

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

News of Interest Gathered Around Las Vegas and Vicinity.

SATURDAY'S DAILY.

Daylight is wonderfully short just now.

Kansas Jack rabbits are on the market.

W. W. Hawkins is fast ahead on his oil company.

The family pocket book has just had its holiday opening.

Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Kips rejoice over the arrival of a son, born last night.

The local butchers are slaughtering prices, as well as good fat hogs.

Taxes are coming in lively at the collector's office. Over 900 receipts will be given this month.

The Mercantile, Iowa, sand and door company have filed a mechanic's lien on the Crockett building.

Florida Standard expects to start up his saw mill near El Porvenir, soon after the first of the year.

Freight rates will go up on the first of the approaching new year. Harry up another railroad—do, citizens of Las Vegas!

En-Pollecman L. B. Hanna is said to have lost two fingers in an accident which has just justified his hand at Victor, Colo.

The mercury in the thermometers about town registered at from 8 to 10 degrees below zero at 2 o'clock this morning. Light!

T. F. Valdez has resigned his position with Appel Brothers and Bernard Montoya is a new salesman at this establishment.

M. L. Conley this morning received a beautiful staphoe from Kansas City which he has on exhibition at his bridge street stable.

That furious sand storm in Albuquerque, eight before last, was much more to be dreaded than was the gentle fall of snow in this city.

Students of the Normal University will resume their studies on the 2nd proximo, but the city schools will not re-open till January 7th, 1901.

There was an enjoyable masked party at the Weris residence, last evening, some of the characters represented by the small folk being unique and comical.

A man has \$100 and buys 100 animals. He pays \$10 for cows, \$3 for hogs, and fifty cents for sheep. How many of each did he buy? Answer this, some boy or girl.

The suit filed by Appel Bros. against Jose Henriquez, of Anton Chleo, at taking money in the hands of Myer Friedman for wool, was settled in favor of the bridge street merchants.

Justice Benigno Martinez is said to be confined to his room and bed from injuries sustained in a recent fracas with the high sheriff of San Miguel county, both men being how-con-you-so-at the time.

Beneranda Sanchez, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mariano Sanchez, of the upper town, died this morning of fever, at the age of seven months. The funeral will be held to morrow at that place.

It is feared that the injured hand of Mrs. Hank Fisher will develop into a serious case of blood-poisoning. She is the wife of the former back driver at Santa Fe and is now in Denver for medical treatment.

R. P. Strong and daughter have just returned to Ocate from a most enjoyable visit to his brother and family, whom he had not seen for forty-nine years, of which time he has spent forty-four years in Mora county, New Mexico.

Long & Perry, the enterprising grocers, distributed New Year's presents among their friends in the shape of Colburn's spirit thermometers. If they had been exposed this morning for the first time, no doubt they would have frozen up. They are useful presents.

Miss Mabel Burley gave a farewell ball and lunch at the Montezuma, last night, complimentary to her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rice and Ernest Robertson and Frank Christy, who have resigned their positions and accepted one at Coronado Beach, Cal. Twenty-four plates were laid.

Adelardo Gonzales, of the Bank saloon club rooms, presented the force of employees with handsome Christmas presents, the recipients being Pedro Ortiz, Jose D. Mass, Adalberto Tayafo, James H. Wade, Luis Jaramillo, Alberto Jaramillo and Joseph Blakely.

Rev. W. T. Patchell, pastor of the First Congregational church at Pueblo, Colo., passed through for Santa Fe, where he goes to take a prominent part in the Territorial rally of New Mexico's Christian Endeavor society. He will deliver the chief address of the meeting over there next Sunday evening.

Mrs. Levin, who with her daughters, Lena, Esther and Ruth, have been in the city for two months for health reasons, were joined recently by a son and brother. They all left this afternoon for Los Angeles, Cal., where they expect to make their home. During their short stay here, they made many warm friends.

The Missouri club's smoker was hugely enjoyed last night. Sherry jukes were present and smoked their long-stemmed corncob pipes, filled with Missouri rag weed, with great relish. The spread consisted of crisp bread, molasses and coffee, with something to wash it down. Dr. H. M. Smith was chosen head bunsar. The next smoker will be held on the evening of February 22nd.

In her address at the educational association in Santa Fe, Miss Bucher, superintendent of our city schools, in her paper on "Drawing without a special teacher," emphasized the idea that a teacher need not be an artist in any sense in order to teach drawing in the public schools. If a teacher is a close observer, and is exacting in her work, she may succeed well in teaching drawing, as far as it is required in the eight grades.

MONDAY'S DAILY.

Mrs. J. Lester Adams is very sick with the grip.

Some Dakota weather prevailed in Las Vegas today.

The finger of a child's bracelet will please leave it at this office.

Frank Keryville, of Las Animas, Colo., shipped several cars of sheep up the road today.

D. J. Field, one of W. T. Reed's barbers, has accepted a laudatorial position at the Montezuma hotel, hot springs.

There will be a meeting of the Hebrew ladies' benevolent association Wednesday afternoon at the synagogue.

J. J. Crawford, the baggage and express man, is today handling around handsomely illustrated calendars bearing his familiar name.

M. H. Metchnooler, R. C. Pittenger and others have brought their horses in from pasture on account of the cold. Film picking out there, now.

The cold, stormy weather makes it unwise for the merchants to invoice. Customers do not bother any too freely, particularly after such a lively holiday trade.

A so-called divine healer will reach the city tomorrow, a room having been engaged for him at the New Optic by Geo. C. Hughes, of Chicago, his address agent.

Hanging over the gatepost must be warm work, at least one would imagine so, from the scenes near the round house, these cold evenings. This item was handed in.

The young lady of this city who got everything she wanted on Christmas, and without so much as expecting it, is to be congratulated and she ought to be satisfied.

Samuel Back, brother-in-law of Joe Harberg, arrived from Philadelphia yesterday to accept a position in the latter's store at Mora. He was met at the Las Vegas depot by his brother, Morris Back.

The East Las Vegas postoffice now makes up a mail to go east on the limited at 4:40 a. m. No mail taken for points west of the Missouri river. Train No. 3 will bring in an eastern mail at 11 p. m.

A notice has been posted in the local Wells-Fargo office to the effect that money, jewelry and silverware must not be enclosed with merchandise shipments by express. Whether or not this rule will be enforced after the holidays, the deponent saith not.

The wild animal bounty fund for 1899 has yielded \$150, the amount of approved accounts aggregating \$348. The county commissioners have ordered a 25 per cent payment on account. A partial payment of a number of an account was made by the board and the usual general routine of business was attended to.

Miss Anna Ground and Clarence Harvey will be married at the home of the groom, the Harvey resort, this evening. Rev. E. H. Sweet officiating. Both have hosts of friends in this city, a number of whom left yesterday and this morning for the ranch to be present at the ceremony. The O. P. C. and their many friends wish them well through the journey of life to gether.

A man goes to a store and says, "Give me as much as I have and I will spend ten cents with you." It is done and the man repeats the operation a second, and a third store, and has no money remaining. What did he start with? Some girl or boy solve this problem and send an answer to this office in time for the first issue of the paper in the new year and the new century.

Billy Wells has been trading horses again, and he cannot make the new horse obey his commands as the old one did—in fact, Billy had a fight with the new piece of horse flesh, in which he got the worst of it, notwithstanding he scored the animal with a blow that the Henry Berghs of the community would complain of, were there a law on the statute books for the prevention of cruelty to dumb brutes.

Manuel Benz and Silvano Gallagos, two six-footers, will be the jallers after Sheriff-elect Cleofes Romero takes office. They both served in a similar position under Dona Eugenio and Hilario Romero and gave entire satisfaction to all. It was Mr. Benz who found the jail file in the pie that was sent to Billy Green by his parents. He also found a razor in a cake that was sent, besides other weapons and tools. Cleofes Romero says he has given the strictest kind of orders and that there will be no more open jail doors, if it be in the power of man to prevent it. Buena!

Siamese Twins 84th Born. ... From the Albuquerque "Citizen."

A few days ago the wife of Manuel Padilla, residing at Morquina, near Ocotilla, Valencia county, New Mexico, gave birth to still born twin girls.

When a physician arrived he experienced great difficulty in removing from the mother the maternity, for such it proved to be, and on examining the twins discovered that they were joined together commencing at the navel and extending up to the breast bone, where the two bones formed a complete union, making a saddle curve. These Valencia county Siamese still-born twins had four legs, four arms and two heads, with one body, and were otherwise perfectly formed. Latest information from Morquina is to the effect that Mrs. Padilla is improving nicely, and has expressed great sorrow over the loss of her twin monstrosities.

It is now said that there is no law on the statute books of the state of Idaho for the punishment of abortion. For. M. Reed, of Santa Fe, will kindly see to it that such is not the case in New Mexico.

The Odd Fellows at Haton elected officers as follows: T. D. Leth, N. O.; Jesse Underwood, V. G.; Alf Jalla, secretary; John Ortin, financial secretary; Charles Howell, treasurer; J. C. Miller, Fred Mack, trustees.

SEULAH BUDGET.

What is Happening in That Community During the Chubby Season.

Regular Correspondence:

Seulah, N. M., Dec. 24.—A most beautiful Christmas, though somewhat lonely as several of our people have gone to Las Vegas for the holidays.

Capt. S. H. Mathers, U. S. land inspector, is out in these parts today, looking after the interests of the government, and unloading some of the tangled banks pertaining to government lands within the Pecos timber reserve.

It is announced that Clarence Harvey and Miss Annie Ground have agreed to travel in double harness, and are to hitch up next Saturday at the famous Harvey ranch, Rev. E. H. Sweet trying the nuptial knot. Miss Ground is an amiable young lady and will make a most agreeable companion through the rugged journey of life's uneven way. T. J. Ground is one of the most highly respected citizens of the Seulah community.

Frank Emmach has purchased the saw mill three miles below Rocinda, formerly owned by Don. F. Kirolo Gonzalez, that finding a more lucrative business in running a sprightly newspaper at Wacon Mound.

Louis Mosterman, who came to the Territory some eighteen months ago for health reasons, is now almost entirely well, and is prepared to take care of others coming for like purposes. His card hangs out at San Ignacio.

Col. F. A. Blake is having some substantial improvements made at his ranch with a view to better all-around accommodations by the opening of the spring and summer season.

The Barker ranch is to rent this coming season. The old man desires to give his attention more to running his saw and planing mills.

RUSTICUS.

OFFICE-SEEKERS CAST DOWN.

President McKinley is disturbing the dreams of thousands of ardent republican party workers who have been building air castles on prospective appointments to government jobs.

The president tenaciously holds the view that the office-holders were re-elected when the November election sustained the chief executive and his party. He is not prepared at this time to permit the slightest deviation from this understanding of the situation; neither is he prepared to give any encouragement to senators or representatives or party workers who flock to the white house every day loaded with petitions and recommendations for men who distinguished themselves on behalf of the republican ticket during the last campaign.

The president's protection seems to extend over the vast army of job holders who have received appointments during the last four years, and unless his present mood changes radically he will make no exceptions in any part of the country. He has discouraged even his intimate friends in the senate, who have come to him with applications for presidential appointments that they believe they are entitled to. He has told them that he cannot see any reason why there should be changes unless there are objections to the office holders themselves which will permit of the filling of positions.

He takes the unusual position that every man connected with the McKinley administration was on trial as much as himself and that the result of the balloting in November was as much of an indictment for them as for him. This is especially rough upon senators who are seeking reelection and who have clamoring at their heels a mob of office seekers who are demanding recognition at the price of opposing the senators.

It is understood that the president has had his appointment clerks at the white house go through the lists in the possession day and night and make out new commissions for practically every officeholder whose appointment expires within the next six months. This will be good news for the officeholders, but very discouraging to the outsiders, who have been led to believe that they might break into the federal treasury.

WATCH MEETINGS.

They Will Be Held in Thousands of Cities and Towns Tonight.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—Starting promptly at 11:05 o'clock tonight, New Englanders attending the Red Cross "watch-meetings" will sing "Old Hundred" and "Praise God, From Whom all Blessings Flow," and from whom all blessings flow.

The new chief dispatcher for the Colorado division of the Santa Fe road, was in Pueblo, Colo., arranging his offices at the union depot. He will move from Colorado Springs January 1st with the force of dispatchers. Extensive alterations are being made in the office to accommodate the new conditions, which will be completed by the time the move is made.

Flock Owners Will Suffer.

Superintendent of Forest Reserves I. B. Hanna at Santa Fe, N. M., received final orders from the secretary of the interior not to permit any sheep or goat grazing on the Gila forest reserve for 1901. The interior department is investigating conditions on them in reference to the grazing question.

Thus far the Grand Canon reserve in Arizona and the Gila reserve in New Mexico have been examined in the southwest and the grazing of sheep and goats prohibited on them. There are about 200,000 sheep on the Gila reserve and several thousand goats, for which a new range has to be found, or they must be disposed of by their owners.

Dr. A. B. Phillips, of Denver, who has been prospecting in the Cerrillos section, returned to his home.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.

Some Changes Recently Taking Place Among the Teachers.

The church at Alamogordo is fortunate enough in its soon securing a successor to its former pastor, Rev. J. C. Lord. About Nov. 18th Rev. Marion Conklin began work there and is giving great satisfaction to the people, being held in highest esteem by the entire community. Mr. Conklin has formerly resided in New Jersey, having his connection there with the Reformed Presbyterian church.

Miss Lydia Hayes, recently of the Menard school in Albuquerque, has gone to her new field of work at Agua Nueva, Mora county. Miss Hayes will there be the colleague of Miss E. R. Busham, and it is confidently expected that under these skilled workers the school will at once renew its former successful session.

A teacher has been secured also for the El Rito school in the person of Miss Rogers, who will soon be on the field. It has been a cause of deep regret that Miss Ida Dwire, who was appointed to this school, did not feel herself at liberty to sever her connection with work she had previously engaged in, and therefore declined the appointment.

It is a source of great regret to all who know her that Miss Anna D. McNair, of the Las Vegas school, has felt constrained to relinquish her work for the present and seek relaxation from duty the remainder of the year. She will make a prolonged visit at the home of her father in his parish at Accord, in the Catskills of New York. Miss McNair has been continuously in service for a long term of years and has carried many responsibilities with untiring fidelity and conspicuous success. Her numberless friends will join us in wishing her a restful and happy vacation.

RAILROAD HOUND-UPS.

From Monday's Daily.

Passenger trains all late, today.

Firemen McCans and Head are laying off.

S. J. Bowen, night clerk at the depot, is down sick.

Engineer Bushy has returned from his visit to Texas.

Engine 534 has been sent to the Raton shops for repairs.

Conductor Coleman is laying off and Frank Boone will take his run.

The Santa Fe has issued a new local tariff to points in New Mexico.

Engineer Larry Traister departed for Winslow, Arizona, this afternoon.

Engineer Weber is on the sick list. Switch engine 238 is in the shop for repairs.

Major Heydt returned to work this morning, after a ten days' tussle with the grip.

Engineer C. C. Price, one of the oldest men in the service, was in town yesterday.

Engineer Tyler and son, Earl, left today for the elder's position on the Santa Fe Pacific.

Conductor George Carter, a typhoid patient at the railroad hospital, is reported some better today.

Fireman Montgomery, who had been on the Chicago branch, has returned and reported for work here.

Conductor J. D. Notgrass and wife left for La Junta today, he to enter upon his duties as trainmaster at that place.

Mrs. Stafford, wife of the Santa Fe ticket agent at Trinidad, passed through for Silver City, N. M., to pay a visit to her parents.

Trainmaster F. C. Fox took a train this afternoon for La Junta, where he steps into a division superintendent's shoes tomorrow morning.

Night Operator Leary, of the Santa Fe, is on the sick list at Trinidad, Colo., and Operator Foster, of Tinajas, is working in his stead.

Private car 99 of the Santa Fe, passed through the city, west bound, carrying as passengers Fred Harvey and his family, who will spend several months in San Diego.

The beautiful flowers in the division foreman's office that Henry Hubbell and Major Heydt took so much pleasure in, were frozen Sunday night. Some one turned off the steam.

Gen. R. Hill is a new dispatcher in the office at Raton. He came from Sioux City, Iowa, and was in no way connected with the strike, having been employed after it was declared off.

Claude Llewellyn, formerly Santa Fe baggage master at Trinidad, Colo., is taking a similar position at Albuquerque, N. M., in the new hill clerk in the Santa Fe Pacific office at Gallup, New Mexico.

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TERRITORIAL.

Three pairs of Colorado parties came to Raton to have the nuptial knot tied and returned to their homes rejoicing.

Geo. Hixenbaugh and wife, who have been visiting in Oklahoma the past two months, are expected home at Raton about the 1st.

Sherriff-elect Marcelino Gavila, of Santa Fe county, will not appoint his deputy and jettier until after he has taken charge of the office.

Miss Bertha Youngker, of Cleveland, Ohio, is visiting in Raton with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Degeer, she being a niece of Mr. Degeer's.

A terrible accident occurred six miles west of Gallup on Christmas, resulting in the decapitation of a teamster named Manuel Lopez.

Ed. L. Medler, deputy United States attorney for the Albuquerque district, is sick, and it is feared that he has a slight attack of pneumonia.

Harry Cox came down to Raton from Denver on account of the serious illness of his father, A. Cox, who is suffering with an attack of pneumonia.

Willie, the eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Gillespie, living three miles east of Springer, met with a gun accident which cost him his life.

Word from the sick chamber of Judge Crumpacker in Albuquerque gives the information that the judge is somewhat better but still in a very bad fix.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Ashenfelter, at Silver City, were married on Christmas evening, their daughter, Violetta Bertha, to Percy Wilson.

Dr. Crosson performed an operation on the right side of the face of Patrick Tobin at Albuquerque by cutting off several skin cancers. Mr. Tobin is from Cerrillos.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mansard, of Albuquerque, are entertaining Jerome Swenhart, wife and daughter, of Tipton, Iowa. The visitors will remain some time.

G. W. Bennett, the well-known general merchant and Indian trader at Zunil, was in Albuquerque purchasing goods and supplies from the local wholesale merchants.

The mixing exchange at Elizabethton was broken open at night, the cash register forced, and \$21 abstracted. This is the third time this place has suffered this way.

The fire department held a business meeting at Albuquerque and made arrangements for placing in the men's quarters a fine bath, shower bath and heating apparatus.

John Lucas is the name of a gentleman of color who is languishing in the county jail at Silver City awaiting the action of the next grand jury on the charge of burglary.

E. G. Seamans, who has served as foreman of the Raton "Report," of office the past sixteen months, left for Oklahoma where he has bought an interest in a newspaper.

One of the robbers of the Lindauer mercantile company's store at Deming was arrested and some of the goods recovered. The thief will await the action of the grand jury.

Joe Lawry purchased the Fritchard business house in Elizabethton, also the hall and half block at the sheriff's sale for \$1,100 and the house now occupied by T. B. Stevens for \$110.

Mrs. E. Frankenberg, mother of Mrs. M. Newman, of Raton, had her eyes operated upon by a specialist in Chicago last week. The cataracts were removed, improving her sight wonderfully.

Rev. Ambrosio Gonzalez, just married, is pastor of the Spanish Methodist Episcopal church at Clayton, and Rev. Mr. Harshaw, just from Pennsylvania, is pastor of the English Methodist Episcopal, over there.

A trunk arrived at the S. F. office the other night from Deming, to which were fastened three old shoes and a bag of rice while a red ribbon announced in black letters, "We are just married."—El Paso "News."

Probate Clerk-elect Manuel Delgado of Santa Fe county, will not appoint any deputy, as he thinks that he will not need any assistance as long as the work of his office remains as light as it has been in the past.

Col. J. B. Hutchinson, the old miner and prospector, whose face in almost every camp in central New Mexico is well-known, was in Albuquerque from the Golden district. He has recently made a sale of an interest in a mine.

Prof. F. A. Jones, of Socorro, president of the school of mines at Socorro who is in Santa Fe attending the educational association meeting, is convinced that the school of mines occupies a place of importance in the future development of the Territory.

A suit was filed in the district court for Rio Arriba county at Santa Fe by Frank Dimmock of Denver vs. John R. Sargent, of El Rito, to recover damages to the amount of \$1,375.00 for a cedar post and wire fence, two miles in length, which the plaintiff alleges belongs to him and was removed by the defendant.

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A Letter Addressed to Adolfo Duran, Oklahoma, is held at the postoffice in Santa Fe for more explicit directions.

Mrs. Maggie Smith, mother of Mrs. G. C. Bereth, of Santa Fe, died at Savannah, Mo., at the age of eighty-four years.

Bert H. Sidbottom, stenographer for Solicitor General E. L. Barlett at Santa Fe, is confined to his home with illness.

The dance at Madrid on Christmas night was well attended, and all report a good time. Cerrillos was well represented.

Hall & Leonard, the music men at Albuquerque, presented Ed. Grunsfeld with a handsome carved piano stool built for two.

W. H. Kory, of Santa Fe, has established a stage line from Santa Fe to Bland, N. M., making one or two trips a week.

Earl Strong is still confined to his home at Springer with rheumatism. It is indeed an unfortunate affliction for one so young.

Miss Laura Armijo, daughter of Jose Armijo, is convalescing from a threatened attack of pneumonia, down in Albuquerque.

Bert Carpenter, of Jewel City, Kan., has accepted a position in the feed store and meat department of Frank Blake at Bland.

Henry Pacheco has withdrawn as a candidate for justice of the peace in precinct No. 18 at Santa Fe, in favor of Simon Rogers.

A. A. Grant returned to Albuquerque from San Francisco, where he has been occupied with business matters for several weeks.

At a meeting of the Odd Fellows in that place it was decided to give a masquerade ball on New Year's night in Wood's hall in Bland.

H. Nordhaus has given a contract to Builder Roach to remodel his residence at Deming, as well as to add two additional rooms to it.

The rumor that Mayor O. N. Marston, of Albuquerque, had been injured in a railroad wreck back east, happily turns out to be unfounded.

Gen. W. T. Clark, of Washington, revenue agent, after spending several days inspecting the local revenue office, left Santa Fe for El Paso.

Miss Katie Deacy spent the holiday week at Springer with her mother, from her school duties in the southwestern part of Colfax county.

J. B. Plack, recently with the Lawrence mercantile company of Catekill, is employed now by the Flossheim mercantile company in Springer.

Miss Josie Williams, who had been spending several months with her aunt, Mrs. D. J. Lockard, at Springer, has come to her Las Vegas home.

Mrs. Sydney Organ and her two bright little daughters, arrived at Bland from Rio, Colo., on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Benson.

The father of Mrs. H. Goodman, of Springer, is still very low at his home in Hillsboro, New Mexico, with very little hopes entertained of his recovery.

On January 3rd, at 8 o'clock in the morning, an anniversary mass will be celebrated at Guadalupe church, Santa Fe, for the repose of the soul of the deceased Ignacio Trullio.

The numerous friends in New Mexico of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Lumis, of Los Angeles, will learn with sorrow that their beautiful boy, Amador Bandelier, died on Christmas day of a gripe.

The ladies of the Raton relief society have bored and will ship all clothing that has been sent to the Northside school house, and there is call for more clothing to be sent to Galveston sufferers.

A brutal murder occurred at Captain on Christmas day. D. Blackman, a coal miner, was shot twice in the back and killed instantly. It is alleged, by a man named Rivers, also a miner, Rivers came from Alabama only a short time ago.

At a sheriff's sale in Bland, the large team of horses and set of double harness of Squire Smith, were purchased by Joseph Riedel, and a good mountain range was sold to Frank Blake, to satisfy a judgment held by Mr. Mary Finch.

The Bland mining company is