

Montana.

The Montana Chief Mining company, of Stevensville, has offered for sale 20,000 shares of the working stock at ten cents per share.

Hamilton & Woolston are erecting buildings preparatory to commencing development of the Great Eastern and Elkhorn mines, recently bonded in Castle Mountain.

Ground in the neighborhood of the Big Bonanza, in Butte, is being leased by different parties in the hope of reaching the continuation of the rich clute of ore recently discovered there.

The residents of Basin City, Jefferson county, have an abiding faith in its future. Some of the most sanguine predict that in less than a dozen years its mines will equal if they do not surpass those of Butte.

Twenty miles from Butte, in the Divide mining district is the Apex mine, now the scene of operations of the Apex Consolidated mining company. At the bottom of a 200-foot shaft they have a 7-foot vein going \$191 to the ton.

Madisonian: Major J. W. Peck, of the Montana Tin Mining company, says the leads of the company are now in better shape than they ever have been, and their value is undoubted. A good tin mine in Madison county would be of as much value to the commonwealth as all the gold mines ever discovered.

The water is being pumped out of the Germania mine, lying west of Butte, preparatory to an examination by eastern experts. A sale of the Germania and one or two adjacent properties belonging to Mr. Freudenstein, to Chicago parties, is said to be in contemplation, though the figures can not be obtained.

Senator George Hearst, part owner of the Anaconda, J. B. Haggin, principal owner of the Anaconda, and R. C. Chambers, superintendent of the great Ontario mine, also interested in the Anaconda, are in Butte. Their coming is taken to be a portent of renewed activity in the Anaconda's operations, and still further extension of the famous plant.

The directors of the Bell Mining company, of Missoula, have agreed to bond the mine to Dr. Smith and Captain Gamble of Coeur d'Alene, for \$100,000, to be paid in six months. If the gentlemen then don't wish to buy, they have the privilege of leasing the mine on very reasonable terms for five years. The stockholders will probably approve the action of the directors.

The new smelter site near Cooke City has been selected and a force of men will be placed at work grading the same, and making the necessary preparations for the reception and installation of the buildings and machinery. A few men will also be placed at work on the mine, and the number will gradually increase from now until the time when the smelter will be in operation.

Allie Bailey, who was in the city last week, informs us that the smelter at Toston is now running at full blast, with a large supply of ore—estimated at 200 tons on hand. The smelter, he says, will now run uninterrupted. The strike of the laborers caused a slight delay, and the new men allowed the furnaces to "freeze," but everything is now working smoothly, and a large output of metal will be handled each week.—Bozeman Chronicle.

The Gould and Cramer Mining company has been incorporated to work property at Jay Gould. The incorporators are Jos. Cramer, president; E. J. Carter, vice president; Geo. N. White, secretary and treasurer; F. S. Lung and E. E. Whitehead. The capital stock is \$1,000,000 in shares of \$5. The property involved consists of the Wild West, Montana Central and Minnie Gould quartz locations, all believed to be on the original Jay Gould vein, and a large area of placer ground with mill sites and water rights. The property is now being developed.

Miscellaneous.

The new Galena smelter has been started and is running successfully. It is owned by a Dakota company.

The Con. California and Virginia, of Nevada, paid August 8th, dividend No. 9, of fifty cents per share.

The total output of the gold fields in Queensland, Australia, for 1885 was in round numbers \$5,600,000 and for 1886, \$6,300,000.

The Plymouth Consolidated mining company, of California, have declared their 32nd dividend, payable September 5th, of forty cents a share.

The Deadwood Terra mining company, of Dakota, paid their 28th dividend, Aug. 29th, of ten cents per share, aggregating \$20,000, making \$40,000, paid this year.

Three miles north of Hartles, on the Colorado Midland there is considerable prospecting being done for coal, and the indications which are numerous, show well-defined coal seams.

Santa Gertrudis, a silver mine in Mexico, is proving a welcome property to the shareholders. Since the return of the Manager, Capt. Francis Rule, it has paid five monthly dividends, equal to \$20,000 each.

The mines in the central western part of the island of Borneo, worked by Chinese Kouses and native Dyaks (from 1,200 to 1,500 each), are producing and have

been producing for some years past an average of 5,000 ounces of gold per annum, worth about \$88,000.

It is stated that an extensive peat bed has been discovered in Lake Township, Sully county, Dakota, ten miles north-east of Blunt, in the Medicine Valley. The peat covers a tract of about six acres in extent, and with proper work it is claimed will produce a good fuel.

The property of the French Boys' Mining company, located in King Solomon's Mountains, in San Juan county, Colorado, was sold at auction last Thursday at the Real Estate Exchange to B. L. Cottman for \$2,700. It is said \$500,000 was sunk in the property by credulous investors.

The Garden Gulley United Company, of Sandhurst, of the Province of Victoria, organized in 1856, but which did not strike gold of any amount until 1871, to the end of 1886 had produced in the aggregate six millions, out of which the shareholders received a fraction over 70 per cent in dividends.

The water supply in the Mokelumne and Campo Seco Canal Co's ditch, Cal., is reduced to the extent that claims using any considerable amount have been closed for the season. Water for mining purposes in and about the vicinity of Angels is also becoming scarce. The Union Water Co. cannot now supply the demand.

The big tunnel, near Robinson's ferry on the Stanislaus river, California, which has been under construction for more than a year, will be completed in a few days, and then the river will be turned into it. It will more than carry all the water now in the river, which will have the bed of the latter dry nearly three miles in length. It is supposed that when that is done the harvest of gold will be immense.

Douglas Island, Alaska, is separated from the main land by a deep sea channel about one mile wide. The quartz ledges are on the side of the island facing this channel and extending from near the bench (100 to 500 feet) back 5,000 to 6,000 feet. About 13 claims of 600 by 1,500 feet on this ledge lie favorable for working, and are known to be good.

Two mountains of iron have been discovered about 18 miles south of Newberry station on the Atlantic & Pacific railway, San Bernardino, Cal. There are millions of tons of iron ore in sight. Huge boulders and prominent projections on the surface consist of solid metal. Specimens of ore were sent to Prof. Price, of San Francisco, whose analysis showed that the ore consists of magnetic oxide of iron and silica, with traces of gold and silver. There is a probability that the ore will contain a good percentage of gold and silver when depth is attained, but even if it does not the mine is a regular bonanza to its owners, judging from the external appearances.

On Chloride Hill, in the Coeur d'Alenes are a number of galena silver mines, which produce the richest ore yet found in the silver-lead districts of Coeur d'Alene. The Morning and the Evening lodes are bonded to the Bank of Murray. There are more than a score of other fair showing leads under process of development on this hill, which will make a record in time. Across the river Boulder creek comes in from the south on the northern slope of the divide. Between the South Fork and St. Joe are a number of locations, many of which are being vigorously worked by the owners. The Little Giant and the Iron Crown on Silver creek, a tributary of Boulder, and the Central on the latter stream, are pretty well opened up. On the St. Joe side of the range a number of locations of healthy appearing veins have been made, but no great amount of development work has as yet been done.

Great Mines of the Earth.

The world-famed Potosi mines, of Bolivia, yielded from 1546 to 1798, a period of 244 years, \$1,000,000,000. This sum is large, but to obtain it the lives of five generations of miners was required. In twenty-seven years the Comstock mines have yielded \$410,000,000, and a new system of working is now being inaugurated by which the lode will be made to yield up as much more in the next thirty years. But three mines in all the earth have produced more billion than the Comstock.

These are the Potosi, with \$1,000,000,000; Sierra Madre, \$800,000,000; and the Rio Grande, \$650,000,000. Next to the Comstock comes the Veta Madre, with a yield of \$385,955,000. The next in order, the Parramilla, with \$70,000,000 shows a quick drop, and the yield of other mines of note then runs from \$30,000,000 down to \$10,000,000. The annual production of the whole world is now \$200,000,000. Half of this amount is produced in the United States. For twenty-five years past India has absorbed \$38,000,000 and China \$9,000,000, being \$47,000,000 a year. There are annually used in the arts in United States gold and silver bullion to the value of \$15,000,000, and in the rest of the world not less than \$35,000,000, making a total of \$50,000,000, and for loss and abrasion \$3,000,000 more may be set down. Thus there is left for the purposes of coinage for the whole world \$100,000,000; yet there are those who howl about over-production of silver, and who wish to see it debased and sold like pig iron or bar lead.—Virginia Enterprise.

It is the "fly" fisherman who generally catches the most trout.

The Hog Exploded.

An Otoe county farmer had used dynamite for the purpose of blowing several old stumps out of the ground. Recently he carelessly left the dangerous compound lying by the side of a stump near his quarry, intending to begin operations the next morning at blasting rock. The dynamite was mixed with sawdust and emitted an exceedingly pleasant odor, which attracted the attention of two of the farmer's hogs, which soon converted themselves into gigantic cartridges. The stuff when eaten creates a peculiar sensation, which annoyed one of the hogs to such an extent that it entered the stable and began rubbing its side against a post at the mouth of a mule's stall. The mule remained passive, but for a few moments only, when it gave the hog a terrible kick in the side. A tremendous explosion followed, and after the gradual clearing away of the smoke and dust, the hog was to be found only in detachments, while an enormous aperture marked the spot where it had stood. The mule received a tremendous shock, but was still intact. The other hog is still running at large, greatly to the terror of the whole neighborhood.—Nebraska City News.

LOCAL EPITOME.

Wilson Bros. sell hay cheapest. Go to Wilson Bros. for your oats.

A fisherman's profits are always net. Everybody will dine at the Grand, Sunday.

A popular variety of four in hand—all aces.

The Grand is the only family restaurant in town.

Fully 250 pairs of pants just received at the I X L.

Common sense is the small change of wisdom.

Dinner from 4 to 8 o'clock p. m. at the Grand every day.

Latest styles in men's furnishing goods, at the I X L clothing store.

This is the only proper time of the year to indulge in fan-tasms.

A boil is like a five-dollar bill because once broken it soon disappears.

Hay and oats now for sale at Wilson Bros', new place, on Lower Broadway.

The longer a man lives the more he knows about what he doesn't know.

Miner's boots and shoes in endless variety at the I X L boot and shoe store.

When a woman "knits her brows" it is probably because she is out of yarn.

Young man! Forget not to take your best girl to dinner at the Grand, Sunday.

Bangles and coins on silver belts instead of on bracelets are now the rage.

The hay-fever is at hand, but the man with the "they" fever is with us always.

Give your stove a rest, and take your family to dinner at the Grand, next Sunday.

Note for fishermen—You can generally find a big black bass in the colored church choir.

Twenty-five dozen woolen overshirts just received at the I X L clothing house.

Black stockings are being superseded by those which match the color of the costumes.

Just received, fresh candy and several popular brands of New York cigars at Doe & Hoyer's.

Bread cast upon the waters will return whenever you want it if you handle your fishpole well.

Pipes! Pipes! Pipes! Try a Powhatan clay with a long stem at Doe & Hoyer's 10 cents each.

One of Brigham Young's wives was Ann Eliza, but the wife who gave him the most trouble was Para Lyzer.

Buy the genuine English surveyor boot, made by Heath & Co., London England. For sale at the I X L store.

George Cockrell, Deer Lodge, dealer in all kinds of farm implements, is sole agent for Deer Lodge county for the genuine Peter Shuttler Wagons. Write for prices.

A bachelor discovering his clothes torn exclaimed: "Mend I can't," but felt wealthier a moment later, when he remembered that the Universal button fastener woman was in the camp.

Tramp Printer—Say, sis, is your pop editor o' the Bangtown Clarion? Sis: That's what they call him in these parts. T. P.—Well, jus' ask him if he don't want to hire an experienced man just out of a New York daily to swear to the circulation.

A dispatch from Belgrade states that a gang of murderers has just been arrested at Pierot. Their victims during the past two years number sixty. Disguised as gendarmes, the assassins pretended to arrest travelers on various pretexts and then robbed and killed them. A deputy of the prefect of Pierot was the first person arrested for complicity in the crimes. It is believed that political motives led to the commission of the murders. Two French newspaper men and Prince Alexander's groom were among the victims. An official commission of inquiry has been dispatched to Pierot.

1867. PIONEER 1887. Blacksmith Shop, Cor. Broadway and Sansome sts., Philipsburg John G. McLean, Prop. Fine Blacksmithing, Heavy Blacksmithing and Horseshoeing a specialty. Wagon, Carriage and Buggy repairing. The best Horseshoers in the county. Satisfaction given or no charge made.

Decker Bros, Behr Bros & Co's, Fisher, Ivers & Pond Other First Class Pianos, Brass Band and Orchestra Instruments. Jackson's Music Store, A. B. Chase, Chicago Cottage and Estey Organs. All Kinds of Musical Merchandise and Sheet Music, Wholesale and Retail. Pianos and Organs sold on easy installments if desired. Tuning and repairing by first-class artists. Broadway, Helena, Mont.

NEW BEER HALL! Barret & Jacky Bros Deal-ers in HARNESSES, SADDLES, BRIDLES, Whips, Spurs, Etc Agent for Concord team and buggy harness. Repairing done at short notice and all work warranted. Billiard Hall. Card Rooms.

Wm. T. Ward PREPARED TO DO LATHING, PLASTERING, BRICKLAYING General Contract Work. PHILIPSBURG, MONT.

ALLEN P. BOWIE, Druggist and Apothecary, MAIN STREET, PHILIPSBURG, MONTANA. Carries a full line of Family Medicines and Pure Drugs, Select Toilet Articles and genuine Patent Medicines. Prescriptions carefully prepared night or day.

ALLISON & SHERMAN THE LEADING Contractors and Builders And Dealers in Fine Furniture, Sash, Doors, and Moldings, Etc. A General Undertaking Business Done. Office and warehouse located one door west of Hynes' Hotel, Broadway.

James O'Donnell & Bro Proprietors of the Headquarters Saloon Fine Cigars, Wines, Liquors, And Miners' Furnishing Goods in stock. The general public is cordially invited to stop in and sample our goods. O'DONNELL & BRO. TOWER, MONT.

THE KAISER HOUSE M. Kaiser, Prop. First-Class Table. WELL LIGHTED, Handsome Rooms Fire Proof Brick Building. Headquarters for Commercial Travelers. All stages stop at this hotel. M. KAISER, Prop. Notice. The public is hereby warned not to deliver any goods on account of the Hope Mining Company, of St. Louis, except on order from the office of the company. W. W. Adams, Sup't.

Summons. TERRITORY OF MONTANA, County of Deer Lodge. In the Justice's Court of Philipsburg township before A. Labrie, Justice of the Peace, John McKeirie, plaintiff, vs. Arthur Pelletier, defendant. The people of the Territory of Montana, to the above named defendant, greeting: You are hereby summoned to be and appear before me, A. Labrie, Justice of the Peace, in and for the County of Deer Lodge, at my office in Philipsburg on Friday, the 9th day of Sept. 1887, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, then and there to make answer to the complaint of John McKeirie, the above named plaintiff, in a civil action to recover the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for labor performed for you, the defendant by plaintiff during the year 1887, as will more fully appear in complaint herein on file, and in default thereof judgment will be rendered against you, Arthur Pelletier, the above named defendant, for the sum of two hundred and fifty (\$250) dollars and costs of suit in his behalf expended. Given under my hand this 15th day of Aug. A. D. 1887. A. LABRIE, Justice of the Peace of said Township.

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Notice of Final Proof. U. S. LAND OFFICE, HELENA, M. T., Aug. 6, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Helena, Mont., on Sept. 24, 1887, viz: GEORGE COLE LITTLE, one of the heirs of Samuel Coyle, deceased, who made Homestead Application, No. 1310, for the S. 1/4 Sec. 24, T. 1 N. 14 E., R. 14 W. He names the following witnesses, to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: John Yandell, William Shub, Duncan Campbell, John G. McLean, all of Philipsburg, Mont. S. W. LANGHORNE, Register. H. Forrest Titus, att'y for claimant. First publication, Aug. 18, 1887.

Notice of Final Entry. U. S. LAND OFFICE, HELENA, M. T., Aug. 6, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Owen Emerson, Probate Judge of the Deer Lodge County, at Deer Lodge, on Sept. 24, 1887, viz: THOMAS W. ROBINSON, who made Pre-emption S. 8, No. 5019 for the N. 1/4 Sec. 24, T. 1 N. 14 E., R. 14 W. He names the following witnesses, to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: James O'Brien, Frank Young, Lee C. Jessup, Charles Levens, all of Philipsburg, Mont. S. W. LANGHORNE, Register. H. Forrest Titus, att'y for claimant. First publication, Aug. 18, 1887.

Dissolution Notice. The public are notified that the undersigned has this day sold to Homer Sweitzer his undivided one-half interest in the saloon business, situated in Philipsburg, known as the Smith & Noble saloon. The business will be continued as Noble & Sweitzer at the old stand, the new firm assuming all liabilities and collecting all debts due the old firm. PHILIPSBURG, M. T., June 7, 1887. W. T. WARD.

Dissolution Notice. Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between W. T. Ward and Thos. Giblin, under the firm name of Ward & Giblin, is this day dissolved. All debts due said firm and all debts owed by said firm will be paid by W. T. Ward, who will continue the business. PHILIPSBURG, M. T., July 23, 1887. (Through mistake this notice did not appear in the last two numbers of the Mail.—W. T. WARD.)

Notice to Co-Owner. To Robert B. Burghardt: You are hereby notified that I, Henry Knatz, your co-owner, have, in accordance with Section 2241 of the revised statutes of the United States, expended in labor and improvements upon the Big Chief quartz lode mining claim, located in Flint Creek mining district, Deer Lodge county, Montana Territory, for the year 1886, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100); you are hereby notified that unless you contribute your proportion of such expenditure, together with interest and costs, within ninety days after the complete service of this notice by publication, all your right, title, interest and claim in and to the above described quartz lode mining claim will become the property of the undersigned, your co-owner, who has performed the work and made the required expenditure thereon. HENRY KNATZ. PHILIPSBURG, M. T., July 7.

Notice to Co-Owner. To Robert B. Burghardt: You are hereby notified that I, Lawrence S. Bonclan, your co-owner, have, in accordance with Section 2241 of the revised statutes of the United States, expended in labor and improvements upon the Merced quartz lode mining claim, located in Flint Creek mining district, Deer Lodge county, Montana Territory, for the years 1885 and 1886, the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200); you are hereby notified that unless you contribute your proportion of such expenditure, together with interest and costs, within ninety days after the complete service of this notice by publication, all your right, title, interest and claim in and to the above described quartz lode mining claim will become the property of the undersigned, your co-owner, who has performed the work and made the required expenditure thereon. LAWRENCE BONCLAN. PHILIPSBURG, M. T., July 29, 1887.