MONTANA FRUIT GROWING

W. B. Harlan Writes Interestingly of His Experience in Missoula Rounty.

Climatic Conditions That Make It Difficult to Arrive at Conclusions.

The Result of Ten Years Experience—Warning to Farmers to Look Out for Agents.

In a recent issue of the Bitter Root Times W. B. Harlan writes interestingly and instructively on the subject of fruit growing in the Bitter Root. He has devoted ten years to the business and no man in the state is more competent to talk on the subject. While the article deals particularly with his own section, the facts are of interest to fruit farmers all over the state, and the article is given entire. Mr. Harlan says:

As I am constantly in receipt of inquiries regarding varieties of fruit trees to plant in this section, I think it may be of some general interest to publish what little I can say upon the subject. First let me premise by saying that I do not know half as much about the subject as I thought I did five or ten years ago. We in Missoula county are subject to climatic conditions that make it especially hard to arrive at any satisfactory conclusions. While we are south and west of the region of severe cold and blizzards, and east of the warm moist winters of the coast, yet we feel a touch of each. Trees of the half tender varieties will do well for three, four, or five years, and will leave the new orchardist to believe that he can raise almost any of the old well known kinds of apples, plums and pears. Then will come a winter when all but the most hardy ironclads will suffer severely, many be permanently injured or killed entirely. Such winters serve to cut down the desirable list to small proportions. Then along comes such a winter as that of 1887-8, when everything in the orchard is killed or blackheated except the Siberian crabs. Happily such winters are few and far between, so that we have some encouragement to plant with a reasonable expectation of a profitable succession of seasons before another comes.

There are dozens of varieties of apples, pears, plums, and cherries, that have been introduced from Russia by Prof. Budd, of the Iowa Agricultural college, and by the department of agriculture, that have proven hardier in the tree and fruit-bud than any of the old well-known sorts of the eastern states. For lists and descriptions of these, those interested should send to Prof. Budd, Ames, Iowa, for the latest catalogue of hardy fruits. There are also some apples that originated in the north and northwest that have proven reasonably hardy and valuable, such as Wealthy, our best late fall apple, Pewaukee, Scotts Winter, Wolf River, Salome, Whitney, etc. But of long keeping winter apples we have nothing that has been proven to have all the necessary or desirable qualities of tree and fruit that the Duchess and Wealthy have for fall use. The fruit growers of Missoula county could well afford to pay $10,000 for an apple equal in all respects to the Wealthy that would keep until April 1. I have no doubt such an apple will yet be found, but at present, although I have over thirty kinds of winter apples in bearing, I am at loss what kind to order for my spring setting of 1,000 of late keepers.

As to plums, pears, and cherries, it is not worth while to set any but the Russians, except of plums, a few of the Iowa and Wisconsin natives, such as Wolf, Desoto, Wyant, etc. The Russians as they come into bearing are proving themselves to be good, prolific, and hardy. I have now in bearing some sixty varieties of apples, forty of plums, and about fifteen each of pears and cherries. From this number, many, many times too large for profit, I hope in time to settle on some half dozen kinds of each which will have the most of the desirable qualities of tree for profit and pleasure. Until then, at least, I will be chary of the advice I give to others as to the best kinds of plant.

While I fully believe that fruit growing can be made profitable in western Montana, I am equally certain that success will not be attained without close attention being given to the selection of varieties and location and care in the cultivation and protection of the trees during the years after setting until they come into bearing. But little attention need be given to the prattle of agents as to the relative merits of the different modes of root-grafting, budding, etc. I have blocks of trees from one to 500 in number, of piece root grafts, and budded trees, set from ten to five years, and I defy any tree agent to detect the difference by an inspection of tree or crop. And in this connection I desire to speak of a matter that concerns those who buy trees. While I do not wish to injute any honest man or his calling, it is too well known to be ignored, that a large part of the business done by the tree agents in this country in the past fifteen years has been of a fraudulent nature. Had the swindling which the farmers have endured with scarcely a protest, been perpetrated against any other class of our people, merchants, bankers, etc., many of the rascally tree peddlers who have infected our section would now be doing time in the Deer Lodge penitentiary. But the farmers as a class are an easy going people, and some of them are almost open to the charge of loving to be humbugged and swindled. While there are many honest men selling trees who will do as they agree, and who are doing a great good in encouraging fruit culture, yet there are many of them who are the most barefaced swindlers out of jail, and it is hard to distinguish them until it is too late. A certificate of agency from a reliable nursery is no assurance of honest dealing upon the part of the agent, as we know to our sorrow, for two of the very worst swindlers of the fraternity who have been the duly accredited agents of the Bloomington nursery, of Illinois, and the Jewell nursery, of Lake City, Minn., both of the highest standing. Neither is the possession of polished manners, smooth tongue, or fluent language for any criterion to judge by. By showing flashy chromos of impossible fruits, with the largest obtainable specimens placed in magnifying jars with exaggerated and untruthful descriptions, they obtain orders that they would not get if the truth had been told. But the worst and most common practice is to take orders for choice and high priced varieties, and then fill the order with cheap, worthless stuff, labeling it of course to suit the order. In this last way thousands of dollars have been stolen from the people of Missoula county, to say nothing of the time, labor, and land devoted to the trees until their worthlessness has been discovered. Orders for favorite kinds of hardy apples have been filled in dozens of cases with other kinds, tender and worthless. Fine varieties of plums have turned out after years of careful cultivation to be nothing but wild seedlings, besides which our common choke cherry is a luscious fruit. And remember that in every case the very highest price has been asked and paid, a scale of prices that if applied to any other line of goods would cause the proposed seller to be booted out of any community. Now, I admit that this is strong language, but much harsher language would be justified by the outrageous treatment, exactions and frauds to which the farmers of western Montana have been subjected to in the sale and delivery of fruit trees. If the Western Montana Fruit Grower's association can accomplish anything towards lessening this evil and protecting its members and others from a repetition of past frauds, it will have fully justified its organization. As its president I shall certainly do all in my power to attain that end.

A SUGGESTION FOR NOAH.

How to Classify His Animals and His Descendants.

A distinguished man says: "The most useful uninspired book existing—an inexhaustible reference book for young or old—is the Encyclopædia Britannica. Children beginning at 10 years old and on need its stores of historical, biographical, mythological, elementary, scientific and natural history information. The eager boy can study balloons, kind of dogs or firearms, locomotives, habits of the housefly or cockroach. The youth may want information on subjects from geology or electricity to the settlement of the Fiji islands, or volcanoes and earthquakes, or a most fascinating story of Napoleon; and for the still older all the fundamental conceptions of law, medicine, theology, ethics, sociology, curves and functions, architecture, art—all the way up, perhaps, to the origin of Chinese metaphysics. Whether for education or information, no man who once has this book will ever let himself or his children be without constant access to it. If another deluge came and the ark had room for but one secular book, this is beyond any doubt the one. Noah could classify his animals and also his descendants and himself by it.

THE CHURCHES.

Congregational Church—W. G. Schoppe will preach at 11 a. m.; also at 7:30 p. m. Subject—"The Spirit, Divinity All Pervasive."

Divine Science—At 8:00 p. m. at 429 Benton avenue, Mrs. Josephine R. Wilson takes for her subject "What is Divine Science." All invited.

Grand Street M. E. Church South—Services to-day at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor, R. H. Shaeffer. Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Unitarian services, G. A. R. hall—Mr. Crooker will preach at 11 a. m. on "The Efficiency of Prayer." Sunday school at 12:15 p. m. No evening service.

Scandinavian Lutheran church, Twelfth avenue and Idaho street—Rev. I. D. Ylvisaker, pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and eight p. m. Bible class Thursday evening, eight p. m.

Oakes Street M. E. Church—Services at 11 a. m., preaching by the pastor. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Song service at 7:45 p. m. and preaching at eight p. m. by Rev. I. N. Smith, of Ohio.

The Baptist church—Rev. C. B. Allen, Jr., pastor of the Baptist church is taking a few days' sojourn in Butte. Dr. R. W. Raymond, of Brooklyn, N. Y., will preach in Mr. Allen's pulpit this morning and evening.

First Presbyterian church, Eleventh avenue and Ewing street—There will be no services to-day on account of the absence of the pastor, Rev. T. V. Moore, who is attending a meeting of the Presbytery. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

St. Paul's M. E. Church—Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. Subject—"Constant Companionship of Christ." Sunday school at 12:15. Meeting for "men only" at 3:30. The orchestra will render special music. Battery "A," light artillery, of the Montana National guard, will attend in a body. Epworth league, 6:30. Preaching by the pastor to architects, carpenters and masons. Subject—"Christian Architecture." Special music by choir and orchestra. All are invited. J. Wesley Hill, pastor.

Silk Sale at the New York Dry Goods Store.

You have learned from the past to expect much from us. When you enter our store you shall never be disappointed, for we are constantly aiming at the highest point of perfection; hence to form a fair estimate of the extent and elegance of this season's exhibits do not fail to visit our store.

The good city of Helena, in fact the entire state, or rather, the ladies of the city and state, paid us a decided compliment during the past week. A crowded store. An elegant business. We have confidence in you, was the kind remark of many as they hastily gave their orders.

The 38-inch serge sale was a walkover. How the goods did sell. It was surely a surprise, but we will beat it this week with a great silk sale. A sale that for elegance, perfection and price, will overshadow all of our previous efforts. Read on and on third page and ponder. The price settles the question. No matter if your personal friend be the seller the price dictates to your favor. The quality, the assortment, the price, will command your trade.

The tremendous quantity of silk we have sold this season is due to the collection we are showing in selected and reliable qualities and exclusive styles, styles to be seen nowhere else in Montana.

Sixty-nine cents will buy (but for six days only) a very neat and tasty thirty-inch figured india silk in black, cream and medium grounds. This silk is retailed the country over at $1. 'Tis a wonderful bargain and suitable for dress costumes or waists. Summer is approaching when you will assuredly need these goods. Remember the stock is limited.

Ladies, the swival silk is very pretty. 'Tis just out and will eventually become a great leader. You can form some idea of what they are by the remark of one of our customers who pronounced them "rich, spicy and provoking." We did not quite catch the meaning but take it for granted that she considered them too high. Well, we have placed them on special sale for this week; just imagine, 57c. You cheap, did we hear you say. You are right, but they go at that for six days. See them this week. Prettiest goods you ever saw.

How about the figured china silks, silk retailed east at 20 cents. We offer them this week for 37½ cents. Understand, not the flimsy thin goods offered by common concerns, but a nice wash silk that is genteel for a street costume or an elegant tea gown. Every lady in Montana knows the reliability of the New York store, therefore when we say a good reliable wash silk at 37½ cents we mean it.

When you visit us this week take a glance at our suit department. Nobby walking costumes. "Well! I should smile." Ladies you will smile when you hear the price. Positively, the price is below zero, and the styles are the most elegant. We'll say no more; you shall judge for yourselves.

Nye and Burbank.

One of the largest audiences of the season gathered at the auditorium last night to hear Bill Nye and A. P. Burbank in alternate readings. It was a most delightful entertainment, the only criticism resting with the listeners who delayed the programme by straggling in until after nine o'clock. Bill Nye's stage humor is characteristic of his writings. It is droll, filled with bright and unexpected turns, and never fails to arouse the heartiest laughter. The programme of last evening was not followed, because, as Nye explained, it happened to be several years old. Several of his selections were given by him in Helena before. The famous stories of the "Razorback Hog" and the dog "Entomology" sent the audience into a roar of merriment, while his Swedish dialect imitations and reproduction of the ancient school reader reflected the finest touches of humor.

Mr. Burbank's first appearance in Helena left a fine impression. He fully shared the honors of the evening with Mr. Nye and was several times recalled. It is easy to understand his reputation as the best of American monologists. A resonant and flexible voice, a wonderful facial expression, together with grace of manner and long experience furnish a faultless equipment. His rendition of a scene from Rip Van Winkle received tumultuous applause, while his humorous selections were received with equal favor. It was altogether an entertainment so satisfactory as to leave the hope that others of the same class may follow.

I have a special line of children's school hats that I will sell cheap for one week. Mrs. Schofield, 11 Warren street.

If You

Want to buy a gold or silver watch call on us, we will save you money; large stock.

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Golden fleece serge suitings at The Bee Hive are selling fast at the Bee Hive at 15c per yard. Just the right weight goods for the present weather.

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Our store is now brimful of bargains. Every department is full of new spring goods, bought for cash at wonderfully low prices. We are selling them, too. If you don't believe this, come and see the crowds of buyers, and ten chances to one you will join the procession.

EMBROIDERY SALE.

It is a well known fact that we carry the largest assortment, finest goods, and sell the same lower than any house in the city. Our general stock of embroideries include every desirable style and quality.

Commencing Monday, April 17, we will place our entire stock on special sale for one week at the following special prices:

5c. embroideries for 3½c.
10c. and 12½c. embroideries for 6¼c.
15c. embroideries for 10c.
20c. and 25c. embroideries for 15c.
30c. embroideries for 20c.
35c. embroideries for 25c.
40c. and 45c. embroideries for 30c.
50c. embroideries for 35c.
65c. embroideries for 50c.
75c. embroideries for 60c.
$1 embroideries for 75c.

Mail orders. Many are doing their shopping through the medium of our mail department. Why not you? Fowles' Cash Store.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Some one stole the skeleton from the central school grounds Friday night.

The Mountain Chief lode in Ottawa district has been located by James Moran.

Between forty and fifty men are now employed on the electric line to the university.

A box containing knives and other cutlery was stolen from in front of Morrel's gun store. It was valued at $60.

Thomas Cruse was not so well yesterday, but the improvement has been very great since the crisis passed. He is still very weak, but has shown much vitality.

Edmund A. Larock has filed a notice in the county clerk's office of a right of way to carry water for irrigation purposes from the foot of Lime Kiln mountain to the south fork of the Dearborn river.

Col. James Sullivan is showing a gilded key several feet long presented to him by Mayor Frank Higgins in conferring the freedom of the city to A. O. U. W. visitors. All Helena guests speak only in the most glowing terms of the hospitality extended by the "gate city" hosts.

A special meeting of great importance is called by the president of the Columbian association for Monday, April 17, at two p. m. at the board of trade rooms. All ladies who have contributed in any way to this association are urged to attend and give their aid and counsel in further work contemplated by the association.

Next Tuesday night, in G. A. R. hall on Park avenue, the Unity club will conclude its public series of entertainments with a vocal and instrumental concert by home talent. The club, of which Prof. S. A. Merritt, of the high school, is president, has been very successful in its endeavors to supply a desideratum long lacking in Helena, of a literary gathering addressed by the most eminent leaders of intellectual thought, open to the general public attendance. All are invited to attend the concert at eight p. m.

The Best Ever in the World.

The products of the William J. Lemp Brewing company are known throughout the world. "The Lemp" is a household word, for it is used by more families than any other brand; it is the most popular everywhere because it possesses a pure malt flavor and holds its freshness, qualities which other brewers have never been able to successfully counterfeit. The people of Helena will be glad to know that the Lemp brands can be procured hereafter at the company's agency, the well known house of J. Marks. Special attention is directed to the "extra pale" and "extra export," two brands that challenge the world for excellence. The trade will be supplied promptly and satisfactorily, and family orders will receive special care.

PERSONAL.

C. W. Goodale, of Butte, is in town.

Dr. J. M. Fox, of Red Lodge, is in the city.

Hon. T. E. Collins, of Great Falls, is at the Helena.

D. A. G. Flowerree returned yesterday from Anaconda.

C. J. McNamara, of Big Sandy, is on a visit to the capital.

Manager C. A. Moison, of the Elkhorn mine, is at The Helena.

Mr. Henry Cannon leaves to-day for a three months' trip to Chicago and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Harris left yesterday via the Northern Pacific for Chicago. They will attend the opening exercises at the World's fair.

Arrivals at the Grand Central.

G F Curtiss, Neihart
E Van Riley, St Joseph, Mo
Geo W Flanders, Bozeman
Mrs H E Stevens, Bozeman
J A Hughes, Winston
M S Blakely, New York
A D Churchill, Marysville
F W Frazer, Jay Gould
John Murray, Butte
H Ivins, Jules Ferry
Jas N Collins, Jules' Ferry
Adam Brown, Livingston
P J Kelly, Winston
John A Doware, Great Falls
Lincoln Working, Helena
Mrs Flanders, Bozeman
Miss A Adams, Bozeman
Jas C Ferndon, New York
John C Paris, Marysville
Geo McCormick, Jules' Ferry
J W Rogers, Flanston
Chas Howell, Bismarck
H P Kelly, Winston
John Joseliew
John Sisz, Winston

Arrivals at The Helena.

H S Sherand, Great Falls
R Schivers, New York
Geo W Self, Denver
W Zeigler, Grisnfo
Fred Crouther, Maysville
Edwin P Estes and wife, Cincinnati
Maurice M Borger, San Francisco
N B Merrill, Chicago
Walter F Penny, Jr, Boston
Ed F Murphy, San Francisco
J M Fox, Red Lodge
L Quintan, St Paul
G W Herr, Rochester, N Y
R L Stillman, Minneapolis
John F Fogerto, San Francisco
E M Conakie, Chicago
J H Phelps, Sheridan Co
Miss Nellie Perkins, Great Falls
J Wirgrow, New York
C L Wolf, Helena
C J McNamara, Big Sandy
W B Graves, San Francisco
Stephen Gitterman, St Paul
Geo A Clark, Chicago
B L Pease, Cleveland
F N Arnold, Chicago
C A Moison, Elkhorn
C W Goodale, Butte
T F Collins, Great Falls
R A Ammon, New York
Wm J Finney, Minneapolis
C H Barnwell, Spokane
H B Cotton, Milwaukee
DeLancey Stony, New York
J R Roach, St Paul
Sydney Fox, Baltimore
L W Archer, Council Bluffs
C A Bardill, New York
D V Harley, St Paul
W R Southard, Rochester, N Y
Jos H Champ, Cleveland
Geo A Neely, Denver
E W Nye, New York
A P Burbank, New York
Miss Josie Taylor, Lexington, Ky
Geo W Taylor, Great Falls
John Henry Burke, Wolf Creek
J L Frazer, Helena
J H Hamb, Butte
J D Hamilton, Chicago
Theodore Meyer, New York
C C Congdon, Butte
Ed Church, San Francisco
H W Raymond, Brooklyn
L D Phillips, Havre

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For Visitors to the World's Fair—331 Michigan Avenue.

This club has the endorsement and approval of Gov. J. E. Rickards, the board of World's fair managers for Montana and many other leading and reputable citizens.

The citizens of the state of Montana are aware of the fact that its progress and development for the past fifteen years has been second to no state in the union. Owing to the fact that we have never had a commissioner of immigration, and that no concerted action has been made to advertise the advantages and resources of this locality to the capitalists of the east or the citizens of the old world, but comparatively few outside of our own territorial limitations are adequately impressed with our importance.

It is now thought advisable to make a united effort to call the attention of capital to the advantages to be derived from investments in Montana properties.

Many of the states of the union have erected, within the confines of Jackson park, Chicago, a state building as headquarters for their citizens. Most of these buildings are small in size, and under favorable circumstances would attract but little attention, and when placed in the immediate neighborhood of those magnificent architectural piles which go to make up the buildings of the World's Columbian exposition, and which are the wonder and admiration of all who have seen them, they will pass unnoticed.

It is probably understood by all that each of these state buildings is within the grounds of the World's Columbian exposition, and that admission to them is to be obtained only after payment of the regular entrance fee.

It is the design of the Montana State Headquarters club to provide a convenient location where may be made a suitable display of the minerals and other resources of our state, and from which may be distributed advertising matter calculated to awaken interest in our various business enterprises, which advertising matter, by a rule of the local board of the World's Columbian exposition, cannot be distributed within the grounds, and to provide the members of this club with many needed conveniences for themselves and their friends.

The projectors have secured the magnificent residence, 331 Michigan avenue, past the windows of which all processions, military and civic, must march, and which is convenient and easily accessible from the World's Columbian exposition and from the business center. Certificate holders will be entitled to all these privileges and advantages of the same, a few only of which we enumerate.

There will be provided a large reception room, upon the ground floor, where the citizens of Montana are expected to register, giving their home and Chicago addresses.

All mail and telegrams may be addressed to certificate holders in care of the club. Stationery and conveniences for the answering of the same will be provided free of charge. The leading newspapers of this state, as well as eastern newspapers, will be constantly on file; competent stenographers will be in attendance, and a telegraph office, telephone and American District Messenger service will be established within the building.

Hotel and lodging house accommodations will be procured for members at the best rates obtainable.

A ladies' parlor and retiring room, in charge of competent female attendants, will be free to the patrons of the club, as will also the privileges of the buffet. In short, it is designed to furnish all the conveniences and surroundings of a first-class hotel, with the exception of meals.

Certificates of membership will be issued at the uniform price of $10, entitling the holder thereof to all privileges of the club during their entire stay in the city of Chicago.

Certificates are to be non-assessable, and the owners thereof will, in no way, be held for any debts of the club.

A bureau of information will be established and information furnished as to the different point of interest in the city, and guides will be sent when desired. Excursions will be arranged for the lake at reasonable rates, and seats at the theaters secured, in advance, with no trouble to members.

If from sickness or other causes the certificate holder is unable to visit Chicago, upon the surrender of the certificate a new one will be issued, without extra expense, to any one whom the original holder may designate.

Montana has already attracted the attention of the civilized world by its unique and artistic advertisement, its "Silver Statue Justice," and it is expected that her citizens will heartily co-operate in making the Montana State Headquarters club the admiration and envy of the dwellers of all the other states. With your co-operation this can be accomplished.

Certificates of membership can be had by remitting $10 to James Barnes, Jr., & Co., Merchants hotel, Helena, Mont.

For further particulars address James Barnes, Jr., & Co., Great Falls, Mont., or Helena, Mont.

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Rates per day: 20 rooms at 50 cents, 15 at 75 cents, 15 at $1.

Rates per week: 10 rooms at $2, 10 at $2.50, 15 at $3.50, 10 at $4, 5 at $5.

Rates per month: 10 rooms at $8, 10 at $10, 15 at $15, 10 at $16, 5 at $20.

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Butcher & Bradley always have a full line of hosiery, notions, underwear, embroideries, corsets and embroidery materials, for the lowest cash prices.

Special prices on ladies', misses', boys' and children's hosiery at The Bee Hive this week.

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New shipments of pattern hats received at Mrs. S. A. Fisher's every week. See the latest. They will be displayed all this week.

Crockery and glassware at The Bee Hive cheaper than ever.

Full line of toys at The Bee Hive.

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To buy diamonds now; prices reduced. Call and be convinced at the

J. STEINMETZ JEWELRY CO., 20 Main street.

Big discount sale on towels and table linens at The Bee Hive this week. Take advantage of the sale and buy your supply.

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Seven rooms, bath, range, furnace and carpets nearly new; Hauser addition; a bargain. Apply to owner, 15 Granite block.

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The great success of the Special Two Dollar Dress Pattern Sale, inaugurated by us last week, has induced us to present this week another genuine bargain offering, in handsome All-Wool Dress Patterns, at Four Ninety-Five. The assortment embraces Fine All-Wool Scotch Cheviots, in Fancy Mixtures, Checks, Stripes, Plaids, Diagonals and Changeable Twills, in Tan, Grey, Brown, Blue and Green. The very latest effects and warranted pure wool. The entire line for this week at $4.95 per pattern.

Also, as a Special Bargain in our Cloak Department, we place on sale a line of Ladies' Cloth Capes, in Green and Navy Blue, at

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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING—THE ANNUAL meeting of the stockholders of the Baltimore Mining company will be held at the office of the Helena & Livingston Smelting and Reduction company, Helena, Montana, on Thursday, April 20, 1893, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing a board of trustees for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

C. R. ALLEN, Secretary.

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