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## TRIED HARD TO GET HIM

Sim Roberts Waylaid by the Brother and the Friends of the Man He Killed.

## A SHOWER OF BULLETS

One Passed Through His Arm and Others Perforated His Clothes—A Narrow Escape.

Last Tuesday, at high noon, Sim B. Roberts of Reed Point had a narrow escape from assassination at the hands of three men, one of whom is supposed to be the brother of the man whom Roberts shot and killed on the streets of Big Timber last August. At the time Roberts was acquitted of murder, threats were freely made against his life by the brother and friends of the dead man, Nate Young, and it is pretty certain that the unsuccessful attempt just made to put Roberts under the sod was the culmination of these threats.

The news of the attempted assassination was received in this city Wednesday afternoon, when Attorney Sydney Fox was handed a telegraphic message summoning him to Big Timber to aid Roberts in bringing the guilty parties to book. The following particulars of the affair are taken from a Big Timber special to the Butte Miner. Under date of Jan. 9, the dispatch says:

Just after noon today at Reed Point school house, thirty miles east of this place, Sim B. Roberts was waylaid and severely shot by the friends of Young.

Roberts, who lives about a mile east of the scene of the shooting, was returning home from one of the neighbors, to whom he had hauled a load of hay. Just after passing the school house, which stands within thirty feet of the road, he was fired upon from the building, the bullets passing through his right arm just below the elbow. He fell forward in the hay rack and as the team ran down the road he was followed several hundred yards by a fusillade of rifle shots from the school house, as well as from a cabin on the opposite side of road. One bullet grazed his right hand, another scraped the hair off his forehead and two pierced his trousers, while several others hit the blankets on which he was sitting. The shooting was witnessed from a distance by several people. Roberts has just arrived here to have his arm dressed. The bullet did not shatter the bone, but it tore a ghastly hole through the fleshy part of the forearm.

## A SUBLIME SPECTACLE.

World-Famous "Passion Play" to be Reproduced in Red Lodge.

Rev. Father Van Clarenback of Billings has arranged for the reproduction, in this city next week, of "The Passion Play" by means of Edison's marvelous moving-picture invention. Here is what Father Van Clarenback has to say of the famous play, in a letter to The Picket:

The Passion Play was first produced nearly three hundred years ago in the village of Ober-Ammergau, in Bavaria, and its origin in itself is unique. A terrible plague had been raging in that section for a time and the people were dying by the hundreds. All efforts to stop it were unsuccessful, until the people of the town assembled and, as an offering to God, agreed to produce a play portraying the life of Christ once every ten years, and, strange to say, the plague ceased and has never repeated itself. True to their vow, each succeeding generation has taken up the task and given the play.

"The Passion Play" is one of the great attractions in Europe this year, and no doubt hundreds of thousands of visitors from every part of the globe will flock to Ober-Ammergau to witness this wonderful production. It is calculated that no less than 300,000 people saw the play in 1890.

"The Passion Play" will be given at Red Lodge, Jan. 20 and 21, Saturday and Sunday, respectively. Considering the sacred character of the play the people need not hesitate in the least about going to see it on Sunday. Rt. Rev. Bishop Shanley of Fargo, N. D., allowed this play to be produced in his cathedral on Sunday, the eve of Christmas.

I want urge the people to go to see it, and I feel confident that, returning home after the production, they will

agree with me in saying that "The Passion Play" is the best and most eloquent and touching sermon they have ever heard.

## NOT YET SETTLED.

Adverse Decision of the Coal Company Will Compell City Schools to Close.

The committee appointed by the Red Lodge school board to circulate a petition for the purpose of raising funds with which to continue the city schools for the period of eight months has secured pledges from seventy-four of the heaviest taxpayers for the payment of the full amount of what they would have had to contribute to the county treasurer if the special school tax had not been declared unconstitutional. The amount required to be raised is between \$1600 and \$1700, which, added to the balance on hand, realized from the regular school tax, will permit the schools to run till the first of June, or three months longer than the funds now in the district's treasury will hold out.

It should be understood, however, that the aggregate amount pledged by the seventy-four taxpayers falls about \$800 short of the total sum required to be raised by voluntary subscription, and unless the Rocky Fork Coal company contributes its share of the special four-mill special tax, amounting to nearly one-fourth of the whole amount, this method of raising money will be abandoned, and, in this event, it is very likely that the schools will close the first of March.

The committee, however, has assurances from Dr. J. M. Fox, manager of the Rocky Fork Coal company, that he will do all within his power to induce his company to contribute its pro rata. The doctor, who long ago paid his individual special tax without a word of protest, has written to the headquarters of the company for instructions in regard to the matter, and an answer is expected in a day or so. If the company decides to subscribe its proportion, \$515, the Red Lodge Townsite & Electric company and the Northern Pacific company will, so the committee is assured, pay their respective assessments, \$158 and \$138.

As now conducted, the schools require \$725 per month to keep them running.

## CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

A Clothes-Line Thief Comes to Grief in Sheriff Dunn's Yard.

Sheriff John Dunn has a cow that is good for something besides consuming hay and giving milk, and nobody is more sensibly aware of this fact than Ben Davis, an ex-coal miner who lives in a shack in the brush. Shortly after 7 o'clock last Tuesday evening the sheriff carried a bucket of water to the cow and while standing in the shadow of the barn waiting for the animal to slake its thirst he saw Davis walk up to the clothes line and swipe a suit of underwear and slip them under his coat as nonchalantly as you please. As the fellow started to leave, Sheriff Dunn made his presence known and was greatly amused when Davis approached and, in a surprised tone of voice, exclaimed:

"Hello! John, is that you?"

"Yes," replied the sheriff, "hadn't you better divey up?"

Davis immediately produced the garments and doubtless expected to be marched off to jail, but Sheriff Dunn, admiring the fellow's nerve and coolness, permitted him to depart in peace, and then returned to the barn and gave his cow an extra feed of hay.

## SUICIDE OF THE SUTTONS.

An Indiana Editor Follows the Example of His Brother, a Bozeman Attorney.

Editor J. E. Sutton of the Logan-sport, Indiana, Daily Reporter, a brother of the late Attorney Charles E. Sutton, who committed suicide at his home in Bozeman two months ago, blew out his brains last Sunday in a stairway on the second floor of an office building in St. Paul. He had two life insurance policies and plenty of money in his pockets.

## Red Hot From the Gun.

Was the ball that hit G. B. Steadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible Ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bocklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Burns, Boils, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions, Best Pile cure on earth, 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by H. J. Armstrong, Druggist.

## LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

City Council Decides to Put in a Series of Arc Street Lamps in Red Lodge.

## WATER WORKS QUESTION

Work on the System Will be Inaugurated Early in the Spring—Picket Made Official City Paper.

The city council met in monthly session last Tuesday evening, with Mayor Larkin in the chair and Aldermen Flager, Freeman, Lyon, Willy and Davis present. The report of the city treasurer showed a balance of \$1,077.17 in the city treasury on Jan. 1.

Chairman Flager of the committee on electric street lighting made a verbal report to the effect that the lamps would cost \$18 each and the lights or current \$15 per month for each series of two. As the council contemplates putting in twelve lights, or six different poles, the figures submitted by the committee would necessitate an outlay on the part of the city of \$216 for the purchase of the lamps and \$1800 per year for light rental. The council, in discussing the matter, decided to experiment with two double lights to start with, the other four to be put in if the system proved successful. On motion of Alderman Freeman the committee was authorized to cause two poles to be erected on the principal business thoroughfare, procure four arc lights of candle power each and arrange for the lighting thereof. It will take about a month to get everything in working order, and it is pretty certain that one of the poles will be placed at the corner of the opera house and the other in front of the court house.

In regard to the water works, a letter was read from George C. Morgan of Chicago, the engineer in charge who is to put in the system, stating that he would immediately forward proposals for cast iron pipe. It is expected that all the necessary material will be on the ground by the first of April, when work on the system will immediately begin.

A contract was entered into with the Picket Publishing company to do all printing and legal advertising and to furnish all blanks and bank books for which the city is chargeable, for 25 per cent less than the rates provided by law for county printing. The reduction was voluntarily made by The Picket Publishing company, and thus a saving of one-fourth in the cost of printing will be effected to the city during the period of the contract.

On motion, the mayor appointed a committee, consisting of Aldermen Flager, Lyon and Davis, to act with the city clerk in codifying and preparing for publication in pamphlet form the city ordinances, and also in ascertaining the cost of such publication.

Alderman Flager of the board of health reported that the vacant company building below the water tank could be purchased by the city for \$175 at any time the exigencies of the situation should demand an isolated building for pest-house purposes.

## ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.

Circumstances Conspire to Defeat a Plan to Loot the Carbon Mercantile Co's Store.

The truth of the saying that "the best laid plans of mice and men gang aft agley" was given a practical exemplification in this city last Sunday night, when a scheme, having for its object the burglarization and robbery of the consolidated stores of the Carbon Mercantile company, was happily frustrated through the medium of a chain of fortuitous circumstances.

In some unknown and mysterious manner three masked men succeeded in unlocking the rear door of the grocery store and were doubtless on the point of entering the establishment when their plans were suddenly interrupted by the timely appearance on the scene of John Juli, one of the grocery clerks, who happened around the back way at 8:30 o'clock and was surprised to find the door unlocked. Curiously enough, just as he entered, Manager A. E. Flager came in the front way. A few minutes later they

heard the door cautiously tried from the outside, but though they quickly proceeded to unlock it and step outside nobody was in sight. Shortly afterward, Mr. Flager started for home, followed by the clerk, who, upon reaching the alley by Virtue's restaurant, observed two men moving hurriedly toward the rear of the store. Instead of cautiously shadowing the two men, however, the clerk boldly proceeded down the alley to investigate affairs. As he approached the rear of the store, one of the two men in advance of him gave a low whistle, when a third man leaped out of the coal house and made tracks for the depot, followed closely by his companions. The clerk gave chase and was soon right upon the heels of one of the fleeing strangers, who suddenly wheeled around, and, showing a gun in his pursuer's face, commanded the clerk to stop.

John obeyed with exceeding alacrity, while the man with the gun, who proved to be masked, backed off and disappeared with the balance of the gang in the darkness. The clerk then hastened to Mr. Flager's residence and related his experience. Sheriff Dunn and Marshal Gebbe were also notified and all hands made a systematic search for the would-be burglars, but without success. Though several suspected parties are under surveillance, no tangible clue as to the identity of the would-be burglars has thus far been obtained.

## CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Officers Elected and Reports Submitted—A Good Showing.

At the annual meeting of the Congregational Sunday school held Wednesday evening in the church, Supt. A. E. Flager presiding, the following officers were elected:

Assistant superintendent—George H. Bailey.  
Secretary—Miss M. Simpson.  
Treasurer—Miss M. E. Newkirk.  
Librarian—Roy Dick.  
Organist—C. M. Shildreel.  
Chorister—E. E. Essels' son.

The reports were of a very encouraging nature. All expenses have been met, a balance remains in the treasury and the membership has greatly increased. The average attendance is greater now than at any time since the school was organized.

## ADVICE TO WOOLGROWERS.

They Should Hold Onto Their Clips and Not Mortgage Them.

American Sheep Breeder's Contracts for wool on the sheep's back are being made on the range. We hear of deals from 18 to 23 cents. If wool speculators can afford to offer such prices, woolgrowers who have confidence in the future can afford to refuse them. "What's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander." Don't mortgage your wool to a speculator. Some of the "bears" believe the top has been reached, but next season will see astonishing prices for all kinds of wool. The most conservative wool men dare not predict prices for 1900. Again we say—don't mortgage your wool.

## Having a Great Run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Manager Martin of the Pierson drug store, informs us that he is having a great run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He sells five bottles of that medicine to one of any other kind, and it gives great satisfaction. In these days of a gripe there is nothing like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to stop the cough, heal up the sore throat and bring relief within a very short time. The sales are growing, and all who try it are pleased with its prompt action. South Chicago Daily Cabinet. For sale by all druggists.



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