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GOOD ENOUGH FOR HIM.

I'd been readin' in the papers every even-
in' what they told
Of the wondrous land o' Klondike that was
carpeted with gold,
An' I'd laid an' dreamed about it when I'd
tumbled into bed
Till it set the wheels a spinnin' in my dis-
contented head.
Got to battin' of my labor, thinkin' I was but
a slave
With a path of toil afore me leadin' clear up
to the grave,
An' the cash I got on pay day seemed so
everlastin' small
Twas insultin' to my feelin's for to take the
stuff at all.
Got to picturin' a palace with my name-plate
on the door,
An' of servants an' of footmen an' a nobby
coach an' four,
Of the men all 'way above me now a kneelin'
at my feet,
An' the bankers bowin' to me when I'd meet
'em on the street,
An' the fever kep' increasin' an' the discon-
tentment growin'
Till I seemed to sort o' stagger tryin' far to
pack the load,
An' I hurried home one evenin' far to tell
my wife that I
Was a goner to the Klondike in the early by-
an' by.
When I went home to my cottage an' my
wife with smilin' face
Met me with a kiss o' welcome an' affection-
ate embrace,
An' our little tottler Willie got his arms
around my neck
For to tell me that the loved me ject a bushel
an' a peck,
An' the home appeared so cherry, seemed
so growin' with the love
That I went in golden showers from the
Master up above,
An' my wife out in the kitchen singin' songs
o' happy elix,
I jest said: "Gad darn the Klondike; this is
good enough fur me!"
—Denver Post.

A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

An Active Movement in Canon for the Establishment of Such An Organization.

There seems to be a general senti-
ment among all business men in favor
of organizing some sort of a Board of
Trade or Chamber of Commerce. The
public was ripe for the suggestions
made in the RECORD last week relat-
ing to such a movement. More than a
dozen business men have voluntarily
mentioned the matter to the writer and
expressed their hopes that an agitation
would be kept up until something active
was begun.

The RECORD has no details to sug-
gest, no special plans to offer. What
we want is to see a general movement
started that will organize an enthusi-
astic Chamber of Commerce. A more
opportune time will never be found.

We have received several letters on
the subject from prominent business
men. They are given below. Others
have come to the office or expressed
themselves on the street, and as yet
there has not been heard a dissenting
voice. Mr. James H. Peabody, of the
First National bank, expressed him-
self as being heartily in favor of such
an organization. N. F. Haady, who
has been acting as secretary of the old
organization ever since its origin, is
very anxious for a revival of the old, or
a reorganization of a new Chamber.
George Bethel and Hunter Palmer
think it would be greatly to the inter-
est of the merchants to help such
a movement. S. H. Atwater, one of
our largest land owners, is heartily in
favor of such an organization. These
we have heard voluntarily express them-
selves, and no doubt there are many
others equally as strong in favor.

With all these expressions in favor
of a new and active Chamber of Com-
merce, it seems that all that remains
to be done is for Mr. T. M. Harding to
call a public meeting at an early day
when plans for such an organization
can be presented and a membership
started. Whenever such a call is made
let every business man in the city
respond and lend a helping hand.

OUTLOOK NEVER BETTER.

EDITOR RECORD:—It think it a good
idea to revive the Chamber of Com-
merce. Let it be done with the pres-
ent name or under another one. I
never saw the outlook for Cañon so
good as it is right now, and if we had
some such organization with energetic
men at its head, good men on impor-
tant committees, etc., I believe we
could double our population in a few
years.

In reorganizing I would suggest
that you interest men from both sides
of the river and from every branch of
trade so that all interests may be
represented. Respectfully,

F. A. RAYNOLDS.

A UNITED PULL.

EDITOR RECORD:—Your article of
February 3rd entitled "Our Present
Need" is a good one and I desire to
express myself as being in hearty
sympathy with any movement tending
towards the establishment and main-
tenance of a live Chamber of Com-
merce. We have been waiting to get
our railroad started and it is now as-
sured beyond question. The next need
is a united effort of all our citizens,
and the only way we can do this is to
organize thoroughly. Let us lay
aside all our petty differences and as
intelligent business men, imbued with

the one wish to build up our city,
make a strong, united pull and all
work to make Cañon City what it is,
and of a right ought to be, one of the
best cities in the state.
W. H. MCCLURE.

WANTED—A BIG TURNOUT.

CANON CITY, COLO., Feb. 9th, 1898.
Editor Cañon City RECORD.

DEAR SIR:—I notice your article
in last issue in regard to the Chamber
of Commerce. I surely think the
citizens and business men of Cañon
should take an active interest in this
matter. We need a live Chamber of
Commerce, and when a meeting is
called to reorganize I hope there will
be a big turnout—not stay away and
then complain about what others have
done.

Yours truly,
T. M. HARDING.

ANY PLAN GRATIFYING.

EDITOR RECORD:—In reply to your
inquiry for my views on reorganiza-
tion of Chamber of Commerce permit
me to say that any plan that will
cause our people to come together
monthly and canvass public interests
and lay plans and work together to
carry them out will be very gratify-
ing to me. The present organization
covers the whole matter, provided
our people would pay the slightest
attention to its officers' calls for them
to come together to canvass public
questions. It provides for appoint-
ment of committees on manufactur-
ing, transportation, public improve-
ments, social relations and others re-
lating to our needs, for reports and
discussion concerning them.

If calling it the Cañon and County
Business Men's League or any other
name that may suit our business men
and cause them to set apart the night
chosen for its meeting as one not to
be forgotten will please me and am
sure work out in public good. I
would suggest new signers to mem-
bership list, that no dues be exacted
of members but instead insert a pledge
to attend the meetings. It is not
necessary to have a membership fee,
as free places for meetings have al-
ways been provided and our people
are generous and public spirited in
responding when aid is required for
any worthy enterprise. For these
reasons it is not necessary to accumu-
late a fund through membership fees.

Yours truly,
B. F. ROCKAFELLOW.

OUR PROSPEROUS ERA.

CANON CITY, COLO., Feb. 9, 1898.
EDITOR RECORD:—

In regard to an editorial in your
issue of February 3rd you advocate
the reorganization of the Chamber of
Commerce of this city and make some
pertinent suggestions that are deserv-
ing the careful consideration of all
who are interested in the business
affairs of this portion of the Arkansas
valley, while we are now assured of
the early completion of the electric
line to the Cripple Creek district,
which is already materially affecting
business in every line, it is but the
beginning of what we may regard as
the most prosperous era in the history
of Cañon City. The completion of
this road means not only the opening
up of the Arkansas valley for homes
for the prosperous miners of the
Cripple Creek district, but by reason of
cheap and rapid transportation, but
it means also that by the proper ef-
forts on the part of the property
owners and business interests a num-
ber of reduction works will be estab-
lished here, thus affording an increased
labor market. It means also an open-
ing for the establishment of a number
of small factories, a machine shop and
foundry and numerous other industries
all of which must have the fostering
of some authorized and representative
organization from the business men
of the community. It is ten years, I
believe, the present month, since the
Chamber of Commerce was organized
here and I find, upon information,
that of late the organization has been
inactive, leaving the work it should
have been looking after to individuals
and while these individuals have acted
faithfully, they should not be called
upon to continue the work in which
every business man and property
owner in the community, or should be
interested in. Let us wake up all
along the line and not later than the
coming week reorganize and charter
the Chamber of Commerce and push
along in the wave of prosperity which
is now fairly upon us. In consulta-
tion with a number of the business
men of the town it has been suggested
that a meeting be held next Tuesday
evening, at the opera house at which
time every one should be present and
assist in perfecting a live, active and
thoroughly representative organiza-
tion.

T. M. HOWELL.

MORE ELECTRICITY.

Canon Will Have A Third Plant To
Furnish the Magic Power
and Light.

Monday night the City Council
granted a franchise to The Cañon City
Light & Ice Company for the erection
of an electric light and power plant,
also a cold storage and ice plant.
Mr. E. Storer Tice is here from Chi-
cago representing the company, and
will be resident manager of the plant.
Mr. Tice will immediately bring his
family here and prepare to begin
work at once. By the terms of the
franchise he must begin work within
ninety days and have the plant in
operation within five months. Mr.
Tice's letter of application to the
City Council explains his plans and
objects and is given here in full:

CANON CITY, COLO., Feb. 7, 1898.
To the Honorable, the Mayor, and
Board of Town Trustees, Cañon
City, Colorado.

GENTLEMEN:—With this, I take
pleasure in handing you draft of Franchise for an Electric Lighting Plant
and in this connection permit me a
few words in explanation.

The parties whose representative
I am desire to erect an Artificial Ice
Plant and Cold Storage Warehouse,
but do not feel justified in the invest-
ment without the privilege of receiv-
ing an income from an auxiliary source
especially during the winter months.
A large experience in refrigerating
plants in the south has demonstrated
that success has been attained by the
connection of an electric lighting sys-
tem, and with this end in view the
writer has for some time endeavored
to negotiate the purchase of the ex-
isting electric plant, but the price de-
manded by its owners made such ac-
tion prohibitive.

It was then determined by my em-
ployers to ask of your body an inde-
pendent right or franchise to con-
struct and operate another electrical
enterprise. We are confident there
is room for another lighting plant as
electricity is not in universal use in
your city, in fact little is used in pro-
portion to your population and pro-
gressiveness. Without detracting the
business of one consumer from the
present company we could receive
sufficient income to assist in our re-
frigeration plant.

Your city and the fruit growers ad-
jacent are very much at a disadvan-
tage without the privileges of cold
storage and I am convinced many
thousand dollars could be saved the
community were such a plant erected
giving as it will the opportunity of
holding your products for advantage-
ous prices. The many benefits to be
derived from this enterprise is doubt-
less appreciated by your honorable body.

Permit me in conclusion to state
that immediately upon the favorable
action of your request by your body a
company will be formed by my prin-
cipals under the laws of Colorado to
be known as the Cañon City Ice &
Light company with a capitalization
to meet all the requirements of your
city for many years to come.

We ask no bonus, no subscriptions
to stock, having sufficient confidence
in the future of Cañon to invest our
own capital.

Hoping for your favorable consid-
eration so that we may be prepared for
early business.

Very respectfully,
E. STORER TICE,
Consulting Engineer.

THE RAILROAD.

Several Car Loads of Grading Outfits
Here and Active Work to Begin
Immediately.

Mayor Orman and Supt. Crook, the
railroad contractor, arrived in town
Tuesday morning, nor did they come
alone. They brought with them several
car loads of stock, graders and grading
implements with which they will im-
mediately begin work on the Cañon City &
Cripple Creek line. Mr. Orman, who
will have personal supervision of the
grading, said to a RECORD reporter that
he would establish his first camp about
six miles from Cañon, near where the
wagon road crosses Four Mile Creek.
From there he will work both ways.
Much rock work needs to be done and
this will probably be done first. He
also stated that he did not expect work
to close till the road was ready for
business early in the summer. Cañon
people have the greatest faith in Mr.
Orman's word and in his ability as a
railroad constructor.

Boards Wanted.
Those desiring neat rooms and good
table board can be accommodated at
Mrs. H. R. Nelson's, 612 Macon Ave.

In photography the best is always
the cheapest. Get it at FRANK'S.

Reporters' Contest.

THE RECORD Opens a Department for Neighborhood
News and Gossip From Volunteer Contributors.

NEWSPAPERS as a rule overlook the minor news of the com-
munity, neighborhood and suburban happenings, incidents
of school life, the comings and goings of home folk and
visitors, local gossip, etc. The RECORD has the largest and
best staff in Cañon, but its members are usually busy with stated
assignments and the larger affairs of life, and overlook many bits
of lesser news and comment that would and much to the interest of
the paper.

A new building, the remodeling of a residence, a social gathering,
the arrival or departure of friends or neighbors, a minor casualty,
a dangerous crossing, a bad piece of street, a needed improvement,
the coming of a new family or the departure of an old one from the
neighborhood, an incident at school, a bit of legitimate gossip or
comment on public affairs, and the opening of a new grocery—all of
these are items of at least neighborhood interest, which any local
newspaper would be glad to publish were it practicable to gather them.

As it is out of the question to organize a staff large enough to
cover minor news of this character THE RECORD has relied more or
less on the voluntary contributions of its good friends and is under
obligations to them for many courtesies from time to time.

In order to cultivate the news gathering instinct, and add zest
to the kindly efforts of THE RECORD's friends in the school and
neighborhoods of the city, a weekly contest has been instituted, a
prize of ONE DOLLAR being offered for the best item or batch of
items contributed EACH WEEK. Judgment will be based upon the
news value of the items, the style of composition and the neatness of
the manuscript. It may happen that a single item of exceptional
interest, attractively presented, may win over a large number of less
interesting items.

The winner for each week will be announced in the following
issue of THE RECORD and a check for the amount promptly mailed
to the successful reporter.

Special Prize

Webster's International Dictionary.

In addition to this weekly prize, after thirty weeks—or after our
issue of September 8th, 1898—we will give an additional prize of a
Webster's International Dictionary, of 1898 print, Sheep binding,
Patent Index, Value, \$13, to the Volunteer Reporter furnishing the
greatest number of items. While the dollar-a-week prize will depend
somewhat upon the merit of the items, the Dictionary will be given
for the largest number of news items during the thirty weeks.
Thus it may happen that some one who fails to receive a weekly
prize may secure the Dictionary.

While this offer is made especially to the High School students of
Cañon and South Cañon the offer is open to all in the county. It will
be entirely proper for our younger contributors, or Volunteer Report-
ers, as THE RECORD will hereafter call them, to receive assistance
from parents, older brothers and sisters, neighbors, or any one else.
THE RECORD wants its young friends to do the best they can, and
doesn't care who helps them. All items received will be considered
our property and will be used at our option.

In order to encourage neatness and uniformity in the prepara-
tion of manuscript THE RECORD will supply printers "copy paper"
to the neighborhood contributors. Among the rules to be observed
are the following:

Write only on one side of the paper.
Use a soft, black lead pencil in preference to all others.
Leave an inch of blank space at the top of each sheet of paper,
and half an inch between each line of writing.
Items must be mailed or brought to THE RECORD office not
later than Tuesday afternoon of each week. Those sending items on
Tuesday may bring another installment to the office Wednesday
noon. The name of writer should always accompany each communi-
cation, though no names will be published to any item.

THE Pueblo Call comes to our table
this week edited by Jennie M. Fosdick.
If this issue is a fair sample of what
Jennie can do we predict for her a
bright future and sure success in the
journalistic field.

The Y. M. C. A. rooms are becoming
quite popular with the boys and young
men. Nearly any time of every day
will find more than a dozen at the read-
ing tables or in the game room. It is a
good place to spend an hour and none
goes away the worse for having been
there.

THE tax rate in Cañon City is certain-
ly high enough, but our people might
get some consolation from the sufferers
in our neighboring towns. In Cripple
Creek the rate is 98.6 mills—nearly fifty
per cent higher than ours.

If ONE must judge from the politics
of those appointed to office in Colorado
during the past few months it would be
quite difficult to guess just which party
has control of the national government
at the present time. One would hardly
know whether the president was a Sil-
ver Republican, National Silver Repub-
lican or Populist.

TO PREVENT SPITTING.

Many have spoken well of the sugges-
tion in the RECORD two weeks ago re-
garding the evils of promiscuous spit-
ting. That something should be done
towards remedying the great evil no
one doubts. Just what is best to do
few know. Experiments have been
tried in many cities and all with more
or less success. Following we publish
the ordinance passed a year ago in
Phoenix, Arizona:

ORDINANCE NO. 236.
To Prevent Spitting on Sidewalks and
Cross Walks.
The Common Council of Phoenix do
ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for
any person, or persons, to spit or ex-
pectorate upon any of the public side-
walks, or cross walks, in the City of
Phoenix, or upon any public path, by-
way or highway in any public park in

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value in them. If you've a shoe
want, now is the time and this is
the place.

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tion; half cent each subsequent insertion.

WANTED—A good nurse; girl. Apply to
Dr. W. D. Howe.

FOR SALE—Ten foot Holiday Standard
windmill and tower, for sale, cheap.
J. W. LAMBERT.

WANTED—Ladies or gentlemen to intro-
duce a new work by J. W. CHAPMAN, Central
hotel.

TO RENT FURNISHED—2 very pleasant
sunny front rooms, with or without board, at
612 Greenwood ave.

WANTED—A good kitchen girl. Apply at
E. McDonald's.

FOR SALE—Several nice tracts of orchard
and fruit lands at bargain prices.
DALL DEWESE.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Four new brick
cottages in desirable part of city.
H. L. ADAMS.

BOARD—First-class board and rooms may
be had by calling on Mrs. H. R. Nelson, at
612 Macon avenue.

FOR SALE—A home place, consisting of
two and a half lots in Atwater's Addition,
with neat seven-room brick house. A bar-
gain at \$1,200. Apply for information at
Raccoon office.

FOR RENT—Five desirable brick houses;
all with water and cellars; some with barns
and some with desirable garden tracts. Call
at Fremont County Bank for particulars.

FOR SALE—One new pressed brick, 8
room house, on fenced lot 42x116, hydrant
water and set to fruit, for \$1,200. Small pay-
ment down, balance on long time at 8 per
cent. Call at Fremont County Bank. 11-12

WANTED—TRUSTWORTHY AND AC-
TIVE gentlemen or ladies to travel for
responsible, established house in Colorado.
Monthly fee and expenses. Position steady.
Reference. Enclose self-addressed stamped
envelope. The Dominion Company, Dept. Y
Chicago.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Five new new names were proposed
for membership at the directors' meet-
ing Monday night.

A match game between the ladies'
team of the Denver High School and our
ladies team of Cañon City is an at-
traction of the future.

Our boys have fully decided that
either the silver cup, the athletic trophy
or the silk banner, representing the
basket ball championship, shall come to
Cañon this year.

A Y. M. C. A. chess club was orga-
nized this week. The membership at
present is limited to twelve members.
Arrangements will be made in the near
future to institute a chess tournament,
and a medal will be awarded to the
successful contestant.

Work is beginning in earnest in pre-
paration for the Colorado Springs meet-
ing to be held last of March. Hence-
forth there will be systematic practice
in the events to be contested for at
that time. An athletic team of about
twelve members will be organized with-
in the next week. All members of the
association are eligible to join.

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and our principle of buying for spot cash enables us to buy from the
manufacturer direct, thus saving to you the middle-man's profit. Large
shipments of new spring goods now almost daily arriving. We men-
tion a few good things that might interest you.

SILKS.

Black Turk Satin, 30c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.
Black Brocade Silk, 75c, \$1.50 and \$1.00.
Colored and Changeable Taffetas, 20 in, 75c, 27 in, \$1.00.
Fancy Silks, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.
China Silks, plain colors, 24 in, 50c.
Iron Frame Grenadines, 24 in, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

WOOL GOODS.

36 in. Henrietta and Serges...25c
Imported Wool Serges...25c
Best 46 in. Colored Henrietta...75c
52 in. Colored Tailor suitings...\$1.00
Hundreds of styles of Fancy
Dress Fabrics to suit at
...50c, 65c and \$1.00 a yard.
Black 40in Brocade...25c
Brocade Brilliantine...30c and 65c
Storm Serges...50c, 65c, 75c and \$1.00

Write for samples. We prepay express charges on Dry goods orders
This is to be a great Trimmings season. We have them.

The Crews-Beggs Dry Goods Co.,
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