

LOCAL NEWS.

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SUBSCRIPTIONS to the HUSBANDMAN may be sent at our risk, by registered letter.

INVITATIONS to G. A. Hampton's Christmas-eve ball were issued this week.

The quartz mill on Duck creek has shut down until spring.

F. J. KEENE was in town last week. He sends a copy of the HUSBANDMAN to his father, away back in the Old Dominion.

The Good Templars' Hall is being decorated with evergreens, by the sisters of the Lodge.

COL. JOHNSON, of Helena, came in on Monday's coach, and departed Tuesday for the Springs.

Our young friend, David Marks, went over the range Tuesday, to spend a few days visiting among the sheep ranchers on the east side.

MR. PICKERING, our energetic gardener and farmer has been quite busy during the past week, hauling in vegetables and grain.

THAT popular young bachelor farmer of Round Grove, Wm. Pierce, made us a call Tuesday. Mr. Driscoll also called.

MR. A. Q. DAVIS, who has been quite ill for some time past, and is now convalescent, came in last week on his way over to the White Sulphur Springs.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—Divine services will be held at the school house in this place, on Sunday, Dec. 19th, at 7 o'clock P. M., Rev. R. S. Clark officiating.

MR. JACOB VAN HOOSE came over this week, from Smith's river valley, on his way to the Gallatin, where he intends engaging in farming the coming summer.

MESSERS. HOWELL & Co. have commenced sinking again on the main shaft on the Nancy lode. The last clean up from their ore was quite flattering, being about \$20 per ton in advance of any previous run.

MANY of our farmers have been plowing the past few weeks, and those that were not should have been. What would the sensational journalist, who said that Montana was a "howling wilderness; a bleak, uninhabitable waste, swept continually by boreal winds," think of this?

MESSERS. JOSEPH EMHOFF and Theodore Hanke, who were precipitated down a sixty foot shaft, by the breaking of a rope, about the 1st of November, are upon our streets again.

DR. PARBERRY, of our City, is over at the Springs driving the rheumatics from his bones by soaking them in the hot sulphur water; and the *ennui* from his mind, by chasing the elk, deer, antelope and mountain sheep which abound in that region.

WE WERE shown a turnip not long since, by Mrs. Walling, which was grown upon her rancho on Duck Creek, that weighed fourteen pounds, having been trimmed of all surplus roots and prongs. This is not considered extraordinary, but what is most flattering to our soil is, that it came from a wagon load of like size.

MR. HENRY LANDERS went over to the east side the other day, to take a bird's eye view of Mr G. L. Lewis' herd of shorthorns and Jerseys. Should these fail to please, he may be captivated by his flock of merinos. Should this prove to be the case, we hope he may bring away the prettiest lamb of the flock.

THE weather, since our last issue, has been perfectly splendid. No snow, and the sky overhead bright and clear, and the thermometer ranging between 40° and 50° above zero day and night. We would not wish it more pleasant.

MR. RAINS, who was over from White's Gulch some days ago, reports work still being vigorously prosecuted. The lower drain, in which he is interested, has not reached bed rock yet. Several times they have thought the drain down, but it proved to be points of rim, and although they are forty feet below the surface, there are still no signs of bed rock.

In another column will be found the advertisement of Jonas Higgins. He is one of our pioneer merchants, is noted for his prompt attention to business, and still occupies his old stand where he will welcome his many friends.

WE HAVE just received from Mr. Ecker, whose business notice we called attention to a few weeks since, as neat and snug a fitting pair of boots as we ever saw.

THE *New North West* comes to us this week fresh and crisp as ever, accompanied by a supplement containing the President's message in full. Capt. Mills well deserves the reputation so nobly won, that of being the most enterprising journalist in Montana.

WE again call the attention of Grangers to the fact that we desire to complete our Grange directory as soon as possible, and hope they will furnish us with the names of officers elected for the ensuing year as soon as convenient.

MR. HENRY MAYNE, died at Camp Baker, on the 9th inst. He was an old resident of Meagher County, having been largely engaged in stock-raising; consequently, his home has been upon the frontier. His death was caused by an accident received while returning home from this place, by his team running away. His injuries were principally on the head, and were thought to be so slight that he started on home immediately after the accident occurred, but on reaching Camp Baker, was unable to proceed further. Mr. M. was a brother of Fred. Mayne, of this place, and Charley Mayne, of Helena, and, in addition to many friends, leaves a devoted wife and three helpless children to mourn his loss.

THERE are at present, twenty thousand head of sheep in Meagher County. This is good. It insures a revenue of at least \$20,000 for the fleece alone, to say nothing of the increase, which not infrequently exceeds one hundred per cent. At this rate, the wool product of the county will, in the course of a few years, bring into our midst a greater revenue than that at present received from the mines.

GRAIN is still pouring into Camp Baker, a number of heavy teams having passed through town this week. We are glad to see our farmers standing up to their contracts so nobly. Designing individuals have been trying to create the impression that they are irresponsible, but their promptness this season, in complying with their obligations throughout the Territory, has branded their accusers with falsehood. We feel fully warranted in assuring the public that every contract will be filled to the very letter of the law, reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

WE HAVE taken the liberty to mail the HUSBANDMAN regularly to a few of our friends in different parts of the Territory, with consulting their pleasure. Such as do not wish to become regular subscribers, may turn the paper over to some neighbor, and notify us, and we will discontinue it without cost up to this date.

WE have placed our rates of subscription as low as a paper can be published, leaving no margin to pay the expense of soliciting; therefore, our patrons are not supporting the useless extravagance of a middle man to travel in splendor at their expense and make it disagreeable for every one he meets, in his persistent efforts to enlarge the circulation of his paper. The middle man, as far as newspapers are concerned, is wholly unnecessary. No sensible man needs pay some well-dressed gentleman to visit him and tell him what he needs in the way of literature. This enterprise has been organized without this superfluous "fifth-wheel" arrangement. Our employees all find sufficient work in the office. We, therefore, hope our friends will not wait for a solicitor to interview them, but will send their names along, not only this, but every one who feels an interest in our cause should show the HUSBANDMAN around among their neighbors, and send us in a few names. Our list could be doubled with little effort on the part of those interested. Every farmer and stock-grower in the Territory should rally promptly to our support, and aid us to increase the value of our paper. The Granges which desire to avail themselves of our club-rates should commence their lists at once. Money may be paid to the Secretaries, who can forward the same at our risk by registered letter. We hope for a concert of action throughout the Territory.

IN ANOTHER column will be found the notice of a social ball, to be given at Capt. Stafford's new building, by our friend, Dr. L. Rotwitt, the popular merchant of Canyon Ferry, and present lessee of the premises. Every comfort and convenience that industry and energy can furnish, will be supplied. Let no lover of the dance, good music and pretty women lose this opportunity to pass a delightful evening.

Wm. Mills and J. P. Hillis, are ground sluicing on Slaughter-house bar.

E. J. Harris, merchant near Camp Baker, and W. Hedges, stockman and miner of that section were in town yesterday.

TERRITORIAL NEWS.

From the New North-West.

It is thought the St. Louis and North Western Company's Mills, Phillipsburg, will be ready to drop their stamps by Christmas.

Mr. Thomas Robins, who captured the stolen horses and Wallace, and made quite a gallant record, on the Big Hole, some months ago, is in town for final proceedings against the covets.

Henry Brundy was in with a wagon-load of fish from Big Blackfoot Wednesday, including some salmon trout weighing six and seven pounds. Trout sell at 25 cents, white fish at 20 cents per pound.

The 2d annual session of the Deer Lodge County Teachers' Association will convene at the Court House, Wednesday, December 20th, and continue three days.

From the Benton Record.

Messrs. Peck & Terry are building a new boat for the Upper Missouri trade. She will be 210 feet long, by 36 beam, and 4 feet of hold, and will have three boilers 54 feet long by 38 inches in diameter; cylinders 16 inches in diameter and 6 feet stroke. The new boat is to be ready to launch near the 15th of March and will start for Fort Benton as early as possible after that date. She will be named the C.K. Peck, in honor of Col. Peck.

From the Helena Independent.

Arnold & Chisholm have discovered a copper lode in Show Shoe gulch, from which they have taken fifty tons of ore, which they sold to the First National Bank, Helena, for \$50 per ton on the dump.

David Johns and Capt. Hersto are down twenty-five feet upon a copper lode near Blackfoot, and have refused \$50 per ton for their ore.

Enoch Dye is sinking on a copper lode near the head of Carpenter's gulch, that promises well.

Collins, Marcure & Dye have taken some very rich copper ore from the "ox died" lode, in the same vicinity.

R. Johnson and T. Davis, have a good copper lode in Snow Shoe.

A smelter is needed very much in the vicinity of Blackfoot.

Three tons of silver bullion was removed on the 10th, from the Helena smelter to the First National Bank.

Mr. Horr was to deliver a lecture on the 11th, for the benefit of the Helena Library. Subject, "Etc."

A large piece of valuable quartz, containing ruby silver, has been taken out of the Emma mine, and is on exhibition at Gans & Kleid's store.

Mr. L. Auerbach returned from Meagher county last Thursday, and was in Major Blaine's ambulance, which upset, but was so fortunate as to escape without injury. He made a trip to the neighborhood of Camp Baker, where he is wintering his large flock of sheep, consisting of the Cotswold and Merino breeds, which are said to be among the finest in the Territory. The reporter was shown some samples of wool from his sheep, which is remarkable for fineness of fibre, softness and elasticity—qualities which constitute wool of the first grade.

From the Avant Courier.

The people of Bozeman recently held a meeting to consider the subject of Immigration, at which the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, We, the citizens of Bozeman, in the Gallatin Valley, Territory of Montana, knowing the great agricultural, mining and stock-raising facilities of the Big Horn, Yellowstone, and Gallatin Valleys, and feeling the want of immigration, that our natural resources may be developed; and desiring to encourage the surplus sinew and capital of the East to the settlement of the vast area of rich and inviting country mentioned, and believing that the time has arrived for systematic action in the

premises, we do hereby form ourselves into an immigration society, to be known as the Big Horn and Eastern Montana Colonization Society; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, having confidence in the ability and integrity of Hon. H. N. Maguire, we hereby authorize him to be our agent in obtaining immigration to the Big Horn and Yellowstone countries.

Resolved, That a Committee of Correspondence be selected to correspond with him and other inquiring persons.

Resolved, That we in due form petition the next Legislature to organize an Immigration Bureau, and obtain the preparation and circulation of Montana pamphlets.

Resolved, That we in due form request of our representatives in the next Legislature their hearty support of the idea suggested by the forgoing resolution.

Letters were read from Mr. Maguire, assuring the people that a colony of 1,000 persons could easily be organized.

From the Missoulian.

The bridge across Bitter Root, just below Stevensville, is nearly completed, and Mr. Rankin, the builder, says he will have it ready by the 1st of January, unless there happens to be a surfelt of unbridgeable weather.

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In Helena, on the 10th of December, MARGIE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hines of the Missouri Valley.

SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

The California Store.

We desire to call the attention of the citizens of Diamond and vicinity to our large assortment of GENERAL MERCHANDISE, comprising Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Groceries, Hardware, Tinware, Flour, Bacon, Tobacco, Cigars, Wines and Liquors, Paints, Oils, Medicines, Canned Fruits, Jellies, Sauces, Nuts and Candies. Also, a complete stock of Gents' Furnishing, Goods embracing Suits of the latest fashions, every variety of Underclothes, Dry Goods, Ladies' Furnishing Goods, Ladies' and Misses' Shoes, Toilet Articles of every description; together with a full stock of Miners' Tools, Overhauls, Gum Boots, etc. In fact, we keep a complete assortment of everything calculated to satisfy the wants and gratify the desire of the public generally. We are determined

NOT TO BE UNDERSOLD.

Give us a call, examine our Stock and satisfy yourselves.

LEOPOLD MARKS, Business Manager.

December 2, 1875.

To the Dry Goods Trade.

Under our CASH SYSTEM of doing business, we propose to sell goods at such SWEEPING REDUCTIONS as to make it to the interest of the cash paying portion of the trade to buy their goods at HOME instead of sending money OUT OF THE COUNTRY for anything in the

DRY GOODS LINE.

Having taken the lead, and put down the prices of goods in this market, we continue to offer superior inducements, and propose not only to meet the market prices, but will CUT UNDER in every instance FOR CASH. Buyers will please examine the market, and then compare our prices with others. ORDERS SOLICITED. Samples and prices sent on application.

J. R. BOYCE & CO.

Helena, December 2, 1875.

Interesting to Cash Buyers of Dry Goods.

GOODS AT THE LOWEST PRICES, AND A SPECIAL DISCOUNT OF FIVE PER CENT. FOR CASH.—Notwithstanding the great reduction in the selling prices of our goods, which brings them down to figures as low, and LOWER than any prices that have been or are quoted, either in circulars for advertisements by competing houses, we propose to make still further concessions to our customers by allowing, for the next ninety days, a special discount of FIVE PER CENT. on all CASH purchases amounting to five dollars and upwards.

SANDS BROS.

Helena, December 2, 1875.

Brown & Weisenhorn.

CARRIAGE AND WAGON MANUFACTORY.—This is the largest establishment of the kind in the Territory, and is turning out work equal to the best in East. Our Horse Shoeing Department is under the supervision of the best horse shoer in Montana, and we are prepared to do work in this line to the satisfaction of any one who may favor us with their patronage.

Give us a Trial.

BROWN & WEISENHORN.

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Photographs.

E. B. TRAIN, Photograpier, Catler street, near the head of Main, Helena, Montana, does all kinds of work in the neatest style. Keeps, also, on hand a large variety of stereoscopic views of mountain scenery.