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Local News

From the Daily of Friday. Happy New Year. The county recorders office will be closed today.

Extra copies of this morning's MINER on hand. Mrs. W. W. Spencer and Mrs. Dexter Hunt will receive new year's calls today.

The civil case of Allen vs. Brown occupied the time of Judge Wilcox yesterday afternoon. See notice of meeting of Independent Order of Red Men, published in another column.

Boys of B. F. B. No. 1, Co. 3, will find their call at the new city hall, under the auspices of the Opera House.

On the second page will be found a brief history of the principal mines of Butte and Silver Bow County.

We understand the trouble between the owners of the Rising Star and the Silver Safe mines will be amicably adjusted near Stuart and Garrison are running at full capacity for the Butte markets.

The owners of the Amy Silver-smith mine have purchased hoisting machinery for their mine and will place it in position immediately.

A large number of the little folks last evening, were having a good time sliding down hill on sleds that accommodated a dozen or more at each trip.

The management of the Liederkranz Society desire us to say that guests to the ball this evening must be introduced by one of the members of the Society.

We acknowledge the receipt of several copies of a very tasteful calendar for the New Year, from the McBurney house, Deer Lodge, and return mine best thanks for his attention.

Mr. John Carkeek and Mr. Samuel Snell will try conclusions at wrestling at Milwaukee Beer hall this evening, for a purse of \$200 and gate money.

The Independent of December 30th, states that it is reported that Charley Schatt, formerly of Benton, is writing a history of the Indian service of Montana. It will probably contain some of the agents to have the work suppressed.

Messrs. Warfield & Gwin have secured the passenger and mail transfer to the city for the MINER. Mr. Gwin, having withdrawn from the firm of Gwin, Morehouse & Alberson, will devote his personal attention to the business.

The present moderate weather is a pleasant change from the past inclement days and the MINER will still abide with us. These make outdoor exercises disagreeable and are more suggestive of Pittsburgh than the breezy west.

The opening of the New Year is a good time to square up old accounts. Subscribers in arrears for the MINER have been informed of the amount of their indebtedness, by postal sent from this office, and they are requested to settle with the least practicable delay, that they be at peace with mankind and enjoy serenity of conscience.

To-day Sheppard and Marston throw open the doors of their New Store to the Butte public. They have a full line of clothing manufactured from the cloth of the celebrated Brownsville woolen mills. In addition they will also handle the choice brands of Oregon flour and a complete line of groceries. See their advertisement in another column.

The amphitheater was again well patronized last evening, the large floor being comfortably filled. The management announced free admission to the family circle in the afternoon. On Saturday evening there will be a spirited race, which further notice will be duly given.

Tuesday evening as the man, who repairs the electric lights, was replacing a carbon in the lamp, at the Amphitheater, one of the skaters ran over the ladder, knocking it from under him, he came down on the floor in a pretty emphatic manner but fortunately was not seriously hurt. He was able yesterday to attend to his usual duties.

The Walls Walls Statesman says that the last snowstorm of Washington and Oregon is the worst one that any one can remember, and far exceeds that of '61-2. All parts of the northern coast are being like weather. A sudden flood is feared in Sacramento valley, and Portland will probably experience the same. The water is down between Walls Walls and Portland, and no mail has been through between the above named places for two weeks, but a large force of men are at work clearing against the ledge, so that a passage is no doubt made by this time.

Personal

Thos. Halliday, of Dillon, was in the city yesterday. F. G. Hatheway, of Missoula is visiting in the city.

C. W. Ridgeway, agent of the Northern Pacific at Garrison was in the city yesterday. J. F. Saville and family of the Upper Deer Lodge valley, are stopping in the city for a few days.

B. F. Mahan, the popular druggist at Caplice Hall last evening. Geo. Chas. Atkins, General Agent of the Northern Pacific at Butte, who has been spending the holidays in the city, returned yesterday morning.

Montana at New Orleans.

Speaking of Montana's exhibit at the World's Exposition, the New Orleans Times-Democrat of the 24th inst. says: Commissioner John S. Harris, of Helena, Montana, who has worked so ardently for the Montana exhibit, leaves for his home to-day, and will return in about three weeks.

The display made is a most creditable one and will be noticed by all who visit the government building at the principal mine in the Territory is fully represented, and one forms rather a fair idea of its vast resources when one discovers that even eight of the principal mines in Butte City, alone, pay out an aggregate monthly payroll of \$620,000.

Every piece of ore displayed represents a paying mine. Commissioner Harris informs the reporter that the product of the Territory for this year, at a conservative estimate, is \$35,000,000; that includes rich copper, silver and gold mines now being actively worked. It is estimated that the mines within a radius of three miles of Butte produced, during the year 1884, more than \$1,000,000 worth of Nevada or California; more than twice as much as Utah; more than Idaho and New Mexico combined, and almost as much as Colorado.

Not a part of the world, says Commissioner Harris, is mining prosecuted on a more extensive scale, or under such favorable conditions as Montana could not have chosen a more competent or a more faithful worker to represent the various industries of the Territory. Commissioner Harris has worked well and will see that the attention of the material resources and advantages of this Empire to the North-west. Prof. W. H. Boardman will have charge of the display during the Commissioner's brief absence.

JEFFERSON VALLEY.

Amusements—Young Ladies and Bach-elor—Jovenscup & Brown—Personal Mention, Etc.

Christmas trees, dancing and spelling school are being served up in good shape in the valley, and since the recent heavy snow fall sleigh-riding is added to our amusement. Every youngster and half-breed who is fortunate enough to have a pair of bobs, is making it lively for their cayuses and their best girl.

There has been quite a number of charming young daisies imported into the valley, and they are generally making arrangements to transport them over the matrimonial seas.

Mr. James Winlow, one of the old-time Montanians, has been doing considerable work this season in the way of raising corns and shebs, which are very good for the stock to stock during the winter season, besides being a great saving in labor and feed.

Mr. Frank Foster, who began to learn to do the work of the mill, got the art to perfection, and dodged up in Mill Creek.

Some of the boys here will soon know how it is themselves to get into the "big world" of the mill, know of who has not yet passed his boyhood days, has received a terrific blow from the little god. When he receives his first lesson in the gymnasium with several of the boys who have fared likewise.

A New Enterprise. Referring to our advertisement in the Daily Miner, we would like to state to the citizens of Butte, that in opening up our auction department we shall adhere strictly to the rules that guide a general merchant, and we will never have an article put up if it will be knocked down to the highest bidder, no matter if it only brings one cent for the article. No second-hand goods will be sold under any consideration. No furniture nor any article that does not strictly belong to a general merchant's line.

To-day all throughout Oregon and Washington the dark and lowering cloud of hard times hangs like a pall over the land. Old houses that have stood for generations, totter and are known no more. Every report of the Mercantile Mirror brings tidings of fresh failures. Each fallure is a new blow to the people upon an already overburdened market. These goods must be sold. They cannot be disposed of there. A market must be found. We think that the only way to save the market. We shall give it a trial. A large invoice of general merchandise just received. Due notice of sale will be given in the Miner.

SHEPARD & MARSTON.

A Cheeky Bam. One of our Main street barber shops was the scene of a rather amusing incident lately, in which a "bum" got badly led.

A stranger entered, and with the cheery comes upon him drinking Bozeman fire water, requested the barman to let him take a bath free, at the same time stating that he was a hunter from Dillon. The proprietor granted his request; and after he had been in the bathroom a short time he called for Brig the porter, who, by the way, had a sunny English language is somewhat limited. When Brig reached him he handed him his socks, which he had washed, and asked him to take them to the stable for him. Brig took them and threw them into the stove, thinking he had been told to burn them, and then went upon an errand to Walkerville. Pretty soon the barber came in, and commenced calling for the porter; but no response, so he came out in search of his socks. Not finding them he was content to put on his No. 11 brogans without socks, and walked out into the street with the mercury at 25 below zero, vowing he would never patronize another establishment that employed a foreign porter.

The Wrestling Match.

The wrestling match at the Milwaukee Beer Hall on Thursday evening between John Carkeek and Samuel Snell, for a purse of \$200.00 and gate money, was won by the former, Carkeek throwing Snell three times out of the ring. John Carkeek stated that Mr. Snell is the best man he has met thus far. He will have a match with McMillan on the 11th inst.

The Little Son of David Micklethorpe.

The little son of David Micklethorpe was yesterday jacketed with plaster paria by Dr. G. L. Hogen. The child is suffering with spinal curvature.

Liederkranz Ball.

The ball which was given at Caplice Hall on Thursday evening, by the Liederkranz society, was largely attended. The music was furnished by Furt's Orchestra, who added new laurels to their reputation. The dancing was continued until a late hour when they dispersed voting it a very enjoyable affair.

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THE COPPER MARKET.

Some General Talk about Reduced Values. Acablegram from London, yesterday, received by W. A. Clark reports copper at 247-1/2, the lowest point it has ever reached in that market. If this quotation is based on a long ton (2,240 lbs) the price of this metal in the London market is 101 cents per pound. This is a disastrous to copper producers, and the entire interest is seriously affected thereby. Mr. Clark is also advised by a leading copper authority in New Jersey that it is not considered unlikely that the Copper Queen of Arizona will soon close down. This is done as a conservative measure, as the price of copper in producing the staple, even if absolute loss is avoided, and thus the deposits are being impoverished to no good purpose.

The extreme depression in the copper market is due to two principal causes; the general setting of values, and the largely increased production of copper in this country. The new source of mineral supply that is largely productive, always produces a panic in the market, because it disturbs the existing conditions, and generated estimates are pretty certain to mislead the judgment.

It is generally believed that the miners in this district will stand down for a time, which action will tend to relieve the copper market at a dull time. But the purpose of the smelter companies is not so much to enhance the price of copper, as to bring beyond their control—as to reduce the cost of producing the same. With copper selling at 91 cents in New York, and it is not known of copper properties fully that much to produce the metal and lay it out there, it is clearly evident that some saving must be effected in the various mineral processes, or in the cost of transportation, in order to continue the business.

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Seven bars of silver bullion were forwarded by express last evening. On the second page will be found an account of the Peaches' Convention in Helena, yesterday.

The Shakespeare club will meet this evening, at their rooms over E. L. Bonner & Co's store. We understand there is talk of starting a Male Quartette in the city. Such an organization is needed.

It is now the time that the bill collector is roaming the streets searching for some party who is "not in."

Albert E. Veszie, of the Union Pacific office, in Helena, was married last evening to Miss Ida A. Barkwell.

The incoming Union Pacific mail train, due yesterday morning at 11:15 did not reach Butte till 5 o'clock last evening.

In the case of Wm. Gallagher vs. J. E. Ledford, before Justice Nichols yesterday afternoon judgment was rendered for defendant.

The funeral of Nettie Kern, of Walkerville took place yesterday afternoon and was attended by a large concourse of sympathizing friends. Edward Bribbin has resigned his position on the police force and Marshall Hauswirth has appointed Frank McDonald to fill the vacancy.

The skating rinks were well patronized yesterday afternoon and last evening. The supply of skates at both places was hardly equal to the demand.

A man was taken with delirium tremens at a saloon on Broadway, yesterday afternoon, and was taken to the county hospital by the city physician.

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A RETROSPECTIVE.

Passing years like passing ages Ever bring us something new And again for history's pages We the years review review, Past and present we review.

What of hope and joy and sorrow What of love and loss and pain What of hope and joy and sorrow What of love and loss and pain

Has been shadowed for our nation During the departed year, First, depths of old world's troubles, Let the fact our hopes elate, In our new and grander nation, We are greatest of our grand.

Young in years and not in feeling, Fresh from nature, fresh from God, We have gained a brighter future From beneath His chastening rod.

All that war and desolation Showed upon us in the past, Has procured a new salvation Patriots never though time shall last, Patriots never in our nation's history, Still we feel the old world's millions With a fall and lavish hand.

All the visions seen by prophets In the old and mighty east, Find a more than full fruition In our new and grander nation, Gleams the harvest, weeps the vintage, Roam the flocks that shed the fleece, That were claimed for old Arcadia, Past remains of His chastening rod.

How the pestilential death Hovered o'er the nation's mouth With delirious frenzied fury And fall fever's deadly draughts From the north land God's avenging Wrath, Who drew Ahrimann's dart and angel Hoveled in the tainted air.

To more pleasing retrospection Of events we now incline: And Montana claims some mention—Last year's crop, the Mary Con, From where Helena's avowed city sits amid oaks green, And Butte City still strived stands the peerless mountain queen.

Here, where since the stars were stinging At the dawn of time, we have seen, And no storm disturbed the stillness Save the sun's bright and arctic moon.

Now the iron motor gleaming In the center of the hall, Now the steam king trampling screaming Says make way, my path prepare.

Points sing of fair Italy— Land of beauty, mirth and wine— Progress gives us richer dower Than the old world can combine, And to God our voices raise, Never people on His footstool Had such cause to sing His praise.

DEED.

LAWRENCE—On the Little Pipestone, Wednesday, January 7, 1885, Mary Con, daughter of Henry R. and Ida M. Lawrence, aged 3 years, 1 month and 20 days.

Wanted. A bright, active boy, to deliver the Daily Miner on the Westerville route. Apply to A. V. Carr, residence 100 yards North of Cameron & Allen's Foundry. 1-3-85

Clark's Fork.

From Mr. Harry Gassett we learn that considerable interest is being taken in the coal mining district, by the eastern capitalists, whose attention has been called there by some of the owners of a few leading mines. Mr. Gassett, who is interested in this comparatively unknown district, will leave for the main camp in the course of the coming week, a venturesome trip at this season of the year, as a portion of the trip must necessarily be accomplished on foot shoes. Letters from his foreman state that a shaft is now down on one of his mines, about 50 feet in a body of good coal, and that the first assays from 50 oz. to 150 oz. in silver and 60 per cent. in lead. The mines so far discovered, prospect very high, the major portion of the yield being ore which averages from 40 oz. to 250 oz. A railroad has been talked of, the ground surveyed and preparations made for its completion the coming season.

The mines are situated but 20 miles from the Yellowstone river and are easily reached and worked. A shaft 300 feet in length is now being run to tap the main ledge of one of the principal mines at a depth of 250 feet from the surface.

New Year's Ball.

The Liederkranz Society give another of their enjoyable balls this evening, in honor of the New Year. Special pains have been taken to secure the enjoyment of all who attend, and the music will be a special feature. The activities will be held in Caplice hall, and a general invitation is extended.

AMALGAM.

As Squeezed From Our Territorial Exchanges. A postoffice has been established at Shoshone Falls. Snow fell to the depth of three feet in Idaho City last week.

Miss Fannie C. Grothjan has been elected to the position of assistant engraving clerk of the Idaho assembly.

Rechnagel, the perpetrator of that confidence game in Ogden, is placed under \$800 bonds, to await the action of the grand jury.

The only Idaho newspaper man rich enough to attend the New Orleans exposition.

Choteau stockmen are reported well pleased with the condition of their herds. The winter has been a little snow on the ranges at present.

A band of cattle recently broke through the ice while crossing the Yellowstone above Miles City, resulting in the loss of some forty head.

A small boy named Alfred Muir, tried to burn Billings last Friday night. The fire was discovered before it had gained much headway and was extinguished.

Al Harrison arrived in Bozeman a few days ago with two Piegian horse thieves whom he had captured on Deer Creek. They had been raiding upon the Crow pony herds.

Such of Montana horse thieves as have been caught by the new territorial agents are prospecting in Idaho. Fifty horses were stolen recently from Morgan's ranch, Bear River.

Kootnai, on the line of the Northern Pacific, near Pen d'Oreille, is the latest Montana town. Col. Hudson is the proprietor, and of course he expects to build up a flourishing city there.

Fire broke out in the basement of the Episcopal church, Helena, early Christmas eve, and the Christmas trees, loaded with presents, were spoiled by smoke and water, but the building was saved.

An attorney at Pendleton, Oregon, Fred Page Tustan, was engaged by three horse thieves to defend them. In the examination he ascertained that they had stolen four of his horses. He will be a witness against his own citizens.

Cur's get a Medal.

BOSTON, Jan. 2.—A gold medal will be presented to Geo. William Curtis, by the citizens of Boston as an acknowledgment of his eulogy on Wendell Phillips, to be delivered April 1st.

Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—There has been a fierce excitement in wheat trading this afternoon, May option advancing to 86 but afterward declined to 85. During the afternoon session the failure of J. P. Orlenshow was announced, the failure is supposed to be a small one.

NIGHT DISPATCHES!

Another Terrific Explosion in London. General Grant's Health Said to be Broken. General Gordon is Again Ahead.

Cleveland's Inaugural. WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The Inauguration committee desire that organizations intending to visit Washington the 4th of March should inform the committee of the number of persons included in the organization, their intended stopping place, and other particulars, so that positions in the line of procession may be reserved for them and other necessary arrangements made. The Albany Jackson corps, numbering 70 men, and its band of 25 musicians, are expected to arrive from Cleveland on Friday.

Work is progressing rapidly on the pension building, and the grand hall room will undoubtedly be completed in season. The roof of the building, which will be roofed over to form the main room, is 315 feet in length by 140 feet in width. The main hall will be a work of art for decoration of the most striking and elaborate description, which the committee guard against being done. It is estimated that 15,000 guests can be accommodated, but the number of tickets will be limited to 12,000.

Quite a lively contest is in progress between the musical organizations of the country, for the honor of furnishing the music for the ball. Dodsworth's band of New York, the German orchestra of Philadelphia, and the band of this city, are the most prominent competitors. The committee have practically decided to have the three bands, one to be stationed in the center of the hall for dance music, and the others for promenade music.

Death of General Hancock's Son. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 2.—Gen. Hancock, accompanied by Lieut. Barber and Mr. Nicholas Gwynne, father of Mrs. Russell Hancock, had already returned to St. Louis, when the body was taken to the Church of the Messiah (Unitarian), where the ceremonies were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Elliot. Hancock was a member of the university, after which the funeral proceeded to Belle Fontaine cemetery, where the remains were placed in the vault. General Hancock's death was shown very plainly the suffering he had undergone since the news of his son's death reached him. Mrs. Hancock was too sick to make the journey from New York.

Banquet at Dublin. DUBLIN, Jan. 2.—The usual banquet of the inauguration of the Lord Mayor, was held this evening. The toast of the Queen was received with applause mingled with great hissing. The toast to the health of Earl Spencer, Lord Lieutenant, was omitted. The Irish members of parliament for Dublin city, were unable to respond to the toast "The Irish members," on account of the storm of groans and hisses which they were receiving from the other members of parliament, afterward responded and were warmly applauded.

A Horrible Outrage. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 2.—A special dispatch to the Times, from Wilmington, Delaware, states that on New Year's eve, two burglars entered the house of Madam Rooney, of Wilmington, for the purpose of stealing \$4,000 which they had hidden in a safe. Not being able to find the money and thinking it was hid in the house the burglars badly beat and subjected the lady to a number of injuries before being given \$3 they departed.

Fighting to the Bitter End. ROCKWOOD, Tenn., Jan. 1.—W. F. Derossett and Nathan Fass engaged in a street duel yesterday. They had a difficulty the day previous and each swore vengeance against the other. They met on the street and began firing with shot guns. Derossett received a load in the face and Fass was shot in the head and neck. Both men are mortally wounded.

The Egyptian Question. LONDON, Jan. 2.—The Russian government has proposed a plan for the settlement of the Egyptian question which will probably be acceptable to France, namely that the new loan be guaranteed by all the powers at a small reduction of interest. The Japanese government is going to despatch a number of experts to foreign countries to purchase large quantities of cattle.

The Eastern Front. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 2.—During last night the Susquehanna rose rapidly. This morning the water was 21 feet above low-water mark; the ice laid again against the banks, and volumes of water are pouring through the low land on the southwest side of the river. Railroad and other communication between West and Kingston is entirely cut off, and travel at any point on the Delaware and Western is impossible, except by boat. Farmers living near the west bank of the river are removing their cattle to higher ground. The snow has fallen to a great depth, and the absence of any wind to carry it away makes it next to impossible for the cattle to get any food. The cattle are far worse than natives. Many fine herds will be completely annihilated if this cold snap is repeated.

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Notice. I hereby forbid any and all persons from building any kind of building on the Betsy Dahl ourens mining lot at Meadville. H. C. DALL, BUTTE, Sept. 5th 1884. 9 dd ft