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MONTANA NEWS.

There are 1,338 patented mineral claims in the Butte district.

Benton is still agitating the question of building a flour mill at that point.

The man who robbed Power & Co., of Benton, of \$700 last week has not yet been caught.

The forthcoming history of Montana will consist of two volumes of about 1,000 pages each.

The Trout creek trail to Cœur d'Alene is being worked, and it will likely become a toll road.—Missoula Times.

Mr. King informs us that last evening the drill in the arcian well had attained a depth of 820 feet.—Billings Herald.

Hay is worth almost its weight in gold in some sections of the Territory. In Butte prime loose is plenty at \$18.—Miner.

Miles City has a saloon which flourishes under the attractive name of the Dog Ranch. The concern is supposed to deal in liquid hydrophobia.

Daniel Maxey recently sold his coal mine near Bozeman for \$20,000 to James R. Maxwell of Delaware who has accumulated a fortune in the Pennsylvania coal mines.

It is said that there have been over 200 deer killed in the Dry range, Meagher county this fall. A number of elk and bear have also been killed in the same hunting ground.

The most startling thing that has occurred at Cook City recently, was the birth of a child on the 17th inst., the mother, Julia Foster, being but eleven years and nine months old.

The solidity of banking interests in Montana is shown by the Governor's report to the secretary of the interior which shows the assets of Montana national bank to be \$7,280,253.35.

Governor Crosby has refused to pardon George W. Wells, convicted of burglary of Henry Elling's bank at Virginia City in 1879. Wells is serving out a ten-year sentence for the offence.

The Emma Bell and Adolphus mines, in Boulder District, owned by Butte parties, have been bonded to Charles Moore, in the interest of Eastern capital, for \$50,000.—Butte Miner.

The city is full of miners and prospectors who have come in to make their winter quarters at the metropolis. Many of them will strike the Cœur d'Alenes next spring.—Butte Miner.

The last train load of Montana cattle delivered in Chicago averaged 1,264 pounds each, and they sold at the top figures. The steers averaged \$6.25 per hundred pounds, and the others \$5.

Helena is said to be so dull that if a man perpetrates a joke he has to hire somebody to laugh at it. The people are too nearly scared to death to see the point of any kind of a pun.—Benton Record.

It is estimated that over 4,000 hunters are engaged in slaughtering deer and buffalo along the line of the Northern Pacific between Mandan and Livingston, Montana, and the game is fast disappearing.

In addition to the rich placer diggings in the Cœur d'Alenes, a three-foot quartz lead has been struck which does not need assaying to determine its value, as free gold is visible all through the rock.

The resources of the National banks of Montana is \$7,280,253.35, and the capital stock paid in amounts to \$1,175,000. The private banks of the Territory have a capital of \$400,000, and private deposits of 1,800,000.

D. H. Gilmore has returned from Marquette, Michigan, where he has succeeded in interesting some of the wealthy mining men of that region in Montana mining property. They propose coming out in the early spring to look the ground over and commence active mining operations.—Independent.

Ed. Smith, the freighter, is in the city. His teams have been kept busy the past summer hauling bulion from Barker to Donix, on the Northern Pacific. He reports some 3,000 bars yet at the smelter, which will probably be brought here for shipment by the boats next spring.—Benton Record.

The Northern Pacific have finally downed Backskin Jim, the hero of the Gardner's townsite muddle. It is said the patent for the land in dispute, on which Gardner is located, has been granted to the Northern Pacific. The probability is that the Park branch terminus will now be moved on from Cinnabar to Gardner.

Governor Crosby's Report.

Governor Crosby, in his report to the secretary of the interior, makes some interesting statements and recommendations. The indebtedness and assessable property, so far as reported, is shown by the figures which follow:

	Indebted.	Assess.
Dawson	\$ 27,233 30	\$ 2,225,000
Madison	84,290 00	2,500,000
Custer	301,452 07	6,000,000
Gallatin	76,900 00	4,000,000
Beaverhead	28,876 44	2,000,000
Silver Bow	19,000 00	6,200,000
Missoula	127,259 84	3,283,300
Yellowstone	7,728 66	1,500,000
Chouteau	103,000 00	2,000,000
Deer Lodge	38,366 99	3,000,000
Lewis and Clark	80,000 00	6,500,000
Jefferson	78,594 41	1,750,000
Meagher	39,402 12	5,000,000
Total	\$56,176 04	\$16,566,300

In his report the governor makes the following estimate of the number and value of cattle and sheep in Montana in October, 1883:

Number of cattle, 475,000, valued at \$30 per head, \$14,250,000.

Number of sheep, 700,000; value, \$3 per head, \$2,100,000.

Number of horses, 90,400, at \$75 per head, value \$6,780,000.

Twenty-five thousand head of imported breeds of cattle have been brought into the territory this year, also some of the finest racing and trotting stock.

MINING DEVELOPMENTS.

WARM SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Mining property in this district is daily increasing in value. It takes a good round price to buy mines from those who know their value.

The pump for the Collier mill has been at Junction City for some time. When it arrives we hope to see a resumption of rock crushing.

Some twelve men have been retained in the Collier mine. During the past week they have taken out some of the richest rock yet found in this mine.

The proprietors of the Montana and Oro Cache have a bonanza in these properties, and do not intend to let it pass from their possession too easy.

In the Kentucky Favorite, the property of Brainerd, Gardner & Co., development is going on with the most satisfactory results. This property is being surveyed for a patent.

The miners of this district who have completed the required amount of work necessary to secure a patent, would greatly benefit themselves by so doing at as early a date as practicable. It not only secures the locator and recorder against any possible chance of loss, but in case of a sale they are enabled to give a warranty deed, thus greatly increasing its saleable value.

CONE BUTTE DISTRICT.

There are some sixteen men at work on the several leads in this district.

Messrs. Dunton Bros & Co., the owners of the Alene, have on the dump over twenty tons of assorted ore, high grade, and over fifty tons of unsorted.

Creg Doughty's property, adjoining the Barron on the east, is developed by a tunnel twenty-three feet from surface, where a four foot body of ore is exposed showing copper silver-glanz. It is easy of reduction but will require flux.

Assessment work in this district is nearly completed, and some of the fortunate owners are making arrangements for patents. Such as have performed the required \$500 worth of work on their claims, will find a patent, not only a title that will protect their property but greatly enhance its value and sale.

The Barron is being rapidly developed. A double compartment shaft has been sunk to a depth of fifty feet and a tunnel run over forty feet. A six inch vein that cropped out on the surface has been followed in the tunnel, and at a distance of forty feet has widened out to four feet. The ore from this vein shows \$60 to the ton, (the lowest assay obtained), in gold and silver, while the ballion will carry 50 per cent. lead. It is free-smelting ore, requiring no flux to assist in its reduction.