

The Semi-Weekly Miner

Local News.

From the Daily of Thursday. For choice beef, veal or mutton, go to the Eureka Market, West Broadway.

Helena people are hollowing through fifteen new telephone instruments.

The new Catholic church is nearly under cover. It is being covered with a first class tin roof.

Ogden's streets are traversed by Herlic coaches, which are the next thing to street cars.

On every business street in Butte new and grand buildings may be seen in course of erection.

The City Council have adopted a most effective method of disinfecting the New Brunswick Hotel dog.

The condition of Dr. Bishop was considerably improved yesterday and he is now entertained of his ultimate recovery.

Every hotel, lodging and boarding house is crowded with guests, and every incoming train brings a full load of passengers.

Young Tuttle, who was charged with grand larceny at Bozeman, was honorably acquitted upon his preliminary examination.

The J. D. Thomas building on West Park street is rapidly nearing completion. It is the largest and finest assembly room in the Territory.

Of the six small-pox patients now at the pest house, four are convalescent and walking about the grounds. The other two are doing well and will recover.

Ogden has five base ball clubs, and has organized a local league with an executive committee to transact all business and arrange a schedule of games for the season.

Longmaid's concentrator, after a thorough verhauling, is doing some good work on low grade Bell ore. Sixty tons a day are run through, which is considered a fine result.

The Police Court was occupied yesterday in the trial of two cases, one of wife beating and the other petit larceny. Both defendants demanded a jury trial and were acquitted.

Attention is called to C. M. Palmer's card in this morning's MINER. His great slaughtering sale of diamonds, watches, jewelry, etc., commences tomorrow and continues three days.

Pullman sleepers are now run from Omaha to San Francisco, one hundred making the round run. Herebefore passengers were transferred at Ogden and new tickets purchased over the Central route.

Robinson's circus and menagerie are so extensive that it would cost several thousand dollars to bring it across the range and it will not exhibit in Helena. It will return to Ogden and proceed thence to the Pacific coast.

Jerry Sullivan exhibits quite a bullion outfit in his show window. There are seven-ton bars of silver, the proceeds of many an old watch case and silver spoon melted into ingots, which were probably acquired by credulous tourists at a million specimens from the silver mines of Butte.

To-day is the last day for depositing mineral specimens for exhibition at the Denver Exposition. Miners who have neglected to attend to the matter should bestir themselves to get specimens ready to ship to the old Elit building on West Broadway. Specimens may vary in weight from five to 100 pounds, and will be transported free of charge to Denver.

The smelters on the flat are all busy and making big runs.

Silver bars were quoted on the New York market yesterday at \$1.10.

The printers of Helena have organized a union with twenty-one members.

The Montana definition of "a Sabbath day's journey" is the distance to the nearest good fishing ground.

Our reporter was misinformed regarding the silver ingots displayed in Jerry Sullivan's show window. They are not silver, but are made of tin.

Since the fast time schedule went into effect on the Union Pacific our Eastern exchanges arrive one day earlier than before.

Only a little over two hundred feet of heading remains to be completed to let daylight through the main range at Mullian tunnel.

The red flag has been hoisted on West Broadway but its color has no more sanguinary significance than the slaughter of prize beef and mutton for the Palace Market.

The telescope reveals extraordinary disturbances on the face of the sun, and this is believed to be the cause of the unusual atmospheric phenomena which have recently prevailed upon our mundane sphere.

The great Transcontinental Aggregation of Allied Shows came to Helena yesterday. The manager is making a gallant effort to keep out of the Gallatin pool house by running a combined sidewalk and gambling game.

Misoullans complain of the slow movement of the Portland merchants. Wait until the Butte branch is completed and our heavy wholesale dealers will furnish the Misoulla merchants a market which will compete with the entire coast.

The Miners' Union has moved into its new quarters in the old Odd Fellows' hall, the front of which is decorated with a handsome sign bearing the name of the union and an emblematic mining scene painted in colors.

We are in receipt of the initial number of the National Park Pioneer, a seven column folio, published weekly, at Livingston, by W. D. Knight. The new candidate for public lands is a splendidly illustrated and gives promise of great usefulness in the journalistic world.

A harvest of thanks await the owners of several many and vicious looking dogs that maintain a constant reign of terror among the children on West Broadway, if they will either keep the brutes securely tied or oblige their inanimate carcasses to the vision of some abandoned mining shaft.

Every dead wall, fence and bill board in the city is ornamented with the highly colored and ornamental posters of the great Robinson's ten shows. Small boys and some of the larger growth give them the usual attention and speculate upon the wonders to be seen when the show arrives.

J. C. Brenner, of Philadelphia, Pa., has purchased the Horse Prairie ranch, property owned by Phil. Shennon, as also his cattle and horse ranch, the total sale amounting to \$70,000. The cattle sold for \$30 and the horses \$40 per head. Mr. Shennon resumes active mining operations in the Bannack-Marysville district.

THE PENITENTIARY ESCAPE.

Insure Fastenings Afford Six Prisoners a Chance for Liberty.

Dick Pettis Proves Himself an Expert Jail Breaker.

No Clue to Their Whereabouts.

A gentleman who arrived from Deer Lodge yesterday informs us that the rumor circulated here as to the manner in which six prisoners escaped from the penitentiary Tuesday night is incorrect. It was not, but the prisoners, all being Scotch-Irish, were confined in an old building on the south side of the main building. The iron door of the building was secured by an iron bar, kept in place by bolts, the nuts of which were on the inside of the door.

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SKILLFUL CRACKSMEN.

A Scientific Job of Safe Blowing to Break Into an Empty Safe.

One of the most expert jobs of safe breaking ever done in Butte was executed on a Diebold safe in Lavell Bros. lumber office some time during Wednesday night. The office is a small building on West Park street, which is easily entered, by the front door or by the windows; no precautions being taken against burglary, as it never contains anything of special value. During Wednesday night the safe contained \$233 in bills and gold, but as is the custom, the money was removed before closing at night.

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Red Fish Lake, above Sawtooth City, on the summit of the Sawtooth range of mountains, in the Wood River region, Idaho, has dropped through the bottom. The lake had an area of several miles and was many fathoms in depth. It was on the summit of one of the peaks of the range, some 11,000 feet above the elevation of the sea, and surrounded by heavy timber, which rendered it a delightful place of resort in the summer for camping fishing and boating parties. The lake has been there since the white man has known the country, says the Hailey Times, but lately—the day is not known—the bottom fell out. The country formation is granite and limestone, and an immense fissure has been opened, whether caused by a separation or settling of the earth's surface, or from volcanic action is not known. At present the appearance of a deep gorge or valley on the summit of the mountains. This lake has always contained millions of fish, and been a favorite resort for deer, bear and other game. Where the fish went is as much of a mystery as where the water went.

Miss Sallie E. Hosmer is entertaining the Bozemanites.

Bar silver was quoted on the New York market yesterday at 1.10.

Robinson's circus has billed Helena for the Deer Lodge performance.

Six bars of Silver Bow tulsion were shipped yesterday valued at \$11,960.

Weather prophets predict that July 20th will be the warmest of the summer.

Choice beef, milk veal, corn-fed pork and spring lamb, at the Eureka Market today.

The cars crossed the first bridge above Missoula, known as the second crossing, on Monday.

The misamatic pool, which formed under the skating pavilion was promptly drained by the authorities.

The Methodist Sunday School Committee has engaged Poplar Grove for their picnic next Thursday.

The Episcopal congregation will indulge in a picnic at Poplar Grove next Tuesday. A large party and enjoyable time is expected.

The north side of West Granite street has been much improved by the raising of buildings to the grade and construction of sidewalks.

An elevator run by horse power does the work of several hand carriers in hoisting brick and mortar at E. L. Bonner & Co.'s new building.

Hotel men say business is booming here. Merchants, that trade is good, carpenters, that there is more work than men to do it, and every branch of trade is flourishing.

Now both the suburban fisherman return from the mountain stream with a small string of speckled beauties, and tell about the hundred or more that he gave away.

Capt. Sam. Reynolds, who is suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia at his residence, not at the hospital as stated in the evening paper—was much better yesterday.

Water has been running through the Basin flume since Monday. The timbers had become very dry, but the joints are swelling finely and in a few days the flume will be water tight.

The abolishment of the stamp duty on checks is a source of gratulation to editors and newspaper men generally. Some of the opulent craft now carry blank check books in their pockets.

The amalgamation of the Central Pacific and Denver & Rio Grande systems seems to be confirmed by preparations now in progress for laying a third rail on the track of the latter road between Ogden and Salt Lake.

The holders of lucky numbers at Palmer's sale have been J. Rosenthal, who drew a sixteen-stone diamond ring, Frank Marsh, a handsome fob chain and locket, and Wm. Lorenz, an elegant pair of enamelled bracelets.

A telegram was received last night stating that Wm. Morgan, one of the escaped penitentiary convicts had been captured near Helena, where he had hidden there before his imprisonment.

Sands & Boyce are hanging in conspicuous places about the city a very handsome lithographic advertising card. The card bears a strongly drawn female bust, upon a gold panel, and the business card of the firm, with the branch firms, Sands Bros., Helena; J. Sands, 64 Worth street, New York; Sands & Boyce, Butte, and is handsomely framed in carved oak.

Callender's minstrels will furnish the music at the opening of the Denver Exposition. The Madison Square Theatre has two companies of the same name on the road. That at Denver is party number two, while that which will visit Butte next week is party number one. The two parties will consolidate at San Francisco for a four weeks' season, commencing Aug. 4. The last time they played together was one year ago.

An Indian Lynching.

A Nevada exchange has information of the lynching by his tribe, in Butte valley, of a buck who killed his squaw, a young Indian woman, who was a favorite with whites and reds alike. As soon as the news got out the tribe held a consultation, ropes were procured, and the murderer was dragged about till his persecutors tired of the amusement. He was then hitched to a horse, and the cruel work of persecution and death was completed. When they got through pulling the dead and mangled body over the rough hills it was torn in a most fearful manner and post recognition. Minnie, the squaw whom the buck killed, was raised by Mrs. Gledney in Butte valley, and was quite intelligent and very polite for one of her race.

New School Buildings.

The crowded condition of the public school buildings, both in the city and at Walkerville, last winter, rendered the necessity for more ample accommodations very palpable. The question of erecting at least two new school buildings was considered at a meeting of the school trustees held Thursday evening and it was decided to submit to a vote of the people a special tax proposition to raise \$5,000 for the purpose. A special election to vote on the proposition will be held on Friday, August 2d. Should the tax levy be ratified by the people it is probable that school buildings will be erected at Walkerville and on East Park street, in both of which districts a room was rented for school purposes during the past term.

A new smelter is being shipped into Clarke's Park district to treat the ore of the Republic mine.

A Lost Lake.

Accidents and Incidents as Narrated by Our Exchanges.

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A postoffice has been established at Grape Range, Mesager county.

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Louis Riel, whose term of banishment from Manitoba has expired, is now at Winnipeg. The object of his visit is to secure evidence with which to defend himself in his forthcoming trial for election frauds in Montana.

The Barker District mining camp is enjoying a fair share of prosperity. Fifty men are employed in the Silver Belle mine; the Glendenien company are building extensive kilns, and are purchasing additional claims.

There has been a great discovery of rich leads in one corner of Montana district. The owners of Nelhart a very enthusiastic over the new camp, and say they are willing to stake their all upon it.

C. B. Fowler and F. Caldwell, while camped on Big Spring creek one night last week, had all their horses stolen. The picket ropes were tied to the horses' tails, while the owners were asleep within a few feet of them.

The River Press wants to go on record with the prophecy that the new town of Great Falls, the lots of which will soon be placed on the market, will experience a greater boom than have ever any of the railroad towns of the Territory.

There was a heavy fall of rain in the Prickly Pear valley, Monday afternoon. The rain belt was only about a mile wide and it only rained for about fifteen or twenty minutes, but when it got through the water stood about six inches deep.

Henry Forbes, alias Martin, was arrested near Livingston last week. He is believed to be the murderer of John D. Von Eschscholtz, a white telegrapher in the Missouri, last fall. The murderer was a cold-blooded one, the murderer deliberately shooting his victim and openly defying arrest.

John D. Von Eschscholtz, one of the most prominent officials of the Northern Pacific railway that two branches of that road—one from Helena, and the other from some point west of Helena—will be united at Judith—will be built to Fort Benton, and before very long—River Press.

Unrewarded Genius.

And now it is alleged that the author of the Bonnie Blue Flag, Harry McCarthy, is running a variety theatre at Missoula, Mo. The theatre is rough on a piece of marble music that is considered to be superior to the French Marseillaise. We were back in old Virginia in 1890 and heard a band play it in the city of Richmond and saw people so affected that they rose in their seats, swung their hats and gave the American huzzah, in saluting the band to an encore. And the author is running a dive at Missoula. 'Twas ever thus with genius. —Glendive Times, 7th.

Attempt at Murder and Robbery.

Edward Wenk was arrested last Friday morning at Glendive by Deputy Sheriff E. E. Cunningham. About 20 minutes prior to his arrest Wenk attempted to rob a railroad trucker. The trucker, who was passing through the Northern Park, was fired two shots at him, but beat him over the head with a revolver. The first shot struck the trucker in the left shoulder, the second missed him. The trucker, daylight, shortly after 6 o'clock in the morning. The thief captured the man's pocketbook, but only found some small change in it.—Ogden Pilot, 10th.

Produce Market Report.

BUTTE, M. T., July 14, 1883. The following are the wholesale prices paid by merchants and hotel keepers for the commodities enumerated, delivered from the wagons Price list carefully corrected every Saturday.

Flour, Ruby Valley, XXXX, \$4.00 per cwt.

Mill Creek, XXXX, \$3.50 per cwt.

Kansas XXXX \$4.50.

Bakers, \$3.50.

Mill Creek, New Process, \$4.00.

Gallatin, \$3.40 per cwt.

Union Mills, New Process, Cream of the Valley, \$4.00.

Ruby Valley, (new process) \$4.00.

Union Mills XXXX Snow flake, \$3.50.

Utah Common, \$3.25.

Utah Choice, \$3.50.

Graham, \$4.00.

Wheat per lb., 24 cts.

Oats, \$2.50.

Butter, per lb., 32¢@35 cts.

Eggs, per case, \$8.00.

Corn Meal, 5c.

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