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Down in Minnesota last week the thermometer indicated from 20 to 40 degress below zero, while here in Eastern Montana, people were working out doors in their shirt sleeves. Great country this.

The Rocky Mountain Husbandman, with its last issue, reached its eighth anniversary. We wish our contemporary the success in the future their past struggles to establish a good county paper, merits.

Down in Pennsylvania, a man, wife and three children were poisoned by eating Bologna sausage. When will people cease to hazard their lives by eating sausage and hash and fooling with "unloaded" firearms?

We are in receipt of the Bozeman Daily Chronicle, now three weeks old. It is a six column folio, neatly printed, and edited with ability. It is a credit to the city of Bozeman, and from the patrongage it is receiving looks as though its future was guaranteed.

ELECTION RETURNS.

The returns, as furnished us by L. Rotwitt, County Clerk, of 14 precincts, gives Power 254; Hundley 209; Cook 133; Fergus 236; Hasse 146; Gorham 206; Tierney 215; McClintock 304; with twelve precincts to hear from, that will probably give democratic majorities. As the election stands now in this county, Power, at large, Fergus and Haase, republicans, have small majorities, while McClintock democrat, leads the polls. It looks now as though the entire democratic ticket would be elected.

Throughout the territory, the result of the election, as near as is possible to ascertain, stands 30 democrats, 14 republicans, and 1 peoples.

DAILY MAIL.

We are in receipt of positive assurance from influential parties in a position to know, that if a petition for a daily mail is circulated in Maiden, Maginnis and along the route of the present tri-weekly line down to and including Junction City, and receives the support and attention that it should, there will be no trouble in securing this greatly desired change. This matter is of vital importance to every citizen here and along the route. Civilians and military officers at Maginnis, will further the movement to the best of their ability, and as a result a strong petition will be sent to the postal authorities.

We cannot afford to let this opportunity pass. The petition will be printed and circulated in a few days, and every man should, if necessary, put himself out, to get his name thereon. Let all work with a will for this most important change.

MINERAL IN LIMESTONE.

In one of our late issues we stated that mineral bearing limestone was to be found in several parts of this mining district. To this statement the editor of one of our Benton exchanges takes exceptions, and intimates that the editors of the ARGUS lack a certain degree of perfection in geological information, and that mineral in limestone is impossible. We are by no means surprised that exceptions should be taken to this statement, for, as a rule, and according to the best mineral and geological authorities, mineral of any quality does not exist in lime. But, in several, and particulary in this mining district, established rules and universally admitted authorities are decidedly in error.

Not only one, but several mining properties in this district, show limestone bearing FREE GOLD, a statement that will probably surprise some of the *well posted* mining editors of Montana, but nevertheless a fact beyond dispute. From one chimney we have procured limestone bearing sufficient free gold to pay one, at the least calculation, $10 a day to crush in a small iron mortar and wash out by hand. This chimney has been seen and examined by a number of old miners and mineral experts, and pronounced, not only a striking peculiarity, but immensely rich. What has our Benton brother to say to this?

Ere the advent of a newspaper in the Warm Springs Mining District, what was here, what development had been made or what the future outlook, was known by a very few, and considered by the territorial press in general to be of little moment. There is hardly a town in the territory, of note, but what has mining interest close or directly tributary to it, and the discovery and development of a rich mining district and rapid growth of a camp beyond its doors, not to be a factor in its growth, could be no gain to it, but quite the reverse, and in consequence but little was said about this district to its advantage and considerable to its detriment.

But the truth will prevail, and now that the outside world have a medium through which they can obtain the facts as regards the mineral resources of this district, interest is being manifested, not only throughout the territory, but the states, and with the advent of each day miners and capitalists arrive to look over the field and ascertain for themselves its merits. In no instance has anyone expressed disappointment, and experts invariably pronounce it the best surface showing they have ever seen.

When it is generally known throughout the country that the best assayists of America have pronounced the ore taken from one of the largest and most promising veins in the district to be TELLURIUM, the most skeptical will have to admit that the precious metals are here in abundance.

MONTANA NEWS.

The Livingston Enterprise has now become an evening paper.

Butte polled 1,129 votes on election day. Helena polled in the neighborhood of 400.

Fred Johnson has a petrified oyster, which he found on the reservation across the river. He proposes hiring it to church festivals.—Billings Post.

One hundred rattlesnakes were killed near Pierre, Dak., in one day lately. The whole population, men, women and children, must have 'em—River Press.

Miss Kitty Corson, the Meagher county shepherdess, is called the Sheep Queen. We presume when married she will have a littled lamb king, all to herself.—Courier. A kid, by Jove, a kid!

Paris Gibson, one of the best informed men in Choteau county, prophesies that, before the expiration of the present century the annual products of Montana will aggregate in value $125,000,000.

On Monday the election to decide whether or not Billings should incorporate was held. The defeat of the measure was a foregone conclusion, so but little interest was taken in the matter. At the close the vote stood 163 to 17.—Post.

The Billings artesian well is not striking it as rich as the Miles City bore. The Alkali City hole is now down 700 feet, at a cost of $2,000, and nearly as dry as a powder house. They propose going 1,200 feet before giving up the job.—River Press.

F. W. McAdow has admitted as a partner in his extensive business, E. B. Covely, who has been so long and favorably known as book-keeper of the establishment. The firm will be known as McAdow & Covely.—Billings Post.

A man named Sleighton, who worked during the summer for Hank Potter, went into the Crazy mountains hunting with two other men. On moving camp he agreed to meet them at a certain point, but failed. A party was out at last accounts in search of him.—Husbandman.

The Journal is in receipt of a telegram from the Stock Yards, Chicago, dated Nov. 14, in which it is stated that Col. Ellsway and his train of palace cattle cars arrived without mishap, and that they are a pronounced success. It will be remembered that the Journal, a short time since, gave an extended notice of these cars, and ventured the prediction that they would be satisfactory alike to the shipper and the cattle. The above telegram confirms our judgment. The cars will now be run regularly on the Northern Pacific road.—Yellowstone Journal.

Mr. J. W. Patrick, the veteran Montana boomer, has just returned from a prospecting trip from the Bear Paw and Little Rockies. He brings back some choice quartz from both localities, both gold and silver rock. The reports of a gulch in the Bear Paw that pans out invariably two cents to the pan for a distance of a mile and a half, looks as though it might be exagerated the least mite. But it is a well known fact that the mineral wealth of that country, especially the quartz ledges, is beyond estimation. If Uncle Sam will only allow the hardy prospector to invade these domains of the red man we could expect to hear of their "striking it rich" in a very short time.—River Press.

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