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STABBING AT GARNET

Thomas H. McGuire Received Five Serious Cuts in a Saloon Row.

IT MAY RESULT IN HIS DEATH

Four Men Placed Under Arrest and Lodged in Jail by Constable John Elkins, Charged With Assault With Intent to Commit Murder.

A serious cutting affray over which at least one man is expected to lose his life took place at Garnet last Tuesday evening. The trouble started in a saloon quarrel and Thomas H. McGuire was stabbed five times in the body and shoulders, which will undoubtedly prove fatal. The parties engaged in the cutting are Mike Lavelle, John Lavelle, Dan McPherson and Jos. Irwin, all of whom are now safely lodged in the county jail in this city. Constable John Elkins made the arrest and a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace R. A. Childs at Garnet was had, which resulted in the prisoners being ordered committed without bail on a charge of assault with intent to commit murder. The affair threatened to cause a lynching here at Garnet for a time and the citizens were very much aroused, but the officers took every precaution and removed the prisoners to Drummond as quick as possible, and there they were held Wednesday night and on Thursday's train were brought to this city by Constable John Elkins.

According to information received from Garnet yesterday the injured man, Thomas H. McGuire, is in a very critical condition—at the point of death—and no hopes are entertained for his recovery.

The exact cause that led up to the trouble has not been learned, but it is thought to have been nothing more than a saloon row.

All of the men concerned in the unfortunate affair have been residents of Garnet for some time and the serious ending is deeply regretted.

"TWO HEARTS THAT BEAT AS ONE."

A Pretty Wedding Takes Place Last Sunday Evening at the Catholic Church.

The marriage of Miss Mary Orr and Mr. Florian Winninghoff attracted many residents of this community to the Catholic church last Sunday evening and before the time announced for the ceremony had arrived the spacious church was filled with friends and well-wishers of the happy couple, and every pew was occupied. Shortly after 7:30 o'clock the bride and groom, attended by Miss Teresa Orr and Mr. Charles Arthurson as bridesmaid and groomsmen, arrived in a carriage and were ushered to a front pew which had been reserved for them. In a few moments Rev. R. DeRyckere took his position before the altar and the contracting parties advanced to be joined for life. The ceremony was brief and in conformity with the laws and usages of the Catholic religion.

At the conclusion of the ceremony the happy couple were driven to the home of the bride's father on East Kearney street, where they received the congratulations of their many friends and an delicious wedding supper was served. The occasion was a quiet affair, invitations being limited to relatives of the contracting parties only.

Both of the young people are well known and highly respected in this community, where they have made their home for many years, and especially the bride, who grew up in Philipsburg from childhood. Mr. Winninghoff is a highly respected young man, very popular with his associates, and of many good traits and excellent habits.

The members of the Philipsburg Cornet band most agreeably surprised the happy couple about 10 o'clock in the evening with several selections, to which the groom promptly responded and in a manner very appropriate to the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Florian Winninghoff are now comfortably located in a cottage on Sutter street, at which place they will be at home to their friends.

The Mail joins a large circle of friends and acquaintances in extending congratulations.

Safe Return of the Missionaries.

Lou R. Hoss, of the Citizens Call, and Dr. S. W. Minshall, of this city, have returned from Helena, where they had been engaged in missionary work. A peculiar circumstance associated with the return of these gentlemen from the Capital City was that each one received a shipment of household furniture from Helena the following day. Whether this was merely a coincidence or whether the furniture was forwarded as a compensation for their services rendered while at Helena, we are not in a position to say. This style of remuneration, if it was such, may be extensible in the medical profession, but a newspaper man ought to be subjected to censure for breaking the rule. The Mail approves the cash system now in vogue, and while furniture may be all right in its place it is too bunglesome a commodity to be adopted as a medium of exchange by the newspaper fraternity.

Bimetallic Wood Contract.

Under Sheriff J. D. Kennedy has secured a contract from the Bimetallic

company of hauling about 1000 cords of wood now in the yard at the Rumsey mill to the Bimetallic. This wood has been in the Rumsey yard since the shut-down in '93 and is very desirable for the company at present. Mr. Kennedy's teams and several teams of Sheriff Geo. Metcalf are now engaged in moving the wood.

A Friendless Pup and an Ancient Tin Can.

A canned dog, or, rather, a dog with a tin can attached to his tail, created some excitement on Broadway last Saturday. Unable to outrun his pursuer, the dog took refuge under Harry Morgan's horse and cart, which made matters worse. A general mix-up resulted and the cart suffered considerable damage before the frightened animal could be brought under control.

Opposition to the Bounty Law Amendment.

Considerable opposition has developed over the proposed amendment of the bounty law. The bill introduced by Representative Phelps reducing the bounty on coyotes to \$1 will undoubtedly be referred to the committee on agriculture, with an amendment fixing the bounty on coyotes and wolf cubs at \$2.50. The wolf bounty will be left at \$5. It is argued that the strict provisions of the bill as to the cancellation of hides and their identification, will prevent any further perpetration of bounty frauds and that the coyote should be worth more than \$1 when dead.

WHITESIDE IS UNSEATED

Geiger Is Declared Elected Senator From Flathead County by a Vote of 14 to 9.

THE GRAND JURY REPORTS

Evidence Produced in the Bribery Scandal Insufficient to Sustain the Charges. It Was the Most Sensational Day of the Session—The Vote.

Yesterday was another memorable day of the sixth legislative assembly, and the personal safety of several members was in peril. A fist fight is reported to have occurred at the Hotel Helena, and gun plays were momentarily expected. Last evening, it is said, many members of the assembly were going armed.

The Whiteside-Geiger contest was decided in the senate yesterday afternoon. Senator Riddell introduced a resolution declaring that J. H. Geiger had received a majority of votes for state senator in Flathead county and as such was entitled to a seat in the state senate, which was carried by a vote of 14 to 9.

Mr. Whiteside made a few remarks, thanking the officers or their uniform kindness, and saying it was with malice toward none and charity to all that he retired from the senate. Mr. Geiger, before the senate, and Lieutenant Governor Spriggs administered the oath of office. Senator Geiger, on taking his seat, thanked the senate for the justice shown in the contest and promised to honestly represent his constituents.

Grand Jury Report.

The grand jury, which had been called to investigate the bribery charges, reported, which is in part as follows: "We have carefully weighed all the evidence submitted to us, and while there has been some evidence which tends to show that money has been used in connection with the election of a U. S. senator, it has been contradicted and explained in such a way that all the evidence introduced before us, taken together, would not in our judgment warrant a conviction by trial jury." The grand jury has not yet completed its labors, and further examination of the bribery charges will be made before a final report is submitted.

The Vote for Senator.

The vote for United States senator in the joint session yesterday (Thursday) was as follows: Clark, 40; Conrad, 30; Grubb (rep.), 15; Maginnis, 8; Fox, 1. Total, 94. Necessary to a choice, 48. No material change resulted in today's (Friday) vote, which is: Clark, 40; Conrad, 29; Leonard (rep.), 16; Maginnis, 6; Fox, 3.

Representative Hedges made a grand speech regarding the position taken by the republicans and said they would remain firm to the last.

A Pleasant Party.

Mrs. Conrad Wipf entertained the members of her Sunday-school class last Friday evening at her pleasant home on Upper Broadway. Music and games formed a part of the evening's entertainment, but the most unique part was a scent contest, which read as follows: Lassies fair, and lads beware. Get your noses in condition: Bottled scents come to your care—Pass them on with expedition. 'Ere you pass, each take a sniff. Let your nerve be quick and ready: Then write the name for Mrs. Wipf In your tablet, sure and steady.

Virgie Yenter won the first prize and Herman Allison the booby prize, after which refreshments were served for which the hostess is noted.

Those present were Miss Bessie Marble, Miss Pearl Yenter, Miss Minnie Brown, Miss Virgie Yenter, Miss Fannie Titus, Miss Mildred Sherrill, Miss Laura Simons, Ernest Hubert, Brad Westphal, Charles Larn, Herman Allison, Hilma Hansen, Lyle Williams, Clarence Sage, Conrad Wipf, Edward Marble, Fred Twohy, Miss Sallie Batterson, Miss M. A. Harrison, Mrs. J. H. Williams and Mrs. James Hansen.

GRANITE COUNTY MINES

Work Being Actively Prosecuted on a Number of Our Most Important Properties.

TALK OF QUIGLEY RESUMING

Operations at the Cuno-Moose Lake a Promising Copper Country—Philipsburg's Namesake Awarded a Medal—Granite to the Front.

Granite is rapidly assuming its former life and activity, and the busy little city on the hill will soon again become a worthy rival of Philipsburg, both in business and social affairs. During the palmy days of its early history the residents of Granite looked upon Philipsburg as a way-station which it was necessary to pass in order to reach their city, and Granite wholesale merchants endeavored to convince local dealers of Philipsburg that it would be to their advantage to buy their goods at Granite instead of Butte or Helena, and some did not even exclude Chicago. The town of Granite was looked upon as the metropolis of the county and the largest city in the state west of Butte. No larger stocks of merchandise, nor of better quality, than those carried by merchants of Granite could be found anywhere in the state. Every branch of business from banking institutions down to the public loan office was represented, and all did a flourishing business. More comfortable and elegantly furnished homes than those located at Granite could not be desired by the most extravagant, and the social good feeling among the residents will ever be among the pleasant recollections of those who had the fortune of living at least for a time, in the pleasant little city from which our county derived its name. It was indeed a splendid business town; its streets and business houses were well lighted by electricity, and the tourist and traveler could here enjoy the same comforts as in Chicago or any other city equipped with all the modern conveniences. Here one could buy foreign and domestic exchange for any desired amount, or deal in mining stocks and other securities as readily as if in New York. Everybody was prosperous and doing well. All earned good wages and spent their money as easy and with the best of grace, knowing that the supply furnished by the mines was good for many years to come.

This was before the crash. Early in the spring of '93 it began to be whispered about that if the price of silver dropped below the 70 mark the mines would be closed down, but no great amount of attention was paid to the gossip by the residents generally, and the time passed without any notable change until the 1st of July, 1893, when the announcement was made that the orders had arrived from the home office of the companies at St. Louis to suspend operations.

Here begins a new chapter in the history of Granite. When it was learned that the instructions were to bulkhead the mines and lift the pumps every resident of Granite at once realized the result, and after becoming reconciled to their fate, those who possibly could departed for other places, and the little city soon presented an entirely different view. Merchants removed their goods, and the elegant plate-glass windows were boarded up. This continued until the inhabitants of Granite numbered about fifty people, mostly women and children, and the town, which at one time had a population of nearly 3,000, presented a site of desolation and despair.

During the summer of '98 the reaction set in, and the consolidation of the Granite and Bimetallic companies was the first encouragement received looking toward a resumption of the mines. Soon thereafter the new company began to employ a few men, and the Bimetallic mine was being overhauled and put in shape for work. The mill at Clark was thoroughly repaired, and the gradual resumption followed. A plant has been constructed for the purpose of concentrating the ores from the Granite and Bimetallic dumps, and excellent results are reported. The boilers at the Granite mine, after a suspension of nearly six years, have again been fired, and the few residents who remained and devoted five years of their lives to patient endurance have just cause for rejoicing. With the resumption of the mines the town of Granite is gradually recovering, and some of its former life and activity is returning. Several months will undoubtedly pass before any great amount of its former prosperity will be noticeable to a marked degree, but the close of the present year will find Granite one of the liveliest mining camps in the state.

AMONG THE LEDGES.

The Majestic Mining Co. to Resume.

After several years of patient endurance the few remaining residents of Quigley have received the welcome news that operations will soon be resumed on the properties of the ill-fated Golden Scepter Co. Mr. J. R. McDonald, promoter of the Majestic Mining

Co., who has been engaged for some time in an effort to float sufficient bonds to realize \$300,000 (this being the amount required to complete and start the works), at last wired the long-hoped-for information that the necessary funds had been secured and that work would be resumed not later than April 1st.

According to advices received Mr. McDonald, who is at present in Milwaukee, Wis., has perfected all arrangements and the completion of this gigantic enterprise is now assured. The resumption of the Quigley mines means much for Granite county, and their successful operation will do more towards encouraging outside capital to invest in Granite county mining enterprises than anything else. The operations of the Golden Scepter Co. are known throughout the entire United States, and the downfall of that company necessarily created some question in many instances as to the actual value of the mines, and until successful operation demonstrates their value future investments will be retarded to some extent.

It is believed that the mines at Quigley are among the best and most valuable gold properties known, and while the ore is of a low grade it is free milling and exists in immense quantities, which permits operations on a large scale and for that reason more desirable than a small ledge of higher grade ore. The expense of mining the ore at the Jumbo mine is very light, since a whole mountain of it is in sight and can be quarried without handling any waste whatever. The entire works will be operated by electricity, which is generated by water power from Rock creek. The enterprise is among the largest ever undertaken in this state and its success is of unusual significance and importance to the residents of this county.

The town of Quigley during the summer of three years ago had a population of nearly 2000, which has dwindled down to about 50 people at the present time. The resumption will create a notable change on Lower Rock creek and it is hoped that the noise of a bustling mining camp, full of life and activity, will, before many days, again replace the scenes of monotony and silence now gracing the banks of the creek at Quigley.

The Cuno.

G. B. Ballard has a force of nine men employed at the Cuno mine on Hope hill—seven on day shift and two at night. Most of the work is being done at the 140-foot level, where a good deal of ore is in sight. The hoisting is being done with a whim. Owing to a shut-down of James Patten's Sweet Home mill where the ore of the Cuno mine is being treated no ore is taken out at present. The bins, however, are filled with ore, and as soon as the necessary repairs at the mill are completed ore-hauling will again be commenced, and the indications are that the mill will be kept busy for some time. Substantial buildings, including a shaft and whim house, stable, blacksmith-shop, ore bins, etc., make the Cuno mine a most comfortable place to work.

Moose Lake Copper Properties.

According to reports received from Moose Lake, the copper properties in that section are showing up in splendid shape. Mountains of ore are in sight and experienced mining men claim that as far as developed the Moose Lake copper properties excel anything known in the state. Only a comparatively small amount of work has been performed, however, and the actual value of the properties is yet to be determined. It is the general belief that if some company would come into control, with sufficient capital to erect works for the reduction of the ore, Moose Lake would soon be among the busiest mining camps in the state.

The Gold Hill Mining Company.

Joseph Dixon made a trip to the head of Gold creek last week to inspect the properties of the Gold Hill Mining Co. in that section. The Gold Hill Mining Co. is composed of practically the same parties as the Granite-Bimetallic company, and a resumption of this promising property is said to be among the possibilities of the present year.

Awarded a Medal of Honor.

Philip Deidesheimer, the veteran Comstock miner from whom Philipsburg derived its name, is still among the inhabitants of this globe. Mr. Deidesheimer was awarded a medal of honor by the commissioners of the Omaha exposition for his model of the Comstock (Nevada) mine timbering system, which is one of his inventions.

The Sweet Home.

James Patten has several men employed at the Sweet Home mine and it is said that some very good ore has been struck. The Sweet Home is among the best properties in this section and some excellent ore has been taken out and worked at the Sweet Home mill.

Dan Birran Attached.

Attachment proceedings have been commenced by A. J. Dunlap of Anaconda against Dan Birran of Moose Lake and all the mining property owned by Mr. Birran at that place has been levied upon.

The Belmont.

The Belmont, another mine owned by James Patten east of Hope hill, is said to be looking very well, although operations at this place have been temporarily suspended.