

TERRITORIAL TOPICS.

SAN MARCIAL CHIPS.

Arrangements have been perfected for a series of sports in San Marcial during the holiday week, the leading events being billed for December 26 and 27.

J. B. Harry is developing the prospect known as the San Marcial mine, seven or eight miles from the Rosedale camp. The expenses are footed by his partners in the claim, Messrs. Greenwood, Conner, Rosebrook and Watlington.

Miss Lillie Dunker, whose handsome face and angelic form have been a disquieting element in the hearts of certain young men about town for several months, went to Albuquerque late last week, and now she is Mrs. William Connelly, of Needles, Cal.

San Marcial has discovered another case of smallpox. The Bee says: The first public acts to which the Republican candidates-elect from Grant county have pledged themselves is to pass a law prohibiting the smallpox from entering the Territory of New Mexico.

ALBUQUERQUE ATOMS.

The infant son of J. W. Glover, a boiler-maker at the railroad shops, died this morning from heart disease.

The ladies of the Woodmen Circle will give a delightful ball at Orchestra hall on the evening of December 10.

Edward Hancock, of Chapman, Kas., and Mary Casey, of Durango, Colo., were married by Father Mandalari on Thanksgiving day. The newly married couple expect to make their future home in Albuquerque.

The directors of the Commercial club held a meeting Saturday night and endorsed the proposition made by Frank P. McClure to erect a \$30,000 ground-floor Opera house in this city, on condition that a \$5,000 audience gather on the opening night.

The records of the probate clerk's office show that J. W. McDonald, the postoffice clerk, was married to Lucy Bates by Rev. J. W. Robinson, on November 17, a few days prior to his departure for Los Angeles, to which place he was transferred.

Railroad surveyors have completed two preliminary surveys for the extension of the Silver City & Northern branch of the A., T. & S. F. R. R., from Santa Rita to Hanover. The engineers are now engaged upon a third survey. It is expected the extension will be built very soon as the traffic in iron, copper and lead ores will make it a paying piece of road.

LAS CRUCES CRUMES.

A. C. Tyson is reported dangerously ill with typhoid fever and relatives in New York have been telegraphed for.

At the Catholic church, Miss Clara Rico and Juan Garcia were united in marriage by Father Lassaigues, and on Thanksgiving morning Miss Anna Lucero and Mr. Lambert Rheinhart were united in marriage at the same church.

Friends of A. S. J. Daugherty in town are uneasy lest he and his niece have perished in the Baldwin hotel fire at San Francisco. On the 31st inst,

they registered at and ordered their mail sent there. The fire occurred on the 23rd since which time their friends have received no communications.

SILVER CITY SIFTINGS.

John En minger, his wife and two children are ill of small pox, at Brockman's on the Mimbres.

C. H. Wilkie has nearly completed the big dam on the Frisco river, which he is building for Capt. French, manager of the W. S. Ranch.

The Confidence mine has the usual force of 70 or 80 miners employed in development work, and taking out ore upon which the company's thirty-stamp mill at Whitewater is kept employed.

The Pinos Altos Gold mining Company has about 100 miners and timbermen employed in its several properties. Development upon the mines is proving the veins to be fully as valuable as the most sanguine of the projectors of the company every predicted.

Juan Marcos, a freighter hauling goods to Graham, met with a serious accident last week. The brake on his wagon did not work properly and the wagon ran upon the team throwing the outfit over the grade into the canon below. Three of the horses were killed and the wagon wrecked. The driver escaped with a few slight bruises.

Under the efficient management of the health officer, and his assistants the smallpox situation has vastly improved in the county. In Mesilla there were no new cases. The old ones are all under strict quarantine and most of them are nearly well. The two cases in Las Cruces are getting along nicely and will soon be well. Six cases are reported at Tortugas a small settlement below here and one at Bosque Seco.

GOING TO CONGRESS.

Delegate Ferguson Passes Through En Route to Washington—His Plans.

Delegate in Congress H. B. Ferguson passed up the road yesterday morning en route to Washington. Mr. Ferguson says that while he was disappointed over the result of the election, yet such a feeling will not in any degree prevent him from using every possible effort during the coming session to promote the welfare of New Mexico. No assurance of this kind is required of Delegate Ferguson, for it is a fact, notwithstanding his cruel turn-down by the voters of New Mexico at the dictation of the gold power, that he has made the most painstaking, faithful and successful representative this Territory ever had in congress. Results obtained by him have been of immeasurable good to all the people and have indelibly stamped his name upon the brightest pages of New Mexico's history. Congress convenes Dec. 5 and Mr. Ferguson will be heard from early in the session particularly as regards the U. S. land department's partisan ruling in its efforts to deprive the citizens of New Mexico of the full benefits and privileges vouchsafed under the Ferguson public lands grant bill for educational purposes.

The Emperor William is the first, we believe, seriously to employ the weather as an agent of diplomacy.

HOLMAN DOTS.

Correspondence of THE OPTIC.

HOLMAN, Nov. 25.—We have had quite good weather so far, only a few cold days.

Antonio J. Valdez, of this place, and Miss Vicentita Romero, of Apishpa, Colo., will be married at the latter place today.

A grand ball was given at Mora last night by the young men of that town. It was well attended and a good time had.

Rev. J. J. Gilchrist preached a Thanksgiving sermon at Chacon in the morning, at this place in the afternoon and at Mora in the evening.

Several cases of smallpox are reported at Chacon, up the valley, but none so far here.

Tie chopping is in full blast here again, and several thousand ties will be shipped to the railroad from here.

J. S. Holman, old timer, and after whom this postoffice is named, is now recovering from a long spell of sickness.

T. J. Curran, insurance man from Albuquerque, has been talking life insurance business along this valley this week.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.

Put a wine glass full of strong borax water into a pint of raw starch, and you can do up collars and cuffs as stiff and glossy as any laundry.

Look out for petty thieves, as they seem to be increasing in numbers as the cold weather advances. Keep your shot gun loaded and in a handy place.

A small dish of powdered charcoal kept in one of the upper shelves of the refrigerator is an excellent thing to absorb odors. It should be changed every few days.

Carbonate of soda dissolved in water will remove mud stains from dresses. Lay the soiled part on the cloth, and wash and rub the place with water, keeping the dress quite smooth.

Ink stains are entirely removed by the immediate application of dry salt before the ink has dried. When the salt becomes discolored by absorbing the ink, brush it off and apply more; wet slightly. Continue until the ink has disappeared.

A French method of cleaning ribbons and delicate silks is by rubbing them in best flour, then shaking them thoroughly. The flour must not be browned but may be very hot. The French maid also presse fine laces and embroidery between paper rather than cloths and restores rusty black lace by dipping it into a weak brew of green tea that is warm.

INSTEAD of asking, as Bank Commissioner Breidenthal of Kansas does, why bankers should not provide absolute security for the money entrusted to them, says the American Banker, he should ask another, why borrowers should not provide absolute security for the return of the money which they get from the banks! If borrowers do not give such absolute security, as far as anything can be absolute in this world, then the experience of borrowers must all go for naught. The second question does not by any means answer the first.

EDITORIAL PITH.

In the opinion of the esteemed Buffalo Express, Dolly Mitchell, of Dawson City, and Mrs. O'Leary's cow, late of Chicago, will go waiting down the ages together.

The Denver Republican thinks the rejected torpedo boat Farragut, which could not quite reach the required speed, should be renamed the Van Wyck.

A new telegraphic invention transmits 3,000 words a minute. It may prove of great value in transmitting verbatim reports of future women's conventions, says the Denver Post.

Here's one on Grover. The St. Louis Mirror says Grover Cleveland came out in favor of Van Wyck for Governor of New York. Such was his delicate, indirect fashion of helping Col. Theodore Roosevelt.

The New York Mail and Express gives Sagasta a gentle hint by saying there are twenty-five warships assembled at Norfolk, Va. And the commander of everyone of them knows the route to Spain.

The Chicago ice combine has announced a reduction of ten cents a hundred in the price of ice, to take effect December 1st. The poor will have a chance to revel in ice this winter, remarks the Sioux City Journal.

The member-elect of Congress from Utah has three wives, and for several years has not denied that he has been living in defiance of the laws of Utah and the United States. It is reported that his seat will be contested, because of his polygamic relations, says the Indianapolis Journal.

THE Iron Age, in speaking of the system of permitting cash reserves to be deposited in the financial centers, declares that it leads to accumulation of currency in the great money markets, implying that this causes a scarcity elsewhere. The Iron Age then says that the remedy for this is to compel the bank to keep idle funds in its vaults unless it can find people at home to borrow them.

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