

MAYOR ELDRIDGE RESIGNS OFFICE

Action was Necessitated by a Recommendation From the Land Office Department.

PRESIDENT SYMMES WILL ACT

The Mayor's Place Will Be Taken by the President of the Council—Close of Efficient Service.

L. W. Eldridge yesterday afternoon tendered to the city clerk his resignation as mayor of the city of Lewistown, the sudden action being in accordance with the instructions from the general land office which states that no U. S. official shall hold a state, county or municipal office. Mr. Eldridge being receiver of the land office here, was therefore compelled to resign his municipal office as soon as he received the order.

The resignation takes effect at once and Councilman W. D. Symmes who is president of the council will perform the duties of the mayor's office until the municipal election in the spring. The council very much regret to lose the mayor from their deliberations as he has always taken a five interest in everything pertaining to the city's government.

The office of mayor is not only unremunerative but has grown to be an exacting one in Lewistown and during his incumbency, Mayor Eldridge has performed every duty in a prompt painstaking and conscientious manner. Mr. Symmes upon whose shoulders the duties now fall is also thoroughly alive to the best interests of the city and will perform his newly imposed duties in a manner profitable to the municipality and creditable to himself.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the name of the McDonald Creek Coal company has been changed to the Lewistown Coal company.

The Word "Marmalade."
The word "marmalade" is apparently derived from the Portuguese marmelo, a "quince," which, again, is from mid-Latin malomellum, Greek melinon, "honeyapple," or "sweet apple." The word is at least as old as the reign of Henry VIII. The following sentence occurs in a letter from that monarch: "He most heartily thanketh her good ladyship for her marmarlio," which by a comparison of other letters was apparently made of quinces.

Anne Basset, Lady Lisle's daughter, gives the name "codliniac" to her mother's dainty. Her letters giving the account of the presentation of the said marmalade to the king and relating how he desired a repetition of the same as soon as might be have been printed more than once.—Pearson's.

Animals Which Rarely Drink.
Naturalists have discovered many animals which seem to have no water or which drink only at rare intervals. There is a certain breed of gazelles which never drink, and the llamas of Patagonia live for years without taking water. There is a particular class of cattle near Losere, in France, that rarely touches water, but in spite of this fact these cattle give milk of a rich quality, from which excellent cheese is made. Many naturalists have the theory that hares do not drink or that water is not a necessity for them, and that the dew on the grass is sufficient for their needs.

Sir Andrew Clark's Aphorisms.
The late Sir Andrew Clark, who was Mr. Gladstone's physician, made use of the three following aphorisms during a conversation with Miss Frances Willard: "Labor is the life of life." "Ease is the way to disease." "The highest life of an organ lies in the fullest discharge of its functions." There is a feast of food for reflection in these three sentences.

His Idea.
Wall Street—So your son is studying law. Do you expect that he will stick to it? Speculator—Oh, no; I just want him to know enough about it so that he will be able to evade it successfully.—Detroit Free Press.

Quite Engaging.
"She is a very sweet girl."
"Why, the heartless flit had promised to marry four different men."
"Well, that's what I mean; her manners are most engaging."

Knew the Worst.
Keeper of the Gates—Aren't you afraid of what the recording angel's book may show? Spirit—No; on earth I had a candid friend.—Smart Set.

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MINING COMPANY INCORPORATED

The Cumberland Gold Mining Company of Lewistown the Latest to Be Formed.

COMPANY BACKED BY GOOD MEN

Oscar Stephens, Peter Rosso and Well Known Eastern Parties Interested in the Enterprise.

The articles of incorporation of the Cumberland Gold Mining Company of Lewistown were filed with Secretary of State Hays last Friday. The company has a paid up capital stock of \$300,000 and the men who are behind it give it an air of solidity and absolute responsibility. Oscar Stephens has subscribed \$10,000 of the stock and the remaining \$200,000 has been subscribed by Peter Rosso of Maiden and R. M. Calkin of Chicago. H. H. Field of Chicago and C. H. McNeider of Mason City are also named as directors in the company.

The property of the new company comprises the Cumberland group located near Maiden. Peter Rosso has been prospecting on the ground for several years and on the Cumberland claim has opened up a large body of ore. Hundreds of dollars worth of work has been done on the ground and experienced mining men are now of the opinion that the showings will justify a cyanide mill.

KENDALL NEWS.

Geo. Wentworth who has been at Oklahoma for the past two months, has returned to Kendall.

A. Mansell and John Hogi were out from Lewistown last Monday.

E. O. Busenburg made a business trip to Kendall, Tuesday.

M. J. Gosche was over from Maiden, Friday.

Will McLean was out from Lewistown last week.

P. J. Carter of Helena and B. L.

Monahan of Butte registered at the Shaules hotel on Tuesday.

George Wunderlin and John McGee drove to Lewistown Saturday morning.

T. J. Walsh of Helena is at the Shaules hotel.

N. J. Littlejohn and R. P. Graham of Lewistown were Kendall visitors last week.

Henry Francis, who got a rock in his eye on Friday, went to Lewistown to have the injured member treated.

Hon. E. W. King of Bozeman was in town last week, looking over his interests in this section.

Miss Margaret Durnen returned from a month's visit at Winston, last Thursday. During her absence Miss Durnen visited in Helena and Townsend.

Mrs. J. M. Luton, who was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Paul Smith returned to Lewistown Thursday.

Mrs. McGee of Butte arrived in Kendall last Wednesday and will remain here. Mr. McGee has been in Kendall for sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burke of Utica came to Kendall last Monday. They had with them a choice collection of sapphires from the Burke-Sweeney mine near Yogo. Mr. and Mrs. Burke came with a view of investing here in real estate. Mr. Burke has returned to Utica, but Mrs. Burke will remain a few days as the guest of Mrs. Kertz.

For something over a week a number of children, of the school and Sunday school, have been around with subscription papers and every one has been asked to contribute toward a Christmas tree. The children have been very successful in their efforts and on Christmas eve, a handsome tree will be lighted in Cook's hall.

The Basket Social, which was given on Tuesday night by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church was a pleasant affair and was a success financially. A program consisting of several musical numbers and recitations, was rendered. Afterwards, the lights in the hall were extinguished and the ladies who had brought baskets stood behind a curtain. The gentlemen bid upon the shadows, and each shadow proved to be very substantial and brought with her a fine lunch. The ladies realized about thirty dollars clear, from the baskets, and from the sale of aprons about thirteen dollars were cleared.

PINE GROVE NOTES.

It has been a few weeks since you have heard from our vicinity, but there is not any one on the sick list as far as we can learn.

The first snow of December caused the hunters to roam, and our last storm caused them to go home.

Mr. John Elliott of Pine Grove was in Lewistown a couple of weeks, being subpoenaed as a juror at this term of the district court.

Miss St. Germain of Pine Grove has accepted a position as governess for the four little children of Mr. Asbridge. Her friends wish her much success in her undertaking.

There have been several deer found dead in our neighborhood. They were wounded by sportsmen, who did not find them, and therefor the coyotes feasted on them.

What we would like to see in print in the Democrat are the prices of produce and poultry. [We will endeavor to give this information in the future.—Ed.]

Mr. Battams of Highfield has started for his home in England, where he expects to spend the winter.

Mr. Scott St. Germain of Gilt Edge is reported on the sick list, his sickness being caused by handling cyanide at the mines at that place. He was expected home last week.

Mr. Archie McLean of Pine Grove is erecting a new house on his ranch. The building will be as complete as it can be made out of logs. As it is located near the road, we will all keep watch and see if he will have a bride to cheer up his mountain home. We hope he may, as our neighbors are scarce.

Ore From the Maginnis Mine.

Ed Crabtree returned Thursday from Helena to which city he went two weeks ago with a carload of ore from the Maginnis mine. He states that of the 17 tons of ore which he took over, five tons averaged about \$260 a ton and the remaining 12 tons, \$75 a ton. It costs about \$20 a ton to get the ore from the mine to the smelter and have it smelted. Mr. Crabtree stated to the Democrat that regular monthly shipments of not less than 20 tons each will be made from this time on.

Don't forget that Surprenant, the sign writer, is doing business at the old stand.

WORST KIND OF POVERTY.

A Man May Have Plenty of Money and Yet Be Very Poor.

Much of what is called success is but the most vulgar kind of prosperity; it is the success of the brute faculties at the expense of the divine. To develop a few of one's brain cells, and these the lowest, by everlasting digging and grinding for money, to cultivate one huge gland which secretes nothing but dollars and the exclusive cultivation of which crushes out of life all the finer sentiments, all that is sweet and beautiful and worth while, makes a man as dry and barren as the great Sahara desert. He who follows this course cannot be rich, no matter how much money he may have. A man is rich when every faculty within him has followed his highest ideals, when he has pushed his horizon to its farthest limit.

A man is poor when he has lost confidence of his friends, when people who are nearest to him do not believe in him, when his character is honeycombed by deceit, punctured by dishonesty. He is poor when he makes money at the expense of his character, when principle does not stand clear out, supreme in his idea. When this is clouded he is in danger of the worst kind of poverty. To be in the poorhouse is not necessarily to be poor. If you have maintained your integrity, if your character stands foursquare to the world, if you have never bent the knee of principle to avarice, you are not poor, though you may be compelled to beg bread.—Orison Swett Marden in Success.

Struggling With the Language.

A story is told of a German teacher at an American girls' college who was not thoroughly acquainted with the English language and the college slang had not helped her in solving the puzzle. She had heard the girls talk about going off on larks. Returning one day from a picnic she said to some of the girls, "Oh, I have been on such a camary." She startled her class one day by complaining against some of the cold days of September, saying, "Why, it was so cold one day I had to stay in my room all the morning and sit with my feet over the transom trying to keep warm."

Salvation With Food.

Fourteen-year-old Emma, who had come home from her first day's schooling in elementary physiology, was questioned by her parents as to what she had learned.

"Papa," she complained, "I don't think I like physiology."

"Why not, my dear?"

"Well, teacher was explaining digestion to us today, and she said we had to mix salvation with every mouthful of food."—Harper's Weekly.

CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE

WE ARE prepared for it. Are you? Have you bought the Toys for the children? It would be impossible to mention all the attractive novelties we bought in New York, but come and see. Santa Claus will be at our store every evening this week from 7 to 9 o'clock. The children may tell him what they want for Xmas.

OVERCOATS, \$10.50



These are all wool and made in the latest style. Bath and Lounging Robes, Smoking Jackets, Fancy and White Vests, Ties, Shirts and everything in Men's Furnishings.

...Commencing...

December 27th

we will begin our

Annual Silk Sale

The ladies who were fortunate enough to be present at our last sale are the ones who will appreciate what our **Silk Sale** means. We will show Taffetas, Foulards, Chinas, Japans, Peau de Soies, Moires and all kinds of fancy silks. This is your chance.



1-4 Off--On All Ladies' Suits and Coats--1-4 Off

In order to make room for other lines, we are cleanig out our stock of **Carpets, Rugs and Mattings**. This is an opportunity the wise buyer will take advantage of.

TOYS FOR ALL

85c women's wrappers 85c

6c yd apron gingham 6c yd

7c yd Lockwood muslin 7c yd

8c yd outing flannel 8c yd

50c doz Clark's thread 50c doz

5c yd calico 5c yd

5 and 10c yd ribbon 5 and 10c

MEN'S ALL WOOL SUITS



This has proven such a winner that we have just received our second invoice this season. They are made by skilled workmen and not in a sweatshop.

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