

STATE NEWS

OLDEST IN STATE

MRS. FOLEY'S CLOCK HAS TICKED FOR FORTY YEARS.

STILL IN GOOD CONDITION

Brought to Missoula in Pioneer Days With Three Owners Now Things of the Past—Timepiece De-lighted Indians.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Missoula, Dec. 4.—For 40 years an old clock ticked away in the home of Thomas Foley near Fort Missoula. It is now in the possession of James Osborne, proprietor of the Kentucky hotel, Missoula, to whom Mrs. Foley, who is spending her declining days in comfort with the Sisters of Providence, confided it for safe-keeping.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Foley came to Missoula in 1859 and settled on a ranch in the Bitter Root valley near Fort Missoula, occupying it together continuously up to the time of Mr. Foley's death, about three years ago. Mrs. Foley remained in the old farmhouse until a month ago,



Oldest Clock in Montana.

When she succeeded in leasing the farm at a good rental and removed to Missoula.

In 1860 Capt. Hank Worden, who was then keeping a general store at Hell Gate, broached the subject of bringing some clocks from the states, desiring to get a guarantee for several before he made the venture. The guarantee was probably secured; at all events he brought out by way of Fort Benton four Seth Thomas clocks, all identical and including the Foley clock, a cut of which is here given.

Captain Worden reserved one clock for his own use, Captain Higgins bought one, Mrs. Foley one and the fourth was sold to some one not now known. The Worden and Higgins clocks have long since gone to the junk shop, but the Foley clock is as good a timepiece now as it was when it first began running its wheels in the Foley farmhouse. In 40 years it has been cleaned but twice.

Old timers say the four Seth Thomas eight-day clocks brought to Montana by Captain Worden were the first shipped in and they have no recollection of one having been packed in, though watches were comparatively numerous in 1860. The small cheap alarm clock was not then in existence and the Seth Thomas clock then in extensive use was too bulky to take its place with household goods freighted across the plains.

Mrs. Foley says her husband paid \$75 in gold for the clock and at the time she thought it an exorbitant sum, but it was such a cheerful friend in the days that followed its installation in her unpretentious home that she would not have parted with it for many times its cost.

Indians learning of the clock were in the habit of visiting the Foley home, where they would remain for hours at a time just to hear it strike, its chimes having as much attraction for them as for children. Mrs. Foley is positive her clock is the oldest one in Montana.

SAME OLD STORY.

Careless Handling of Shotgun Results Fatally for a Hunter.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Red Lodge, Dec. 4.—Amos Fekety, a miner employed at the Rocky Ford coal mines, accidentally shot and killed himself Sunday afternoon, while hunting in a pasture, three miles east of the city. There were four other hunters in the party, and according to the story told by them, Fekety was in the act of putting a single barreled shotgun through a wire fence, previous to crawling through himself, when the hammer caught on the wire and discharged the gun, the shot tearing a large hole in the right groin, and taking a downward course.

One of the party started for the city to secure a wagon in which to bring the wounded man home, but Fekety died a few minutes after the shot.

Fekety was an Austrian and leaves two brothers in this county, and a wife and two children in Austria.

DISTRICT COURT OPENS.

Telephone Fight, Water Right Case and Libel Suit on the Docket.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Red Lodge, Dec. 4.—Judge Frank Henry, accompanied by a number of attorneys, arrived here Monday and opened the district court yesterday. One of the principal matters to come up will be the mandamus proceedings recently instituted by the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company to compel the Red Lodge city authorities to let the company string its wires on the streets of this city.

The fight of the company to compel the city to let it in, to establish an exchange in competition with one estab-

lished some time ago, by local capitalists, has been a long and bitter one, and thus far the city has won at every turn. It is realized by both parties, that the mandamus proceedings, will be the last round in the scrap, and the attorneys are prepared to make it a hard-fought contest.

Other important matters which will probably come up at this term of court are the Red Lodge creek water right suit, involving the titles to the rights of over a hundred ranchmen, and the criminal libel suit against B. A. Harlan, editor of the Carbon County Sentinel.

SALE OF SCHOOL BONDS.

Largest State Issue of Kind Bring Good Premium.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Helena, Dec. 4.—The Helena school board has sold to Farson, Leach & Co. of Chicago the refunding bonds authorized by the last legislature, for a premium of \$3017. The issue amounts to \$250,000 and bears 4 1/2 per cent interest. There were five other bidders.

The successful bidders paid the highest premium and were given the entire issue. The refunding bonds are in two issues; a serial issue payable at the rate of \$5000 per year during the next 20 years, so that the interest charge on them will be reduced \$225 each year and \$150,000 of straight 20-year bonds.

The annual interest on the old bonds will be \$14,000 while on the new bonds it will be \$11,250, with an annual reduction of the amount named, until at the end of 20 years it will be only \$6750.

The premium of \$3017 will be paid into the special fund for the payment of interest and principal on bonds. This is the largest sale of school bonds ever made in the state and the terms are the best obtained this year with the exception of the \$45,000 issue of the Missoula district, which the state bought at par and 4 per cent interest.

POWER TO FEED BUTTE AND HELENA SMELTERS

Missouri to Be Dammed for Benefit of Large Plant—\$1,000,000 to Be Expended in Work.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)

Helena, Dec. 4.—Former Gov. S. T. Hauser is expected home from the East in a few days. He is perfecting plans for the construction of a second dam above the present Canyon Ferry plant, on the Missouri river, to furnish power to the mines and smelters in Butte. All the necessary land adjoining the dam site has been secured by the company and when spring sets in work will be commenced and the dam proper built, when the water of the Missouri river is at low ebb.

The construction of a second dam on the Missouri river will entail an outlay of something less than one million dollars. From Stubb's Ferry to Canyon Ferry, a distance of about six miles, a new pole line will be built, but from Canyon Ferry to Butte and to Helena, the power from the new plant will be carried on wires strung on poles.

The plant will have a capacity of 20,000 horse-power and will be one of the largest power plants in the Northwest. A large amount of the power will be utilized in Butte.

In this connection it might be said that there is every probability that several big power plants will be constructed next year in different parts of Montana. Senator Clark has agents out over the state looking up sites for power plants, to run smelters and to be operated in some cases as an independent investment.

Next Spring a large plant is to be built at York, where the power will be used in running a large mill that is to be put up. It will also be carried to several other Montana towns and will run some of the mills in that vicinity.

HELENA BASEBALL CLUB.

Articles of Incorporation to Be Filed in a Few Days.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Helena, Dec. 4.—Articles of incorporation will be filed within the next few days by the Helena Baseball club. The following will be the directors: Jacob Fischer, L. A. Walker, T. J. Cronin, William Muth, H. M. Parchen and J. E. O'Connor.

The stock will be divided into 2000 shares of \$5 each. The baseball fund now amounts to \$3100. At the meeting last night a committee was appointed to draw up articles of incorporation.

The Associated Press dispatch from Spokane crediting President Lucas of the Pacific Northwest league, with the statement that Helena and Butte will not be in the league, causes considerable surprise here. He has already made Helena a proposition to enter the league.

Well-known Liveryman Dies.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Helena, Dec. 4.—Anthony Dougherty, a well-known liveryman, died yesterday at St. John's hospital of gastritis. His wife was in Tacoma when he passed away. She arrived here today. Dougherty was 42 years of age and had been a resident of Helena since 1879. He was born in Ireland 47 years ago. He came to Helena as a member of the Third United States infantry.

Smith Expected to Recover.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Helena, Dec. 4.—Unless some unexpected symptoms develop J. Edgar Smith, who was shot in the back by Policeman Bailey while trying to escape arrest, will recover from his injuries. He is resting easily today, although his pulse is faster than it was and his temperature is quite high. The bullet has not been located, but is believed to be in close proximity to the left lung.

Injured by Horse's Kick.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Helena, Dec. 4.—A letter has been received in Helena from Ralo Alto, Cal., stating that David E. Folsom of White Sulphur Springs is still confined to his room as the result of injuries due to a kick by a horse at his home at the Springs. His friends feel considerable concern, as his health has not been of the best since the last campaign.

Stomach Rather Than Head.

Mrs. Sarah Grand claims that the way to approach man and subdue him is by the dinner route. Well, this is certainly a better plan than lecturing at him every night.—Atlanta Journal.

FURNISHINGS FOR MEN AND BOYS



As fairly as anything can the above items represent the underpricing in the store of furnishings. In each case the regular prices are the lowest anywhere and and throughout these broad and complete stocks there is a third or more to be saved on regular prices.

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| <p>65c Men's Underwear
The heaviest weight of cotton fleeced underwear, in tan color, made and finished in best style; shirts and drawers, worth 65c each. Specially priced today at 39c</p> <p>Men's MoleSkin Shirts 50c
The heaviest and best mole skin shirts, in fast black; double fleeced lining; very well made; a practical winter garment for comfort and hard usage. Price 50c</p> <p>Men's Sweaters \$3.00
Pure worsted sweaters of the highest quality; very fine ribbed weave; colors Oxford, navy, maroon, scarlet and white; made full regular. Price \$3.00</p> <p>Boys' Waists 10c
Flannelette waists, in shirt waist and blouse styles; fancy colors; all sizes; 5c value at 10c</p> <p>Boys' Winter Caps 25c
"Golf," "Brighton" and "Windsor" shaped caps, in plush, with Astrakhan trimming and fancy cloths; pull down over the ears; worth 40c to 50c each. Price 25c</p> <p>Handsome Silver Novelties, 50c and 75c Articles Sold Here at 20c
These are the large articles, being from 5 to 7 inches in length; among them are roll blotters, shoe horns, files, buttonhooks, tooth and nail brushes and darning. They are highly finished, are of sterling silver and worth from 50c to 75c. Price 20c</p> <p>Woolen Mittens 3c
Heavy winter mittens in black only; fully shaped. Ladies' sizes at 5c a pair; children's sizes at 3 Cents Per Pair</p> | <p>\$2.25 Underwear \$1.00
The line of goods that represent the greatest amount of quality that can be crowded into a price. This underwear is made from finest, softest, cleaned Australian lamb's wool, and is woven in heavy derby ribs; shirt has satin-bound neck and satin button band; drawers are finished with best silesia; colors are brown, blue and pink; worth \$2.25 at any place and at any time. Price \$1.00</p> <p>Men's Hose 15c
Men's double thread pure wool cashmere hose, of very fine weave, in black and natural gray; full regular made; double heels and toes; standard value at 25c a pair. Special 15c</p> <p>Men's Flannel Shirts \$1.90
Blue flannel shirts, made from the extra heavy California material; single-breasted style, sateen collar bands and gussets; \$2.50 quality. Priced today at \$1.90</p> <p>Boys' Waists 50c
Pure wool flannel waists, in all colors; made up in best style and worth 75c each. Price 50c</p> <p>Men's Gloves 25c
Splendid black Astrakhan back gloves, with knitted palm and fingers. Lined throughout with fancy colored fleeced material. A standard 50c glove for 25c</p> <p>Warranted Gold Rings 25c
These rings are shown in settings of the different stones; are up to finest articles in appearance; the guaranteed to wear five years; any one tarnishing will be replaced; immense assortment. Price 25c</p> <p>Lace Pins and Brooches 35c
Large lines of latest novelties in plain, dull and "Tiffany" finish; rolled gold brooches and lace pins; all set tastefully with good imitation gems; the class of goods sold generally at \$1.00. Price 35c</p> |
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CLARK AFTER HELENA STREET RAILWAY LINE

Belief Expressed That Fight Is on Between Senator and Light and Power Company.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)

Helena, Dec. 4.—There is said to be a lively fight on between Senator W. A. Clark and T. A. Marlow, president of the Helena Light & Power company. Mr. Marlow, as president of the Power company, represents a majority of the stock.

Suit has been instituted by the Central Trust company of New York to foreclose the mortgage it holds on the company's property. The majority stockholders, or that interest represented by Mr. Marlow, recently consented to the appointment of a receiver for the property. H. L. Walker, a brother-in-law of H. M. Parchen, a heavy stockholder, was appointed.

Senator Clark, E. T. Wilson and A. J. Davis filed a petition with the federal court asking for permission to intervene and protect their interests last Saturday.

It is stated on good authority that Senator Clark is after the Helena street railway system and will outfit at the sale the Marlow interests, which are seeking to gain control of the property. If the minority stockholders had not asked for permission to intervene in the case, it is quite likely that the sale of the property, which will be held some time in the future, would be a mere matter of form and pass eventually into the hands of Mr. Marlow and his associates.

Senator Clark is said to believe in street railways as an investment and is said to be out to capture the Helena system, which is owned by the Helena Light & Power company, now in the hands of the receiver, H. L. Walker.

ONLY ROUTINE BUSINESS.

Semi-Annual Meeting of State Board of Education.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Helena, Dec. 4.—The proceedings of the semi-annual meeting of the state board of education held yesterday were of a routine character. Reports were received from many of the state institutions.

President H. H. Swain, of the State Normal School at Dillon, reported an attendance of 129. He said a new dormitory had been built and the curriculum of the school strengthened in every way. The present enrollment at the state university is 253, President Craig reported. President Leonard of the School of Mines gave the attendance there as 50 in his report and stated that the state appropriation of \$32,861 had been expended.

The appointment of Prof. Alfred Knight to fill the chair recently endowed by C. W. Clark, was announced.

Examination of Teachers.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
Big Timber, Dec. 4.—A teachers' examination for Sweet grass county was held here in the high school building Saturday, November 30. The following teachers took examination: Nellie Beaupre, first grade; Maude Latty, Caroline Rob-

erts and Grace Taylor, second grade. Students of the eighth grade took the examination for admission to the high school as follows: Inga Solberg, Howie, Asa Lanphear, Jennie Martin, Eva Severance, Zenas McPhee, Fred Crossgriff and George Crossgriff of district No. 4.

KILLED AT TURKEY SHOOT.

James McKillop Accidentally Shot by a Comrade.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)

KallsPELL, Dec. 4.—Major M. D. Baldwin has returned from Cutbank where he had been on professional business. While there he made the funeral address over the body of James McKillop, who was accidentally shot and killed Thanksgiving day, by William Goggin, a Great Northern brakeman.

The tragedy occurred at a turkey shoot. Goggin had picked up a 22-caliber gun and was preparing to take a shot at a turkey when the weapon was prematurely discharged. The bullet struck McKillop in the left temple, inflicting a wound from which he died shortly afterward. A coroner's jury found the killing to be entirely accidental and exonerated Goggin.

The dead man was 21 years old and was highly esteemed by the people of Cutbank. His parents reside at Black Duck, Minnesota, and he had planned to have them come to Montana soon. The remains were interred at Cutbank.

NEW COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Site Purchased and Erection of Building to Soon Follow.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)

Billings, Dec. 4.—The county commissioners have purchased a site for a courthouse. It is located on the East Side in North Twenty-seventh street, between Second and Third avenues, and cost about \$6500. A new courthouse is one of the possibilities of the not distant future. The proposition was voted on last fall.

It is believed beyond reasonable doubt that work on the new Burlington branch from Billings to Great Falls will be commenced within a few weeks. F. J. McShane of Omaha, a member of the firm of McShane & Co., contractors, was here yesterday and stated that his firm has the contract and had expected to begin work ere this, but had been delayed.

Surveyors who have been in this section several weeks have reached Musselshell river.

Laying Off Railroad Outfits.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)

KallsPELL, Dec. 4.—The outfits at work on the Jennings' branch of the Great Northern are beginning to lay off for the winter. Most of them will winter in KallsPELL and be ready to start work again as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

Extended Telephone System.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)

Deer Lodge, Dec. 4.—An extended system of telephones is soon to be had here. Linemen in the employ of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company have been busy this week stringing wires and preparing to install the new 'phones. In all about 24 will be put in, many of the

county officers at the courthouse being supplied. This move on the part of the company will be welcomed, as the service heretofore has been quite limited and unsatisfactory.

Indorsed With a "Nit."

General MacArthur, despite his distinction and his many successes, modestly prefers to speak the praises of others.

To a naval officer whom he entertained at Manila some time ago he told a good story about Lieut. J. C. Gillmore, U. S. N., who was captured with seven men of the Yorktown at Baler, Luzon Island, in April, 1899, by the Philippine insurgents, and held prisoner for months in the mountains.

One of the prisoners, who spoke Spanish fluently, was commanded to translate into English decoy letters addressed "To Whom It May Concern," stating that the bearers were warm friends of the Americans, and had failed in aiding them to escape only because of the vigilance of the insurgent guards.

"It was the intention," said General MacArthur, "to have these letters used whenever the bearers might be captured by our forces, and also as passports for spies. Those superintending this literary coup had sufficient knowledge of English to make out the general sentiment of the document."

"Lieutenant Gillmore insisted, continued the general, "that as chief officer among the prisoners he be given the privilege of looking over what had been written. Nodding approval over each letter he added to each the word 'Nit,' which the insurgents accepted as an official vise of the papers."

General MacArthur showed one of these letters. "You can imagine," said he, "the unbounded admiration it created for the resourcefulness of Lieutenant Gillmore.—Philadelphia Post.

The Shame of the Other Man.

I laughed at one who yesterday Had done a foolish thing; my heart Was glad because he hung his head, Because his cheeks with shame were red, Because he played a clownish part.

In mocking tones I offered him My pity and my sympathy, And, turning then, I laughed again; My glee was still unbridled when Shame-faced he rushed away from me.

His foolish error made me smile, My tasks were light through all the day; His shame brought gladness to my heart For once I played a foolish part In just the same poor thoughtless way.

He Had a Thirst.

During the inquisition of the police department on the saloon question yesterday by the grand jury one of the range members made himself notable for his persistency in asking questions, and he went into every possible way of violating the Sunday laws, like one who knew the game.

A member of the force who speaks a good Scotch brogue was one of the witnesses. After he had testified that he knew nothing of the saloons being open contrary to law, and that he had tried several side doors without success, the inquisitive juror suggested:

"You know that anyone wishing to buy a drink could get in the back door

at No. — Superior street last Sunday by knocking in a certain way?"

"I din na ken that. I wish I could ha' found somebody w' experience to tell o' airtier," replied the witness.

Then some of the other jurors smiled, but the inquisitive juror never saw the point.—Duluth News-Tribune.

"Mountain of Light."

With the famous—if fatal—\$700,000 Koh-i-noor diamond in her crown next June, Queen Alexandra will indeed be the envy of her sex.—Boston Globe.

Appropriate in the Highest Degree.

Probably congress will, at its coming session, authorize the creation of a new cabinet office, whose incumbent shall give special attention to foreign commerce. He might be called secretary of the exterior.—Boston Advertiser.

SUTTON'S NEW THEATRE

Dick P. Sutton, Manager, Butte, Mon.

Three nights and Wednesday Matinee, commencing Tuesday, December 3.

EUGENIE BLAIR AND COMPANY

Tuesday night and Wednesday Matinee, The Beautiful Society Drama, CAMILLE.

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52 artists, Giuseppe Creatoro, director; Mme. Joanna Harill, soprano; Miss Ida B. Heintzen, harpist.

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