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POLITICAL MAINE MUDDLE. Governor Garcelon Dies to Explain and vindicate the Action of Himself and Council.

He Claims to be Guided by Law and the Constitution--And Characterizes the Act as the President of His Life. [Maine] Governor Garcelon died at his residence in Bangor, Me., on Monday morning, Dec. 29, at the age of 67 years.

British-Around War-The Battle of the North British Railroad, telegraphing from London, Dec. 29, that the British-Around War has been covered with the Corps of the British Army.

Latest News by Cable. Most Horrible Railroad Wreck on Record--The Ashabala Disaster Completely Laid in the Shade--One Left to Tell the Tale--Statements Conflict as to the Number Lost.

State Capital News Items. [Maine] Special Dispatch to the Daily Express. Amherst, Dec. 29--The trial of the Jack county newspaper will continue. From the way things look now, the attorneys will come out with clean records, and the prosecution prove a boomerang to the state and cause trouble in 1879.

Gen. Butler Interviewed. On the Situation in Maine--He Approves the Action of the Governor and Council. [Maine] Boston, Dec. 29--Gen. Butler has been interviewed by a special correspondent of the Daily Express.

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THE LETTER VS. THE SPIRIT OF THE LAW

The greatest boast of the democratic party is in its principle that the will of the majority shall prevail in all things pertaining to government, and a cheerful acquiescence in that will is considered the duty of all good democrats.

When the intention of the voters is to be ascertained, it is not by the majority of those who vote, but by the majority of those who are qualified to vote.

Now, these laws being for the sole purpose of protecting the voters in their right of franchise, to guarantee that the expressed wishes of the majority shall prevail, let us see how far they would go towards accomplishing the purpose for which they were intended.

But there is still another danger, and experience shows that it is a very great one. The laws give explicit instructions as to how the county officers should return the returns of the voters to the state.

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GOOD IF TRUE

The report that Mr. H. Grenier is contemplating the erection of a handsome opera house on Commerce street, west of The Express building, will be read with pleasure by the people of San Antonio, for it would be a long time since we have had such a structure.

As an opera house—a large and well appointed one—is a great need in this city, we have several small halls, but we need one at least double the seating capacity of any we now possess.

Such a building, if constructed on an improved plan and made attractive, would soon double the patronage extended to the drama in this city, and would prove an inducement to many of our young men to come to the city.

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How Far Bells May Be Heard

Scientific American. In a hilly locality a bell will not be heard as far as if the land were level, or if the wind were blowing in the direction of the hills.

A bell will be heard a great deal further in the direction of a valley than over the hills. It is frequently the case that a bell will be heard in the case, too, that covers have small windows or openings, with the lower boards so close together as to almost lock up the sound.

In case the noise of steam and horse car manufacturing establishments, carriages and carts rattling over the pavements, etc., is so great that bells are not expected to be heard at any considerable distance, and this is the reason why, in all cities, several bells are used for fire alarm purposes, if being impossible for one bell to be heard to a distance of a mile or more.

The largest bell ever made in this country weighed 22,000 pounds, and before it was fractured, hung on the city hall in New York. On one of the occasions when it was rung, it was heard thirteen miles in the night, when the city was comparatively quiet.

Water is a good conductor of sound, and a bell hanging in a well or in a cistern, or in a large tank, will be heard a great deal further than if it were hung in the open air.

It is a great mistake to suppose that bells can be heard in proportion to their weight; that a bell of two thousand pounds will be heard twice as far as one of one thousand pounds. This is not so, for the weight of a bell is not the only factor in determining its range.

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HOSTETTER'S Bitters. A stomach bitters. A stomach bitters is an essential to physical health as well as to mental vigor.

COAL! COAL! The San Antonio Coal Mining Co. are now producing from their mines excellent hard coal in large quantities.

ROSADALIS. THE GREAT SOUTHERN REMEDY for the cure of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, Toothache, etc.

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Bell & Bro. IN STORE TO ARRIVE. 600 Bags Coffee, 300 Bbls. Softened Sugar, 300 Bbls. Family Flour, etc.

Clocks. Razors, Pocket and Table Knives. Celluloid Novelties, Watches, Diamonds and Jewelry.

The Vance House. A large and well arranged Hotel, in the city of San Antonio, Texas.

Sam C. Bennett. Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Staple and Fancy Groceries, Fine Wines, Liquors, Tobacco and Cigars.

Attention. I have a large stock of HARNESS, SADDLES, Saddlery Hardware, SHOE & HARNESS LEATHER.

J. SHEERN Undertaker. No. 27 Commerce Street. (Next to Barber's shop.)

N. F. Allensworth. Real Estate, General Claim Agent & Notary Public.

Alex Sartor Jeweler. Silverware, Watches, Etc. A large and well-assorted stock of CLOCKS, LANS, SPECTACLES A SPECIALTY.

Adams & Wickes. LOW PRICES. GOOD TERMS. GEO. W. CALDWELL, AGENT.

FOR SALE. At special prices to the Trade, by WM. KOEHLER, CEMENT, CARRIAGE MAKING, MICHAEL PIOTT.

THOMAS FIELD. Wholesale Dealer in GRAIN, WHITE CORN, OATS, etc.

Loan Office. WEST SIDE MAIN PLAZA. VERY LOW RATES.

JAMES MURPHY, ARCHITECT AND BUILDER. San Antonio, Texas.

L. ALLEN. Marble, Granite, etc. San Antonio, Texas.

JAMES L. TRUEHEART. Real Estate, General Claim Agent & Notary Public.

For Sale. BOERNE HOTEL. Boerne, Kendall County, Texas.

Bennett Thornton & Lockwood BANKERS. San Antonio, Texas.

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F. F. ALK'S MILWAUKEE LAGER BEER. Constantly on hand at Simon Fest's, sen., Agent for San Antonio.

A. GUNTHER, Sole Bottler of F. Falk's Lager Beer. Agent at San Antonio. E. Zinsmeyer & Co.

WAGONS! WAGONS! Freight, Farm & Spring Wagons, Buggies, Buckboards, Etc.

Hugo & Schmeltzer, Wholesale Grocers. 89 & 91 Commerce St. Sole Agents for the CELEBRATED Bottled Beer.

Anheuser, BUSH Brewing Association. Schlitz Milwaukee Bottled Beer, Etc. Etc.

Elmendorf & Co. Hardware & Agriculture Implements. ENGLISH AND AMERICAN CUTLERY.

BRANCH HOUSE. ALAMO PLAZA, Opp. Menger Hotel, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

BENSON'S CAPCINE POROUS PLASTER. THE ONLY MEDICAL EVER AWARDED FOR POROUS PLASTER WERE GIVEN OVER 4000 PHYSICIANS & DRUGGISTS HAVE VOLUNTARILY TESTIFIED.

For Sale. BOERNE HOTEL. Boerne, Kendall County, Texas. J. Christie, Proprietor.

Daily Express

Tuesday Morning, December 30, 1879.

Metropolitan.

Daily Bulletin—Signal Service U. S. Army, division of telegrams and reports for the benefit of commercial and agricultural interests.

Observations recorded at 7 P. M. Dec. 30.

Legally, Bar, Therm and Rain Weather.

San Antonio 29.80 77 W clear
 Dallas 29.80 77 W clear
 El Paso 29.80 77 W clear
 Fort Worth 29.80 77 W clear
 Houston 29.80 77 W clear
 Memphis 29.80 77 W clear
 St. Louis 29.80 77 W clear
 Cincinnati 29.80 77 W clear
 Philadelphia 29.80 77 W clear
 Baltimore 29.80 77 W clear
 New York 29.80 77 W clear
 Washington 29.80 77 W clear

Weather Indications for To-Day.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—Indications for the next 24 hours, stationary or higher pressure, partly cloudy weather, occasional rain, but followed by the interior by cold, north-westerly winds, and in west gales a light north-westerly breeze.

LOCAL NEWS AND GOSSIP.

—Penelope.

—Try a shell roast at Fort's.

—The most complete stock of underwear of all kinds and all sizes, at Parsons & Son's.

—A few more of those elegant domino and circulars to be had at

HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S.

—Ayer's Sarsaparilla contains iron, and purifies the blood.

—Reigns health at Sutherland springs.

—Penelope.

—Berwick Bay and Baltimore oysters, and fresh fish received last night at Market street oyster and fish depot, opposite the market.

—Oysters on the half shell at Fort's.

—Clears for a good 5 cent smoker, go to Alton's. New stock just opened. Devine's building, Sutherland street.

—Penelope.

—Fish is the only place you can get fresh oysters in every style.

—J. Land's flooring and oyster mill, New Branch, Texas. Jerry-Ly.

—If you want a neat hat for yourself or the boys, call at

HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S.

—Call on Rhoads & Temple's and read the flattering testimonials of the work of their piano repairer and tuner, G. H. Harrison.

—Nothing more acceptable as a present than one of those elegant

HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S.

—Penelope.

—Another lot of those cheap suits and dress overcoats, just received.

PANCAST & Son.

—Private boarding—Mrs. A. A. Munroy's, Houston street, fourth block from Neadeches, Dec-10m.

—Worsted fringes, 30 cents a yard, at Schlegel's next to Beer Bros.

—\$2,000 to loan on short time, Dec-21

E. H. WARD.

—Penelope.

—G. H. Harrison tones and repairs pianos and organs.

ROBERT & TEMPLE.

—Rye and Hock at Walker's.

—W. W. Harris, attorney-at-law and notary public. Office in the Devine building, Sutherland street.

—Quilt! Quilt!! Quilt!!! at extra low prices at

HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S.

—Don't spend your money for useless articles—buy your wife or daughter one of those "Cocoon" shawls, at 10, 15 or 20 cents per yard at

HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S.

—Mr. James H. David, of Bourbon county, Kentucky, will ship from Paris, Kentucky, December 15th, a herd of Kentucky short-horn "Durhams," bulls and heifers, and will arrive at San Antonio, Texas, January 1st.

—25c a pound, 1 1/2 lbs a shawl and 2 1/2 a horse feed at the Central Hotel in San Antonio, is one that costs you no home.

—We keep up with the style in hats. Give us a call.

PANCAST & Son.

—Silk! Silk!! Silk!!! what an elegant present a handsome silk shawl would be. All the new shades at

HAAS & OPPENHEIMER'S.

—Penelope.

—The discovery of the circulation of the blood was an accident. It happened in the laboratory of a physician, but it is the foundation of all medicine. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the life-giving force to every part of the body. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the waste products of the body to the lungs and kidneys for elimination. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the food and oxygen to the cells of the body. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the heat of the body to the surface for radiation. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the impulses of the brain to the muscles for action. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the life-giving force to every part of the body. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the waste products of the body to the lungs and kidneys for elimination. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the food and oxygen to the cells of the body. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the heat of the body to the surface for radiation. It is the circulation of the blood that carries the impulses of the brain to the muscles for action.

—To-morrow is the last day of 1879.

—Mr. W. C. Bartlett, injured during a football game at the spring, will be upon a crutch for several days.

—every Cards have been issued announcing that the wedding is to take place at the Presbyterian church at 10 a. m. to-morrow.

—An article, a granite, who has been on a visit last week, reports that Wednesday fell on a snow in that section covered the ground with a sheet of whiteness.

—J. Germain, and old French citizen of this place, against this day at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. His remains will be interred from the family residence on North Flores street at 10 o'clock this morning.

—Mr. Brink, who was injured by a collision of the right knee during the football game at the spring, is confined to his room. It may be two or three months before he will be able to walk.

—The tea mile walk to have come off at the spring last Sunday evening was a failure. But two of the boys, Matt Collier and Louis Walker, appeared. Collier-Walker from the track shortly after the completion of the third mile.

—Mr. James David has just arrived with ten short-horn bulls and heifers, and two cows. They are the finest animals ever seen here. Mr. David has them in the vacant lot to the south of Houston street bridge.

—A female shop girl entered Woolly Ross establishment, 117 Commerce street, yesterday about 5 P. M., and stole a hair brush worth 75 cents, and some other articles. She was arrested at the same establishment a few days previous.

—The Sunday school and ladies of Trinity M. E. church will have their friends and the public, in their forty-first anniversary, and social at old "Willie's" hall Wednesday evening of this week. A Christmas tree, singing and other exercises to be followed by a social. No admission charged.

—In the report of the exercises at the spring last Saturday, published Sunday morning, the sporting match between Messrs. W. C. Bartlett and H. K. Jones was unintentionally omitted. These young gentlemen, though not equally matched, proved themselves to be quite at home in the "glens."

—The contracting work on the property of Mr. Edward Shaw southeast of the city. Mr. Thomas O'Connell placed up some Quebec-located masonry work. The contractor is a chimney-former, with granite in the center. Mr. Shaw has presented us with one of the specimens, and it is pronounced as a genuine chimney, not made for the purpose of ornamentation in the "string" class.

—The services in the various churches last Sunday were unusually fine and impressive. Two of the ministers, Bishop Elliott, of the Episcopal cathedral, and Rev. J. W. Hall, of the Presbyterian church, devoted the morning hour to reviewing the conduct of men who stood at one another in the streets—who have no regard for life—and to those who spend their lives in deception, fraud and a number of other and numerous evils.

AN OFFICIAL REPORT.

What Carlos Schuchard Has to Say About the Sierra Mojada.

Carlos Schuchard, mining engineer, graduate of California Polytechnic, and special agent sent to the state of Coahuila to examine the newly-discovered silver mines of the Sierra Mojada, reports, for the first time, 1879, to the governor of that state, as follows:

The report is kindly furnished by General H. F. Rio.

The Sierra Mojada mineral district lies about 60 miles (150 miles) north-east from Cuatro Ciénegas, and is about 5000 feet above the level of the sea. The formation of the valley of the river is a conglomerate of Platanos origin, with granites and porphyry and peraltos to the peraltos. On the formation, which is distinguished at a great distance in red color, is a layer of compact limestone rock, which geologists call "massive limestone." Upon this is deposited layers of the Juratripu epoch, as is shown by various stratifications and fossils.

The Sierra Mojada is situated between the 27th and 28th degrees of longitude, with direction east to west, and where the mines have been discovered, are about 200 metres high, and to place nearly perpendicular.

At the front of the mountain, on the north side, a mineral vein of about 2000 yards long and from 20 to 30 metres wide has been discovered.

The dip in this vein is to the south, with inclination of 50 degrees. The vein consists of a conglomerate of red oxide of iron, with copper, and "plata verde" (chloride of silver) while on the east side of the vein, in limestone, with fergusonite, ochre and manganese, showing more distinctly the lead ore, especially the carbonate of lead, with a layer of silver-ore from five to six metres deep, and from 200 to 300 metres, and twenty to fifty per cent of lead.

There have been no mines as yet opened to a greater depth than thirty metres, the main veins having not included the pozo de plata (the hole in the vein necessary to mark its course) under the surface.

It is difficult to form an opinion of the production, but taking for the basis what is actually in sight, we should estimate that for the length of 1000 metres there exists a ledge of lead half a metre wide, which, if carried to a depth of 200 metres, will give 100,000 cubic metres, and, with the vein, will yield a ton of silver.

The veins to the west of this vein are the "Blanco," "Cruz" and "Juntas," and are less or more mixed with copper and (plata verde) (chloride silver). The assay of these ores at Matamoros by the first process yielded from 1 to 7 tons of silver from a ton of ore. The veins to the east of this vein are the "Blanco," "Cruz" and "Juntas," and are less or more mixed with copper and (plata verde) (chloride silver). The assay of these ores at Matamoros by the first process yielded from 1 to 7 tons of silver from a ton of ore.

In addition to the mines mentioned on the principal vein, there have been more than 100 other veins discovered. Some of these veins produce well, others not worth the paper the claim is written on. At the distance of five miles from the above mine, at the same side, and surface of 20 to 30 metres. Its ore is Argenticiferous copper, with matrix of basalt; some rocks have been found scattered in the vicinity, and from these have been made the assays which have yielded such exaggerated accounts.

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ANOTHER SEASON OF FUN.

The Athletic Club Preparing a Grand New Year's Programme.

At a meeting of the athletic club held last evening, it was decided to arrange a programme for new year's day, the sports to be held at half-past one P. M. One of the most interesting features on this day will be a two mile race, to be run on a course, for which a number have already entered. It is the desire to make the programme as novel as possible, and different from that of the previous meetings. All who desire to participate in the exercises are requested to make their entries with Mr. H. Asten, at Gregory & Co.'s.

The Cooper Laundry-Setting of the Criminals. The following proceedings were had in the courts yesterday:

109. T. T. Toel vs. Thomas and A. G. Stephens. Suit for balance on note of \$40. Judgment by default against A. G. Stephens.

225. A. S. Cavalieri vs. Andrew Irvin. Suit for \$45, balance on note. Judgment by default.

345. W. J. Williamson vs. Albany Moody. Suit on note for \$10.00. Judgment by default.

371. Mrs. Gandy vs. J. P. Lane. Suit on note for \$60. Judgment by default.

372. H. J. Bennett vs. J. J. Dyer et al. Suit on account for \$11.75. "Dismissed by plaintiff at \$11.75.

376. M. W. Witter vs. R. T. Stanford. Suit on account for \$13.10. Judgment by default.

398. Francisco Alvarez vs. Edward Galagher. Suit on account for \$24.70. Judgment by agreement.

403. A. A. Drever vs. W. H. Henshaw. Judgment by default.

405. S. Hart & Bro. vs. P. Borne. Suit on account for \$25. Judgment by default.

408. G. A. Duerlo vs. John Pickard. Suit on note for \$60. Judgment by default.

409. Adam Keller vs. Edward T. Galagher. Suit on account for \$12.40. Judgment by default.

412. S. Hart & Bro. vs. P. Borne. Suit on account for \$25. Judgment by default.

421. Johnnie Dietrich vs. San Johnson. Dismissed for want of prosecution.

474. Joseph S. Smith vs. H. G. Timmon. Dismissed for want of prosecution.

477. Alex. McGraw vs. H. G. Timmon. Dismissed for want of prosecution.

492. W. S. Parr vs. Leo Turlon. Garulose discharged.

505. Schuman & Co. vs. Eugene Dietrich. Dismissed for want of prosecution.

1066. James Angus vs. H. W. Tong and wife, garnishee. Suit upon garnishment.

1013. C. H. Guesler vs. Phil Del. Suit upon account for \$13.50. Judgment by default.

1014. The Rio Antonio gas company vs. John Rebeck & Co. Judgment by default.

1015. J. K. Kingery vs. James Moore, et al. Suit upon note for \$25. Judgment by default.

RELATIVES OF CRIMINAL CASES held for trial during the December term, 1879.

MONDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 1880.

190. The state vs. Juan Coroa.

251. " J. D. Meakin.

252. " Thomas Cooper.

608. " Manuel Jago.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD.

1021. The state vs. Preciliano Gomez et al.

1119. " Dan Wood.

1120. " Manuel Jago.

1121. " Juan Hernandez.

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1123. " Juan Hernandez.

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PERSONALS.

W. F. Dunlap, of Luling, is stopping at the Central.

John McAllister, of Laveria, with his charming bride, is a guest at the Central hotel.

James R. Fuller, wife and child, Duane; Wm. B. Jones, wife and child, P. O. Box 1, Luling, Miss L. A. Brady, T. A. Thurman, wife and son, New York; B. E. Kirkland, L. K. Lovell, Galtman, H. T. Lawson, P. Meyer, La Grange, Mrs. H. Keller, Miss Mary Keller, Corpus Christi; are guests at the Menger.

C. G. Callings, J. B. Simpson, Samuel Hunter, J. M. Taylor, J. G. Westwood, wife, Chibolo Mrs. R. M. Bumpass, Aberdeir, S. G. Baynes, Galveston; O. T. Thomas, Laredo; Dr. Palmer, Corpus Christi; J. M. Davis, Bastrop county, Ky.; E. Ernsten, Chicago; A. A. Wilkinson, wife and son, New Orleans; J. Y. Arsenault, Duane; J. M. Conroy, Chalmers; Frank Howard, H. J. Coy, W. West, J. M. Bennett, Sweet Home; W. H. Hennessy, I. & G. N. B. B. are at Hotel's.

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