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## DEATH IN THE CAMP

**Frightful Condition Prevailing at the New Eldorado, Goldfield, in Nevada, and Disease and Famine Claim Many Victims.**

### MEN STILL CONTINUE TO POUR IN

Reno, Nev., Dec. 27.—Frightful conditions prevail in Goldfield the new mining camp in the southern part of this state. An epidemic of diphtheria, small pox and black pneumonia is raging. It is impossible to get medicines, food, water, building material and other necessities into the camp on account of the 60-day embargo on the freight at Reno, due to congestion.

Pneumonia is taking men off in a night, and no effort is being made to isolate small-pox patients. The supply of coffins is insufficient. Corpses are permitted to remain above ground for days at a time.

Hundreds are sleeping in thin tents. The rush into the camp continues and unless building material is brought in soon, conditions will become appalling.

Hold-ups are of nightly occurrence, and a veritable reign of terror is expected at the first of the year, when a large number of leases expire, forcing operators to shut down for lack of equipment. Lease holders openly threaten to jump valuable claims; and owners are preparing to defend the properties with their lives.

Goldfield, like Tonopah, is "wide open" and the gambling spirit infests the place. Money is easy, prospectors are constantly bringing in tales of new discoveries on the Nevada desert, and it is with difficulty that the law-abiding element have maintained their control.

Recently there has been an epidemic of petty thievery and crime. It has been found necessary to protect all store fronts with iron wire in order to keep the lawless from breaking the glass and entering. With the winter and the closing of many mines, the rough set has been increased by an exodus to Goldfield, as well as to Tonopah. There is no way of shipping the toughs out of the town except by driving them afoot and numerically they have become too strong for the authorities to attempt this.

The prevalence of disease is due in a large measure to the water, which is vile, and to the absence of hospital accommodations and medical treatment. Very few doctors have located in the vicinity, and they have more than can be attended to. Frequently a man laying around in drunken stupor is far gone with smallpox or some other disease before it is discovered, and it is then too late for anything except funeral services.

The present population of Goldfield exceeds 4,000. The town is without a natural water supply, all water having to be brought in in wagons and sold by the gallon by peddlers.

Goldfield is situated in Southern Nevada, 60 miles south from Tonopah, in the center of what promises to be, considering the amount of development work done, the richest gold country in the world. Most of the claim owners were prospectors from Tonopah, and none of the claims have been worked for two years. The growth of the town has been like that of a mushroom, and the facilities are entirely inadequate to ac-

commodate the constantly increasing population.

A railroad from Reno to Tonopah was recently completed and it is programed to extend this line to Goldfield this spring, but the road has proved entirely inadequate to handle the ore from Tonopah.

### Things Worn By Men.

Furness, the Gents Furnisher, expects to get into his rooms in the Masonic block in the next few days and will open up at once with a beautiful line of ties suspenders and other articles that are indispensable to gentlemen. The line will be a nice one from which to select suitable Christmas gifts for gentlemen. A little later he will have in stock a complete line of Gent's Furnishing Goods of the best values and the latest styles. His stock has been ordered and embraces the very best and most up-to-date. Don't neglect to see him as he will be able to please you. If he hasn't it, he'll get it for you.

### Big Raffle at the Banquet.

Quite a large crowd was on hand at the Banquet last Saturday evening to witness and participate in the big raffle that took place there. The first prize, of \$75, was won by H. W. Orth and Jim Buckley with 48 and the \$25. prize was won by Frank Smith and Chas. Wilcox who tied on the lowest throw which was 19. The sumptuous feed, prepared by Mr. Neuber, and of which the large crowd partook with a hearty relish, was simply "out of sight" and a credit to the management of the banquet.

Rogue River Creamery, Medford, manufactures the C. E. G. brand fancy creamery butter, that is clean, elegant and guaranteed. Ask your merchant for it.

## THE COUNTY NEWS

**Short Paragraphs Regarding Doings Throughout the Length and Breadth of Jackson County as We Succeed In Capturing Them.**

### SOME ARE NEWSY; SOME ARE NOT

The Christmas entertainment given at St. Mary's Academy last Thursday evening by the pupils of that institution is said to have been unusually good and if the opinion of the large audience present goes for aught, it was certainly of a high order. The entertainment was given two days early because so many of the pupils were going home for Christmas.

### May Organize Band.

There is considerable talk among the young men of the town regarding the organization of a band at this place. They have an offer from a first class instructor who is already located in the county. There is no good reason why this place cannot have a first class band as there is plenty of good material upon which to work, also plenty of enthusiasm among the boys, and a desire for such an organization. Nothing will do more to wake a town up and keep it lively than a good band and let us hope that the present effort will meet with success. A band organized at this time could, with proper encouragement be fully equipped with instruments and uniforms and be filling engagements by July 4th. Good thing, push it along.

### Excursion to San Francisco.

The holiday excursion from Ashland to San Francisco and which started last

Monday, giving those taking advantage of it, a stay of 15 days for \$15., was quite well attended. Several Jacksonville people took advantage of the rate, among them were the following: Thos. Kahler, Fred Ficke, Mr. and Mrs. Herman King, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Orth, W. C. Deneff, H. C. and Miss Mollie Maury and S. E. Dunnington.

### Klamath Pioneer Woman Dies.

News was received from San Francisco, Monday, of the death at Haywards, Alameda county, of Mrs. Lousia Boddy Hartery, a well known pioneer woman of Klamath county and a survivor of a massacre incident to the Modoc Indian wars. Mrs. Hartery, who was aged 74 years at the time of her death, lost her husband, two sons and a son-in-law in the massacre in question, and escaped with only one daughter, now Mrs. R. B. Hatton of Klamath Falls. She was remunerated by the government for her losses in the war. A number of years ago she was married to Michael Hartley, a well known Klamath county citizen, and they removed to California to spend the sunset of their lives. About a year ago Mr. Hartery died. The remains of Mrs. Hartery will find their last resting place in the cemetery at Jacksonville, beside those of her husband and sons.

### Witnessess Subpoenaed.

Deputy U. S. Marshal Blowers has been subpoenaing witnesses to appear before the U. S. Grand Jury at Portland next week, in the cases of Harry Miller and Frank Kincart, who have been held to answer for illegally trafficking in timber lands says the Southern Oregonian. He served subpoenas on S. A. Landers of Ashland; S. T. Richardson, Mrs. Julia Miles, Wm. T. Schoults, Rollen E. Smith, E. W. Carder, Medford; Dr. Clive Major, A. M. Irwin and Mollie Irwin, Placer.

Miller is in jail at San Francisco with W. H. Boren, held on the charge of subornation of perjury committed at Redding, Calif., and will probably be brought to Portland. Kincart is out on bail, not having been arrested on the second charge.

### Takes a Shot.

Wednesday evening as the Rogue River Valley train was leaving the city of Medford on their return trip and yet in the suburbs of that place, somebody took a shot at the passenger coach which was loaded with people enroute to the county seat. The bullet, if such it was, came in at the lower corner of one window just in front of a man and his wife who occupied that seat, and went through and out at the opposite window, doing no damage except the breaking of the glass in the windows. Some of the passengers express it as their opinion that it was only a buck-shot from a sling shot in the hands of some mischievous boy, while others are of a different opinion and declare that they distinctly heard the crack of the rifle.

### Correspondents Wanted.

The Sentinel desires to give its subscribers the news from all parts of the county hence we want a good, live, correspondent at all the leading postoffices in the county where there is no paper published. Send in the news and you will be treated right.

The Sentinel gives the mining news.

To Our Many Kind Friends and Patrons, We Extend You Happy Greeting of this Holiday Season.

We thank you very much for favors received during the year 1904 just past and hope, by courtesy and fair dealing to continue receiving a share of your valued patronage the coming year, 1905. Be assured we shall appreciate it and do our very best to merit it.

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