

Weekly Citizen

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., MAY 30, 1891.

A GOOD ADVERTISEMENT.

Under the head of "New Mexico" the "National Real Estate Investors' Guide," New York, a publication with a guaranteed circulation of one hundred thousand copies, publishes the following article on the metropolis of the territory:

"Albuquerque is situated in the Rio Grande valley, the center of the richest portion of New Mexico. It is in latitude 35° longitude 29 degrees and 32 minutes west from Washington, at an altitude of 5,000 feet above sea level. The town was laid out in 1880, and by the United States census last summer the population was 10,000. It has eleven churches, two daily newspapers, four public schools, a Methodist college, a Congregational academy, a Catholic academy, and the territorial university, water works, gas works, telephone system, electric light, both arc and incandescent, horse cars, and a company incorporated for building an electric motor line, two national banks, two private banks, a large number of wholesale houses, and the best hotels in the country. It is remote, the business thorough and general, distant 120 miles south of the Gila River mountains, which embraces over two-thirds of the territory, and also for all the northern half of Arizona. It occupies a field for commercial purposes, which cannot fail to make it a large and important commercial center. The surrounding country embraces the richest and most productive part of New Mexico, and is being rapidly settled up by a thrifty and enterprising people. The faith of the people in the future of the town cannot be better illustrated than by the fact that more valuable improvements are now under way than were ever before undertaken at any one time in the history of the town. The place has direct railroad communication with all points north, south, and west, while every road projected in this part of the country passes through the town. During the past year the iron portion of the country which depends upon Albuquerque for its supplies, shipped to market, more than 15,000 head of cattle, while the merchants of the city during the same time, as it appears from their books, bought and shipped a little over eleven and a half million pounds of wool. The growth of the trade of the town cannot be better shown than by a reference to a statement published officially on the first day of January by the agent of the A. T. & S. F. railroad of this place which shows that during the month of December, 1880, there were handled here more than 17,280,000 pounds of freight, while during the corresponding month of the year before, the total was only 5,500,000 pounds, or more than three times as much in 1881 as was shipped the year before."

"There are good openings in the town for manufacturing enterprises of various character, especially smelters, wagon factories and factories for canning fruits and vegetables. The field for profitable business in these lines is almost unlimited, and could be developed indefinitely. The town has never had what is known as a 'boom.' Its growth has been slow and regular, each year showing an encouraging increase over the last. The surrounding country embraces the best agricultural district in New Mexico, and offers attractive inducements to those who desire to go into agriculture or fruit growing. The climate is mild and temperate, it is not surpassed by that of any part of the American continent, and is highly recommended by physicians in various parts of the world, especially for those affected with lung trouble. The best evidence of the value of this climate is the cure of diseases of the class referred to as to be found in the fact that the National Medical Congress of France—one of the most eminent scientific bodies in the world—after thoroughly investigating the advantages of warm climates in nearly all parts of the earth, finally agreed that the climatic conditions of the Rio Grande valley were more favorable to consumptive patients than those of any other part of the world, and have accordingly established a station near Albuquerque for the treatment of French patients."

"Properties of property are steadily increasing, and lots or tracts which were bought four or five years ago for a few hundred dollars, can now be sold for many thousands. Wages of all sorts of mechanics are good and work is generally plentiful. Rents, though reasonably high, are not exorbitant, and a good house of five rooms conveniently situated, can generally be had for twenty or twenty-five dollars a month."

"The Rio Grande valley is destined in time to be the garden spot of the southwest, for fruits and vegetables it is unsurpassed. There is a good home market at present for everything that the country produces, and when this shall be supplied, there will still be an unlimited market to the north and east for all the products of the orchard and garden, but the mining and cattle raising interests will always give employment to so many men it is believed that the home demand will always be sufficient to consume all the supplies that the country can produce. Farm labor is cheap, as it is in nearly all other sections of the country, but mechanics of all classes command good pay."

"The winters are short and mild, and the summer weather, although warm, is oppressive, owing to the dryness of the atmosphere. Improved farming lands within five miles of Albuquerque can be bought at twenty to two hundred dollars an acre according to the quality and location."

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"**MIXING UP THE ANTHONYS.** There are very few states in the Union big enough to hold two Anthonys, but Kansas is one of the few. She has Col. D. R. Anthony, the h. m. o. d., which being interpreted means the "hook nosed old devil," of the Leavenworth Times, and she has also George T., who was once governor of the state and who has the ability to be more of a devil in a minute than the other ever dreamed of being in all his life. Col. D. R. is a man who wears his coarseness on the outside,

and when anything displeases him he will pound the table in his office and swear in a voice that can be heard and understood from Kickapoo to Medicine Lodge. You never have any trouble in telling where he is; it looks right out all over him. But George T., who is second cousin to D. R., stands right at the other extreme, the more a thing displeases him the pleasanter he looks about it; he is the mildest mannered man that ever scuttled ship or cut a throat, and the moment before he steals you in the moment when he begins on you the most benignantly, and when, if you didn't know him, you would think he was your long lost brother."

"But the Denver papers don't seem to know that there is more than one Anthony, and they have got the two as thoroughly mixed up as the babies were in Paradise. For instance, the News prints what would be a very fair likeness of Col. D. R., and calls it Governor George T., and then goes on to say that the ex-governor is his brother of Sioux City, whereas D. R. is the brother of Sioux, and ex-governor George T. is really related to her. Now if the News would grow up and make George T. the son of the Amos girl, the murderer of Silverton, and the father of two or three darky children that used to run around the streets of Leavenworth, the entanglement would be so complete that the readers of the paper would be greatly annoyed.

"But George T. is evidently the one the reporters have correlated in Denver. The interview on the Silver question leaves no doubt of that. When asked if he was in favor of free coinage he said: "No, not unless you put a dollar's worth of silver in a dollar." D. R. never would have made such a break as that. He would have said: "Free coinage, yes and if you don't put a cent's worth of silver in the dollar, I'll make 'em take it" and the fist would have come down in the table with such a bang that the reporter would have been scared out of the room."

"But we are sorry to see that the ex-governor has nerve, and next day is to take it back and modify what he has said. Being president of the trans-Mississippi congress is nothing as compared with being right, and Gov. Anthony was right when he told that reporter that he was opposed to free coinage unless there should be a dollar's worth of silver in a dollar. That's the position that will stand the test of time.

"Another matter that the mine owners may lack, or the banks a long demand, is the conviction and congress that can be had between now and Christmas. The only true position is: "Free coinage, with a hundred cents worth of silver in every dollar."

"**FROM TENNESSEE.** The secretary of the Commercial club is in correspondence with a party of farmers in Tennessee who desire to move to this country. There are about thirty families and they desire to locate near together. They prefer the Rio Grande valley and if possible want to be near Albuquerque. The gentleman who represents the party in the correspondence says the parties who will compose the colony among the leading citizens of the county, they are not paupers; many of them are worth from \$10,000 to \$25,000 each, and the poorest of them would be able to go with some capital. They are law abiding, educated and moral people, who would do no discredit to any country. Their object in moving is to find a more reliable climate, and have lost their crops, through excessive rains for three years, and now propose to move while they still have something left with which to make new homes." Any of our real estate men, or any others, who can give any information as to where a suitable body of land can be had for the above purpose, might greatly promote the interests of the town by dropping a postal card to the Commercial club. A colony of thirty good, intelligent farmers all bringing capital with them, is a matter worthy of attention."

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"**SECRETARY THOMAS HAS FAVORED THIS.** Secretary Thomas has favored this with a copy of the acts of the Twenty ninth Legislative assembly. The pamphlet makes about 300 pages, and is neatly printed, the work being done at the New Mexican office.

"The directors of the fair association appointed a corresponding secretary. The epistolary department of the fair demands the constant attention of one man, and the secretary has his hands full of other details of the big exhibition in September."

"**THE COMMERCIAL CLUB IS IN PROGRESS.** The commercial congress at Denver passed a resolution favoring the admission of New Mexico and Arizona to statehood. May the delegates to that convention have the influence to hasten the date of admission is the prayer of the people of these territories.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Las Cruces Republican is eleven years old, and improves with age.

Teachers salaries in the United States annually amount to more than \$600,000.

Atmos, if not quite, one-half of the imports into the United States, under the McKinley law, is entered free of duty.

The president will take part in Memorial day exercises at Philadelphia. It is probable that Mr. Cleveland will go fishing.

The Mesilla Valley is supplying this city with an excellent quality of honey, do well at Las Cruces and in that vicinity.

Generally the son of the father falls upon the head of the son, but in Penson v. Comptroller of the Mint the case is reversed. This is a high compliment to the judges in Santa Fe county, and gives certain county of the republicans the contestants.

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