



There is a favorable opportunity here for other manufactures along various lines. The Yellowstone river has a fall of ten feet to the mile, with an unlimited volume of water. Steaming coal of the finest quality can be laid down for \$1.50 to \$2.50 per ton. Coke is a nearby product. Every advantage is offered to manufactories along the following lines:

A custom smelter, woolen mill, starch factory (potatoes), pickle factory and canning plant, tannery (sheep and goat rugs) and an oat meal mill.

A superior quality of sandstone lies at our doors. The quantity is inexhaustible. The finest brick manufactured in the West is a product of our local brick yards.



A census of the city was taken last summer, when by actual count the population was ascertained to be 5,447. Owing to the prospective opening of over a million acres of the Crow Indian reservation to settlement, the reclamation by irrigation of the Huntly flats lying contiguous to the city, the establishment of a beet sugar factory, with the consequent opening of a new and extremely lucrative industry for farmers, and with a number of other enterprises

in prospect, it is confidently expected that a rapid increase of population will occur this year. Hundreds of letters from all parts of the United States and Canada, requesting information concerning Billings and the surrounding country, are being received by business men of the city, and with the opening of spring there will be a mighty influx of settlers, looking for a new location with a view of bettering their condition.



The citizenship of Billings embraces a large proportion of cultured and intelligent people, being chiefly composed of native American, and the most desirable people of foreign birth. There are no "foreign colonies."

Former citizens of nearly every state in the Union here unite in a cosmopolitan population that seems to develop the best elements of each individual.



You are welcome here. If you come to build a home you will receive a hearty greeting. If you desire to take advantage of some of Billings' commercial possibilities you will be kindly received and courteously informed concerning every material interest in and around the city. Mr. Henry White, Billings, Montana, secretary of the Commercial Com-

mittee of the Billings club will gladly answer any inquiries whether made in person or by letter. The various business interests represented in our advertising columns will also answer any inquiries not alone concerning their particular business, but in lines pertaining to the general interests of this city.