

LOCAL NEWS.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Table with columns for destination (Atlantic Express, Pacific Express, Freight), departure times, and arrival times for various routes.

Benton Stage Line.

Departs—Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 8 A. M. Arrive—Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays at 12 noon.

Billings Street Railway.

Car leaves from opposite McAdow's store at 8, 9:30, 11:45, A. M. Returns 2:30, 4:45, 6:50, 7:45, 9, 10:15.

Billings Post Office.

Mails close for the East at 7:45 P. M. Mail closes for the West at 8:30 P. M. Office closed on Sundays from 10:30 A. M. When trains are delayed mails will not be closed till their arrival.

Location of Billings.

This town is located on section 32, township 11 North, and section 3, township 11 South, range 28 East. Latitude 45 degrees and 45 minutes. Longitude 108 degrees 30 minutes West of Greenwich.

GOSSIP ABOUT TOWN.

From Friday's Mail.

F. W. McEntuck and William Cowen of Stinking Water are at the Park.

J. T. Lampford, county surveyor, returned yesterday from the Bull mountains where he has been engaged surveying coal claims.

The safe for the clerk and recorder's office has arrived. It is 70 inches high, weighs 60,000, and is in every respect a very fine safe.

Another man is happy in the possession of a coal mine in the Bull Mountain District. L. H. Fenske has been showing his friends a very fine specimen of coal from that district.

Hon. Wm. W. Coont of Barre, Vt., is in town. On behalf of himself and a number of Vermont capitalists, he is looking over the country with the view of going into the cattle business.

On the Royal Route dining cars are run on all through trains between St. Paul and Chicago. General passenger agent Teasdale has sent us an elegant bill of fare used on these cars.

We are informed by engineer Grant of the Park branch, that the company will locate the terminus of that road about three miles this side of Gardiner, and nearly seven miles from the Mammoth springs. This is done to avoid litigation regarding the title to the latter property.

The books in the office of the Clerk and Recorder are models of neatness and accuracy, and are decidedly creditable to Dr. Boh and his assistants.

Mrs. Tomlinson reports the following real estate sales effected in the past day or two: S. Burdock to James Cameron 64 1/4 in block 101, consideration \$1,000; 65 1/2 in block 101, E. H. Lee lot 3 in block 106, consideration \$1,200; James Cameron to B. Hillson, lots 15 and 16 in block 109, consideration \$200; Benton, Wells & Co. have sold lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in block 35, and lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in block 143, to Evan S. Tyler for \$1,575.

Dr. Parker, Deputy Recorder, informs us that the coming boom is beginning to effect the recorder's office, and that instruments for record are coming in quite freely. Two hundred and twenty-five instruments have been recorded since the office opened, the bulk of them within a very recent date.

Engineer Grant started out this forenoon for a preliminary examination of the country between here and the Bull mountains. He will return in a few days and take out a force of engineers and go over the ground and on his and Col. Clough's report we understand the location of the Benton branch will be finally determined.

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In the minds of those who know the country as an open book, that the line from Billings will be the one selected.

From Saturday's Daily. A train of live stock arrived yesterday from Iowa, and was taken out to Billings, Mont., by the Northern Pacific, for the Willard Stock Company.—Pioneer Press, 12th.

The trees set out by VanCleve & Wadsworth in the McAdow addition are growing splendidly. By next season they will be a marked addition to that portion of the town.

The band of horses from Oregon which were to be sold at auction this afternoon by Tom B. Warren, were sold to Mr. Kennard at the rate of \$85 per head. The band numbers about 285 head.

We were very much pleased to see Sam Garvin, captain of the Yellowstone round-up, who has been laid up with typhoid fever for some weeks, on our streets again to-day. Mr. Garvin is looking pretty well, and is improving every day.

C. E. Warren, manager of the Willard Cattle company of Mankato, Minn., is in town with two car loads of milch cows with their calves, for sale. He will receive on Tuesday, at this point, 20 car loads yearlings and two year olds, which he will offer for sale.

Mr. Gans, of Gans & Klien, and several other wool buyers will be in Billings about the 2nd of August. The wool growers will then have the much needed competition for the purchase of their wool. The in percentage of this fact to the merchants of our town cannot be estimated.

C. W. Thompson arrived by this morning's train, and accompanied by Mr. French, immediately proceeded to the Bull Mountain coal fields. There seems to be considerable excitement about the possession of claims in that locality. The absence of one of our prominent citizens from town, usually indicates that he is going to look after his claim interests there.

The Jackson brothers left town this morning for their annual fishing expedition, accompanied by five guides and ten pack horses. They will go up Pryor creek, through Pryor gap and up to the tributaries of the Stinking Water. They will spend about three weeks in fishing and then settle down to hunting. This year they propose to devote their energies to the bear and to mountain sheep. Last year they hunted only the elk and mountain goat or American Deer. They will make Billings their headquarters and return here about once a month.

Rufus G. Gilford is still working under the large circus saw in Douglas's mill this morning met with quite a severe accident, in passing under the saw, which was in motion. He drove his head into the mill of a very ugly wound, one of the teeth penetrating the skull. The wound was dressed by Dr. Kelly, and Mr. Gilford is now doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances. The wound is only dangerous in view of the fact that inflammation may set in.

E. J. Morrison of Philbrook, arrived in town yesterday. Mr. Morrison says that a large proportion of the wool grown in the Judith country will be shipped to Billings notwithstanding the fact that the wagon freight owing to the lower land is half a cent higher than to the Missouri river. The fact that the wool buyers will be here by the first of next month is equivalent to an assurance that all the wool shipped at that time will be forwarded from here, and that our merchants will have an opportunity of meeting some of the wool growers who have heretofore purchased their supplies elsewhere.

Merchants in towns within a hundred miles of Billings are learning that this is a good point to obtain their goods from, and every week the orders from outside parties are increasing in volume and number. King & Co. Bros., inform us that they are shipping a large quantity of wagons and agricultural implements to Livingston and other western points, and to the Musselshell country. Others of our merchants advise us that they are filling extensive orders outside town. What is being done now is merely the beginning of what is in the future the nucleus of the wholesale trade which Billings is destined to command.

We recently had the pleasure of inspecting the extensive brewery of Messrs. Ash & Boat in East Billings. They are manufacturing a large quantity of lager beer, which for excellence of quality is not surpassed by any brewery west of Milwaukee. They have simple appliances for manufacturing good beer in approved modern styles. They are supplying Livingston and all the towns between here and there with beer, and are also sending out considerable quantities to Maguire and the Judith country. Mr. Earhart Gramp is their brewer and the product of the brewery does him great credit.

From Monday's Daily. Fred Salzberry returned yesterday from the Bull Mountains, where he has had charge of a large number of men.

After the 15th of August the Northern Pacific Refrigerator Car Company, of Little Missouri, will buy cattle in Billings from 300 to 1,000 delivered at Billings.

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We understand that a new superintendent has succeeded Mr. Heater in the work being done in the Bull Mountain by the Northern Pacific Coal Company, and that Mr. Heater will be promoted to another position.

Harry Holmes arrived on Saturday with 100 yearlings and two-year-olds for the range on the Musselshell, owned by himself and W. B. Holmes of Grinnell, Ohio. They were well handled in transit, there not being a lame or disabled one in the band. Among them were some graded cattle and four well bred bulls.

A correspondent of the Helena Independent describing the coming town of Great Falls, at the mouth of Sun river, says: "We heard of railroads to come from the east on the north side of the Missouri, and from the south, from Billings and from Helena, to meet at this point, and to be completed in the shortest possible time."

It looks a little singular to see car-loads of cattle and sheep going west into Montana. This spectacle is often seen, however, on the Northern Pacific railroad, the animals being of superior breed, selected in the east for new ranches in the vast grazing belt of Eastern Montana. Recently an entire train load of blooded one and two-year old heifers was unloaded at Billings.—North-West

George E. Ross, of the Pioneer Brewery, of Helena, has just made the largest books ever turned out in Montana. They are for filing city, town and village plats, 3x3 1/2 inches, and were made to order for Silver Bow, Meagher, Lewis and Clark counties. Dr. Bole of this town, clerk and recorder, can beat this book for size, one inch one way and seven the other, his plat book measuring 40 inches each way.

The New Northwest has an extended article on the benefits to be derived from artesian wells and winds up with the hope that some person in Montana will lead the way in sinking an experimental well. Our contemporary is evidently not aware of the existence of the Montana Artesian Well Co., of Billings, which will commence boring an artesian well in this town during the present week. If the effort made by this company demonstrate that artesian wells are practicable in Montana, we shall claim the honor for Billings enterprise.

From Tuesday's Daily. W. T. Hamilton has put down a drive way for Stedman, Post & Mund, in front of their bank.

Phil Brady arrived here this morning. Mr. Brady has not been seen in Billings for some time.

The freight train which arrived from the west this morning brought in 79 cars and put out of here with 46.

George Houghton came in from the range yesterday, and in the picturesque garb of a cowboy, and looking much improved in health.

D. C. Bacon and wife of Wynning are registered at the Headquarters. Mr. Bacon is a member of the firm of Balch & Bacon, large cattle owners.

Mr. Locke of Minneapolis is looking over the surrounding country for a suitable cattle range. He left town this morning for the Musselshell.

The engineering party which is to survey the line from here to the Bull Mountain coal fields, arrived here last evening. The party will begin operations tomorrow and will be in the charge of Mr. Grant.

The final location of the Northern Pacific branch road, from Billings to the extensive coal fields, is to be made at once. The work of construction is to be commenced as soon as the location is made.—Pioneer Press.

Governor Crosby informed a reporter of the Mandan Pioneer that the President on leaving the Park will be either to Livingston or Billings. In the latter event the party would camp at the Sheridan trail from Crook City.

The County Commissioners will hold a special meeting on Tuesday next, the 21st inst., at 10 o'clock A. M. to receive plans and specifications for a county jail and jailer's residence, and to receive tenders for the erection of these buildings.

Yesterday evening's freight brought to town 50 rail cars and four stakings for W. J. S. Trail & Co., which have a range on Shields river, about twenty-two miles above Livingston. Some of them were brought from Pembina, D. T., and some from St. Paul. A number of them were very well bred animals.

The street car time table will be found in today's issue. Ladies and children who wish to take an afternoon's outing, can find no pleasanter way than a trip in the street cars down to the bank of the river. Handsome trees, rousing water and a pleasant breeze are among the inducements offered at the end of the trip.

The many friends of Bobby Graham formerly of this town, will learn, with regret of the probable fatal result of a shooting affray at Maiden, of which he and another man were the victims. We clip from the Livingston Enterprise the following details: "A brief dispatch from Maiden in the Maguire's mining district, states that on Friday last Joe Doane shot two men killing one instantly and fatally wounding Bobby Graham. Graham is a gambler and sporting character, well known in all the Yellowstone towns, as well as over the Territory. Doane tended bar in Denny Driscoll's saloon at Mur City, last winter, as is also well known in sporting circles. During the winter months of 1882, Graham and Doane were partners at Maiden in the ivory business, and it is stated perted with a quarrel, a renewal of which may have led to the present affray. The name of the man instantly killed was not stated. Bobby had received a shot through the bowels and his death was momentarily expected at the time the dispatch was sent."

From Wednesday's Daily. Twenty-five cars of cattle belonging to the Willard Cattle Co. arrived this morning.

The Chicago & Montana Live Stock Company expect a shipment of 1,200 cattle to arrive in Billings in a few days. The east. They will be driven from here to the company's range on the Musselshell.

Mr. McMillan from the Musselshell, is in town to-day. While in town he qualified as postmaster of the postoffice of Roundup to be established at his place on the Musselshell at the mouth of Half Breed creek.

Engineer Grant commenced work to-day on the survey of the line to the Bull Mountains from this town. His party numbered 12, and consisted, besides Mr. Grant, of Messrs. May, Coover, Wardwell, Barbone, Long, Wershenbaum, Rockwell, Elgin, McFarland, Fay and Irvin.

W. Armitage and W. P. Snow of Helena rolled into town this morning on bicycles. They have been taking a trip through Meagher, Judith, Jefferson and this county and will go from here to Livingston and thence home. Mr. Snow seemed perfectly cool in getting the admiring glances of the crowd which greeted his entry into town.

W. T. Hamilton, who put in the drive well in front of Mund's bank yesterday, is prepared to put down double work in town and supply double action force pumps for \$30. He will supply hose and nozzle at 25 cents per foot. This is certainly a very liberal offer, and will no doubt be taken advantage of by many. As a mode of watering the street this well is worth the money.

T. J. Mullen has received the western agency of the extensive cigar house of E. Eberlin & Co. of Chicago. Tom is well posted in the business and has hosts of friends in every direction from Billings and will undoubtedly command a large cigar trade in Montana. He has a heavy stock now on the way and is prepared to startle cigar buyers with some good things in his line.

Ben Ely, of H. Clark & Co.'s outfit, returned last evening from an extended tour in the Judith basin, where he had been in the interests of his house. The firm is doing a large business through that section of the country. Mr. Ely reports one order of \$1500. Billings is gradually securing the trade of that fine district, as people there are beginning to find out that they can obtain more advantageous terms than at Benton.

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E. J. Morrison started early this morning for his home at Philbrook, Judith Basin. He was accompanied by his wife and three children, who arrived from Massachusetts yesterday morning.

The school trustees of this district offer to investors at par \$8000 in bonds bearing interest at 7 per cent. The security is absolute and no doubt eastern capitalists will readily take the investment.

having a railroad to the coal mines will have a government wagon road to Main and the mines.—Chronicle.

To-morrow morning, the 17th inst., T. C. Power & Bro. take control of the through stage line from Fort Benton to Billings, and will send out from this city a new Concord coach-drawn by four fine horses. Mr. Burke, the superintendent, arrived yesterday, and he informs us that he has his stock distributed in a first class stage line from Benton all the way through and Concord coaches except for a short run on the other end of the line, where the road is yet too rough. On this run, however, a good thorough brace coach will be used. First class accommodations in every particular will be provided, and there is no question but that the line will do a good business. As soon as everything gets to be settled and passengers taken through on Benton to the railroad on double track time.—River Press.

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check for \$100 in exchange for goods and money. I deposited it in Mund's bank.

W. H. Howard—Never had conversation with defendant about checks. Heard him speak to McKee about them when Bennett, Frenchy, Warren and Day were present.

Robert McKee—Had conversation with defendant on Sunday morning regarding the Warren checks, asked him to explain his conduct. He said I know nothing about it, there was a row of some kind. He acknowledged before my brother that he knew of the transaction and said Bennett had taken the checks. We had several talks about it. Threatened to have Bennett and him arrested if checks were not returned by four o'clock Sunday afternoon. He said Bennett had the checks and he could not get them from him. He said I will go to Bennett and get your bill, this man owes you and I will give you the receipt signed, and you do this thing, the receipt will let you out.

Cross-examined by H. N. Platt—Have related part of two conversations, defendant was present. Bennett was near Tivoli when last conversation took place.

Questioned by defendant—Defendant said he would sign a receipt if proceedings were dropped, asked me to go to Bennett and get matter settled. I saw Judge Proctor as my representative.

Cross-examined—Defendant said he had done all he could to get check from Bennett. The court then adjourned until Tuesday morning, when the following testimony was taken:

Tom B. Warren—Employed defendant Saturday evening to furnish Kennard for \$500. He by Johnson. Agreed to pay him \$100. Defendant afterward advised me to compromise and said that even his fee would be \$15. He subsequently took \$50 in full of his fee. I compromised. Johnson handed me three \$100 Northern Pacific checks, which I deposited with McKee about midnight. Between five and six o'clock next morning I saw the checks next in Bennett's hands. I grabbed for them. Bennett asked defendant if he should give them up, he replied, "a keep them. Bennett walked out with the checks. He threatened to complain of my conduct before Judge Bennett with the checks. He did not get \$50 from Johnson on my account and gave a receipt for it, and applied it in paying his fee, this was before Bennett got the checks. About 11 A. M. I demanded my money, and McKee said I must wait. I wrote a receipt and at the same time saw Platt writing one. I looked over Platt's receipt and saw it was worded in full of my services for McKee. I declined to sign it. Platt then said to McKee, don't give him the money, give defendant an authority to get me after he received the \$50 from Johnson.

Cross-examined by defendant—Went to bed about one o'clock by a few minutes and got up when Johnson came in. Received my checks about two o'clock.

This close of the presentation. Mr. Wilde then made a statement, under oath, which we are obliged to condense, as follows: On Saturday was contacted by Warren (during action for \$500, my fee to be \$100. Drew necessary papers and furnished Kennard. Warren started for Judge Metcalf's. I met him and told him a compromise had been offered. Did not advise him to accept, told him my fee would be \$100. Another offer was made of \$200 which Warren declined. Told him my fee would be \$75. Johnson went to Warren's room and brought him down, and they finally compromised at \$25. Platt and I as counsel for the parties went to Kennard and got the balance of Johnson's money \$2175. I asked Platt to retain the money until my fee was satisfied and told Warren I had been up all night and could not sleep. Platt put the money on the counter and I took out \$50 and gave Johnson a receipt as part payment on Warren's claim. Warren then wanted his money and Platt told him he would have to sign a receipt in full of his claim against Johnson. This he refused to do and Platt said I must not pay the money over until Warren signed such a receipt. McKee was anxious to have the matter fixed up. He placed a blotting pad, pen and ink and put three \$100 checks in front of me. I finished the receipts as I thought, and told Warren to come and get his checks. As he came up Bennett came in and stood at the corner of the bar. I handed receipt to McKee and placed money towards Warren, who refused to cash it. I owed him a larger sum and said that he would draw his own receipt. Bennett said that I take them. I told him I did not vary who took them. Bennett walked out and Warren continued enquiring for his money. I told him I did not know and I had no notes, and heard McKee and I had some bad words. I afterwards told McKee that the best I saw of the checks was when Bennett had them and I suppose I would get them back from him. I checked them against the list of checks I received. I was innocent. Warren told me to write this receipt.

Cross-examined by Mr. Harwood—First saw Bennett when I called Warren to come and get his money. I intended to write receipt in full of all demands against Johnson through McKee for this \$500. Wrote the receipt of Warren's money. Remember asking McKee to search me, do not remember asking him not to make a kick as it would implicate me. When I showed the money to Warren he was standing beside me at the bar. Think he had his hands on the bar. Bennett and myself were close together. I supposed the receipt was finished and never knew differently until told by McKee that I had never signed it.

H. N. Platt then requested permission to make a statement. It was substantially to the following effect: Defendant and I received from Kennard \$2175. We both signed a receipt for it. He requested me not to pay it over till his fees were paid. I handed McKee the money. He paid Johnson \$225 exceeding \$50. He then told Warren to get the checks from McKee. Warren said he had not accepted the checks and would not take them. He then demanded them from McKee and defendant. I told McKee not to give them up until Warren signed a receipt. I drew a receipt in full of all demands against Johnson, which he refused to sign. I left alone to go to meeting. Wilde to look after the matter, told McKee an arrangement with Wilde would be satisfactory to me.

Cross-examined by Harwood—Did not see checks given to Warren. Johnson told me he had paid Warren \$200. Warren distinctly said he never accepted the checks.

Eugene McKee—Warren was sitting on a chair until Bennett took the checks. He then came up to the bar and wanted to take them out of his hand. Bennett asked defendant if he should give them up to Warren and defendant said no, I will give them to him myself.

At the close of the testimony Messrs. Platt and Metcalf and Mr. Wilde delivered addresses on behalf of the latter, and E. N. Harwood on behalf of the territory. Decision was reserved.

From Thursday's Daily.

The suit of territory against William Bennett, charged with stealing three \$100 checks, the property of Tom B. Warren of Missoula, was tried yesterday before J. D. Matheson. E. N. Harwood conducted the prosecution and J. R. Goss the defense. Eugene McKee, W. H. Luskamp, David Holzman, Frank Day, Tom B. Warren and Robert McKee were examined on behalf of the territory and W. H. Howard, H. N. Platt and Ernest Dubord on behalf of the defendant. The evidence given was to a great extent the same as that given in

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