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MONDAY EVENING, AUG. 17, 1896

NANSEN, THE ORIGINAL. Explorer Nansen is far enough on his return from his polar expedition to report his safety and a successful voyage, together with his belief that his theory about reaching the north pole is correct. He sends word that he would have reached the pole, if he could have taken more time, and that he did penetrate the icy region farther than any previous explorer, says the Pittsburg Dispatch.

Well, Nansen will be welcomed back home and made much of, though he may not be able to add much to the world's store of geographical or scientific knowledge. He may even be encouraged to go back, for he is an unusually good fellow among the Arctic explorers. His strongest merit is that when he goes up in the ice, he is able to bring himself and his crew home again without the aid of a lot of relief expeditions and other trouble. This is a point about an Arctic investigator that cannot be commended too highly.

Mr. Nansen's theory is that the ice currents flow over the pole and come down on the east coast of Greenland, and he had expected to merely drift with the current in his tight little ship from the coast of Franz Joseph land and come down on the other side of the world. As he reports a lack of time to complete his journey, it may be assumed that either the ice current was too slow for his stock of provisions, or that he discovered intervening land, and instead of waiting until his men began to eat each other, he philosophized that to-morrow is another day, and started home for a better equipment. Whatever flora and fauna he may bring with him will be of the rarest, for he has not been where civilized man never was before? There will not be much of either, of course, but more scientific interest will attach to what the explorer has to offer in confirmation or contradiction of the current theory he started with. If he found evidence of a moving ice current, he has, no doubt, committed to it some tokens which he will expect to find carried over to the east coast of Greenland in time, and that time will serve as a basis for estimating the speed of the current.

All hail, Nansen! A devoted scientist, a close observer, a clever theorist and an original explorer—otherwise an explorer who sets a new precedent by bringing himself back safely.

SILVER MILLIONAIRES. One of the strongest arguments of the gold standard papers in the east make is that the silver issue is simply for the benefit of millionaire silver mine owners of the western states. New Mexico is a silver producing Territory, but how many millionaire silver mine owners has she, and how many silver mines in New Mexico ever produced a million of dollars? People living in silver mining districts know how ridiculous such talk is. Silver mining is the most hazardous of all mining propositions, and if the real truth was known, there has been a great deal more money spent in mining silver than the product itself is worth. This silver king talk may go all right in the east, but we westerners know that it is mere political humbug.

Sometimes it seems to weary woman that she must certainly give up. The simplest and easiest work becomes almost insurmountable task. Nervousness, sleeplessness and pain harass her and life seems hardly worth the living. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was made for her. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was made for her. The former is for the distinctly feminine, the other for her general system. Together they supply a scientific and successful course of treatment. The "Favorite Prescription" restores healthy, regular action to the organs distinctly feminine. It forces out all impurities, strengthens the tissues, allays inflammation. The "Golden Medical Discovery" makes appetite, helps digestion, promotes assimilation, fills out the hollows in cheeks and neck with good solid flesh and brings back the gladness of girlhood. With these remedies there is no need of delicate ministrations.

If the republicans of this Territory want protection they should send a silverite and a protectionist to congress to use his influence there. There can be no protection law passed, if silver is ignored in the next congress.

NEW MEXICO, with her diversified industries, will feel financial relief quicker than any other state or Territory in the union, with the return of prosperity to the country, and more especially will this be true if statehood is given us.

THOMAS WILSON, assistant commissary general of subsistence, is now on the army's retired list. He was a West Point classmate of McPherson, Phil Sheridan and Schofield. More than twenty members of that class of 1853 lived to hear themselves called "general."

"El Tiro," a famous Spanish torador, was recently killed in a bull fight at Perpignan, France. The animal that killed "El Tiro" had taken part in many battles, and had to consequence become abnormally artificial, often tricking his foes by wholly unexpected maneuvers.

ENGLAND and Australia are the only islands which exceed Cuba in natural resources. When not wasted by war Cuba produces, with a large share of her soil untouched, \$100,000,000 worth of sugar and tobacco annually, besides the products of orchards and forests, rivers and mountain mines.

A MEMBER of the Germania Waiters' union in New York was discharged from his position as a waiter in a certain hall on the complaint of a number of compositors that "he couldn't serve beer with the grace and dexterity of a waiter accustomed to wait upon printers."

AN American who recently saw Max Nordau in a cafe in Paris, says of him: "No wonder he abuses everybody, for he is the very quintessential figure of gall and bitterness. He is small and malicious, and as hairy as a monkey. His eyes are large, and when he is not glaring at Ibsen, Wagner and Maeterlinck, they are fixed and rather sad in expression."

The laying of the corner stone of the Sisters' new sanitarium, yesterday, was an occasion long to be remembered by this city. It marks the realization of a long-cherished plan—in fact, of dozens of them—looking to the establishment of a suitable place for the treatment of the numerous cases of seriously diseased sufferers who naturally drift to this, the greatest health-giving climate on earth. That the sanitarium will soon be completed and ready to start on its God-given mission is matter of congratulation to the whole Territory.

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair. Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed an exhibit at the World's fair, Chicago. Manufacturers of other Sarsaparillas sought by every means to obtain a showing of their goods, but they were all turned away under the application of the rule forbidding the entry of patent medicines and nostrums. The decision of the World's fair authorities in favor of Ayer's Sarsaparilla was in effect as follows: "Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a patent medicine. It does not belong to the list of nostrums. It is here on its merits."

No Crow in Ours. From the New Mexican.

The Spranger Stockman is probably quite too previous in its denunciation that the Las Vegas Ortic threatens to support the democratic nominees this fall, but surely the Ortic, which has openly repudiated the McKinley-Hanna gold platform, will be in a fit case to see the approaching republican convention at Las Vegas stands by that platform. And if it doesn't, then the Albuquerque Citizen is the republican organ that will be at a disadvantage all through the campaign. Somebody has got to eat crow, whichever way the republican middle terminates.

Up to Date—1896. The most complete tariff text book ever published is the new edition of "Tariff Facts for Speakers and Students," defender document No. 9—260 pages, just out. Publisher, the American Protective Tariff League. Campaign text books issued just before the election are of little value. The tariff league is to be congratulated on its foresight in getting out its hand book so early in the year. Order by number only. Sent to any address for twenty-five cents. Address W. F. Wakeman, general secretary, 185 West twenty-third street, New York.

George Miller was before Justice Roberts, at Eddy, charged with carrying a deadly weapon. He was acquitted.



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They Don't Love LI. From the Eddy Argus. The Argus has just made the discovery that Li Hung Chang, the Chinese diplomat, who is at present touring Europe, and expects very shortly to visit the United States, is not in favor with the ecclesiastics of Eddy. When asked regarding his ability, their remarks are anything but complimentary. They assert that his present journey around the country is for the sole purpose of securing money. He is also accused of having sold out to the Japanese during the late war. On the whole, the Chinese population of this section is not filled with great veneration for the time-honored statesman, and the Argus would advise against his visiting this metropolis.

They Never Touched Him. From the Lordsburg Liberal. It is quite well known in political circles that Collector of Internal Revenue Shannon and the democratic gang at Santa Fe do not get along very well together. In fact, that gang is altogether too tough for a man like Shannon to associate with. The gang has been trying to get rid of Shannon, and many and numerous are the charges that they have made against him. His own department at Washington concluded to investigate the office, and sent out a special inspector to find the shape affairs were in. The inspectors dropped into the office unexpectedly and gave it a most thorough inspection. He reported to the department at Washington that he found the office in first class shape, there was not a thing left undone that should be done, there was not a thing done which should have been left undone. In short, he did not know of an office that was kept any better. Now at Washington, all complaints from Santa Fe go into the waste basket. The Liberal takes pleasure in making public this fact, for it is seldom that this can be said of an office run by democrats. The only way to account for it is that the office force is composed of Grant county men who never before held an office. Collector Shannon is an old resident of this county, his chief deputy is the good Deacon Loomis, of Silver City, and the clerk is Bud Moore, of Deming.

Miss Daisy Haughton of Aberdeen, Mississippi, will arrive in Eddy this week, for a four days visit to her cousin, M. B. Sharrp. Miss Haughton has been visiting in Fort Huachuca, Arizona, and will stop at Eddy, en route home.

Max Becker, representing the Germania Life Insurance company, left Albuquerque for the south. He also represents the Bryn Mawr mills, manufacturers of woolen goods, Philadelphia, Pa.

Some Ready Information. The following statistical information should be cut out and pasted on your office desk for future and frequent reference:

Table with columns: DISTANCES FROM LAS VEGAS, Miles, and various locations like Batoon, Spring, Wagon, etc.

Table with columns: ALTITUDE OF VARIOUS PLACES, and locations like Mora, Hot Springs, Spring, etc.

It behooves every citizen in city, town and country to keep posted on the stirring events that will occur in this country and in the old world within the next nine months. The results will affect all, personally, directly or indirectly. This nation is on the eve of the most exciting presidential campaign in its history. European politics are in a very complicated state, and scientists are applying their discoveries to many lines that will produce startling new things. To keep abreast with the world one should read, in addition to the local or county paper, a live metropolitan newspaper, such as The Twice-a-Week Republic, of St. Louis. It is the most progressive journal in the United States, and in each issue it gives the latest political news of all parties in the field, the latest general news of the world and many valuable special features besides. This model newspaper is delivered twice-a-week by mail for only \$1 a year, or less than one cent a copy. The price of the Daily and Sunday Republic has recently been reduced to only \$6 a year by mail.

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Following are the democratic candidates for county offices in Eddy county, as selected at the convention: For probate judge, Anasias Green; commissioner first district, N. Cunningham; commissioner second district, Peter Corn; commissioner third district, G. W. Monroe; sheriff, J. L. Dow; probate clerk, W. R. Owen; assessor, W. F. Cochran; treasurer, S. T. Bitting; superintendent of schools, Fred Nyemeyer; surveyor, B. A. Nyemeyer; coroner, J. T. Cooper.

Rewards Offered. Whereas, information has just reached me that upon the 11th day of June, A. D. 1896, Levi Heintzel and Meredith Galligan were murdered in the county of Guadalupe, and Territory of New Mexico by parties unknown, and who are now fugitives from justice. Now, therefore, for the purpose of securing the arrest and conviction of said fugitives, I, W. T. Thorburn, governor of the Territory of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority in me vested, do hereby offer a reward of five hundred (\$500) dollars each for the arrest and delivery to the sheriff of Guadalupe county, of the murderers who committed the crime, the total reward not to exceed the sum of one thousand dollars and to be payable out of any money in the Territorial treasury appropriated for rewards for the 47th fiscal year, upon conviction of said criminals.

Done at the executive office, this 15th day of July, A. D. 1896. Witness my hand and the great seal of the Territory of New Mexico. W. T. THORNBURN, Governor of New Mexico.

By the Governor: LORNON MILLER, Secretary of the Territory of N. M.

Rates to City of Mexico. LAS VEGAS, N. M., March 9th, 1896.—Round trip rates to City of Mexico, from Las Vegas, \$68.70. Going limit, sixty days, with final return limit, of six months from date of sale.

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Annual Convention, International Assn. of Five Engineers Salt Lake City, Utah, Aug. 10 to 14th, '96. Dates at sale, August 7th and 8th. One lowest first-class standard fare for the round trip, plus \$2, all tickets to be good for continuous passage in each direction. Leaving Salt Lake on August 15th and 22nd only.

National Encampment G. A. R. at St. Paul, Minn., September 1st to 4th 1896. From Las Vegas to St. Paul, Minn., and return, \$35.20. Dates of sale, August 30th and 31st 1896; original return limit September 15th, 1896. Continuous passage in each direction; going passage to commence date of sale; return passage to commence date of execution. An extension of final limit to September 30th, 1896, will be granted on all tickets deposited with joint agent of terminal lines at St. Paul on or before September 15th, 1896.

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