THAT FIRE ALARM AGAIN

The City Council Once More Discusses the Rival Systems.

Gaynor's System is Not Giving Satisfaction in Butte—Sayings and Doings of the City Solons Last Night.

By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, July 23.—A special meeting of the city council was held this evening. The business went off very gently until the fire committee was called upon to report. It was understood that the council was intending to call the department to account for alleged neglect at the recent fire on Galena street. As chairman of the fire committe, Alderman Lynch arose and said that during the recent fire the alarm system had acted very poorly. The batteries had been neglected and were very weak. He was not on that account ready to condemn the system. The joker had recorded all right but the general alarm had not. For some time past the system had not reported well. A box rung in one place frequently indicated another.

Fire Marshal Jordan said in explanation of the recent confusion that two alarms had come in at once and the batteries were so out of shape that they couldn't tell much about it. The joker was however all right but the watch did not think to look at it.

Judge Barret here asked: "Did not the assistant chief say when the alarm came in that the fire did not amount to much any way and so go back?"

Mr. Jordan did not know that anything of the sort had occurred.

Alderman Goodale thought that it was evident that some one had neglected to care for the batteries. The system ought not to be condemned.

Fire Marshal Jordan said that the system was in bad shape when he came into office and never had been in shape until now. Now all the batteries had been refitted and by the time the council met again would be in good working order. He denied that any fireman had said that the fire did not amount to anything. The fire marshal exhibited the record and tried to explain that the joker sometimes started of its own accord and reeled off a false report.

This reported weakness of this present system called to mind the old fight between the supporters of the rival systems.

Alderman Condon said that no fireman could handle this present system if it got out of order. He favored the Gamewell system.

R. D. Ecker arose by the courtesy of the council to explain that this false alarm from 31 had been all on account of a rotten battery. The alarms from 43 and 32 were perfect as the record shows. The zincs had been destroyed by fire. No zincs could be procured in town and when they were procured there was no vitrol. Now, however, the batteries were in shape. There would be no more difficulty. In answer to an inquiry on the part of Alderman Lynch, reflecting upon the present employes, Mr. Ecker warmly responded: "Mr. Lynch, the men never have had an opportunity to give the system a proper trial. A good battery is required in any system and the stuff needed was never ordered until recently."

Alderman Lynch here inquired for the assistant chief, and while he was being summoned the alderman announced that he had ordered Bart Flowers suspended for two weeks, and he might never be reinstated. He wanted every drunken man in the department fired, and he had given orders to that effect. A fireman above all men ought to be sober. Again, he had heard of dissatisfaction because some of the city employes were not paying their bills about the city. He should recommend that any such men in the fire department be bounced.

As soon as the assistant chief appeared, he was called upon for an explanation. His explanation was in the main a repetition of the one already given. Still a steady fire of questions was kept up until the mayor interfered, holding that such an investigation ought to be brought before the fire committee and not in the whole council.

Perhaps the next most important business of the council was the final settling of the Broadway street sidewalk difficulty which occupied so large a share of the council's attention at the last meeting. Alderman Cowan as chairman of the committee, to which this matter was referred recommended that the sidewalk be raised to grade, believing that this will be an improvement to the church property. This report was adopted and the sidewalk ordered raised.

The claim of L. J. Hamilton to $175 for services as attorney were ordered paid. On motion of Judge Barret $1,690, now in the general fund were transferred to the public improvement fund for the use of financial committee in paying for the 10 feet of land recently purchased. It was determined to put the plumbing of the present city hall in good repair and the city clerk was authorized to advertise for bids on this work.

Henry L. Haupt's petition to repair the building adjoining the Harrington liquor store, was tabled, as was also a petition from J.E. Harris to build a house on East Galena street.

Spencer Worthington's petition to construct a building on East Mercury street was referred to the building committee, as were similar petitions from H. H. Horst and H. H. Becker. Thomas Lavell and others presented a petition asking for the appointment of Sam Jones on the police force. This was referred to the police committee.

A petition was received from Assistant City Clerk C. N. Gosman, asking for a two-week's leave of absence. While it was at first suggested that this matter should be referred to the *Mining Journal*, it was finally left to City Clerk Gilligan, with power.

SCHUMACHER AND THE JAP.

They Will Wrestle for $1,000 August 11 or Before.

By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, July 23.—Fred Ritchie's challenge to Peter Schumacher to match an unknown against him was accepted by Schumacher to-night. According to Ritchie's "defi" he withheld the right to name his man until after the challenge had been accepted. To this Schumacher assented, stipulating only that the unknown should not be one of the heavy weight wrestlers. After a little sparring concerning the division of gate receipts, articles were finally signed, Ritchie naming Matsada Sorakitchi, the Jap, as his man.

According to the agreement the match will be Gracco-Roman, two out of three falls for $300 a side. In addition the winner is also to receive 80 per cent of the gate receipts and the loser 20 per cent. A forfeit of $50 has been posted, the balance of the money to be put up within a week. The match is to take place August 11 or before.

Schumacher and Sorakitchi are not strangers to each other, having locked holds before, and are evenly matched as to strength and skill.

FIGHTERS AND FINES.

Drunks and Downs Receive Judge Newkirk's Attention.

Special Corresnondence of the Standard.

BUTTE, July 23.—Alma Love, a colored woman whose form possesses the graceful outlines of a sack of coal, was arraigned in the police court to-day charged with petty larceny. Alma holds forth on Wyoming street where she was visited last night by John Keppler who after leaving her house found himself short $10. For this he had the dusky Cleopatra arrested. On her trial the testimony proved to be insufficient to establish her guilt and she was discharged.

Balcain Pettit without a quiver replied "guilty" when his honer asked him about the little comedy in which he figured last night. Sentence was withheld by the court until to-morrow.

George Haldorn, whom Pettit assaulted, pleaded not guilty and his trial was set for to-morrow.

John Rowe admitted the uselessness of a denial that he had been drunk last night and cheerfully accepted the fine of $1 and costs which the court imposed.

George Swayzey, who after donning a silk tile proceeded to paint the town a bright carmine, answered that creating a disturbance was about the size of his offense. He paid $5 and costs.

Nick Ayres, a large burly looking fellow was the next patriot requested to stand up. Nicholas had been enjoying the manly and ennobling pastime of battering Mrs. Ayres with a tea cup. Mrs. Ayres failed to appear, and she being the only witness the case was dismissed and the costs taxed up to her. Nick left with a smile evidently thinking wife beating not such a costly amusement after all.

"Fish" McCarthy, whose name adorns many pages of the docket, pleaded guilty to the usual offense—drunk and down. Not having $1 and costs he was committed.

The last to be arraigned were J. E. McGue, George Muldoon and John Fenneman. The two former pleaded guilty to having been drunk and the last named to having been guilty of fighting. In default of the usual fines, Tom Vanston conducted them to the basement.

SHE TOLD A TALE OF WOE.

And Many Assembled Upon the Street Corner to Hear It.

By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, July 23.—"Look here, young fellow, I've lived in Montana too long to be tuk as a tenderfoot, even if I haint lived in Butte. You jest take me to the Centennial brewery or you'll not git a cent. Oh, you needn't talk, you know you're a fraud."

With this as a salutatory a rather stout female stepped from a hack at the corner of Main and Granite streets this afternoon, Waving a parasol on high she stopped long enough forr more breath and then again began her tongue lashing of a good natured jehu that sat blinking on his box vainly endeavoring to get in an occasional word. The woman's excited manner and loud talk soon gathered a crowd, a fact that seemed to inspire her with more courage racher than to impress her with the desirability of remaining silent. Among others that appeared was Officer Wise, and to him she told her tale of woe. She had just arrived on one of the afternoon trains and had gotten into a hack to come up town. She told the driver to take her to the Centennial brewery, but he demurred on the fare, 50 cents, that she tendered, saying he would have to charge her $2.50 for such a ride. This the old settler considered exhorbitant and refused to pay it and insisted upon being taken to her destination for a half dollar. As neither party would yield, the policeman finally threatened to run both in for creating a disturbance and gathering a crowd.

This had the desired effect and the hackman drove off but minus his fare for hauling the lady from the depot, she vowing she wouldn't pay it in spite of the police, mayor and fire department included, unless "Hackey" took her to the Centennial brewery.

A NEW HOTEL FOR BUTTE.

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By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, July 23.—This city is soon to be favored with another fine hotel—one which will be a decided credit to Butte. The building has just been completed at the corner of West Galena and Dakota streets. It is a brick of three stories and basement and is elegant in appearance without and most attractive within. The basement is to be rented for barber shop and baths on one side, while on the other will be a first-class restaurant.

The new hotel contains 48 rooms, 40 of them bedrooms. These are all furnished in the best style. Mr. Brasalou sparing no expense in the matter of furniture, carpets, etc. The rooms are all attractive and no finer views or pleasanter rooms can be found in the city. The hotel is provided with water and closets on every floor, electric lights, electric bells, etc., and is heated with furnaces. The office, bar room, sample room, wine rooms, etc., are splendidly fitted up, while the ladies' parlor is furnished in excellent taste, with piano, pictures, upholstered furniture, etc. The new hotel is to be thoroughly respectable and is sure to be most popular. It will be opened on or before August 1.

Missoula Real Estate Transfers.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.

MISSOULA, July 23.—The following are the real estate transfers recorded here since our last report:

L L Wood to John Cornish et al, blocks 15 and 16 in town of Homevale 8	1,300
John Cornish to E A Winstanley, lots in Daemersville	1,212
Michael Leahy to William Sheerin, one-half interest in Buckeye lode	10
Michael Leahy to William Sheerin, one-half interest in Index lode	10
M J Baker to F E Baker, southwest quarter section 7, southwest quarter of northeast quarter of section 6, township 6, range 19	2,000
Henry Bernard to J M Hargrave, lot 2, block 48, South Missoula	3,000
M S Dimick to R R Schulder, Lucky Boy mining claim	5,000
Northern Pacific Railroad company to E L Bonner et al, section 29, northwest quarter of northeast quarter and northwest quarter of section 33, township 13 north, range 19 west	5,040
Garden City Land company to W S Streeter and W H Clark, east half of northwest quarter of section 33, township 13, range 19	15,000
F Lachambre to Henry Menier, lot 19 and east 5 feet of lot 18, block 9, original town site	800
W M Reely to E M Ratcliff, lot 14, block 132, Woody addition	1,225
Peter E Close to John Barry, one-half interest in Mother Eunice quartz claim	1,250
Henry Geils to George Freisheimer, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 6, South Missoula	600

Butte Real Estate.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.

BUTTE, July 23.—The following transfers were recorded in the office of the county clerk since our last report:

Curtis & Major to Charles W Sumner, lot 3, block 4, Curtis & Major's addition 8	225
J R S Coon to Ollie J Burket, lot 2, block 12, Leggat & Foster's addition	550
Cornelius P. Drennen et al to Ollie J Burket, lot 3, block 12, Leggat & Foster's addition	550
George H Casey to Thomas Thompson, lot 5, block 4, Moonlight addition	1,100
John W Moore to James Davidson, one-half interest in lot 12 and the north 15 feet of lot 13	400
William and Julia A Beck to William Tracy, lots 8 and 9, block 8, Rice's addition	900
Thomas Bryant to Joseph Bryant, lot 30, block 6, Raven lode claim	700

Time Tells.

From Harper's Young People.

Uncle Dick (to five-year-old Alice, who tries in vain to capture a sparrow in the park)—Put some salt on its tail Alice, and then you can catch it easily.

Alice—I used to do that, Uncle Dick, but I can't now.

Uncle Dick—And why not?

Alice—Because I'm too old.

Trials of Greatness.

From the New York Weekly.

Mr. Greatman: "Good morning, sir. What can I do for you, sir?" Reporter (with Edison phonograph and camera)—"I have come to phonographically and photographically interview you for the *Daily Hustler*. Now, grin and chin."

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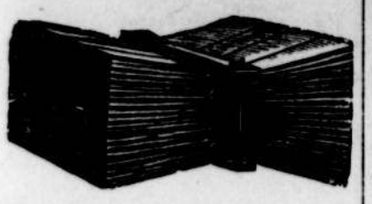

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