

AVANT COURIER.

Local News.

BOZEMAN, MONTANA.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1874.

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NOTICE.

Advertisements and Local Notices handed in for publication, unless the time is specified for which they are to be published, will be inserted till forbidden, and charged for accordingly.

We wish our patrons to distinctly understand that hereafter Job Printing and Transient Advertisements must be paid for in advance. No exceptions will be made to this rule.

APPOINTMENTS.

YELLOWSTONE EXPEDITION!

The Executive Committee of the Yellowstone Wagon Road and Prospecting Expedition will visit and address the citizens of Gallatin county, at the following times and places:

Elk Grove, Edwards' House, Friday, Jan. 23 (Edgeman) District, Saturday, Jan. 24.

Both of these appointments are to be held at 7 o'clock in the evening. It is very desirable that all in each neighborhood should be in attendance.

J. V. BOGERT, Secretary.

Notice.—I hereby inform those who designed accompanying me on a prospecting tour, that I have declined undertaking the same, and yield in favor of the Wagon Road Expedition.

J. L. YERNON.

The best of sporting and blasting Powder at WALTER COOPER'S Gun Store.

ALMANACS for 1874 can be obtained gratis at the drug stores in Bozeman.

GARDNER'S EXPRESS brings the mails regular as the clock daily to Bozeman. Galen is a success as a mail contractor.

Stop at the Metropolitan Hotel. Good fare, comfortable rooms and reasonable charges will be had.

In the late rise in stocks in San Francisco, it is stated that Major George M. Pliny made \$75,000 in Ophir mining stock.

Wood is a drug in the market, and is offered at very low figures. We saw a load, in which there was a good cord, offering for two dollars.

Two Dollars a sack for XXX Flour will be allowed on payments of subscription to the COURIER, if brought in before Christmas.

The offerings on Sunday last at the Methodist Church, focused up the sum of one hundred and twenty-one dollars. This does exceedingly well in dull times like the present.

The Metropolitan Hotel. JOHN BLEM proprietor, corner Main and Bozeman streets, is furnishing its patrons with every delicacy of the season.

CHAS. DAHLER had \$15,000 insurance on the International Hotel, recently destroyed by fire in Helena, the policy for which would have expired on the day succeeding the fire.

We see that Major Forsythe is training his fast trotter, which makes good time as he flies through our streets. The Major appears to be as fond of fast trotters as Bonner of the New York Ledger.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to MARTIN & MYERS are requested to come forward and settle without delay and save costs.

INSURED FOR \$50,000.—A dispatch from Mr. Gaus, now in New York, received by El Greenhood, says the Helena house of Gaus & Klein was insured for \$50,000. This will enable the firm to resume business without embarrassment.

THE BEST PLACE IN BOZEMAN to spend a social hour is Williams & Murray's magnificent Billiard Hall, where not only the best liquors are manipulated, and urbanity and politeness reign supreme.

A HEAVY WIND prevailed here on Friday night, which shook the buildings in Bozeman and made them rock. The only damage done was wrecking the sign-board of the Probate Judge, which fell in front of Hitchins' paint shop, ready for a new one or for repairs.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the undersigned by note or account are requested to call and settle immediately. Grain and produce will be taken at market prices. T. BRUNETT, Dec. 26, 1873.

R. E. FISK, editor of the Helena Herald, is still at Washington. It was understood long ago that the Capital was to secure the Land Office—he filled in this. Perhaps he sees something as good in prospect and remains to secure it. Robert, our experience is, that editors are never rewarded in this world, because they are sure of it in the next.

FLOUR.....OATS.....FLOUR! ELLIS & DAVIS Are now prepared to receive all the Flour and Oats which may be offered in exchange for goods.

They are retailing goods at less than Helena wholesale prices.

Our public-spirited Sheriff, C. L. Clark, last Sunday rigged up his sleigh and called around at the residences of church-goers, and took them to the new church. It had snowed on Saturday night, and this kind and thoughtful act of our friend Clark was highly appreciated by the ladies, who will not forget the favor.

THE EXCLUSIVE CLOTHING STORE in BOZEMAN.—Don't forget to read the advertisement of Julius Basinski, who is selling Clothing and Gent's Furnishing Goods at extremely low prices. Goods can be found there of every description, full and complete; where you can outfit yourself for less money than at any other place in the Territory.

The banks in Helena have just elected their new boards of Directors, and are going on with business as if no great fire had occurred recently in that town. We hope that, in view of the recent calamity to many of their fellow-citizens, and of the fact that the banks came out of the fire comparatively unimpaired, they will lower the rates of interest.

YELLOWSTONE

WAGON ROAD AND PROSPECTING EXPEDITION.

MASS MEETING.

THE ENTERPRISE A SUCCESS!

The Yellowstone Valley to be Opened!

And the Cold Mines of Eastern Montana Developed!

Pursuant to notice a large and enthusiastic meeting was held at the Hall of the Young Men's Association in Bozeman on Saturday evening, the 17th inst. The meeting was called in the interest of the "Yellowstone Wagon Road and Prospecting Expedition," and the commodious hall was filled at an early hour with our most substantial citizens, representing every class of business, and among them a large number of ranchmen from the country. The liveliest interest was manifested in the objects of the meeting.

The President of the Association, Major John P. Bruce, called the meeting to order, and stated that it had been called for the purpose of receiving the report of the Executive Committee—the different members of which had canvassed the country for contributions to aid in equipping the Expedition, and discussing the objects of the Expedition. The President indulged in a few convincing remarks, setting forth the many advantages to accrue to the Territory, and especially to Eastern Montana, by opening up communication with the Eastern States by way of the Yellowstone, making connection with the Northern Pacific Railroad.

The Committee, through their Chairman, J. V. Bogert, Esq., made a verbal report of the success of the Committee in their efforts to secure men and material for the Expedition. The Committee had visited and addressed the people of almost every precinct in the valley, and met with substantial encouragement from all. Sub-committees had been appointed in the precincts visited, and they had gone to work with a will, promising liberal contributions from the people. Reports from these districts had not been sent in. From Bozeman, the contributions so far footed up about \$2,700. They had secured 10,000 rounds of cartridges, three pieces of artillery, with fixed ammunition, shot and shell, and Mr. Bogert thought the contributions from Gallatin county would aggregate at least \$5,000.

The Committee had been divided into two committees, one for the purpose of soliciting and the other collecting contributions—the work to commence Monday, the 19th. It was desired that all contributions should be delivered at the warehouse in Bozeman on or before the 23rd inst. Arrangements were made for the Expedition to leave, probably by the 1st of February; positively, not later than the 15th. Mr. Bogert concluded his report with pertinent remarks, giving perfect assurance of the complete success of the enterprise, and the benefits to result to the Territory from the location and opening of a wagon road to the head of navigation on the Yellowstone, and the more than probable discovery of rich and extensive gold mines in the Yellowstone country.

Messrs. Gemmill and Sharp, of Madison county, who are now en route with an independent expedition having the same objective point in view, were called upon and fully endorsed the objects of the Expedition, which they considered feasible, practical and necessary to bring general prosperity to the Territory.

Judge H. N. Maguire gave a short history of the several discoveries of gold in the lower Yellowstone country, commencing twenty years back, and terminating in the late discovery of Prof. J. L. Vernon, and was satisfied that this Expedition would be the means of bringing to light placers, mines as rich and extensive as was Alder gulch.

Messrs. Nelson Stoy and W. S. McKendall endorsed the remarks of Mr. Maguire, and urged the necessity of making the Expedition a success.

Able speeches were made by Major Bruce, Judge Langhorne, Messrs. Cooper, Quivey, Ramsey and Vernon.

Judge H. N. Maguire offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That we regard the Yellowstone Wagon Road as a necessity to the future growth and prosperity of the citizens of Bozeman and Gallatin county and Montana Territory, and this meeting cordially endorses the project.

The greatest enthusiasm and unanimity of sentiment prevails throughout this county in regard to this great enterprise. All recognize it as the channel through which general prosperity will again be brought to our mountain homes.

On motion, the Secretary was ordered to furnish the Territorial press with a copy of these proceedings and request the publication of the same.

JOHN P. BRUCE, President. JOSEPH WRIGHT, Secretary.

Patrons and Gentlemen, Attention! You can find a full and complete assortment of PAINTS, OILS, WINDOW GLASS, PUTTY, PUTTY BRUSHES and every article in your line at our Drug Store of W. W. MORRIS, a few doors east of Lamme & Co.'s, Bozeman.

There appears to be a good many Richmonds in the field for the place made vacant in Helena by the burning of the Gazette office. Major Wilkinson and son put in their oar, and no doubt mean business, and will make it hot for their opponents when they get in "possession." Roman & La Croix publish their intention to revive the Gazette, and the Herald gives them the preference, fearing their opposition less than all others. Colonel Cope, of the Montanians, has gone over with a new view, we learn, of looking over the ground and probably will get in the field before all other competitors. He gets out a first-rate paper and will receive a very cordial welcome from the citizens of Helena. In a few days, no doubt, the question will be settled and it will be known who fills the void made by the destruction of the Gazette.

NOTICE. All persons indebted to the Drug Store of W. W. MORRIS in Bozeman are hereby notified to come forward immediately and settle. W. W. LANGHORNE.

The people of Helena have gone to work with extraordinary energy to repair the losses sustained by the late fire, and show a determination to maintain their position of the metropolis of Montana. There is a great deal of grit in these neighbors of ours. They appear to be unconquerable. Such nerve and courage deserve success.

MINERS' NOTICES and all Legal advertisements must be paid in advance to insure insertion in the COURIER.

Services in the New Church.

Last Sunday religious services were held for the first time in the new Methodist church. Rev. T. C. Hill delivered a very appropriate discourse to the congregation assembled. In the evening a Prayer Meeting was held, and the attendance was unusually large. This new church is both a credit to the denomination and to Bozeman. A few years ago no one would have believed that so magnificent a church edifice would have been erected so soon in this far western town. We were very forcibly struck with the dimensions of the edifice and its capacity to hold large congregations. Being built of brick, makes it easily warmed and the congregation can be comfortable in any part of the house. Our citizens are proud of this church edifice, and we do hope that our friends in the country will come in on Sundays, if only to see what an elegant and commodious place of worship has been erected in their county town. They will have a better opinion of their country and its seat of government, and also perceive the great improvement in the interest in religious services on the part of our citizens. When completed throughout, this church will be the finest in the Territory.

The Panic Has Reached Bozeman!

Owing to the great fall of goods East, we will, for the next sixty days, sell our entire stock of DRY GOODS and CLOTHING AT ACTUAL COST FOR CASH!

To convince yourself of this fact, call and be satisfied.

STRAUBERGER & SPERLING.

This meeting on Saturday night at Association Hall, to hear the report of the Committee on the Yellowstone Wagon Road and Prospecting Expedition was a rousing one, and the proceedings and discussion on that occasion has secured the triumphant success of the undertaking. All present were animated by a sincere desire to have the expedition fitted out at the earliest moment with abundant supplies and men to accompany them. A large number of those present intend to make the trip, and there is no question that there will be plenty of hardy, brave men anxious to participate in this effort to develop the rich regions of the Yellowstone.

ANOTHER dance has come off on Sour Dough, and the gay and festive on that historic stream met on Thursday night at the hospitable home of Hugh Coleman and tripped the light fantastic toe from early candle light till the chickens crowed in the morning. All present enjoyed themselves to their hearts content. We regret to learn that our valued friend Wolverton was deprived of the exquisite pleasure of being present on this occasion by illness in his family. He was missed in the round dances—a friend ventured to fill his place, but failed on account of dizziness.

HARRINGTON, BAKER & Co. Have just received a complete assortment of LADIES', MISSES', CHILDREN'S AND MEN'S Arctic Over Shoes and Rubber Lined Boots and Shoes.

OUR people are very cheerful over the certainty of the success of the Yellowstone Wagon Road and Prospecting Expedition. All of our most substantial citizens take a deep interest in this great enterprise, believing that the future prosperity of our section is involved in its being carried out. We have never seen our people so moved by any former scheme, and all have strong faith in its being the very thing needed to advance the good of the whole Territory. Business of every character will derive advantage from the inauguration of this expedition.

SCHOOL GIRLS' beaming! Who ever heard of the like before, yet it is a truth. In the anxiety of several young ladies from the country to obtain an education, some five or six of them secured a room in the residence of a family in Bozeman, and having brought in supplies of provisions from home, are doing their own cooking in regular back style, and are making a success of it. We admire the pluck of these young girls, and hope that when they complete their education they will each and all secure good husbands and back no more.

BREWERY SALOON, D. H. CARPENTER, Prop'r. Keep constantly on hand the best Wines, Liquors, Beer and Cigars to be obtained in the city.

THE Helena Herald discusses the question of two daily papers in that place and inclines to the opinion that their paper only supply the nitre demand in that line. The Herald, no doubt, gives its advice dispassionately and without prejudice. Its position being impartial, advice from such a source should be heeded. But to be serious—we think two daily papers are a heavy tax on any place not containing more inhabitants than Helena, but its people are the best judges how much they can stand in that business, and we refrain from saying more.

EVERY day large loads of wheat pass through our streets, wending their way to the Gallatin Mills. It is drawn by sleds, the condition of the snow being very favorable for bringing it in larger quantities. Gallatin valley is a great wheat growing region, having no equal in Montana. The flour made is of an excellent quality, sweet and nutritious, and the day is not far distant when millions of dollars will be paid out in Montana for wheat, as is done now in California and Oregon. Speed the day.

BUSINESS in Bozeman has not been so good since Christmas as it was before—though there has been a pretty fair trade. Our merchants have marked down their goods since the first of January, and are selling at most many articles, in order to make room for new stocks in the spring. Goods can be bought, we have no doubt, in Bozeman lower than anywhere else in Montana. Persons desiring to get the full worth of their money should take advantage of the low price of goods and buy all they may want.

CATTLE.—If the winter should continue as favorable as it has so far, those contemplating driving beef cattle from the Territory will be able to get off much sooner than was anticipated. We are satisfied that large numbers of cattle will be driven to the railroad, and that the business will pay well. It is successful it will be a large source of revenue to the Territory and add a great relief in money matters.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE YELLOWSTONE WAGON ROAD & PROSPECTING EXPEDITION

Held at Bozeman, Montana, January 16, 1874.

Permanent Chairman Yellowstone Wagon Road and Prospecting Expedition:

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GREAT EXCITEMENT!

Ellis & Davis

Have again received a heavy stock of ASSORTED MERCHANDISE, and have determined to make a

Further Reduction in the Prices!

We guarantee to Undercut Every House in the Territory FROM TWENTY TO THIRTY PER CENT.

Remember the old stand, second door east of the brick hotel. We keep the largest and best assortment in Bozeman.

Bozeman Public School. ROLL OF HONOR.

Report for the week ending January 16, 1874.

This report shows the standing, in recitations, deportment and attendance combined, of those pupils whose average was 91 and upwards—100 representing perfection.

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

George Nichols, 97; Robert Gray, 92; Edie Lamme, 91; Herbert Morrill, 90; Christina Egan, 89; Frank Graham, 89; Lizzie Crisman, 89; Harry Smith, 89.

SECOND DEPARTMENT.

Hugo Hoppy, William Rowe, Annie Baker, Maud Greene.

The Sociable at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Tracy on Wednesday evening was one of the most agreeable and entertaining of the season, and the innocent amusements introduced added much to the enjoyment of all present.

The introduction to the Pope of Rome were numerous and his representative did full justice to the character. Those who had the honor of being presented to his Eminence on that occasion will never need another introduction. One of the eminent physicians of Bozeman succumbed to the mesmeric influence of a young lady friend of his, the spell lasting till he became black in the face. We were glad to see him on the streets yesterday in his accustomed health apparently having sustained no injury from mesmerism.

I am, for the Committee, J. V. BOGERT, Treasurer and Secretary. BOZEMAN, January 20th.

YELLOWSTONE Wagon Road and Prospecting Expedition.

A large Expedition will leave Bozeman on about February 10th, to locate a Free Wagon Road to Tongue River and generally survey and prospect the country between Bozeman and that point. It will go equipped. Good men are invited to join it, and contributions of supplies are solicited. Men must come provided with arms, ammunition, and supplies for a term of six months. Cattle, horses and mule teams will accompany it, and saddle outfits will be admitted. Those intending to accompany or contribute toward it must advise the Secretary fully immediately, and all men and material must report at Bozeman before February 10th.

Rich mineral deposits are believed to exist in the region referred to, and the best men of the Gallatin Valley are interested in, and have contributed \$5,000 toward, the movement, which is endorsed by Messrs. Gemmill and Sharp, of Madison, who have decided to move with this expedition.

As this enterprise will do much to develop the various resources of the lower country, induce immigration and encourage railroad and steamboat approaches, the interest of every citizen will be consulted by assisting by means of men and material.

Notice. N. Story, H. N. Maguire, Charles Rich, D. H. Carpenter, S. W. Langhorne, S. B. Bowen, G. L. Clark, Executive Committee. J. V. BOGERT, Treasurer and Sec'y.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

To the Late Vernon Expedition. All who intended joining the Vernon Expedition are invited to join the Wagon Road and Prospecting Expedition with their outfit. All that would have retired from that movement will be obtained under ours, and attention is hereby called to the report published in this paper.

The Committee assure all that no bargain of any kind has been or will be made by which the retirement of Mr. Vernon is or will be obtained. His retirement was voluntary so far as is known to this Association, which pledges itself that no "ring" or selfish, secret object is concealed in the movement.

For the Committee: J. V. BOGERT, Secretary. Special Notice. All who wish to join the Wagon Road and Prospecting Expedition are requested to correspond with the Secretary immediately. Letters should state the amount of outfit the writer can supply, and the date to be can report at Bozeman. As the Expedition will start by February, at latest, it is necessary that the suggested correspondence be attended to without delay.

Contributions should be sent to the Bozeman Depot immediately, and, at the latest by the 25th inst. For the Committee: J. V. BOGERT, Secretary.

A VALUABLE PRESENT.—Mr. Samuel Lewis has donated to the new M. E. Church of this city a elegant eight-day clock, which will not only add materially to the ornamental beauty of the interior of our handsome new church edifice, but supply a necessity felt by those who attend church and cannot support a chronometer. The church-going people should feel grateful to Mr. Lewis for his liberality and thoughtful consideration in this respect.

On Tuesday evening, January 21st, the debates at the Lyceum will be resumed. The question selected for debate is the expediency of passing a Sunday Law. Affirmative—Rev. T. C. Hill and Dr. B. McMurry. Negative—J. V. Bogert and R. P. Vinton. All are cordially invited to attend.

Now is the time to subscribe for the COURIER. Send in your names.

PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

BOZEMAN GRANGE. P. W. McAdow, Master; W. T. South, Secretary.

ELK GROVE GRANGE. Silas Halston, Master; C. Edwards, Secretary.

KEYSTONE GRANGE. W. O. P. Hays, Master; Thos. P. Suet, Secretary.

EAST GALLATIN GRANGE. John House, Master; Rufus Thompson, Secretary.

P. O. address: of above—Bozeman, Gallatin county, M. T.

FARMINGTON GRANGE. Central Park, Gallatin county—C. L. Weaver, Master; L. P. Cowan, Secretary. Secretaries of Granges will please send us the times and places of meetings.

This sad news reached Bozeman yesterday of the death of Mrs. Doctor Hunter, who resided at Hunter's Warm Springs. Mrs. H. was known and esteemed by many residents of this place, and the announcement of her sudden death will be read with sorrowing hearts.

LOVERS of the balls and cue will find every requisite for enjoyment and exercise at Williams & Murray's Billiard Hall, next door to the North Pacific Hotel.

We learn that stock has done well so far this winter and all descriptions are in fine condition. The meetings of the Lyceum will be held at Association Hall as heretofore—Tuesday evenings.

LIST OF LETTERS Remaining in the Post Office at Bozeman M. T., January 22, 1874.

Arbuckle Joseph, Boehr Charles, Buchanan Buck, Brantford J. L., Charbonne George, Cook W. H., Edmonds H., Ferguson Charles, Forester Miss E., Gerard Joseph, Gigg John, Hawton Thomas.

Hawkins John, Jenni 23, James Johnson Joseph R., Murt Thomas, Mills Joseph T., Morse B. S., Jones Hugh, Ward Timothy C., Wilson Henry, Woodard Thomas H., Wright Charles.

Held for postage: Little Boquet, Chicago, Ill. J. H. TAYLOR, P. M.

NOTICE.

AUCTION SALE OF HORSES.

I will, On Saturday, January 24, 1874, in Bozeman, M. T., sell to the highest bidder for cash, or oats, hay or flour, a number of good

Work and Saddle Horses.

Also one or two CUTTERS and some HARNESS. Sale positive and without reserve. I will, between this and the day of sale, trade any of the above for oats, hay or flour at market price. C. L. CLARK.

REMOVED!

Messrs. Williams & Murray have removed their business from the corner of Main and Bozeman streets to

ODELL'S BILLIARD HALL,

where they will be pleased to do the agreeable to all their old patrons and friends. Their stock of Wine and Liquors is complete, and was selected with great care from the choicest vintages and most noted distilleries in the country; their cigars are of the best foreign and domestic manufacture and they guarantee that every article sold in their establishment will be of the best. The Billiard Tables and Saloon have been thoroughly renovated, and their patrons will find, as heretofore, their Hall a comfortable and pleasant resort, attended by polite and attentive waiters. Call and see them in their new building.

FL. Ellis Theatrical Troupe

Thursday Evening, Jan. 23, 1874, at the ASSOCIATION HALL, BOZEMAN.

THE MOUNTAIN MINSTRELS

in one of their choicest OLIOS, Songs, Ballads, Jigs, Farces, etc.

The whole to conclude with a side-splitting farce. Original characters by Messrs. Stuart, Richmond, Hood, Dinan, Harrington, Finnigan and a host of others. Doors open at 7; performance commences at 7 1/2 o'clock. Admission 75 cents; Reserved Seats \$1.

THEATICAL.—We understand that the Ft. Ellis Dramatic and Minstrel Association complete giving an entertainment in Bozeman some evening next week. We hope they will conclude to do so. The troupe possesses fine dramatic and musical talent, and we think would receive a good house.

RETURNED.—Mr. Spigel, who has been on a general prospecting tour through Eastern Montana since last June, returned to this place a few days for supplies. He reports having found good diggings, and will return to them immediately.

See advertisements of J. C. Hughes. He cures all diseases that horse flesh is heir to. Such is the efficacy of his medicine that it has become generally known among the "critters" in this country, and when they are "ailing" they walk over to Jim's corral to get a "nip" of his great elixir.

The Paymaster made his periodical