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A Ticket on Piano with every dollar's purchase will be free.

NORTHERN PACIFIC TRAINS.

Table with columns for WEST BOUND, EAST BOUND, RED LODGE BRANCH, and GEBO, BRIDGER & CARBON BRANCH. Includes arrival and departure times.

BURLINGTON TRAINS.

Table with columns for EAST BOUND and WEST BOUND. Includes arrival and departure times.

BILLINGS POSTOFFICE.

Table with columns for General Delivery, MAIL CLOSURE, and LOCAL NOTES. Includes delivery times and postal information.

LOCAL NOTES.

Dancing class will meet on Thursday evening, Jan. 13. P. J. Conway, the merchant of Gobo, is in the city today. Dr. Alton of Livingston is a business visitor in Billings today. Portus Williams has returned from a holiday visit to Bowler, Mont. Robt. Nix of the Sideboard spent several days last week visiting friends in Sheridan. A. A. Campbell, farmer at the Pryor Indian sub-agency, was a visitor in Billings Saturday. D. G. O'Shea, cashier of the Rocky Fork Coal company of Red Lodge, was a Sunday visitor in Billings. J. C. McCarthy of Chesnut, of the Clarke Fork Coal company, was in the city Sunday on his way to Gobo. The De-sa-ah club has issued invitations for a dance to be given in the Armory hall on Saturday evening. J. P. Reardon, master mechanic of the Burlington railroad at Alliance, Neb., was a Billings visitor Saturday. Geo. F. Bennighoff was a Helena visitor one day last week and took occasion to look in on the democratic legislators. John J. Nolan, manager of the Black Patti Troubadours, which appear here Friday night, was in the city Saturday. Otto Franc, the Gray Bull, Wyo., cattleman, who was in the city last week, has gone to California to spend the winter. The Junior League of the Methodist church will hold a social event at the home of Miss Marie Roberts on Friday evening. "Damon and Pythias" will be produced in this city Jan. 28, under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias lodge, instead of Jan. 27. O. F. Goddard returned home Saturday from Helena, where he had business before the state supreme court several days last week. Kendall Dickens, formerly bell boy at the Albemarle in Livingston, has resigned his position to accept a similar place in the Grand in this city. Mrs. McKinley and Frank Judkins are each erecting a new cottage on North Thirty-second street and the houses will soon be ready for occupancy. A petition has been filed in probate by J. B. Annin of Columbia, praying for his appointment as guardian of the minor children of Horace Connyrman, deceased. Clerk of the District Court Williams issued a marriage license Saturday to Adolph G. Schneider of Roberts, Carbon county, and Margratha Ruscher of Billings. Ralph Berry, the White Sulphur Springs flockmaster, who lately returned from the Pacific coast, was in the city Saturday, leaving yesterday for St. Paul. The Junior Endeavor society of the Congregational church will hold a social at the home of their superintendent, Mrs. H. B. Segur, on Thursday night of this week. Sam Salisbury is one of the happiest mortals that walks the streets of Billings today. This was occasioned by the arrival of a girl baby at his home on Saturday. Mrs. John Stanley, living near Huntley, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. John H. Wilson, in this city several days last week while receiving medical treatment for her trouble.

Conductor J. H. Clark of Glendive has been assigned to the passenger run of Thos. Cullen, between that city and Billings, while the latter is doing public duty as a Montana democratic legislator.

The store of J. C. Sperry was closed this afternoon by Sheriff Hubbard on two attachments, one in favor of L. S. Cohn for \$183.68, and the other in favor of Dan Boyle for \$820.

Miss Ella Hayden, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is now convalescing and was able yesterday to visit her school. It will be a week at least before she will be able to resume her duties as teacher.

M. J. McLees, a Northern Pacific engineer from St. Paul, arrived in the city Saturday to accept the run on the Bridger line. Mr. McLees will remove his family to Billings just as soon as he can secure a residence.

Chas. Spear, public administrator, has filed a petition in probate, praying for his appointment as administrator of the estate of P. A. Carlson, the freighter and sub-contractor of Fort Custer, who dropped dead in Savareys' saloon last Wednesday night.

Chas. McDaniels of St. Paul, representative for Spencer, Mayn & Heitman, sheep feeders, was in the city over Sunday. Yesterday he shipped 15,000 head of sheep from Park City to St. Paul, where they will be placed on feed preparatory to sending to market.

The county commissioners were in session yesterday drawing a list of court jurors to serve for the ensuing year. Over five hundred names were submitted to the clerk of the district court, who will attend to the matter of drawing the necessary number at each term.

City Treasurer Hathorn won his point against the Butte peddlers, Weinberg & Eppstein, by compelling them to take out a new license. Mr. Hathorn is determined that all peddlers shall pay their licenses before selling goods and if such is not done they will be arrested.

Col. W. F. Cody, better known as "Buffalo Bill," was in the city Saturday night on his way to the Big Horn basin country in Wyoming. He was accompanied by Mark Russell of Deadwood, S. D. The gentlemen were met here by W. O. Snyder, personal representative of Colonel Cody.

Senator Bowen of Carbon county was a guest at the home of Cass Prudhomme in this city Sunday. Mrs. Bowen and children have been visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Prudhomme, for the past ten days. The children were taken sick with the measles last Sunday, but are recovering now.

An accident occurred at the cinder pit track near the Northern Pacific round house last evening. A car filled with cinders was being drawn from the pit by an engine, when the rear trucks left the track and when the car came near the coal docks it crushed into the structure, tearing one end away.

The Picket interviewed a number of Red Lodge business men last week on the proposition for the city to put in a system of water works. A majority were in favor of the proposition, while those who opposed it want the city to grow some before assuming the indebtedness of such an enterprise.

Alexander Thompson on Saturday, before Judge Fraser, made final proof on his homestead, situated in the southwest quarter of section 6, township 8 north, range 27 east, in this county.

BILLINGS MERCANTILE CO.

JANUARY Clean-Sweep Sale.

In order to reduce stock to the smallest possible limit before our annual stock taking, and to make room for our unusually large spring purchases, we will inaugurate Wednesday, January 11th, and continue for TEN DAYS a most important and far-reaching Bargain Sale, which will eclipse in magnitude and low prices any effort of a similar nature ever attempted by us. It will reduce every item in the store to prices that have never before been equalled and we boldly and confidently assert that the values shown will be utterly beyond the power of competition. See Circular for an Example of the Unparalleled Values We Shall Offer. Ticket No. 4054 wins the White Sewing Machine.

He had as his witnesses C. Yegen, Geo. T. Lamport and James Buckley of this city and Chas. L. Ford of Roundup.

Little Horn Encampment No. 12, L. O. O. F., held its installation of officers last night. Those being inducted into office were: Chief Patriarch, L. C. Palmer; high priest, Frank Judkins; senior warden, C. E. Witham; junior warden, C. A. Dewar; scribe, John Powers; treasurer, Wm. H. Heffer.

Fred H. Foster, who has been at Helena since the convening of the democratic legislature, came home Saturday morning and after spending the day in looking over his correspondence, left that evening to again take up his work at the state capital. He is said to be working for W. A. Clark for senator.

Burton L. Sperry, formerly a dispatcher in Superintendent Horn's office in Livingston and who was visiting his father in this city, left Saturday for Glendive, where a similar position awaited him in Superintendent Kline's office. Mr. Sperry had contemplated a trip to California, but he abandoned it on being tendered this position.

The new change of time on the railroads went into effect Sunday. No. 2 on the Northern Pacific came in a few minutes late, but No. 1 was two hours and a half late. Since Sunday the trains have gotten in good running order and come in on time. The Burlington arrives on time, as usual, now reaching Billings at 7:10 p. m., and leaving at 8:30 a. m.

Conductor Gus Anderson has resumed his run on trains Nos. 1 and 2, between this city and Glendive, after a several week's visit to Hunter's Hot Springs, where he had been getting the best of an attack of rheumatism with the help of the baths. Conductor M. L. O'Brien, who had charge of his run, has returned to his freight train run between Forsyth and this city.

The report was current in Billings yesterday that another cave-in had occurred at the Big Horn tunnel in which several persons were killed and a number injured, but no one seems able to vouch for the truthfulness of the report. Inquiry at the railroad headquarters fails to throw any light on the matter, the employes saying that they have heard nothing in regard to it.

The opera house management informs us that the Northern Pacific has promised to have the Black Patti Troubadours in Billings at 8 o'clock sharp next Friday evening, so there will be no delay in the presentation of the programme. The show is said to be one of the best that has ever visited this city and as there has been nothing at the opera house for some time, there will undoubtedly be a large audience Friday evening.

Red Lodge Picket: Under Butte date of Jan. 4, J. F. Hughes writes to the Picket, making inquiry concerning the whereabouts of Charles Howard. Mr. Hughes says: "Kindly advise me if you have heard or seen anything of Charlie Howard. He left here with the intention of going to Red Lodge, but I understand he went to a place called Lendora. If you can locate him kindly advise him to write me or telegraph at once, as it will be greatly to his interest to do so."

The Red Lodge Picket says Tom Salmon, who is to be executed in that city Jan. 27, for the murder of Supt. Wm. O'Connor, has become a firm believer in the spiritualistic theory of ghost life. He gloats over the idea that he'll come back to haunt those whom he imagines are his deadly enemies. He told the under sheriff the other day that when he came back from the other world he would make life miserable for the editor of the Picket among a dozen others, and Alderson already commences to see visions from another world.

Two Fine Lots for a Song.

Two of the finest residence lots in Billings will be drawn for about Feb. 1. Somebody will get them for from 1 cent to \$8.25. Call at Wilson & Brown's barber shop for particulars.

Bear Creek Coal.

Always on hand and we can promptly fill all orders on and after this date. Toole & Vaughan. Dec. 27, 1898. 71-4f

OCEANS OF FUN.

The Black Patti Troubadours Will Furnish It Next Friday Evening.

"Oceans of fun and waves of melody" are the terms which best describe the salient features of Black Patti's Troubadours stage performance. Sweet and inspiring strains of melody, rendered by fifty grand singing voices, run



through the entire performance and hilarity is always in evidence excepting in the grand operatic kaleidoscope, which brings the evening's entertainment to a brilliant and soul-stirring climax. Black Patti is fortunate in having the support of Ernest Hogan, who is said to be one of the funniest comedians of the day. When this clever artist is on the scene shrieks of laughter are always in order and any person who can resist yielding to the humor of his songs and story must be denied the sense of hearing and seeing. At the Billings opera house Friday, Jan. 13.

A GREAT FUTURE BEFORE IT.

The Yellowstone Region Bids Fair to Be a Success in Fruit Growing.

Rocky Mountain Husbandman: There is a great future for the Yellowstone region and, in fact, all eastern Montana in fruit growing. Fruit growing in the densely timbered regions of the lower valleys of the western slope of the Rockies in this state has, for a number of years, been an established fact, but it is only beginning to be an acknowledged success in the great prairie regions of the eastern slope. The Milk river, Missouri, Musselshell and Yellowstone valleys will, in a few years, become noted for their fruit. The Yellowstone and tributaries is especially inviting in this regard. We may commence on Paradise valley, above Livingston, and follow the stream to its mouth and we will find standard fruit a success wherever it has been tried. The region of the Sweet Grass, Stillwater and Rosebud is exceedingly promising for fruit raising. The big bottom on the Yellowstone, from Rapids to Billings, will also grow standard apples, and from Junction to Glendive every acre of farm land that can be irrigated can be made to grow an orchard. The Rosebud and Tongue rivers are the native home of the wild plum and will produce all the hardy varieties of standard fruit. The orchards at Miles City fully demonstrate that the fruit growing possibilities of eastern Montana is not half known or appreciated. Every rural home, whether a farm or a stock ranch, should have an orchard of both small and standard fruit. Montana is old enough to branch out extensively in fruit growing and nothing will insure greater home comfort.

ANOTHER APPORTIONMENT.

The Schools of This County Receive More Funds.

Superintendent of Schools G. F. Burla has made the following apportionment of moneys in the general school fund as certified to him by County Treasurer W. B. George on Jan. 2, 1899, this being the money received from the payment of taxes:

Table listing school districts and their respective funding amounts, totaling \$6,748.48.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Grand. Friday, Jan. 8.—James E. Fox, Carbonado; Mike Warren, San Francisco; Louis Heitman, White Sulphur Springs; Geo. P. Dier, Bozeman; Hy Simmons, Helena; H. S. Collins, Helena; W. Rea, Jr., St. Paul; James A. Johnson, Bozeman; C. B. Boyle, Gobo; Frank Casey, Minneapolis; W. M. Wheeler, St. Louis; E. L. Miller, Glendive; Fred E. Krause, Helena; E. C. Hill, Gobo. Saturday, Jan. 7.—Given Moore, Rockford, Ill.; M. John Elias, Helena; Ralph Berry, city; W. L. G. Unger, Laurel; S. W. Cody, New York; Mike Russell, Deadwood; J. P. Reardon, Alliance; W. B. Rice and wife, St. Paul; D. O'Shea, Red Lodge; A. Sturzkopf, Helena; M. L. Frudenthal, St. Louis; H. P. Jones, W. A. Keller, Butte; Jas. T. Brown, Miles City; W. E. Ebel, St. Paul; John E. Nolan, manager Black Patti company; B. W. Cooper, Chicago; A. E. Anderson, Glendive; S. Horner, Chicago. Sunday, Jan. 8.—L. V. Wertheimer, Butte; J. C. McCarthy, Cheyenne; A. E. Pike and wife, St. Joe; B. E. Hancock, Omaha; H. G. Engleton, St. Louis; R. A. Naverette, St. Paul; A. O. Har-

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CHAPPLE DRUG COMPANY.

Parlors Over Chapple Drug Co. Billings, Mont. DR. SELBREDE DENTIST. A PRIZE FOR MISSOULA. The Western City Will Get the National Irrigation Congress. A special in Sunday's Standard from Missoula says: "The chairman of the executive committee of the national irrigation congress, which is to hold its next annual session in this state in September, has forwarded to this city from Billings, a bond in the sum of \$1,000 to be executed in this city for insuring the holding of the convention in this city. The matter is to be submitted to the board of trade at the next meeting and the officials of that organization have in advance assured the management of affairs that Missoula will furnish the requisite security in due time. It will be one of the most prominent conventions held in years and Missoula is to be congratulated on securing the prize.

Notice to Stockholders. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Park Hall company for the election of five trustees will be held at Park Hall in Park City, Mont., at 2 p. m. on Monday, January 23, A. D. 1899. T. C. Pound, Secretary. Park City, Jan. 2, 1899. 74-3

FREE ADMISSION

Roller Skating Rink. Music by the Logan Orchestra Wednesday and Saturday Night. A SPECIAL INVITATION is extended to the Ladies of the city to visit the rink and spend a pleasant evening. Rink opens afternoon and evening until 10:30. Positively no charge for Admission. No improper persons admitted and good order maintained at all times. DECKERT & CO., Props.

Contract to Let.

The undersigned will receive bids up to February 1, 1899, for the furnishing of all material and the construction of a two-story stone store building, 60x140 feet, at Big Timber, Montana; also the excavation and basement, in accordance with plans and specifications now on file with the undersigned. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 75-2 The Ross-Dier Mercantile Company. Big Timber, Mont., Jan. 6, 1899.

How Is Your Wife?

Has she lost her beauty? If so, constipation, indigestion, sick headache are principal causes. Karl's Clover Root Tea has cured these ills for half a century. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts. Money refunded if results are not satisfactory. Sold by Chapple Drug Co.

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

Under this heading we will publish notices for 15 cents per line for the first insertion and 10 cents per line for each subsequent insertion. A special rate will be made for notices running one month or longer. No advertisement taken for less than 25 cents.

FURNISHED ROOM to rent, suitable for one or two gentlemen. Twenty-Sixth Street and Third Avenue North. Address P. O. box 363. 75-2

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Twenty-Seventh St. P. H. SMITH, Prop. Represents a Large List of Fire Insurance Companies. Office in Billings Block.

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