

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

Interesting Cases Before the Judges of the Two Departments.

HIGHWAYMEN ARRAIGNED

Thugs Who Held Up Citizens at the Shrine of Justice—New Cases Commenced.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—The men Cosgrove, Burke and Henry, or Sparks, were brought before Judge Pemberton for trial on the charge of robbing B. A. Ledford some time ago. Judge Keithley appeared for Cosgrove and filed an affidavit setting forth reasons for asking a continuance until the next term of court. The affidavit related that an important witness named Thomas Stevens is now in Salt Lake City and that it is impossible to get him here in time for the present term. The defense expected to prove an alibi by Stevens, and show that the whole might on which the robbery was alleged to have been committed the three accused men were not in the vicinity at all. Attorney Wines, for Henry and Burke, presented similar affidavits, and urged that as the state had already had a continuance because of the absence of a witness, the defense should be granted one on the same grounds. County Attorney Baldwin was willing to have the case continued but wanted it to be tried at the present term. The court did not think it could be done and continued the case until the January term.

Judge Pemberton then discharged the jury until next Monday morning, as there were no other cases set for trial, and he informed the county attorney that unless new information is filed this week the jury would be discharged for good. The attorney promised to file at least a half dozen more in a day or two, and he at once sent to the jail for a list of the prisoners now in jail awaiting trial. The list was furnished and shows that there are still seven cases here as follows: Andrew Larson, grand larceny; Thomas Mahoney, destroying city property; Dan McCarthy, cutting; J. S. Ross, assault; Kittie Lee, perjury; Eugene Steer, forgery, and Edwin Stone, grand larceny.

J. S. Ross was brought in to plea in the charge against him and said "not guilty." His bail was fixed at \$500, and he says he can give it. He is the fellow who stabbed a man with an ice pick.

Kitty Lee was also asked to plead to the charge of perjury, but her attorney wanted another day to look over the matter and the request was granted.

In the case of Cordwell against Mathews a statement was filed on a motion for a new trial, and set for hearing on Dec. 12. Jurors James Quinn and Joseph Perron were excused from further service.

In Department I.

There were three cases set for trial today, the first one called being that of Fred Haase against John Franzman et al. A jury was called and then the case against L. R. Maillet was dismissed and the plaintiff asked leave to file an amended complaint, which was granted. The defense then asked to have the case continued until next term, which was done.

The other case set for trial today was an action for debt of John O'Neil, against James Cassidy. There was no appearance for the defense and the plaintiff's case was presented to the judge, who ordered judgment entered against Cassidy for \$24.50 and \$28.25 costs.

The case of Joseph Lally vs. the Montana Union Railway company was called, and Corbett & Welcome withdrew as counsel for the plaintiff and Charles O'Donnell substituted. The order setting the case for trial today was then vacated and will be called again on Dec. 19.

The other cases disposed of in Department I were as follows:

In the matter of the estate of Charles Ellis, an order of sale of real estate was made and entered.

Joseph Borthwick vs. Thomas Jones; judgment entered on default for \$99.68 and \$13.40 as costs. In the case of N. Bennett against the same defendant, judgment was entered for \$173.19 and \$13.40 as costs against the defendant.

Motions were submitted in the case of George H. Tong against the Shonbar Mining company, and a motion made to strike out the complaint in the case of B. J. Fine against the same company.

The motion and demurrer in the case of the Butte Hardware company against the Shonbar Mining company was, by consent, overruled, and the defendant granted until Dec. 31 to answer.

Otto Young & Co. vs. J. M. Jacobs; referee's report received and judgment ordered entered for \$89.45 and \$11.80 as costs.

The case of Foster vs. Olson was ordered on the calendar and the default of the defendant entered. The case was referred to Special Commissioner Irvine to compute the amount due.

J. R. Boyce, Jr. was excused from further service on the jury, and a venire issued for three more names.

Isora Oren commenced a new suit today against John B. Carpenter for debt, and a writ of attachment was issued.

Jury Venues.

The venues for juries to serve at the next term of the district court, which commences on January 4, were issued from both courts today and given to the sheriff for service. The grand jury papers are made returnable on January 11, and for the regular panel in Department II, on January 18. For Department I, the return is to be made on March 7. For the grand jurors the sheriff will begin tomorrow to serve the papers.

Real Estate Transfers.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—The following transfers were recorded at the office of the county clerk since our last report: Frances E. Saragant to James B. Higgins, lots 9, 10, 11, block 1; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, block 2; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, block 3; lot 2, block 4; Leggat & Foster's addition; and the southeast quarter of section 33, township 34 north of range 11. \$ 1 00 Erwin M. Brown and wife to E. L. Mahoney, one-sixth interest of three-fourths of the Pipe Lake claim. 1,000 00 Anthony W. Barnard to Daniel Rudin, lot 8, block 6, Barnard addition. 775 00 W. L. Cobban and wife to J. C. Knox, portions of lots 7 and 9, block 6, Central addition. 1,500 00 Pat Nolin to Ed Mahoney, one-sixth interest in the Wake Up Lake claim, one-third interest in the Best and one-third in the May Bird, all in Little Pine district. 300 00 Stephen Williams to Richard Hales, lot 3, block 6, Leggat & Foster's addition. 725 00 John and Lizzy Conner to Richard Rayme, a portion of lot 12, block 1, Thornton's addition. 500 00 William P. Sherman and wife to E. H. Sherman, lot 4, block 2, Kumpert addition. 650 00 M. Deiners to E. H. Sherman, lot 5, block 11, Noyes & Upton's addition. 450 00

Do you wear shoes? Take a look at our \$3 dress shoe. 31 West Park street. Burgess & Co.

If you want a first class cigar, ask for the Irwin.

We sell heaters for \$1 and upwards. H. J. Blume, 78 West Park street.

CITY AFFAIRS.

Meeting of the Judiciary Committee of the Council.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—The judiciary committee held a meeting this afternoon at which several matters of importance to the city were attended to. The first of these matters was the drawing up of an ordinance regulating employment offices. Many complaints have been made that employment agents have taken fees and sent workmen out of town on wild goose chases. In many cases the searchers are not able to return to Butte or to prosecute the case and so the cases are not punished. The committee decided that all proprietors of employment offices must be licensed by the city, the license to be \$5 per quarter. It is also required of the employment agents that they put up a bond of \$1,000 that they will conduct an honest and legitimate business. The agents must be vouched for by 10 reputable citizens living in the vicinity of the employment office. The bond must be approved by the mayor. It is required that for each proven case of obtaining money under false pretenses, the agent shall pay a fine of not more than \$20 or more than \$100.

In the course of the discussion over this matter, Alderman Lynch suggested that a similar ordinance should be passed regulating ticket brokers and scalpers. He referred to the cases that have come to public notice, of persons buying tickets at offices in this city and being put off trains. He said he had heard that while good tickets are sold to those likely to get back to Butte, sometimes tickets good only part of the way are sold to those who do not seem able to buy a ticket back to Butte. The purchasers ride on the tickets a few hundred miles, find them not good for the balance of their journey and pay the additional cost instead of returning to Butte. The other aldermen agreed that something should be done to regulate these brokers not controlled by the American Ticket Brokers' association. Action was deferred, however.

Another ordinance was drawn up condemning the balance of the property not yet condemned in block 37, back of the old city hall. The ordinance was referred to the city engineer to see that the description of the property is correct. This is part of the proceedings in the opening of the alley. The council will act on the ordinance to-morrow night.

ON THE DELINQUENT LIST.

Only Two-Thirds of the Taxes of Silver Bow County Paid in.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—To-morrow morning the county treasurer will begin collecting interest from all who pay taxes, as the delinquent list will then be in operation. Yesterday the office took in \$115,000 and today \$83,500. It is estimated that nearly one-third of the taxes of the county are on the delinquent list. The Davis estate, which pays the largest amount of taxes in the county, paid \$25,000 into the treasury. A. D. Davis, jr., paid \$13,000; W. A. Clark, \$10,000 on personal property, and the Boston & Montana company over \$10,000. Among the other heavy taxpayers who settled with the treasurer in the last few days are the Butte & Boston company, Bonner Mercantile company, John Noyes, A. W. Barnard, J. P. Reins, William Owsley and W. M. Jones, all of whom paid to the amount of thousands. The next proceedings of the treasurer will be to make out the delinquent list and publish it during January, 30 days after which the property will be sold. The interest on delinquent taxes is 10 per cent. Under the new law a person has two years' time in which to redeem property sold for taxes, but must pay a penalty of 25 per cent, and 2 per cent, each month after the time it is sold.

THE "ELECTRIC HOP."

Street Railway Employees and Their Friends Have a Night of Pleasure.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—If anybody thinks that street car men don't know how to enjoy themselves, and derive a whole lot of pleasure when the opportunity presents itself, that person could not have been to Renshaw hall to-night. In advertising their ball, the gentlemanly conductors, gripmen and motor men decided to call it an "electric hop," and as events went to prove the selection of a name proved to be a most happy one, for the spirit of enjoyment that began to reign as soon as the orchestra's first notes were heard, was electric in its effects upon every one in the hall. The boys were out in full force, each in his finest clothes and with his best girl hanging to his arm. Time tables, runts, switches and all other details incident to the duty of their calling were for the once forgotten and everybody strove to have all the enjoyment and fun possible. But it should not be supposed that only street car men were present, for such was not the case, as the attendance of those engaged in other callings and occupations was large, and all enjoyed themselves equally as well. Socially and financially, the first "electric hop" was a success.

TURNED THE TABLES.

Mr. Kuhn Holds Up the Man Who Had Planned to Rob Him.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—A few more men like G. W. Kuhn in town and Butte would soon be rid of the footpads that make life an annoyance to the dwellers in the outskirts of town.

Mr. Kuhn lives near the Ground Squirrel claim in the Parrot corner, and works at the Germania. Last night he started home and from Lower Main street his steps were dogged by a suspicious looking person. This person kept about 15 steps in his rear right along. Mr. Kuhn kept his eyes open. When he reached the vicinity of the Northern Pacific depot, the footpad whistled. Immediately another suspicious character jumped up right in front of Mr. Kuhn and gave a whistle in answer. Mr. Kuhn waited no longer, but fired a shot which must have singed the whiskers of the second character. This man ran for his life. Kuhn wheeled and brought his gun down on the one who had followed him from the city, and made him hold up his hands. Then he went through him, but found nothing in his pockets worth taking, so he gave him a kick and let him go. Mr. Kuhn was not again interfered with on his walk home.

Wedding at Centerville.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—A pleasant wedding took place in Centerville this afternoon between Andrew J. O'Neill and Katherine M. Mellow. Judge Muldon tied the nuptial knot which bound the happy young people. The presents were numerous and beautiful, and represented both art and utility. Among the guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Brockenheimer, Miss Brockenheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Laurau, Miss Laureau and Mr. and Mrs. Mellow.

Heating stoves are going off at a lively rate, but we still have an elegant assortment. H. J. Blume, 78 West Park street.

Cut flowers; outside orders given prompt attention. A. W. Noble, 300 East Park street.

Our school shoes are the finest to be had in Butte. Burgess & Co., 31 West Park.

Cut flowers, fresh every day. Telephone 313; 300 East Park street.

There is no bit cigar to be compared with the Irwin.

Cut flowers, 300 East Park street.

NOT ANXIOUS TO BID

Proposals to Furnish Rooms for the Postoffice.

OPENED BY THE INSPECTOR

Owners of Buildings Not Inclined to Give Privileges to the Government Free of Cost.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—At 20 minutes before 12 o'clock noon today there wasn't a bid in for the postoffice site, as advertised for by Postoffice Inspector William Watkins, jr. At 12 o'clock noon there were four bids in, and a request for time to put in another bid.

Mr. Watkins came into Butte on the morning train, and at two-and-a-half minutes past 12 o'clock began opening the bids. It may be said to the credit of the citizens of Butte that not a bid put in offered rental to the government for \$1 per month as formerly, and in fact not a bid offered the government rental for less than \$2,000 per year. This may ruin the United States government, but it is a matter for general rejoicing that the city is at last likely to get some revenue from the government instead of treating it as a guest all the time.

Mr. Watkins says that he cannot give the details of the bids until they have been sent to Washington. The postoffice authorities must see the bids before they are known to the public. Mr. Watkins will make a recommendation to the government, but he said that it was not permissible for him to state which bid he would recommend for the government to accept.

It is learned that the first bid received was from the Miners' union, offering the present site at a rental of \$1,200 per year, exclusive of light and heat. The second bid was for the same site with the addition of heating and light. The price is not given.

The third bid was from Paulson & Lowell, architects, proposing to erect a building on West Granite street and adopt it for postoffice purposes, between the Lewishon & McNamara block. The size of the ground floor would be 20,500 feet. The price is not given, but is said to be greater than the offer of the Miners' union. The present quarters are 25,355 feet and are so cramped that it is doubtful if the postal folks can get along much longer without increased room. As this site is not so large as the present quarters, acceptance is not likely.

The fourth bid was from the Good Templars society, offering the ground floor of its building in West Broadway. This is 26 by 100 feet, a little larger than the present quarters. The price is said to be some \$1,500 in excess of the rate asked for the present quarters.

Those were all the bids received, but John H. Curtis filed a notice stating that he would make a proposition for a post-office building in West Park street west of the Lizzie block in the place of all those shacks along there. He mentioned no price and gave no dimensions. Mr. Watkins said that if he received an offer from Mr. Curtis or anyone else before morning he would consider it. He would return to Helena in the morning, but would probably not be able to mail his report to Washington before Thursday. He expected an early reply, as the lease has expired and an early decision is necessary.

It may be expected that the postoffice will remain just where it is. This will probably be most acceptable to the citizens of Butte, as a change before a government building is secured is not desirable. A change would be apt to render the securing of a government building less probable. It is a fact though that the leases of the government are one-sided affairs. The government retains the power to vacate at any instant without notice, while the party leasing must agree to lease for a certain fixed length of time.

A reporter this afternoon offered to make a small bet with the inspector that the location of the postoffice would remain at Miners' Union hall. Mr. Watkins declined to bet.

"I always lose my bets," he said. "I never made but two bets in my life. One was on a horse race and the other on Blaine, and I lost both."

It is stated that Butte has contributed to the United States postoffice department during the past year the sum of \$55,000. The government in return has paid \$12,000 year rent for postoffice quarters for the past five years. The city of Butte has therefore paid during that time to the government enough to put up a pretty good government building.

To the Citizens of Butte.

In the interest of the men for whom we have established the free reading room in the city, I come before you again and ask your attention. For two months the library and reading rooms have been open to the public and have been patronized by hundreds of men eager to read good books and papers, and who have no other place to spend their leisure hours with pleasure and profit. Liberal contributions from such of our citizens as have been interviewed, enabled us to pay rent, etc., but now we are putting in bath tubs and otherwise furnishing and arranging the quarters for permanent and enlarged work at a cost of about \$400. We need at once to provide for half this amount, \$200. After this we hope to make the entire self-supporting. We make no apology for asking you for this help, because it appeals to the business interest, as well as to the philanthropy of every one. Visit the rooms, meet the management and see that we are not experimenting, but mean permanent good for all.

J. E. SOUTHERS, Chairman Executive Committee, Butte, Dec. 1, '91.

Ready to Meet Him.

BUTTE, Dec. 1.—Mike Burns sent to the STANDARD office to-day a security for \$50 for a match with Gilbert in Cornish style of wrestling. Gilbert's backers say this is not satisfactory to them, as they put up cash, and that unless Burns puts up the \$50 cash by 2 o'clock to-morrow (Wednesday) afternoon their forfeit will be taken down. Gilbert has a match on in Denver, and will leave for there to-morrow night unless he makes a match with Burns.

Annual Election Notice.

The annual meeting of the Silent Treasure Mill and Mining company will be held at their office at South Butte, Mont., on Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1891, for the election of officers for the ensuing year and transaction of such business as may come before the meeting. E. SPERLING, President. E. L. MAYO, Secretary.

Wanted.

Washwomen at No. 415 West Galea street, Butte.

Bear in mind that the Union Pacific takes second-class passengers through on fast express trains.

We guarantee results on all our heating contracts; no cure, no pay. H. J. Blume, 78 West Park street.

For Rent—Furnished rooms 317 South Montana street, Butte.

Florist; natural and artificial flowers, 300 East Park street.

Smoke the Irwin hand-made cigar.

BANKRUPT STOCK SALE

Of J. R. Boyce, Jr., & Co.; \$35,000 Worth of First Class Goods Bought at Sheriff's Sale for \$19,000.

Is one of those rare advantages which we now possess by reason of the purchase of the Boyce & Co. bankrupt stock.

Our position is a most fortunate one—fortunate for the public and ourselves. It is a matter of little consequence to the public whether this stock is owned by an unlimited incorporation or an humble individual.

Whether it is the broken up stock of several stocks, or the remainder of the original bankrupt stock.

The goods speak for themselves. They are on sale for what they are and not what they might seem to be to competitors' jealous eyes.

When advantages such as we have and rightfully obtained, and these advantages are offered to those that are in a position in turn to take a like advantage of our prices (such as we now offer to buyers) thousands will come just as they came on Saturday and will come again to-day and will continue to come as long as they see that they can buy \$1.00 worth of goods for 25 cents.

Our name is

ADVANTAGE, by reason of having a stock of bankrupt goods that must bar every competitor out, on the solid grounds of common sense.

"Words" are not in it; "things" will not do. It must be one dollar or 50 cents' worth of goods for 50 or 25 cents. This is all we can offer to those that can see for themselves, can understand the same.

It is but reasonable that our competitive friends should feel "shaky," for ours is a proposition that stares them in the face; that which they cannot overcome—to attempt it would be suicide to them, bankruptcy and ruin.

This drawing sale will be continued from day to day. These great bargains are almost inexhaustible. The rush has hardly begun. Our cellars beneath were not touched or drawn upon during the sheriff's sale.

Thousands of dollars' worth of goods cost us nothing, absolutely NOTHING.

A sheriff gets hold of \$100,000 worth of goods under an attachment. We all know what it means. It is a death blow to the stock. Values go down to almost nothing. Goods worth 100 cents on the dollar dwindle down to one-half, or often one-fourth. Everything suffers alike, whether it is domestic, silks or satins.

If, by reason of our having the ready cash to be able to get \$15,000 worth of goods for \$19,000, and we in turn can sell the same for less than one-half of what our competitive neighbors can sell the same class of goods for, have we taken an unfair advantage of them? Have they a right to expect of the buyer to stay with them and not buy goods of us?

It is but natural that buyers will go where their best interests call them, where goods for the least money are offered, as now shown here at

THE BOYCE BANKRUPT STOCK SALE.

MRS. M. D. BRAY

Has removed from the Morier Block to

119 South Montana Street.

Where she has for rent

CLEAN, NEAT, NEWLY FURNISHED

ROOMS.

Electric Light and Steam Heat.

LAST CALL. We Will Soon be Gone! Those who miss this opportunity will regret it.

Only Three Weeks Longer To buy Shoes at Bankrupt Prices. Ladies' Fleece-lined Rubbers, 15c. Boys' Rubbers, 35c. Men's Wool Boots, 25c. Ladies' Felt Sole Slippers, 40c. Men's First Quality Arctics 85c. Bankrupt Shoe Sale 204 N. Main Street, Butte.

December 26 Will be Our Last Day in Butte. DON'T FORGET IT.

All Leather Goods Half Price. No profit wanted now. All we want is to close out the goods.