

Notice.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,  
HELENA, M. T., August 17, 1896.  
To Mine Owners and Mining Attorneys: In notices for application of patent you will in all cases make agreement to publish with the newspaper published nearest to the land geographically adjacent. This instruction must be fully complied with, else new publication will be ordered.  
S. W. LANGHORNE, Register.

THE PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Among the successes of fair week in Helena the annual meeting of the Territorial Press Association may be counted as one of the most complete. Nothing can be more beneficial to the press as a whole than such meetings and interchange of ideas and experiences of its individual representatives. The proceedings of the association as reported in the Independent were marked by an absence of all self-glorification or any mutual admiration tendencies, yet the most casual reader could not fail to be impressed with the responsibilities, cares and grinding work which falls to the lot of the newspaper man, nor could he fail to realize how important a factor is the newspaper in the general scheme of progressive civilization. There is not the slightest doubt but that the greatest possible good to the profession and to the Territory is done by the meetings of this association and that it fully deserves the cordial support and appreciation which it receives. The quality of the speeches made at the meeting on ly served to show how much more a man can do, how much greater his command of the vehicle of thought when relieved of the restricting bounds of "editorial utterance," he finds himself with a congenial theme at liberty to wander irresponsibly wherever his fancy beckons.

Considerable discussion prevails as to the morality and legality of selling promises of stock in mining companies which have not yet been incorporated, or, when incorporated, in which the stock has been pooled. If a man binds himself by a pool not to sell any stock, the selling of a promise to deliver such stock at the expiration of the pool is undoubtedly whipping the devil around the stump, although such promise is a salable commodity, and when delivered for any valuable consideration is undoubtedly binding in law. But the question deserving the attention of the vender is, in the case of pooled stock, whether, when the sale of his stock acts by the terms of the pool as a forfeiture of the same, the sale of his promise to deliver it would not act in the same way. In this case, the vender might find himself in the unpleasant position of having no stock, yet under legal regard of present price. In the matter of the stock of companies not yet incorporated, the question would also be whether the vender of a promise to furnish his stock could be sure of having the stock to furnish. It is the seller and not the purchaser who runs the risk.

The Great Falls Tribune says Montana needs more reduction works to treat the continually increasing output of ores. This is true enough but it is equally true that too many would be worse than too few. The nature of the business requires that it should be carried on where custom work is contemplated on a scale of magnitude which will insure the cheapest treatment possible and the ability to continue operations on very small margins of profit and this can never be the case if at the foot of every gulch which opens onto the railroad is established a one-horse smelter. Such a state of affairs, which at first sight would seem to furnish the miner cheap rates and a large market, would in practice have quite an opposite effect. The fear of monopoly in the custom-smelting business is an utterly groundless one from the nature of the case and the status of the transportation question and the cheapest market for the miner would be assured by the establishment of large reduction works only at those points where everything is cheapest and which have direct access through railroads to all ore producing localities.

One of our St. Louis exchanges rejoices over the present activity in mining matters, because it fulfills its prediction made some months ago that such activity would prevail. This is only one more instance of one of the privileges of a journalist, which permits him occasionally, amid the click of the shears and the stick of the maulage bottle, to catch a fleeting but vivid glimpse into the future. Had any one told us some months ago when snow covered the ground in all the mining districts of the country, that upon the coming of summer and the opening of the roads the mining industry would be revived, we should have put him down at once as a fool-hardy idiot, because in our experience it is in the dead of winter that mining is liveliest, and during the enervating heat of summer that it languishes. It only remains now for the same journal, if it has the nerve, to prophecy that the weather will be cooler in a few months time, in order to establish a reputation as an off-hand prophet, which no subsequent slip can ever shake.

St. Louis is to have a mining stock exchange. This while giving great impetus to the speculative element will have the undoubtedly advantageous effect of giving an official stamp to the quotations of the various mining stocks.

The Independent upholds the marriage license law which goes into effect to-day, principally on the grounds that divorce is much too frequent, people who marry in haste refusing to take leisure in repenting, and also because boys and girls, who, though of marriageable age, are not capable of supporting themselves, should be discouraged in their matrimonial schemes. Divorce, however, is most frequently the result, not of marrying in haste, but of the laxity of the marriage ties after the ceremony is concluded and statistics will bear us out in the statement that divorce follows oftener on the marriage of those who are most able to pay for licenses. The trouble with our divorce and marriage laws is not the ease with which we can get married, but the ease with which we can undo the work. A greater difficulty in obtaining divorce would be the proper check on ill-considered unions and would work no hardship on those who know their own minds and are yet unable or unwilling to stand the expense. It is the unmarrying and not the marrying that should be made expensive.

The present condition of Broadway, the most heavily traveled thoroughfare of the town, is acknowledged to be discredit to our enterprise. It can hardly be expected that this or any other street could, with all the building now in progress, present a very slightly appearance; but there is no reason why traffic should be rendered difficult and even dangerous, and the proper authorities should make it their business, as it is already their duty, to rectify matters.

From having no banking facilities at all, Philipsburg seems likely to jump at once into the enjoyment of two banks. An application for a charter for a national bank has been made, and a private bank is also contemplated, and the field is considered by both parties so good a one that unless some consolidation of interests can be effected, we will probably have two banks as soon as the legal requirements for their establishment can be complied with.

School opens again on Monday, Sept 5th, under very auspicious circumstances. The trustees have secured the services of two teachers of undoubted ability and tried efficiency and the term can hardly fail of being a successful one. For the new teachers, who will have many difficulties to contend with, we bespeak in advance that hearty co-operation on the part of parents and scholars which will do so much to lighten their labors and to further the advancement of the school.

Indian summer is upon us with all signs of having come to stay for some time and Montana puts on her most attractive appearance and furnishes the most healthful surroundings in the world.

Nothing but unreliable rumors are heard as to the location of the new mills which will undoubtedly be built here before the winter overtakes us.

Upon the arrival of the railroad steps should be immediately taken for the establishment of a daily mail service.

Among other things which the legislature now assembled at Helena is expected to give us is a mild winter.

The political cauldron is beginning to boil.

STOCK NOTES.

The Yellowstone Journal suggests that an import tax be placed on foreign hides.

New Northwest: N. J. Bielenberg is starting 15,000 head of sheep east this week. Some will probably be shipped by rail from Helena, Livingston and other points, and the balance will be driven, and a part may go to Manitoba.

The Sun River rangers have completed the gathering of their cattle that had strayed across the Missouri last winter, and now have them safe on this side of the river. R. S. Ford is holding them, while cutting out beef cattle. -Sun River Sun.

Billings Gazette: The herds of the Big Horn cattle company, Geo. W. Baxter, C. W. Wright, the North American Cattle company, and the W. P. herd of the Union cattle company on No Wood, Johnston county, are now being tallied out to the American Cattle Trust.

New Northwest: Blivens & McLaughlin bought of Kohrs & Bielenberg the two-year-old filly, Nevada, by Regent, dam Miss Ella, by Enquirer. Price, \$1,250. Also the one-year-old horse colt "X," by Regent; first dam Sadie Williams, by Springbok, second dam Nettie Hind, by Old Lexington. Price, \$500.

St. Louis Rural World: Mr. J. J. Reeves, of Gallatin, Montana, brought in three car loads of good, sound young stock, a few of which were partially broken. They were aged from four to six years, and weighed from 800 to 1,100 pounds. Freight paid \$238.50 per car. Gallatin is at the head of the Missouri river, and is formed by the Madison, Jefferson rivers. The stock had good colors, good sound legs and feet, and showed a good deal of blood and style. It would have paid the shipper well to have it well broken, for many of the number would have made good single drivers.

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