

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

From Tuesday's Daily Gazette.
 E. P. Searles is here from his home at Park City.
 Ben MacDonald of Bridger is registered at the Grand.
 Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Doty of Red Lodge are guests at the Grand.
 C. C. Bever has gone to the Musselshell on a campaigning tour.
 J. W. Richardson of Lavina is among the visitors in the city today.
 The water in the big ditch from Canyon creek east will be turned off November 1.
 A marriage license was issued this morning to Angelo Ricci of Wyola, Mont., and Elma McBride of Columbus, this county.
 C. A. Sharkey, traveling freight agent of the Northern Pacific, returned this morning from a business trip to Livingston.
 Mrs. Marguerite Strang, county superintendent of public schools, has gone to the Musselshell to visit the schools of that locality.
 M. A. Arnold, cashier of the First National bank, started this morning for Buffalo, Wyo., where he will remain several days on business.
 J. L. Milner of the Musselshell bought this morning of James G. Fraser, a full-blood Rambouillet buck that Mr. Fraser purchased some time ago. The consideration was \$100.
 H. B. Segur, general agent of the Burlington, is spending a few days with his son Harry, at Gillette, Wyo., where Harry occupies the position of night operator for the Burlington.
 G. A. Lane and sons, who, with the other members of the family have been in camp on Pryor creek, near Coburn, for the past three months, are spending a few days in town on business.
 Mrs. Charles F. Currie went to Anaconda today, where she will join her husband, who recently took a position with the Standard Drug company of that city, and where they will make their permanent home.
 At 8 o'clock this evening Angelo Ricci of Wyola, Mont., and Miss Elma McBride of Columbus, will be united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard, in East Montana avenue. Judge F. L. Mann has been engaged to officiate.
 By a tax title recorded this morning Yellowstone county has conveyed to J. M. V. Cochran lots 13 and 14, block 65, and lots 3 and 4, block 273, all in the townsite of Billings. The consideration, the amount of the taxes for which the property was sold, is \$16.08.
 R. E. Taylor of Butte, formerly proprietor of the Finlen hotel, of that city, is spending a few days with old friends in Billings. Mr. Taylor sold his Butte hotel only last week and it is rumored that he has his eye on the handsome new hotel building that Messrs. Moss & Rowley are erecting on Twenty-seventh street.
 While John Powers was one of those who left yesterday to attend the sessions of the different grand bodies of Odd Fellows, which meet at Missoula this week, he did not go as delegate from the local encampment, as The Gazette was incorrectly informed and published. Mr. Powers is one of the officers of the grand encampment. J. C. Burns is the delegate.
 Mrs. M. R. Shaw has sold to Mark Hubbard lot 1, block 62, Billings townsite; consideration \$300. The purchaser is a brother of Sheriff Hubbard and recently arrived from Illinois, having been advised by his physician to make a change of climate on account of his health. So far he has found this locality all he could desire in that regard and has concluded to make his future home here.
 Through H. C. Crippen, his attorney, William B. Munsell instituted divorce proceedings this morning against Ellen Munsell. The complaint alleges that plaintiff and defendant were intermarried at Buena Vista, Colo., September 2, 1898, and that without cause or reason and against plaintiff's wishes and desires defendant deserted him October 15, 1898, and since then has continued to live separate and apart from him. For this reason he asks the court to sever the bonds that now bind him to Ellen.
 D. A. Broce and family, of whom the father and one son were quite seriously injured in the collision near Rapids, were able to leave the hospital and resume their journey to Spokane, today. Mr. Broce, whose principal injury was a severe strain through the lower part of the body and hips, is not fully recovered, but suffers no pain. The little boy whose leg was broken, is able to get about on crutches. Mr. Broce expressed himself as entirely satisfied with the manner in which the railroad company had treated him, but said he would not go through another experience of the same sort for \$10,000.
 An answer has been filed in the case of Adkins vs. Whitney, an action for debt on contract, which has been pending in the district court for a number of months and which has been up in one form or another several times. The answer admits the ex-

istence of a contract between the parties, but denies that defendant is indebted to plaintiff in the sum sued for, or in any other amount. On the contrary, it alleges that plaintiff is rightfully indebted to defendant by reason of his failure to fully comply with the terms of the contract entered into between them and sets up a counter claim of something over \$600, claimed to be due for extra labor, supplies, loss of rent, etc.
 From Wednesday's Daily Gazette.
 J. C. Auld of Forsyth is registered at the Grand.
 Charles Davison of Merrill is a visitor in the city.
 H. C. Armstrong of Bridger is a guest at the Grand.
 C. C. Huyck of Red Lodge is autographed at the Grand.
 The ladies of the Episcopal guild will give a waffle social in Odd Fellows' hall Thursday evening.
 R. M. Fontaine of the Mercantile, returned today from Butte, where he spent several days on business.
 A marriage license was granted today to Joseph M. Johnson of Billings and Hattie Shearwood, also of this city.
 Mrs. J. H. Johnston of Miles City arrived this forenoon and will spend several days here visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. Matheson.
 Superintendent Gibson of the Yellowstone division of the Northern Pacific, with headquarters at Glendive, spent this forenoon in the city on official business. He went east in his private car, the 1200, at noon.
 Woolfolk & Richardson, of the country north of Billings, shipped 16 cars of fat sheep out of Billings today, for the Chicago market. Nine cars of the lot were loaded at Twin Bridges and the remainder at this station.
 Tomorrow the All-American bowlers will arrive in the city and play a series of games with the local champions, Tschudy, Elliott and Daniels, who have been selected as the men best calculated to sustain the reputation of the home heavers of the sphere. Tonight there will be a game between the champions and the next best ones to tune them up for tomorrow's contests.
 August Gronen, James E. Palmer and Fred Plowman were arraigned in police court this afternoon on a charge of drunkenness. Each pleaded guilty and Gronen, who says he is working at Pompey's Pillar, was allowed to go back to his work. Plowman, who created considerable disturbance on the street, was assessed \$5 and Palmer was given \$5 in view of the fact that it was his second appearance.
 Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Elmore, having disposed of their personal effects, left this morning for Chicago, from which city they came on their arrival at Billings. Mr. Elmore returns to accept a responsible and lucrative position with the Commercial National bank, with which institution he was formerly connected. During their residence here Mr. and Mrs. Elmore made many friends and all wish them success in the breezy hamlet on the shores of Lake Michigan.
 The Rt. Reverend Bishop Brondel of Helena arrived in the city yesterday and remained here until noon today, the guest of the Rev. Father van Glarenbeck. Today the bishop resumed his journey eastward. He will stop for a day's visit at Miles City and then proceed to St. Paul, where he will attend the consecration of two bishops. This imposing ceremonial of the church will be conducted by a number of its most distinguished bishops and a large number of those functionaries from many parts of the United States will be present.
 From Thursday's Daily Gazette.
 W. H. Simons of Lodge Grass is a guest at the Grand.
 F. G. Weber and wife of Bozeman are registered at the Grand.
 F. G. Smith of Forsyth is among those registered at the Grand.
 H. R. Laughlin, hailing from Middle Fork, is a visitor in the city.
 F. S. Chandler, foreman of the Hysam Cattle company, is over from the Crow Reservation.
 Princes A. Cooley and wife have deeded to Margaret A. Cooley lots 23 and 24, block 39, Billings; consideration \$1.
 In consideration of \$1 Robert Leavens et ux., have sold to Daniel A. Hammond a parcel of real estate described by metes and bounds.
 A. C. Logan returned today from a business trip into North Dakota. He says that in the part visited by him the range is in excellent condition and stock of all kinds well prepared for the winter.
 United States Senator W. A. Clark and John M. Evans, candidate for associate justice on the democratic ticket, arrived in the city this afternoon and will speak at the opera house tonight.
 By a deed filed for record today with the county clerk and recorder in consideration of \$1 Charles Spear and his wife have transferred to Blanche Seott lot 17 and the north

nine feet of lot 18, block 45, Billings townsite.
 W. P. Matheson returned this morning from Chicago, and will not take a medical course this year as intended. He was offered a good position on the coast shortly after his arrival at Chicago and concluded to accept it and put off his medical studies for a year.
 Pat Loftus, who has been doing work for the Northern Pacific at points east of Billings, returned to the city yesterday and will make this his winter headquarters. Among the jobs finished by him was the erection of a large wool house at Glendive for the company.
 J. M. Loring returned today from Helena, where he stood the civil service examination for a position in the patent office. Mr. Loring has been an ardent student of mechanics for many months and while he does not yet know how the examination will result, his friends are confident that he made a good showing whether he passes or not.
 It is reported that a special train bearing a number of high officials of the Burlington railway will arrive here some time this evening and remain here until morning. It is thought that they are coming via the Northern Pacific from St. Paul and will go east on the Burlington tomorrow morning. General Manager Holdredge is in the party.
HIS WARDROBE DEPLETED.
 Sam Church the Victim of an Unfeeling Wretch.
 From Thursday's Daily Gazette.
 The scriptural adage, "pride goeth before a great fall," is being bitterly realized by Sam Church today.
 A few weeks ago Mr. Church was in Chicago and the thought struck him that a man in his position in life should be dressed nearer up to the limit. He accordingly went around to a fashionable tailor and ordered a "swell" suit of clothes, with an extra pair of trousers off the same piece of goods. One pair were completed before he left the city, and he donned them, leaving the discarded ones to come with the new suit. He also bought for Mrs. Church a handsome fur collar.
 The package arrived by express yesterday and by mistake was delivered at the residence of P. H. Smith. A short time later Mrs. Church drove by Mr. Smith's house and the mistake having been discovered, the package was given to her. She drove home with it and left it on the front porch while she went around to the barn to unhitch the horse. In the interim a fellow happened along and stole the bundle and made off with it.
 The theft was reported to the police and this morning Chief Jackson made a thorough search of all the cars on the Northern Pacific and Burlington tracks between the west end of town and the stockyards and his labors were rewarded by finding the vest and two pairs of trousers in a car at the Burlington stockyards. The section man gave him a description of the man who put the clothes in the car. They said the fellow was so drunk when he crawled into the car that he was scarcely able to stand on his feet.
 After finding the clothes the chief procured a horse and rode nearly to Huntley in an endeavor to find the man, but his search was unsuccessful. He is of the opinion that the man is concealed about town somewhere and has hopes of capturing him. He still has the coat and collar.
LUTHER IS HELD.
 Must Stand Trial on Charge of Grand Larceny.
 From Wednesday's Daily Gazette.
 Leonard Luther is having a preliminary examination before Justice Fraser this afternoon on the charge of the larceny of a calf from Pratt & O'Donnell. The complaint against him was made last week by Stock Inspector Webb, who states that there is a gang in Lake Basin that have been taking young calves from their mothers and placing their own brand upon them. The calf in question bears the brand of Luther Brothers, who own a small bunch of cattle in Lake Basin.
 From Thursday's Daily Gazette.
 Leonard Luther, who had a preliminary examination before Justice Fraser yesterday on the charge of stealing a calf from Pratt & O'Donnell, was held for trial at the next term of the district court. Bond was fixed at \$500, which the defendant has as yet been unable to give.
 Luther was represented by O. P. Goddard and the defense introduced no testimony whatever.
 The state's chief witness was Stock Inspector Webb, who made the complaint against Luther. Mr. Webb states that there were three of the Luther brothers engaged in the business of purloining other people's calves and placing their brand on them. The warrant he caused to be issued contained all their names, but two of them got wind of the matter and left the country before he could arrest them.

MONTANA AS TWO STATES
ALLEGED SENTIMENT IN FAVOR OF DIVISION.
THEY WANT TO CUT LOOSE
 Eastern Montanans Growing Weary of Continuous Mining Litigation and Clashing Interests.
 From Thursday's Daily Gazette.
 It is said that not a few of the citizens of eastern Montana favor a division of the state. A Helena man who returned a few days ago from that part of the state said that he was questioned relative to the amount of assessable property and the population that the state of eastern Montana would have if it were created. He prepared some figures today from the official records, says the Herald.
 "If the state of Montana," he said, "were divided by placing 14 counties in the eastern state I would favor a division, so that what might be called Eastern Montana would contain the counties of Choteau, Valley, Cascade, Fergus, Dawson, Broadwater, Meagher, Gallatin, Park, Sweet Grass, Carbon, Yellowstone, Rosebud, and Custer. That would give the so-called 'cow' counties a state of 14 counties. Taking the returns of the assessors for this year these counties would have a taxable wealth of \$83,000,000 as compared with an assessed valuation of \$79,376,394 for the whole state at the time Montana was admitted into the union. Two years ago the population of these counties, according to the federal census, was 96,900. It is fair to presume that in the two years that have elapsed since the census was taken that the population of the counties has increased to nearly 120,000. At the time that the state of Idaho was admitted into the union it had a population of only 85,000, or considerably less than the population of the proposed state of Eastern Montana. When Wyoming was admitted in 1890, it had a population of 60,000, while the state of Oregon when admitted in 1859 had only 50,000 inhabitants.
 "The division of the state may be nothing but a dream of some people living in the eastern part of the state who claim to have grown weary of the mining litigation and the clash in the state between mining interests. While the matter never in our time may become a reality it is not among the impossibilities.
 "The portion of the original state that would be left after the division would, of course, consist of the essentially mining counties with the possible exception of Missoula, Flathead and Ravalli. You would be surprised to know how the sentiment is growing in eastern Montana for a division of the state. I question whether it will be done, however, as congress has not shown a disposition of late years to create new states, as for instance in the case of Oklahoma."
 Coroner Chapple has issued a call to the members of the jury that was convened on the 4th inst. to enquire into the cause of the wreck at Rapids on that date, to meet at the court house Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock and continue the investigation. The coroner has learned that the engineers who were on the trains that collided will be able to be present and it is very likely that the investigation will be concluded on that date.
 As will be seen by an advertisement in The Gazette offering a reward of \$100 for the head of a sheep lost on the trail.
MORBID RELIC HUNTERS.
Vandals Disfigure Coffin of Dead Bandit Younger.
 Lee's Summit, Mo., Oct. 22.—The body of Jim Younger, the bandit, who shot himself at St. Paul, arrived here today and probably will be buried in the family lot tomorrow.
 Pall bearers have been selected from Younger's former Missouri friends, several of whom knew him from childhood and served with the Youngers under Quantrell.
 When the coffin arrived it was seen that many splinters had been cut from the pine box inclosing it, presumably by relic hunters, who had met the funeral party at different points along the route from the north.
 The four corners had been whittled with knives and long slivers cut off, while, along the top of the lid wherever entrance could be made for the point of a knife, the vandals had desecrated the coffin. Under the undertakers card was the waybill. Even this had been torn and fragments carried off until but little, except the bare address was left.

A Few of the New Ones We Have in Stock.
 "Ransom's Folley," by Richard Harding Davis.
 "The Virginians," by Owen Wister.
 "Andrey," by Mary Johnston.
 "My Winter Garden," Maurice Thompson.
 "Dorothy Vernon," by Charles Major.
 "Castle Cane Crom," by G. B. McCutcheon.
 "The Lady Paramount," by Henry Harland.
 "Lepidus the Centurion," by Edwin Lester Arnold.
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 "The Blazed Trail," by Stewart Edward White.
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BISHOP BREWER SPOKE.
 Montana Divine Addressed the Episcopal Missionary Council.
 Philadelphia, Oct. 22.—Bishop Tuttle of Missouri presided at the business session today of the missionary council of the Protestant Episcopal church. Rev. G. S. A. Rose of Monterey, Mexico, addressed the council on church conditions in his diocese. He stated that the large increase in the American population of Mexico has rendered it imperative that the council take more notice of that country. Other denominations are progressing there with rapid strides, he asserted, and the members of the Episcopal church were asking more consideration from the council. Right Rev. T. N. Morrison, bishop of Iowa, presided at the conference session. The subject discussed was, "Is a Change in the Missionary Canon Desirable?"
 The speakers were the Right Rev. H. Y. Satterlee, D. D., bishop of Washington, and Right Rev. L. R. Brewer, D. D., bishop of Montana. The addresses were discussed by the delegates until the hour of recess.

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