THE SEMI-WEEKLY MINER.

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IS THE strike in the Southwest to be renewed?

SUNDAY'S MINER may be had of all the news-dealers.

EVERY mechanic in Butte will be employed this summer at remunerative wages.

FOUNDATION or no foundation, the Helena people are going to complete that Court House.

WHAT the country really needs is a patent coupler that will hold capital and labor together.

THE Grand Opera House has been closed so long that the people are beginning to forget how it looks inside.

THAT is a pretty state of affairs that exists in the politics of Ohio. What's the matter with Colorado and Nevada now?

ANOTHER New York Alderman was jailed yesterday. The promise is that local politics will be very dull in New York this spring.

A DEMOCRATIC editor out West who failed to get a postoffice now refers to the President as "His Corpulency, Grover Cleveland." Can this be Arkins?

THE output in gold, silver and copper of Butte alone for 1886 will closely crowd the total production of any other silver-producing State or Territory.

GENERAL LOGAN'S book, "The Great Conspiracy." has been completed, and is now in press. Of course, it is partisan and bitter, but it will have a large sale nevertheless.

"CLARA BELLE," the famous fashion writer is dead. She died in New York, as she was about to enter a Broadway car. Her last letter will appear in next Sunday's MINER.

THE great mineral springs of Montana will eventually attract the sick and dying from all sections of the world. Not alone is there health in them, but considerable of "the coin of the realm."

THIS is the last day of grace on the use of plates, by an edict from the Butte Typographical Union. Enough plate matter for sale in Butte now to run two or three country offices for a year.

THE Democratic voters of the city should send the very best men in the Democratic party to the City Convention. A good ticket can easily be selected; a ticket composed of bad men will be defeated.

THE wool-growers of Montana, without reference to party predilections, are against placing wool upon the free list. The Lower Judith Wool Growers' Association is the last to place itself on record officially.

BUTTE would be benefited by having rail communication with the Bitter Root and Gallatin Valleys, and in return those rich valleys, the products of which we need so badly, would be benefited a hundred fold more than we would. Can not Butte do something in the way of railway building on her own account?

THE MINER'S interviews with the leading business men of the city show that the winter just closed has been eminently satisfactory in a business way and that the prospects for a good season never were better. It is a marvelous fact that among all the business houses visited not a single "kicker" or "croaker" was found.

PERU is threatened with another war. They have not had a revolution down that way for three months and things have been very monotonous. The chief of the Democratic party now threatens to make it lively for the existing government. But then we have only the evidence of a hated opponent, in the livery of the opposition, for the statement.

THAT is a terrible story that comes from Minnesota. In a cyclone which passed over St. Cloud and that region, yesterday, forty persons were killed and seventy-five wounded, so far as heard from. As the storm covered a wide area, the full details are, of course, as yet lacking. The destruction of property must have been very great.

AT SCHWEINFURT the wine emrchant Kaspar Heyd has been sent to prison for three months and sentenced to pay a fine of 1,000 marks for having sold as genuine wine a compound product of alcohol, glycerine, tannic acid, glucose, salicine, dried grapes, wortleberries, coriander, sugar and water. If this would befall every seller of adulterated wines in America we would be compelled to begin the enlargement of our prisons and penitentiaries at once.

FROM the tone of Mr. Powderly's telegram to Secretary Turner one would judge that hostilities between the Knights of Labor and Mr. Gould were to be renewed. The great chief directs that a spirited address be issued to the Order, urging its members to sustain liberally, with their means, their brethern in the Southwest. This looks like war and as if the chief had determined to take a hand personally in the contest.

THE Democratic House of Representatives showed its sense of right and justice, yesterday, by deciding that Frank Hurd was not entitled to a seat in Congress. It required superlative gall in Hurd to begin the contest and should not have received the consideration it did. Hurd counted upon the blind following of the majority. That he was disappointed is a matter for congratulation. He may now return to Toledo and lay his pipes for re-election.

THE people of the Cœur d'Alene country are anxious to be attached to Montana. Their interests are identical with ours and they recognize that it would be a mistake to be made permanently a part of a Territory or State purely agricultural. Montana would be glad to have the rich region included under the name of Cœur d'Alene added to her domain and our accomplished and industrious Delegate to Congress will, no doubt, do everything in his power to consummate the matter.

A SERIOUS water famine, which may break out anew in consequence of the frightful cold weather now prevailing in Austria, threatened Vienna a fortnight ago. On the twenty-fourth of last month only 7,500,000 gallons of water were left in the reservoirs, although by extraordinary economy the daily consumption had been reduced 600,000 gallons. But then those Austrians can get along on less water than any other people on earth. As long as the breweries hold out the reservoirs may run dry.

THE telegraph this morning brings from Washington a sample case of the manner in which the Government has been robbed by fraudulent pension claimants. Here is a man who enlisted for thirty days, served ten of them, never was in an engagement, never saw the enemy and slept out of a building a single night. Twenty years after the war is over he files an application for a pension and receives more than $10,000 in arrears of pension, and goes on the list regularly. Is there no way of punishing such a fraud?

A WELL-KNOWN and thoroughly-posted Washington journalist writes that our worthy townsman, the Hon. W. A. Clark, (who has in a measure neglected his own business nearly the whole of the winter to advance the interests of Montana at Washington,) "has been untiring and energetic in his efforts in behalf of Montana interests and a very staff—in work and contributions in money—to the silver men. Early and late, in season and out, as a worker, an entertainer and a free-handed giver he has been to the front. He has not only left a favorable impression personally, but he has made many friends for Montana, and especially in the Senate, where a strong antipathy existed against your Territory. He has worked most harmoniously in conjunction with your Delegate in Congress, Mr. Toole, and with Governor Hauser, Col. Powers, Maj. Maginnis and other prominent gentlemen from Montana in all measures calculated to benefit your people. It is a pity that all of the Territories do not induce such men to come to Washington and help out their Delegates. Much good could be accomplished by them." The same writer also speaks most highly of the work of Delegate Toole, and declares that "no Representative is in better favor, either with the President or the Department. He has succeeded in filling more offices with men from his own Territory than any other Delegate and, indeed, more than the combined influences of the Congressional Delegations from most of the Western States were able to secure to their own people. The fact," continues our correspondent, "should not be overlooked that the States each have two votes in the confirming body, the Senate, and that there is a vast difference between the influence of a Representative and a Delegate." It will be pleasant to the people of Montana to read such good opinions of their Delegate from one of the chief moulders of public sentiment at the National Capital.

BY the last issue of the Great Falls *Tribune* we learn that that excellent publication has passed from the hands of Will Hanks, who has conducted it admirably, into the control of a stock company composed of a number of representative men of Northern Montana. In reference to the future of the paper Mr. Hanks says:

The change is one which will be beneficial to all parties concerned, either directly or indirectly. Numerous important changes will be made as soon as possible; the paper will be enlarged, and first-class editorial talent will be secured in the person of one of the brightest writers in the Northwest. The enterprise will be backed by ample means, and the one aim of the management will be to make it the representative newspaper of Northern Montana. The policy of the paper will remain as heretofore, except that it will be run on a more liberal and broad principle. It will be non-class in the strictest sense of the word, but will aim to fairly and faithfully represent each and every industry of Northern Montana, and upon its merits alone will endeavor to gain its support.

The change noted is important as indicating the forces that are at work to make Great Falls one of the leading points in Montana. The men who are engineering the matter show their wisdom in enlisting early the influence of the press.

SUNDAY'S MINER, among other things, will have a review of Gen. Logan's new book, "The Great Conspiracy," with liberal extracts from it; a special article from the pen of Louis N. Magargee, on "The Pay of Newspaper Men" in the East, the value of newspaper properties and the incomes of some of the leading editors; Clara Belle's last letter on fashions, written for the Cincinnati *Enquirer*; a graphic and interesting sketch of the great Detective Chief, Byrnes, of New York, who has placed all of Gotham's aldermen in chancery, a second illustrated Washington letter; descriptive of the Treasury Department, the coin vaults, etc., with portraits of Treasurer Jordan and his satellites; an exhaustive review of the protection of wool, with interesting statistics on the progress of the sheep and wool industry; Byron's visit to the Castle of Chillon, the prison where Bonivard lay; a description of the production of "Hamlet" in French, and the peculiarities of the translation; the Rev. Myron Reed's sermon on Gladstone's grit, together with other matter of local and general interest. Orders for the paper may be left at the office or it may be had of all news agents.

THE effects of cocaine are of such a character and so plainly marked that it would seem to a layman as if the physicians should use it with more caution. It is evidently not the cure-all that it has been represented to be. News now comes from Detroit that its use there is becoming alarmingly prevalent. A bank cashieri named McDonald and one J. A. Fisk, are the two latest victims. Fisk began using cocaine last summer for catarrh by painting his nose with it and later took it internally. Recently he was removed to Harper Hospital for treatment. He is full of vagaries, alternately imagining that he is the Almighty and asserting that he has been raised from the dead. MacDonald wandered to Toronto while suffering from mental aberration caused by the drug. Several other more or less prominent Detroiters are known to be in a bad way from using the drug. These are only a few of the cases that have recently been developed in which the use of the drug has resulted in worse than death. It would be infinitely better for the patient to be stricken dead, than for him to linger along in an irresponsible state.

THE racing season is rapidly approaching and it is none too soon to begin preparations for the spring meeting in Butte, which should not be permitted to lapse. Surely, a carefully selected committee could readily secure enough subscriptions to guarantee attractive purses. The Colorado-Utah circuit is now being organized. The meetings will be held first at Denver, then at Pueblo, then at Montrose and will close at Salt Lake. A little correspondence and effort would result in inducing the interested parties to come to Butte at the close of the Salt Lake meeting. To bring these horses here would insure not only first-class races, but would draw to Butte a great many people for the week. Prosperous as it is, Butte should not neglect such schemes of attracting people and capital.

THE Morosini family is meeting with a series of misfortunes. Since Victoria ran away with her father's coachman, things do not seem to have come right for the famous old banker. Yesterday a rabid dog entered the yard of the palatial family residence at Riverdale-on-the-Hudson, and bit one of the daughters. Among the neighbors of the Morosini's are Samuel J. Tilden and Clara Morris, the actress. The latter, among other crotchets, has a fancy for dogs, and her kennel is one of the finest on the Hudson. She will be somewhat nervous over the intrusion into the aristocratic confines of Riverdale of a mad dog.

AMONG the ingredients of artificial butter are sugar of lead, glycerine, sulphuric acid, caustic potash, caster oil, chlorate of potash, pig's stomach, chalk, borax, tallow and lard, while some of the constituent elements of the natural kind are hair, old age, finger-nails, candle drippings, cracklings, rock salt, cow hoofs, dish rags, cotton strings, soap grease and so forth. You pays your money and you takes your choice.

MR. POWDERLY'S appeal to the Knights of Labor in behalf of the men on the Gould system is a stirring, manly and straightforward document.

A FINE portrait and sketch of Martin Irons, the leader of the Southwestern Knights of Labor, in Sunday's MINER.

ANOTHER stupid day in Congress.

THIS sort of weather knocks the zeal out of even Republican office-seekers.

PUT not thy faith in politicians and you shall have no heart-burnings after the election.

THE Republican bosses are now engaged in making up their slates. "Love's labor lost."

THE Ohio men came to the front yesterday. One of them captured the Blackfoot Agency in this Territory.

SUNDAY'S MINER will be the most interesting number ever issued by us. It will well repay careful perusal.

MINING STOCKS were strong and active in New York yesterday. The only Montana stock sold was the Alice at $1.50.

ANOTHER eastern bank cashier has gone wrong; this time away down at Sag Harbor. That name will give the punsters a chance

THE local officers did a good piece of work in ferreting out and arresting the gang of counterfeiters now languishing in the County Jail.

ANY newspaper that incites a race prejudice in this country should be suppressed by the withdrawal from it of the patronage of the people.

WHEREVER two or three Butte Republicans are gathered together, there are the assured prospects of a spring defeat excitedly discussed.

THE MINER has a larger circulation than any other newspaper in Montana. It publishes more matter and greets its readers every day in the year.

THE Chicago & Northwestern Railway may yet come into Butte before many of the local roads that are now figuring principally on paper are started.

THE Hurd contest should be thrown out of Congress. Frank Hurd was squarely defeated and should have gracefully yielded to the "voice of the people."

IF Diogones were alive to-day he would not bring his lantern into play about the City Hall in New York. If there are any honest men in that vicinity no one has been able to find them.

OUR legal friends will be interested in the exhaustive reports on the minority report of the House Judiciary Committee in reference to the setting aside of patents on the ground of fraud or collusion with Government officials. The case applies especially to the Pan-Electric cases.

THE bill yesterday favorably reported in Congress, giving ex-soldiers of the Union Army who veteranized, and who were afterwards promoted to be commissioned officers, the full benefit of the bounty promised them, should speedily pass. It is a just measure, too long delayed.

AS WILL be seen by a reference to our Washington dispatches silver is holding its own very bravely with gold. The circulation of silver has been steadily increasing and the fact that no complaints have been heard would indicate that the country is ready to absorb more.

THE great strike in the Southwest appears to be over. Who can draw the moral effect of it? It carries with it a lesson both to capital and labor, but only he who has the figures as to time and money lost, the injury done to trade, the hardships endured and the misery entailed can demonstrate it.

CAPITAL seeking investment in mines should come and look upon the thousands of undeveloped, but promising, prospects in Butte and vicinity. No camp in the world offers greater inducements in legitimate mining. Speculators and swindlers will find but little encouragement here, however, and will do well to stay away.

FROM a circular just received from the office of the General Committee of Management of the Twentieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, we are sorry to note a disposition to turn the Encampment into a land speculative enterprise. We trust this scheme will be frowned down.

THE names of the members of the Democratic Congressional Committee were made public yesterday, and will be found under our Washington dispatches. Unusual care seems to have been exercised in the selection of the members of this important party auxiliary. The members are, in the main, wise and discreet politicians and will not permit the Congressional contests of this year to go by default.

THE recommendation that the Postoffice Appropriation Bill be amended so as to increase the appropriation for the foreign service from $600,000 to $1,000,000 should be adopted without a dissenting voice. The further recommendation that, all things being equal, the preference should be given to ships carrying the American flag should also be adopted. Both provisions are wise and judicious and commend themselves to the patriotic impulse of the country.

SAYS the *Missoulian:* "It is said that politics makes strange bedfellows, and the saying is as true of other things. On the counters of a store in Missoula is a pamphlet edition of some of the sermons of Sam Jones and Sam Small. On the second and third pages of the cover is an advertisement of 'The Fruits of Philosophy,' the book on the population question by Charles Bradlaugh and Mrs. Annie Besant, which the English Government has been trying for years to suppress. The fourth page of the cover advertises the works of Tom Paine, Voltaire, Volney, Bennett, Ingersoll, Robert Dale Owen, Victoria Woodhull, and oth r infidel authors." Do Messrs. Small and Jones stand in with the publishers, or is it a private venture of the latter?

GOVERNOR HAUSER, in an interview in the Helena *Herald*, speaks of the prospective railroad building in Eastern Montana. He says he is not opposed to the so-called Hill road, and gives Mr. Broadwater and his associates credit for their enterprise. He says the Northern Pacific will build the Benton road, and rather intimates that Helena should be thankful for both. He believes that the latter road would prove of more advantage to Helena, because of the danger of building up Great Falls by the other company at the expense of Helena. The interview shows that our Executive is considerable of a diplomat, as well as a clear-headed, sensible man of business. He is also a very staunch and consistent friend of Helena.

MRS. 'OSTLER JOE POTTER has been interviewed on the low neck dress question, and among other things says: "A young woman whose throat and shoulders are white and plump may wear the dress quite low and still be perfectly modest, for she displays only what is attractive, what poets have written of and artists painted." We like that, says the Washington *Critic*, but we would call the attention of Mrs. Potter to the fact that poets have written and artists have painted a considerable quantity of things which, although undoubtedly attractive, and wildly, weirdly beautiful, are not quite the proper caper for modest eyes and super-sensitive nerves. Poets and artists, if we may be allowed to go back through the records, have not always been men whose ideas of the proprieties would do for domestic and social adoption.

THE Colorado Springs *Gazette* is one of the best edited and most conservative newspapers in Colorado. In a recent issue it had the following insinuating paragraph: "The Surveyor-General's department investigates all land frauds. The District Attorney prosecutes those charged with fraud. The United States Marshal empanels the jury that tries the indicted. Some people were anxious to control these officials in one interest. They have been beaten at every step and hence these tears. Mr. Teller ought not to get so excited over such matters. They wont find, try, or convict for any frauds that have not been committed." And again, in the same edition, it says: "Senators Teller and Logan crossed swords yesterday. There is no doubt about there being a bitter state of feeling between the two Senators. The fact that Logan secured by personal appeals the confirmation of Dement is the cause. It is said by Morrison, of Illinois, that Logan thus rewarded Dement for playing the sneak and giving away to Republicans the secrets of the Democratic Senatorial caucus held in January, 1875. Senator Teller is angry because Dement told hard stories about him. It seems to us that Logan is in cheap business to pay sneaks at the expense of the Government. It also looks as though Senator Teller was unduly sensitive in noticing the irresponsible street talk of a windy fellow, while he sits silent in the Senate under the serious charges made in the written reports of the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of the Land Office submitted to the Senate last December."

The fact is, there is a wide spread feeling that Senator Teller has been a very corrupt man and that his administration of the Interior Department should have a searching investigation.

THE bill which recently passed the House for pensioning the soldiers and sailors of the Mexican war is said to be entirely satisfactory to the survivors of that memorable conflict, and as to the justice of the measure, tardy though it be, there can be no question. Estimates differ as to the number of pensionable persons under this act, and of course as to the amount which the Treasury will be called on to expend. During the debate on it in the House it was stated that between $4,000,000 and $5,000,000 a year would cover all the demands, but Colonel Kenady, of the *Vedette*, puts his figures way below the estimates of the Pension Office, and is confident from his wide knowledge of the subject that there are not many over 10,000 survivors, and that the expenditure would fall considerably under $1,500,000 a year. The number, it should also be remembered, is fast diminishing, their average age being about 65 years. It will be of interest to know in this connection that there are ten of the Mexican veterans in the present Congress—Messrs. Maxey, Logan, Colquitt and George in the Senate, and Messrs. Viele, Forney, Morrison, Wolford, Throckmorton and Negley in the House.

NO OTHER business is compelled to do so much for nothing as the newspapers. Even the rankest advertisements are handed in at the business office with the request to publish. "It is news," "many persons will be interested," or "it won't cost you anything" are the usual excuses. And the men who thus impose upon the papers are rarely patrons of them in any shape. When they declare that "it won't cost us anything," we wonder if they take into consideration the fact that printers are high-priced, skilled workmen; that pressmen command high wages; that type, ink, presses and paper cost money, that rent is no small item and fuel not to be sneezed at. All these items of expense make every square inch in a newspaper worth just so much money. The space that is not filled with real news must all be charged for, and it requires as much assurance to walk into a printing office and "sponge" on its space as it would for a man to walk into a grocery store and ask for a pound of coffee or a pound of sugar.

THE Brooklyn *Times'* Washington correspondent says that upwards of one hundred Democratic members of the House who are opposed to the President's silver policy have agreed to issue an address to the voters of the country to be distributed prior to the coming Congressional elections, in which they will take strong ground against the Administration's silver policy. The address will be printed by the thousand and distributed in every Congressional district where advocates of silver predominate. The Democratic party is strong enough and honest enough to disclaim any policy mistakenly enunciated by the President. They expect from the President a pure, statesmanlike, honest administration of the affairs of the Nation. When it comes to enunciating doctrines the Executive is simply an individual; the party will do that through its conventions. The great mass of the Democratic party is for silver.

MR. POWDERLY, the chief of the great order of the Knights of Labor, though prostrated upon a sick bed, has come out of the contest with Gould in a way that is very creditable to his capabilities as a diplomat and a manager. There is no man in the country who holds a position requiring more tact and cool judgment than does that of Mr. Powderly. His uniform success is strong evidence that he is the right man in the right place. If the rank and file of the order will sustain him he will place the Knights upon a plane of usefulness higher than even the most enthusiastic follower now dreams of. The terrible strain upon his system has prostrated him, and he is at his home in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Not only members of the order, but all true friends of labor will hope for his speedy and his complete recovery.

THE Canadian fishery question is forcing itself upon the attention of our statesmen and none too soon, either. The Dominion has been playing "fast and loose" upon this subject quite long enough. The time has come when the United States should take a decided position. It may be that Great Britain holds this country in some contempt, but on several occasions in the past the Lion dropped its tail when our "wooden hulls" were being placed in "battle array." England is hardly in condition, financially or otherwise, to deny America an act of justice. Let the demand be made and let it be insisted upon.

THE Democratic City Primaries will be held on Tuesday next, between the hours of 3 and 7 o'clock p. m. The hours have been so arranged that every workingman in the camp may have an opportunity of attending the primaries, to the end that every Democrat may be able to express his sentiments at the polls. The Convention has been enlarged to thirty-two members, and the Committee has been most careful that the Convention should not be "a cut and dried" affair, but give voice to the great body of the Democracy of Butte. The Convention will be held on Saturday, April 24.

THE report that Secretary Manning has definitely decided to retire from the Cabinet will not occasion any surprise. His physical condition has been such as to preclude any idea that he should return to his desk; his very life seemed to be in the balance. Should his life be spared, it would, indeed, be a graceful act to send him to some congenial clime as a national representative.

IT was a very frigid day for the New York Aldermen of 1884, yesterday. The bulk of them spent the day in jail. It looks, too, as if they should receive their just dues they would remain there for the balance of their natural lives. Satan will take care of them in the other life.

VERY IMPORTANT ARRESTS.

A Band of Montana Counterfeiters Overhauled and in the Clutches of the Law.

With Butte as a Headquarters they Deluged this Section with Spurious Small Coins.

Something About the Discovery and Work of the Gang---Full set of Tools Found.

For some time past there has been circulated through this section of the country, especially in Butte, Helena, Deer Lodge, Anaconda and Glendale, a large amount of spurious coin, of various denominations. So general was the evil that the attention of the officials was directed to it, and after an examination they concluded that a gang of expert counterfeiters were plying their vocation with Butte as their headquarters. This point settled, the next thing was to run them down. To this end the local officers went zealously to work, and were, it is said, soon reinforced by a member of the secret service force of the United States Treasury. About two months ago Sheriff Sullivan became satisfied that he had found the parties who were guilty of uttering the coin, but he was not certain as to who was the manufacturer or where the work was being done. A watch was put on the suspected parties and

ONE OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICERS

went so far as to make friends with the gang and to a certain degree get into their confidence. In the meantime the city force had got on and Marshal Stoner, Chief Meiklejohn and the officers were all on the lookout. About this time a United States warrant was sworn out before Justice Nichols, to be ready for use when required. However so anxious were the officers not to "flush the game" that it was not used until last Thursday. During this interim the watch was kept up and it was ascertained that the headquarters of the suspects was in a small cabin on Wyoming street between Broadway and Park. About this time it is said that the Sheriff's man had become so well acquainted with some of the gang that he furnished them with certain gold coins from which to make impressions and also informed them where a furnace could be obtained. Be this as it may, surely they had the

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for counterfeiting. For some reason the band got frightened and suspicious and suddenly moved their quarters. For a day or two the trail was lost, and when it was caught up with the men were discovered to be occupying a loft over a warehouse on Wyoming Street between Park and Gelena, a moveable ladder serving as stairs. By this time it was known that there were seven or eight in the party and the object was now to get them together and catch them at work. The wait was a weary one, and it was finally decided to make a decoy, but the delay had been dangerous, for another move had taken place and the headquarters established in a cabin further south, which the officers were

NOT LONG IN DISCOVERING.

During this time the band had not been together for a single day. Singly or doubly they would get out of town for a day or two and then return. The officers were satisfied that the men did not suspicion they were being watched and that the several removes had simply been made from the natural fear that men engaged in so hazardous a business in so large a city would feel. As there did not seem to be any fair prospect of a general haul it was finally decided to begin the arrests and trust to luck. Accordingly on Thursday last, Marshal Stoner and Chief Meiklejohn made themselves rather numerous about town and after a general look found in prominent saloons and

ARRESTED

Harry Parker, Thomas Hale, and two others, McConnell and Slover whose first names could not be ascertained. The men were taken to the County Jail at once, but it is not known whether any of the counterfeit money was found on their persons or not. On being placed in the cells, three of the men maintained a defiant demeanor but Parker rather mournfully remarked, "This is hell, aint it," and since his incarceration he has been downcast and fretful. Among the papers found on one of the quartette, was a recipe for electrotyping coin, and several formulas for amalgamation. After the arrests a raid was made on the cabin of the gang, and in it were found a set of dies for coins of all denominations from a five-cent nickel to a $20 gold piece, and quite a quantity of spurious coin, mostly five-cent pieces, halves and dollars. Both the

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were taken charge of by the officers, and both are being held in the same mysterious manner that characterized the conduct of the law breakers. Among the facts learned by THE MINER which are relied upon to convict, in addition to the possession of the tools is the passing of certain coins in various places in the city, all of which can readily be traced to the gang. One of the places is the Cosmopolitan saloon of Chris. Hoerchner, where quite a number of 5-cent silver pieces were exchanged for beer, and in time paid out to the proprietor of the Broadway Bakery, and were subsequently secured by the Chief of Police, as were a number of other coins that were uttered in in various quarters.

OTHER ARRESTS.

The initial having been thus taken it became necessary to find the runaways. The utmost secrecy was observed in regard to the arrests for fear that the accomplices would get wind of it and make their escape. A portion of the gang were located in Helena, and thither Deputy Sheriff Roberts was despatched in search of them. His orders were for the arrest of three men, Squire Waddles, Frank Wilson, and one Snyder. Sunday night last Waddles was captured and it is reported that Monday Snyder also fell into the clutches of the law. Wilson who appears to have been smarter than the rest either made his escape or is well hid in the city. The names of the remainder of the gang have not been made public and it is doubtful whether they are known to the officers. Waddle, whose arrest was chronicled by a Helena special to THE MINER, was found in a saloon in that city and

TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

by Marshal Halford and turned over to Roberts. He was brought to this city yesterday and lodged in the county jail. On his person were found a number of keys, 25 cents in cash, and a lot of private papers. Among others a letter of a recent date from Harry Parker in Butte. It was purely personal in character and in it no reference was made to the scheme in which they are alleged to have been engaged. About the man Snyder there is still a mystery. He is supposed to have been arrested in Helena, and brought to this city on the charge of being one of the gang, but instead of being taken to the county jail he was locked up in the city jail and no information regarding him could be obtained from any source, especially from the officers. However he is locked up and is liable to be for some time.

THE PRISONERS

are all men who are more or less known in this city and section. Waddles formerly kept a saloon in Helena on Bridge street, but whether he ever engaged in any legitimate business in Butte is not known. McConnell and Parker were at one time in the wood hauling business in this city and subsequently kept a saloon on lower Main street. They were men who enjoyed a fair reputation. Hale it is stated was connected with the two latter in the wood business, but since that time is not known to have done anything honest. Slover and Snyder are without biographies, so far as THE MINER could ascertain. The men are in the clutches of the law and will probably be held until the other supposed accomplices are arrested, or until the lawyers, if they have any, find a way of getting them out.

THE COUNTERFEITERS.

What Is Thought of the Arrests -- Mr. Scallan to Represent the Government.

Yesterday the publication in THE MINER of the arrest of an organized band of counterfeiters in this city was a general topic of conversation. The general public was surprised at the audacity of the gang in carrying on their illegal business in what might be called the heart of the city, and those who knew several of the parties were amazed that they should have been induced to engaged in so hazardous a scheme. Chief Meiklejohn feels offended that the publication should have been made, as he claims that it was premature and may in some way aid in defeating the ends of justice by giving warning to those of the gang not yet captured. In this view of the case THE MINER differs with the Chief. The first arrests have been made nearly one week, and it is only reasonable to assume that confederates in other sections heard of it soon after. In the East the detective corps of all the large cities have long since abandoned the idea that

SECRECY AND MYSTERY

should cloud their operations. There is a natural comity between the detective and the police reporter and in exceptional cases news is suppressed for a day at the request of the officer and in the interest of justice, but never longer. The detective knows that no matter how close he may guard his secret or isolate his prisoner he cannot outwit the newspaper man, nor can he suppress a publication. As a result he much prefers that the public should have the straight story and he relates it himself for the journalist. In the same way some years ago it was considered a crime to publish the fact of a robbery for the rather curious reason that it would give warning to the thief, just as though the guilty party did not know that he had

COMMITTED A CRIME

and that the officers were endeavoring to find him. When James Irwin was made Chief of the New York Detective Corps, he saw the absurdity of the proposition and by his order the complaint book was thrown open for the inspection of the reporters, and his example was soon followed in all the large cities, and is in force to-day.

As THE MINER was compelled to gather its information regarding the arrests hap hazard and from various sources, one or two unavoidable mistakes crept in, the principal of which was in regard to the date of the arrest of the man Snyder. As a matter of fact he was arrested a day prior to any of the others and taken to the County Jail, where he remained for a day and was then taken to the City Jail. Another slight error was the statement that the coin passed at the Broadway bakery had been redeemed by the Chief. It was, of course unwittingly, passed out. With these exceptions the story as far it went was substantially correct. Among the incidents in connection with the affair the following are of interest:

INCIDENTS.

The man Thomas Hale served as a juror at the last term of the District Court.

McConnel and Parker came to this city from Oregon, and soon after engaged in the wood hauling business with officer Young of the police force. He says there was nothing in their conduct on which to base a suspicion that they were not fair men.

For a while Slover & Parker were in the blacksmithing business on Arizona street in a shop rented from Matt La Rouche who says they owe him $115.00 for work done for them previously.

MR. SCALLAN TO PROSECUTE.

The facts of the arrest must have reached United States District Attorney, Robert B. Smith, who is now attending court at Dillon, for yesterday Assistant District Attorney Scallan received the following telegram:

"Wm. Scallan: Please represent me at the preliminary prosecution of the counterfeiters as I am busy in court here." A better selection could not have deen made, for Mr. Scallan has been more or less familiar with the case since its inception.

MARSHAL STONER.

says that the facts as reported by THE MINER were substantially correct. That in the early days of the hunt he felt that secrecy was necessary and he feels very much chagrined that the Butte papers after having accommodated the officers by suppressing the item, should have been, so to speak, sold out by the brief notice which was telegraphed elsewhere. The Marshal has made up his mind that in the future the thing shall not again occur.

South Butte Dots.

The firemen will hold a meeting to-morrow night at the Knights of Labor hall.

Engineer George Palmer, wife and sister have taken up their residence at this place.

Conductor Tim Farrel brought in seventy-five passengers from the south yesterday.

Conductor West brought in another large lot of passengers from Garrison last evening.

Engines number 262 and 263 are expected to arrive, to-morrow, from Eagle Rock. They are reported to be daisies.

Engine No. 91 was sent on the road last week after being thoroughly overhauled. She is doing well and is as good as new.

Bennett Bros. are constantly receiving large consignments of hay, grain and flour. Their warehouse is kept full all the time.

Last evening the engineers held a large meeting and considerable business was transacted. Chief Engineer Hozlett presided.

It is to be hoped that Engine No. 193 will soon be able to leave the shop. This engine has been rebuilt almost from the wheels up.

Foreman Dave Wright has had the Round House & Machine Shop white-washed, which makes a big improvement in the looks of the place.

To-night Railroad Assembly of the Knights of Labor will meet at their Hall. A full attendance is requested by order of the Master Workman.

The Utah Northern will lay a steel rail between Anaconda and Stewart, a distance of nine miles, as soon as the rails arrive, which have been ordered.

Quite a number of the firemen are kicking at the large engines. They say they take lots of coal. They ought to fire one of the old camel-backs going up 140 foot grade.

Dick Chamberlain, at Eagle Rock, has send his friend Charlie Meisel a handsome New Foundland pup as a kind remembrance of his friendship. The latter values it very highly.

Mrs. Bowen, the lady who was burned out last fall, has reopened a boarding house in South Butte. Thirteen of her old boarders came back to her as soon as they knew she had opened up.

Mr. Stillwell visited South Butte and left for Pocatello last evening. He was lately appointed Master of Transportation of the Idaho Division with headquarters at Pocatello. He assumes his office on the 15th of the month.

The other evening a raffle was had at the Northwestern Hotel when Engineer Harry Francis walked off with the first prize, a handsome fur overcoat. It is about three sizes too large for him, but he says he will have a suit made out of the sleeves.

It is rumored that Engineer Orville Adams will get No. 262, one of the new engines which will be used on the Hill to the Anaconda mines, while Engineer Billy Brannan will be the other lucky man, as he will in all probability get No. 263.

Engines number 198 and 206 which were borrowed from the Denver & South Park Railroad have been ordered to Denver. The two new engines which are now at Eagle Rock will take their place. Engine No. 190 no doubt will be taken off the Hill and put to work on the Anaconda ore train.

Frank B. McKenna yesterday received a telegram from Louisville, Kentucky, apprising him of the death of his old aunt at that place. Her attorney advised him to send a power of attorney at once as he was one of the heirs to a large estate. Frank deserves this good luck as he is a hard worker.

Trying to Kick Into Jail.

Some time ago a Chinaman known as Davy Allen was arrested for keeping a "fence," and a large and miscellaneous lot of goods, known to have been stolen, were found on his premises. At the time he was fined $50 and costs which he paid and departed apparently satisfied with getting off so lucky. It would seem however, as though he was desirous of tempting fate for he was again arrested yesterday upon the confession of an accomplice charged with being one of a party who stole the trunk of a Chinawoman, not long ago. Two of the men are already in jail and a third one, Brown, was picked up Tuesday night by Marshal Stoner and Officer Ledford, and after a talk he told them the whole story of the robbery, declaring that the Chinaman, Ahrenholdt and Abbott, the men now in jail, took the trunk and he (Brown) accompanying them, proceeded to the bottoms where it was rifled. Davy was lodged in jail. He did not have a hearing yesterday.

Burglary and Robbery.

Sometime between 3 and 5 o'clock yesterday morning thieves effected an entrance into the saloon of McCormick & Hughes, on Upper Main street, by forcing in the rear door. After helping themselves to refreshments in the shape of liquors and cigars, they robbed the bar of a clock, a set of spoons and a small amount of cash. The rear room was then inspected, and in it was found a valise belonging to Mr. McKinney. This was opened and a prayer book and a lot of letters taken out and left on the floor, and the valise and its other contents captured. In addition a box of fine tools were also carried off. There is no clue to the perpetrators of the crime.

BUTTE CITY COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting Last Night--Considerable Important Business Transacted.

The Council met at the City Hall last evening in regular session. Mayor H. L. Frank presided. Present: Alderman Grix, Beal, McMillan, Rickards, Pinkham, Leland and Brannagan. The minutes of the meeting of March 19, were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report to April 14, shows:

Balance from last report	$ 11,572.85
Collected from licenses	1,322.75
Tax collections	31.77
Police Magistrate	185.55
Total	$ 13,122.92
Amount of checks paid out	3,259.41
Balance on hand	$ 9,858.51

The report of the Police Magistrate from March 10, to April 14, was read and placed on file. He reported the amount of collections during the past month at $185.55. Marshal Stoner asked for the confirmation of special officers Buckley and Carrol. The Council confirmed them unanimously.

Upon motion of Alderman Rickard the regular order of business was suspended to take up reports from special committees.

The committee appointed to adjust the differences in the Fire Department made the following report which was adopted unanimously:

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

BUTTE, April 14, 1886.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Your committee appointed to investigate the cause of discord between the City Fire Department and Butte Fire Brigade, and suggest if practicable a plan for their consolidation beg leave to report:

First, we find the rumors of discord greatly exaggerated, and if any exists at all the causes are more imaginary than real and we believe what little misunderstanding there has been will be amicably adjusted without any assistance from this body.

Second, in our judgment it is impractible if not impossible to attempt to bring about anything like a consolidation, we submit the following as the reasons for our conclusions:

The Butte Fire Brigade was the original fire company and for years was the only organization of the kind in the city. The property held by them was purchased and paid for by assessments upon the individual members with the exception of small amounts paid by public contributions, and hence it has become their private property which they claim to be worth about $4,000.

It does not appear to your committee that it would be either just or practicable to ask them to give their property to the city, and most certainly the city finances will not admit of its purchase. We would therefore recommend that this body continue the wise and just policy of paying all expenses incurred by the Butte Fire Brigade incident to cleaning and repairing their apparatus. Respectfully,

J. E. RICKARDS,
ROBT. GRIX,
A. A. MCMILLAN.

RENOVATING THE CITY HALL.

Alderman Grix, from the special committee on repairing the City Hall, reported that all work had been contracted for after advertisement, and that it had been done to the satisfaction of the committee. The bills as approved were as follows:

S. D. Martin	$345.00
Heesch, Ellenbeck & Co	138.00
E. Hartman	18.00
W. R. Kenyon & Co	14.47
A. K. Lewis	9.00
E. L. Bonner & Co	90.32
Total	$614.79

These and several other bills reported by the Finance Committee were ordered to be paid.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

The Committee on Water, in connection with City Engineer Harper, submitted a report on the feasibility of constructing a reservoir, with an estimate of the probable cost of the same. On motion of Mr. Rickards the committee were directed to advertise for proposals for the construction of the reservoir and the laying of a main for fire purposes.

The regular order of business was resumed, and Mr. Pinkham from the committee on streets, alleys and bridges said that the papers had been saying a great deal about the cleaning of alleys, etc. There was much reason for the complaint as the committee had at their disposal but three carts and men, and with such a force it was impossible to keep up with the repairs and the other work necessary to be done.

DRAINS AND CULVERTS.

Alderman Brannagan, from the Committee on Drains and Sewers, made a report and were instructed to contract for the work on Utah street at a cost of $7 per foot, and for a culvert on Copper street at a less price.

REGISTRATION.

The City Attorney was directed to advertise in all the city daily papers that there would be an entire new registration, the books to be kept open for a