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**COUNTY TAXES LIGHTER.**

A Reduction From Last Year of \$85,000 by Economical Management.

The Public Schools Got One-Half of All the Taxes Collected.

Balances From Last Year and the Reduction Will Carry the County Through 1893.

An inspection of the county treasurer's books shows that the taxes for county purposes this year are \$75,000 less than for 1891, and the state tax is \$10,000 less than it was last year. The reduction of taxes for this year is \$85,000 on account of the completion of the new county jail building, and \$21,400 on general county purposes, consequent upon the economical and efficient management of the county commissioners, and through the close collection of taxes and licenses by the treasurer, leaving balances in the several funds from 1891 taxes, sufficient with the reduced tax, of carrying the county through 1893.

Of the \$95,900 collected for school purposes, \$17,725 will be used for payment of interest on bonds, \$18,700, and the proceeds of the one mill tax on the Helena district, voted last spring, will be used to square up the district to January, 1893. About \$28,000 will be apportioned to Helena district for the year 1893 and \$19,000 to county schools. The taxes for 1892 for school purposes are about \$5,000 more than for 1891. One-half of all taxes collected for the state and county is for the public schools. Last year the county treasurer collected of taxes delinquent about Dec. 1, \$18,500. This year there is about \$9,000 of delinquent taxes to be collected.

Following is a comparative statement of county taxes collected to Dec. 2, for the years 1891 and 1892. The item of Helena fire department insurance taxes represents the amount paid by companies doing business in Helena toward the maintenance of the department:

	1891.	1892.
State tax.....	\$ 56,708 02	\$ 66,983 20
State stock taxes.....	616 98	714 74
Helena fire dept. ins. taxes.....	590 20	684 79
County—general, poor and road.....	42,263 51	63,539 61
Jail tax.....	56,714 75	61,000 20
General school tax.....	37,493 66	21,970 72
Helena special school tax.....	1,803 43	1,479 78
Newwood special school tax.....	414 12	
Canyon Creek special school tax.....		747 32
Bimint special school tax.....		265 29
Total.....	\$105,959 67	\$377,083 79

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**WADSWORTH POST ELECTION.**

Those Who Will Be at the Head of the Society for a Year.

There was a good attendance last night at the meeting of Wadsworth post No. 3 G. A. R., the occasion being the annual election of officers. Col. P. R. Dolman, of Butte, one of the original members of the post, was present and delivered a pleasant address. The following were elected: Commander, C. F. Gage; senior vice commander, T. O. Conner; junior vice commander, J. E. Loomis; quartermaster, W. A. Hinson; chaplain, J. R. Hillman; sergeant, C. B. Miller; officer of the day, Garrison Redd; officer of the guard, A. T. Newberry; council of administration, R. H. Beck and T. P. Fuller; delegates to the department encampment, R. H. Beck, J. R. Hillman, T. O. Conner, H. S. Donnelly, J. E. Loomis; alternates, Jas. McKenzie, D. L. Miles, A. C. Votaw, C. B. Newberry and A. T. Newberry.

**Out for the Championship.**

New York, Dec. 9.—After his fight with Maher last night Joe Goddard said, spirit-edly: "I mean to make Jim Corbett fight. He has been calling me down long enough, and I think I have demonstrated by this time that I have a right to aspire to the championship of the world. Corbett cannot be champion and play actor at the same time. I shall post a forfeit of \$1,000, or for that matter one of \$5,000, and if he doesn't consent to fight within a year I shall let the forfeit go to bind a match with any man living. I thought Peter Jackson to a standstill in eight rounds, and I am sure I have beaten more and better men than Corbett has. I admit that Corbett is one of the cleverest men I ever saw, but he cannot hit one-tenth as hard as the man I have just beaten. Corbett ignored my challenge, but I don't see how he can get out of the match."

**Work of the Mafia.**

New Orleans, Dec. 9.—Another crime, thought to be by the mafia, a triple assassination, has been brought to light. A considerable riding along the levee in a lonely spot in St. James parish, came upon Stefano Arata, desperately wounded, and near him two dead bodies. Arata said he and Antonio Proulx and another man, name unknown, were called to the spot by an offer of work by Louis Legio, Sabbath morning, and two others, and set upon without apparent cause. They killed the other two and left Arata for dead. He will die. The cause of the crime is not revealed. The police are searching for the assassins.

Tailor made coats for ladies, the latest cut and style, as low as \$8 at The Bee Hive.

Only Two Nights and Fast Time to Chicago.

The Great Northern makes several hours quicker time—Helena to St. Paul—than any other line; is the only line which makes the run to Chicago in two nights, other lines using three and four nights.

Ladies, have you seen those tailor made coats with imperial sleeves at The Bee Hive? If not call at once; they are beautiful.

The best line of ladies' cloaks for the least money can be found at The Bee Hive.

**JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.**

Battery A. M. N. G. will give a grand ball at Electric hall Friday, Dec. 30.

Mrs. Pyle has just received news of the death of her sister, Mrs. Dr. Pyle, at Butler, Mo., on the 8th inst.

The Montana Society of Civil Engineers will hold a regular meeting this evening at the office of Sizer & Keerl.

The advance of five cents per gallon on whisky by the combine has caused alcohol to go up 10 cents per gallon in Helena.

Annual representation proofs were filed by the Gold and Gem Mining company of Montana with the county clerk yesterday.

Roger W. Herr, of Great Falls, was admitted to practice in the supreme court yesterday on Motion of Attorney General Haskell.

Rev. L. V. Moore, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will take as his subject tomorrow evening "The Relation of Christianity to Modern Thought."

Rev. Little, of Walkerville, and Rev. Coombe, of Great Falls, in attendance at the annual meeting of the Shrine, are guests of Rev. S. E. Snider.

The Concert and Picture Gallery given recently by the Epworth League at the Broadway Methodist Episcopal church for the benefit of the Epworth League, on Thursday evening, Dec. 15.

There is an exhibition at the Northern Pacific express office a magnificent moose head, a trophy of the Kenet secured on a hunting trip in Idaho a few days ago. The antlers at the widest point are fifty-six inches across. It is one of the finest heads ever seen in Helena.

The Lewis and Clarke County Medical association has elected Dr. G. H. Harbour, president; Dr. J. J. McDonald and Dr. N. Salvai, vice presidents; Dr. W. M. Ballard, secretary; Dr. S. C. Baldwin, treasurer; Dr. C. Schulz, corresponding secretary; and Dr. C. K. Cole, Dr. W. L. Steele, and Dr. Wm. Treacy, censors.

Judith Oren, son of Harry K. Oren, was accidentally run over by a carriage driven by Ed Callicut, in front of Adams' hall on Tuesday night last. The little fellow was riding on some other horse in the street, and the driver did not see him. The wheels passed over his chest, but fortunately without doing any serious damage. He is now doing well. No blame is attached to the driver.

**PERSONAL.**

Frank Longmaid, of Empire, is in town in attendance on the district court.

Judge Hunt returned from Bozeman yesterday, where he has been holding court for Judge Armstrong.

General Passenger and Freight Agent B. H. Langley, of the Northern, returned yesterday from a trip to California.

Representative-Elect James H. Monteith, of Butte, and Mrs. Monteith are in Helena, and are registered at The Helena.

The entertainment given in the interest of Oakes street church last night was a success, financially and socially. A good program was rendered.

D. R. Pace, for Sioux City, Ia.; Edward Rosen, for Syracuse, N. Y.; Dan Miller, for Oswego, N. Y.; C. W. Graham, for Minneapolis, Minn., were among yesterday's departures via the Great Northern.

Departures via the Union Pacific yesterday were Annie L. Hooser, for Chicago; Joseph S. Lytle and family, for Los Angeles; S. Murphy and family, for Los Angeles; W. N. Lozie, for Buffalo, N. Y.; Chas. F. Lee, for New York.

**Arrivals at The Helena.**

J. J. Cunningham, St. Miss; Nellie Wyman, Paul; Wm. J. Thompson, Helena; C. B. Hibbard and wife, Seattle.

J. J. Leuberg, Boston; Walter Hatch, Chicago; R. L. McLaughlin, Helena; Jas. H. Huley, Minneapolis; C. W. Hickman, Livingston; H. M. DeHart, Denver.

F. V. Harley, St. Paul; S. S. Hobson, Utah; A. J. Shores, Great Falls; Jas. H. Mahan, St. Paul; J. E. Goldsmith, St. Paul; J. F. Winemurray, Chicago; C. B. Case, New York; Geo. H. Casey, Butte.

J. W. Surman, New York; W. Watkins, San Francisco; J. Buckley, Miss.; Mrs. G. H. Robinson, Maryville; J. H. Baultz, Williamsport, Ia.; Sam. T. Green, Helena; Joan H. Parks, Helena.

**Arrivals at the Grand Central.**

Hugh Frederick, Drummond; D. W. Pratt, Glendive; Ed. F. Cook, Helena; B. H. West, Townsend; Thos. W. Fisher, Coles; J. W. Kilde, Silver City; Camp; York; J. H. Letz, Marysville; A. M. Weibert, New York; Russell Bassett, New York; Wm. N. Martin, New York; Geo. E. Robinson, New York.

After Dark Opera Co., New York; John Duffy, Elmer; A. N. Hawley, Lig. Timmer; D. Pratt, Billings; H. H. Letz, Camp, Billings; P. J. Kelly, Helena; G. E. Morris, Judith; C. Benedict, Helena; James Hanson, Leobach; A. Sherman, St. Paul; W. C. Whaley, Federal; J. F. Faulkner, St. Paul; Jas. S. Smith, St. Louis; E. J. Dougherty, Miss.; Mrs. Jas. S. Lytle and daughter, San River; John J. Clark, Diamond; A. Davis, Dancona; H. J. Toomey, Chinook; James Hill, Missoula; C. R. Enns, Montana; Chas. Matthews, Philadelphia.

**The New Merchants Hotel.**

Now opened on the European plan, offers the following low rates to transient guests: \$1.25 per day (parlor floor); \$1 per day (third floor); 75 cents per day (fourth floor). Extra for more than one occupant, special rates to theatrical people, and permanent guests. Every room heated by steam and lighted by electricity. Hot and cold water and porcelain baths on each floor. New hardwood furniture and Brussels carpet in guests' rooms, wide and spacious hallways carpeted with crimson velvet. Dining room, table d'hote. Guests will find good meals in the dining room of this house, operated by the Misses Nagle. Meals 20 cents. Weekly rates to permanent boarders.

**Going East—Save Time.**

Going to Chicago and east your short quick route is via St. Paul and "The Northwestern Line." Leave Butte 6:15 a. m., Helena 10:15 a. m., to-day, reach St. Paul 6:55 a. m., second day, connecting with fast day train of "The Northwestern Line" leaving St. Paul 8:00 a. m., daily and arriving Chicago 6:45 p. m., same day, making less than sixty hours from Helena, which is several hours less time than via any other line to Chicago. This 6:55 p. m. arrival in Chicago insures connection with all the principal lines from Chicago east, and "The Northwestern Line" is the only line from St. Paul that makes all of these connections in Chicago.

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**SANDS BROS. Great Slaughter Sale**

**Ladies' Jackets and Capes and Children's Wraps.**

This Week we will inaugurate a Great Slaughter Sale of Ladies' and Children's Winter Garments, and continue the reduction in prices until our immense stock is closed out. The collection embraces the latest novelties in shapes, materials and trimmings. The partial list given below will convey an idea of the tremendous reductions in prices throughout the entire stock:

- LOT 1. Ladies' Black Cheviot and Cloth Jackets, tailor-made, well finished. \$6, Reduced From \$9.
- LOT 2. Ladies' Black Melton Jackets, fur and Astrachan trimmed. \$8.50, Reduced From \$12.50.
- LOT 3. Ladies' Black Cloth Jackets, fine tailor finish. \$10, Reduced From \$14.60.
- LOT 4. Ladies' Navy and Black Cloth Jackets, plain, fur and Astrachan trimmed, with and without fur collar. \$12.50, Reduced From \$18.
- LOT 5. Ladies' Black Cheviot and Cloth Jackets, handsome fur-trimmed, London made, tailor finish. \$13.50, Reduced From \$18.50.

- LOT 6. Ladies' Tan and Black Cloth Jackets, elegant tailor finish, welt seams, \$14, Reduced From \$19.50.
- LOT 7. Ladies' Black Cheviot and Diagonal Jackets, fur trimmed, tailor finish. \$15, Reduced From \$20.
- LOT 8. Ladies' Black Cloth Jackets, fur trimmed, London made, fine tailor finish. \$16.50, Reduced From \$22.50.
- LOT 9. Ladies' Astrachan Cloth Jackets, satin lined, London made. \$18.90, Reduced From \$25.
- LOT 10. Ladies' English Cloth Jackets, tan and black, fine tailor finish. \$19.75, Reduced From \$27.50.

- Ladies' Plush Jackets.**
- One line of Astrachan Trimmed Plush Jackets. \$8.50, REDUCED FROM \$15
  - One line of Plush Jackets. \$10, REDUCED FROM \$16.50
  - One line of Plush Jackets. \$12.50, REDUCED FROM \$18.50
  - One line of Plush Wraps, consisting of Fine Garments, formerly ranging in price from \$20 to \$35 each. ALL REDUCED TO \$7.50 EACH

- Ladies' Newmarkets.**
- One lot of Ladies' Newmarkets, black and colors, serviceable and seasonable garments. Formerly \$12 to \$20, NOW \$7.50 EACH.
  - Forty-inch Seal Plush Coats, best quality, satin lined, real seal loops. \$19 Reduced From \$25.
  - Forty-five-inch Seal Plush Coats, best quality, satin lined, real Seal loops. \$26.65, REDUCED FROM \$35.
  - Fifty-inch Seal Plush Coats, best quality, satin lined, real Seal loops. \$37.50, REDUCED FROM \$50.

Misses' and Children's Garments in an immense variety of styles and a wide range of qualities marked in proportion. Our stock is much too large for this part of the season.—The surplus must be closed out at once.—A sacrifice in prices is the remedy.—We have made the sacrifice.—The opportunity is yours.—We recommend an early selection. In consideration of the reduced prices prevailing during this sale, terms will be STRICTLY CASH in this department.

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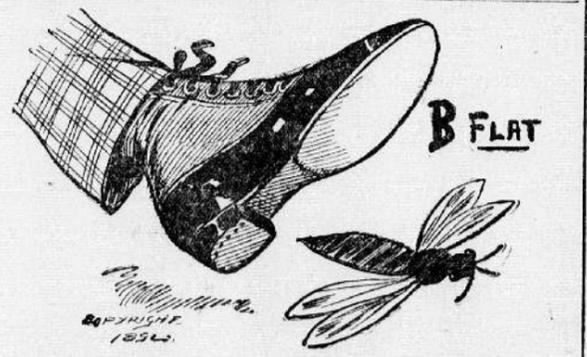
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  - Imported Meltons..... 15.00 CUT FROM 20.00
  - Irish Frieze Ulsters..... 20.00 CUT FROM 22.00
  - Fancy Frieze Ulsters..... 20.00 CUT FROM 25.00

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- AT COST Children's Clothing.
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