

Local News.

(From Friday's Daily.) Business Organization.

Important movement which would add to the welfare of our city, would take steps towards securing a closer union of the business men in pushing ahead of public interest. In Helena the organization has reached such a state of perfection that any public measure of importance of such a nature as to reconsecrate itself to the people, and the right men take hold of the matter; pocket-books are if by magic, and in the twinkling of an eye, almost, the thing is accomplished. If any department is wanted, parties and are gotten up and given to the proper authorities, and the headquarters are located in the city. In such a way is the military telegraph brought into the Territory, with headquarters at Helena. The Board of Trade and Navigation Company join hands, a subscription, an engineer is engaged, a plan is given, Congress is petitioned; it is an appropriation, and the town will have the work done with but slight delay. In a similar manner are school buildings and a public library established and maintained. If it is thought best to business which naturally tends in one direction at the upper end of Main then three or four interested parties get together, form a stock company, put up a building, which gives a handsome return on investment, and business is attracted to the old stands. While our citizens talking about a steam engine the Helena department met and made arrangements for the engine off our hands. Indeed, as proposed to them, by Helena parties, which they could obtain the engine without paying for it, but although anxious to do it, they did not think the proposed quite honorable, and determined to be a chance. Now Butte is a young city, it is not to her discredit perhaps if she equal to older and more experienced in these matters. But it is just as clear as daylight to her interest to have a better organization than she already possesses. The Board of Trade of Helena issues a pamphlet and it has a Secretary who, for a small fee, carries on a correspondence with parties manifest any intention of investing in these and in other ways it attracts to Helena, and assists capitalists in investing money where it will give the best results. And to the Board of Trade as well other things, some credit is due for its growth and constantly increasing growth of it. Now it does not matter so much as Butte has a Board of Trade or other matter takes some other form, it is certain that some better organization had than there now is. Every year being largely to the growth of this city, than one prominent citizen of Helena expressed his conviction that this town is to be the largest city of Montana before many months. There are important measures being themselves every few days. To them properly attended to requires organization.

The Shooting of McAuley.

The examination of Virnosche, yesterday shooting McAuley, an important case being wanted, the case was continued today. It is claimed by Virnosche that he was compelled to shoot McAuley to prevent being shot himself. In the meantime McAuley will be lodged in the Deer Lodge.

Fire Brigade.

Firemen held an informal meeting last night, at which it was decided to make arrangements to build an engine-house. The present, after paying the first installment, the engine has \$400 or more subscribed. A Dellinger & Hyde have generously offered the use of their new building when to hold therein a ball. Mr. Loeber, chairman, will do the same. In this way a ball can be raised to build the engine-house, it is to be hoped. Then all should take with the City Fathers and bring water to the town. While building culverts much importance, yet protecting the streets is still more importance. Almost the thought of strangers who come to Butte means have you for preventing fire? a fact that we are slumbering over a fire, and the quicker we take measures the better. Let every man, woman and child do their part, and not throw the blame on the men who are willing to risk lives and give their services for nothing. Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday night at 7 p. m., when important business come up.

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The following persons were elected as trustees for the ensuing year: W. Hamilton, J. K. Bradley, and A. C. Whittier. Persons having business to transact with the order are requested to lay the same before the trustees. The order is in a prosperous condition in all respects. BUTTE CITY, Nov. 1st, 1879.

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Removed to Wm. Coleman & Co's.

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. (From Sunday's Daily.) The City Charter.

The project of raising money to test the legality of the city charter has about disappeared. It was easy to talk, but when it came to opening the pocket-book and taking out a thousand dollars to pay the expenses of the trial, it was a different thing. While the MINER has not failed to speak out its mind on certain eccentricities of city officials and of city acts, which policy it will continue when occasion requires, nevertheless it believes the charter itself to be a good thing. It is true there are abuses connected with it—so there are with all good things. Bad men get into county and territorial offices and even legislatures do foolish things at times. Moreover our system is new, our officers are inexperienced. They do not always understand the views of the public whom they represent. Hence their liability to make mistakes and sometimes, being puffed up by office, to perform arbitrary acts. But these drawbacks will be remedied in time. Our legal system was exceedingly rude, imperfect, discriminating and unjust at first. It took centuries to bring it to its present high state of perfection. So we must not expect our city system to reach perfection in a few months. Moreover we are a nation of critics, or rather of fault-finders. We are too often taught in our schools to pick out faults rather than virtues. And so it comes to pass that we overlook the good things in our city government. There is a need of a public organization. That is evident. Leave public measures to the people and sometimes they will be attended to, more frequently not. Compare this town with our neighboring city of Helena. There they have an organization which approximates to a city government. This informal government engages watchmen, it takes care of the streets, it does some of the needful work which is performed by our government. The tax is just as heavy but it falls unequally on the taxpayers. Every cent is paid by the business men on Main street. Other men may have just as much property protected as these men, but they are not obliged to pay their share for the protection. Here everyone who has any property must pay his proportionate share. There anyone can refuse to pay. Here all share alike. There the burden falls on a few. Again, there are probably more "roughs," as they are often called, in Butte than in any city in the Territory, but it is the universal testimony of visitors to this place that there is less fighting, less foul language, less thieving, less disturbance than in the older and longer settled town of Helena. Whatever other faults our city officers may have, and it doesn't always require a microscope to see them, they at least should have the credit of converting a new mining camp into a peaceable, orderly town. If the wrong men are in office, every year or two a chance is given to remove them. If unfair measures are passed there is an opportunity to protest in unmistakable tones.

Among the New Goods Received by E. L. Bonner & Co's.

70 pieces Sycamore, Terebinth, Meehin, Spanish Valenciennes and other Laces from 5c. to \$1.75 per yard. 20 Pieces Black and Colored Silks, Black Velvets \$2.50 to \$9 per yard. 75 doz fine Hosiery, 7c. to \$2.50 per pair. Lace Sets in Magnificent Styles, \$16 each. 75 pieces Table Linens; 200 doz Towels, \$2 to \$12 per doz. Cashmere, Brocade Silks, Embroideries, Dress Goods, Carpets, Lace Curtains, at their Palace Store, Main Street.

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MINING SUMMARY.

REPORT ON THE ALICE, NATIONAL MOUNTAIN, GREY ROCK, CORA, AND BELL MINES.

[By H. L. Olmstead, Mining Reporter.] Blowing into the barrel of a shot gun to see whether it is loaded is not regarded, by the average man, as being a very safe proceeding. Hitting a can of nitro-glycerine with a hammer, to find, whether it was good would be considered hardly prudent. To cross the hind foot of a government mule, to say the least of it, is hazardous. I would therefore observe to many Butte miners that working in soft ground and using no timber is neither safe nor economical.

THE ALICE MINE.

The Rainbow lode, property of Walker Bros., is worked through a vertical shaft 100 feet in depth. So much has been written of the upper levels of this mine that we will start with the 200-foot level. The ledge was cut here at a distance of about 30 feet from the shaft, north. The drift west from cross-cut is in about 600 feet; in this drift there is a stope about 150 long, and 14 feet wide, of fine working ore. A drift has also been run about 500 feet east of the cross-cut from which considerable good ore has been extracted.

300 FOOT-LEVEL.

The ledge was cut at a distance of 57 feet from the shaft. At this point it was about 60 feet wide, vein matter and ore mixed. The pay ore lies in two streaks—one on the foot wall and the other on or near the hanging wall. A drift has been run 600 feet east on the ledge. A chute of ore about 200 feet long has been opened in this drift varying in width from 6 to 15 feet. It is difficult to estimate the size of ore body, as it looks quite as well in the breast as at any other point. About 400 feet from cross-cut a new ledge came into the drift from the southwest carrying about 8 feet of good ore. This vein has been opened about 100 feet and the face of the drift prospecting it, is looking finely. The drift west on the 300-foot level has been extended 500 feet. A stope about 150 feet long of good ore has been opened in this drift; the ore body here will average 11 feet in width. Outside of this stope, the whole length of the drift is ore and ledge matter. The ore lies in streaks and varies from 2 to 10 feet in thickness.

Three winzes have also been sunk on this level. The first, or center winze, was sunk where the ledge was first cut, (57 feet north of shaft), on the hanging wall and is now down 75 feet, all the way in good ore. A raise has been started from the 400-foot level to meet this winze; it is expected that the connection will be made in two or three days. This will greatly improve the air on the 400-foot level.

The second winze is 200 feet east of cross-cut. It was sunk about the center of the ledge and is now down 50 feet in solid ore all the way. The third winze is 200 feet west of cross-cut. It is down about 60 feet, carrying ore and ledge matter. The formation at this point is very hard and sinking, consequently slow.

This level is connected with the 200-foot level by two raises. On the 400-FOOT LEVEL The ledge was cut about 100 feet north of the shaft. Here it is from 30 to 40 feet in width, and carries several streaks (one as wide as 5 feet) of very fine ore. A drift has been run on the ledge 70 feet east of cross-cut, in the face of which, there is considerable ore. The drift west, 70 feet long, also looks extremely well, in fact fully as promising as the 300 foot level at the same point.

500-FOOT LEVEL.

For some unexplained reason, the opening of this level seems to have been regarded by the mining men of this camp with peculiar interest. Why, I cannot understand. It certainly could not have arisen from doubts as to the continuity of the ore bodies below water level, as their richness and extent has been demonstrated both on the 200 and 300-foot levels.

The only reasonable solution to be arrived at is the almost universal custom of men in an unprospected camp to exclaim—“Oh, yes, the ledges are pretty good on top, but they won't go down.” From which belief they seem to derive much comfort.

The ledge on the 500-foot level was cut 125 feet north of the shaft. The cross cut is now 30 feet into the ledge, and the hanging wall has not been reached. A streak of very fine ore, 5 feet wide, and several varying in width from 1 to 3 feet, have been crossed. The level is in 35 feet east, and 25 west of cross-cut. The whole 60 feet is in good ore and some of it very rich.

The pump is on this level and has no difficulty in handling the water. It is a Knowles pump with a 32-inch cylinder, 14-inch plunger and 24-inch stroke. Capacity, 16 gallons to the stroke—40 strokes per minute.

THE NATIONAL MINE.

Is the property of Messrs. Boardman & Stevens, and is situated on the Original lode, adjoining the Gagnon on the west. The main shaft (vertical) is 180 feet deep. Water was struck at a depth of 120 feet. On the 70 foot level a cross cut was run north from the shaft and cut the ledge after running 32 feet. The ledge at this point was 6 feet wide and all ore. A drift was run about 60 feet east on the ore body, and in the face the ledge is about 4 feet wide, mostly vein matter, though carrying some ore. In the face of the west drift, (about 65 feet from cross cut) the ledge is about 6 feet wide, carrying considerable low grade ore.

Between the 70 foot and 100 foot levels, the ledge swung off to the southwest, so that by running a drift 40 feet directly west from the shaft, on the 100 foot level, the ledge was struck. Here it was from 6 to 15 feet wide of a good character of free milling ore. This drift has been extended west about 140 feet. The face shows about 7 feet of low grade ore or vein matter mixed.

On the 135 foot level the ledge is about 12 feet wide. The drift has been run 100 feet on the ledge, which at the point of striking (40 feet west of the shaft) was considerably broken up. At the 165 foot level the shaft cut the ledge. They have run 140 feet west. In the face of the drift there is about 6 feet of ore and vein matter. There are 13 men at work in the mine, preparing to resume sinking the shaft. The hoisting is done with an 18-horse power engine. There is a large amount of fine

looking ore on the dump, most of which is base.

A great deal of very fine ore has been stopped out, both between the 70 and 165 foot levels, and from the 70 foot level to the surface.

THE MOUNTAIN MINE.

Is the property of Meader & Co., and is worked through two shafts. The main working shaft is down 90; ft. 65 feet vertical (where the ledge was cut) and 25 feet incline. A drift has been run 40 feet east on the 75 foot level, carrying a streak of first class copper ore, varying from 3 to 6 feet in width. The ledge in the bottom of the main shaft is 5 feet wide, of good looking ore. At this point, however, it has not been cross cut, so it may be much wider. The old shaft (about 100 feet west of main shaft) is down 140 feet. Here they are hoisting water, preparatory to cleaning it out.

The mine is yielding about 12 tons of ore daily, which is sacked and shipped East.

There are about 20 men at work. A new ore house is being built and quite a number of other improvements are going on.

THE GREY ROCK

Is owned by Dennis Leary, and worked through a vertical shaft 80 feet deep. The 50 foot level is in 100 feet west of shaft. A cross cut has been run about 40 feet north of the shaft, but it has not yet reached the ledge. Four hundred feet east of the main shaft another shaft has been sunk 50 feet. It has not cut the ledge yet. A new whim house is in course of construction.

THE CORA MINE

Is owned by Roubush & Young. Has a vertical shaft down 63 feet, where the ledge was cut. Here it is 11 feet wide, mostly very good looking ore. Thirty feet from the shaft the ledge is 4 feet wide, which width it holds for about 100 feet. In this drift about 106 feet east of the shaft a cross cut was run north which cut another body of ore 7 feet wide. The drift west from the shaft has been run 50 feet, carrying a ledge of copper ore, about 3 feet wide, its whole length.

They have just finished a new whim house and intend to resume sinking on Monday.

THE COLUSA MINE

Is the property of Meader & Co. The main shaft is down 100 feet (vertical). On the 63 foot level run north 40 feet and cut about 8 feet of ore. Have drifted east from this point 150 feet and opened several small shutes of good ore. One hundred and twenty-five feet from the cross cut the ledge widened to about 13 feet, mostly fine ore. In the face the whole width of the drift is in good looking ore.

The west drift, 63 foot level, is in 120 feet. The face is all in ore, mostly second class. From the old shaft, situated about 100 feet west of the main shaft, and now down 75 feet, a great deal of very rich ore has been extracted, and there is a fine looking lot of ore now on the dump. The hoisting is done with a 15 horse power engine, and a No. 4 Knowles pump handles the water.

THE BUTTE MINE

Is owned by McDermott & Lovell, and is worked through 3 shafts. The first is 60 feet deep, in the ledge all the way. The streak of pay ore is from two to four feet wide. A drift has been run from the bottom, to shaft No. 2. The ledge in this drift is from 3 to 6 feet wide all good ore. About 200 feet east of the latter shaft, another has been sunk about 40 feet (vertical). This shaft cuts a body of copper ore about 5 feet wide. The bottom is now in tact. They are expecting to strike the lead of free milling ore daily.

THE BELCHER TUNNEL COMPANY

Is the property of Messrs. Stevens & Boardman, and is being run to cut the Rainbow lode. It is situated about 2,500 feet east of the Alice mine. Two hundred feet from the mouth of the tunnel it has cut through a heavy body of ledge matter about 19 feet wide, and carries a streak of ore 2 feet in thickness. Assays from this streak are very high—from 200 to 300 ounces in silver, and \$50 per ton in gold. This is supposed to be a blind lead, as it is not expected to strike the Rainbow short of 400 feet. The face is now thought to be about 80 feet from the surface.

THE SUNNY SIDE MINE

Is the property of Messrs. Rowand & Baxter. They have a shaft down 32 feet which carries a streak of ore from 1 to 3 feet wide. A drift has been run 60 feet west from the bottom of the shaft, the face of which shows 4 feet of ore.

It will be noticed that, accounts of many of the principal mines of the camp have been omitted in this report. In explanation, I would state that it would be simply impossible to give the workings of all the mines at once. They cover too much ground and a full report of their workings would require more space than could be given to it. Next week, however, I will endeavor to get reports from all the mines possible and will also give the progress made in the levels and drifts of those published to-day.

In conclusion, I will thank the gentlemen from whom the information published in this article was derived, more especially Mr. Clark, of the Alice, Mr. and Ovidigan, of the National mines.

I cannot close without remarking upon the convenience of the appliances at and around the Alice works. They show Mr. Daly to be an experienced and thorough miner.

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.

Clerical Wit.

Dean Ramsay, in his "Reminiscences of Scottish Life and Character," says: "At one time when the crops were much laid by continuous rains, and wind was earnestly desired in order to restore them to a fit condition for the sickle, 'a minister,' he says, 'in his Sabbath services expressed their wants in prayer as follows: 'O, Lord, we pray Thee to send us wind, not a rannin', tantin', toarin' wind, but a nookin', sougin', winnin' wind.' In like manner I have heard of a prayer preferred by a somewhat simple New Englander, who was overheard offering his petition behind a stump of bushes in the field: 'O, Lord, I want a new coat—good cloth, none of your coarse, flimsy kind of stuff, but a good piece of thick, warm, comfortable broadcloth—such as Bill Hale wears.'"

As he was ascending the pulpit steps one of the elders buttonholled him to whisper an additional caution: "The liquor dealer has just come into the church, and he gives us a lift sometimes. I wish you would be particular not to allude to the whiskey business or the temperance question." The young minister, getting frightened to see the moral ground thus narrowing before him, inquired, "Whom or what shall I preach against, then?" The elder's reply came like an air of triumph:—"Preach against the Mormons; they haven't got a friend in town."

Ernest (aged six): "But, mother, dear, is it really true that the world was made in six days?" "Mamma: 'Yes, Ernie, and if God had pleased He could have made it in two days.'" Ernest, after a moment's consideration: "Oh, mother, that would never have done, you know; why, we should have had Sunday every other day."

Minor Items.

(From Friday's Daily.)

The man who stopped the horse at the funeral was fined \$20 and costs.

John Noyes is employing men to bring water into his house. He will have several rods of pipe to lay from the main pipe.

A man named Sawers was shot last Friday night at Fort Benton, by a soldier of the 18th Infantry. Sawers died Tuesday.

Sheriff Jeffries left Wednesday in company with Mr. Hoyt for Helena, having been telegraphed to return on account of the Denn murder case.

A letter from the terminus, received yesterday, says there is an immense amount of freight lying there and freighters are getting high rates in consequence.

A special dispatch from Deer Lodge, received last evening, conveys the intelligence that William Carey was killed by a fall from a horse near Nevada creek, on the 28th inst.

The express office was removed yesterday to the new building near the stables. The new office has been painted and papered, and our genial agent, Mr. Mosher, is much pleased with the change.

Franklin, the commercial traveller, who was injured by the upsetting of a coach near Glendale, settled with Gilmer & Salisbury for \$220, his injuries having proved to be not so great as was at first expected.

The Helena Herald Company received a new engine the other day which will make things hum in their establishment. New rooms have been added to the rear of the building, giving better accommodations for their business.

Mr. Halvorson's horse was frightened at something the other day, while he was fastening it to a post. The horse broke loose and ran away, running over woodpiles and rocks till the carriage was pretty badly smashed. It was fortunate that no one was in the carriage at the time.

Mining operations have again commenced in Unionville. Geo. Kennedy is said to have procured the finest machinery ever brought into the Territory. The National Mining Company, Clarke, Conrad & Curtin and B. H. Tatem, are all making preparations to start work again in that region.

At the Coroner's inquest, Wednesday, at Helena, a witness testified that Stearn had gone past Denn's store at 5:20 a. m. in the morning, although Stearn had sworn that he went by there at 7 a. m. Another witness, who had been clerk for Denn, testified that the latter would never admit customers after he had retired, unless he knew them.

The MINER has received from Mr. Meader a map of the "Mining Region of the Rocky Mountains North of Salt Lake." The map includes Montana and Idaho and portions of Wyoming, Utah and Nevada. It was compiled from authentic surveys by Edward Wilkes, civil engineer of Salt Lake City. It is said to be unusually correct and will be invaluable to miners and those interested in mines.

His anxious friends in Butte will rejoice to learn that Thompson has gone East to raise funds with which to build an elegant hotel in Butte next year. So at least he announced to a fellow traveller on his way to the terminus. He added that he expected his creditors in Butte would kick about his departure. But little does he know their perfect trust in his integrity, or he would not thus misjudge them.

The Nellie Boyd troupe will not come to Butte next month, as was expected. Miss Boyd will go to Chicago and make a complete reorganization of the company and will engage some new stars. Mr. Hart, who is now in town, expects to stop in Butte or Deer Lodge. The remainder of the troupe will winter in Ogden or Salt Lake, and next spring the company will start out again. They feel fully satisfied with the financial success of their trip through Montana.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Wm. Rice, who had 60 days in the county jail at Deer Lodge, escaped Thursday.

They have A. Sweet lady clerk in the Bozeman postoffice. No wonder the mails gather there.

The Herald and Independent reporters have been excluded from the inquest over the Denn case.

G. W. Stapleton Esq., arrived Thursday night from Bannack. Court adjourned there on Tuesday last.

This shooting business is getting too promiscuous. Don't try it again, boys. Somebody might get hung. It costs the counties too much.

Geo. F. Marsh informs us that the Firemen Fund Insurance company has paid up all its losses by the Deadwood fire. Such promptness is commendable.

Tickets to the social ball to be given next Wednesday evening by the young lady pupils of the Butte public school, can be procured at Geo. T. Hale's, Henry Jacobs' and Blum's Bazaar.

The work of having the foundation of B. Pettit's building on Main street, has commenced, and is being pushed along as rapidly as possible.

John Stinson Esq., expects to take a trip to San Francisco, starting to-day or to-morrow. As he has hardly been outside of Butte for 14 years, he thinks he is entitled to the journey.

The building opposite the Postoffice, erected by J. B. Wilcox, is now nearly completed. Mr. Hirsch, the jeweller, has already moved into one part, and the other rooms will be taken possession of as soon as they are ready for occupancy.

J. A. Goodhue, the agent of W. & T. Smiths, nurserymen at Geneva, N. Y., gave us a call yesterday. The firm supply all kinds of fruit and ornamental trees, grape vine shrubs, plants, small fruits and climbing plants. The ladies

we feel sure take much interest in these matters, and will be glad to select from the many varieties offered.

(From Sunday's Daily.)

The St. Nicholas Hotel was opened to the public again last evening, under the proprietorship of Mr. J. H. McFarland.

There will be a variety of amusements in Butte this week—two theatres, two balls, and the usual fun at the police court.

D. K. Butler has contracted to carry the mail between Butte and Walkerville. The mail service commenced November 1st.

Laborers in the employ of the city were removing the dirt from Main street, yesterday. It will improve the condition of that street.

The Episcopal social for this week will be held at the residence of Mr. Preston Scott, on Thursday evening. Everybody is invited—old boys and young girls.

To illustrate the value of advertising. A gentleman came into this office Thursday to advertise a valuable horse which he had lost. The advertisement had been printed only a few hours when another man called to announce he had found the horse.

The approach of winter makes lively times for the dealers in stoves. One firm sold over a dozen in one day. A Good No. 7, cook stove all furnished is sold in Butte for about \$25 to \$30, which is about as cheap as they can be bought anywhere in the territory.

A man some what intoxicated was trying yesterday to remove the heap of bricks on Main street, with his head. The bricks were too much for the head and set the blood streaming over his face. The incident carries with it a more powerful temperance sermon than can be heard from the pulpit.

General M. Veale, U. S. District Attorney for Montana in 1866-7, and Adjutant General under Meagher during the Indian troubles of the latter year, arrived in Butte from Philadelphia yesterday. The General has some business interests here and