

LOCAL NEWS.

DIAMOND CITY LODGE No. 7, A. F. and A. M.
 Stated Communications held at their Hall, in Diamond City, on the second Saturday of each month. Sojourning brothers are cordially invited to attend.
 H. L. KEENE, W. M.
 G. ECKEN, Secretary.

RELIGIOUS.

I will hold services at the following places during this conference year:
 1st and 3d Sabbaths, Deep creek, morning and evening.
 2d and 4th Sabbaths, Duck creek, morning and evening.
 Hours for services—11 o'clock, a. m., and 7 p. m. Appointments will not be changed during this conference year.
 K. M. CRAVEN,
 Centerville, Meagher Co. Montana.

How beautiful the sunshine.

There is a brisk demand for good dairy cows.

J. G. Sarter is butchering fat beeves from the Smith river range.

Alf. J. Stephens of Fort Logan is up taking a few days' recreation.

At last accounts the New York Herald's Irish relief fund amounted to \$285,500.

Having finished their task in the pole-grounds, Messrs. Butterfield & Bro. came down last Saturday.

The Judith is probably the only valley in Montana where any considerable number of fat beeves can be had.

Zach. Forbes, who started for the States about two weeks since, was taken sick at Helena and has been unable to proceed.

The coming season promises to be a brisk one among horse breeders. The advertisements of the principle stallions of the territory will soon appear in our columns.

Several drains in Yogo are thought to be near the bed-rock, and it is believed that the question of pay will be definitely tested within the next forty days.

Messrs. Holland & Murphy are making improvements this winter in the arrangement of their mill that will enable them to supply the rapidly increasing demand for shingles.

While out with one of Dr. Parbery's flocks a few days ago Alonzo Collins became snow blind, and out for the good training of the sheep to return to their corral in the afternoon he would not have been able to find his way home.

Out of a flock of 2,100 sheep, which feed around the Springs and are corralled here every night, only three head have been lost during the entire winter. This is the most unprecedented success we have ever yet heard of and speaks well for the management.

Attention is directed to the advertisement "Strawberry plants for sale" in another column. Messrs. Walters & Sons are the foremost horticulturists of the Smith River country and persons securing plants of them will doubtless get good hardy varieties, and prices much more reasonable than the same are to be had elsewhere.

Choteau county's progressive wool-grower Paris Gibson has recently purchased 150 pure blooded Merino bucks which he intends to ship to Montana early in May or June. One hundred and twenty of these were bred by one of the most celebrated breeders of Merino stock on the continent. Wool-growers should not fail to examine this flock during the summer.

Among the many guides and helps issued annually by our numerous seedsmen and florists, treating on this beautiful art, none is more clear, none more tastefully illustrated and gotten up than Nellis' Floral Instructor, which we have just received. It is published quarterly at the low price of 20 cents per year, and contains a complete list of seeds, plants, bulbs, etc., at greatly reduced prices, and much useful information for all interested in gardening. He sends a sample copy and a packet of choice flower seeds as a trial to any one who sends him a three cent stamp. His address is A. C. Nellis, Canajoharie, N. Y.

The report of W. Egbert Smith, Territorial Superintendent of Public Instruction, has been received. The pamphlet was gotten up by the Independent publishers and is a well executed job. We have not had time to read the report entire but from a hasty glance we are well pleased. It seems to be complete both in statistical, suggestive and practical information, instructive, throughout and touching comprehensively and in a practical suggestive manner many weak and deficient points in the present system of our schools. Mr. Smith favors compulsory education, consolidation of school districts, and enters a strong argumentative protest against the law which permits the election of incompetent county superintendents. A number of the suggestions coincide with the views we have expressed in these columns, which we are pleased to see.

Winter seems devoid of charity for our wood piles.

Wesley Curnutt removed to I. O. Proctor's ranch Monday last.

The Dexter's saw mill at Yogo gulch is reported to be doing a lively business.

Freeman Herd, who had a severe relapse a short time since, is again on his feet.

Samuel Alleganah arrived by Monday's coach for a short sojourn at the health resort.

Several weak cows have died within the vicinity of the Springs recently simply for the want of a little attention.

Joseph Harris, Rochester, N. Y., sends us his catalogue of choice garden and flower seeds for 1880. It is sent free of charge to all applicants.

A number of Missouri valley farmers who have had their families in Helena during the winter in order that their children might attend school are moving them home again.

John Futterer is in town anxiously awaiting for the snow to vanish to commence the erection of his meat market, the need of which is now being greatly felt.

Breeders of fine horses, cattle and sheep can find no better advertising medium than the HUSBANDMAN. It has a general circulation among the stock men and farmers of the territory.

Any quality of tobacco desired for sheep dip can be secured by addressing Wm. M. Price & Co., St. Louis, Mo., and there is no surer cure for this loathsome disease and none that can be applied with less danger to the life of the animal.

We would suggest the propriety of calling a meeting for the purpose of appointing a committee to take up a subscription to defray the amount of debt that will be due on the delivery of the seats for the new school house. We think the amount can be contributed without resorting to the collection of the tax levied some time ago.

Farmers, cattle men, horse growers and all interested in improving the speed of the equine race are referred to the advertisement of the well known and popular stallion, Carriboo, who is to make the coming season at this place. He is a flyer and no mistake, and the low price at which he will stand will enable all who desire to obtain some of his stock. Those wishing to improve the speed of their cow ponies, add sprit and endurance to their farm stock, or want first-class animals for the turf, should take a look at this famous stallion before making other arrangements for breeding.

The amount of notice the Yogo mines have been receiving recently by the press of the territory will, we fear, have a tendency to hurry up a stampede in that direction before spring opens sufficient to do anything. The first of May, we believe, is representation day, and we don't anticipate that there will be much opportunity to obtain ground previous to that date, and it would not probably be profitable to go there earlier. The mines are at present undeveloped and men without means will find little to do there. After spring opens it will be different; there will be some hydraulic mines working and perhaps considerable building going on.

The New North-West, because it has a telegraph connecting its sanctum with the editor's private dwelling, hen house, stable, the territorial penitentiary and a number of law offices and dwelling houses of Deer Lodge, seems to be a little envious because the HUSBANDMAN spoke of building a line from the Springs to Fort Logan, a distance of 18 miles, in the event the government complied with its oft repeated promise to build a line from Helena to that point. We presume our contemporary beyond the mountains has no patent upon the electric current, even though it is at times considerably wrapped up in it, and has a due proportion of "electric currents" wrapped up in its editor at times.

The White Sulphur Springs district school opened on Monday last under the management of Miss E. W. Tuttle, of Glencoe, New York, a lady of education and refinement, and fully capable of making the school what it is designed by the trustees and people of our town and vicinity to be—a nucleus of an immense educational interest. Owing to the health advantages of the place it must become one of the most popular educational centers in Montana, and that, too, in the near future. Many are already contemplating settling here, and a well conducted school cannot fail to attract many more. It is safe at least to conclude that an additional building and another teacher will be required within twelve months. A good start has been made by securing the services of a good teacher and rapid progress is inevitable.

Sheriff Rader is building a new barn.

Rufus De Long starts this week for his old home near New Chicago, M. T.

Several parties have been affected with snow-blindness during the past week.

There will be a demand here for building material at the first appearance of spring.

We learn that A. De Long, of New Chicago, contemplates a trip to Oregon for the purpose of purchasing a band of sheep.

Last week Charles Dushy bought from Rufus De Long the place known as the old Read ranch. We did not learn the price paid.

A thousand or more acres of land will be pre-empted and homesteaded in the vicinity of town within twenty days after the snow vanishes.

The Judith valley will in all probability contain more ranches before the closing in of another winter than any valley in the country.

Wm. Luppold lost six head of cattle last week from some disease supposed to be black leg. Two of the number were old cows.

W. H. Guthrie, of the Railroad meat market, Helena, came over last Saturday and is looking around on the valley with a view to purchasing a lot of mutton sheep.

The Martinsdale coach up-set on the grade in the Musselshell canyon last week, but fortunately no damage was done except the breaking of the tongue.

Desiring to engage in other business Mr. J. W. Walters is offering to sell his three ranches on Camas Creek at reasonable prices. They are fine locations for growing vegetables.

Sheep have been reduced in flesh faster within the past ten days than at any time this winter. There are a number of weak sore footed ones in every flock which are faring rather badly.

Messrs. Lapee and Cavanaugh are burning another coal pit this week. They would find time burning equally as profitable as coal, and we hope they will conclude to go at the business.

There is a brisk demand for pure blooded fowls and one who will engage in the business and attend to it properly cannot fail to make money. It is a better field for a man with a small capital than either sheep, cattle or horses.

Rev. S. C. Blackstone will hold service at this place next Monday evening. The hour of meeting is 7:30 o'clock prompt. The subject chosen for this occasion is "Easter," an interesting theme and one upon which all who attend gather information.

P. J. Moore and Bro. own a one-third interest with Campbell and Morse in the new saw mill which is building near old Fort Howie on the Musselshell. They have sufficient ox teams to carry on all the hauling of logs and lumber that will be needed in the business.

There is a great contrast in the appearance of Smith river valley and surroundings now and a year ago. Then there was no snow to be seen except up on the high mountains; the frost had disappeared from the ground, vegetation was beginning to grow, the ice bridges had gone out from the streams and the river was so swollen by the freshet that travel was almost stopped. Now the ice bridges remain firm, the mountain summits are piled up with snow banks and the valley looks like a half-covered field of the "beautiful white."

Miss E. W. Tuttle, the young lady employed to take charge of the school at this place, arrived last Thursday. She brings with her the highest testimonials as to her ability. Her standing in the theory of teaching, the most important point in the management of a school, is one hundred, that being the standard of perfection. She is also well up in all the branches of science. The principal of the Glencoe graded school, in speaking of her, says: "Her services as a teacher are cheap at any price." We extend to her a cordial welcome and trust that she may never have cause to regret her departure from the scenes of childhood's joys for a home in the far west.

We are indebted to Sim Roberts, of the Sweet Grass, who called last week, for much information in regard to the stock interests of that region. The winter there has been unusually severe; storms prevailed almost continuously from the middle to the last of February, and the snow lays much deeper than on either Smith river or the Musselshell. But stock as a general thing were doing well. The rumors of the great loss of stock in that quarter he states are untrue; but few have died and these were confined to the old, weak and poor ones, driven in from the western slope last summer.

Winter lingers listlessly, seeming to doubt whether to go or stay.

But two more weeks until Easter. Alas! where are the eggs to come from.

Mrs. McGuire, wife of H. N. McGuire, died at Rapid City, Dakota, on the 18th ult.

Wool-growers should not fail to read the article on the subject which appears on the fourth page.

Should spring come with a rush, as it will in all probability do, many bridges will be swept away.

The latest advices from the Boston wool market were to the effect that the prices of wool were firm. California wools selling at 33@38.

T. P. Street, who has been foreman in this office for the past eight months left for his home on East Gallatin last week.

Wm. Armitage came over to the Springs on Friday last and took a "case" on the HUSBANDMAN.

Get your garden seeds and be ready to put them in the ground as soon as warm weather comes.

A. C. Tarrant, who left for the States about a month since, expects to return about the middle of May, with a car load of good American mares.

James Devey, who crossed the divide at the head of Confederate last week, say the snow for several miles was waist deep. It took him all day to make the trip.

John Cavanaugh, who came to the country last fall, has decided to locate at the White Sulphur Springs. He has sent for his family and expects them early in the spring.

Horse men should remember that they have but six weeks more in which to enter for the \$200 purse for two-year olds. The race will be run over the White Sulphur Springs new race course, July 4th.

Several dairy men of the valley are talking of introducing the Conley Creamer into their dairies this spring. The Montana agent for this excellent creamer, T. Wilcox, has several left over from last year's shipment.

The storms last week were of a nature of the Rockies were worse than at any time the past winter. The Helena dailies state that the Deer Lodge coaches were a day behind time, and the snow so deep as to be almost impassable.

If plenty of snow is a sign of a good water season, we may expect a lively time among the miners this year, and those hydraulic hose Greenwood, Bohm & Co. sell so reasonable will all go off to Yogo, Thompson and other prosperous mining districts.

Read the local advertisement "purchasing agency." The lady is one who can be trusted to make any selection of ladies' wears that may be desired, from the city of New York, and will be pleased to attend to the wants of the HUSBANDMAN readers.

For many years past few firms have enjoyed a better reputation for promptness reliability and upright dealing than that of H. M. Pachen & Co., of Helena. This is the most extensive drug house in Montana. Large stocks of sheep dips, wall papers and garden seeds are also kept on hand. Those of our farmers desiring supplies in their line will do well to give them a call. Their advertisement appears in this issue.

The December number of the New West, illustrated, published by R. E. Strahorn, of Omaha, Neb., was received this week. This the fourth edition is devoted to Utah and Idaho, and is handsomely illustrated with engravings of the Yankee Fork mining region and other places of note. The subject matter does Idaho and Utah in good shape and contains much information in a condensed form of Montana and the far west generally.

About one year ago we received an advertisement of the Magnolia stock farm from Nelson Bump, who was then East making some purchases to complete his stud. But we soon received information that owing to the excessive railroad tariffs he would bring his stock overland, which he did, arriving here about harvest time. Since then the stock have had the best attention and are now in fine condition to make the season. Mr. Bump is a thorough going horse man, an excellent judge of horses, has a well selected stud, one calculated to prove a credit to the country and a profit to the owner. As will be seen by reference to the advertisement in another column this stock will make the present season on the Missouri valley. Good pastures and accommodation is supplied. Farmers and stock men, do not fail to call by and take a look at the Canadian giant, Louis Philippe, Jr.

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Sheep for Sale.

I offer for sale my entire flock of 5,000 highly graded Spanish Merino sheep; also, 30 first-class Bucks at a bargain. For particulars, see or address the undersigned at Silver City, Owyhee county, Idaho.
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 White Sulphur Springs, M. T.

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One hundred and fifty dollars to the first horse, and fifty dollars to the second. Four horses to enter and three to go. Entries to be made on or before May 1st. Entrance fee, ten per cent.
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Diamond City Hotel,

JOHN SMITH,

(Formerly of the Central Hotel.)

Lessee,

Diamond City, Montana.

The public are respectfully invited to call and amine for themselves. 51-8