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Poor Rickards! Ambition did it.

Wos's Rickards begin to suspect himself when he learns that Russell Harrison's organ rejoices in his downfall!

All the republican leaders in Montana have gained up to date a world wide reputation for political thievery. They haven't carried off any of the plunder they started out to get.

MR. RUSSELL HARRISON'S newspaper is as tickled over the rascally work of the republican state senators as Blocks of Five Dudley was the other day when he found justice had been blocked so that he could go about Indianapolis without being put in jail.

The gentleman to whom one of the republican senatorial candidates has been offering the governorship of Alaska will be disappointed to learn the place was filled on Saturday. The senatorial aspirant will have to bait his trap with something else.

There will be no tie in the state senate next year. Of the eight senators who drew one year terms, five are republicans and three democrats. The democrats are almost sure of re-election while the republicans will pretty certainly lose two districts—Missoula and Jefferson.

SANDERS has been the inventor, the promoter, the consummator, the alpha and the omega, the horns, the hide and the tail, the canvassing board and the arithmetician, the judge, the court and the jury, the king pin, the backbone, the ribs and the arteries of the conspiracy against the ballot. If ever a man has earned a stolen senatorship he is that man.

THE Old Warhorse begins his law suit to-day against his straw defendant, the auditor, for one chair and cuspidor in the United States senate chamber. Pitted against him will be that young legal giant, Attorney General Henri Jemini Haskell.

MORE money in fine buildings would do more for Helena than anything else. It is the best built town west of St. Paul now, but there is still room for improvement.

One of them should be planned for a fine public hall—a great need in Helena. Three or four handsome church edifices would add greatly to the attractions of the town in the eyes of the prospective settlers.

THE ROYAL ROAD TO OFFICE. Next to being a member of the president's family the surest road to a federal appointment under the Harrison administration is through Indiana.

Notice to Ministers. All ministers who have not received application blanks for half fare permits for 1890, good on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern and Minneapolis & St. Louis railways, can do so by calling on the undersigned in Montana National Bank building.

some service to the president. It is now recollected by republicans of Minnesota that the Scandinavian vote was kept in line a year ago last November only by the hardest work imaginable, and that all manner of promises were made if that element—which outnumbered nearly two to one any other foreign-born class of citizens of the state—would but remain steadfast for the party of great moral ideas and greater immoral practices.

They are great sticklers for form and ceremony—these republican candidates for the United States senate. Why the deuce don't they go to Washington and swear in at once? It isn't necessary to wait for a ballot.

It is slowly dawning upon all republicans, except the three or four who are consumed with feverish desire to go to the United States senate, that the high-handed and revolutionary acts of the republican senators last week in attempting to organize the senate with only seven votes out of sixteen, has worked irretrievable injury to the party's prospects.

CROSS-CUTS. It discourages a young mustache to be called down.—Pittsburg Chronicle. It is hard to get at the naked truth of a bear story.—Chicago Tribune.

Most of the nurserymen have branch establishments.—Boston Bulletin. Fill yourself with the Christmas spirit, but beware of too much Christmas drink.—Texas Siftings.

It is a condition that confronts the penniless congressman upon the brink of Christmas.—Philadelphia Record. Society journals say that extra length hose are now in style for winter wear.

An insuperable difficulty—"Why doesn't that poor gentleman wear an overcoat, Madge; hasn't he got any?" "Yes, little sister, but he couldn't get it on over his chrysanthemum."—Time.

Minister—How are we going to force store-keepers to keep their places closed on Sunday? Deacon—Might start a ball game or get up a horse race.—Munsey's Weekly.

Stoopid—I know that I shall be called upon for a toast when it comes to the champagne. What shall I propose? Blaise—O, anything will go, as long as it isn't "Here's looking at you." Stoopid—Why not that? Blaise—The ladies are in full dress.—Philadelphia Press.

Wife (whose husband has explained to her the mysteries of poker)—It seems very simple. I suppose one can play it as well as another? Husband—No, there is a great difference in players. There's the man who can play poker, and the man who thinks he can. The latter is the one who has to write a check.

One Pleasant Thing—"There is one thing, dear madam, about your charming little boy which pleases me particularly," said the visitor, who had patiently submitted to having his corns trampled and his whiskers pulled out by young hopeful. "And that is?" smiled mamma. "Dear madam, that he is not a twin."—N. Y. Truth.

Most acceptable will be a good glass of wine for your friends on Christmas, and the place to get it is at the California Wine House, 46 South Main street. Mr. Pack has the largest and best assortment to select from. You will find what you want and can rest assured of having the best that can be bought.

COURT HOUSE GOSSIP.

"Now look at that," said Clerk of the Court Bean, tossing a letter over the table as his handsome mustache curled with disgust. "There is a sample of letters I receive every day. That class of people bring more gray hairs to my head than all the business of this court put together."

Whenever a stenographer comes to town, and you have no idea how many of them there are," continued the clerk, "the first man they strike for a job is the clerk of the district court. You see, in the east they think that stenography is unknown here. The consequence is the town is full of them all the time.

For Next Thirty Days. At almost cost, for the watches, diamonds and jewelry of all description. It will pay you to call and examine, at Ringwald's, opposite Cosmopolitan hotel, Main street.

Could not Arrest Powderly. SCRANTON, Dec. 22.—Constable Washington of Westmoreland county, arrived in this city yesterday with a warrant for the arrest of General Master Workman Powderly.

The public appreciates the good effort of Mr. Pack, of the California Wine House, by good patronage, in keeping up the reputation of his house to perfection as to keeping the same stock and quality of goods that Mr. Green, Powell kept while being there in business, for which he earned the reputation of having the finest stock of goods in the northwest.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—A man named Paul Yaeger at Morse & Bradshaw's slaughter house yesterday, while engaged in skinning a beef, cut the muscle of his arm to the bone. For a time his life was in danger on account of the flow of blood.

All Ready. The toboggan slide on Helena avenue is all ready for business. Come and bring your best girl.

"Sanitary Engineering." Plans and Specifications for fine plumbing. See O'Brien, The Plumber.

Bound Over. Morrissey and Kelf, the men arrested at Butte, for the assault and robbery of old man McLean at Boulder, have been bound over in the sum of \$1,000 to await the action of the grand jury.

He Founded the Sun. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—B. H. Day, who founded the New York Sun and printed its first copy in 1833, died to-day, aged 80 years.

Fancy China in all designs now opened at The Bee Hive.

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A FEW Sensible Thoughts to Buyers of Holiday Gifts.

Do not buy Useless "Jim-cracks" for Holiday Presents.

The gifts that are most appreciated are those that are the most useful and sensible.

We have marked our entire stock of Seal Plush Cloaks at exactly the New York cost for the Holiday season.

What would be more desirable as a gift for your sister, cousin, or your aunt, than one of those handsome Seal Plush Jackets that we have reduced from \$15.00 TO \$9.00.

or one of those very stylish 30-inch English Top Coats, reduced from \$25.00 TO \$19.00.

The best value for the money of anything in the cloak line that was ever offered in Helena is the 40-inch Seal Plush Sack that we have reduced from \$30.00 TO \$20.00.

Forty-four inch Seal Plush Sack, finished in the very latest style. We have made the very low reduction from \$42.50 TO \$30.00.

Forty-six inch Seal Plush Sack, the best value for the money we have mentioned, has been reduced from \$45.00 TO \$32.50.

These garments we will guarantee to be the best goods made, in quality, fit and style—not such goods as you usually find at "special sales" everywhere.

These are only a few of the many grand bargains we are offering in our Cloak and Suit Department.

FASCINATORS, Hoods and Toboggans, new, fresh, clean goods, just received, which we bought as a job, and will sell at 50c. on the dollar.

We do not keep the useless "jim-cracks" for Holiday gifts, such as you find in some dry goods stores, believing that the proper place to buy toys is at the toy stores, or for pictures is at the art stores, candy at the confectionery stores, etc.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE STOCKHOLDERS of the West Granite Mountain Mining Company, that the syndicate named in the resolution adopted at the meeting of said company on October 20th, 1889, have delivered two hundred and fifty thousand shares of the Elizabeth Mining Company to Messrs. Bullard and Augustus B. Ewing, Trustees.

Any stockholder of the West Granite Company may within sixty days from the 20th day of December, 1889, exchange his shares in said company for Elizabeth Mining Company stock at the rate of two shares of the former for one of the latter on the terms provided in said resolution, by applying to Augustus B. Ewing, Esq., Room 124, LaCelle Building, St. Louis, Mo., or Messrs. Bullard, Room No. 8, Gold Block, Main street, Helena, Montana.

At the expiration of said sixty days the stock of the Elizabeth Mining Company remaining unexchanged in the hands of said Bullard and Ewing will be sold as provided in said resolution.

AUGUSTUS B. EWING, MASSESNA BULLARD, Trustees. Helena, Montana, December 20, 1889.

CONTRACT FOR COAL. The Montana Company, Limited, is prepared to receive bids for the supply of the whole or any part of fifteen thousand cords of good, merchantable coal, or fifteen thousand tons of coal, to be delivered on cars or in its wood yard at Marysville, delivery to commence on the 1st day of May, 1890, and to be continued thereafter at the rate of 2,000 cords of wood or 2,000 tons of coal per month, until the contract is completed.

Contractors for coal will be required to furnish one sample carload of the quality they propose to supply. The Montana Company does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any bid. Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock, noon, on Wednesday, the 8th of January, 1890. E. T. BAYLESS, Marysville, Mont., Dec. 10, 1889.

BUY NOW! For investment. Lots near Northern Pacific depot. \$150 EACH AND UPWARDS. HOUSES, AND LOTS, 3x100 FEET, ONLY 2-2,000; one-fourth cash, balance one, two and three years.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING—THE ANNUAL meeting of the stockholders of the Bonanza Chief Mining and Milling Company will be held at the office of John H. Stuber on Thursday evening, December 20th, 1889, at 7:30, for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before them. THOMAS GOFF, Secretary.

Raleigh & Clarke's, McConnell, Cook & Co., Corner Higgins Ave. & Main St. MISSOULA.