

Arrested for Valdez Murder.

An Albuquerque dispatch of June 22nd says: Albino Gurule and Antonio Gonzales, charged with the murder of Juan Valdez at Cabezón, Sandoval county, at midnight, May 4th, were brought here tonight and are being sweated in jail.

They are charged with entering the house of Valdez and deliberately cutting off his head with an axe before the horrified gaze of his two little sons.

The latter have also been brought here and the prisoners will have a hearing before Judge Abbott in the District Court in two or three days.

The boys positively identify Gurule and also incriminate another man, a prominent resident and former official of Sandoval county, whose name has not been given out. His arrest is expected soon. It is said that Gurule, who is fifty-eight years old, had been refused by a young woman who consented to become the wife of Valdez, who was thirty-five, and that Gurule was also jealous of Valdez because the latter had been appointed to succeed him as school director.

The body of Valdez was dragged away and hidden in an arroyo. The prisoners were released on a nominal bond by a justice of the peace at Cabezón, but were arrested again by a mounted police. Cabezón is the center of a wild and lawless section where murders and incendiarism are of frequent occurrence and the authorities say they are determined to break up these conditions.

Stockman Stabbed at Roswell.

A Roswell dispatch of June 22nd says: Henry N. Boyce, of Channing, Texas, half owner of the Block Cattle Company and manager of the immense F I T outfit was seriously stabbed in the breast, it is alleged by Oscar Harbert, after an altercation at Riverside stock yards today. Boyce was brought here in an automobile and given medical attention. Barring possibility of blood poison, or other complication, he will likely recover.

It is alleged that Harbert was treating a horse inhumanely and when ordered to cease began cursing Boyce, who struck him in the face with his fist and with a quirt. Harbert, it is said, then drew a knife and stabbed Boyce. Harbert was brought here late this afternoon and placed in jail without bond, awaiting the result of the injured man's wound. After being stabbed, Boyce wrenched the knife away from Harbert and in so doing broke his own little finger.

Murdered Man's Body Found.

A Carlsbad dispatch says that Sheriff Lucas and posse have found the decayed body of J. C. Freeman, a horseman and trapper, who mysteriously disappeared some months ago. The body was found in a lonely canon fifty miles northwest of Carlsbad with a bullet hole through the head, the ball having entered at the base of the brain.

Some weeks before he disappeared, Freeman told his friends that someone was after him and he expected to be killed soon.

No clue to the murderer has been found. Freeman had been dead at least three months.

Socorro has the distinction of organizing the first Taft and Sherman Republican club. The organization was perfected and was holding a parade within half an hour after the news of the nomination of Sherman.

The big reduction plant of the Enterprise Mining Company, at Cooney, Socorro county, which was recently enlarged at great cost, has burned to the ground and is a total loss. The building represented an investment of about \$50,000, with \$20,000 insurance.

On June 21st, near St. Vrain, New Mexico, R. M. Salier and Edward Jones, cattlemen, were both killed in a duel. The men were neighbors and quarreled over a cattle trade. Revolvers were drawn and fired simultaneously. Both were instantly killed. The trouble is said to have been the outgrowth of an old feud. Both men were wealthy and highly respected.

Seven men with eighty-four fingers is the record of a family living north of Blacktower, in this territory. Farmer Hoge was born with six fingers on each hand and he has six sons who have each come into the world with a supernumerary of digits, each of the

young men like their father, having a bifurcated thumb. Though they seem to suffer no inconvenience from the extra thumb on each hand, the boys say they would have much rather the thumb had been a toe as it would have been much easier to put the extra toe in a shoe than it is to put the extra thumb in a glove.

The building committee of the board of control of the Sixteenth National Irrigation Congress and International Industrial Exposition to be held at Albuquerque next fall, have awarded the contracts for the construction of the exposition buildings, work to begin immediately and the buildings rushed to completion. The Casino, the old Floral hall and Society hall, the first two owned by the Albuquerque Traction Company, and the last named owned by the Mutual Benefit Society, have been secured by the board of control and will form a part of the White City. In all there will be ten large buildings and a number of smaller ones.

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Even time changes, says old St. Chestnut, in Sedgwick (Kan.) Pantagraph. When I was a boy the old grandfather's clock stood in the hall ticking away deliberately: "Take-your-time, take-your-time." Nowadays the fashion is to have one of these little round clocks that goes like blazes and says: "Get-there, get-there, get-there."

The ameer of Afghanistan has issued a decree to the effect that his subjects who join the parties invading the Indian dominions of Great Britain shall have their feet cut off. This is not so severe a punishment as the time-honored practice of eastern monarchs who have been accustomed to removing the heads of the disobedient. The ameer is getting modernized. And the penalty, if imposed, will be quite sufficient to check any extended movement Indiaward. A footless Afghan would be seriously handicapped for a "hike" through the wild borderlands.

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The town of Roy will in the very near future be the county seat of a new county, as its adjacent vicinity is destined to be the most prosperous community in the north-eastern part of New Mexico.

MORA COUNTY

Area, 2,542 square miles. Population, 13,900; the census of 1900 gave it a population of 10,304. Assessed valuation, \$1,175,823. County seat, Mora.

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Mora County's agricultural products exceed those in value of any other New Mexico county, and it can rightfully claim the honor of being the leading agricultural county in the territory. However, its range interests exceed in value even its agricultural wealth. Yet its area is only 2,542 square miles, being less than that of any other county, excepting Santa Fe, Taos, and Bernalillo; still this area is more than twice that of Rhode Island and 600 square miles greater than that of the state of Delaware. According to the census of 1900, its population is 10,304, or four people to the square mile, a density of population exceeded only by Santa Fe, Bernalillo, and Taos counties.

The county is mountainous, the main ridge of the Rocky mountains passing through its western part, while the foothills extend almost to the eastern boundary. Some of the peaks rise to an altitude of over 13,500 feet, while the lowest point in the county has an altitude of 4,000 feet.

The hills are generally timbered, and a portion of the Pecos River Forest Reserve is in the county. From the main range, broken by the foothills, the mesa extends gently sloping toward the southeast. There are picturesque canyons and fertile valleys, making the topography a very broken one. The county is almost entirely in the drainage basin of the Canadian River, the Mora River, a tributary of the Canadian. Other tributaries of the Canadian in the county are the Ocate, the Vermejo, and the El Perro. The Sweetwater is a tributary of the Ocate. The principal tributaries of the Mora are the Coyote, the Cebolla, the Sapello, the Guadalupita, and the Lobo. The Pecos River rises in the western part of the county, and so does the Santa Cruz, the latter belonging to the drainage basin of the Rio Grande. The tributaries of the Mora drain about 40 miles in length of the eastern slope of the Rocky mountains and play an important part in the determination of the stream flow.

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