...ie Weekly Miner.

...SDAY.....JULY 22, 1879.

I. O. O. F.

FIDELITY LODGE No. 8.

...ts every Thursday evening at their hall, ... Broadway and Main street, Butte, M. T. ...rning brethren in good standing are cordi... invited to attend.

ROBT. YELDELL, N. G.
... YORK, Secretary.

A. F. & A. M.

Regular Communication of Butte Lodge No. 22, A. F. & A. M., are held on the ...d and fourth Saturdays of each month at ...ock P. M. Visiting brethren are invited to ...d.

J. P. BECK, W. M.
...AS. S. WARREN, Sec'y. [31-1y

A. F. & A. M.

The Regular Communications of Deer Lodge Chapter No. 5, will be held at ...nic hall, Butte, Montana, on the second ...ourth Fridays of each month. Sojourning ...anions are cordially invited to attend.

JOS. A. HYDE, H. P.
...G. VALITON, SECY.

Mount Moriah Cemetery.

...ecure lots in this Cemetery apply to Wil... Porter, sexton, or to

HENRY McMURPHY, Secretary.
...TTE, April 1, 1879.

OFFICIAL CITY DIRECTORY.

...r—Henry Jacobs.
... Judge—Charles S. Warren.
...Attorney and Ex-officio Clerk—E. S. Thompson
...Marshal—J. F. Beck.
...of Police—Newton Dickenson.
...urer, Collector and Assessor—Jos. Venable.

COUNCILMEN.

...Ward—Lee Mantle, W. H. Young.
...d Ward—Jere Roach, George W. Todd.
...Ward—J. Ross Clark, Simon Hauswirth.
...th Ward—Lee W. Foster, O. B. Whitford.

Bishop Tuttle's Appointments for 1879.

...zeman, Sunday July 27th, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
...rt Ellis, Sunday July 27th, 3 p. m.
...milton, Tuesday July 29th 8 p. m.
...allatin city, Wednesday July 30th, 8 p. m.
...dersburg, Thursday July 31st, 8 p. m.
...nterville, Friday August 1st, 8 p. m.
...lena, Sunday August 3d, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
...ckfoot, Friday August 8th 8 p. m.
...lena, Sunday August 10th, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
...ionville, Sunday August 10th, 3 p. m.
...rt Benton, Sunday August 17th, 11 a. m. and ... p. m.
...t Shaw, Sunday August 24th, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
...s River, Sunday August 24th, 4 p. m.
...hite Sulphur Springs, Saturday August 30th, ... p. m.
...mp Baker, Sunday August 31st, 11 a. m. and ... p. m.
...mond, Monday September 1st, 7½ p. m.
...lder, Friday Sept. 5th, 7½ p. m.
...derson, Saturday Sept. 6th, 7½ p. m.
...lena, Sunday Sept. 7th, 11 a. m. and 7½ p. m.
...hitehall, Monday Sept. 8th, 7½ p. m.
...hop's School House, Wednesday Sept. 10th, 7½ p. m.
...indexter's School House, Thursday Sept. 11th 7½ p. m.
...gusta, Friday Sept. 12th, 7½ p. m.
...nnack, Sunday Sept. 14th, 11 a. m. and 7½ p. m.
...shi Junction, Wednesday Sept. 17th, 7½ p. m.
...mon City, Sunday Sept. 21st, 11 a. m. and 7½ p. m.

LOCAL NEWS.

New Advertisements.

...ish Bros. Wagons—Wm. Reid.
...roperty For Sale—Fred Loeber.
...orses Taken Up—Geo. L. Sweeney.
...alton's Livery Stable—H. G. Valiton.
...ew Process Flour—G. D. & L. A. Thomas.

Montana Fire-Flies.

...low many Montanians are there who date ...ir residence in these wilds far back into ...e early days and are yet ignorant of the fact ...t the summer night in our Territory pre...nts a scene of sub-tropical beauty, from the ...illions of fire-flies to be found in suitable ...alities? To many the circumstance we ...ention will recall only one of the most ...mmon spectacles of their daily lives; but ... confess that, until quite lately, the writer, ...hough a Montanian from way back, had ...dea that our midsummer nights were en...nned by a dream of tropical beauty. Re...ently, in a night-drive towards Helena ...rough the Prickly Pear valley, what a flood ... recollections was revived when we sud...nly perceived that the dark ground of the ...lds in the low land on either side of the ...ad was sparkling and glimmering with ...untless myriads of the little creatures ...ose contributions towards the beauty of ...e Texan night can never be forgotten by ...y one who has passed a summer in the ...ne Star State. What memories of boy...od's years were revived by that scene! ...hat episodes of foreign travel in sunny ...mes came freshly to mind at sight of those ...mentary flashes. We confess we were sur...sed—first, at the appearance of the long-...gotten apparition of nocturnal beauty, and ...t, that so striking a spectacle should never ...ve been mentioned by the papers published ...re by. Upon reflection, however, we have ...nsidered it quite probable that the gentle...n connected with the Helena press are not ...ry regular in attendance at prayer-meetings ...ld at the Grange Hall, and consequently ...t they may not know that millions of fire...s are to be seen in that neighborhood.

Large stock of New and Stylish Furniture at Colliby's, Lower Main street, Butte.

...steads, Chairs, Sofas, Lounges, Cradles, ...by Carriages, Easy Chairs, Rocking Chairs, ...attresses, hair, wire, wool, excelsior or spring. ...ture frames, mouldings, Racks, Chromos, ...el Engravings, etc., etc. Call and get prices ...ore trying elsewhere. EVERYTHING IN THE ...HOLSTERY LINE DONE AT SHORT NOTICE ...EXPERIENCED WORKMEN ON MOST REA...ABLE TERMS.

The *Madisonian* reports the attempt made ... some party unknown to poison the family ... Mr. A. Large, of Virginia City. During ...e absence of the family the house was en...ed and liberal quantities of strychnine ...xed with the domestic supplies. Upon ...eir return Mr. Large narrowly escaped poi...ing from partaking of the butter, which ...s found to be plentifully sprinkled with ...e deadly drug.

All kinds of job work neatly executed at ...ort notice and moderate charges at the ...NER office.

LIGHTNING FLY-KILLER,

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POCKET STOVES,

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WITHIN SIXTY DAYS!!

Complete stock of

DRY GOODS,

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Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes,

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At or Below cost.

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H. BARNETT.

BUTTE, April 1, 1879.

OUR MUNICIPAL TROUBLES.

Why the New Town Government is Not Popular.

The fact that a petition for the repeal of our lately adopted charter was signed by many of our most responsible citizens and heaviest business firms has led us to set out on an interviewing tour, that we might arrive at a fair average of public opinion by comparing and striking a balance among a great number of individual expressions on the subject. This was our plan. It was not necessary to carry it out, because the opinion as expressed was everywhere the same. Almost without exception we found the substantial citizens of Butte in favor of a charter—in favor of town government through municipal incorporation. We say in favor of a charter, but when it comes to *the* particular charter whose blessings we have of late enjoyed, only one of all whom we interviewed at all approved either of that instrument or the government administered under it. As for the others, they all seemed to be in very much the position of the man who is greatly displeased with the plan of his dwelling house. To raze it to the ground and rebuild it from the foundation up would be too radical a measure only because he thinks it possible at a smaller outlay of labor and expense so to modify it that it would hereafter answer the purposes for which it was designed. But finding such modifications impracticable, then he would hesitate not a moment in pulling down the edifice rather than longer submit to its inconveniences. So with our town government. The petition for repeal was intended to serve as a vote of censure on the existing order of things, not because repeal was expected to be brought about by that petition. But if repeal was not desired it was not on account of approval of, or admiration for, the manner in which our municipal affairs have lately been conducted. A real effort to bring about repeal, one at all likely to succeed, would have been opposed only because it is generally believed that an improvement can be brought about in the order of things complained of. Were it not for this expectation—if it were conceded that we must submit to existing arrangements for a whole year, that relief was only to be expected in the annual change of city officers, then not a shred not a vestage of our charter or any of the institutions brought into being through its operation would be left by the storm of opposition that would arise.

We believed in town government for a town like Butte, and we believe in it yet. We favored the adoption of the charter, and may possibly have had some influence on the vote by which it was accepted. For this reason we consider ourselves partly responsible to the people it things do not run as smoothly as they ought, and by way of acquitting ourselves of this responsibility we propose to make audible the voice of any intelligent complaint. And that the people complain is not to be questioned. Leaving out the unfair suffrage qualification, condemned on all sides, they object to the charter because it makes no provision for raising the revenue necessary to keep our streets and alleys clean and in repair. If no license tax can be imposed under the charter, then no adequate revenue can be raised, and if revenue sufficient to ensure us the cleanliness and order of an incorporated town cannot be secured then there is no use incorporating. This is the sum and substance of the objections made against the charter itself. As for the town government, it may be divided into the executive branch, including the Mayor and Aldermen, and the administrative, in which are enumerated the officers of Police Magistrate, City Marshal, Attorney, etc. Against the executive branch only one complaint is heard; but since our own opinion tallies exactly with that hereafter to be expressed, we may as well assume full responsibility for the following: The Board of Aldermen are charged with having made poor selections in filling the city offices, a charge quite apt to stick, as they themselves will probably admit. Further, if they will reflect upon the matter they will very likely perceive that if each member of the board had employed his best judgment in approving or rejecting the nominations of the Mayor, some of the offices would not be filled with the present incumbents. For an Alderman to announce in advance that he will vote to confirm any nomination made by the Mayor for a certain office is an easy way of shirking responsibility; but it was not exactly with a view of having its functions performed in that manner that the Board was organized. No one doubts the good intentions of our Mayor. If integrity, if honesty of purpose were alone required, our present Mayor might fill all the offices by his individual appointment, and every one would be satisfied. But something else besides honesty—judgment—is demanded in making nominations for office, and since the judgment of the wisest man on earth is fallible, mistakes from this cause are always liable to occur. But the judgment of nine men is less liable to err than that of one, and it was to secure this safeguard that the approval of a majority of the Aldermen was made necessary in confirming the Mayor's nominations; a safeguard cast aside as soon as the Alderman neglects to consult his best and coolest judgment; free from favor or prejudice, in passing upon the Mayor's choice in any given case. In future nominations, let each Alderman remember that he is held responsible by the people for the character of the appointee.

As for the administrative officers, they appear to be laboring under a misconception as to the purposes for which the town government was organized. Instead of being designed in the interest of law and order, of quiet, cleanliness and decency, those officials are evidently impressed with the idea that the chief end and aim of a town government is to enrich the municipal treasury by as many fines as can possibly be collected, the worthy officials themselves not being forgotten in the process. Accordingly we have an extraordinary activity in police circles. Take the Fourth of July, for instance. We invited guests from far and near to participate in our celebration. Our invitation was accepted, but what preparation was made to receive those guests when they began to arrive on the morning of our National Holiday? Why, special policemen were sworn in before there was even a suspicion of disorder, and to one of those specials, in a public place, one of the city officers was heard giving the order "make all the arrests you can." We all know the history of that day, when, although not a shot was fired, not a demonstration was made against life or property the city lock-up was nevertheless filled until it would not even hold the "one more" of the accommodating city omnibus. Men were arrested on the most trivial pretexts, and not only that but with attendant circumstances of a personal nature which added the pungency of insult to the outrage of which they considered themselves victims. After all this, for a city officer to make public mention of the number of prisoners confined in the "cooler" and of the aggregate of fees he expected for the following day, is calculated neither to add to the dignity of our municipality, nor to redound to the benefit of our business interests.

Now, the system that admits of such a state of things must be wrong and the people demand a change. We shall attempt to make no suggestions further than this. We are living in a free country in which no prohibitory law is in force. It is the citizen's privilege to stay sober or get drunk, so long as he behaves himself and molests no one; but this privilege is not admitted in Butte. Men have repeatedly been arrested when they were only drunk but *not* disorderly. In the next case of the kind if an example be made of the officer transcending his powers a check may be put on the too ardent zeal complained of.

NEW VARIETY STORE!

On East Granite street, to the rear of Marcheseau & Valiton's, Mrs. F. Miles has opened a **New Variety Store,** where she has on hand a fine stock of Dress Trimmings, Combs, Ties, Bows, Hosiery, Scarfs, Thread, and Buttons. Nottingham Lace for curtains, etc., etc. Also, Gents' Hose, Handkerchiefs etc., and articles for childrens' wear.

☞ **Stamping and Braiding Done to Order.**

Walkerville.

This lively little town situated only about a mile and a quarter from Butte would be recognized far and near as a place of importance were it not overshadowed and to a certain extent absorbed in its overgrown neighbor. In Walkerville more men are employed at good wages, and more money is in circulation than in any other Montana town of three times its population; yet, owing to its proximity to Butte, many branches of business usually flourishing in a brisk mining town are as yet but imperfectly developed. Those who have money to spend usually come to Butte to spend it, and the consequence is that business languishes in our sturdy little neighbor on the hill-side. But a change may possibly be noticed at an early date. The opening of the 500-foot level of the Alice is an event of momentous importance to Walkerville. Good ore being found on that level, and extensive ore bodies, it is no secret that a 40-stamp mill will be erected immediately by the Alice Company. It is also understood that a narrow gauge railway will be constructed from the works to the heavily wooded slopes on the mountain side eight or nine miles distant. This railroad will be intended altogether for the transportation of fuel, of which between 30 and 40 cords per day will be consumed. Besides the above, mention is made of other improvements which are of less note, but which taken together offer the prospect of employment for hundreds of busy hands. Add to this that free lots are to be had in Walkerville, where the generous proprietors of the patented ground adjoining the Alice convey the title of town lots to those actually residing upon them, and we have quite sufficient grounds to expect a rapid growth of Walkerville within a very short time. We are not addicted to encouraging stampedes. There is just now no occasion whatever for anything resembling a stampede. Any rush in this direction would at present be premature, and would be attended with disastrous results. Still, we would advise the workingmen of Montana, those at least who are in search of a locality in which employment under good wages can be found, to keep an eye on the developments to be made at Walkerville within the next three months. If those developments prove favorable that town will very soon be the great labor mart of Montana.

Bullion Shipments

By express from Butte for the week ending Monday, July 21st. amount to 1,883 pounds, valued at $30,128.

APPOLINARIS NATURAL MINERAL WATER,

Novelty Folding Fall,

SUGAR OF LEMONS,

at PARCHEN & D'ACHEUL'S.

FATAL ACCIDENTS.

Death of George R. Samples and of Tim Bowen.

A week ago last night Tim Bowen, for many years a driver on the Overland line, came to his death at Brown's bridge, on the Big Hole river. Both coaches arrived at Brown's Station, the Darling Rendezvous, at 12 o'clock at night. After the mail was changed, Bowen, driver of the north-bound coach, mounted the box to proceed on his journey, but before he could get possession of the lines the team took fright and started to run. Having grasped two or three of the lines the driver turned the horses towards the fence, hoping to check them, but the fence instead of offering any serious obstacle, was swept away like paste-board before the heavy coach wheels. Continuing their headlong rush, the horses made a dash for the bridge, which they entered in such a manner that the coach went crashing through the railing on the down-river side. When the coach disappeared over the edge of the bridge the tongue snapped off, releasing the leaders; one wheeler was released by the breaking of a whiffletree, the other held his footing until both tugs gave way. The horses were thus left unhurt on the bridge, while the coach, making a couple of revolutions, fell in an upright position, resting on the hind boot in three feet of water. Bowen was either killed in the fall or drowned in the river, since nothing was seen of him after the accident. The Deer Lodge and Butte mails were in the hind boot, where they remained under water until tackle could be provided to hoist the coach to the roadway.

Last Thursday George R. Samples, for some years past a respected citizen of Butte, was instantly killed in a mining accident on the Pipestone. Samples in company with Daniel Curtiss was engaged in deepening an old shaft on the Bachelor claim, belonging to C. X. Larabie and others. The had previously complained of bad air to Larabie, who told them to timber the shaft securely and leave it without attempting to carry the work any further, if they considered it unsafe. But they kept at work. On Monday evening at quitting time they burned a little charcoal on the bottom of the shaft as they were leaving for the night. This was probably done with the idea that the currents produced by the heat would purify the air, bu it was a great mistake. Upon going to work on Thursday morning both men descended the shaft, but as soon as they reached bottom Samples became strongly affected by the strong air aggravated by the charcoal fumes still lingering in the shaft. He at once started to climb the shaft, which is forty feet deep, but still lacked ten feet of reaching the top when his strength gave way and he fell. The fall was only about thirty feet. A smaller man might have escaped with less than fatal injuries, but Samples, who was about six feet three inches in height and weighed two hundred and twenty-five pounds, was so seriously hurt in striking the shaft timbers in his descent, and struck with such tremendous force at the bottom that he never spoke after the fall, dying almost instantly. In the evening of the same day the remains were brought to Butte. On the following day at 2 p. m. the funeral, with Masonic honors, took place from the Butte Lodge, of which deceased was a member in good standing. At the time of his death Mr. Sample was about 35 years of age. It is the belief of his more intimate friends that he was a native of Illinois, or at least that his parents are now living in that State. The deceased was a sober, industrious and law-abiding citizen, a man who never employed in violence the great strength of his giant frame. His untimely death is sincerely mourned by a large circle of friends who respected him in life.

The New Paper.

The press and a portion of the material for Mr. Freeman's new paper were received last week. The paper will be named the *Frontier Index*, the revival of an old title borne by a newspaper published some years ago by the same gentleman, and kept on the westward march with the terminus until Ogden was reached, when, becoming stationary and forsaking its migratory habits, it took the name of the Ogden *Freeman*, which it still bears. To begin with the *Index* will be of small size, since it is to be published on a mammoth jobber, but upon the arrival of a Washington press, now on the road, it will be enlarged, and thereafter will be kept fully up to the patronage received. The first number of the *Index* will probably be issued some time this week.

Hair Restored.

Dr. Friand is now prepared to refer unbelievers to several cases in Butte in which his treatment has caused a healthy growth of hair after years of baldness. Such proof will convince the most sceptical that the Doctor can do all he claims to be able to do when he says he can restore hair in all cases, no matter of how long standing the baldness. Satisfactory references and pecuniary security given to any one putting himself in Dr. Friand's hands. Apply in person. Office corner of Main street and Broadway, Butte.

159 tf DR. JOSEPH FRIAND.

Among the 'notables' at Fort Meade is the famous horse Comanche, the only survivor of the Custer fight. This is the horse, it will be remembered, that was ridden in the battle of the Little Big Horn by Colonel Keogh. It was found on the battle field after the Indians had retreated, wounded in five places. He was tenderly nursed, put on a steamer, and brought to Fort Lincoln. There, by good care, he entirely recovered. By a regimental order of General Sturgis he is now never ridden, but led with the regiment at all mounted ceremonies, draped in the deepest mourning. He has stood the trip from Lincoln nicely, and is as fat as a seal. Though about fifteen years old, he seems good for ten more.—*Herald.*

PERSONAL.

Salton Cameron, of Cable, has been in town for a few days.

E. S. Stockpole, P. M. at Deer Lodge, was the guest of Butte.

Otis Strickland, of Deer Lodge, was in town a day or two ago.

Col. L. M. Black, superintendent of the Crawford stage line, is in the city.

J. E. Van Gundy returned to Deer Lodge yesterday from a business visit to Butte.

Mrs. Chas. Rumley, of Helena, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harry D'Acheul, of Butte.

Henry Jacobs and John Morris, of Butte, were absent at Helena last week.

Miss Annie L. Warfield of Butte is visiting relatives and friends in Bozeman.—*Courier.*

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dickey, of Deer Lodge, on a visit to Butte, are among the guests of the Centennial this week.

A. J. Davis, owner of the Lexington mine, left Butte about ten days ago for an eastern tour of a few months' duration.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Saville, left town a few days since to enjoy the summer vacation in a visit to the other side the Pipestone range.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Metlen, of Glendale, returned a few days ago from a two months' visit to friends in Illinois.

H. T. Brown, business manager of the MINER went over to Glendale last week on business connected with this paper.

Richard Knowles, a well-to-do farmer from the neighborhood of New Chicago, brought up fifty head of horses last week which were disposed of by auction on Saturday.

Reinhold and Carl Kleinschmidt, of the Kleinschmidt Bros., Helena, also of the firm of Lee W. Foster & Co., Butte, arrived Sunday evening from a tour through Missoula.

In the Interest of the Whites.

Stove-pipes are disappearing in many quarters about town, being replaced by brick flues, in compliance with the provisions of the city ordinance made and provided. 'Tis well as far as it goes, which is, as yet, to no extravagant length, since stove-pipes still abound more than numerously. From any eminence commanding a view of our town they can be seen projecting in stubbed self-assertion matched only by the stumpy cussedness of a cane-brake of a year's growth. While on this subject, we feel like making a little prediction. Yes, we feel as if we were invested with the mantle of prophecy, and accordingly we set up in business as prophet by predicting that the next thing in order will be an official raid on every China house in town from which a stove-pipe announces its smoky presence. Fortunate Celestials. Distinguished Celestials. Beaten, shot, hanged, mobbed and used up generally in the coast cities, they have only to come to Montana to be made the recipients of special municipal distinctions. For their benefit our town was incorporated. For their sakes was it that our sanitary regulations were adopted. A Chinaman living away out on the borders of Chinatown, half a mile from any body, is honored with an official visit the moment he manifests the least disregard for the welfare of his Celestial person by keeping a pig-pen the reverse of odorous. Such an institution is scented out forthwith by the official nose when the offending son of the Sun and Moon is dragged into the police court at once and admonished with the gentle hint of $10 and costs that he must take better care of his health. Now this is all very well, but a white man is as good as a Chinaman, provided he can pay his fine, as the Celestial always can, and since some of our white citizens, living in the middle of town, are the proprietors of premises whose odor in no way rivals the balm of a thousand flowers, we respectfully suggest that a little of the zeal now expended in looking after and providing for the physical welfare of the Chinaman should be devoted to the well-being of our own people. This thing of having a corps of officers devoted to the interests of the Chinamen, but neglectful of those of our own people won't quite do. We are discriminated against. We are neglected. We experience an application of the official cold shoulder that elicits from the Caucassian his most vigorous howl of protest. And that this is thus admits of no denial. Angels from their lofty perch if they cannot see the truth of our remarks, are at least conscious that they are invested with an exceedingly strong odor of probability. That is, they are conscious of this odor if their olfactories approach in keenness those of the Butte folks who guilelessly voted for the charter that they might live in a cleanly, well policed town, rather than that certain of their energetic fellow citizens should be provided with a soft thing in the way of making money.

Letter from the Terminus.

A private letter received a few days ago from Mr. B. F. White, the forwarding merchant at the terminus, reads as follows. The information it contains can be presented in no better shape than by publishing the letter entire:—

Editor Butte MINER:

Please make it known that hereafter all Montana shipments over the U. P. and U. N. R. R. will be billed at contract rates instead of regular tariff as has heretofore been the case; thus avoiding the trouble and necessity of collecting rebates. The side track at the new station at Camas creek was completed yesterday and we expect to get moved up there by the last of this week. Grading is going ahead fast as circumstances will admit. Track laying will not even halt at the Camas but will be pushed forward to mouth of cañon to which point the terminus is expected to be moved by Sept. 1st. The Company evidently mean to reach Red Rock before snow flies. Yours truly,

B. F. WHITE.

EAGLE ROCK, July 14, 1879.

MINING AND MILLING

The Dexter mill was shut down a day or two ago to remain closed about a week during which time will be made the changes necessary to convert the mill from a dry to a wet crusher. The smelters, in which the owner of the Dexter is interested, will soon be in operation, when ores too base for free-milling processes can be worked to better advantage by smelting than by roasting and amalgamating. Working as a wet crusher the Dexter will reduce five tons per day more than its present average, at a labor outlay of two men less than the force employed in dry crushing. The introduction of the appliances required in wet crushing will not involve any change of the apparatus heretofore in use. In future the mill can be used either as a dry or as a wet crusher as its manager may elect.

The Cornish rolls, sampling mill, etc. of the new smelting works were put in operation last week and will hereafter run as occasion may require. Ores are now correctly sampled and purchased at their true market value by the smelting company.

THE TERRITORY.

Considerable gold dust is being brought into town from Emigrant, Bear and Crevice gulches. Several thousand dollars' worth has already been purchased this summer by Messrs. Story & Wilson and Bozeman merchants.—*Courier.*

Two large safes, for the use of Gallatin county officials, arrived in town on Monday last. They were "wintered over" at or near Carrol, consequently have been twelve months on the way. They are not much the worse for wear, however.—*Ib.*

Thirty cords of wood, the property of Caplice & Smith and Wm. Weinstein, were burned at Phillipsburg on Sunday last. The fire was built intentionally, we are informed, and as the wood was near some buildings they narrowly escaped being burned also. Had there been a wind prevailing at the time it would have been impossible to save the buildings. As it was the fire resulted in no damage save the burning of the wood. Incendiaries oftentimes get scorched by the flames of fires other than those they build, and it might be classed as pious in us to warn the igniters that there is a severe penalty attached to the crime of incendiarism.—*New North-West.*

New Subscribers.

Within the past two weeks the following named new subscribers have been secured for the MINER:

Horace Welch,	Butte,	Mont.
H. C. Kessler,	"	"
Fisher Bros.,	"	"
David Marks,	"	"
John Devlin,	"	"
E. S. Thompson,	"	"
Wm. Foster, Ft. Benton,		"
John A. Legrat, Divide,		"
Chas. O'Neill, Walkerville,		"
W. Shields,	"	"
Chas. O'Rourke,	"	"
Miss Ella C. Collins, Missoula		"

by H. M. Collins, Butte.
Antoine Gagnon, St. Fabien, P. Q. by S. E. Hirbour, Butte.
Mrs. Belle Dellinger, Greene, Iowa, by D. N. Dellinger, Butte.
John Belk, Padonia, Kansas. by J. C. Belk, Butte.
G. N. Vanderlip, Vallejo, California, by Orlando Scholl, Butte.

Morgan James,	Butte,	Mont.
Thos. James,	"	"
N. Armstrong,	Bozeman,	"

Miss Ellen C. Murray, Newtown, Conn, by John Murray, Butte.
Miss Lizzie Good, Woodstock, N. B., by C. R. Hay, Divide, Montana.
Hugh Hay, Woodstock, N. B., by C. R. Hay, Divide, Montana.
Mrs. H. B. McCleery, Sharon, Pa., by H. B. McCleery, Butte.
Mrs. M. E. Frohwitten, Baltimore, Md., by J. H. Meyer, Butte.
A. Bessitte, Bannack, Montana.
Zeigler Bros., Helena, M. T.
John C. Scully, Pleasant Valley, Idaho, by T. Flynn, Butte.

We have received the premium list for the fourth annual fair of the W. M. Fair Association, to be held at Missoula, beginning on the 9th of September and continuing for the remaining four days of the week. The list of premiums are liberal and inducements are held out for some good races, so the Fair should be a success. In one respect though, in the date selected, we think a change might be made, to the benefit at least of sporting men who would like to attend races both at Butte and at Missoula. The Butte races, advertised for some time, terminate September 6th; those at Missoula begin September 9th; the intervening time being insufficient to allow of flyers being sent from the Butte track to contest for Bitter Root honors. If our Missoula friends could postpone their Fair to have it commence Monday, September 15th, the change would be for the mutual benefit of Missoula and Butte.

Explaining a Criticism.

The Butte MINER's boorish criticism of Miss Monroe finds no responsive echo elsewhere. The circumstance that the charming reader did not appear to the best possible advantage before a Butte audience is plausibly enough explained. The MINER editor, dead-headed to the entertainment, and occupying a front seat, is believed to have elevated his feet after the fashion peculiar to him, shutting off a great share of sound and sight, and substantially spoiling the acoustics of the hall. And after that, it was adding insult to injury for Johnson to go off and print a column of rigmarole, laying all the blame upon the brilliant little woman who has pleased the public everywhere except at Butte! Ingratitude, baseness, can go no farther than that.—*Herald.*

The above will convey peace of mind to many suffering the pangs of an over-sensitive sympathy. A common idea, based probably upon their shattered appearance, has it that our legislators are the victims of overwork—are drifting to certain and premature decay through an application all too intense to the b—business of the session. It will be seen that this notion is erroneous. Since "Olly," jr. can spare time to "evolve from the depths of his inner consciousness" such a *jeu d'esprit* as the foregoing, his duties as legislator cannot be very severe. We hope he was safely delivered of his mammoth thought; judging, though, from his cadaverous, dead-and-alive appearance we should say the experience went hard with him. By next mail we expect to hear of his having been churched.