CITY BREVITIES.

The city is quite clean.

Fruit is more reasonable in price.

Disinfect cesspools and back yards.

Building operations are quite brisk.

Painters and carpenters are on the jump now.

The children are beginning to think of school.

Curtis & Majors have braced up and adorned their office with new and elaborate desks

The Central Pacific Railroad Company claims a falling off of nearly $2,000,000 in its earnings for the last year.

Peters & Shannon, who recently purchased the Jerry McCarthy saloon on Main street will re-open the same to-morrow.

Belva Lockwood is not afraid of ex-Senator Sharon. She is stopping at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco. A brave old girl is Belva.

The Pacific Express Company yesterday shipped for the Moulton fourteen bars of silver weighing 1,292 pounds and valued at $20,672.

The town of Taylor, White Pine county, Nevada, has no lock-up, and when a man is arrested there he is taken to his lodgings and put to bed.

Men are still busily engaged in completing the works for the new gas company on lower Main street. The gasometer is up and is being painted.

A collector of the census announces that Mary continues to be the favorite name for girls. Anna comes second, Elizabeth third and Laura fourth.

Tom Gregory of Woodville, who has been engaged in the blacksmith business at that place, is going to Missoula to try the same thing. He moves in a few days.

A Salt Lake paper publishes the marriage notice of Mr. James Fast and Mrs. Sarah Luce. Although a Luce widow, we trust she will in name only prove a Fast wife.

A proposition will be introduced at the next meeting of the Council to compel the water company to pay a license. They already pay $600 per year to the county.

The officers of the water company have been busy for a few days notifying water takers that they must not use water for lawn sprinkling purposes under penalty of having the supply cut off.

Rev. Father Dols on Wednesday married Issac Archambault and Miss Kitty Connelly both of Meaderville. Numerous friends wish the newly-wedded pair a happy and prosperous voyage on the journey of life.

The members of the Orton Silver Cornet and the Amphitheater bands joined together on Wednesday, and played some very appropriate music at the funeral of James McNally. In the evening the double band marched up and down Main street discoursing some of the finest music ever heard in Butte.

The silver ore being taken from the deepest workings of the Hale and Norcross mine in Nevada assays $200 a ton. The Virginia City papers say that the extent of the body is not yet known, but that it grows wider and richer ac it goes down. The Hale and Norcross is only 3,000 feet deep.

Bill Nye invites the Prince of Wales' son, who has just come of age, to be his guest when he visits this country. "I tender you," he writes, "the freedom of my double-barreled shotgun during the prairie chicken holocaust. I know where the angle worm grows rankest, and the wild hen hatches her young."

PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

L. Leischenring, of the Arion; William Elder and Pete Robbins, of the Arion lunch bar, and S. M. McKee, day operator Western Union Telegraph Company, formed a quartet who yesterday started by team for the Sweet Grass country. They will spend a month on the Reservation, and expect to have a good time. THE MINER hopes that all their expectations may be realized.

The Hon W. A. Clark, who has been spending a fortnight at the Warm Springs, is expected home to-day. He has fully recovered his health by his sojourn at the Springs.

Mr. Frank Leahy, the expert press receiver at the Butte Telegraph office, has temporarily taken Mr. McKee's place on the day shift. Mr. Leahy is one of the best operators in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph Company and he furnishes the press beautiful "copy," for which the "typos" are duly grateful.

Aug. Freisse, a well known Denver restarateur, has arrived in Butte and will engage in business here.

Congressman W. S. Holman, of Indiana, Joseph G. Cannon, of Illinois, and Thomas Ryan of Kansas, accompanied by two clerks, are in the National Park as a committee of the House of Representatives to investigate the administration of affairs in that region, and also to examine into the merits of the project to materially change the boundaries of the park. A military outfit from Fort Ellis is escorting them. Their trip will occupy about two weeks.

George Bliss, who attained fame as counsel for the defendants in the Star Route trials, and State Senator Walter Howe, of New York, with his family, are spending a season in the National Park.

Senator and Mrs. Beck, of Kentucky, will shortly pay their annual visit to their son, George D. Beck, of Powder river, Wyoming. They will be accompanied by a party of ladies and gentlemen.

Walter Oakes, son of Vice-President T. F Oakes of the Northern Pacific, with a party of friends, thirteen in all, are in the Park. They came from St. Paul in the special car "Glacier."

Rev. Dr. Ditzler, the eminent Methodist divine, is now at Willow creek. He will visit Butte inside of the next ten days.

The Los Angeles *Daily Times* of July 28th contains the announcement of the sudden death of Willie A., the five year-old-son of Mrs. Ida M. Berry, formerly of Meadow creek. It is supposed that his death was caused from internal hemorrhage or heart disease. Since her removal to California Mrs. Berry has been sadly unfortunate, having lost her husband only about six months ago, and now she is bereaved of an only son. Her many friends in Madison county sincerely sympathise with her in her affliction.

W. B. Reid, an Australian stockman, is looking at the range in Montana.

General George B. McClellan, wife, daughter and son, and Miss Huerbecker, of New Jersey, are now visiting Manitou Springs, in Colorado.

Miss Clara Louise Kellogg was the guest of the Miles City Club and put her characteristic signature upon the club register.

Green Majors, of the firm of Curtis & Majors, is in Helena attending the session of the court. He will remain for several days.

Lot Brown, agent of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, is registered at the Mt. Vernon.

Rev. I. C. Iliff, of Salt Lake City, is at the Centennial. Mr. Iliff is an old timer and is renewing many acquaintances and meeting many friends.

The Helena *Herald* says: "To the good people of Butte we cordially commend our young friends, Wilbur E. Sanders and George B. Lee, whose training in the schools and universities now lead them to face the practicalities of the profession of their choice. These young men are among the brightest of the graduates of the School of Mines of the University of New York, and with longing eyes they turn at this time toward the greatest mineral district of the world, with which to connect their labors and live. Give them welcome."

Says the Helena *Independent*: Miss Mary Clark, daughter of Hon. W. A. Clark, of Butte, arrived on last evening's train to pay her first visit to the capital for nine years. She is the guest of Miss Birdie Cannon.

Judge W. J. Galbraith, of the Second Judicial District, is visiting Helena.

Hon. Samuel Word is a guest at the Cosmopolitan, at Helena.

Mary J. Holmes, the novelist, is at Helena, on an extended visit throughout the west. The thousands of persons in Montana who have been edified and instructed by reading Mrs. Holmes' always interesting works will be delighted to make the lady's personal acquaintance.

John H. Mackey, of San Francisco, is registered at the Mt. Vernon.

Colonel P. R. Dolman left with his family yesterday morning on his trip to the Yellowstone. He would have delayed a day longer, but for the fact that he had agreed to meet parties ahead of him, at a given time.

Wm. Richards, an old-time citizen of Eureka, Nevada, arrived in Butte yesterday. Mr. Richards was for many years employed as timberman in the celebrated Richmond mine.

W. E. Gibbs, the celebrated Colorado wrestler, arrived in Butte a few days ago.

Wm. Tyack, a cornet player of no mean order, arrived in this city, yesterday, from the Wood River country.

W. H. Pearn arrived in Butte yesterday from Park City, Utah.

John McCormick and J. H. B. Foster started yesterday for a trip of five weeks, which they will spend in hunting and fishing.

W. L. Hodge of Hodge, Daly & Co., is up from Anaconda.

Joseph Schubert leaves to day for Los Angeles.

N. J. Beilenberg the well-known cattle man is in the city.

Robert Grix and Sam Clark who have been spending some time at the Boulder Springs have returned looking A. 1.

T. W. Rittenhouse, bookkeeper for Sands & Boyce, who has been taking a brief holiday is again at his post.

To-morrow, Dan Gamer, accompanied by his wife will start for a two or three weeks trip through the National Park. At Helena they will meet Mrs. Fink and daughter, and at Livingston two Chicago friends, all of whom will accompany them on the journey.

Mrs. Mary Bush returned recently from a month's visit to Chicago, Buffalo and New York. During her absence she spent several days with her daughter, who is attending boarding school at Buffalo.

R. G. Humber of Deer Lodge is stopping at the St. Nicholas.

D. Kirkwood and S. C. Beebe of Anaconda are registered at the Centennial.

M. Sullivan, one of Philipsburg's mining men, arrived in Butte yesterday.

P. A. Morrison of Jefferson Valley is registered at the Revere.

A. J. Gunwell came up from Salt Lake City yesterday and is taking in the sights of this great city.

D. M. Turney of Eagle Rock is in the city on a business visit.

H. F. Brown of Helena is in the city.

R. Flinn of Helena is paying this city a visit.

J. M. Gorman of Portland, Oregon, is registered at the Mt. Vernon.

W. P. Forbis made a flying trip to Anaconda yesterday.

Mrs. L. P. Thibault, the well-known dressmaker starts for a three or four weeks' trip to the Yellowstone to-day.

Dr. W. H. Dudley will accompany the Liederkranz to the Yellowstone and take his medicine chest along in case of accident.

Mrs. Marcus Daly, Miss O'Farrell and Miss Evans are at the Warm Springs for a short sojourn.

G. Hunt Butler, well known in Butte as an expert book-keeper, has accepted a position of book-keeper in the office of the Moulton Mining Company.

Among the recent arrivals is Joe Long, of Anaconda, who will in future occupy the position of book-keeper for Messrs. Casey & Brophy.

Albert Pike and W. M. Ireland, shining lights in the Masonic Order, are in the city and guests at the Mt. Vernon.

Martin McHale, who was a member of General Middleton's scouting party in the Riel Rebellion in the Northwest a few weeks ago, arrived in this city yesterday from British Columbia.

OUR LEDGES

Something That Can be Proved by Our Miners.

If there is one man in this world more than another, who needs the sympathy of his fellow-man, it is the editorial crank. He shows his crankiness in various ways. He suffers most from sensitiveness and egotism. His mind moves along in a groove, and should it by accident be forced out of the groove, it wanders aimlessly along until he sometimes loses it. The young gentleman who writes the editorials for the *Inter Mountain* may not be a crank, but some of his utterances are very cranky. His mind yesterday meandered in the whenceforth of the whitherward, and in attempting to prove that the silver ledges of this camp do not "grow wider and richer as they go down," delivered himself of some rare scraps of wisdom. Here is a sample of the sort of "argument" the editorial crank of the *Inter Mountain* uses when he has his sleeves rolled up and is earnestly striving to mould public opinion and educate the masses:

"THE MINER has not for more than two years had a reporter who could tell a mine from a haystack, or a piece of ore from a piece of soap."

The above is a favorite expression of the young ex-rancher of our evening contemporary, and as he takes a pride frequently in applying it to his own reporter, THE MINER will not quarrel with him on that score. But is it not a queer way of meeting an argument? THE MINER on Tuesday stated that the ledge in the Anaconda mine grows wider and richer as it goes down. The *Inter Mountain* said it did not. In our issue of yesterday we proved that it did, and in return the evening paper r sorts to all kinds of cranky abuse of eyery one connected with THE MINER.

We still assert that the ledges of this camp do "grow richer and wider as they go down." We also claim that the formation of the Ontario mine in Utah is in a granite formation, and the ledges of Cornwall, England, which contain tin, copper and silver, and which are all in a granite formation and which grow "wider and richer as they go down, are reasonable proof that the ledges of this camp, which are in a granite formation, and contain copper and silver, should "grow wider and richer as they go down," the young and accomplished manipulator of the shears and paste-pot of the *Inter Mountain* to the contrary notwithstanding. The ledges of Butte have hardly been prospected as yet. It is impossible to tell anything about the width or value of a silver ledge that has only been followed downward from 400 to 700 feet. When the mines of Butte have been sunk 2,000 or 3,000 feet deep, and a few "breaks" have occurred that will probably "throw the ledges" in other directions, and when found again, are proven to be richer than they were at the upper levels; when this city contains 40,000 inhabitants, which the *Inter Mountain* thinks will be the case in a year or two from now, then the young gentleman running the evening paper will think of his foolish controversy with the "pilgrim" from Cornwall.

The young and accomplished gentleman who writes the mining reports for the *Inter Mountain* may know something of the "contact ledges" of the Ontario mine, but we will bet a copy of THE MINER against a week's salary of the editor of the evening journal that he knows more about the red carrots of Utah than he does about the silver ledges of Montana.

Confine yourself to the questions, of the depth and value of our ledges, young man, and do not go into personal abuse.

Fishing and Hunting

Day by day the Nimrods and Waltons of Butte are departing for the mountains in quest of game. This morning Judge Wilcox, Lou P. Smith and Louis Dangen start for a trip to Wise river. They are fully provided with provisions and tackle for a siege upon the finny tribe, and have promised to deplete the river before they return.

Another party, composed of A. J. Davis, jr., Tom Harper and Chris Houser, start for the National Park. They will be gone several weeks, and are prepared, not only to catch fish, but to kill all manner of game from a blackbird to a mountain bear.

Still another party, which will start for the Big Blackfoot in a few days, will consist of T. Mell Lowry and family, William Woodward and family, and Louis Thibault. They will have a genuine family picnic.

TRUCK AND GRANITE FORMATIONS.

What a Utah Ranchman Knows of Butte's Rich Mines.

There came near being a vacancy in the editorial staff of the *Inter Mountain* last night. This is how it occurred: The young man who moulds public opinion through that fearless(?) Republican journal was walking down West Park tsreet, where he encountered a Mormon team that carried a mixed supply of vegetables.

"You raised these in my old beloved Utah, you say," said the young editor, as he bit off the lower end of a perfumed onion.

"Yes sir, that is where they came from."

"Many down there?"

"Plenty of them."

"Taste like home," said the great moulder of public opinion, as he chawed up another.

"I'll sell you six bunches for a quarter," said the Mormon boy, with swelling eyes.

"Only want a few. Say, do you know any news?"

"Not a bit, sir, everything is quiet down our way."

A SCIENTIFIC QUESTION.

"Do you know whether the 'Ontario' ledge is in a granite formation or not?"

"No, sir."

"Don't you know anything?"

"Well, I believe I did hear some news the day before I left."

"What was it?" said the editor, eating another onion.

"There was a man got licked near where I live."

"Who was he?"

"A man who does the dirty work for the 'bearing' and political rings of our town."

"Who licked him?"

"Tom Sofa, the man who 'Coches' for the *Tribune*."

"What did he lick him for?"

"Well, you see, Tom is a native of Vermont, but has lived in Utah twelve years, and this young ringster said that the Vermonters were all bad Republicans, and that the Democrats could get them for $5 each. He also said that the Ontaria ledge was in a granite formation."

"What part of Utah is Sofa from?"

"Redruth."

DEMANDING A RAISE.

The young editor then went to the directors of his company, demanded to have a $2,000 insurance policy and have his salary increased to $20 a week, or else he would quit.

The company told him to quit "bearing" for a little while, ridicule the Cornish brouge, and say that Butte was a great camp.

At last accounts all was quiet in the *Inter Mountain* office, and to an anxious subscriber last night the young ex-rancher said that the ledges of Butte were similar to those of any other silver mining camp, and that they were "richer and richer as they go down."

THE LABOR MARKET.

A Few Words of Advice to the Idle Miners.

There are in Butte hundreds of miners who have been brought here by the hurry and rush incident to the filling up of every new camp, and have been lured here by such extravagant articles as the one that appeared in the August number of the *West Shore*, which was written by the young contradictory enthusiast of the *Inter Monntain*. They have found since arriving here that although this is a great and glorious mining camp, yet, the labor market is over stocked at present. The 2,000 or 3,000 places for miners in the several mines of this camp are filled by competent men, and it is very hard for strange miners to get work here on day's pay, anh harder for them to locate promising mining properties for themselves.

The different ledges in this camp, and for miles around, have been located by men who see in the districts in and around Butte, the grandest mining country in the world. But before leaving Butte we would advise those idle men—miners and prospectors, to give this camp a fair trial. There are few camps that offer as grand opportunities to miners who want to work on their own account, or, for that matter, to miners anxious to work on any profitable and consistent lay-out, as Butte. There are hundreds of small, but valuable mines, in this region, in which they can secure good leases and tributes on the most favorable terms, and for whatever ore they strike a ready market awaits them right here. All that is needed is a little energy and push, and the many idle men on our streets can be engaged in enterprises that will prove profitable to them and to the entire people of this county.

A SAD CASE.

A Very Worthy Young Man Meets With a Serious Accident.

John McCue, who has been in the employ of the Montana Improvement Company for some time, met with a serious, and perhaps fatal accident, yesterday morning. It appears that McCue had been at the Parrot mine on business connected with his company, and in returning his horse stumbled and fell, and the unfortunate young man fell out of the buggy, and the animal rolled over him. When found, the poor fellow was bleeding profusely from the mouth, showing plainly that he had received internal injuries. He was conveyed to the Sisters' Hospital and tenderly cared for by the benevolent ladies in charge of that very worthy institution, and by Drs. Hough and Johnson. At a late hour last night the young man was in a very critical condition. He was rendered insensible at the time his horse rolled over him, and has remained so ever since. Mr. McCue is about 28 years of age, and has always borne an enviable reputation. He has many warm personal friends in Butte who are pained to learn of the distressing accident that has befallen him. The persons who are interested in his case at the Sisters' Hospital are determined to do everything in their power to save the life of the young man, but at last accounts he was gradually sinking.

A Chinese Puzzle.

Yesterday there was a complaint made in the Police Court against a Chinaman whose name is something like Ling Wung, by a fellow countryman who calls himself something in the neighborhood of Ek U. Bou. Upon the complaint a warrant was issued charging the first named with the theft of $500 and according to the stories told by both sides the court will have a knotty problem to solve when the trial takes place. It appears that the accused keeps a gambling house and the accuser is a merchant in Chinatown. Further that the accuser who is an old man has a wild boy whom he alleges has lost thousands at the facinating game and that consequently there is some hard feeling between him and Wung. Another story is that the old man was indebted to Wung in the sum of $1.000, the he paid a portion of it, and that Wung went to his place Wednesday night to collect the balance but was not successful and left, that he subsequently returned and finding no one in the store but the young man, he proceeded to demolish the counter and burst open the cash box from which he took $500 and upon which charge he was arrested. On the other hand Wung says that he did not go back to the store and that if the cash box was robbed it was done by the young man.

The accused was arrested and gave bonds until this afternoon at 3 o'clock when the trial will take place. Both parties will have counsel and the chances are the trial will be prolific in good Chinese swearing and will be lengthy and interesting.

The Liederkranz.

The arrangements for the grand tour of the Liederzranz to the National Park are progressing, and the trip promises to be one of the most successful ever given in this section. En-route to the Park they will give a grand concert and ball at Anaconda, Deer Lodge, Helena and Bozeman. The concerts will be under the direction of Prof. Speck, and will be given by a double quartette, composed of the following gentlemen: Chris. Dellen, Paul Sage, Julius F. Fox, Frank Hiller, Simon Hauswirth, Henry Kroeger, Fred. C. Anderson and C. F. Carl. Fred. Loeber, the President of the Society, will have charge of the expedition, and those desiring to participate can do so by making arrangements with him.

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN VERSE.

Notes and Queries.

Our father, which in Heaven art,
We sanctify Thy name;
Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done
In Heaven and earth the same;
Give us this day our daily bread;
And us forgive Thou so
As we on them that do offend
Forgiveness do bestow;
Into temptation lead us not,
But us from evil free;
For Thine the kingdom, power and praise
Is, and shall ever be.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Some Large and Important Sales Made Recently.

The following transfers of property have been filed with the County Clerk and Recorder since our last report.

F. S. DeWolfe to Samuel B. Larmour, north 50 feet of lot 15, in block 12; $800.

Joseph A. Hyde to Thomas Newton, 42 feet of lot 12, block 21; $1,200.

James W. Forbis to Robert M. Cobban, lot 15, block 6, of Noyes & Upton's Railroad addition; $125.

Samuel M. Faucett to James H. Mahoney, 3 and 98-100 acres lying east of and adjoining Foster & Leggett's addition; $370.

J. A. Maxwell to Barrett & Jackey, east 80 feet of lots 11 and 12, in block 47; $1,650.

M. J. Connell to J. R. Clark et al. as executors of Trowbridge, north 23 feet 8 inches of lot 1, block 15; $100.

William Woodward to George W. Beall et al. an undivided ½ interest in the Smoke House claim, subject to all surface rights and titles heretofore conveyed by Woodward to claimants upon said Smoke House lode. The property described is known as lot No. 88, Township 3, North Range 8. The deed recites the interest conveyed to each, and the purchasers are George W. Beall, Geoffry Lavell, Thomas Lavell, William McDermott, William J. McNamara, Charles W. Buck, Ralph B. Wallace, Lena Ornstein, Henry Klein, Kerman Gans, Louis Gans, Abram Gans, Julius Sands, David Morris. The consideration was $4,000.

W. J. McNamara to John M. Bowes, 5-1280 undivided interest in said Smoke House lode, $125.

Chris. H. Hart to Thos. L. Napton, lots 20 and 21, and east 8 feet of lot 19, block 14. Consideration not stated.

John O'Rourke to Chris. H. Hart, ½ of lot 16, in block 28; also an individual 1-400 interest in the Smoke House lode. Consideration not stated.

Thos. L. Napton and Chris. H. Hart to John O'Rourke, lot 7, in block 29; ½ interest in lot 1, block 24; ½ interest in lot 16, block 28; ½ interest in lots 15 and 16, block 10; east 13 feet of lot 25, block 15, and 1-400 interest in the Smoke House claim. Consideration not stated.

J. N. Forbis to Wm. Robinson, lot 15, block 10, Noyes & Upton's addition; $180.

W. Egbert Smith to Harry C. Kessler, lot 188, Dive's Lode claim, subject to mining rights; $600.

Phil E. Evans to Alice E. Stephens, 9th half of lots 1 and 2, block 11, $850; and certain mining not stated.

Peter McMahon to Geo. W. Beall, 3-16 interest in the Left Bower quartz claim, situated about three-fourths of a mile northwesterly from Walkerville. $781.37.

GRANT'S NARROW ESCAPE.

His close call on the Union Pacific Railway in 1875.

"Yes, sir. General Grant once had a narrow escape, and he did not know it, either," said a railroad man yesterday. "Lemme see; yes, it was in the fall of 1875; You remember when he came west along with some of his friends that year, going to California, I guess: Well! they had a special and were running to Sidney regardless of No. 8, I think it was. D. K. Smith was train dispatcher at Cheyenne at the time, and No. 8 showing up at Sidney a long time before expected, he made up his mind to have the special and No. 8 meet at Lodge Pole, the first telegraph station East of Sidney. He called up Lodge Pole and after putting out an order to hold the special, said, 'now, you stay up with that red light and don't let it go out.' There was no night operator there then. Well, Mr. Operator went to sleep and the lamp went out. Ever been at Lodge Pole? No? Well! The special came bout 45 miles an hour, (and coming west you can't see the west switch until you are about opposite the station, the tank shuts out the view.) Well! as I said, the special was humping along at 45 miles an hour, and when they got to where they could see that switch, they saw something that I guess turned their blood cold. There was No. 8 just pulling in over the switch, on to the siding. The engineer threw her over and got the brakes on, but it didn't seem to have any effect at that short distance. They must have been going fully 40 miles an hour when they passed that switch, and when they did pass it they tore a splinter from No. 8's caboose. Close shave? Well, I should say it was."

Court, and Court Officials.

The following are the proceedings of the session of the Supreme Court held Wednesday, as reported by the *Independent:*

C. J. Walsh, Wm. Sanders, Samuel W. Darling and Edward H. Goodwin were admitted to the bar.

The case of Murphy vs. King submitted on briefs.

Elling vs. Kilpatrick & Bros., argued and submitted.

Palmer vs. Murray, argued and submitted.

Twell vs. Twell, suggestion of diminution of record, and ordered that appellant perfect record.

U. S. DEPUTY MARSHALS.

The following appointees of U. S. Marshal Kelley have filed their bonds and entered upon the discharge of their duties:

J. A. Bailey, Gallatin county.
Thos. H. Irvine, Custer county.
A. B. Easterbrook, Dawson county.
A. M. Quivey, Yellowstone county.
E. W. McNeal, Lewis and Clarke county.

Broken Limb.

Monday last Michael Foley, who is well known in Butte, met with a serious accident while working around his cabin in the south portion of the city. By a curious fall he sustained a severe fracture of the leg. The wounded limb was properly attended to, and the sufferer is doing as well as could be expected.

Yesterday Ed. Rooney, of Walkerville, a well-known miner, who is one of a party who are working the Sun Dorg on a lease, was down in the shaft, when a cave occurred, and he sustained a compound fracture of the right leg. He was at once brought to the city and taken to the Alice Hospital, where he was properly attended to. Mr. Rooney has a host of friends who will sympathize with him in his misfortunes, and wish him a speedy recovery.

Montana Bar Association.

The semi-annual meeting of the Montana Bar Association convened at the Helena Court House, Wednesday, with a good attendance. The following are the officers:

President—Hon. W. F. Sanders.
Corresponding Secretary—W. H. Hunt.
Recording Secretary—A. K. Barbour.
Treasurer—W. E. Cullen.
Vice Presidents—Thomas C. Marshall, Missoula county; Hon. Hiram Knowles, Silver Bow county; Robert B. Smith, Beaverhead county, Hon. Henry N. Blake, Madison county; Hon. M. J. Leaming, Choteau county; J. C. Robinson, Deer Lodge county; Fletcher M. Maddox, Meagher county; George F. Cowan, Jefferson county; Andrew F. Burleigh, Custer county; S. M. Wilde, Yellowstone county.

Scarcity of Change.

For some reason there has lately been a very great scarcity of change in this city, and the result is those who get hold of it in the ordinary line of business save it as far as possible. Notwithstanding this, there is a general dearth of small coin, the scarcity being particularly noticeable in the saloons and grocery stores. Considering the howl made about the excessive coinage of silver, it seems strange that more of it does not find its way into circulation in this section. There is no lack of large gold and paper money, but we need change and need it badly.

Good Templars.

At the regular meeting of Butte Lodge No. 14, I. O. G. T., held last Saturday night, the following officers were installed to serve during the ensuing term:

W. F. Sinsel, W. C. T.; Mrs. W. F. Sinsel, W. R. S.; Mrs. L. A. Buzzard, W. L. S.; Mrs. Mattie Legget, W. V. T.; J. W. Chapman, W. S.; Mrs. J. W. Chapman, A. S.; J. W. Kemper, W. F. S.; Miss Hannah Shaw, W. T.; Sample H. Orr, W. C.; E. O. Packard, W. M.; Miss Minnie Chapman, D. M.; James A. Longstaff, W. I. G.; Richard Ellis, W. O. G.

The Forresters.

The excursion of the Forresters to Anaconda yesterday was one of the largest and most successful that has gone out of Butte this or any other season. The Union Guard Band accompanied the party, and on the trip and at the grounds discoursed splendid music. The committee of arrangements did all in their power to render the guests happy and judging from the encomiums of those seen they succeeded. The party did not return until after midnight.

Theodore Thomas says that baldness adds a dignity and is a natural mark of superior smartness. The zephyrs that blow through the air-holes of Theodore's hat have long been fanning one of these natural marks.—*Courier Journal.*

THE CITY COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting of the Body Last Night.

The regular meeting of the City Council was held last night, Mayor Frank presiding. All the members present, except Mr. Pinkham. The report of the police judge was read. It shows the collections for the month to have been $287. The report of the Treasurer shows collections to have been $476.42. A number of bills were read and ordered to be paid. The bill of Mr. Blume for work on the city hall was called up, and a motion made to pay the same. This was debated by several members, and it was finally agreed to pay him $834, by a vote of five to two, Messrs. Aylesworth and Branigan voting in the negative. The finance committee reported adversely on the bill of Dr. Carroll. Agreed to.

The fire committee submitted an ordinance fixing the bounds of the fire limit as follows: On the north, Copper; on the east, Wyoming; on the south, Galena, and the west, Montana streets. It prohibits the erection of any frame building within the prescribed limits without having first obtained the consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Council. After some debate most of the members, thinking the limits too extensive, the ordinance was referred back to the committe, with instructions to report at a special meeting next Wednesday.

SAFE AND UNSAFE.

The committee to whom had been referred the petition of citizens calling attention to the alleged unsafe condition of the log cabin of Qua Chung on lower Main street, reported that they found that the building was safe and they recommended that the Chinaman be allowed to put in new doors and windows. In regard to the Comique and Elk saloon buildings, they recommended that in order to render them more safe from high winds, the owners be directed to place iron braces, securely bolted from the plate of the roof to the top of the fire wall on the north and south corners of each building. The report was adopted.

The committee appointed to settle with with W. O. Speer, reported that they had settled with Mr. Speer for $250. The report was approved.

WANTS DAMAGE.

W. A Thorn presented a bill for $150 for a horse alleged to have been killed by Officer Dwyer some weeks ago, which was referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Aylesworth, Leland and McMillan.

A petition of citizens, asking that West Broadway from Montana street to the city limits be graded and that sidewalks be erected on the same point, was read. The marshal was directed to notify the property owners to lay the sidewalks. A proposition was read from J. C. Heileg offering to board the city prisoners at 25 cents per meal. A committee was appointed to make the contract, provided the meals be delivered at the jail.

WANT AN ALLEY OPENED.

A petition was read from a number of business men and citizens, stating that Copper street, Alaska street and the alleys adjacent to blocks 2, 3, 10 and 11 are completely closed by buildings and fences to the extent that travel or traffic through and over the same is impossible. They ask that the Council take proper steps to remove the obstruction. The alley is adjoining the Miners' Union hall. The petition was referred to the committee on streets and alleys.

A petition from residents on East Galena street, from Main to Wyoming, asking for a sidewalk on the south side of said street was granted.

A petition asking that the platform in front of the Mt. Vernon hotel be required to be put to grade was referred to the city marshal with instructions to act.

A petition from John O'Rourke asking permission to dig a sewer trench from his property at Granite and Main to Utah street, was referred to the committee on streets and alleys.

An ordinance to create a salvage corps for the city of Butte and defining the duties of the members was read. It creates a corps of fourteen who shall have charge and custody all goods and chattels at fires and that they be sworn in as special policemen for duty at fires only. The ordinance was adopted.

An ordinance prohibiting the attendance of minors, under 16 years, at variety theaters where liquor is sold was adopted.

A constitution and by-laws for the government of the Butte city fire department was read and approved. Adjoorned.

AFFAIRS IN SAN FRANCISCO.

The Views of a Prominent Butte Citizen Just Returned from the Coast

"I found things exceedingly quiet in San Francisco," remarked Charley Richardson, of the Mint, as he narrated to a party of friends his experience during a recent visit to the Pacific coast.

"In fact," he continued, "merchants there told me that never in the history of the city had there been such a great depression in business. There is a stagnation the country over, but in San Francisco the distress is especially severe. From all that I could learn the presence of so many Chinamen is one of the main causes of this business distress. In San Francisco alone, out of a population of 225,000, over 30,000 hail from Canton. The heathen have invaded all branches of trade and are slowly but surely driving the white man to the wall. Some day, and that day is not far distant, Chinatown, in the heart of San Francisco, will be blown up by dynamite."

"Did you have many inquirers as to the situation in Butte?"

"Thousands of inquiries," said Mr. Richardson. "I can safely say that the eyes of the entire people on the Pacific coast are centered on Butte. They regard this as the only live and permanent mining camp in the country. Many workingmen asked me as to the advisability of immigration to Butte. I told them that at present the camp was overstocked with laborers."

"How did you find amusements in San Francisco?"

"The town was crowded with visitors, the theaters were all in full blast and there were a thousand-and-one attractions. I had a very pleasant and quiet visit. On Sunday I attended service at the Unitarian Church, for so many years presided over by the famous Thomas Starr King—"

"Yes," interrupted Erest Lang, "and the discourse must have been a convincing one. Judging from the way your drafts rolled in you must have contributed most generously to the church fund."

Charlie ordered the drinks and the scribe "sloped."

Supreme Court Proceedings.

The following business was transacted by the Supreme Court now in session at Helena:

J. R. Boarman and Thomas Joyes were admitted to the bar.

The following cases were submitted on briefs:

T. C. Power et al. vs. Jacob Gum.
James Walsh vs. Charles P. Blakely.
John W. Lowell et al. vs. Azel Ames et al.
Nelson Murray vs. Jacob Gum.
Mary Ann King et al. vs. F. R. Merk.
Allen J. McMillan, Treasurer of Dawson county, vs. William M. Carter.
John Donnelly vs. H. Clark et al.
Frank L. Underwood vs. Samuel Birdsell et al. Cause continued for term.
Michael O'Connell, admitted to citizenship.

Reported Defaulter.

It was yesterday stated that S. R. Savage, a boss mechanic, who has recently been building several houses under contract, had mysteriously left the city, owing his workmen between $600 and $700. The men, it appears, heard he had drawn considerable money on the houses and as he had failed to pay them according to promise a number of garnishees were placed upon the property. It is possible the gentleman will show up in good shape and settle his indebtedness, but in the meantime his hard working creditors are on the anxious bench.

Masked by a Rock.

Yesterday afternoon before the Butte accommodation arrived at Mullen Tunnel a man named Burns was sent in to see that the track was clear of rock. While in the act of performing his duty a rock of about 300 pounds weight fell from the roof of the tunnel and struck him on the side of the head, knocking him down and bruising his side and mashing one of his legs. He was taken to Butler station and a physician sent for to dress his wounds. His condition is considered critical.—*Helena Independent.*

Still They Come.

Yesterday morning the home of Mr. and Mrs. James was made happy by the advent of a little stranger in the person of an eleven pound boy. The new arrival is reported as being contented and well pleased with Butte as far as he has seen it.

Dr. and Mrs. James Thompsom are also to be congratulated on an addition of a daughter to their family. THE MINER hopes that in both cases the little ones will live long and be a credit to the fond parents.

THE CHOLERA.

Rapid Spread of the Disease Everywhere.

A NICE LIBEL SUIT

To Spring Out of the Flogging-Scandal Case in the Streets of London.

MADRID, August 13.—Four thousand four hundred and thirty-three new cases of cholera were reported throughout Spain yesterday and one thousand six hundred and forty eight deaths.

Great excitement prevails in Seville over the Government's proposal to abolish the power of the local authorities during the prevalence of the cholera, because of their inefficiency in sanitation, and to itself assume the direction of the cities' local affairs. The populace are hostile to the doctors and averse to any interference in family affairs and they strongly support the local authorities. A crowd assembled in all the public places last evening to discuss the situation and the civil guardians were called upon to disperse them.

The ravages of the cholera in Greneda are horrible. Scores of the victims of the disease drop and die in the streets, wherein there are many cases. They remain for hours before they are gathered up at night for a hurried and unceremonious burial in a common trench.

Thirty-five new cases of cholera and thirty-one deaths were reported in this city to-day. In the provinces outside of the city there were seventy-five new cases and eighteen deaths. The Director of Public Works and his wife and another Government official have succumbed to the disease. The municipal authorities have decided to demolish the slums.

HAIPHONG, August 13.—The cholera is decreasing. The troops have been withdrawn and dispersed along the shores of the bay.

ITALY PREPARING FOR IT.

ROME, August 13.—The Government is arranging to convey the poor Italians employed at Marseilles and along the French coast by rail to Italy in order to be able to supervise their habits and prevent their infection with cholera.

PARIS, August 13.—Reports received today from Marseilles state that the cholera there has received a fresh impetus owing to the extreme heat, and that the number of new cases has steadily increased. The disease is usually fatal in consequence of the heat.

The autumn maneouvres in South France have been abandoned on account of the prevalence of cholera.

MALTA, August 13.—A week's quarantine has been decreed against all arrivals from Gibralter, and it has been ordered that passengers from any Spanish or French Mediterrianean port shall not be allowed to land here at all.

A GREAT RASCAL.

Maxwell Claims That the Preller Business Was a Job.

ST. LOUIS, August 13.—The defense of Maxwell, the alleged murderer of Arthur Preller, will probably be that no murder was committed at all. About a month ago the report was published that Preller was insured, and that the corporations had refused to pay the money to the relatives, claiming that it was a put up job to get the insurance, and that the body found in the trunk was not Preller's at all, but a subject from a medical college, according to a telegram, from San Francisco. Maxwell now says that the conspiracy theory was correct, and that in due time he will produce Preller alive and well, and show where he got the body found in the trunk. Further than this he will say nothing. The police here hoot at this defense and still hold that the evidence against him is sufficient to convict him, though they do not claim to have any other evidence than what is known to the public. They do not believe that Preller's life was insured for any large amount. The prisoner will arrive here on next Sunday.

HOW HE DIED.

Jones, the Wife Murderer, Makes a Very Singular Will.

TROY, N. Y., August 13.—James Horace Jones was hanged in the jail here this morning for the murder of his wife on July 13, 1884.

Jones passed most of the night in prayer. This morning he refused to take breakfast until after he had received holy communion. Last night in his cell Jones made the following will: "I give and bequeath to Rev. Peter Haverman, my spiritual adviser, my body. I hope and trust he will see it buried decently and protected from mutilation. I also give and bequeath my heart to Rome and my soul to heaven. I appoint Father Haverman executor of my will. Jones walked to the scaffold with a steady step, and was wonderfully cool while the final preparations for his execution were being made. He refused to say anything, and appeared anxious that there should be no delay. After hanging twelve minutes he was pronounced dead.

THE OUTCOME.

A Libel Suit Results From a London Scandal.

LONDON, August 13—Mr. Francis, the gentleman who yesterday flogged Mr. Pearce, of the ship-building firm of John Elder & Bros., for the alleged betrayal of the former's daughter, to day instituted criminal action against Pearce. Yesterday the latter explained the difficulties to a reporter of the *Pall Mall Gazette* by saying that the charge of seduction was false, and that it was a case of blackmail of a peculiarly bad kind. For this statement Francis brings suit. He says he thought Pearce had done him a wrong sufficiently cruel in betraying his daughter under the guise of friendship without adding the insult of describing the family as blackmailers. Pearce is a rich Conservative, and had been selected by the Tories to stand as their candidate for Glascow in the coming election. Mr. Francis is a gentleman of respectable standing in society, and is a member of the Government Civil Service, being an inspector of customs.

Panama Journals.

PANAMA, August 13.—The *