

LATEST LOCAL NEWS.

Subscriptions due for the past year must be paid at once.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Brown is recoverin from her sickness.

E. K. Hill left with Mr. Paxton for Durango on Tuesday on business.

Everything neat and clean is the rule at Mrs. Triplett's boarding house.

George Dean left for Durango Saturday last. He will attend school there for a year's study or so.

J. G. Coburn of Flora Vista was in town Saturday last. He loaded apples at Coe's orchard and started for Durango.

We are glad to see Oliver Nichols around again. Mr. Nichols is mending slowly but surely after his accident.

John McDermott is building a new brick house on his ranch on La Plata. General Morgan is doing the carpenter work.

T. Sallee has been appointed teacher of the Hobbs and Mesa schools on the La Plata. These schools will run four months in turn.

The oldtimer, Hank Hull, the Indian trader of the Hogback, is up enjoying the pleasures of our lively town for a few days.

Farmington growers complain of the low price of fruit. The Lord knows that the price is high enough when the consumer buys.—Democrat.

School Superintendent Allen and wife returned Sunday to their La Plata home from their mountain trip. Mrs. England accompanied them.

There will be a meeting at fruitland Saturday evening next at 7 o'clock to consider the proposal to erect and carry on a cheese factory at that place.

The base ball game on Sunday afternoon, resulted in a victory for Fruitland. The score being 36 to 42, Fruitland to play another inning. The match was viewed by a goodly number of people.

Mr. Willett informs us that the Animas bridge will be raised Monday and lots of help will be required. Everybody must be present on this occasion Lumber and everything necessary will be on the ground.

The Fruitland Baseball club will give a dance and supper at the Hall in Fruitland on Wednesday evening next, Sept. 11. Tickets for dance and supper 75 cents. All are cordially invited and a grand time is anticipated.

Hon. Wm. Locke writes us to say that in making an exhibit we ought to have all kinds of good products. Fine samples of all kinds of not less than five specimens of a kind. His idea is to make a plate of five specimens of each kind.

Rev. Howard returned with his family from Pinkerton springs on Monday where Mrs Howard and the babies had been staying. Mr. Howard reports that country as looking green and beautiful. His father-in-law, Mr. Wigglesworth, is surveying the Ute lands.

Wm. Firebaugh's son, Stephen, was hurt last Wednesday whilst stacking hay at his father's ranch. The injury was the result of an accident with a hay fork. The prongs pricked the boy's forehead and the wound seems have become inflamed and developed dangerous symptoms.

Returning from Cherry Creek saw mill Calvin Mercer's wagon tipped over, going down the hill near Allen's on La Plata. Mattie Mercer was asleep at the time in the wagon box which was placed on the lumber. She and Mr. Mercer however fortunately escaped without injury.

Lawn social, Saturday, Sept. 7, '95. There will be a lawn social at the residence of J. D. Rumburg of Flora Vista for the purpose of raising money to complete the church at Flora Vista. Come everybody and lend a helping hand. Ice cream, lemonade and melons, during the afternoon and evening of Saturday, Sept. 7.

Rio Arriba, San Juan and Taos counties will all be well represented at the fair. It has been very difficult to get here from those counties in past years, but the Denver & Rio Grande road has remedied all that. It has made it convenient for the people to come, and has given them the privilege of coming at the exceedingly low rate of one cent a mile.—Citizen.

Try one of those nice meals at Mrs. Triplett's and you are sure to come again.

Last Saturday Alvin Magraw of the La Plata was made the happy father of a fine boy. Mother and child are doing well.

A constant stream of teams with fruit is on the road to Gallup and points south. This is affording quite a market for our fruit.

Mrs. Graf presented her husband with a fine boy last Saturday. We congratulate our friend on this agreeable addition to his domestic happiness.

It is reported that Chief Ignacio is among the Navajos stirring them up to join the Utes in hostilities against the whites on account of the Ute removal.

An order for a special term of the district court for San Juan county to be held at Aztec, beginning at 9 o'clock a. m., on Monday September 16, has been received at this office for publication.

Geo. S. Hood has an excellent 160 acre ranch for sale. 4 acres in orchard 18 in alfalfa, house, corrals, stables, about six miles east of Farmington. Sale on easy terms.

The committee on other people's business are actively engaged in viewing, commenting on, and correcting the style of building and work, etc., going on in Farmington.

Mr. Orser of the La Plata was a visitor at The Times office last Monday. Mr. Orser described the crops in his district as showing extremely well and the yields of alfalfa so far have been unusually large.

NAVAJO BILL'S RECEPTION.

Grand Ball and Supper at the Hogback---a Swell Affair.

The departure of Navajo Bill for the Hogback, where he joins Hank Hull in the trading store there was duly chronicled in our last issue. It was put on record as a severely felt loss to us; but we now refer to it as a decided gain to the Hogback section, a fact the people of that favored district have readily acknowledged. Our special reporter has forwarded us this complete description of the most recherché social event that has graced, so far, the distingue circle of the Hogback purlieu.

The arrival of our famous friend at his new home was, last Monday, made the occasion of a brilliant ball given under the auspices of the "303" of the reservation. This chic affair of the season was held in a specially erected hogan at the back of the store.

The guests were ushered in on their arrival by Wallite and softly propelled from the rear toward an antique Elizabethian dais of carefully selected cow skin, with a disrupted brand, on which was placed the guest of the evening, Navajo Bill. After the usual courteous patting of Bill's diaphragm, the ladies were shown to their seats. Among the first to grace the occasion was Mrs. Alcalá, looking charming in an elegant costume of Baptiste rawhide, trimmed with lace a la skunk, adorned with bee weed blossom. A pair of pale tambour stitched socks of remarkable aniquity the gift of Nitsa Bega completed this delicate costume. An artistic bodice of peached faced gunny sack, tastefully fringed with gopher fur, and bound round her ample waist with softly woven rope, set off to advantage the Juno proportions of Mrs. Good Eye. Round her fair limbs were carefully wrapped about 15 yards of apana, while the satchet she swung from her hand was filled with the oriental perfume of teepee sweepings, which she gracefully placed under the Roman nose of Bill, who fell back in a swoon of delight.

The belle of the ball appeared (to our reporter's excited eye) in the person of Miss Caha, the latest fashion of the lowest cut dress was here exemplified, and a general polite yell of delight greeted her appearance. The brilliant strips of fer utilitarian top garment, where it hung together, fluttered in the Hogback zephyr that swept through the tent. The whole was covered with an applique of yellow goat tail, studded with beads, the decolletage of the entirety being perfect.

The moment arrived, the gentlemen whose superfluous garments the heated hand of the summer night had removed, chose their partners, the orchestral tomtom sounded and in an instant the soft and voluptuous measure of the corn dance was weaving its

gyrations round. The dance was perfect. Only one accident marred its rhythmic symmetry; that was, the unfortunate fall, while attempting the pas de seal, of the gay grass widow, Mrs. Nesca-ha, whose exquisite lemon colored skirt of accordian pleated nagata was torn completely off by Topa-beza (otherwise known as Mutton-head) who strove to raise her by the bustle end of the dress. Navajo Bill gracefully escorted the blushing matron to the back of the store and reinstated the torn garment.

Dance succeeded dance—the minut de negiza, the numescito—whilst the glare of the greasewood fire lit up the glancing eyes of the ladies. The scene was enchanting. The air was filled with the exquisite odor of "Angora" and other efforts of the perfumers' art. The patent pongee evening dress strings of the bucks were degage through the unwonted exercise.

The announcement of supper was received with snorts of well bred delight, and the repast, spread on the floor on sheep skins, well repaid the encomiums passed upon it. It was indeed the perfection of culinary skill. A dish of "canis vulgaris," so called in their language, with trimmings of "nagaza" and chischin sauce, was placed first before the guest of the evening. The dish was new to Bill who set to work with all the force of a sturdy appetite. The guests watched his efforts with surprise. At last old Bejoshu nudged him and informed him in a triumphant whisper that it was his best pup. Bill lost his appetite. The banquet was done justice to by all, and the remains were transferred to their haversacks.

And so passed the night, where the beauty and chivalry of the Hogback disported themselves to the harmonious strivings of the band. At an early hour the tired guests were expelled from the scene by the extensively raised boot of Hank, who carefully carried Bill, suffering from the soporific effect of the odorous dissipation, to his repose on his luxurious couch under the store counter.

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