

BUTTE NEWS.

THE C. M. CO. CONVICTED

Operating Mine Cages Without Being Enclosed.

EVIDENCE IN THE CASE

The Objection That the Cage Law is Unconstitutional Was Overruled by Judge Clancy—District Court Matters.

The Anaconda Copper Mining Company was tried and convicted in Judge Clancy's court yesterday on the charge of operating its cages without being enclosed as required by law.

The action was brought as a first case and was prosecuted by County Attorney Connolly and Chief Deputy Kelly, while the defense was conducted by J. K. McDonald.

Before the introduction of any testimony, Attorney McDonald objected to it on the ground that the cage law was unconstitutional because its title conflicted with the act itself and was therefore misleading.

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petition for letters; estate of A. J. Davis, objections to report of appraiser; J. A. Murray et al vs. Thomas A. Hill et al, disbursement of Anna White; John A. White, plaintiff's proofs; Mary McDonald vs. Jessie C. Knox, motion for a new trial; B. A. & P. railroad vs. Ophir Mining company et al, petition of Johann H. Peterson; J. P. Reims vs. Silas E. King, motion to strike out cost bills; Charles Rueger vs. David Gilbert, motion for a new trial; Adolph Wetzstein vs. P. A. Largey et al, motion to tax costs and motion for a new trial.

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IN A GRIP OF HABITS.

Jackman, the Suicide, Used Liquor, Morphine and Cocaine.

From information that came to light yesterday in connection with the life of Silas E. King, Jackman, who committed suicide in the "dash" lodging house in Galena street on Thursday, it appears that the unfortunate man came of a fine family and that his deplorable end was the result of his own weakness, since he allowed himself to become the victim of habits of indulgence in which would ruin the life of any human.

Among the few effects the man left it was ascertained that his father and mother resided at Seattle, Wash., and that he had two children, who live with the grandparents. A letter from the mother was found which could not have been written by any other than a refined woman.

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FROM NATURAL CAUSES

Investigation Into the Death of Edward Shields.

NOT A SCRAP OF PAPER

To Indicate Whether or Not He Lived Any Relatives—No One Ever Heard Him Speak of His Family.

The death of Edward Shields, who was found dead in his bed in Mullins' boarding house at Centerville Thursday evening, was officially investigated by Coroner Jullien and a jury at an inquest held at Duggan's undertaking rooms last evening. It was established to the satisfaction of the jury that death resulted from natural causes, but there was nothing in the evidence from which to determine the particular affection producing dissolution.

Neil O'Donnell, the deputy sheriff for Centerville, said he saw Shields about 10 o'clock Wednesday night. At that time he was perfectly sane and in good health, except that he complained of pains in his back. The next time witness saw the man he went to Shields' room in Mullins' boarding house, about 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and found him dead. Everything was in perfect order in the room.

John McGinley was Shields' roommate. He saw Shields go to bed about 10:30 o'clock Wednesday night. Witness got up about 5:45 the following morning. Shields was then in bed and apparently asleep. Witness did not notice the man at all beyond that he was in bed and he might have been dead at that time for all witness knew.

J. W. Blakely knew Shields. He frequently heard him complain of the pains in the back. He said he thought it was rheumatism. He had also heard Shields say he was not an able-bodied man, but aside from the rheumatism he never heard him complain of any specific ailment.

Thomas Powers had known Shields 12 years or more and to his knowledge the man had been troubled with the pains in the back—rheumatism he supposed it was—for seven or eight years. Witness saw him Wednesday night and did not see him again until he was found dead. A receipt for drugs found in the man's pocket was the only thing that testified that there were no marks on the body to indicate that violence had been anything to do with the man's demise, after which the case was given to the jury, and this verdict was rendered.

That deceased came to his death at Centerville township, Silver Bow county, Montana, on the 25th day of May, 1899, and from the evidence, we, the jury, find that death resulted from natural causes, the exact nature of which it is impossible for this jury to decide.

A peculiar fact in connection with the case is that the dead man did not leave a scrap of paper to show whether he leaves any relatives or not, and among his hundreds of friends there does not appear to be one who is able to tell. He had a very wide acquaintance and many knew him intimately enough to have his confidence, yet Coroner Jullien has not succeeded in finding one who ever heard him speak of his family. He made a trip to his old home in Ireland a few years ago and on his return he talked with a great many of his friends about his visit, but he never heard where his home was or what he said anything concerning relatives.

The Silver Bow Pipe Fitters' union was organized last evening at the Engineers' hall, in the Owsley block, by the representative of the Bricklayers and Masons' International Union of America.

The Bricklayers and Masons' International union No. 8 of Montana will meet on the first and third Friday nights of each month beginning Friday, June 2, at the Engineers' hall, Owsley block, room 125, fifth floor.

The Burlington Route will, on June 5 and 6, sell round-trip tickets to Sioux City, Omaha, St. Joseph and Kansas City at \$12; to St. Louis and return at \$18.50; to Chicago and return at \$33.50.

San Francisco, May 26.—The Pacific Coast Railway club has been organized to this city with 108 charter members, representing nearly all the way to the continent.

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VISITORS BANQUETED.

The Building Site Commemorial Wined and Dined at the McDermott.

William D. Windom, Washington, D. C.; J. Arthur Ball, Big Timber, Mont.; and Bernard Osann, Chicago, the commission now sitting in this city to consider bids for the site of the new federal building, were tendered a banquet in the McDermott hotel last night by J. H. Leyson of this city. The dining room and tables were tastefully decorated with carnations, lilies, roses, fuchsias and other flowers for which Butte's florists are famous.

The affair was impromptu in every detail, but it was a brilliant success. The guests were seated at tables when the general host had completed his plans and issued orders for the finishing touches to the elaborate spread.

The visitors were shown how gracefully a Butte man can do such things as entertain and make an outside feast as he has been made of in Butte.

Those who could not attend sent their regrets. They were B. E. Calkins, Henry Mueller, J. H. Lynch, J. E. Oppenheimer, George Day, George Stevenson, E. B. Wetrick, A. K. Ervin, J. H. Carter, J. M. Gravelle, Judge Lindsay, W. W. Walcott, of the Standard, Mayor McCarthy, William Scallon, Charles Mattison, Thomas Lavelle, O. K. Lewis and Walter Lewis.

Lack of Preparation.

London, May 26.—All the dispatches to the morning papers from The Hague show that the peace conference is suffering from lack of preparation.

The Daily News says: The British and American proposals, though simple, are more practical than the scheme of M. De Meerlaere, and it is likely that France and Russia, and even Germany, will ultimately agree with them.

Mataafa's Petition.

New York, May 26.—A dispatch to the Herald from Apia says: Mataafa has written to the consul in London asking permission for himself and 200 unarmed supporters to occupy the eastern section of Apia, near the harbor.

St. Louis, May 26.—Colonel William J. Bryan when seen to-day expressed himself as much pleased with the result of last night's banquet. He said: "It was a grand success all the evening, a grand success. The gathering was immense, enthusiastic and democratic. I was glad to be there."

Speaking of the platform of the next national democratic convention, Colonel Bryan said: "The Chicago platform will be reaffirmed and new planks added to cover new questions. The trust issue will be the most important of the issues."

Serious Riots.

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CONCERT AND BALL. Excellent Programme Rendered by the Guitar and Mandolin Club. A concert and ball was given at the Auditorium last night by the High School Guitar and Mandolin club, one of the best organizations of the kind in the West. In the concert the Great Mandolin club assisted. An excellent programme was given, consisting of selections by the club, a piano solo by Miss Agnes Holland, vocal solo by Miss Charlotte Best, violin solo by Miss Katherine Sullivan, reading by Miss Christine Brehner, violin solo by Master Charles Bank and a Spanish dance by Miss Grace Corbin. Both mandolin clubs are under the direction of Professor L. J. Hagle. After the concert a ball was given. It was very largely attended and was an enjoyable and successfully conducted affair. Northwest Coal company, dealers in wood and diamond coal. Satisfaction guaranteed. Telephone No. 605. Kept the Money. A Mrs. Halbert applied to Chief of Police Lavelle yesterday for the arrest of a second-hand dealer named Kopsid, whom she charged with having defrauded her. She said that some time ago she bought a bill of goods of Kopsid and will send a portion of the bill. A day or so ago she bought a piece of furniture for which she paid \$5 and Kopsid agreed to deliver it to her house, but instead of doing so he kept the \$5 and refused to deliver the goods. She was informed her recourse was in the civil courts. Repsold select vintage wines admitted by the French to be equal to their best. P. J. Brophy & Co., sole agents, Butte, Mont. Wholesale and Retail. Anything and everything in our line, all kinds of electric supplies, lamps and gas and gasoline fixtures. Job work and all kinds of construction. Silver Bow Plumbing and Electric Supply company, 191 East Broadway, Telephone 25.