Holiday Goods marked down! The largest stock of Toys and Dolls ever shipped to this market at J. Basinski's.

THE AVANT COURIER

THURSDAY, : : : DEC. 6, 1877.

Local Matters.

Religious Services.

METHODIST.

Sunday School at the M. E. Church each Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Sabbaths, December 2d, 9th, 16th and 30th, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., in Episcopal Church, Bozeman.

Prayer and conference meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m., in Episcopal Church.

C. L. RICHARDS, Acting Pastor.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

The undersigned preacher, in charge of Bozeman Mission, will hold religious services regularly in each month, at the following times and places:

Dry Creek	1st Sunday,	at 11 a. m.	
Weaver School House	"	"	6 p. m.
Spring Hill	2d	"	11 a. m.
East Gallatin G. Hall	"	"	6 p. m.
Cope School House	4th	"	11 a. m.
Fairview School House	"	"	6 p. m.

C. W. SANFORD.

Dan. F. McMillen is our agent for Miles City and has authority to receipt for any amounts due us in that place.

Thanksgiving Day.

Thanksgiving day was observed in Bozeman by services at the Presbyterian church and by turkey dinners at the hotels and other places. In the afternoon the Silver Cornet Band played several pieces from the balconies of the hotels.

The Ball on the 21st.

By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that a grand ball will be given at the new school house on the 21st inst. by the Silver Cornet Band. Under the management of Prof. Charpie the band has made very rapid progress, and takes the opportunity of favoring the town with music very often. The ball given by the band will be the ball of the season. It will be well attended and patronized by all the lovers of dancing and good music.

The Sociable at Cooper's.

One of the most enjoyable evenings ever passed by the people of Bozeman was passed last Thursday evening (Nov. 22), at Mr. and Mrs. Cooper's, whose residence early in the evening was filled to its fullest capacity by their many friends. After being entertained with vocal and instrumental music for some time and enjoying themselves in social chats and games, the guests were kindly served with refreshments by the hostess. During the evening the gathering was also favored with a serenade by the Bozeman Silver Cornet Band.

The above notice was written for last week's paper, but was accidently mislaid, and did not appear last Thursday, when we had intended it should.

The Sociable at the Laclede.

The sociable for the benefit of the Episcopal Sunday School Christmas Tree was held last Friday evening at the Laclede Hotel. The attendance was large. Among those present were several officers and their wives from Fort Ellis. During the evening the guests were serenaded by the band, and served with refreshments by the generous and popular hosts of the Laclede. About ten o'clock the Bozeman string band, assisted by Prof. Charpie, took their position in the south end of the capacious dining hall which had been prepared for the occasion, and the majority of the persons present passed several hours in dancing.

A Good Selection.

Hon. Martin Maginnis, of Montana, has been re-elected chairman of the Committee of Territorial Delegates, which has a committee room in the Capitol, and discusses and acts on all matters relating to the Territories. Mr. Maginnis is thoroughly informed in regard to all the wants, interests and sentiments of the frontiers; is considered as authority in the House on all questions of Indian affairs and the requirements of frontier defense, and faithfully represents his people on these questions of such vital importance to them. He is one of the most useful men the Territories have in Congress; and being a ready and forcible debater, and one of the few members who can command the attention of the House, the delegation from the Territories, which, by the way, favorably compares with any State delegation, is to be congratulated on its choice of a leader.—*Forney's Sunday Chronicle, 18th ult.*

Public Meeting at Etchetah.

Pursuant to notice, the citizens of Yellowstone Valley, contiguous to the mouth of the Big Horn river, met at Etchetah and organized by the election of John C. Guy, President, and Joseph W. Allen, Secretary.

The President stated the object of the meeting to be to petition the Board of County Commissioners to organize a township, road and school district; also to nominate officers for the same and request their appointment.

A form of petition was read, and on motion adopted.

The following persons were then nominated for the various offices:

Justice of the Peace—Joseph W. Allen

Constable—John C. Guy.

Road Supervisor—C. F. Nortman.

School Trustees—David Conkling, Andrew Lindsay, and A. S. Lanneau.

Clerk of School Board—Joseph W. Allen.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

J. C. GUY, Pres't.

J. W. ALLEN, Sec'y.

Lockey has removed the coal stove from his store, and now burns wood that has been taken off public land.

INDIAN NEWS!

MORE DEPREDATIONS ON THE YELLOWSTONE.

One Hundred Head of Cattle Stolen.

Crow Scouts Afoot—Their Horses Captured.

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Personal.

H. Countryman is up from Stillwater.

Will. Rea is now clerking in the Post Office.

G. W. Preuitt, of Helena, was in town last week.

LeRoy Southmayde, of Virginia City, was in town this week.

Judge E. S. Wilkinson has indefinitely postponed his visit to Tongue river.

L. D. Crissman, of Spring Hill, is in town having a jollification with the boys.

Col. A. J. Viell arrived from the Crow Agency a few days ago, and left for Helena yesterday.

T. I. Dawes arrived in town this week from the Crow Agency, and leaves on this mornings coach for Helena.

Mrs. Josiah Murray and child arrived from the East Tuesday night and will make their future home in Bozeman.

Jas. A. Farrell, of Emigrant, and Judge Duke, of Willow Creek, are in town at the session of the County Commissioners.

Wm. W. Alderson left Fort Buford for Poplar Creek on the 14th of November. He is expected home about Christmas, if not before.

Pete Benson was in town last week and left on Saturday with a six-horse load of merchandise for his place near the mouth of the Stillwater.

Miss Maggie Bloom, who has helped entertain the social circle of Bozeman for several months past, left on Tuesday's coach for her old home in the East.

Ed. C. Alderson left Fort Buford on the 17th ult. for Bismarck, from which point he was to proceed on to Sauilsburg, Wis., where he will pass the winter with relatives.

F. F. Fridley and son, Ben. F. Fridley, arrived in town last week from Utah, with several loads of freight. They made a quick trip, and, we are pleased to know, a successful one.

Farmers from all sections of the valley have been in town the past week, squaring accounts with the county. Among others we noticed Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Thomas Aiken and Mr. Appleton, of Gallatin, and Philip Thorpe, Joseph Blackwell and Charles Ancony, of Hamilton and vicinity.

R. S. Worthington from Zanesville, Wis., a jeweler by trade, Root Williams, a surveyor, and Chas. H. Moore, an assayer, recently arrived in town from the Black Hills. The two last named gentlemen intend remaining in Bozeman this winter. Mr. Worthington, as soon as his tools arrive, will remove to Fort Custer and open out a jewelry establishment.

Original Contributions.

The Maskers.

BY MARY HOLM.

How dreams me to wait through the long hours of night,
All sleepless and lone for the coming of light;
To hear the wind whispering through the tall trees,
As the phantoms of darkness ride by on the breeze;
To feel the air stirred by invisible wings,
And space all alive with intangible things,
While the voices half heard of spirits and elves
Make us wonder if we are more real ourselves.

The night when the moon through the dark clouds shone clear—
Like a newly born soul full of wonder and fear—
Gazing from the far heights with a joy sublime on the sorrowing millions of treacherous time;
The wind gently sighing, falling over the land
Made it seem that the end of all things was at hand.

Oh! was it a dream that was born of the pain
That was tearing my heart, and racking my brain,
Or a vision to comfort and strengthen me given,
Brought down by the purified dwellers of heaven?
I know not: But there as I waited, the years
Walked solemnly by with their burdens of fears:
And weepings and groanings were scattered broadcast
Till I prayed that each coming year might be the last.

I was answered: The last, bound with fetters and thongs,
All wild with its fears, and all red with its wrongs,
Its horrible lips breathing mildew and rust,
Its pathway strewn over with ashes and dust,
Dragged wearily on; and around where I stood
Were the wrecks of what God had pronounced "very good."

Then a gigantic angel strode downward to stand,
One foot on the sea, and one foot on the land;
And the stars hid their light, that dread presence before.
As he shouted, "Time was, but time shall be no more,"
The earth was all shrunken, her mountains depressed
With the weight of that terrible foot on her breast.
The ocean was stilled in its restless uproar,
And quivering nestled beside the dark shore.
The dead left their graves in their long trailing shrouds,
And went up to the stars on a stairway of clouds.

A mass of strange creatures, with curses and jeers,
And hisses, and screams, grating harsh on my ears,
Came gathering in from all nations and lands,
And all of them carried their masks in their hands.
I wondered, what are these! and why do they come!
I spoke not, amazement had stricken me dumb,
For by the wierd moonlight I saw with a groan,
The masks were the faces of those I had known.
Yes, there in that horrible crowd all unmoved,
I saw, and I knew many faces I'd loved.

But their faces, Oh heavens! were of serpents and beasts,
And their mouths dripping blood from their vampire feasts:
The men I'd revered for their talent and power,
Were raveling wolves, seeking whom to devour;
And the women most famed for silvery speech,
Showed adders for tongues, stinging all within reach.
I cried in my terror, "Oh! Christ, is thy grace,
For creatures like these," and I covered my face.

At the sound of his name, all around me the air
Grew sweet with the odor of unspoken prayer,
And I saw in the throng, when I opened my eyes,
What at first I had missed in my painful surprise:
Some forms in white raiment, with faces of saints,
Hands working no evil, lips free from complaints;
Though stung by the women and tortured by men,
When they were reviled they reviled not again.

Then I knew, and in knowing, for gladness I wept,
Though tempted full sorely, the faith had been kept.
I lifted my eyes to the late troubled skies
But the east was all white with the coming sunrise.
I turned to my vision: the maskers were gone;
I sat there and watched by my window alone.

When that day were long and like other days seemed,
And I met the fierce maskers of whom I had dreamed;
I knew that their velvety touches concealed,
The fangs that my vision by night had revealed.
The smiling complicance I knew was a sheath,
And that adders lay hidden behind the white teeth:

When I saw the soft light in the glittering eyes,
I thought, sir, or madam, I know your disguise.
This dual existence must be a great task,
For one blessed moment, please lay off your mask.

Bozeman, M. T., Dec. 2, 1877.

The Bozeman papers say that considerable sickness has prevailed in that town during the past week.—*Herald.*

We never said so, and it is not a fact. The down-town Bozeman newspaper outfit are the only sick persons in this town we know of.

BOARDING HOUSE HASH.

No sociable this week.

The new Billiard Hall is open.

M. T. Williams is having a large cellar built under his residence.

Bass & Co's Ale at Odell's Hall.

Our Custer County local column speaks for itself this week.

New and good goods at Lockey's.

Tom Warfield is making improvements on the inside of his tin shop.

Sour Mash Whisky at Odell's Hall.

The County Commissioners are in session at the office of the County Clerk.

Lockey need and must have cash. PAY UP.

A ball will be given at Fort Ellis on Christmas Eve, by H Co., 2d Cavalry.

St. Louis Imperial at Odell's Hall.

An addition is being made on the rear of the Randall building on Black street.

Parlor Tables at Ponsford's Billiard Hall.

The inevitable tax-paying season has just passed, and it is gratifying to state that our farmers and others, as usual, came to the scratch in due time.

Greenbacks will buy anything at Lockey's.

A three months term of school has commenced at Hayden, with about 20 scholars. Mr. A. J. Lovely, who resided in Bozeman the past summer, is the teacher.

Blake "A" Whisky AT PONSFORD'S

At a meeting of Bozeman Grange No. 2, P. of H., held last Saturday evening, it was decided to surrender the charter and, the Grange is now no longer in existence

Indian Views for sale at Calfee & Catlin's View Emporium.

Eratum: In the article headed, "The Political Situation," on 1st page, the word [illegible]ve in the fifth line of the first paragraph has been accidentally transposed, and is on the wrong end of the line.

Lockey has Frazier's and Ancony's Cheese on ap.

Our original contribution column is this week graced by a contribution from a lady of Bozeman. The poem is well written, the sentiment is excellent, and our many readers will no doubt be highly entertained by perusing it.

Ponsford's Billiard Hall is furnished with new stock—and is a place apart from the saloon.

The Fort Ellis Theatre will be in full blast in about two weeks. We are informed that the theatre building will be repaired so that it can be warmed easier, and other improvements made that will add to the comfort of the audience.

If you want a good suit of clothes made, and warranted to fit, call on

THOMAS CODY, the Tailor,

one door East of Strasburger & Sperling, Main street, Bozeman. [26-tf

George M. Pinney and Flora, his aggravating wife,
After an outrageous matrimonial strife,
Have of their sins repented, and as in days agone,
No longer live apart, but together now as one.

Ponsford's Billiard Hall is separate from the Saloon. Entrance one door east of Basinski's.

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to be present at a complimentary reception to be tendered by the citizens of Helena to the officers of the U. S. Army, stationed in Montana, on Friday evening, December 14th, 1877, and only regret that our manifold duties prevent our attending.

Don't forget that it is your last chance to get views of the Yellowstone National Park, at Calfee & Catlin's View Emporium.

We publish on our first page the speech of Delegate Maginnis on the army appropriation bill. The speech has been highly complimented by the eastern press and is certainly a truthful statement of the facts as they exist, and an earnest effort for the protection due to the people on the exposed frontiers.

Buy two and a half yards of cloth and have your pants made, to fit, by

THOMAS CODY, the Tailor,

next door to Strasburger & Sperling. 132-tf

Capt. H. L. Stevens' party of 26 men arrived this forenoon from Dauphin Rapids, four hundred miles above Buford. Their work was cut short by the hostiles, but in spite of them they took out 2,500 boulders at Dauphin Rapids, and built a wing dam 700 yards, at Cow Island, improving the navigation materially at both points. The party leaves on this evening's train for St. Paul.—*Bismarck Tribune, 15th ult.*

Presents are for 40c below cost by buying Buffalo Coats, Gloves, and Mitts from Lockey. [2-tf

The roughest joke we have heard on a young lady for some time past is, having forgotten to paint her cheeks before going to the sociable and being caught rubbing her cheeks on the whitewashed walls. We don't credit this story. It sounds to much like some others we heard, one of which was that a lady present ate six or eight dishes of ice cream and hid the dishes under her chair to make the waiters believe she had not had any before.

Go to Calfee & Catlin's View Emporium for Pictures of the Wonderland.

"A change for the better in the Bozeman COURIER is now confidently expected. Its young man has gone and went and started a 'self-improvement society,' with himself as near horse in the lead team."—*Helena Herald.*

Thanks! To the editor of the COURIER does not belong the honor of having organized the "Bozeman Self-Improvement Association." We are glad to know, however, that you now confidently expect a change for the better in us. A few weeks ago we were your "model young man" and past improvement.

PAY UP!

Parties owing us are requested to call and pay up their indebtedness to us before the 1st of January, 1878, as we desire to close our books at that date. All accounts not settled by January 1st will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

STASBURGER & SPERLING.

Bozeman, November 29, 1877.

From a private telegram received in town, we learn that Lewis and Rich, at Pleasant Valley on the 30th ult., being unable to travel on account of the snow being so heavy on the divide, were driving their stock to winter quarters. The train has on about 60,000 pounds of freight, most of which is for Bozeman merchants, the remainder being for Ft. Ellis. Every pound of freight now on the road will be needed before spring, and it is hoped that the weather will yet moderate to such an extent as to allow teams to get entirely over the divide—after getting that far there is hardly any time of the year but what they can reach Bozeman.

Post Offices Established.

The post-office at Etchetah, Custer Co., has been re-established and Joseph W. Allen appointed postmaster.

The following post-offices have been established in Custer County:

Coulson, Custer County, Samuel Alexander, postmaster.

Huntly, Custer County, Omar Haskins, postmaster.

Miles City, Custer County, Louis Payette, postmaster.

Custer County Locals.

J. W. ALLEN.....Local Editor.

The Yellowstone is very low, and Mackinaws are having a hard time of it above the mouth of the Big Horn.

A meeting was held at Etchetah to organize a township, and the settlers themselves were surprised at the number present.

The Bozeman and Tongue river mail is now carried through in wagons, which is an improvement over the old style of a pack horse.

Reports are rife of the presence of a party of hostile Indians in the neighborhood of Porcupine, but nothing certain can as yet be ascertained.

The ferry boat at Sage Brush Bottom has been hauled out for the winter, a fine ford having been found at the lower end of the bottom.

Mr. David Conkling has discovered coal fifteen miles from Etchetah, in the direction of the Muscleshell. The vein where it crops out is from two to three feet thick, and the coal is of good quality.

The larger part of the transportation has been taken below to freight from Fort Buford up, but the most of the stores have been removed from Terry's Landing, and the few teams left will deliver the balance at Fort Custer by Christmas.

Mr. Borup the Post trader for Fort Custer arrived some time since with part of his stock—the liquid part. The boys all think it was a good idea to ship the liquors before cold weather, as they do not like to buy their whisky by the plug.

Pease Bottom is settling up very fast, and the best of the ranches, or those fronting the river, are mostly taken up. There is still room for more, however, and it is the opinion of a great many that the lands next the bluffs will prove the most productive.

Seven lodges of Crows, with Good Heart and Pretty Lodge as chiefs, are camped at Etchetah. They say that they have "set down" for one moon, when they will have a talk. It appears to be the wish of the Crows that their Agency should be removed to the mouth of the Big Horn river.

Groceries, in fact goods of all kinds, are scarce and in demand. Flour, $9 to $11; coffee, 50cts.; sugar, 30 cts; candles, 40cts.; butter, 60 to 75cts.; potatoes, 8 cts.; onions, 15cts.; tobacco, what you have a mind to ask for it, and everything else in proportion. A good store is needed at Etchetah and any person who would start one would do well.

The Ball at Fort Ellis.

The Ball at Fort Ellis on Thanksgiving night was a grand affair. Early in the evening the capacious theater building was well filled, and after promenading the hall for some time the ball was started, the officers of the Fort taking the lead in the first dance. The hall was beautifully decorated. As you entered, the first word to greet your eyes was the word "WELCOME" attached to a festoon of flags over the entrance to the room. The top and sides of the room were covered by flags; on the north end in golden letters appeared between swords, bugles and other ornaments,

"MONTANA BATTALION, 2ND. CAVALRY,
F. G. H. L."

Directly below, and in front of the musicians, was the record of the battles in which the 2nd Cavalry has distinguished itself during the campaign of 1877, viz:

Muddy Creek, May 7.
Big Hole, August 9.
Camas Creek, August 20.
Snake Creek, September 3 to Oct. 5.

The sides of the room were decorated with portraits of prominent Generals in the U. S. army, such as Sherman, Sheridan, Grant and Hancock. On the flag which decorated the southern end of the hall appeared the words,

"ALWAYS READY WHEN DUTY CALLS."

About 12 o'clock, tables were brought into the hall and a bountiful repast served, after which the hall was cleared and dancing again resumed until daylight was near at hand.

A pleasant time was had by all present, and will be remembered as a happy re-union of the brave and gallant soldiers of the 2d Cavalry with their friends at Fort Ellis and vicinity, who esteem them for their valor and the victories gained by them in the eventful campaign of 1877.

Limitation Laws.

The code of civil procedure enacted at the tenth session of the Montana Legislature, makes provisions of limitation which we have not seen published, and which are of considerable importance to business men. We publish the following extracts:

Sec. 41. * * * An action upon any contract, obligation, or liability, founded upon an instrument in writing, shall be commenced within six years.

Sec. 44.—1. An action upon account, or other contract, obligation or liability, not founded upon an instrument in writing; * * * 3. An action upon an account for goods, wares or merchandise sold and delivered, and upon any express or implied promise not above enumerated—shall be commenced within two years.

The limitations were formerly, on instruments in writing, ten years; on book accounts, five years.—*New North-West.*

Man Lost.

The people of Pioneer and vicinity are considerably alarmed about the absence of Henry Brockman, a resident of that place. He left Conner's saw mill to hunt near the lake north of the mill. He took with him a rifle, matches, a piece of pitch pine, a few biscuits and a small piece of meat, intending to return the same evening. He did not return. On Tuesday three men started from Conner's mill in search of him, and on Wednesday a number of others from Pioneer joined in the search. Mr. Herron, who came up Wednesday evening, says no trace of him had been found when he left. A heavy snow fell after Brockman's departure. All kinds of conjectures are afloat as to what has happened to him. The only probable one that would suggest his safety is that he has crossed the range, got lost and followed down one of the tributaries of Nevada creek. A worse fate may have befallen him.—*New North-West.*

A member of the Montana Steam Cracker Company and a Bozeman newspaper man got hauled over the coals this week by their Christian brethren for attending the ball at Fort Ellis on Thanksgiving night.

Letter List.

Letters remaining uncalled for in the post office at Bozeman, Gallatin County, Montana Territory, December 5, 1877.

Anderson Otto	Manver Jacob
Bailey A L	McFarland John
Boge Henry	McCormick Thomas
Cooper R J	Pierson D S
Chamberlin Jerome	Saver Frank
Duffy W J	Sanford M T
Donegan P	Stewart Chas A
Goswell Josiah	Spencer Ed C
Grace Gerald	Taylor J M
Gawf Edward	Taylor James T
Headen E P	Wells Joseph M
Hepstall Chas 2	Warren S
Howell H C	Wringler John J
Krosigk Henry Von	

Parties calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised."

J. H. TAYLOR, P. M.

Special Notices.

One Cent a Day!

Economy is the order of the hour, and every expenditure, however small, is expected to bear its proper value. Every family requires one good, reliable family newspaper. If such an article can be procured for less than one cent for each working day of the year, we are not aware of it. A family newspaper should contain a carefully prepared summary of all the news of the day, both religious and secular; and if arranged so that the two departments may be separated and read by two individuals at the same time, so much the better. The family newspaper should have attractive reading and information for the various members of a household. Some portion of the paper should be devoted, every week, to religious and moral improvement, to current secular news, to agriculture, commerce, markets, finance, to general literature, &c., with a special department for the young. Above all, the family newspaper should be perfectly pure, and free from any contaminating influence in its reading matter or in its advertisements. Too much attention cannot be paid to this feature, when the press is flooding the country with so much that is vile and pernicious. To crown all, the family newspaper should be untrammeled by any affiliation with sect or party, and should be free to give all the good news from and about all the world. If such a family newspaper can be had for *one cent a day*, it should be taken by every family in the land.

Such a family newspaper, in every respect, we find in the New York *Observer* now commencing its sixty-sixth volume. Progressive, comprehensive, sound, reliable, pure, it is just what is needed in your household. Send $3.15 for a year to the New York *Observer*, 37 Park Row, New York. Sample copies are sent free.

MARRIED.

BONFANTI—PONTONI—In the Chapel of Gallatin Valley female seminary, December 2nd, 1877, by the Rev. R. B. Crissman, Mr. Geo. W. Bonfanti to Miss Emma B. Pontoni—both of Central Park, Montana.

BORN.

HUFFINE—near Bozeman, Montana, December 1st, 1877, to the wife of J. D. Huffine, a son.

POWER—In Bozeman, Montana, December 2nd, 1877, to the wife of H. C. Powers, a daughter.

Bozeman Produce Market.

	BUY.	SELL.
Flour, XXX, per sack	$8.50	$9.00
Flour, XX Family	$8.00	$8.50
Oats, per 100 lbs	$1.50 to $1.75	1.75 to $2.00
Potatoes, per lb	1c	1 1-2c
Butter " "	35 to 40c	45 to 50c
Cheese, "	18 to 20c	22 to 25c
Eggs, per dozen	70 to 75c	75c
Wheat XX, per bushel	90c	at mill.
Wheat, XXX, per bushel	$1.00 to $1.10	at mill.

GRAND BALL!

TO BE GIVEN AT THE

New School House!

ON THE

21st OF DECEMBER, 1877,

BY THE

BOZEMAN SILVER CORNET BAND.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

Walter Cooper, Nelson Story,
J. S. Mendenhall, W. B. McAdow,
J. D. Chesnut, Robert P. Vivion.

COMMITTEE ON INVITATION.

Leander M. Black, A. J. Malin,
John W. Ponsford, Elias Sperling,
S. W. Langhorne, of Bozeman.
Charles W. Hodman, Fort Ellis.
Andy Cooperly, Spring Hill.
V. A. Cocserill, Central Park.
G. H. Campbell, Gallatin City.

COMMITTEE ON RECEPTION.

L. S. Willson, J. S. Mendenhall,
Z. H. Daniels, Silas Ralston,
Frank Esler, N. E. Davis.

COMMITTEE ON MUSIC.

A. B. Charpie and Bozeman Silver Cornet Band.

FLOOR MANAGERS.

T. B. Warfield, David Boerum,
Thomas Lewis, Edward Fridley.
C. L. Clark.

Music by the Band.

Tickets.....$3.00

NOTICE.

U. S. LAND OFFICE,
BOZEMAN, MONTANA, Nov. 22, 1877.

Complaint having been entered at this office by WILLIAM E. FISHER against SYLVESTER H. BOOTH for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 2, dated December 1st, 1874, upon the N. E. 1-4 of S. E. 1-4 and W. 1-2 of S. E. 1-4 and S. E. 1-4 of N. E. 1-4, Section 34 Township 1 North, Range 5 East, in Gallatin county, Montana, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 25th day of December, 1877, at 10 o'clock P. M., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

DAVIS WILLSON, Register.
J. V. BOGERT, Receiver.

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NOTICE TO MINERS.

U. S. LAND OFFICE,
BOZEMAN, M. T., Nov. 28, 1877.

FRANK P. HERMAN, whose Post Office address is Bozeman, Gallatin county, Montana, has this day filed his application to enter as agricultural land, under the Pre-emption laws, the S. 1-2 of S. W. 1-4 and S. 1-2 of S. E. 1-4 of Section No. 10 in Township No. 3 South of Range No. 5, East; which land is suspended from entry. Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held at this office on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1877, at 10 o'clock a. m., to determine as to the mineral or non-mineral character of said land, and testimony to be used upon said hearing will be taken before the Register and Receiver at the Land Office at Bozeman, Montana, on the 28th day of December, A. D., 1877, at 10 o'clock a. m.

It is alleged there are no known miners, nor mining improvements upon said land.

3td] DAVIS WILLSON, Register.

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