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HOME NEWS

Mud! Mud! More mud!

Monday week is St. Patrick's Day.

How's that Park Avenue sidewalk
coming on?

W. H. Clark resumed work on the
Mesa high line ditch survey Tuesday.

Frank Johnson reports spring trade
in his line opening up in good shape.

D. M. Coleman has moved to his ranch
on Coal creek. Mr. C. is making ready
to begin spring work.

C. W. Layton has opened a meat mar-
ket in Meeker. Mr. Layton is an ex-
perienced business man and will make
it win.

The Meeker hotel has bounced its
male waiters and now has a corps of
handsome young ladies attending to the
wants of the guests at the table.

Is the game law being enforced? One
would think not, judging from the
quantity of hides being shipped out of
this county. Thursday forenoon two
wagon loads pulled out.

Road Overseer Matter, assisted by
Alderman Craig and Ben Nichols, has
been very busy during the past three
days repairing culverts and ditches
damaged by the late heavy rains.

General Shepard, or his agents, have
finally closed that gap in the Sixth street
sidewalk, and pedestrians can now walk
from Park avenue to the Court House
without fear of getting lost in the mud.

Water Referee Foreman took testi-
mony on Monday in the contested
water right cases of Messrs. Cole, Burke
and Saver & Foote. Decisions in these
cases will not be rendered for some time
yet.

The Meeker and Rifle stage line is
again under the management of J. C.
Carson, the popular and well known
stage man. Fay Gorham continues in
charge of the rolling stock and motive
power.

Quite a force of men are at work un-
der Mr. J. E. Case setting up the mill
machinery. Mr. Case says we will have
one of the finest flour mills in Colorado.
The machinery is all of the latest and
most approved pattern.

Vere Harris, formerly a resident of
this valley, died in Denver last week
and as he was apparently without
friends or money, Dean Hart took
charge of the remains and defrayed all
the burial expenses, and gave the de-
ceased Christian burial.

Ex-Commissioner Welty was in town
Monday purchasing supplies preparatory
to starting up his saw mill again on
South Fork. Mr. Welty has secured
the contract to furnish the roof timber
for St. James Church, which is to be
yellow pine and selected material.

Henry J. Hay, our efficient County
Treasurer, will give several select read-
ings at the DeLano Society's entertain-
ment next Wednesday evening. Mr.
Hay is a fine reader and everybody
should hear him. The entertainment
will be free to the public and all are in-
vited.

It is now Postmaster Attix. Mr. A.
took formal possession last Saturday.
The retiring postmaster, Mr. J. V.
Houston relinquished the office after
nearly four years of faithful and
satisfactory service, both to the govern-
ment and the people, and retired from
office carrying with him the confidence
and esteem of the community.

S. S. Green, one of the largest cattle-
men in this county, represented us in
the Denver advertising and develop-
ment convention. We could not have
had a better representative. Mr. Green
helped to create the county; is a heavy
taxpayer, and is taking, and always has
a lively interest in the county's welfare
and advancement.

On the second page of this issue will
be found a readable and very witty
speech delivered in the House of Rep-
resentatives during the recent squabble
over the rules by Hon. W. L. Wilson of
West Virginia. Mr. Wilson sits on the
Democratic side of the house and his
humorous speech on the adoption of the
new rules, governing the lower branch
of Congress, has made him famous.

J. A. Toney, who formerly ran the
mail coach between Meeker and Lay,
came to town Tuesday to consult with
a surgeon about a serious disability, re-
sulting from a fall from a loaded hay
wagon. The accident happened in Janu-

ary and Mr. Toney had his left arm
dislocated at the shoulder. He had the
injured member set at the time by a
neighbor, but something resembling
paralysis in the arm is now en-
tirely dead. It was in regard to this
latter trouble that Mr. Toney came to
Meeker, but he finds he can get very
little relief, as time is the principal
remedy in such cases. Six months or
a year may elapse before Mr. Toney
will recover the use of his arm.

The bridge spanning White river,
near the mouth of Pice-ance creek,
went out with the gorge Wednesday
night and involves a loss to the
county of about \$2,000, in addition
to impeding travel between Meeker and
Rangely. This bridge and the one near
the mouth of Yellow creek cost Garfield
county \$4,000, or \$2,500 more than they
were worth, and both are a total loss.
Although both bridges were flimsy af-
fairs they probably have answered their
purpose for some time to come
had not the late rise and ice flow in the
river come on so suddenly. Nothing
can be done immediately to replace the
bridges but it is hoped the Commis-
sioners will take action at their April
meeting looking to the erection of an-
other bridge structure at White River
City.

County Treasurer Hay was the busiest
man in town last week, and among the
happiest of the happy. Up to date he
has collected taxes amounting to \$22,-
000, the bulk of which came in during
the current and previous week. He
has called in for payment \$10,000 worth
of warrants; paid \$800 worth of school
warrants during the past week, and
all road warrants are called for payment
and \$800 cash remains in the hands of the
treasurer to the credit of this fund. Up
to date \$1,501 has been paid for seals.
The financial condition of Rio Blanco
county, at the present writing, is all
right, which goes to show that all that
was claimed by the fathers of the county
are coming true.

Dr. Spinning will leave for his Indiana
home about the last of this month to
remain there. The doctor had con-
cluded to settle in Meeker when the
news reached him last week of the death
of his father, which recently occurred
at Shelby, Indiana. This sad event
has caused him to change his plans and
he will now go home and take up his
father's practice. Dr. Spinning, ex-
was one of the most noted physicians in
Northwestern Indiana, and as a citizen
was held in the highest esteem. On the
day of his funeral business houses,
schools and public institutions were
closed, and the citizens, says the local
papers, are going to erect a monument
over his grave.

J. V. Houston has sold his house and
lot on Sixth street to A. C. Moulton,
manager of J. W. Huggs & Co's., and
will shortly move to Denver, where he
expects to go into the job printing busi-
ness. We hate to lose a good citizen
like Mr. Houston, but as he is offered a
fine layout in the metropolis, can't ob-
ject to his taking it. Mr. Moulton will re-
model and enlarge the house and make
it quite a handsome and commodious
residence.

Several local cattlemen disposed of
their stock during the last two weeks
and have retired from the business.
Now's the time to buy cattle, and not
to sell. The cattle business has reached
its lowest stage in its downward course,
and will command a higher price be-
fore this time next year. Make a note
of this and see if our prophecy don't
come true.

PERSONAL.

W. H. Miller of Axial, visited the
metropolis Monday.

Frank Shaver was among the Axial-
ites autograph at the Meeker during the
week.

Miss Adia Hardy left for White River
City Wednesday to take charge of the
school at that point.

G. H. Highton started for New Castle
Monday to meet Tom Kiddell, who is on
his way back from Pennsylvania.

C. L. Wilson of Axial, registered at
the Meeker yesterday. Mr. Wilson says
the worst fears regarding cattle losses
are being realized.

Bob Reigan and Johnny Cox made a
pair of lively witnesses in the Pice-ance
water right cases tried before Referee
Foreman in the early part of the week.

Harry Rock returned from a lengthy
visit to the old folks in Kansas last eve-
ning. Mr. Rock comes back more than
ever convinced that this is the county.
James Burke and John Kehoe of
Tuesday, were in town Monday and
Tuesday attending the Water Referee's
court adjudicated.

Dr. Theo. Foote, our Eclectician cattle
baron, returned from New Jersey Tues-
day. As soon as the weather will per-
mit the doctor will send for his family
and take up his residence in Meeker.

Ex-County Clerk Harry Evans is in
Meeker again after an absence of sev-
eral months spent in Denver, Pueblo
and other points east of the Rockies.
Mr. Evans says things are apparently
lively on the outside but he would just
as soon cast his fortunes with Meeker
as any town he visited on his travels.

Philip McLaue of Aspen, and a promi-
nent mining man of the Roaring Forks
metropolis, spent a couple of days in
Meeker during the fore part of this
week. Mr. McLaue owns a herd of cat-
tle on the Pice-ance and is thinking of
coming over here to reside. We would
like very much to add Mr. McLaue to our
permanent inhabitants. He would be a
desirable acquisition.

Harry S. Attix, of Cookston, Minn.,
and brother of our popular postmaster,
Mr. C. S. Attix, arrived in Meeker Tues-
day, and henceforth will be one of us.
Mr. Attix will go into the drug, station-
ery and notion business with his brother.
THE HERALD extends a cordial wel-
come to Mr. A. and hopes his residence
amongst us may be both profitable and
pleasant.

The Board of Trade.

The Board of Trade met Tuesday
evening pursuant to adjournment with
Vice President Moulton in the chair, in
the absence of President Deemer.

Communications were read by Sec-
retary Davies, from the Secretary of the
Colorado Industrial and Development
Association relating to the work of that
organization and stating that Mr. S. S.
Green had represented Rio Blanco in-
terests in the late advertising and de-
velopment convention at Denver, and
that Mr. Green had proposed the name
of Mr. Deemer as this county's rep-
resentative on the Executive Committee
of the Association.

The Board endorsed the actions of
Mr. Green and instructed Secretary
Davies to write to that effect.
Bids were received from publishers
relative to printing the pamphlet con-
cerning Rio Blanco county's resources,
which is now being compiled, but
action on this matter was deferred un-
til next meeting of the Board.

It was resolved to petition the Town
Council and the Board of County Com-
missioners for such sums of money as
these bodies might feel like appropriat-
ing for the purpose of aiding in the
present movement, which is general
throughout the State.

After a general discussing, showing
that everybody present was heart and
soul in the movement to bring Rio
Blanco county to the front, the meeting
adjourned till Tuesday evening, March
18th.

The Stock Interests.

Reports from all parts of the White
river range, during the current week,
bear a bluish tint; indeed, if half what
we hear is true, the present winter is
going to be a hard one on Rio Blanco
county stockmen. The reports from
the south side of the river—Thurman,
Pice-ance and Yellow creeks, are
especially discouraging. Robert Reigan,
James Burke, George M. Howard and
others from that section of the range,
were in Meeker in the early part of the
week, and all say the late storm has
been the worst of the winter. The loss
will be very heavy and they think the
worst is yet to come.

The situation on the north side of
the river is not near so bad, although the
loss will be greater than heretofore.
Up the river the losses have been
heavy up to date, the foot outfit, who
drove in late last fall, being the chief
sufferers.

RANGE NOTES.

Several head of cattle were drowned
in Coal creek this winter. The creek is
dangerous on account of its high banks
and bottomless bottom.

Sam Martin says the last storm did
more damage to stock interests than
all the other storms of the winter put
together.

Jim Adams thinks there is an epi-
demic of some kind among the up river
cattle.

Cattle on this range never wintered
as well as during the winter just past—
De Reque Era.

We are glad to hear that they are win-
tering well anywhere in Western Colo-
rado. They are not doing so very well
in this valley.

Horses are dying on Pice-ance from
some unknown cause.

H. M. Dreiffuss has gone out of the
cattle business. Morris thinks it costs
too much to run stock in this country.

Mr. W. P. Herrick has sold all his
cattle and retired from the business.

Cattle on the plains and on the east-
ern slope of the main range are doing
well so far. Feed was abundant on the
plains last summer and that accounts
for the favorable condition of stock in
the country tributary to Denver.

Stream vs. Electricity.

The Debating society met Wednesday
evening at the usual time. In the
absence of the President and Vice
President, Mr. Grimes took the chair.
After the usual preliminary business
had been transacted, the debate of the
evening was taken up. This had attract-
ed a great deal of attention as Mr. Wills
was known to be strong in debate and
it was hoped by the friends of Mr.
Laurie that he would prove electricity
the more potent force of the two. Un-
fortunately their expectations were not
realized, Mr. Laurie being unprepared
and introducing a rather feeble defence
of his force, while Mr. Wills in a care-
fully prepared speech which he delivered
in a very convincing manner led judges
Walbridge, Arnold and McElhatton to
unanimously award the victory to steam.

Here we would venture to suggest
that all debaters, who intend to partici-
pate in future debates should prepare
themselves carefully; the easy familiar
way in which Mr. Wills presented his
case, comparing very favorably with
the halting, rambling speech of our
Justice.

Mr. Hay read his critique after the
debate, provoking, as usual, roars of
laughter, as he addressed the audience
as his "esteemed" friends and bewailed
the failure of the electrician's song
through his (the electrician's) losing
some notes.

Only one criticism in Mr. Wills
argument, would we venture to present,
and that is a reproach for his dealing in
personalities. If they are not kept out
the society will go to pieces.

Next week a literary programme, and
March 19th, a debate on "Tariff vs.
Free Trade." We understand that
Messrs. Foreman, Grimes, Davies and
Laurie will speak for free trade
against Morgan Edgar and W. J. Wills
for protective tariff.

Grimes makes a first class presiding
officer.
Blessed is he who has but one coat.
Blessed is he who sitteth down on a
red hot stove for he shall rise up again.
—Pat Allen.

The special Sunday dinners at the
Meeker are simply superb.

Subscribe for THE HERALD.

A prominent young ranchman of
Pice-ance, was heard to remark, the
other day: "When I'm alone I get to
thinking I don't know a d— thing,
but when I get out and hear, and see
how other fellows talk and act, I go
home perfectly satisfied that I am not
the only darned fool on earth." Now,
there's a level headed young fellow, and
he doesn't claim to know it all, either.

The dinner for the ranchmen Sunday,
at the Meeker.

Good cuisine and experienced waiters
at the Meeker.

School Report.

The Roll of Honor for the month of
February, containing the names of all
scholars that were punctual and regular
in attendance, is as follows:

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.
Pearl Goff, Forest Lewis, Willie Welch,
Fannie Weir.

M. E. JONES, Teacher.

ADVANCED DEPARTMENT.
David Allen, Zula Smith, Clarence
Allen, Herbert Howey, Clarence Nichols
Joseph Henry.

Average in studies of scholars in the
Advanced Department:

Edna Booth.....	99
Oliver Allen.....	98
George Howie.....	97
Edna Roby.....	96
David Allen.....	95
Sadie Allen.....	95
Clarence Allen.....	95
Jern Beard.....	94
Anna Ryan.....	93
Herbert Howey.....	92
Frank Coleman.....	92
Maud Miller.....	92
Martha Hossack.....	91
Zula Smith.....	91
Jao Welch.....	91
Pearl Ames.....	90
James Henry.....	90
Clara Layton.....	90
Charles Johnson.....	90
Henry Truby.....	90
Hugh Layton.....	90
Moss Layton.....	89
Percie Beard.....	89
William Fairfield.....	88
Curtis McDaniel.....	88
Addie Watson.....	85
Jennie Skelton.....	84
Hadree Myer.....	83
Burt McDaniel.....	82
Myrtle Walden.....	82

Number of scholars enrolled, 59;
average daily attendance, 51.

C. Y. GRIMES, Principal.

Letter List.

The following letters remain in the
postoffice at Meeker, Colorado, uncolled
for, for the month ending Mar. 7th,
1900:
Applegate Albert, Daves Jack
Forbes Geo., Lee Horace
Marten Bros., Nickies Billy
In calling for any of the above letters
please say "advertised."

C. S. ATTIX, P. M.

CHURCH CALENDAR.

ST. JAMES MISSION—LENTEN SERVICES,
1900.

Ash Wednesday, February 19th, serv-
ice and sermon, 11 a. m.
Friday's, service and address, 7:30
p. m.

Sunday's, early celebration of Holy
Communion each Sunday during Lent,
8 a. m.

Sunday's, morning prayer and ser-
mon, 11 a. m.

Sunday's, evening prayer and sermon,
7:30 p. m.

Holy week, commencing March 31st,
daily evening prayer (Friday excepted),
8:30 p. m.

Good Friday, morning prayer and ad-
dress, 11 a. m.

Easter Day, April 6th, early celebra-
tion of Holy Communion, 8 a. m.

Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.
Children's festival 7:30 p. m.

A. L. WILLIAMS,
Rector.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I have
this day sold to Charles S. Attix, my
stock and business. All persons in-
debted to me are requested to call at
once and settle same.

Respectfully,
J. V. HOUSTON.

MEEKER, March 3rd, 1899.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS FOR SALE.

At \$1 per 100, or \$7 per 1,000. Inquire
at Fletcher Hay's ranch, about twelve
miles below Meeker, or call on H. J.
Hay, at the County Treasurer's office.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I have
this day sold to J. F. Ledbetter all my
right, title interest and good will in and
to the glove manufacturing business
heretofore conducted by me in Meeker.
I also agree not to engage in making or
selling gloves in Meeker or Rio Blanco
county.

W. M. MATTHEWS,
MEEKER, March 1, 1899.

FOR SALE.

A house and two lots. Will be sold
cheap. Inquire at THE HERALD office.

Everything.

E. T. Kreider will not only repair
your watches, clocks and jewelry, but
everything in the way of intricate ma-
chinery from a sewing machine to a saw
mill.

City Drug Store.

For drugs, medicines, paints, books,
stationery, fancy and toilet articles,
field glasses, artists materials, musical
goods, etc., etc., go or send your orders
to Dr. E. Stuver, Rawlins, Wyoming,
and get the best goods at lowest prices.

One of the best papers in the United
States is the Chicago Herald. The
weekly edition of this first-class family
paper and THE HERALD for \$3.50 for
one year.

MEEKER AND NEW CASTLE STAGE.

Leaves Meeker (carrying U. S. mail)
daily (except Sunday) at 6 a. m., and
arrives at New Castle same day in time
to make connection with the afternoon
trains for Glenwood Springs, Aspen,
Leadville, Denver and all points
east of the range. This line is
supplied with good stock and careful
and competent drivers are in charge.
Express matter consigned to the Meeker
and New Castle Stage Line will receive
prompt attention.

GORHAM & POOL, Bros.,
Proprietors.

MALTESE JACK FOR SALE.

One Maltese Jack; a good breeder and
sure foot getter. A great bargain.
Would exchange for other stock. For
further particulars call on or address
Adam Eckel, Meeker, Colo.

WANTED.

Twelve young, sound, well broke,
large saddle horses. Address CALVIN
REED, Lay, Colorado.

NOTICE.

This paper is on file and always ready
for reference at the Public Library of
Denver, in the west wing of the High
School, Nineteenth and Stout streets.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts,
bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever
sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains,
corns and all skin eruptions, and pos-
sibly cures piles or no pay required. It
is guaranteed to give perfect satisfac-
tion or money refunded. Price 25 cents
per box. For sale by all druggists.

Bureau Line.

Free reclining chair cars are run via
"Santa Fe Route" between Denver, the
Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Topeka,
Kansas City, Ft. Ladison, Galesburg
and Chicago. Two trains daily between
all eastern and western points. Fast
line to San Diego, Los Angeles and
San Francisco. Pullman Tourist Cars
for all California points. Short Line to
City of Mexico. Round trip tickets on
sale at reduced rates to all principal
Texas, Pacific and Gulf Coast points,
also City of Mexico. Direct line to the
celebrated Las Vegas Hot Springs,
New Mexico.

Colorado Headquarters for this popular
line 1700 Lawrence St., Denver, Colo.

Mother—"You'd better put on a veil.
The wind will whip your face." Clara
—"Never mind. A chap never hurts
my face. I rather enjoy the sensation."
—Boston Herald.

Is Consumption Incurable?

Read the following: Mr. C. H. Morris,
Newark, Ark., says: "Was down with
Abscess of Lungs, and friends and
physicians pronounced me an incurable
consumptive. Began taking Dr. King's
New Discovery for Consumption, am
now on my third bottle, and able to
oversee the work on my farm. It is the
finest medicine ever made." Jesse
Widdelwatt, Decatur, Ohio, says: "Had
it not been for Dr. King's New Dis-
covery for Consumption I would have
died of lung troubles. Was given up by
doctors. Am now in best of health."
Try it. Sample bottles free at any drug
store.

A Complete Change—"Before we
were married she was yielding and pen-
sive. But now all is changed." "In
what way?" "She is aggressive and
expensive."—Harper's Bazar.

Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well
known and so popular as to need no
special mention. All who have used
Electric Bitters sing the same song of
praise—"A sure medicine does not ex-
ist and it is guaranteed to do all that is
claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all
diseases of the liver and kidneys, will
remove phlegm, bilious, salt rheum and
other ailments caused by impure blood.
Will drive malaria from the system
and prevent as well as cure all malarial
fevers—For cure of headache, con-
stipation and indigestion try Electric
Bitters—Entire satisfaction guaranteed,
or money refunded. Price 50 cents and
\$1.00 per bottle at any drug store.

The Burlington Route.

Offers to the travelling public between
Denver and Chicago and Denver and
St. Louis the advantages of two (2)
splendidly equipped through trains
daily, passing en route via Lincoln,
Omaha, St. Joseph, Atchison, Kansas
City, Quincy, Hannibal, Burlington and
all intermediate points.

The Burlington equipment is made up
of Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars, re-
clining seat chair cars (free), the famous
C. B. & Q. Dining Cars, and large,
roomy day-coaches.