

A Local News

(From Friday's Daily.)

The Water Company's Proposition.

At the meeting of the Council held last Wednesday evening the Butte Water Company submitted to the Board of Aldermen the following proposition:— "We will build a cistern (on the ground referred to, below the Life Acquisition Spur) 20 feet long, 30 feet wide, and nine feet deep; a five-inch pipe from the cistern to the twelfth corner; put in eight hydrant attachments at the corners, and complete the same on or before June 15th 1880. We will allow the city of Butte the use of said hydrants for its purposes only, and will keep said cistern filled with water for that purpose upon payment to us of the sum of five thousand dollars. And for a like sum we will provide a cistern and pipe of like character for Montana street, city of Butte, in the year 1880 or 1881."

This, in effect, is the proposition as submitted, but we understand it was subsequently modified by a verbal understanding according to which the city is to be allowed to use hydrant water in sprinkling the streets for the period of four months every year. The offer as thus modified being accepted, the City Clerk was directed to draw up, to conform with its provisions, an ordinance to be laid before the City Council at a special meeting to be held Saturday evening, the 27th inst. When submitted the ordinance, inasmuch as it is to provide for a special tax levy, must be accepted by a two-thirds vote of the aldermen present, and afterwards by a two-thirds vote of the qualified electors voting at a special election to be held for the purpose of accepting or rejecting the tax.

A Suburb.

Butte is stretching out towards the east, along the road leading to the Park, and at present rate of building in that quarter only a short time can elapse before the town will extend to the Silver Bow mill. But rapid as the building has been in that direction it has not been on near so extensive a scale as it would have been if Messrs. Lee W. Foster and Rod D. Leggat, the owners of a large block of ground adjoining the city limits, had had the same platted and ready for market. Almost every day those gentlemen are interviewed by parties desirous of purchasing building lots. As yet none have been sold, but we understand it is the owners' intention to have the block properly surveyed within a short time, with wide streets and conveniently arranged alleyways when lots will at once be offered for sale to desirable settlers; following which the city limits will probably be extended to include the whole block. Differing from the greater part of the Butte townsite the soil of the Foster & Leggat block is deep and rich, only irrigation being required to make it exceptionally productive, as is evident from the success of the Kemper Bros' garden immediately beyond. Water for irrigating purposes can be had from a mining ditch at hand. Next spring Mr. Leggat intends to import from the East a large lot of shade maple trees with which he will line the street sides. It is believed that trees of that kind would flourish here, and it is to be hoped this expectation will be realized. The sight of a maple grove would be a most welcome apparition to the alkali bedimmed eyes of the southern plains traveller.

The Financial Exhibit.

At the last session of the Butte City Council the following report was submitted by City Treasurer Venable:

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Butte, in council assembled:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit the following statement of the finances of the city, as shown by my books to date, Sept. 24, 1879, viz:—

Table with columns for Receipts and Disbursements. Receipts include cash received from Chas. S. Warren, Police Magistrate, for fines collected for the months of June, July and August, 1879 (\$350.00), and collected for licenses to date (1,178.43). Disbursements include paid order No. 1 (\$78.75), order No. 2 (12.00), order No. 3 (15.00), order No. 4 (11.50), order No. 5 (15.80), order No. 11 (50.00), order No. 6 (27.50), order No. 7 (150.00), order No. 8 (5.50), order No. 9 (18.00), Treasurer's salary for quarter ending Sept. 1st (40.00), paid order No. 10 (27.50), order No. 12 (228.32), Wright Liles (6.00), paid order No. 13 (3.00), J. H. Sullivan (6.00), paid order No. 15 (50.00), and percentage of 10 per cent on collections and Treasurer's fees on the amount of \$1,178.43 (117.34).

Very respectfully submitted, J. M. VENABLE, Treasurer and Collector.

25 doz. Ladies, Misses and Childrens Trimmed Hats—new and magnificent styles—now opened at E. L. BONNER & CO'S.

Lace curtains, Boy Brussels Carpets, Stair Carpet (3-ply) and Improved Carpets just received at E. L. BONNER & CO'S.

A great variety of Dress Gingham and Fancy Goods now opened at E. L. BONNER & CO'S.

Grain and Flour Sacks at E. L. BONNER & CO'S.

\$18 An American Watch, Chronometer balance, in a 4-ounce Gold Silver case, Gold Joints, for \$18. Watch repairing and Engraving a specialty. W. G. BAILEY, Helena, M. T.

Removed to Wm. Coleman & Co's. 127 N. MAIN ST. BUTTE, MONTANA

H. BARNETT.

Complete stock of DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.

For Great Bargains call on H. BARNETT.

BUTTE, APRIL 1, 1879.

Signal Office.

Yesterday a petition to the chief signal officer at Washington, praying for the establishment of a signal office at Butte was numerously signed. The petition stated that Helena and Virginia City, the only two points in Montana at which signal offices are now established, are nearly on the same longitudinal line, and that each is much more remote from the main divide of the Rocky Mountains as well as much lower in altitude than Butte. Owing to these facts observations taken at Butte would be apt to be of greater scientific interest than those of Helena or Virginia City, and a signal office was accordingly prayed for. The petition might also have stated that Butte has telegraphic communication with the outer world, and that any observations made here could be immediately reported to Old Probs. at headquarters.

(From Saturday's Daily.) Will Reach Montana in 1880.

From Mr. John Caplice who returned by yesterday's Overland from a trip to New York, we learn a few interesting items of railroad information. In the first place Mr. C's testimony only confirms that so frequently given by others, viz: that the Utah Northern is a well equipped road, fully as comfortable and as popular with travellers as the Union Pacific. Not only this, but its speed is almost up to that of the latter road, averaging only one mile per hour less. Grading parties are now at work to the third station this side the terminus at Beaver Cañon and the directors declare their intention to push the road as far as possible into Montana this fall. Nothing is said about their intentions for next year, but necessarily will force the road ahead. The U. N. is to be an important feeder of the U. P. to be deprived of the lion's share of its traffic as soon as the S. P. is completed, some time next year it is thought, and therefore the northern road must be pushed into the business centre of the northern country at the earliest possible moment. The vast capital represented by the Union Pacific will not be allowed to be unemployed so long as there are fields in which commercial activity can be awakened by the pushing forwards of its tributary lines. Mr. Caplice, while East, had a conversation with one of the U. P. directors, from whom he learned that the Board of Directors, at their last meeting, had contracted for 10,000 tons of rails; and that at their next meeting to be held shortly a contract will be given for 50,000 more. Those rails are to be used in prolonging in 1880 both the eastern and western sections of the N. P. line far beyond the present termini. Mr. C. was told that the western end would reach Pen d' Oreille lake next year, and that the eastern terminus would be pushed well into Montana before the close of the road building season of 1880.

In the stock now being displayed at E. L. Bonner & Co's new store, Main street, are the choicest goods we have seen in the Territory. Everything is new and fresh, direct from manufacturers of the latest style, and offered at prices which are astonishing.

The Military Telegraph.

Dr. Gleason informs us that the government's six dollar poles were set up as far as Deer Lodge City, and that the wire was to reach that point yesterday. The Minnesota poles will extend to Flint Creek, between which place and Missoula Mr. Alfred Cave has the contract for furnishing Montana poles at \$1.35 each. The difference then between \$6 and \$1.35 represents the amount Uncle Sam has been swindled out of by some one of the many rings that are fastened like barnacles to our model reform government. At Deer Lodge the office of the military line will be at the McBurney House. The line is to be completed immediately to Fort Missoula.

The Steamer at the Terminus.

When Mr. Caplice arrived at the U. N. terminus the other day his attention was directed by Mr. B. F. White to the Butte steamer then in the warehouse awaiting transportation to this city. As already explained, the steamer is a No. 5, Crane-Neck engine of the Silsby Co.'s manufacture, and was ordered some time ago by the Butte Fire Brigade. The first of Mr. White's trains to leave the terminus for Butte will have the steamer as part of its freight, and will bring it to this place free of charge. It may be expected to arrive here by the middle of next month and it might be as well for the firemen to see if arrangements can not be made whereby, in case of need, it might be brought into service during the coming winter.

Among the New Goods received by E. L. Bonner & Co., are the following:

- 50 Suits French and English Diagonals. 30 doz. Men's Hats, \$2 to \$5 each. 100 pair Men's French Cut Hair Sewed Shoes. 150 Men's Suits Scotch and California Cassimeres. 100 Pair Blankets at \$5 per pair; worth \$7. 75 Suits Boys' Clothing of a Superior Quality. 20 Bales of Mission Underwear, Socks and California Overalls. 15 Bales Bleached and Brown Sheetings. 3 Cases Print. At their New Store Main Street.

Concerning Planning Mills.

Yesterday, a committee of the Butte City Council, accompanied by Mr. D. A. Steele, the architect, visited the planning mill of the Lavell Bros. to inspect the ground with a view to deciding upon the nature of the improvements needed to make such an establishment safe as an ordinary wooden building. Upon consultation, Mr. Steele was directed to prepare the plan of a brick, fire-proof engine house with arched brick roof, iron doors and shutters, and to have no connection with the frame structure of the planning mill except the iron shafting passing from one apartment to the other, and even this is to be so tightly cased as to make the connection air tight. In addition to the security promised by an engine house of this pattern, the smoke-stack must have a spark arrester of the most approved pattern and a conductor to carry the sparks from the arrester back into the engine room. Upon a plan of the above description the new planning mill ordinance will be based, and to be permitted to remain within the city limits, planning mills must all comply with this ordinance.

Bonner & Co's new stock, now being opened, includes everything needed for Men's, Boys', Women's and Misses' wear, with a complete stock of Carpets, Curtains and the many articles required for house furnishing. Everything is fresh and new, purchased but a few weeks since at the then extreme low prices. We advise families to give them a call. You will receive the kindest attention, and will be gladly shown through their immense stock whether or not you want to purchase.

The Burning of Deadwood.

The brief dispatch describing the fiery fate that has befallen the Black Hills' rival of Butte ended with the words: "Particulars will be given later." We waited patiently for said particulars, but towards the hour at which dispatches cease coming they have failed to arrive. The telegraph had more important business to report. General and Mrs. Grant, Ulysses junior, Mrs. Houghton and Mrs. Archer, whoever the latter may be, have been taking a pleasure trip from San Francisco towards San José. While a matter of such immense importance was to be dilated upon with the grandiloquent eloquence only to be noticed at the California end of the wire, such a trifle as the destruction of a little mountain city, or the fate of some thousands of our fellow citizens whom the conflagration has turned homeless on the bleak hillsides in the frosty nights of early autumn, such trifles are altogether too insignificant to deserve notice. However, fascinating and exciting as is the record of the Grant excursion party, we shall turn from it for the moment to find in Deadwood's calamity a warning which Butte will be insane to neglect. A fire broke out on Sherman street and destroyed the business portion of the town. What is to prevent a similar record being made in the case of Butte? Or rather what possibility of escape from the total destruction of the business portion of our town by the first fire breaking out in the built-up portions? Let us learn wisdom from the misfortunes of others, instead of waiting to learn it by bitter experience. Above all let us do something more than talk and discuss, and let us do it right away.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

News from the Asylum.

Yesterday Emmanuel Perla, an insane patient originally from Butte, was discharged from the Territorial asylum, cured. Perla will be remembered as the man who was arrested for forgery about a year ago, his offence consisting in forging the name of W. A. Hensley to an order, or note of hand, payable to himself, which paper he deposited at the Girton House in security for a board bill. He was arrested for this offence, but on examination was adjudged insane and placed in charge of the asylum officials, instead of being arraigned before the grand jury. With a year's treatment his mental malady entirely disappeared, leading to his discharge, as stated.

Sam Hall, of Helena, who was received at the asylum yesterday, is sufficiently sane to be fully conscious of his surroundings and of the nature of the institution in which he finds himself placed. Upon reaching his destination he cried like a child when he recognized his real situation, as a patient in the insane asylum, and piteously craved the liberty which he promised not to abuse. But the rules of the establishment are rigid. A very considerable degree of liberty is granted some of the patients, but only to those who are known to be worthy of that confidence, and like all the rest, Hall must undergo a season of probation to show whether or not a like privilege may be extended him.

E. L. Bonner & Co. have opened in their new store, 330 men's suits of English French and American wools. All in need of fine clothing will do well to examine their stock, as a better selection is not to be had in the Territory.

Conditions of the Match.

The following sketch of the contestants in the walking match terminating last evening, as well as the terms on which the match was conducted, will be found of interest. It is taken from the New York Tribune. The Mr. Atkinson spoken of is from the staff of the Sporting Life of London, and was stakeholder in the contest just closed. Besides the gate money to be contended for, there was the purse formed by the payment by each competitor of \$500 as an entrance fee.

Mr. Atkinson said the official list of entries contained thirteen names, as follows: Edward Payson Weston, the holder of the belt; Charles Rowell, the challenger; Geo. Hazael, of London, England; Peter J. Panchoff, of Buffalo; Frederick Krohne, Norman Taylor, New York; "Frank" Hart, Boston; Hiram Jackson, New Bedford, Mass.; John Ellis, George Guyon, Chicago; Samuel Merritt, Bridgeport, Conn.; Wm. Dutcher, U. S. Army, and L. P. Federmeyer, the wheelbarrow trainer, whose entry was received on the last day before the entries closed. Mr. Atkinson immediately on his arrival called a meeting of the pedestrians to be held at the Truf, Field and Farm office at ten o'clock this morning, when the articles of agreement will be signed and various little

preliminary matters arranged. He thought the signing of the articles would be merely a formality to those already entered into between Weston and Rowell on August 2nd. These fixed the match to take place in the Madison Square Garden, beginning at 1 p. m. Monday, Sept. 22, and ending at 11 p. m. on the following Saturday, the person covering the greatest distance in that time, by either running or walking without assistance, to be the winner. The gate receipts, (after all expenses have been paid) are to be divided as follows: If only one man completes 450 miles (or more) then the whole of the gate receipts (less expenses) is to be paid over to him; if two competitors complete 450 miles (or more) the winner to receive two-thirds of the gate receipts and the second man one-third; if three men go 450 miles or more, the first man to get one-half, the second 30 per cent, and the third 20 per cent; if four men complete 450 miles or more, the winner to receive one-half, the second 25 per cent, the third 15 per cent and the fourth 10 per cent; if five men complete 450 miles or more, the winner to receive one-half, the second 25 per cent, the third 12 per cent, fourth 8 per cent, and the fifth 5 per cent; if six men complete 450 miles or more, winner to receive one-half, second 20 per cent, third 12 per cent, fourth 8 per cent, fifth 6 per cent, and sixth 4 per cent. Should more than six men complete 450 miles or more, the winner will receive one-half, and the balance will be distributed among the other competitors in proportion to the miles completed, as may be directed by Sir John Asley, the giver of the belt.

Stage Change.

Beginning to-day Gilmer & Salisbury will run a daily line of coaches between Helena and Butte, and will keep it up probably until the opposition line drops off. Next Tuesday, when Crawford's mail contract expires, the two-horse coach will be taken off and the stock added to that of the larger coach. This will leave one coach, which will run every alternate day between Butte and Helena, going one day, returning the next. It will have six good horses for every route from one end of the road to the other.

One price and no variation is Bonner & Co's motto. They sell goods low. Do a square and fair business. Give them a call and you will be satisfied.

Valuable Quartz Property for Sale.

Gentlemen suffering from that fashionable malady, quartz on the brain, as well as those who have a plethora of cash and are seeking investment for the same, should be on hand at the Administrator's sale, to take place next Tuesday, of property belonging to the Ford estate. Among many others, perhaps as valuable but less widely known, the Saukie, Plover No. 1 and Plover No. 2, may be mentioned as claims in which undivided interests will be offered for sale. The Saukie is situated only a short distance north of the Magna Charta to which it is a parallel vein. The other two claims mentioned are directly north, and within 1000 feet of the famous Rainbow lode. All three claims are believed to be valuable. Persons seeking investment should make a point of examining them before the day of sale.

Among the New Goods Received by E. L. Bonner & Co., are the following:

- 50 pieces Sypure, Terchin, Meehin, Spanish Valenciennes and other Laces from 5c. to \$1.75 per yard. 20 Pieces Black and Colored Silks, Black Velvets \$3.50 to \$9 per yard. 75 doz fine Hosiery, 75c. to \$2.50 per pair. Lace Trims in Magnificent Styles, \$40 each. 75 pieces Table Linens; 300 doz. Towels, \$2 to \$12 per doz. Cashmeres, Brocade Silks, Embroideries, Dress Goods, Carpets, Lace Curtains, at their Palace Store, Main Street.

Club Matters.

At the meeting of the Dancing Club Thursday evening ten new members were admitted; five given of a proposed change in the by-laws by which the membership fee will be reduced from \$20 to \$15; arrangements made with the lessees for the use of Owsley Hall for the Club reunions during the winter, and a committee appointed to engage music. This committee yesterday conferred with Mr. A. J. Dusseau and engaged his string band for the season. The first of the Club parties will take place next Friday evening.

SCHOOL BOOKS

For Sale at TRISBERGER & BOARDMAN'S.

HELENA NOTES.

L. Marks has come over from Meagher county.

F. Kingsbury is over from Butte to attend the races.

Mrs. L. J. Jones returned this evening from New York City.

Chauncey Barbour, the former able editor of the Missoulian arrived at Helena to-day.

Mr. John Wilson, of Blackfoot, has brought his family to town to spend the winter.

N. Webster & Co. are preparing to open another variety store in Zeigler's stable.

Sawtell's Theatre opens Monday evening, with Boucicault's noted drama Shaughraun. The new artists, Will O'Keefe and Miss Norwood, are said to be among the best actors that have visited the country. New scenery has been procured and much advertising has been done by the manager.

A large crowd gathered this afternoon in front of the handsome Odd Fellows' Temple to witness the feats of Andress' trained birds, which consisted of one large bird of the parrot order, wheeling another across the street on a stretched rope. After this the proprietor made a short speech to the effect that he had twenty-five trained birds which he would exhibit with other things this evening.

HELENA, Sept. 20th, 1879.

Mineral Patents Issued.

(Copp's Land Owner for September.)

- MONTANA. Deer Lodge County. Hope Mining Co., Homestead Lode. Hope Mining Co., Potot Lode. Roderick D. Leggat, et al., Placer. Wm. A. Clark, et al., Frank Moulton Lode. Jefferson County. Montana Co., North Pacific Lode. Lewis and Clarke County. Wilkinson Mining Co., Doctor Point Lode. Wm. Chumason, et al., Crown of Hope Lode. Madison County. Chas. L. Dahler, et al., Ajax lode.

Minor Items.

(From Friday's Daily.)

School books for all classes taught in the Butte graded school can be found at the store of L. Marks & Son.

Officer Smith came in yesterday with the Camp Creek man who is to answer to-day to the charge of wife beating.

Mr. Heits, who broke his ankle some six weeks ago in a wagon accident below Silver Bow, is about the streets on crutches.

Arrangements have been made according to which Presbyterian services will hereafter and until further notice, be conducted in the Good Templar's hall.

Yesterday the Lexington foundry turned out the last castings needed for Leggat's mill at Vipond. The mill will be running by steam within a few days.

After several days' neglect of that branch of his business, the clerk of the weather favored us yesterday with a choice sample of sand storm. Favors of that kind, if not thankfully received, go a long way.

His Grace Archbishop Seghers left Butte yesterday morning for Bannack city via Brown's bridge. From Bannack he will proceed by way of Horse Prairie to the Salmon river country in Idaho.

Spreading orators who would like to have their mammoth thoughts rescued from the limbo of forgetfulness can find at the MINER office a phonograph capable of reporting correctly a speech delivered at the rate of 260 words per minute.

William Rice, convicted of larceny two or three days ago, goes below this morning to seek retirement for the space of three months, in the sylvan retreat on the banks of the Cottonwood. In other words, Mr. Rice is sent up for 90 days.

Improvement in its march has reached Chinatown, where new porches, out-houses and repairs of different kinds in preparation for cold weather are to be observed. A new store about centrally located in the Chinese quarter has lately been opened by an enterprising Celestial.

Black & Jolley have enlarged their blacksmith shop, corner of Main and Park, by a 16-foot addition to the west end. They have now a number-one shoeing floor; and Jack Jolley is the boy who can do a No. 1 job of shoeing, too; and don't you forget it, when you have a barefooted cayuse.

The other evening an ox fell into the shallow shaft on lower Main street and was rescued with some difficulty. One benefit at least we have derived from city government. With its organization the practice of digging holes in the streets, under the pretence of prospecting, very suddenly played out.

The other day the master wheel of a threshing machine, the largest cog-wheel ever cast in Montana, was turned from the mould at the Lexington foundry, and a first-class job made of it, too. The wheel, which weighed six hundred pounds, was for the threshing machine of Mr. John Fifer, living in the valley, below Warm Springs.

J. A. Moss & Co., at their warehouse on east Park street, have a large lot of hay put up in bundles by their new press and baler. The bales average 100 pounds in weight and are formed of successive layers so that, without the use of the hay-knife, any desired amount can be removed as easily as separate leaves could be taken from a pile of paper. Each little bale is strongly bound with three bands of stout wire. Next week the press will be taken to the lower valley, below Deer Lodge, where abundant work awaits it.

Mr. W. M. Allison will open his new meat market to-morrow, in the building lately occupied by Mr. Charles Rumley, West Park street, near Main. Mr. A., who has had a thorough training in the business, intends to keep a market that will commend itself to the best class of Butte customers—those who pay for what they get and want to get what they pay for. A fine assortment of meats of all kinds will be on display to-morrow morning.

Room No. 5 of the Butte graded school will be opened next Monday morning. The opening of this room at so early a date will entail some discomfort upon the little pupils to attend it, since only straight-backed seats can be had until the arrival of the school furniture now on the way from Chicago. It was not the intention to open room No. 5 until the furniture should have arrived, but owing to the overcrowding of the other departments this plan must be changed. Yesterday 75 pupils were enrolled in Miss Searles' room and 60 in Miss Crossman's; altogether too many for the good of teacher or scholars.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The Broadway culvert is being covered with earth from the excavation for Pettit's Main street building.

Mr. Park, a newcomer who claims to understand his business, has opened a barber shop on East Broadway, next door to Jacobs' store.

According to the Butte style, press reports float about the street as matters of common conversation before they reach the newspaper office.

Yesterday Mr. T. B. Harper had a force of men at work upon the Granite street bridge crossing Buffalo Gulch. The bridge will be hurried through to completion as fast as possible.

Judge Wilcox is building a block of three frame houses, on West Park street, directly opposite the post-office. The new buildings will be to rent as offices for business or professional men.

The Walker tile department of the public school will open next Monday week, Oct. 6th. The building will be finished next Monday, but a week's firing will be required to dry it out properly and prepare it for occupation.

Thursday's threat of storms to come did not amount to anything. Yesterday was the perfection of a mellow autumn day in Mon-

tana's golden sunshine, and at this writing every indication promises a continuation of the fine weather during Fair week.

On lower Main street, next door below, Wissel's lodging house, and on the same side Messrs. Bruchman & Ruther will next week open the Butte Bakery. The brick ovens are already completed, and only require a little time to dry out before the fires are lighted.

A sun dial at the Penitentiary is the work of Corbett, a Madison county convict. He has also prepared a table showing the variations of the dial from the correct time. On Wednesday, for instance, when the dial showed it to be noon, the table evidenced that to get the correct time it was necessary to subtract 8 min. and 26 sec.—New North-West.

Mr. James Murray's trotter, Brutus, arrived at the Fair Grounds yesterday, and there is much speculation among horsemen as to his speed, some claiming that, like the Roman Brutus, he will slay the kings of the turf at the coming races, while others think there is no unusual speed in the horse. At any rate, there is a splendid opportunity for guessing, and we have some good guessers in Helena, too.—Independent.

Intelligence of the Deadwood fire has excited the sympathies of the Butte folks from the fact that several who are probably involved in the calamity were formerly citizens of this county. W. W. Dixon, Billy Clagget, and Sidney Osborne, of Osborne & Dennee, are all located at Deadwood in business in their respective lines. The law library of Dixon & Clagget, one of the most valuable in the Territories, is perhaps a part of the \$2,000,000 loss.

The examination of the Camp Creek man, charged with assault and battery committed on his wife, resulted in his acquittal. The lady did not appear against her leige lord but the testimony of three respectable witnesses was to the effect that on the day mentioned in her complaint as the date of the assault, she had "taken after" her husband, first with a hand-axe and next with a chisel. Being deprived of those toys she playfully shied a six pound rock at his head and then set out forthwith for Butte to enter complaint. "Hell hath no fury like"—a woman on the war-path.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

Rain, hail and wind yesterday.

The Helena coaches each take out thirteen passengers this morning.

Six threshing machines are at work in the valley between this place and Deer Lodge.

When people don't die, fight, law, or even get married, what is the industrious news gatherer to do?

Allen Pierce has sold out of the sheep business, disposing of his entire flock to Messrs. Mallory & Porter.

Mr. Samuel Stuart has leased of John Stinson the west end of the Stevens claim which he is now opening up with a level running on the water line towards the western boundary.

In to-day's issue will be found the card wherein a Chinaman advertises his stray horse. John has a fairer conception than some of his white brothers of the value of advertising.

L. W. Foster & Co. have at present fifty-nine tons of flour, stored in their fire-proof warehouse, in the rear of their business stand. Not much danger of a bread riot at Butte the coming winter.

It is said that Messrs. Lavell & McDermott, have lately struck very rich ore on the Belle claim, adjoining the Sunny Side. The vein of high grade ore on the latter claim has widened to five feet since our last report.

The west shaft on the Alexandra reached water a few days ago at 40 feet deep. A hoisting whip will now be put up and levels opened east and west. The lode at water line is said to look better, even, than the owner expected.

A well-to-do ranchman, now visiting Butte, says "Dick" was as good a name as the boys had for him until the occurrence of a certain little event noted in this morning's MINER. Since that episode was reported Mr. K— is, the form of address everywhere adopted.

Referring to an item in the last issue of one of our Territorial contemporaries, a friend asks if Harry Mighel's ghost is editing the Carson Appeal? We think not. Even the most shadowy phantom of the departed Harry would have better taste than that credited the original.

Yesterday Mr. Lee W. Foster had some carpenters at work putting in a new floor and, otherwise repairing the frame building at the flagstaff, corner of Park and Main. With the improvements completed the building will be occupied on its Main street front by the Sheriff's office and by the Police Court. The room to the rear, to open on Park street, will be used as a Council Chamber.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the post office at Butte, and advertised Sept. 25th, 1879:

- Andrews, James Marsellis, Jacob
Arthur, J. R. T. Murry, T. K.
Amador, Mrs. McQuere, Thos.
Armstrong, Jos. McLaughlin, Robt. K.
Clemant, J. C. Noy, Lizzie Mrs.
Cox, S. T. O'Shea, Miss Ellen
Craig, Jas. O'Donnell, Patrick
Coburn, Fredrick O'Donnell, P. J.
Comors, James Roman, Wm.
Donnelly, C. M. 2 Renau, John
Dodge, M. Mrs. Hale, John
Dwyer, John Schell, O. G.
Evans, S. E. Suomal, C. W.
Erikson, Alex. Smith, John A.
Fox, William Shull, R.
Fuent, Geo. F. 2 Sterrett, J. S.
Flinn, John Share, Joseph D.
Flynn, Patrick Scherz Peter 2
Flanagan, Wm. Sowaas, Jack
Beckle, Heg Schaal, Frederick
Hitch, John M. Shriver, S. G.
Hammond, Wm. Scholl, Orlando
Hague, Edward Sheldon, Enos.
Huggins, Chas. Johnson, Lewis
Kramer, — Thibault, Joseph
Larkins, James Toy, James 2
Lynch, Patrick Woods, P. J.
Lawrence, Miss J. E. Windaw, Wm.
Morrison, J. F. Wright, Geo. H.
Myles, A. W. Swain, Jonathan
Murphy, Robt. Murphree, B. J.
Miller, Chas. E. Miller, Chas. E.
In calling for the above say "Advertised," and give date of list.
W. EGBERT SMITH, Postmaster.