

LOCAL NEWS.

From the Daily Herald of September 8. Death of James Weir.

For some time the friends of Mr. James Weir, of Helena, who had been lying dangerously ill at White Sulphur Springs, had despaired of his life.

Mr. Weir had been a patient sufferer from chronic rheumatism which finally concentrated in one of his legs rendering amputation necessary, whenever the condition of the patient would permit.

Mr. Weir was a native of Scotland and was a man of fine education, having qualified as a physician at one of the eminent Universities of Glasgow.

From transacting the drug business in California he started out in the new Eldorado in Montana with a stock of drugs in wagons.

He was a bachelor in the prime of life and esteemed for his many personal and social qualities.

His remains were brought to Helena yesterday morning by rail and deposited in a costly casket and guarded in the Masonic Temple until 10 o'clock to-day, when his funeral took place.

Father Palladino and the Black Feet.

It was with a heart full of joy that Father Palladino announced yesterday to the Cathedral congregation that his late visit to the Blackfeet nation had been crowned with success, so far as rescuing some fifty little Indian boys and girls from starvation and suffering.

Excursion to the Yellowstone Park.

S. G. Fulton, General Agent of the Northern Pacific railroad, has arranged for another excursion to the National Park where visitors can avail themselves of round trip tickets good for ten days.

Down the Missouri.

Excursionists who want to visit the grandest scenery in the Rocky Mountains will be glad to know that Judge Hilger is prepared with two boats to carry parties from ten to twenty-four miles down through the "Gate of the Mountains," over the loveliest water-way in the world.

Masonic Temple.

Mathias & Heinlein, architects, were the successful competitors for the award of \$250 for approved plans for the new Masonic Temple and are thereby the supervising architects.

Messrs. Hahn & Wirth have been awarded the stonework of the basement and first tier of joists. After the largest excavation ever made in Helena of earth and rock work under the indomitable energy and perseverance of John Hill and his hard-working lieutenants, it is ready for the stone-masons and stone-cutters.

From the Daily Herald of September 9. CYRUS W. FIELD.

The Great Projector and Principal Owner of the First Atlantic Cable Visits Helena.

Yesterday, by invitation of Mr. Field, S. T. Hauser, W. F. Sanders, and L. D. McCutcheon and wife made a pleasant party to Wickes, where they examined the works and mines of the Helena Mining and Reduction works.

Mrs. Lindley expressed herself as delighted and surprised at the gorgeous display of the handiwork of the ladies at Floral Hall. Returning to their special car in the evening Mr. Field was visited by several of the leading citizens before the arrival of the train from the east at 8 o'clock.

The Handsome Thing.

To the Editor of the Herald. HELENA, M. T., September 9, 1884. Having been mentioned as a candidate before the approaching Republican County Convention for the office of Sheriff of Lewis and Clark county, I take this opportunity to thank my friends for their voluntary offers of support and to withdraw my name in favor of Mr. David H. Churchill, who was the candidate of the party at the last election, and who, in the opinion of many, was elected to that office.

Married.

We acknowledge the receipt of cards announcing the marriage, September 3d, in Southington, Connecticut, of Wyllys A. Hedges and Ida S. Beach. Mr. Hedges is a son of Judge Cornelius Hedges, a bright young man of college study, of honest character, of industrious habits, who has here in Montana a pastoral home with such comfortable surroundings as are calculated to make a young couple about entering upon married life contented and happy.

John R. Drew & Co.

The old and well-known Millen boot and shoe store has been purchased by John R. Drew and Matt. Carroll, to be conducted under the firm name of John R. Drew & Co. These gentlemen need no introduction to the Montana public.

Death of Amos Goyotte.

The death of Amos Goyotte, which took place at the house of his brother, on the West Side, on Sunday evening, was not unexpected. Amos Goyotte was a miner in Montana from a very early day, and when the Cour d'Alene stampede took place last year he was among the first to enter the gold fields of Prichard creek.

Death of Ernest L. Biggs.

Ernest L. Biggs, a brother of S. A. Biggs, of Helena, died yesterday afternoon at the Sisters Hospital after a lingering illness. Mr. Biggs was a young man of fine business attainments and had been a clerk in the store of Messrs. Raleigh & Clarke.

On the Sick List.

Alex. H. Beattie is ill and confined to his room. His left lung is much affected from a gunshot wound received during the war, and a surgical operation may have to be resorted to by him.

Mr. M. A. Meyendorff, who some months since was seriously ill, has had a relapse and for several days has been confined to his room. As melter for years of the U. S. Assay Office his physical endurance has been severely tested and his health impaired.

A Fine Quartz Specimen.

Mr. M. T. Williams, of Gallatin county, showed us to-day a beautiful specimen taken from the Daisy lead, located near Cooke City, and owned by Maj. Armstrong. It is thickly studded with wire gold and brittle silver.

From the Daily Herald of September 10. THE PIONEERS OF MONTANA.

One Hundred of the "Boys of '64" Meet at the Court House

And Take Preliminary Steps for Permanent Organization.

The most important meeting of the Pioneers of Montana that has ever assembled for twenty years, occurred at the court house in this city to-day. It was a "picnic" for the old-timers. About one hundred were present, gathered together from all parts of Montana, and many were the cordial grasps of hands by friends who had not met before for many years, and some who had not seen each other since the exciting and trying days of '63 and '64 in Alder Gulch.

The meeting was called to order at 10 o'clock by Sam'l T. Hauser, who nominated as President, Hon. James Ferguson, of Meagher County, who was unanimously elected.

Upon taking the chair, Mr. Ferguson said: GENTLEMEN: Twenty-two years ago to-day I crossed the place where Helena now stands in company with David Bentley. With the exception of some agency buildings on Sun River and two or three half-breed cabins where Deer Lodge now stands, there was not a house between Benton and the Bannock mines.

The first race was a running race of a three-quarter mile dash for \$250, won by Lady Prentiss—time 1:20. The second race was trotting for a \$300 purse, and was won in three straight heats by Lotta Thorn. Time, 2:41; 2:40; 2:35.

The first race was a mile dash for \$300. Only two flyers started, Hundley & Prentiss's Red Boy, and Noah Armstrong's Hermine. Red Boy won the race. Time, 1:46. The Montana Derby was the next race for three-year-olds, one and a half miles, for \$50 each and \$500 added.

The second, third and fourth heats were won by Nellie Russell; Lullie W. second; Happy Jack third, and Dixon fourth. Time, 2:43; 2:41; 2:41. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

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REPUBLICANS may now reasonably count on 20,000 majority for their Presidential ticket in Maine.

TERRITORIAL FAIR.

Fifteenth Annual Exhibition.

Delightful Weather for the Opening of Fair Week.

The attendance yesterday at the Fair Grounds was very considerable for the opening day. The overhanging clouds with opening breaks of sunshine tempered the atmosphere to a delightful temperature, with just enough of a bracing air and hazy shadows to announce that the melancholy days have come.

The opening day was propitious of a successful week for the Fair. The dust was laid and the roads and race course were in capital condition. At 2 o'clock the Helena Turn Verein Band announced the opening of the Fair by some of their stirring airs from a band wagon which paraded the streets before starting for the exhibition grounds.

The exhibition of live stock, though not extensive, is very good in fine cattle, sheep and hogs. The exhibition of thoroughbred horses is very large, unusually so, and very fine.

Tuesday, the second day of the Fair, so far as attendance is concerned, was a decided improvement on the first day. The weather, though cool and cloudy, was brightened by occasional glimpses of sunshine which made it upon the whole enjoyable and exhilarating.

The races attracted a great crowd to the Grand Stand who watched with much interest the exciting contest for the purses in running and trotting.

The first race was a trotting race of the 2.50 class, in which there were five contestants: Charles Russell's Nellie Russell; J. W. Montgomery's Lullie W.; J. H. Durgin's Happy Jack; Plummer's James Dixon, and Raymond's Ebony. In the pools Lullie W. and Nellie Russell alternated for favorite.

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FLORAL HALL. It is to be a contract for a newspaper reporter to do justice to without several days' hard labor, which cannot be perfected before the last of the week.

IN THE CATTLE DEPARTMENT. Messrs. Kohrs and Bielenberg exhibit 22 head of thoroughbred Durham bulls, cows, heifers and calves, a noble set of animals indeed and pictures to look at.

Major E. G. Brooke, of Whitehall, Montana, contributes fifteen head of Angora goats that have curly, silken fleeces as white as snow. The introduction of this valuable animal into this country will no doubt furnish an excellent cross for our native sheep and give character to Montana for long wools of fine fiber.

There was an attendance of about two thousand at the Fair grounds this afternoon. The weather was agreeable, the sun shining brightly, and the atmosphere warmer than on previous days.

The Salt Lake mare, "Lullie W.," who in yesterday's 2:50 race did some good trotting, and who appeared to be able to do much better, was to-day entered by her nominal owner, J. W. Montgomery, of Salt Lake for the 2:40 class.

The judges hearing the facts promptly ruled the mare from the track. Montgomery was fined \$100 by the Association.

The race for the 2:40 trotting class, for a purse of \$400, was called at 4:15. The entries were: Nellie Russell, b m, owner, Chas. Russell; Happy Jack, b g, owner, J. H. Durgin; Lottie Thorn, b m, owner, N. Armstrong; Maxim, b h, owner, Alex. Cochran; James Dixon, b g, owner, A. Plummer.

The Merchants' National Bank of Helena received last night from the Drum Lummum mine six bricks of bullion amounting to \$16,000. This is the second shipment received from that famous mine since the starting of the sixty stamps in their new mill.

IN THE HOME DEPARTMENT. The display of delicious cakes, confections, and luxuries in the Home Department will impress every beholder with a desire to be on the tasting committee, and every young gentleman with a craving to load it over the luxuries of her own creation at the table of their daily bread.

TOWN AND TERRITORY.

Butte has a strong delegation in the city with Sheriff Irwin as peace officer at their head. The Old Timers are in town in force and to-day hold the first session of their some time appointed love feast.

The register book for signatures of Old Timers will be in the Press Headquarters at the fair grounds and in the mornings at the Cosmopolitan hotel during Fair week.

Gans & Klein are in receipt of their fall and winter suits, overcoats, ulsters, boys' and children's suits, fur and buffalo overcoats, imported and domestic underwear, novelties in scarfs and ties, Knox and Stearns hats, hand-sewed boots and shoes, and seal caps in all styles.

The funeral of the late James Weir, this morning, was conducted by King Solomon Lodge No. 9, A. F. & A. M., of which lodge the deceased was a member.

—James King, of Butte, is in the city. —N. Sweetland, is in the city from the Rocky Gap ranch. —Hon. W. Y. Pemberton, of Butte, is in the city from the West Side.

—Charles L. Dahler, one of the prosperous mine owners of Montana, returned to Helena last evening. —H. C. Davis, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the Northern Pacific railroad, is in the city to-day.

—Thomas Baker, editor of the Madisonian, is in the city to take in the Fair and to attend the Old Timers' meeting at the court house to-morrow.

—Ashley D. Harger, correspondent of the Chicago Times, after a travel of four thousand miles around through Oregon and California, returned to Helena this morning en route home.

—Jesse A. Armitage who has been east on a trip of business and pleasure combined, returned home last night. He says the general business outlook in the States is brighter and the prospects for a lively fall trade are good.

—Madison County is represented already by a delegation of her people, among whom are noted Hon. Richard O. Hickman, Alden J. Bennett, of the banking house of Hall, Harrington & Co., Judge Williams and family, Thomas Baker, of the Madisonian, E. F. Johnson, Miss Mary McKay, J. H. Baker, and Mr. Raymond, of Raymond Bros. Others from the same direction are expected to-morrow.

Hard on the Democrats.

Hearing that James Ferguson was in from eastern Meagher county, our reporter interviewed him, with the following result: Reporter.—I understand you have been shooting and hanging horse thieves in your part of the county. Can you give me any facts about it?

Ferguson.—There must be some mistake about these reports. They probably originated in this way: Friends in our county wanted my name as a candidate for the Legislature. Looking over the political field, I found the Democrats had a majority of about forty. So I got my friend Granville Stuart to believe they were horse thieves.

Reporter.—Didn't Granville know he was killing his friends and reducing the Democratic majority? Ferguson.—He did not think of it at the time. When he found it out it nearly killed him. He has been sick ever since and will probably never get completely over it. Good day.

County Commissioners of the Territory. At the convention of County Commissioners at Helena in July last there not being a full attendance they adjourned to meet at Helena on the 12th of September.

Huntley & Clarke's Stable. The following list of thoroughbreds of Huntley & Clarke are on exhibition and entered for premiums:

THOROUGHBREDS. Carrie B, b f, one year, by Northland, dam Ruth Revenue by Ready Money. GENERAL PURPOSES. Maxim, b s, nine years, by Alexander Belmont, dam Primrose by Alexander Abballah.

Drum Lummum, blk s, two years, by Ben Lomond, Jr., dam Cardinal Maid by Cardinal. River Side Patchen, blk s, one year, by Mambrino Patchen, dam Bell Dair by Ward's Flying Cloud.

Phoenix, Arizona, Sept. 9.—C. P. Head was to-day nominated by the Democrats for Delegate to Congress.

LIST OF LETTERS. Remaining in the Post Office at Helena, Lewis and Clarke County, Montana Territory, on the 10th day of September, 1884. When called for please say "advertised."

MARRIED. NORRIS—RODDA.—In Helena, Montana, September 4th, 1884, at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Chas. Rinder, Wm. Norris to Miss Ida May Rodda, Rev. T. V. Moore, of the Presbyterian church, officiating.