

LOCAL NEWS.

WM. M. PRICE & CO., No. 14, South Commercial St., St. Louis, are our authorized agents to transact all business, contract for advertising and receive subscriptions.

JOHNNY LEWIS is just in from his Muscleshell ranche. He reports stock fat and everything lovely in that section.

MESSRS LOWRY, Smith & Lovell are making some good cleanups from their prospect tunnel in Poverty hill.

WE acknowledge a pleasant call, yesterday, from Miss Eliza Edmondson and Miss Ritta Sweet.

MESSRS. B. B. Cook and Ed. Sayres passed through town, Wednesday, with one hundred fat sheep for the Helena market.

MESSRS. Stagner, Hogelan & Powers cleaned up eight hundred dollars last week, from their bonanza.

THE farmers on the Missouri valley are plowing. The ground is thawed out and in splendid order.

MR. Lo and family passed through town yesterday, from the east side. They had quite a lot of furs and robes.

MESSRS. C. and S Keaton, of Deep creek, Missouri valley, passed through town this week, en route to lower Smith's river valley, where they are wintering their stock. They intend marketing some of their beef steers.

MARSHAL WHEELER came in from Helena last week, and stopped a few days. His mission, we believe, was to give some of our citizens an opportunity to serve their country on the U. S. grand jury.

MR. JONAS HIGGINS advertises, in another column, a saw mill to sell or rent. This is a splendid opportunity for some person to invest in good property. It is situated in a new country and surrounded by a good market.

DIAMOND has been thronged with visitors this week, who were in attendance at the anniversary balls, and we have received calls from a number of friends whom we would be glad to mention, but on account of the limited amount of space allotted to our local page this week, we are compelled to pass them by.

IT IS THE custom, and considered the duty of a journal to make special mention of advertisements upon their first appearance, and we are under the necessity of apologizing to our friend C. W. Sutton, for not noticing his advertisement which appeared two weeks ago. We refer to the delinquent tax list. Mr. S. means business.

THE lower drain in White's gulch has at last reached bed rock. The company have had a long and tedious siege—but at last have the bed rock. They have twelve cents to the pan, it is reported. This drain will develop a large amount of ground and add much to the business of White's.

THE Good Templar Lodge recently organized at Deep creek school house, is prospering remarkably well, a number of accessions being made at every meeting. At the present rate it is fair to presume that the time is not far distant when every citizen in this rich and prosperous section will be numbered in the temperance army. Long may it flourish.

WE acknowledge a call from Johnny Galaher, of lower Missouri valley, and Jonathan Goon, of Cave gulch. The latter gentleman informs us that the mines in that section are being worked with unusual success. A number of claims in Maggie gulch were proving very rich, a dollar to the pan being no uncommon prospect. Messrs. Cooney, Canine, Warner and McDonald are among the lucky owners.

WE have encouraging news from the Duck Creek quartz mines. Messrs. Howell, Williams & Co. have sunk their shaft upon the "Nancy Lode" fifty feet below the levels run by them last summer, making it 130 feet below the surface. The rock at this depth is much better than any they have heretofore worked, although they have worked some with fair results. The vein continues about the same width, and is so decomposed that it is seldom necessary to resort to blasting.

MR. AND MRS. STEPHENS, of Smith's river valley, are spending a few days in Diamond, visiting their friends.

MRS. JAS. EMBRY, of White's gulch, who has been indisposed for some time, is at the Diamond City Hotel, under the treatment of Dr. Parberry.

TUESDAY last the Diamond people were favored with a well relished treat in the shape of a foot-race. Some money changed hands. Our friend from over the range was the victor.

GOV. POTTS has informed the Commissioners of the several counties that the Legislature having failed to make provisions for the support of the insane of the Territory, that it will be necessary for each county to make arrangements for the reception of their own insane.

The anniversary of Washington's birthday was celebrated by the Masonic fraternity of Diamond, with a select, social dance. The surrounding country was well represented, and the evening was spent in tripping the light fantastic toe. The supper, we understand, was a superb affair. It was gotten up by the ladies whose husbands are connected with the Order, whom we know have few superiors in the culinary art. Dancing was kept up till a late hour, and we are informed the evening was passed in a most enjoyable manner, by all present.

ANNIVERSARY BALL.—Of the many delightful balls that have been given in Diamond, never in all its history has there been a more enjoyable affair than that of the Young Men's Anniversary Ball, on Tuesday evening, the 22d inst. The attendance was not as large as we have seen on similar occasions in former days, but was just large enough to be pleasant to all the participants, who comprised the most gallant gentlemen, and the fairest and most accomplished ladies of the county. All present appeared to be in their happiest mood and entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion. We have not the space necessary to give a detailed description of the costumes and toilets of the ladies and will only state that they appeared without an exception to be especially adapted to the wearers. Kid gloves and unnecessary ceremony were dispensed with. The supper, by Hampton, of the Diamond City Hotel, was fully up to the necessities of the occasion, and met with ample justice at the hands of the merry party who gave it their consideration at 1 a. m. After supper the dancing continued with an increased degree of merriment until after daylight. As the receipts were in excess of the disbursements, the surplus was used by the management in the purchase of apples and candies which were distributed among the company. During the evening, Messrs. Murphy and Rafferty, of Camp Baker; Harris of the Muscleshell; Richardson, of Duck Creek, and our townman, L. Crandles, favored the company with songs, which were well received. One of the most pleasant incidents of the evening was the formation of a Leap Year Set. "Ladies choose partners for a quadrille!" It was not responded to with the promptness always displayed by the gentlemen when complying with the same summons. There was quite an interval before one of the fairest and merriest of the young ladies present, broke the spell which seemed to fall, with the unexpected call of the prompter, upon the entire company. Johnnie Lewis was the lucky gent. He arose from his seat and, as he accompanied his laughing captor to a position on the floor, we could not help observing how becoming were his blushes. In a short time the sets were formed, and the following were the envied gentlemen and their respective partners: J. Lewis, Miss L. E—n; Geo. Lyons, Miss L. P—g; Sam. Higgins, Miss I. P—g; Ben. Kimber, Miss D—n; Dan. Nihan, Miss W—n; P. H. Maloney, Miss M. J. S—h; Henry Edmondson, Miss R—y; W. Stagner, Mrs. S—r. It was a noticeable fact that the gentlemen composing these sets were accomplished dancers. After daylight the throng dispersed, and thus ended the first National holiday of the Centennial Year in Diamond. There were fifty-eight numbers sold and there were about half that number of ladies present. For this happy affair much credit is due Messrs. Bump and Douglass.

TERRITORIAL NEWS.

From the New North-West.  
Five hundred and seventy-seven pounds of pure silver—valued at \$9,000—the result of one weeks run of the North West mill at Tower, went threw by express on Wednesday. That's business; \$1,500 a day from one ten-stamp mill running constantly on ore from one lead and plenty more down stairs is good enough for any country. General Nettleton informs us some of the ore yielded by mill process over \$600 per ton. In reply to an inquiry "if the North West owners were not sick of their investment?" he had not strength enough to say "yes."

Col. O'Bannon of the Hope mine was expected to arrive Thursday evening with \$20,000 in silver bullion from the St. Louis mill.

Phillipsburg school has appropriated \$64 75 and New Chicago school \$52 75 for school apparatus. Pioneer will also appropriate soon. There is a decided revival in school matters in this county, largely due to the active and intelligent effort of Superintendent Addison Smith.

From the Avant Courier.  
A party of seven persons arrived here a few days since from Fort Pease, P. W. McCormick and Taylor Blivins being among the number. We had a call from Mr. Blivins, and were highly gratified to meet him in the flesh again, having some time since published his demise as the result of a Sioux bullet, but he was only wounded, and will yet live to make some of the dusky warriors bite the dust. He informs us that forty-one men were left in the stockade, a sufficient number to stand-off the Sioux. The hostility of the latter, and their frequent incursions in the vicinity of Fort Pease prevented the boys from hunting and trapping to any considerable extent, otherwise they would have done well during the winter in the collection of furs and robes.

From the Helena Herald.  
A special to the Helena Herald, from Bozeman, states that a large body of Indians are in the vicinity of Fort Pease, and that another man named Jessey, had been killed.

The County Commissioners are holding a session for the purpose of providing for the maintenance of the insane, which the Legislative Assembly failed to do.

From the Missoulian.  
Jerry Savage was up from Nine Mile Saturday. He has been engaged in running a drain to the lower patent ground this winter, and says that he has had good prospects ever since he struck bed-rock—prospects from which he could pan out wages. Nine Mile will undoubtedly be a better camp next season than it was last.

A correspondent signing himself "Gower," writing from Beartown, says: "The opinion is that this will be as good a quartz camp as has ever been struck in the Territory, several rich deposits of quartz having recently been struck. It is understood that negotiations are about to be entered into for the erection of a five-stamp quartz mill. The extent and richness of the leads found are not definitely known, but the owners are satisfied, and willing to spend money and labor in their development. Thus far the winter weather has been exceedingly good, milder than it has been for years. Stock men throughout the valleys have not had to feed so far, but should a necessity arise are well supplied.

From the Montanian.  
From a private letter received in this city from Butte we have been permitted to cull the following: "The good feeling at Butte is steadily increasing. Work is progressing with activity upon the mill, and they are expected to start up in about six weeks—one of them, the How mill, in less time. Those who have mines are developing them and getting out ore, and there will be plenty on hand to keep the stamps pounding away for months when they commence. The copper ores are improving, and large quantities have already been taken out, and some sold. You can be assured that Butte is going to astonish the natives this summer.

MARRIED

FISK—REED.—On Ten Mile, February 15th, 1876, at the residence of the bride's father, Geo. W. Reed, Sr., by Rev. W. C. Roanmel, Mr. Van H. Fisk, to Miss Ella Reed.

BOHN,

At Washington Bar, February 19, 1876, to the wife of Geo. F. Cope, a daughter.

THE GRANGE WAGON.

The Grange Wagon is manufactured in St. Louis, of thoroughly seasoned timber, well ironed, and put up by experienced and skilled workmen. We have adopted as our trade mark, "The Grange Wagon, P. of H.," which is in monogram form on the sides of the body. We are the only parties who can manufacture this wagon, and we caution all parties interested to beware of imitations. None are genuine without "The Grange Wagon, P. of H." in monogram form on the sides, and our name on the front of the body.

PRICES ON BOARD CARS OR BOAT IN ST. LOUIS:

	W't with body.	W't without body.	Price
2 3-4 in. Thimble Skein, light 2-horse, carries 1500 lbs.	792 lbs.	564 lbs.	\$56 00
3 in. Thimble Skein, 2-horse, carries 1800 lbs.	837 "	609 "	58 00
3 1-4 in. Thimble Skein, heavy 2-horse, carries 2400 lbs.	933 "	688 "	60 00
3 1-2 in. Thimble skein, 3-h'se, carries 3200 lbs.	1016 "	756 "	63 00
3 3-4 in. Thimble Skein, 4-h'se, carries 4000 lbs.	1136 "	864 "	70 00
1 1-2 in. iron ax., light 2-h'se, carries 1500 lbs.	210 "	573 "	53 00
1 5-8 in. iron ax., 2-h'se, carries 2000 lbs.	260 "	632 "	54 00
1 3-4 in. iron ax., light 3-h'se, carries 2500 lbs.	365 "	746 "	63 00
2 in. iron ax., 4-h'se, carries 4000 lbs.	1234 "	952 "	80 00

When bodies are not wanted with above wagons, deduct \$12 50 each.

	W'ght complete.	Price.
2 1-4 in. Thimble Skein, 1-h'se	475 lbs.	\$40 00
2 1-2 in. "	500 "	43 00
1 1-4 in. Iron Axle, 1-horse,	525 "	44 00
1 5-8 in. "	575 "	46 00

Pole and double trees for 1-horse wagons extra, \$8. Spring seats, \$1 50 extra; Patent brakes, \$4 50 extra; bows, 75c per set extra; feed troughs, \$1 50 extra; wagon-sheets, heavy, 10x14 feet, \$5 50 extra. NOTE.—State whether wide or narrow track wagons are wanted.

FORM OF WARRANT.  
We warrant the Grange Wagon of our brand, sold to be well made and of good seasoned timber. Any breakage, with ordinary usage, within one year from this date, resulting from bad workmanship or defect in material, we agree to have repaired or replaced without cost to purchaser.  
WM. M. PRICE & CO.  
St. Louis, \_\_\_\_\_, 187

DUMP CARTS.

	W'ght, complete.	Price.
3 1-2 in. Thimble Skein.	525 lbs.	\$35 00
3 3-4 in. "	550 "	36 00
1 1-3 in. Iron Axle.	525 "	35 00
2 3-4 in. "	575 "	38 00

SPRING WAGONS.

SPRING WAGON, WITH COMMON WHEELS.

1 1-1 inch Iron Axle, 1 1-8x5-16 inch tire, 3 springs (front spring 1 1-2x4 inch leaf, hind spring, 1 1-4x3 inch leaf.) bed 6 feet long by 3 feet wide, 1 seat and 1 cushion—		\$112 00
With shaft,		115 00
With tongue,		125 00
With shaft and tongue,		135 00

1 1-4 inch Iron Axle, with springs and work in proportion, \$8 higher than above prices.

SPRING WAGON, WITH PATENT WHEELS.

1 1-8 inch Patent Iron Axle, 1 1-4x5-16 inch tire, springs 1 1-2x5 inch leaf and 1 1-2x3 inch leaf, bed 6 feet long and 3 feet wide, leather dash board, 1 seat and 1 cushion—		\$125 00
With shaft,		128 00
With tongue,		135 00
With shaft and tongue,		145 00

1 1-4 inch Patent Iron Axle, with springs and work in proportion, \$8 higher than above prices.

BUGGIES.  
OPEN TOP BUGGY—PATENT WHEELS.  
1 inch Patent Iron Axle, 1 1-4x3 inch leaf springs, leather dash board, cushion and fall, square body, and finished in good style, - - - - \$130 00

TOP BUGGY—PATENT WHEELS.  
1 inch Patent Iron Axle, 1 1-4x3 inch leaf front spring and 1 1-4x4 inch leaf hind spring, leather dash board, cushions and fall, shifting top, roof of top rubber, balance of top leather, finished in good style, - - - - \$230 00  
We have our Wagons and Buggies made in St. Louis. They are handsomely finished, and we guarantee them to be made of the very best material. If you want a Spring Wagon or Buggy that is neat and durable, send us your order.  
WM. M. PRICE & CO.  
No. 14 South Commercial St., St. Louis, Mo.  
Nov 25-75-tf.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT.

No. 440.  
U. S. Land Office, Helena, M. T.,  
February 10, 1876.  
Notice is hereby published, that Andrew Dusoid, Francis M. Hauck, and Wesley Basye, whose post office address is Canyon Ferry, Meagher County, Montana Territory, have this day filed application for patent, under the mining laws of Congress, for their placer mining claim, situated in Avalanche gulch mining district, Meagher County, Montana, designated as lot No. 38, in T 11 N R 2 E, which claim is not recorded, and described in the official plat and field notes on file in this office as follows: Beginning at a granite stone 18x18x4 in., marked I M C 38, from which the North-east corner of lot No. 37, T 11 N R 2 E bears S 36 deg 42 min W 144.58 chains distant, and running thence S 50 deg E 2.30 chains; thence S 80 deg E 7.50 chains; thence S 66 deg E 7.50 chains; thence N 22 deg E 1.70 chains; thence N 65 deg W 14 chains; thence N 22 deg E 10 chains; thence N 7.50 chains; thence N 16 deg 30 min W 34 chains; thence S 46 deg 30 min E 2.05 chains; thence N 35 deg E 44.50 chains; thence N 61 deg E 29 chains; thence N 29 deg W 4.50 chains; thence S 80 deg W 6 chains; thence S 52 deg 30 min W 21.49 chains; thence S 39 deg 15 min W 44.50 chains; thence N 36 deg W 11.50 chains; thence N 49 deg 45 min W 20 chains; thence N 33 deg 30 min W 16.53 chains; thence S 77 deg W 6.38 chains; thence S 43 deg 15 min E 19.65 chains; thence S 44 deg 15 min E 19.13 chains; thence S 23 deg 15 min E 11 chains; thence S 27 deg E 25.80 chains; thence S 8 deg 45 min E 16.30 chains; thence S 11 deg 15 min E 8.70 chains; thence S 29 deg 30 min W 12.37 chains to the place of beginning, embracing 73.67 acres. A notice of said application, together with a plat of the premises claimed, was posted thereon on the 11th day of November, 1875, according to law.  
The adjoining claimants to these premises are W. Basye and A. Dusoid on the south, and Blackwell & Co. on the north-west, placer claims.  
Any and all persons claiming adversely any portion of the mining claim above described, are hereby notified that unless their adverse claims are duly filed according to law, within the sixty days' period of publication hereof, with the Register of the U. S. Land Office, at Helena, Montana Territory, they will be barred by virtue of the provisions of the statute.  
J. H. MOE, Register.  
B. F. MARSH, U. S. Deputy Mineral Surveyor.  
February 16-113-6w.