

Local News.

RELIGIOUS.

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord."

Preaching at White Sulphur Springs the last and 2d Sundays of the month, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 11:30 a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evenings at 7:30 p. m. M. J. HALL, Resident Pastor.

Preaching on 3d, 4th and 5th Sundays at 10:30 a. m. by Rev. Mr. Cain.

—We need two post offices between the Springs and Livingston.

—The thermometer marked as low as 20 deg. below zero Monday morning last.

—J. J. Shimick, of Townsend, was at the health resort a few days last week.

—Henry Landes and his brother, A. Landes, spent several days in town last week.

—Sporting money has been quite plenty at the health resort during the past few weeks.

—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Foster, of Sixteen Mile, spent several days in town during the past week.

—Messrs. Elwell & Bates came in from Cashmere ranch last week to have a merry holiday.

—Dunham & Maloney have let the contract of filling their ice house to James Brewer.

—A mountain lion visited W. H. Peck's sheep corral one night last week and killed nine sheep.

—The coaches are making splendid time. The roads are good and sleighs take place of wagons.

—Skating on Smith river is very good. A half-mile run can be had and that is indeed exhilarating.

—There has been considerable business going on in Judge Badger's court during the past week.

—Miss Hoover is on a visit to the Missouri valley, and will be absent a couple of weeks yet.

—The new bath house is doing a good business. It pays well to have things fixed up in first-class shape.

—Henry Foster recently sold his ranch on the North Fork, near Four Mile, to A. W. Sias for \$900.

—Breathit Gray and other farmers of the Judith valley raised crops of oats the past season which weighed 41 pounds to the measured bushel.

—Mrs. G. A. Hampton and her little daughter Alice, has taken up their residence here. They moved over from Diamond a week since.

—Geo. Walwork happened around at the health resort as usual to spend his Christmas. It is needless to say that he received a cordial welcome.

—The authorities have been making diligent effort to straighten out some of the crookedness up town, but have thus far had poor success.

—The indications point to increased activity in real estate here early in the spring. There is already considerable inquiry in regard to choice locations.

—Take the Territory over there has been considerable loss sustained during the past six months from the horse malady that has been going the rounds of our stables.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hussey have gone on a visit to Severance & Son's, near Oka, where the happy New Year was to have been welcomed in good old fashioned style.

—Mrs. Parberry writes from San Francisco that it is very rainy and disagreeable in that city. Parties writing from Oregon also tell a doleful tale of the rain and mud.

—Sleighting was never better. The roads are smooth and a light fall of snow makes it glorious going on runners, and the young folks are improving it. The sound of bells seldom die away on our streets from morning until evening.

—The enterprising advertising firm of Lord and Thomas, have presented the HUSBANDMAN office with a desk tool. It is made of heavy tin and serves as a paper weight, cutter, rule and measure, and is a very acceptable table ornament. Thanks.

—When an old bachelor who has been living on a bare floor and sitting on stools is seen buying carpets, rocking chairs and other nice household furniture, his friends are justified in their suspicions that he is on the eve of doing something desperate.

—The old bachelor who has allowed 1884 to dawn upon him without having arranged that little matter in regard to his future welfare, can now sit down in the quietude of his home and wait for his lady love to make the necessary advances.

—The farmers and stock growers of Montana fully appreciate the advantages of having an independent, outspoken journal like the HUSBANDMAN, devoted to their interest. They cannot afford to be without it, hence they are renewing their subscriptions as fast as their time expires.

—The remains of John Stanger were disinterred last week preparatory to starting with them East, but were found to be in such a bad state of preservation they were buried again. We understand a metallic coffin has been sent for in which to transport the body.

—Our friends throughout the country will greatly oblige by sending us items of the happenings in their neighborhood. All transactions in land, the sale of stock, accidents and incidents, etc., will be of interest, and we will be pleased to have such items from our readers.

—A communication from Rev. Clark in regard to the Duck creek church will appear next week.

—J. D. Waite, of the Upper Judith, has leased the Caldwell and Fisk ranch on Big Spring creek, and will stock it with 2,000 sheep.

—Dr. Kumpe hung out a very unique sign a few days since. It sparkles like diamonds in the sunshine, and is equally beautiful by night when illuminated.

—We are indebted to Stubsaker Bros., of South Bend, Ind., for a copy of the old song "Wait for the Wagon." It is handsomely gotten up and shows enterprise.

—Our friend Robert Mills, of Andersonville, gave a Christmas ball, which is pronounced to have been the best ever given in that section.

—Mrs. Fergus will accompany her husband on his trip to Helena to attend the constitutional convention. They will go via Billings and the Northern Pacific.

—The social hop at the Springs Hotel, Tuesday evening last, was a decided success. It was well attended and everybody had all the fun they wanted.

—Mail service between Clendenin and Livingston via White Sulphur Springs, which will connect the two points with Benton directly, is absolutely necessary.

—Tal Reed started Tuesday for a visit to Burlington, Iowa, where he is called in consequence of the illness of his father, who is not expected to live.

—A man by the name of Cavenaugh reports the discovery of an 8-foot vein of coal on the head of Shields river, near the White Sulphur Springs and Livingston road.

—A couple of bravu-armed miners are developing a lead in Birch creek district. They will sink a shaft to a considerable depth and run some cross drifts.

—The people along the Park branch railroad grumble sorely at the discontinuance of the road during the winter. They are left without mail facilities, and we do not wonder that they grumble.

—Travel from the extreme eastern portion of the county now goes to Helena via the Northern Pacific. It is a little further that route, but it requires only sixty miles of staging instead of 175 miles.

—It is estimated that upwards of \$80,000 has been spent in building during the past year at the Springs, and it is positively asserted that over \$100,000 will be invested during 1884 in the same way.

—Walter Burke, proprietor of the hotel at Lavinia and superintendent of the Benton and Billings stage line, was married recently to Miss Katie Leith. The HUSBANDMAN extends congratulations.

—It is understood that the recent visit of Hon. T. E. Collins and E. G. McClay to Helena was for the purpose of arranging for the starting up of the Barker smelter. It is to be hoped that the arrangements may be perfected.

—The project of organizing a dancing club has been talked of for the past two months, but as the winter is now far spent it is not likely it will be effected. The usual social hop, however, every two weeks may be looked for.

—Messrs. Potter, Moe & Co. received a fine burglar proof fire lock safe for the use of their bank last week. It is a splendid piece of mechanism, and we believe will afford all the security necessary against burglars. This has been placed in position in their fire-proof vault.

—G. E. Kumpe, Jr., our efficient druggist, is the manufacturer of a hair tonic which is by far more meritorious, than the patented compounds now used so extensively. In addition to being an excellent preserver of the hair it serves as a very pleasant article for hair dressing. Try its merits.

—A prominent wool grower of the Musselshell was noticed a few days since fitting himself out with a complete outfit of household furniture, which would indicate that his home is soon to be brightened by her whose presence never fails to bring joy, the woman he loves.

—Notwithstanding the stringency of the times the HUSBANDMAN continues to gain in popularity. Its subscription list is steadily increasing. For every one who gets tired and quits two new ones come in. The people appreciate a paper devoted to their interests, and their patronage give us substantial proof of their good will.

—We notice in the *Mineral Argus* that a petition is being circulated asking for the establishment of a mail route between Maiden and Judith City, at the mouth of the Judith river. It is proposed to follow the old Carroll road most of the way. There should be at least two new post offices on the route to accommodate the settlers. The movement is very commendable and it is to be hoped that our delegate in Congress will use every effort, not only to establish the route, but to secure service thereon.

—The Livingston *Tribune* thinks it is not a very good outlook for patients for a health resort to be improving its cemetery. Our contemporary does not seem to be aware of the fact that a large number of patients who come here for treatment do not come until all hope of their recovery is abandoned, and that in the course of a year there are a number arrive that are too near death's door to even take a bath or a drink of water. The waters here have magic healing properties, but as long as people come in such low stages of health as not to be able to try the waters, an occasional one must be carted away to the cemetery.

—You can get a good view of the comet on clear evenings now through a pair of field glasses. It is in the northwestern sky, just within the Milky Way, and can be seen about 8 or 9 p. m., about half-way between the horizon and zenith.—*New North West.*

—Wouldn't it be well for our Montana friends to revise the names of some of their districts? For example, "The Sinking Water country" sounds very malodorous.—*Maiden Pioneer.*

—The Montana Legislature changed the name of the Sinking Water to Ruby River several years ago, and all people posted on Montana matters know the country by the latter name.

—The advertisement of the masquerade ball will appear next week. The committee who have the matter in charge are making arrangements to procure about fifty costumes, and applicants will be enrolled and allowed to choose their costumes. In the order their applications are received.

—That prince of good fellows, Wm. Boggy, had the misfortune to drop a case of cartridges, weighing 30 pounds, on his left foot a few days ago and has since been confined to his room. He is, however, rapidly recovering and will soon lay aside his crutch and cane and trip the light fantastic as merrily as ever. Mr. B. is a great favorite in the Springs society and his temporary absence is the source of much regret to some of our fairest damsels.

—It being Leap Year the ladies of the health resort decided that the bachelors were the proper ones to receive New Year's calls, whereupon this office caused a fresh bucket of water to be brought and purchased ten cents worth of crackers and chewing gum, our bachelor editor being determined to give his lady friends a right royal treat. He waited from early morning till a dusky evening, but not in vain, for a very charming young ladies bright and sauctum with their smiles during the day yet there was no well beaten path leading to his door made by the frequency of calls. Though somewhat chagrined at the failure of his sumptuous repast to draw, he consoles himself with the fact that his company made up in quality what it lacked in quantity.

THE TAX LEVY.

The Board of County Commissioners convenes next week. This is to our mind the most important meeting of the year. The tax levy for the year is to be made at this session, and, while it is important that this should be as low as practicable in order not to burden the people, it must also be remembered that the county is progressing very rapidly and demands a vast deal of public improvements not heretofore indulged in. The country is especially in need of roads, bridges, poor farms, hospitals, etc., and there is but one way to have them, and that is to levy a tax sufficient to provide them. We have now reached an era when the necessities of the public are too urgent for its business to be retarded for the want of properly constructed thoroughfare. The cost to each individual is nothing compared to the advantages such will afford. Meagher county is especially in need of wagon roads. The people live remote from the county seat at best, and when they have to go from 50 to 100 miles out of the way to get there, the want of direct roads appeals to them in a manner that they cannot mistake. There is need of the expenditure of at least \$10,000 in roads in Meagher county during the year of 1884. The Townsend road should by all means be built; the Judith road is also a necessity, and the Nehart road needs improvement. These are only the principal roads. There are dozens of others that need attention. The county needs a hundred bridges, and has a hundred dug ways, the grade of which should be improved. Now is the time for the Commissioners to consider these things and make their levy accordingly. The county is also without any home for its poor and infirm or any place to take care of its sick and afflicted. This is not creditable to a county of its wealth, or a fair representation of the warm-heartedness of its people. And now is the time to do the necessary financing in order that these things may be provided during the ensuing year.

THE READING CIRCLE.

The following was the programme of exercises at the reading last evening:
 Music—Rosart's High Mass, Mr. Cook.
 Selection—First Appearance in Print, Mrs. W. H. Sutherland.
 Selection—Curley Shall Not Ring Tonight, Miss Eva Wright.
 Music—Eiss Alma Barclay.
 Court Scene in Merchant of Venice—Mrs. C. S. Hussey, Ed. Swape, J. T. Anderson, Miss Alice Nichols, Miss Alma Barclay, R. S. Price.
 Music—The Shepherd Boy, Mrs. Frank Bush.
 Selection—Hiawatha's Wedding, Mrs. A. Gibson.
 Song—Henry Klumpe.
 Reading—High Tide on the Coast of Lincolnshire, Mrs. Frank Bush.
 Reading—The Sailor's Story, H. H. Barnes.
 Reading—Tim Tinkleton's Twins, Mrs R. S. Price.
 Duett—Mr. Hinman and Mr. Cook.
 Song—The Captive Knight, Mrs. Stevens.
 These exercises are quite interesting and instructive to both participants and listeners. It is understood that criticisms are not in order. Each one performs his or her part promptly, and as best they can, and those whose only office it is to look on are requested to forbear any criticism.

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