

CURRENT TOPICS.

A ROYALTY

Of Ten Per Cent. to Be Levied by the Government on Placer Mining.

DON CARLOS

Favors Unflinching Severity in Re-pressing the Cuban Rebellion.

KENTUCKY STATE NEWS.

The First Kentucky Infantry will be their reunion at Liberty September 1st.

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Table with columns: RESOURCES, LIABILITIES, and various financial figures.

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The railroad is anxious about the serious decrease in the revenue from Peoria's taxes.

The Chicago ordinance imposing a license tax on bicycles has been declared void in a lower court.

The Fox Pressed Steel Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa., has all departments of its plant in operation on double turn.

Mr. J. P. Miller, of Chicago, has in her possession the sword which Lord Byron carried in the war for French independence.

The recent cloudbursts and floods in Germany have been the worst since 1870.

Dewdney has a law requiring that all drugs intended for medicinal use shall be put up in round bottles, and all intended for external use in hexagonal bottles.

When the armor of Argonauts goes out cycling he wears a triple machine, and leaves all the work of it to be done by two men, who sit one in front and one behind him.

Senator Sewall in California is the out-and-outer spread between this class of wealthy California and the people of Alabama, Mississippi, and Iowa.

This has been a great year in England for strawberry thieves, more than on one station no less than 100 tons of these berries were dispatched to London and northern ports.

Queen Victoria owns a dress made entirely of spider's webs. It was a present from the late empress of Brazil, who had it specially woven in her palace by six native silk workers.

Sister Bret Harte, who has dropped his first name, Francis, was United States consul to Glasgow from 1880 to 1885. He has made his headquarters in Britain.

Mr. Randall, of Boston, who died some time ago, bequeathed \$20,000 to the President and his wife in compensation of students and professors of Harvard; \$20,000 to Radcliffe college, and \$70,000 to the Footscott club, of Harvard, for a clubhouse.

In one of H. O. Welles' tales a man explored the bottom of the sea in a metal cylinder made so as to resist the enormous pressure of the water.

In several places in Cape Colony cavers have been explored which yielded hundreds of mummified remains of a minor species of five-fingered monkey.

Provided the Amount Mined and Taken From a Single Claim Does Not Exceed \$200 a Week, More Than That Amount of 10 Per Cent. to Be Levied.

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 18.—The regulations formulated by the Dominion government covering the collection of a royalty on gold mined in the Yukon, are published in the Official Gazette.

"That upon all gold mined on the claims referred to is the regulation for the government of placer mining along the Yukon river and its tributaries, a royalty of ten per cent shall be levied and collected by officers to be appointed for the purpose, provided that the amount mined and taken from a single claim does not exceed \$200 per week, and in case the amount mined and taken from any single claim exceeds \$200 per week, there shall be levied and collected a royalty of ten per cent upon the amount as taken out up to \$200, and upon the excess or amount taken from any single claim over \$200 per week there shall be levied and collected a royalty of 50 per cent, such royalty to form part of the revenue to be applied for the collection of the officers who collected the same in due course.

"That the times and the manner in which royalty shall be collected and the persons who shall collect the same shall be prescribed by the regulations to be made by the gold commissioner, and that the gold commissioner be and is hereby given authority to make such plans of collection and rules accordingly.

"That default in payment of such royalty, if continued for ten days after notice has been posted upon the claim in respect of which it is demanded, or in the vicinity of such claim by the gold commissioner or his agent, shall be followed by the cancellation of the claim. That any attempt to defraud the crown by withholding any part of the revenue thus provided for by making false statements of the amount taken out, may be punished by cancellation of the claim and a fine which may be imposed; and that in respect of facts as to the amount of false statement or non-payment of the royalty, the decision of the gold commissioner shall be final.

At Baltimore. A letter that Ford and Dewdney are the Meriters of the gold medal, and that they were awarded it by the Board of Regents.

BELLFLOWER TALK. O., Aug. 16.—The authorities here are working on the case of the Ford and Dewdney couple, and every effort is being made to secure a confession from one or both of the parties.

The investigation of the mystery is now being conducted by Sheriff Shaw of the Bellflower, who has ordered the detectives are admitted to the jail.

Corporal Harry Roof was the guard over the Ford and Dewdney prisoners, in a talk with Roof, claims to have no recollection whatever of the events of Thursday night.

London, Aug. 18.—The correspondence of the Daily Telegraph at London has had a long interview with Don Carlos on the death of Canovas and Cuban affairs.

Don Carlos declared that the American reconstructions and hints of intervention were more balloons which ought not to be taken seriously. He said that the United States, if those attempts had been resolutely rejected by the Spanish government, would have drawn its extravagant pretensions.

The Carlist movement in Spain is greatly increased since the last eclipse during the last decade. It is in touch with every branch of the country and is more active than ever.

"A PRISONER." A woman was arrested for stealing a pair of shoes from a shop in the city. She is a native of the city and has been in the city for some time.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Aug. 18.—Will Phillips, the man who recently criminally assaulted Miss Sallie Jones, daughter of a wealthy Georgia planter, is being held near this city and who was arrested in Arkansas, was taken to jail at Chattanooga, Tenn., for the murder of the woman who was committed.

A mob had been organized to lynch Phillips as soon as Miss Jones identified him, but her father prevailed on them to let him go.

Both Wounded. Count of Turin and Prince Henri of Orleans. A fight with swords.

PAUL, AUG. 18.—The Count of Turin and Prince Henri of Orleans fought a duel with swords at 5 o'clock Sunday morning in the Bois de Marechaux, near Paris.

The fighting was most determined and lasted 35 minutes. There were five engagements, of which two were at close quarters.

OMAHA, NEB., Aug. 18.—A special to the Press from Omaha, Neb., says that a young man from here, attacked his married daughter, Mary J. Hughes, with a hammer.

MARRIED PLANS NOT AN ARRIVAL. New York, Aug. 18.—Osburn in this city say that Manuel Pagan, who on orders issued by Commissioner of Immigration Powders, is to be held in investigation at the port of arrival.

It is reported that the Spanish consul, who was deported by the Spanish officials as an alleged political ex-patriate.

The populists and gold democrats of Kentucky will seek representation on the ticket for the coming year.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce JOHN W. BAKER as an Independent Republican candidate for Sheriff of Rockcastle county to be voted for at November election, 1897.

The county judge, in company with the County Clerk called at this office on Thursday last week, just after the SIGNAL was issued. They had taken offense at the article sent from Brodhead and printed in this paper. They inquired with reference to the article; the original article was shown, the Judge picked it up and put it in his pocket under the editor's protest, but it was later on returned to this office. The Judge became warm and threatened to kill the editor if he published any more articles with his name in them. The editor is publishing the news and will continue to do so and will print such matter as it thinks will be of interest and benefit to the citizens of Rockcastle.

SATURDAYS, N. Y. Aug 3, 1897

Editor Mount Vernon Signal— In a recent issue of your paper there was an item telling of a snake that swallowed chickens. I wonder if your readers know of the cure used so extensively in India for snake bites? It is perfectly simple and consists of profuse sweating, by which means the poison is forced out of the system through the pores of the skin. A native who is bitten by a snake, throws a blanket round him, and thrusts a red-hot iron nail into his armpits, until profuse sweating is induced of the same principle. A vapor bath, with temperature from 127° to 140° Fahrenheit, is administered, or if no Russian nor Turkish bath can be had, the patient, wrapped in blankets, is steamed in a chair, over lighted oil stove in which is a pan of hot water, and allowed to perspire freely.

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IND. KY. Aug. 16, 1897

Editor SIGNAL, Mt. Vernon, Ky. In the absence of local items of much interest I desire to express my satisfaction at the way "A Republican Committee" at Brodhead, Aug. 7-'97, has dared to speak out for itself and others. I am glad that the pots of wrath have begun to boil over and their righteous indignation, to escape them in such thunder tones and plain language as to be unmistakable and full of meaning—and may it continue to boil over and rage until the rings and cliques and machinations now in use for the advancement and maintenance of vice and corruption, be entirely wiped out and forever done away with. What we need and want, is sound men to fill the offices—even down to the most humble office of the county. And what we also need is a better way of selecting them than the plan now in use if we ever expect to obtain them. We hear nothing but dissatisfaction on every hand with many of the selections this year in the Republican camp and we too readily employ the same machinery in grinding out candidates. Consequently if we don't change the program we will fall into the same pit and by and by. Right will eventually triumph, and the way for honest men to do is to pursue an honest course and work together for the same end if we wish and expect to obtain it. Vce

and corrupt men, soon fall and the stronger the better, for our country. I am glad to know that there are some Republicans in the county, somewhere, that have grit to speak out against such a movement. They are not as thick on this end of the county, though, as they might be. So I would say to all honest voters in Old Rockcastle, let us try this fall to fill our offices with the best men; let the office seek the man and the office-seeker go. Don't forget Little Dick. TRUE BLUE.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, KY

Now in the days of the rein of Billy the First, Billy whose surname's McKinley took up my pen to write and I rit, for I had much to rite about that consurns my people. On my return from my unpleisnt trip I made last Nov. I find times hard and gotten harder and manny scase and gotten scaser; and that twin sisters of death, that german corin of h—l—debr, rain in almost every house.

The nose of the passage of the tariff law by Cong. was hailed with joy by our republican nabers but the Bryan men sat in sackcloth drest with ashes, and when our only Hainarract learned that sd tariph had advanced shooer 1 cent pr dir and that egs, "the pore man's dearest friend" had fallen to 4c pr doz he kicked hsz self until he was two sore to sit fur votin the aid society ticket last year, but we'll just let him keek. It's the advance in sherp B. that hurts him not the advance in gold. Truly's starkin-standance do alter scases, and the parable of the farmer and lawyer which is on rekkord in that imortual book—the blue Back Speller Shood, be read often to them with appropriate euphasis and comment. Our cris air prospurus but trade it at a standard. Schoolmaster better attend to this session than usual. Nothing is soken concerning election yet but we presume as many days get cooler politticks will blke fur the thibe zen when "Greek insects Greek the tug of war begins" therefore we will look fur the fur to be before the ides of Nov. be past. Mr. Hester as "Job's turkey" has bin spoken of recently, when referring to poor brutes we would naturally suppose it to be the poorest living animal on earth but it now fills only a secondary place, fur none of my nabers had a hog last week of Mr. W. Deborard who had starved it until it had to be soken in strong brine 3 days and vites before its hide wood hoof slap, now spell if you can and its former owner was a kind hearted man too but snth is the effect of the "Singl Gold Standard. Dr. Price affirms that sd hog had actully digested its own stomach.

We presume that prosperity was furly mounted on the wheel of condense when Billy Mc sined the tariph bil, but we predict that it will get frost bit before dog dase is out & the whole durnt thing will collapse before it reeleses us.

Yours in the faith, Buck Varnon. Livingston, Ky. Aug. 16 1897

To the people of Rockcastle county: The time is come, when we as Christians, must decide what we will do. V—t for intemperance, or for morality. As for me I cannot vote for any of the Republica nominees. They promised before to let whiskey go and we can see now they did it. Go with me to the county seat, and take a look there then decide whether we can believe them again. I love the Republican party but I cannot or will not vote for a party that upholds whiskey; nor do I wish to do harm to any one but do wish to elevate the morals of our county by putting good men in office. H. W. Rice.

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