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## GUARDING THE MINT.

HOW THE PHILADELPHIA INSTITUTION IS PROTECTED.

Little Chance For Any One to Get Rich Quickly by Helping Himself to Uncle Sam's Treasure—Patrols, Revolvers and Winchester in Plenty.

Probably not one person out of a hundred who pass by the Philadelphia mint, that grim looking edifice at Chestnut and Juniper streets, after nightfall realizes what is going on inside. There is nothing mean about Uncle Sam, but he is determined that any one who gets his money shall get it honestly and by process duly laid down. Therefore he has taken all kinds of precautions to properly protect, especially at night, the millions upon millions piled up in the vaults.

The doors of the mint are closed every weekday promptly at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. After that hour no one but mint employees have any business within the walls which inclose so much money, and no one can either stay in or get in without a special permit from the superintendent. Needless to say, this is difficult to obtain.

Simultaneously with the closing of the doors at 4 o'clock the first shift of the night guard goes on duty. The shift is composed of the captain of the guard and 11 stalwart men. As the men file out to begin their round each one is handed a big Colt's revolver of the most approved pattern and loaded with big cartridges.

From then on till midnight seven of the 11 guards patrol without cessation every floor of the inside of the mint, from the corridors of the gloomy vaults where, away down in the earth, are stowed eighty odd million dollars in silver and almost as much gold, to the top floor, where there is nothing more valuable than machinery. Placed at frequent intervals throughout the corridors are electrical devices for enabling the captain of the guard to keep tabs on his men. Each of these little machines communicates with the rotunda opposite the Chestnut street entrance to the mint. Here it is that the captain is stationed all through the long hours of his shift. Every two minutes and a half the central machine in the rotunda denotes the presence of some one of the guard at some particular station in the building. If it doesn't, then the captain knows that something is wrong, and he immediately proceeds to discover what it is.

But it has been a long time since the little machine failed to send forth its announcement at the proper time, for the mint guards are patrolling up and down outside the big building, carefully watching that no suspicious characters approach too near the vast treasure left in their care.

Promptly at midnight the second shift of the night guard puts in an appearance to relieve the early shift. It is also composed of a captain and 11 men, and they are split up, as the other squad, into inside and outside details. From midnight on until 7 o'clock in the morning they follow in the footsteps of the first shift, with every faculty alert to catch an intruder.

The big revolvers are not the only weapons upon which the guards have to rely. On each side of the main corridor leading from the Chestnut street entrance stands a walnut case. Through the polished glass front of one from 20 Winchester rifles. The other contains as many ugly looking carbines. To grab these dispensers of death would be but the work of an instant for the guards, and then woe be unto any man or men upon whom it might be found necessary to turn them.

For the revolvers there is kept constantly on hand in the mint 500 rounds of ammunition, and for the rifles and carbines 2,500 rounds. Each of the guards is an expert in the use of both the pistol and the gun, and each is endowed with a plentiful stock of courage; hence a combination capable of successfully resisting almost anything less than a regiment.

The superintendent and assistant custodian both talked to the reporter about the methods in use to protect the mint and its contents. Both smiled significantly when the possibility of one getting away with a portion of the vast treasure was suggested.

"It would be folly for any one to try it," was the superintendent's only comment. To it the assistant custodian nodded emphatic assent.

"I have been here for a good many years," the latter said, "and no such attempt has ever been made. It is practically impossible for any one to break into the mint from the outside, and no one could secrete himself in the building during the hours when it is open to visitors and hope to avoid discovery. We search every nook and corner of the structure carefully as soon as the doors are closed for the day, and you may rest assured if any one who had no business within these walls was found he would regret the day he was born."

In addition to the two shifts of night guards, the superintendent and assistant custodian have a habit of dropping in at the mint at odd hours of the night to see that everything is going on all right.

The mint is connected with the central telephone station, and should there be trouble the captain of the guard could communicate with police headquarters in a brief space of time.

"If you come across anybody who thinks he can get rich quickly by helping himself to our coin," remarked the superintendent in parting, "just advise him to think it over carefully first."

In compliance with the superintendent's suggestion the advice is hereby given.

And it is pretty good advice to follow too.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The population of Antwerp includes 20,000 Germans, who, it is said, buy their goods of German merchants only.

## Molalla.

Notwithstanding the low price of wheat there has been a larger acreage of it of fall wheat seeded this year in this vicinity than usual.

There is still some improvement going on in our village. W. H. Davidson is building an addition to his dwelling. Uncle Jake Harless is having his house, recently purchased from John Alexander, painted.

Our school is progressing finely with P. L. Coleman as principal and Miss Zelma Shaver as assistant. There is an attendance of over 60 scholars.

O. D. Eby has commenced a term of school at Marquam.

Quite a number from here have been attending the mechanic's exposition at Portland. They speak of it as being better than usual.

C. L. Gipeon, Mr. Ernest and others started for the mountains yesterday on a hunt. The Molalla people may possibly feast on fresh venison when they return. John and Robert Bagby have been hunting in the mountains for some time past and are yet there. They sent out several fine deer to their home folks recently, which was quite a treat to the old folks.

Frank and Cad Bagby are kept busy at their sawmill and have really more orders than they can fill.

The diphtheria seems to have subsided in the neighborhood of Meadowbrook, and no one took it from the Fry family after the death of their daughter. The dread disease first appeared in that family while at a hop yard in Polk county. Mrs. Fry and four or five children were there, one of the children took something that Mrs. Fry thought was the mumps shortly after they arrived there. She returned home with the child, left it with her husband and returned in a few days, two of the boys were taken and they came home. Their oldest child, a girl some 14 years old, was taken with the same disease. They called the doctor, who pronounced it diphtheria. She was very bad from the commencement and lingered a few days and died.

Anora Dickey, who has been quite sick, is now getting better.

Mr. Vernon and wife, of Polk county, are visiting their daughter and son-in-law, P. M. Boyles. Also Martin R. Boyles, of Oregon City, was visiting home folks recently.

Uncle Jake Harless has gone to the mountains to work in his mines. He has been so detained here this summer that he did not get to devote as much time at his mines as he had intended, although he had two experienced miners working on his ledge for some time this summer.

The coyotes have made their appearance again in this vicinity. Quite a number of goats and sheep have been killed by them recently and perhaps when winter comes their depredations will be more extensive. Since the law was enacted forbidding using hounds for the purpose of killing deer, people in this neighborhood have ceased keeping hounds and but few coyotes have been killed. That perhaps accounts for their increase around here; unless some protection is extended it will be a difficult matter to raise sheep or goats in a short time.

Miss Ina Dibble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dibble, who has been very low with typhoid fever, is now slowly improving.

Rev. Long and wife have moved to the vicinity of Glad Tidings and will occupy a place owned by ex Sheriff Sampson.

It is reported that John Vaughan and John Dickey, who have been engaged the past summer in surveying in Idaho, will remain there during the winter.

There is not much bird hunting being done in this vicinity this season. The birds, especially the Mongolian pheasant seem scarcer this season than usual. They are also very wild, that though is perhaps because they have been hunted so close. Some advance the idea that numbers of the birds are killed by eating poisoned wheat put out by the farmers to kill squirrels. I think though the truth of the matter is, there are too many shotguns at Molalla.

Oct 18th. X Y Z

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Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by Charman & Co., Druggists.

## Beats the Klondike.

Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike. For years he suffered untold agony from consumption, accompanied by hemorrhages; and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with this marvelous cure; would have it if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, bronchitis, and all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Trial bottles free at Charman & Co. Drug Store. Regular size 50cts and \$1. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

## Death of Hon. John Kruse.

KRUSE.—At his home near Wilsonville, Oregon, October 19, 1898, John Kruse, aged 71 years 2 months and 7 days.

Mr. Kruse, an Oregon pioneer of 1850 was born in Denmark, August 11, 1827. His forefathers were shipbuilders and were men of ability and influence. Grandfather Kruse lost his property by Napoleon Bonaparte's war. At the age of 15 years Mr. Kruse began the life of a sailor before the mast, sailed for the ports of Denmark until he was 17 and came to the United States in the winter of 1845-46. He made two voyages from New York to Savannah. Then he became a mate on a schooner and sailed to South Carolina, where he was for a time employed at railroading. After this he went to New Orleans and was engaged in steamboating on the Mississippi river and also worked along shore.

From the Mississippi he came West, landing at San Francisco on the 3rd of January, 1850, and in Portland on the 1st of April, same year, in company with Captain John Wolf. At Portland he was first employed as engineer in Stephen Coffin's sawmill. Afterward he aided in building and putting in place the machinery of the steamer Hoosier, and was for a time her engineer. Later he and Leonard White purchased this boat and ran her on Willamette river between Oregon City and Dayton. She was the first steamboat on the river and carried ten tons of freight.

In 1852 Mr. Kruse took his donation claim in Clackamas county on the west bank of the Willamette, eight miles above Oregon City, purchasing the right from a Mr. Moffet, who had located it. On the 30th of August, 1852 he married Miss Jantha Geer, a native of Ohio, born Dec. 6, 1836, daughter of Joseph C. Geer. The day after their marriage Mr. Kruse brought his young wife to their new home. He worked and improved his farm in summer and steamboated in winter and his earnest and well-directed efforts rapidly brought him prosperity. Mr. and Mrs. Kruse have had eight children to bless their union, three of whom survive him. Mr. Kruse was a democrat until the firing on Fort Sumpter, when he joined the republican party and has since been a supporter of that party. In 1878 he was one of the organizers of the grange, and several times served as master of the order. He was twice elected and has served two terms as county commissioner of his county, and while an incumbent of that office he evinced the same integrity and ability that has always characterized his own affairs. In 1887 he was elected as representative to the state legislature.

Besides a host of friends, he leaves a widow and three children, Albert O., J. Loren, and Homer A. Kruse.

## Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to our friends, who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our loved one, and for the many comforting words that were spoken. Also to those who so kindly donated flowers, we express our gratitude and many thanks.

MR. AND MRS. F. M. DARLING,  
MISS ELLA DARLING,  
ALEX. E. FROST.

## Mountain View.

John Gillett is helping Smith & Burkhardt survey this week for a motor line through this vicinity.

Joe Ringo, of Molalla, was the guest of Mrs. Ringo and family last Friday evening.

The infant son of Mrs. S. V. Francis was buried last Friday afternoon Oct. 14. Mrs. Francis is getting along nicely. Miss Ida Francis, who is teaching at Stafford, spent Saturday and Sunday, with her sister Mrs. Laura Miller, of this place.

October 15. SALINA.

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## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Clackamas county, that the County Equalization Board for said county, will convene on the 24th of October, 1898, and continue in session for one week. All property owners are requested to appear before the board and examine the assessment roll, so that any errors in assessment may be corrected.

L. STOUT,  
County Assessor.