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POPULATION OF SUMPTER 4,500.

LOCAL "boxers" are not working as openly now as a few weeks since, but some dirty work is still going on. One of these "good-intentioned fools" was manipulated to knock a sale last week. Every one knows that to be an easy task. It requires a man of ability to consummate a deal.

IF THE weird report that the Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Union Pacific roads, all so called transcontinental lines, have formed a coalition for defense and offense, is true, then the people in this Northwestern country that do business with either company might just as well throw up their hands and deliver their bank accounts to the triumvirate; for they "wont do a thing" to shippers.

CONSIDERABLE interest is being manifested in a quiet way in the approaching municipal election. Candidates are making a great hustle to get on the non-partisan citizens ticket. Several gentlemen who are being urged to run for the council and J. H. Robbins for mayor stand pat on the proposition that they will accept nominations only as representatives of a citizen's movement, and this is as it should be.

THE term "blacksmith," as used in printing offices, means a printer who doesn't know his business. President McKioley, it is said, offered the directorship of the bureau of engraving and printing to Frank P. Sargent, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Fireman. If he accepts, Sargent will be known to the employes as a "blacksmith," and he might as well be in reality, as a locomotive fireman. This is a payment of a political debt at the expense of the public service. Why doesn't the president put this political "stoker" in office by appointing him bank examiner? He would do less damage there than in the position offered him.

AND now the bloodless theorists are writing essays on abstract justice and the majesty of the law, with the burning in Colorado a few days since of the black brute rape head; hysterically condemning the deed, of course. The father of the murdered child struck the key note in all such cases, when he said: "If he had been killed when he committed his first offense in Kansas, my child would have been alive today. No other parents will suffer as we have on his account." People and papers who throw a fit every time they hear of one of these black beasts being lynched, are those who regard the brute's offense about on a par with over-drawing a bank account.

AN Associated Press dispatch of recent date quotes Congressman Hopkins, of Illinois, chairman of the house committee on census, as stating that no attempt will be made to decrease the representation of Southern states in congress, because of the disfranchisement of negroes; that the representation will be based upon population. Continuing, he said: "I think that a proposition will be adopted which will increase the present membership of the

house. It has been suggested that we authorize one member to every 198,000 inhabitants. That seems to be the ratio that is in general favor among the members of the committee. This proposition would entail an increased membership of from 15 to 30 members."

IT IS announced from Washington that Colonel Russell B. Harrison, the son of former President Harrison, serving as an inspector general of the army at Puerto Rico, who was honorably discharged by an order of the war department a few days ago, has cabled protesting against dismissal. General Harrison asked that the order be rescinded, at least until he had finished a certain work upon which he is now engaged and he called upon his friends to secure revocation. The appeal was laid before General Miles and Corbin, but it is stated that nothing will be done in the matter, which means that young Harrison will be discharged at the end of the month. One of the reasons assigned for his dismissal is, Davis, commanding the island of Puerto Rico, has not been satisfied with Harrison's work. It is also said in some circles that Harrison's discharge is due to politics and grows out of the fact that his father refused to take an active part in the recent campaign in behalf of the republican presidential ticket.

WHEN four of the nine members of the supreme court of the United States dissent from a decision, the average citizen should not be considered an anarchist if he fails to regard that decision as a sacred thing. A case in point is the opinion recently handed down on the cigarette law of Tennessee, involving the old, perplexing question of states rights, in modern garb. This high tribunal recently rendered a decision in the case of *Wm. B. Austin vs. State of Tennessee*, involving the validity of the state law regulating the sale of cigarettes. The law was attacked as an infringement of the right of congress to regulate interstate commerce. The Tennessee supreme court upheld the law, and the United States supreme court sustained that verdict, though not without disapproval of some of the positions taken, and then upon a very narrow margin, four out of nine members joining in the dissenting opinion and another member of the court, Justice White, placing his assent upon grounds different from those announced by Justice Brown, who handed down the opinion.

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1:30 p. m.	Ar. Clifford	Lv. Canyon	8:00 a. m.
1:40 p. m.	Lv. Clifford	Ar. Canyon	7:30 a. m.
7:30 p. m.	Ar. Austin	Lv. Canyon	5:00 a. m.

Connecting at Austin with stages for Canyon City and interior points.

1:40 p. m.	Lv. Clifford	Ar. Canyon	7:30 a. m.
5:00 p. m.	Ar. Bonanza	Lv. Canyon	6:10 a. m.

Connecting at Bonanza with stages for Pys, Robinsonville, Worley, Virginia, Don Juan and Belcher mines.

SUMPTER-GRANITE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. Sumpter	Ar. Granite	10:00 a. m.
4:30 p. m.	Ar. Granite	Lv. Sumpter	7:00 a. m.

Livery at Granite to North Fork, Red Boy, Bonzette and adjacent mines.

SUMPTER-BOURNE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. Sumpter	Ar. Bourne	9:30 a. m.
3:00 p. m.	Ar. Bourne	Lv. Sumpter	8:00 a. m.
7:30 p. m.	Ar. Columbia	Lv. Sumpter	7:30 a. m.

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