28-1w

Great bargains to parties wishing to buy a nice residence lot at reasonable price, will do well to examine Lucero's addition. Will be sold to suit purchasers. J. J. Fitzgerald, the real estate agent, Lockhart's block up stairs.

Chance for a Butcher. The best patronized meat market for rent. Will sell slaughter house, corral, and stock all complete for the butcher business. Owner can't attend to it on account of having other business. Come and examine. J. J. Fitzgerald, the live real estate agent, Lockhart's block up stairs. 7-2-1w

FOR SALE—The best paying and best patronized saloon in the city. J. J. FITZGERRELL, The live real estate agent, Lockhart's block, up stairs. 7-1-1w

FOR SALE—At a great bargain, house and lot, 40x150 feet, on Main St., for \$375. J. J. FITZGERRELL, The Live Real Estate Agent, Lockhart's Block, up stairs. 6-28-1w

WANTED—Houses. Parties having small dwelling houses for sale, call at once. I have several inquiries for such. J. J. FITZGERRELL, The live real estate agent, Lockhart's block, up stairs. 6-30-1w

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS.—Will buy one lot of the handsomest residence properties in the city, large rooms and plenty of closets, lot fifty foot front, and in one of the best neighborhoods in the city. J. J. FITZGERRELL, The live real estate agent, Lockhart's block, up stairs. 6-30-1w

J. J. Fitzgerald sold to James O. Hill of Pontiac, Mich., one lot of the Buena Vista Town Site Co. He also sold to E. Herbert two lots of the Geofrion addition. Mr. Herbert will build a residence on the lots at once.

Twenty thousand head of sheep for sale. Wethers, ewes and lambs in lots to suit customers, at a price from one dollar per head upward, according to grade. Can be seen from the 15th to the 25th of July. J. J. Fitzgerald, the live real estate agent, Lockhart's block up stairs. 7-2-1w

Bargains in everything at Isidor Stern's. Stock is fatter now than for two years past. Milk punch at Billy's. 5-71

All summer goods at reduced prices at Isidor Stern's. Baled hay \$1.25 per hundred at J. W. Love & Co's.

Smoke "Billy's Choice" cigars, pure Havana. Fine California clothing, stetson and Morrisey hats a specialty. Isidor Stern. Fine summer clothing at the New York Store.

O. L. Houghton, (BOTH TOWNS,) HEADQUARTERS

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WE EMPLOY A man especially for the purpose of measuring your rooms for Carpets and your windows for the shades you desire to put up. We also make Window Shades any required width or length, and all you have to do is to select the desired pattern or style. We also sew your Carpets and lay them down, and do everything in a workmanlike manner. You also have the advantage of selecting from the most extensive Stock in Las Vegas. One trial will demonstrate what we can do.

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T. Romero & Son Would respectfully call attention to their ladies dress goods in every style, ready made dresses, ladies hats, gents furnishing goods, boys clothing, hats, boots and shoes, a fine line of ladies shoes, groceries and flour by the car load, queensware, glassware etc. They propose to sell goods at bottom figures believing in small profits and quick sales.

Hand Made Shoes. Fine French calf, for gentlemen, splendid foot wear, at H. Romero & Brother's. 6-9-1w All summer drinks at Billy's. 5-71f