

**CHURCH DIRECTORY.**

**Presbyterian Church.**  
 Lewistown—Morning service, 11:00; evening service, 7:30. Sunday school, 10:00. Morning service, 10:00. Christian Endeavor meeting every Thursday evening at 7:30.  
**ALBERT PAUL, Pastor.**

**Methodist Church.**  
 Lewistown—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. every Sunday. Sunday school, 10:00. Epworth League, before evening service. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening.  
**BLAVER CREEK—Service at 3 p. m. first and third Sundays of each month.**  
**UPPER COTTONWOOD—Services last Thursday evening of each month at 7:30.**  
**JOEL VIGUS, Pastor.**

On the 1st and 3d Sabbaths of each month preaching at Pleasanton, 3 p. m., and Phillbrook, 8 p. m., preceded by 20 minutes song service. Every second Sabbath of each month preaching at Ulet, 11 a. m., and Antelope at 7:30 p. m. Every 4th Sabbath of each month preaching at Ulet, 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.  
**W. D. LUTHER, Pastor.**

**St. James Episcopal Church.**  
 Services once a month, conducted by Archdeacon Robbins.

**Weather Signs.**

No. 1. Square white flag—clear weather.  
 No. 2. Square blue flag—snow or rain.  
 No. 3. Square flag, upper half white, lower half blue—local storms.  
 No. 4. Triangular blue flag—indicates temperature. If displayed above No. 1, 2 or 3 indicates rising temperature; if below No. 1, 2 or 3 indicates falling temperature, if not displayed temperature is expected to remain about stationary.  
 No. 5. Square white flag with black block in center—cold wave.  
 No. 6. Square red flag with black block in center—used only in cases of impending blizzards.

**ARGUS AND INTER OCEAN, \$2.50**  
**ARGUS AND COSMOPOLITAN \$2.75**  
**ARGUS AND LESLIE'S WEEKLY \$3.75**

**TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.**

Jas. J. Johnson, of Martinsdale, was in town Saturday last making proof on his homestead, and made this office a pleasant call.  
 A marriage license was issued Saturday last to John S. Reding and Miss Rosa Stone, the latter a daughter of Ward C. Stone of Ubet.  
 A snow fall of about two inches Monday night was the only interruption to our prevailing spring weather, during the past week.  
 The annual election of school trustees this year occurs on the second of April. T. H. Mackey and R. G. Jackson are the retiring members in the Lewistown district.

The Lewistown Free Library has been moved by Mrs. Hanson, librarian, to her residence, where patrons are requested to call the same as heretofore. Library open Tuesdays and Saturdays from 1 to 9 p. m.

A. J. Stephens has presented this office with a mammoth egg—8 and 6 1/2 inches in circumference—laid by one of his hens Monday last. Rocky Mountain Husbandman please copy. Mr. Max Waterman—it's your turn.

Friday evening last at the Presbyterian church Rev. Pious entertained an audience with stereopticon views of scenes in Japan. The pictures were very clear and beautiful and those attending enjoyed a pleasant entertainment.

A local cattle deal that has been pending for several days past was closed yesterday. G. W. Friedls purchasing the Chas. H. Green herd on the Shonkin. The particulars of the trade are not given, but the price paid is understood to be well up to current market rates.—River Press.

At the examination held before Justice Gudge last week in the case of the State vs. William Kizer, charged with threatening the life of Charles Brown, defendant was placed under bonds to keep the peace for one year. S. M. Simmons and N. C. Nelson, qualifying in the sum of \$500.

Judge J. E. Murray availed himself of a quiet, warm day Monday last and appeared among his friends on the streets, the first time he has ventured out since his recent severe illness. The judge, though quite weak, looks wonderfully robust for a man of his years and who had so recently been dangerously ill.

Reports from south of the Snowies are to the effect that several sheep and cattle growers are buying tracts of railroad land, a notable purchase made recently being that of George Pirrie, who has secured 32 sections, being all the railroad land in two townships. W. A. Hedges has also secured some valuable railroad land.

Editor John M. Vrooman and family returned Tuesday afternoon, by private conveyance from Billings, after a winter's rest and recreation in eastern cities, including New York, Washington and Chicago. On their western journey they stopped three days at Miles City, which were passed very pleasantly with Mr. and Mrs. B. C. White.

On Wednesday evening Mr. George Pirrie, the well known woolgrower of Fergus county, was married to Miss Annie Withline Trask of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. D. Clark, pastor of the Congregational church, at the residence of the bride's mother, in the presence of a limited number of relatives and friends.—Billings Times.

W. M. Blackford, attorney for Brooks Bros., has rented the store building formerly occupied by Hobensack & Sloan to the Golden Rule Co., for a term of one year from March 20th. The officers designated in the lease are C. H. Ramsey of Greeley, Col., proprietor, and Thos. M. Brown, manager. Mr. Brown will handle a line of dry goods and millinery upon a cash basis.

Foster & Anderson, carpenters, returned from Maginnis Saturday night, where they have been engaged in tearing down the commanding officer's quarters, which was purchased by David Hilger and will be erected near Mr. Hilger's Lewistown residence. Mr. Foster reports that Julius Peterson has about completed the taking down of the building purchased by him and that Angus McMillan will soon have carpenters at work on one which he purchased.

R. A. Hanke and James Laidley, who have been east for a month past purchasing goods for the Lewistown Commercial Co., are expected home Friday evening, and Walker J. Wella, of the Power Mercantile Co. is looked for early next week.

Joseph Tafella, the Mexican who drew a gun on Miss Berger at a half-breed dance about two weeks ago, was given a preliminary hearing in Justice McFarland's court Monday on the charge of assault in the first degree. Defendant was bound over to the district court, D. M. Crowley and Sam Phillips qualifying as bondsmen in the sum of \$500. Tafella has been employed as a herder by Mr. Phillips for several years. There appears to be mitigating circumstances in the case, in that Tafella furnished most of the where-with to have the dance and then his rivals sought to alienate the affections of his sweetheart, to which attempt Mr. Tafella interposed an emphatic objection.

A hurried marriage ceremony was performed by Justice Crane at Benton about midnight of the 2nd instant, in which W. L. Hilliard of Deerfield and Miss Maud Adams of Derby, Iowa, were the principals. Mr. Hilliard met his bride on the arrival of the west bound train that night and lost no time in having the knot tied. Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard left for their future home, near Deerfield, the following day.

Hon. Paul McCormick, of Billings, notwithstanding his gray hair and sixty years of age, is anxious to lead a company of cowboys in aid of the struggling Cubans or directly against the Spanish Dons. Mr. McCormick desires to outfit and mount them himself and is only waiting for the opportunity to present himself. He is a fighter yet and the Spanish would admit this if they ever ran up against him and his followers.

Concerning the Fetzter charges against Sheriff J. D. Waite, a recent issue of the Helena Herald well and truly says: "About the meanest thing Fetzter alleges was that J. D. Waite, the present sheriff of Fergus county, knowingly assisted him in palming off his spurious hides, because Waite was a candidate for reelection and might need Fetzter's vote. No one who knows 'Jack' Waite believes the charge for a minute. That he is too coarse to swallow."

James Shiell, of Highfield, was in Lewistown Monday and in conversation said that he had fed but one ton of hay during the winter to a band of 7,500 sheep and that a count a few days ago proved that he now had but 15 less than when he counted last fall and of these 15 at least 6 had been killed for mutton. Mr. Shiell says nearly half of these sheep were breeding ewes and that they are mutton fat. Surely this year should be a profitable one for this fortunate grower.

Among the visitors to Lewistown last week was Mr. Frank Hamilton, of Oka. Mr. Hamilton called to renew his subscription to the ARGUS, saying that he had been a subscriber to our contemporary for some time and last fall sent a three months subscription to the ARGUS, "as an experiment." He is so well satisfied that he decided to continue the paper, remarking, incidentally, that he found he generally received the news a week earlier through our columns than in any other manner and it was news he was after.

E. W. King, manager of the mining operations at Gilt Edge, was in Lewistown last week on his way from Great Falls to the camp, and on Thursday made the ARGUS a pleasant call. Mr. King says the fight for a patent to the old Gilt Edge lode, has been practically transferred from Lewistown to the general land office at Washington, whither Mr. Phelps has gone to look after his interests. While the general public of this section are not particularly taking sides, they realize that Messrs. Phelps and King have manifested more practical knowledge in the working of the mines and paid out more money to labor than any other company which has attempted to run the Gilt Edge plant, and therefore, their sympathies are very naturally largely with the Phelps interests.

D. W. Slayton, who is attending his duties as county commissioner, says that the property of the Willard Livestock Co. was sold last week at very low figures. Dave Fratt, by a sealed bid, purchased the land, some 2,000 acres, 1,350 horses, about 5,000 stock sheep, and the improvements, for \$36,100. The few head of cattle, farming implements and miscellaneous property was sold at public auction. While the sheep, Mr. Slayton says, were bid upon by several parties, and run up to \$4,000, Mr. Fratt's price of \$3.65 was accepted in order to secure sale of the horses and land for which there were no other, or much lower bids. That the sheep, as well as much else went at sacrifice, is shown by the fact that the yearlings sold in the same neighborhood recently at \$3.25, delivery to be made after shearing. The total indebtedness on the property was about \$108,000.

The Montana Hardware Co. now have a telephone installed in their establishment which is in direct communication with Gilt Edge, Ubet, Oka, Cottonwood, Trout Creek and all points along the Great Falls line. Parties desiring goods promptly may communicate with them by phone.

Awarded  
**Highest Honors—World's Fair,  
 Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair.**

**DR.  
 PRICE'S  
 CREAM  
 BAKING  
 POWDER**

A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder.  
**40 YEARS THE STANDARD.**

**PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.**

Look at Little's ad. on opposite page.

Brassey & Little desire to buy county warrants.

Dr. E. A. Long, dentist, is still in town—at the Lewistown.

Brassey & Little are prepared to make loans on real estate.

Choice alfalfa and timothy seed at Hobensack & Stoddard's.

Buy your shingles of C. C. Long. Prices low and quality guaranteed.

WANTED—A girl to work in a ranch home. Good location. Apply at this office.

John McCann is now conducting his saloon at Cottonwood. Fine drinks and cigars.

The most liberal policy is written by the New York Life. M. J. Garrett, Agent, Lewistown.

County commissioners are in session this week, Commissioner Slayton arrived Sunday evening.

A new line of Whittings' fine stationery in tints and plain colors—also tablets at Alf. J. Stephens'.

For the best quality of hams and bacon call on Burke & Co. They keep a supply constantly on hand.

Wanamaker & Brown's spring samples just received—over five hundred different fine patterns. NOBLE M. WALKER.

Take your buggies to Surprenant & Hill to be repainted before the spring season opens. They guarantee fine work.

Do you want something in the druggists' line. Read the advertisement of Little's pharmacy on the opposite page.

Smokers who appreciate a good cigar should try the new line of Domestic and Key West cigars at Alf. J. Stephens'.

White Bronze Monuments are prettier, more durable and cheaper than marble or granite. M. J. Garrett, Agent, Lewistown.

W. D. Shiell, of Halbert, was a visitor in Lewistown Monday, calling at this office and securing the ARGUS for the coming year.

The Montana Hardware Co. keeps on hand a full stock of Caskets and Coffins, and will attend to all demands, day or night.

The second quarterly meeting will be held in the M. E. parsonage Saturday evening. Preaching and sacramental service Sunday. All are cordially invited.

Note new advertisement of Chas. Lehman & Co. in another column. This firm has something to say which should interest every intended purchaser of general merchandise.

The beginners' class will be started in the Lewistown primary school on the 28th of March. All parents expecting to send beginners during this school year should have them ready to start at that time.

The Huntington mill now being set at the Wright properties in the Moccasin mountains was purchased through the Montana Hardware Co., which firm is prepared to quote prices on all mill machinery.

C. F. Little, the well-known and enterprising pharmacist, calls the attention of our readers to his unusually attractive line of medicines, druggists' sundries and supplies, in a tasteful advertisement on the opposite page.

Some people have corns—most of us have. Just try a bottle of Positive Corn Cure and see how quick you will find relief. For sale at Little's Drug store.

We are after scalps. Not with a knife, but with the best remedy for dandruff and falling hair known. Try a bottle and be convinced. For sale at Little's Drug store.

There is a time for everything. The time to stop a cold or cough is now. The place to buy is at Little's. The remedy is Dr. Godding's Cough Balsam; 25c and 50c a bottle.

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Best of All  
 To cleanse the system in a gentle and beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.

Take your fine watch work to D. E. Hemphill.

After having your watch repaired elsewhere and it does not keep perfect time, take it to D. E. Hemphill, who makes a specialty of putting watches in perfect condition after others have failed.

John S. Reding and Rosa Stone of Ubet, Montana, were united in marriage by Rev. Vigus at the Methodist parsonage Tuesday afternoon, March 8. They will make their future home on the Yellowstone.

A fresh stock of Northern grown garden seeds just received by Bertrand & Hopkins, they will sell in quantity to suit purchasers by the package, ounce, pound or bushel, at lowest market prices.

A recent issue of the Helena Independent gives a list of Klondikers who have taken passage from Puget Sound points for Skagway during the past ten days and among them is included John Lyons.

Lorenz & Neilson, merchant tailors, advertise in another column. These gentlemen ask all desiring suitings, pants, cleaning or repairing done to call and look over their handsome cloth and samples. Prices reasonable and work guaranteed.

The ARGUS is prepared to do all kinds of ordinary and fancy job work in the latest styles and at lowest prices. We have the finest stock of job stationery ever brought to the county and will be pleased to submit samples and quote prices on any work desired.

H. Surprenant is always glad to receive visitors at his art studio and drawing class which he conducts every evening in the Hanson block. His pupils report rapid progress, some of their drawing being phenomenal for the short time they have taken lessons.

Remember the office of the Billings stage line is now at C. H. Williams' drug store. Do your express business over this line. Order goods sent via Billings in care of W. J. Reffersath, and you will receive them promptly. Good stopping places and quick time for the traveling public.

P. J. Hatton was in from Hattonville Tuesday. Mr. Hatton says that the new town will soon cast a shadow on Ubet. Mr. McClave has been almost unanimously indorsed for the postoffice and he, together with Sam Lutz, have rented the Hatton ranch and will soon open a general store.

On the opposite page will be found the announcement of the well-known firm of P. Yegen & Co., of Billings, general merchants. The Yegen's have a steadily increasing trade in the southern portion of this county, gained by strict business dealings and low prices for high-class goods. Read their advertisement.

We take special care to fill prescriptions promptly and correctly and know our drugs are absolutely pure. We take no chance on this latter point and you can't afford to take any chances in the putting up of your prescriptions. The best pharmacist is the one you want to patronize. We want your prescription trade at Little's Pharmacy.

Sunday last we received sample copies of a folder circulated by the Great Falls Business Men's association, advertising the backdoor route to the Klondyke, being via Great Falls to Lethbridge and Edmonton. The folder contains a large sized and well printed map of the route and of Alaska, as well as much information of interest to intending gold-seekers. The work is a credit to the enterprise of the Great Falls business men.

H. Surprenant is preparing to make his masquerade ball Thursday evening, the 17th, especially attractive to the audience, though no effort will be sacrificed to give the dancers the most enjoyable evening of the season. Mr. Surprenant has sixteen little girls and boys in training for the production of the Maypole dance. Other special features are in course of preparation and those who do not wish to participate, may enjoy the sport for the reasonable charge of 50 cents.

We call attention this week to two advertisements of particular interest to sheepmen. P. I. Moule is the inventor and has on hand for sale tags known as "McKinley Lamb Savers." The tags were tested last year and proved very efficient in saving lambs. Mr. Moule also handles an improved sheep hook, a photograph of which he has favored this office, and which appears superior in design to any on the market. Mr. Moule solicits correspondence and requests that sheep men investigate the advantages of these inventions.

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**It Follows Thrift**

There is only one true and royal road to prosperity, and that is by economy, and there is only one economical route in your buying, and that is in selecting only dependable qualities. It pays to get the best and it pays to expend every money for that which brings you actual results. Ours is a store on these lines, every transaction must be right.

**Bertrand & Hopkins**  
 The Wide-awake Merchants.

**Consult the Doctor**  
 and after doing so call at Stephens' Pharmacy for the medicines he orders. Local physicians regard our prescription department as unsurpassed in Lewistown for reliability and accuracy.

Our pure, fresh drugs, handled only by expert pharmacists, afford an unmistakable ground of confidence. Medicines must be just what they purport to be to produce the effect intended by the physician. Whatever is prepared by us is sure to be up to the standard in every particular.

**W. G. Norman & Co.**  
 Practical Watchmakers and Manufacturing Jewelers.

We Repair any complicated Watch or Clock, make any broken parts as good as when they left the factory. Also, **We Make New Jewelry to Order** AND REPAIR THE OLD AS GOOD AS NEW.

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 CURE CONSTIPATION  
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 ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEED to cure any case of constipation. Contains the Ideal Laxative, never cramps or grips, but causes easy natural results. Sample and booklet free. 14, STERLING HEIGHTS CO., Chicago, Montreal, Cal., or New York, 814

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**Lorenz & Neilson,**  
 MERCHANT TAILORS.

**Cleaning and Repairing**  
 at moderate prices.

**Shop in Richards' Building**  
 Opposite Day House,  
 Lewistown, Montana.

**The Montana Well Drilling Co.,**  
 Will drill wells for all purposes including house, farm, city, breweries, Irrigation, oil and gas.

Our machine is run by practical and experienced drillers, water guaranteed or no pay. For particulars address,  
**Edward Brassey,**  
 AGENT,  
 Lewistown, Montana.

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Real Estate,  
 Live Stock,  
 Loans,  
 Insurance and  
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Your business solicited.  
 List your property with us.  
 Correspondence invited.

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**Bank of Fergus County,**  
 Or any reliable acquaintance.

**E. A. FOSTER,**  
 DEALER IN—  
**Fresh Fruits,**  
 CANDIES, CIGARS,  
 NUTS, TOBACCOS,  
 Boots, Shoes and Rubbers,  
 Main Street, LEWISTOWN, MONT.

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 BURKE & BROMLEY, Proprietors.

FIRST-CLASS RIGS AND RATES TO SUIT THE TIMES.  
 The Patronage of the Public Solicited.  
 Best Care Taken of Stock.

No Pains Spared to Accommodate Our Patrons.

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 MAIN STREET, LEWISTOWN, MONT

**DARK HORSE**  
**FEED AND SALE STABLE**  
 WM. LAGOCK, Prop'r.

Any person wanting to sell or buy Second-Hand Rigs, Wagons or Harness, can find a trade.  
 Baled Hay and Oats delivered to any part of the city.  
 Guarantees satisfaction in the boarding of stock.  
 Prices to Compete with Any in the City.

**ELKHORN**  
**Livery, Feed and Sale Stable,**  
 SLATER & HALL, Proprietors.

The best of Double and Single Rigs and Saddle Horses.  
 THE PATRONAGE OF THE PUBLIC SOLICITED.

**ROBERT MURRAY,**  
 PROPRIETOR—  
**Divide Coal Mine,**  
 Situated on McDonald Creek Divide.

**\$3.00 per ton at mine.**  
**\$5.00 delivered.**  
 Orders left with T. J. Vehawn will be given prompt attention.

**To the RAILROAD in ONE DAY.**  
**Benton & Lewistown Stage Co.,**  
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**Four and Six Horse Coaches,**  
**Fourteen Hour Trip.**  
**No Night Travel. Good Stopping Places.**  
**Special Rates on Fresh Fruits.**

The line is newly equipped with Concord coaches and carefully selected stock, making the trip between Lewistown and Ft. Benton one of comfort and pleasure. Careful attention given to express matter.

**Drugs. Drugs.**

**REMEMBER**

**C. H. WILLIAMS** when You have a prescription to be filled if prices or quality of drugs are any object.

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