

THE SEMI-WEEKLY MINER

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MINER AGENTS.

The following named parties are authorized agents for the DAILY and WEEKLY MINER, and will receive subscriptions, advertising and job printing:

Let us see how it looks: Hon. Wm. Owsley, Mayor of Butte.

We forbear commenting upon the reported crookedness in the first ward until we are in possession of all the facts of the case.

If the election could have been postponed three or four days and the Inter Mountain had issued a few more morning editions after the style of its Monday morning's issue, Mr. Owsley would have received at least five hundred majority and the votes for the Democratic candidates for Alderman would have been doubled.

A substitute to the bill to organize the Territory of Alaska was recently introduced in the United States Senate by Mr. Butler.

It is stated that an informal agreement has been reached by which the three phases of the proposition for the enforcement of lapsed railroad grants in charge respectively of the Judiciary, Pacific Railroad and Public Lands Committee, will be submitted to the House without recommendation.

It has been claimed that combinations have been formed between the Republicans and disaffected Democrats throughout the Southern States that would wrest that section from the Democracy.

Secretary of the Interior Teller said to a correspondent recently he should proceed cautiously in the management of Indian affairs, and not attempt any abrupt changes of policy.

The recollection of W. A. C. Ryan is brought forward in a Washington special to the Inter Ocean, April 25th, stating that his mother, Mrs. Eliza Dunne, had secured a favorable report in the Senate on a bill to pay to her pro rata of the indemnity fund paid by the government of Spain on account of the murder of the officers and crew of the Virginus at Santiago de Cuba, Nov. 4, 1873.

A Chicago dispatch of the 27th brings the following intelligence which borders on the ghastly ludicrous: A horrible affair is reported from Georgia. A gang of one hundred State convicts, chained together, were being transported on platform cars en route for wood cutting.

A Washington dispatch of the 24th says, The Mahone element in Virginia has been further recognized by the President by the nominations sent to the Senate to-day. John S. Wise, who is nominated to be United States District Attorney for the eastern district of Virginia, is a son of "Old Governor Wise," and ran for Congress two years ago.

It would seem the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court compelling New Orleans to pay four millions of bonds that were sealed by the Louisiana constitution destroys the very foundation upon which the Mahone party in Virginia rests.

VICTORY.

The contest yesterday was a square fight between the united Democracy of Butte and their opponents. It was the first election here in which the Democrats have shown their real strength.

The course of the Republican party in Congress upon the Chinese and the silver question had much to do in determining the result yesterday. Scores of men who have heretofore acted with the Republican party declared their determination to sever forever their connection with that organization and hereafter to support the grand old Democratic party—the friend of the silver miner and the laboring white man.

So far as the MINER is concerned it congratulates itself that it comes out of the campaign with clean hands. It has indulged in no "mud-throwing," nor has it uttered a single word of disparagement of any candidate upon the opposing ticket.

LABOR UNIONS AND STRIKES.

The rise of industrial organizations within the past few years has directed attention to and discussion of the whole question of labor combination. In this country their origin, with few exceptions, antedates our late civil war.

Of late years there has been a greater degree of liberality shown by court decisions in applying the corporate principles of law. The old rigid and heartless renderings are not insisted upon. It is now more generally admitted that workmen have a right to combine together and employ legitimate means to accomplish their ends.

It formulates the opposition to unionism on the following grounds: "First, that higher compensation is demanded than would be fixed by the free operation of the law of supply and demand as applied to individuals; second, that unionism aims to, and in fact does, deprive proprietorship of its full prerogatives."

Through combinations they are in a position to make their demands respected. It is a favorable sign of the times that reputable journals and public men are coming around to the position that labor unions are a legitimate means in the protection of labor, and that the former denunciation of these organizations as mobs and disturbers of the public peace have been relegated to the past.

THE FACTS OF THE CASE.

We do not care to fight the battles of our municipal election over again, but we cannot do the Democracy of Butte the injustice to let pass unchallenged the falsehoods of the Inter Mountain of last evening. While upon one side of that sheet a disposition is shown to accept the situation and the defeat of its party with a marked degree of grace, the other is filled with vicious kicks and false statements.

It is also asserted that it was with difficulty Democrats could get at the polls and that when they did get there many of them were challenged when it was well known that they were lawful entitled to vote. In view of these facts the charges of the Inter Mountain are much like the cries of the pursued thief to "stop thief."

A STATEMENT

From the Silver Bow Deputy Postmaster.

Editor Miner:

Sir: That the postmaster at Deer Lodge, the people of that place and at intermediate points may have some means of determining the proper person to whom to attach blame for any irregularities in the dispatch at this place of their mails, I desire the publication of the following statement:

The regular times of the arrivals of trains are: from the south at 9:50 a. m. and from the north at 4:50 a. m. As will readily be perceived, if the P. M. at this place had the mail to change he would have to be up quite late at night and early in the morning; but instead of this the law makes a provision that "when the postoffice is within eighty rods of the railway the mail shall by the railway company be delivered at the postoffice."

Our night operator has always, since the establishment of this office, acted in the capacity of messenger, so far as this exchange goes, and has kept the mail in the depot until a reasonable time for arising in the morning.

On or about the 21st inst the night operator was exchanged, and a new one occupying the place had not become fully acquainted with what was required, and the consequence was a failure to change mails.

The above in answer to Mr. Wright's report of a failure to meet the messenger at the train. The night of the 23d inst. the messenger took the pouch for the north to the train, as usual, rapped upon the door of the postal car, shook it, and tried but could not arouse the route agent, and being a new man and unacquainted with what was required, or what was legal, went to the baggage car, handed the pouch to the baggage master, he agreeing that it should be carried into the postal car or delivered at Butte. Where the route agent was or in what condition, is something beyond our ken, but this we know, he could not by ordinary means be made to show himself or open the car. Nor

is this an isolated instance; the station agent, in the absence of the night operator has twice or three times failed in the same manner to arouse the route agent on the train and brought the pouch back into the depot to await the arrival of another train.

Scarcely a mail arrives from the south without the postmaster finding several packages that should have been delivered at points on the railway south, and very frequently, mail matter for Butte and Walkerville is dropped off here by route agents, I suppose, as no one else has had the handling of it.

"People who live in glass houses should not throw stones." Even the immaculate and infallible Wright brought to Silver Bow a package of blanks, weighing at least 2 1/2 lbs., directed to the postmaster at Melrose, and in addition to this, four letters and papers for Walkerville, and several for points south of Melrose. We are all liable to make mistakes in the distribution of mails, and it would be nothing wonderful if, when such mistakes as the above are made on the train, some mail for Deer Lodge valley, for Butte or other places, were carried by their destination or points of distribution.

The mail in the way pouches is put up in packages, to a great extent, on the train, as the law directs, and they not done or examined at all at Silver Bow, when they have plainly directed letters faced upon the outside, and it may be barely possible that, occasionally, a letter is tied up in a wrong package. As I said before, it would be nothing wonderful, and I know that I and others have repeatedly received letters and papers from Deer Lodge and Cable way that were post-marked at various points south, that never went through the post-office at Silver Bow at all, but were probably carried to some distributing point down Deer Lodge valley in through or straight pouches, or sacks. We court an investigation by a special agent, and, in the event of one, feel confident we should be exonerated of blame, and that measures would be taken to properly support this office and remunerate the postmaster for his services. Please announce the address of Mr. Sharpe. Respectfully,

DEPT. P. M. OF SILVER BOW,

Produce Market Report.

BUTTE, M. T., May 2, 1882.

The following are the wholesale prices paid by merchants and hotel keepers for the commodities enumerated, delivered from the wagon. Price list carefully corrected every Saturday:

- Flour, Ruby Valley, XXXX, \$3.75 per cwt.
Mill Creek, XXXX, \$3.75 per cwt.
Mill Creek, New Process, \$4.25.
Gallatin, \$3.75 per cwt.
Union Mills, New Process, Cream of the Valley, \$6.00.
Union Mills XXXX Snowflake, \$4.00.
Utah Common, \$3.75.
Utah Choice, \$4.00.
Graham, \$4.00.
Wheat per lb., 2 1/2 cts., fair demand.
Oats, \$2.75 @ 2.80.
Butter, per lb., 40 cts.
Eggs, per dozen, 25 @ 30 cts.
Corn Meal, 5c.
Beef, on foot, 8 cts.
Beets, 3 1/2 cts. per lb.
Hay per ton, \$23 @ 25.
Cheese, 22 cts.
Barley, \$2.50 @ 2.75 per cwt.
Dried beans, Montana, 7 cts.
Mutton, 10 cts.
Pork, dressed, 15 cts. per lb.
Veal, 10 cts. per lb.
Chickens, \$9 @ \$12 per dozen.
Wood, \$7 @ \$8. In demand.
Rutabagas, 2 cts. per lb.
Potatoes, \$1.75 @ 2.00 @ cwt.
Sauage, 15 cts. per lb.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

From the range south of Rucker City, M. T., on or about the 1st day of January, 1882, one light bay mare, nine years old, weight about 1,200, branded on left side with half circle (C) and dot in center; halter-marked across the nose, also pigeon-toed. She had when last seen a sore smacking cut w th white star in forehead. A reward of \$100 will be paid for evidence that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who took the above described animal from the range, or I will pay \$50 for the return of the same to my place. CHARLES CARVER, Rucker City.

ANNUAL

Wrestling Match.

An annual Wrestling Match—Cornish style—will be held

Near Moss' Feed Store, Park St., May 24th, 25th and 26th.

First prize, \$100; second prize, \$50; third prize, \$20, and fourth prize, \$10. On third day, collar and elbow match for all comers, for \$100.

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