

LOCAL NEWS.

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RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—Rev. R. S. Clark will hold services at Deep creek school house the second and fourth Sabbaths in each month, at 11 o'clock a. m., and 7 o'clock p. m. At Duck creek, the third Sabbath in each month, at 11 o'clock, a. m., and at Diamond City at 7 o'clock p. m., same day.

CAPT. COMBY, of Camp Baker, leaves by to-day's coach for the Capital.

MR. ED. BRASSEY's school at New York Gulch closes with this week.

DR. GLICK, of Helena, came over yesterday to attend Mrs. Ramspeck, who is very ill.

CHAS. RHEAM, late of Helena, opened his saloon at his old stand in Diamond last Sunday.

THE quartz mill at the head of Montana gulch will be put in running order in a few days.—*Independent.*

HOWELL WILLIAMS & Co., have commenced running their levels in the Nancy Lode, at a depth of 160 feet from the surface.

EGGS have sold in Bozeman this spring, as low as 16 1/2 cents per dozen. Wouldn't our miners laugh and grow fat if they could be had in Diamond at such figures?

MESSERS. MARKS & PATTERSON, leave today with their mule train for Bozeman, to assist Powers & Baker in transportation of Government supplies for the troops in Eastern Montana.

THE Catholic Church at Canton is completed with the exception of the plastering, which will be done as soon as the weather moderates sufficiently to insure its safety from freezing.

MISS LIZZIE WALLING returned home Tuesday from Duck Creek, where she has been attending school. She speaks in high terms of the teacher, Mr. H. T. Williams. The school closed last Friday.

H. B. BRAENARD, of the White Sulphur Springs paid our town a visit this week. From him we learn that the coaches on the Carroll road will commence running tri-weekly about the 10th of April.

MR. THOMAS SHENCK, one of Missouri Valley's foremost farmers, who has been spending the winter among his friends in New York State, arrived home last week. We are pleased to have him among us again.

THE East Gallatin Grange, which gave a ball recently for the benefit of a library, netted \$73 25. This amount, with \$52 00, which has been subscribed, is sufficient if judiciously invested, to procure them an excellent library.

THE title of the new dance introduced at the recent dance in Canyon Ferry is said to be "Catch the Bird." We know it will be gratifying to some of our Diamond boys to learn that one of their representatives gained favor in the art.

THE Diamond City HUSBANDMAN is authority for the statement that the "prospect is very inviting" for Montana. As that paper knows lots about vegetables we take it for granted that "garden sass" will be plenty and cheap next summer.—*Madisonian.*

WE learn that Mr. Joseph Stephens, popular stock-grower and Assessor of the Second District, has recently returned home from an official tour among the stock-men on the Muscleshell. He estimates a large increase in the assessment of taxable property in his district this year.

PRIMROSE, with Martin holding the ribbons and one of the Valley's charming daughters as a passenger, kicked up the dust in our streets this week, causing many of our Diamond bachelors who, like all of their class, admire a fair lady and like horse, to wish they were a granger.

L. H. HERSHFIELD & BRO., old and reliable bankers of Helena, insert their advertisement in another column. This firm deals extensively in Territorial and county securities. Mr. L. Marks of Diamond, is their agent for the purchase of gold dust. He is advised from time to time of New York quotations, upon which his prices are based, paying the Helena market rates.

THE recent snows which have fallen and melted, have swollen the streams to their fullest capacity. Smith's river is full to the level of its banks. In many places it is too deep and rapid to be forded on horseback. Mr. E. Fitz, had a valuable mule swept away and drowned by its strong current, one day last week.

MR. CHAS. JEFFERIS and Pete Rine, of Helena, while crossing the Missouri river, on their return to town from Rotwitt's dance last week, had their buggy turn over and precipitate them into the water. No damage was done, however, further than an unpleasantly cold bath, the water at the place where they fell being only a few feet deep.

THE farmers seem to be enjoying themselves more than usual this winter. We hear of social parties, grange-feasts, dances and balls all over the country. Whenever it is desirable to raise money for any charitable or other laudable purpose, it seems to always be in order to organize a dance, and the necessary funds are very easily and readily obtained.

At the solicitation of a number of citizens, Mr. James Hornbuckle's name has been placed upon the Railroad ticket, as a candidate for member of the Territorial Board of Trustees of railroad bonds. Mr. Hornbuckle is one of our foremost citizens. He is largely interested in mining and stock-growing, and he is well identified with the country. It is important that a member of the Board from this county be elected, whether the vote be Yes or No.

THE two entertainments given by Mr. Maguire last week were highly enjoyed by those of our citizens who had the good fortune to be present. As an evidence of the audiences' appreciation of his inimitable sketches and masterly renditions, his second appearance was greeted by a larger attendance than his first. Mr. Maguire left for Helena on Monday's coach. He intends leaving the Territory in a few weeks, and will make a tour among his Nevada and California friends before going to the Centennial.

A NEW game, (we believe they call it "Wist") recently introduced, has occupied the valuable time of several of our young men the past week. This new game is said to be very enticing. Young men love it so that they can follow it as a business. It is a parlor game. Ladies are said to enjoy it. Four or five of our city gents became so infatuated with this new novelty, that they recently seated themselves at an up-town parlor-table, and passed away a whole night and day in the luxuriant enjoyment.

CANYON FERRY, M. T. Mar. 26, 1876.
EDITOR HUSBANDMAN: I propose giving you some idea of what you missed by not attending the ball given here on the night of the 24th inst. If I were to write a whole column, it would amount to this: viz., That the ball was a complete success. The music furnished by Professor Hewins and his associates was, indeed, splendid. Dancing commenced at 8 o'clock p. m., and with the exception of very short intervals, was continued until 5 o'clock the next morning. The supper, which was under the immediate supervision of Captain and Mrs. Stafford, was all that could be desired, both in quality and quantity. There were fifty-two tickets sold, and it is fair to presume that financially it was a success. Dr. Rotwitt, who knows how to entertain his friends (and they are many,) spared no pains to make all present enjoy themselves. As for the ladies, I know, Mr. Editor, you will join me in saying God bless them, for what would the ball have been without them? What would our homes be without them? There were twenty or more of them present, all beautifully, and some elegantly, dressed. It would be useless for me to particularize as they were all very pretty, and exceedingly bewitching, for the further proof of which I will refer you to a couple of gentlemen, residents of Diamond, Mr. D. C. M—s and C. B—r. Doubtless they will make a visit to Jimtown and Trout Creek ere long. It is safe to say, at least, they will miss no more dances at Canyon Ferry. I will say for their benefit, that when they come down, for them to bring their pockets full of chewing-gum. The best of order was kept, and satisfaction given in the ball-room, by the gentlemanly and efficient floor-manager, Dave Cagle, who knows how to run that part of a dance to perfection. After the dancing ceased the boys had considerable fun "Sherwooding" an individual who got so tired and sleepy that it was very difficult to arouse him. He finally arose in their midst, and told them that "such conduct was useless. I never drink." Now, don't you wish you had come? "Railroad; Yes" will have a majority here. Yours, etc. NOVICE.

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TERRITORIAL NEWS.

From the Helena Herald.
Samuel Neel has been awarded the contract for the transportation of 200,000 pounds of military supplies from Fort Ellis to the Crow Agency.

Work is being prospected in two places on the Dorr lode, Snow Shoe gulch, and the mine is looking well. There are 100 tons of first-class ore on the dump, as we learn, that will assay close on to fifty per cent. in copper.

* We learn from Mr. Banda, who arrived last night from the States on the Overland coach, that crowds are arriving daily at Cheyenne from the Black Hills, and that the town is full of broke men.

From the Missoulian.
Those of our citizens who attended the Grange Ball at Stevensville on the 17th speak of it as a very pleasant affair, yielding a large measure of enjoyment to the participants and a liberal margin to the society. Our neighbors in these matters seem to possess the faculty of getting up these affairs in the best style of the art.

W. G. Edwards received a letter from Hon. Martin Maginnis last Saturday, stating that the establishment of a military post at or near the Cold Spring ranch in this county had been recommended to the War Department by Gen. Wesley Merritt, who was sent here some time ago to inspect and report upon the matter. Mr. Maginnis states that probably one company will be ordered here for the present.

From the New North-West.
Mr. John Gerber returned from Phillipsburg Monday hesays: Mr. Purvine is building an immense amalgamator for the North West company under his patented plans. Both mills are running. The North West broken shaft, delaying work and the engines of the Hope is settling and will have to be reset. The St. Patrick's Day Ball was a grand success the Hall being crowded to repletion. The School Exhibition and Concert was also a successful affair. Work is going on steadily in all industries and the camp is coming up steadily, surely and safely.

Parties at Blackfoot are waiting for the snow to go off to prospect the vicinity of the rich copper leads, which are being well developed. It is now generally believed the battle-axe, shields and other implements found in the Giant's cave were made from minerals taken from the surrounding copper leads, as gigantic trees now grow from old prospect holes excavated centuries ago. Messrs. Bennett and Hyde intend, on a future visit, to make an exploration of the cave, about which so many wonderful stories have been told. A gentleman, who is good authority, having found a tooth, weighing two pounds, in the vicinity of the cave, and being a molar, it is presumed to have belonged to the giant. No one has gone to the Black Hills. They wisely prefer to make a stake before starting.

From the Avant Courier.
Gen. Gibbon with his command is expected to arrive at Fort Ellis to-morrow. He has six companies with him. Five of them are taken from the forces at Fort Shaw and one company from Camp Baker. It is not ascertained what day he will leave Fort Ellis. When he commences his march down the Yellowstone, he will have ten companies, taking four from the present force at Fort Ellis. There will be in all in his command over six hundred soldiers. He goes to join the forces of Crook and Custer, who are advancing from Cheyenne and Fort Lincoln. We understand that Gen. Gibbon will establish two new posts during his trip down the Yellowstone. We look for lively times this summer in the neighborhood of the Big Horn and Powder rivers. We shall endeavor to keep our readers posted in regard to military operations in that section.

Thos. P. Street, Esq., of the HUSBANDMAN, is visiting relatives and friends on the East Gallatin. Tom is an old citizen of this county, and was connected with Judge Maguire in the publication of the *Pick and Plow* in Bozeman. He is a good printer and a gentleman of fine social qualities.

Those who have been disposed to doubt the sincerity of the inaugurators of this enterprise—the placing of boats upon the Yellowstone river the coming season—can pocket them, and congratulate Eastern Montana on the dawn of more prosperous times. We are proud to know that those constituting the Yellowstone Transportation Co. are our own citizens. Men who have stood by the community, and assisted in the various enterprises looking to its advancement. They have embarked in this business—which will no doubt redound greatly to the interest not only of the people of this section; but to those of the whole Territory—through their own private means, and they deserve the encouragement of our shippers. They propose laying down freight here and at other points in the Territory cheaper than any other line. That they can do so, no one will doubt who is familiar with the route. The new steamer "Yellowstone," constructed especially for the trade, is first-class in all its appointments. Other boats will be put in the line as trade demands. Let the people encourage this enterprise, which will develop the richest portion of our Territory, and bring prosperity to the whole. Merchants and other shippers of freight will do well to consult with this company in making their orders for the coming season.

BORN.
To the wife of T. E. Collins, of Diamond City, on Wednesday, March 29, a daughter. Welcome, Miss Collins.

DIED
In Helena, M. T., March 24th, 1876, Mrs. Casandra Duer, wife of Charles E. Duer, of that city.

SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

Eggs! Eggs!! Eggs!!!
From pure, imported White Leghorns and Partridge Cochins, selected for hatching, at \$2.50 per setting. Address: T. H. KLEINSCHMIDT, Helena, Montana. 18-ct

Sands Bros.
OFFER SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS: Four hundred (400) pieces Bleached Muslin, yard-wide, at 12 1/2-2 cents and upwards; 50 pieces Spring Poplin at 25, 30 and 35 cents and upward; 75 pieces French Percale, yard-wide, at 10 2/3-3 cents; 75 pieces Embroidered Edgings at 10, 12 1/2, and 15 cents per yard. A full line of Silks, Irish, Poplins, Etc. THE CELEBRATED "MOUNT VERNON" Hydraulic Duck and Hose in 6-0, 8-0, 10-0 and 12-0.
HELENA, MARCH 7, 1876. SANDS BROS.

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!
HELENA, 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.

To Our Patrons Throughout the Territory.
We are preparing our circular for 1876, and desire cordially to thank you for your patronage and support during the past nine years, and venture to hope that by square and liberal dealing we may merit your continued confidence. Would solicit special attention of persons who have purchased machinery of any kind from other parties in the Territory or in the east, wishing repairs. They should not delay sending their orders later than March first, as we make our requisition for the coming season at that time. Threshers, Engines, Saw Mills, etc., will not be ordered unless by special request.
T. C. Power & Co.
HELENA, MONTANA, DECEMBER 30, 1875.