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BOOMED MONTANA.

Pencil Pushers From Various Sections of Montana Get in a Good Word For the Treasure State.

[Helena Herald.]

The Denver papers rivalled those of Salt Lake in "writing up" the party of Montana editors who visited the Colorado metropolis. Both the News and Republican of Sunday devote two or more columns to the press gang, who reached Denver the night before.

The Republican publishes interviews with members of the party from nearly every section of the state, playing no favorites. Chance L. Harris and J. M. Quinn sing the praises of Butte; J. R. Faulds has something to say of the Bitter Root valley; Otto Schoenfeld puts in a good word for Great Falls; C. T. Shearer holds up the Helena end, while Henry Collins, Halsey Watson, E. P. Butler and others speak words of praise for their respective communities.

The party is expected to leave Salt Lake tonight for Montana, arriving here tomorrow evening at 8:05.

The interview with Charlie Shearer was as follows:

"Helena is steadily improving. We have a military post there with companies C and D of the Second Infantry, the post buildings haveing been erected at a cost of $350,000, while as much more is to be expended in enlarging it to a four-company post, with the probability that regimental headquarters will be established there. There has been a great rivival of gold mining about the city. A number of mills that have been closed down for years are now running, among them a 60-stamp mill for the Diamond Hill mines, 40 miles east of the city, which will start up next month. The mine was sold last year to a Scotch company for $2,000,000. It has a fine electric equipment and water power furnished by an immense dam across Crow creek, three miles from the mill. The mine has blocked out 2,000,000 tons of free milling ore, and has ore enough to feed the mill many years and is thought to be one of the largest free milling properties in the country.

"The Drum Lummon is working after a temporary shut down of the 120-stamp mill while exploration was being prosecuted. New ore bodies of lage size have opened, and the mill is now crushing ore, while a cyanide plant of 400 tons daily capacity is being put in by the Montana Mining company, which now owns the mine, for the treatment of the tailings This mill will be completed in two months. The tailings are rich and there is enough to last the mill 30 years.

"Placer mining is increasing in importance through the use of steam dredges, which have been so successful in the Bannock fields in the southern part of the state. The big dam over the Missouri to furnish power for the city will be completed this fall. It will furnish cheap electric power to Helena and the East Helena smelters. A federal building to cost $250,000 will soon be erected the site having been purchased; our agricultural resources are in a healthy condition, the smelters are all at work, some building is going on, and altogether Helena has nothing to complain of, notwithstanding the business depression, which has been felt there is common with other Western points."

Cattle and Sheep.

CHICAGO, July 2.—There was a fair Friday supply of cattle. The demand was about as good as it usually is so late in the week, and prices were barely steady at yesterday's quotations. Sales were on a basis of $3.75@5.75 for the poorest to the best native beef steers. Only a small percentage sold as high as $5, and sales were largely at $4.25@4.85. The best calves sold at $7. Stocker and feeder trade was not specially good, but the prices of smaller offerings firmed up in consequence of smaller offerings, choice feeders being decidedly scarce. Texas cattle were steady and good Missouri and Nebraska fed lots brought $4@425.

Sheep—A lower range of prices prevailed, although the demand was better. Spring lambs sold for $3@5.40 and sheep sold at $2@3.75, fed westerns, Mexicans, and Texans comprising the larger part of the offerings. The last of Colorado fed lambs were marketed and brought $4.85, their average weight being 82 pounds.

You may hunt the world over and you will not find another medicine equal to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarhoea Remedy for bowel complaints. It is pleasant, safe and reliable. For sale by C. F. Little, Druggist.

A PIONEER GONE.

James Schnall Dies Suddenly at Arkansas Hot Springs.

Word was received yesterday morning by P. B. Moss of the First National bank that James H. Schnall of this county had died suddenly at Arkansas Hot Springs, presumably of rheumatism of the heart, but given no details. Mr. Schnall left here about six weeks ago for that place, thinking that the baths and medical treatment would benefit his health, as he had been suffering some time from rheumatism, but no one thought of his ailment proving serious.

James H. Schnall was one of the best known men in Yellowstone county, having moved on his present ranch about sixteen years ago and before that was located farther up the Musselshell, near Martinsdale, where he had a cattle ranch. His was a familiar figure on every roundup since white men dared venture into that country. As a citizen he was highly esteemed and as a friend he was regarded as one of the truest and best, a man of integrity, honorable in all things. He was unmarried and so far as known had but one relative in Montana, a nephew, L. L. Moffit, who is now in the National park, it is thought, with J. C. Proctor's grading outfit. It is also known that he has one sister living somewhere in Ohio, where he lived before coming to Montana. He was a man of about 61 years of age. He leaves an estate valued at from $75,000 to $80,000. His nephew has been written to and a messenger sent to his home to ascertain the address of his sister.—Billings Gazette.

Mamma (sadly, holding up a nearly empty jar)—Rachel, have you been at my preserves again?

Rachel (intently combing her doll's hair)—Mamma, didn't grandma teach you when you was a little girl, same's you have me, not to be too 'quisitive?—Judge.

"Last summer one of our grandchildren was sick with a severe bowel trouble," says Mrs. E. G. Gregory, of Frederickstown, Mo. "Our doctor's remedies had failed, then we tried Chamberlain's Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which gave very speedy relief." For sale by C. F. Little, Druggist.

WOOL PRICES RISING.

The Domestic Staple Takes An Upward Jump in Boston.

BOSTON, July 2.—The Commercial Bulletin will say tomorrow of the wool market: The bottom of the wool market was reached in August, 1883 just before the Vermont election. At that time fine staple Wyoming wool was sold in the Boston market at 35 cents per scoured pound. This week fine Idaho staple has been sold in the Boston market on a basis of 33 cents per scoured pound, an advance of 13 cents a scoured pound. This price and other prices that have risen to correspond make the highest level reached since July, 1896.

Growers in Montana are getting 12 cents a pound for wool. A year ago they were shipping wool on consignment with no advances but that of the cost of freight.

Sales of the week are 5,001,000 pounds of domestic and 5,084,000 pounds of foreign, against 2,850,000 pounds of domestic and 3,896,000 pounds of foreign last week, and 1,447,000 pounds of domestic and 541,000 pounds of foreign for the same week last year. The sales to date show an increase of 45,506,800 pounds of domestic and 76,845,700 pounds of foreign over the sales to the same date in 1896. Receipts to date show an increase of 302,941 bales of foreign.

WOOL AT BILLINGS.

Many Sales at Twelve Cents and Better.

[Billings Gazette.]

There have been a number of transactions on the local wool market since our last report and it may be said to be quite active, with an increasing demand. The highest price recorded was 12¾ cents, paid to Henry Brown for 70,000 pounds by Dewey, Gould & Co., after The Gazette went to press last Tuesday afternoon. Several sales have been made at 12 cents and it is confidently expected that 13 will be paid for the best clips. The growers are feeling jubilant and so far the market has been satisfactory. The following transactions are reported since Tuesday.

On Wednesday, J. F. Cameron sold 15,000 pounds to Nichols, Dupee & Co. for 12 cents.

Thursday morning James Fraser bought the wool clip of J. J. Walk, about 25,000 pounds for 11 cents. James Fraser also bought the following: Gordon Ostrander, 15,000 pounds, 10¾ cents; John Reed, 20,000, 10¾, and Schock Bros., 6,000 pounds. In the afternoon he also purchased the Howell clip from Wyoming, 15,000 pounds at 8 cents.

Frank Lepper consigned his clip of 40,000 pounds on Thursday to Fenno Bros. & Childs through A. Fraser, and 23,000 pounds of the Henry Struck clip went to the same firm. On the same day Ed Fraser shipped the Lee Sorenson clip of 27,000 pounds from Columbus to the same firm. Mr. Lepper also shipped a carload to the New York Wool Warehouse company.

C. T. Thomas sold 25,000 pounds on Thursday to Nichols, Dupee & Co. for 11½ cents.

This morning the following sales were made, Thomas McGirl, 24,000 pounds to Holowell & Donald, through A. A. Morris 11½ cents. H. W. Rowley, 40,000 pounds to Dewey, Gould & Co., 12 cents. George Pirrie of Halbert, 60,000 pounds to James Fraser, 12 cents. Several offers have been refused this morning and the outlook for the growers is good.

The Lake Basin Sheep company also sold today, their clip of about 60,000 pounds going to Dewey, Gould & Co. for 12 cents.

Pat Lavelle, who is in town from Columbus today, reports that the Lee Simonson clip was sold at that place yesterday for 12¾ cents to E. H. Tryon of San Francisco, who was operating here first of the week. Mr. Lavelle says there is still about 350,000 pounds at Columbus, in the warehouse and at the shearing pens, to be disposed of.

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SHEARING BY STEAM.

A Special Train Carries a Crowd to See the Machines in Operation.

[Great Falls Tribune.]

Yesterday morning a special train left for the Power ranch near Steele, on the Great Falls & Canada road, to see the new steam shearing machines in use there and inspect the work. There were about 35 sheep men and others interested in the crowd, and they had a very pleasant trip, arriving at their destination about 10:30 a. m. and leaving again shortly after noon.

The machines are what are known as the Woolsley machine. They are the invention of the youngest brother of the present commander-in-chief of the British army, Lord Woolsley, who was in the sheep business in Australia. It is said that these machines are in general use there and Woolsley has made a fortune out of the invention. It can scarcely be said that there is anything new or novel about the machine. It works very much as the knife of a mowing machine works, guards coming between the knife and the skin of the sheep. The power to run the knife comes from a flexible rope, which works on the same principle that is employed in the drilling machine one sees in a dentist's office, only the power is supplied from a steam engine.

The advantages claimed for the machine are as follows:

First—A longer staple is secered, as the machine cuts very evenly and closer to the skin. It is claimed that at least a quarter of an inch is added to the length of the fiber and consequently the wool will bring a better price per pound and there will be more of it. The gain in quantity is estimated at about a pound per head the first year and 10 ounces afterward.

Second—It is claimed that with the machine a larger number of sheep can be sheared on an average than by hand with less hard work to the shearer and much more safety to the sheep, it being very seldom that a sheep gets cut with the machine, and then it cannot be more than a mere nip.

The plant at the Power ranch consists of 22 machines, although they were not all in operation yesterday.

This plant can turn out about 3,000 head a day. One of the men sheared 165 sheep Friday last, and the same man turned out 192 sheep in 10 hours in Wyoming with the machine a few weeks ago. Most of the men working are green hands with the machine, but they average 85 in 10 hours.

The machines cost $70 each, including everything necessary, and a one-horse power engine will run six machines.

Power Bros. have 23,000 head to shear and they are paying 9 cents per head, 7 cents of which goes to the shearer and the other 2 cents to the machines. The latter are under the charge of J. D. Holliday, who courteously showed the visitors about and explained everything to them.

Bryanites, with their kinetoscopes, hove down on Toledo, expecting to picture "a great fight to a finish." But they left the city by a back door, a disgusted lot of politicians.

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Every one sending a yellow ticket will get a set of cardboard creeping babies at the end of the contest. Those sending three or more in one envelope will receive a charming 1898 calendar, no advertisement on it.

Besides this thousand dollars, we will pay $150 each to the two persons who send in the largest number of yellow tickets in one envelope between June 15 and the end of the contest—August 31st.

Cut this out. You won't see it again for two weeks. B2

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