The Avant Courier.

THURSDAY. : : : JAN. 24, 1878.

Local Matters.

Religious Services.

METHODIST.

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

PRESBYTERIAN.

January 27th, Sabbath, 11 a. m., at Spring Hill 3 p. m. at Jarred School House.
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:

Cody Creek	1st Sunday,	at 11 a. m.	
Beaver School House	"	"	6 p. m.
Spring Hill	2d	"	11 a. m.
at Gallatin G. Hall	"	"	6 p. m.
Bozeman School House	4th	"	11 a. m.
Interview School House	"	"	6 p. m.

C. W. SANFORD.

I. O. O. F.

Western Star Lodge, No. 4.

G—S. H. Osborn. R. S—A. D. McPherson. S—John Stevens. T—J. F. Spieth. G—J. Bovard.

Lodge meets at Odd Fellow's Hall every Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Sojourning brothers are cordially invited to attend.

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

District Conference M. E. Church, South.

The Conference of Montana District, M. E. Church, South, will convene at Boulder City, on Friday, the 22nd of February at 9 o'clock a. m. The traveling and local preachers and official lay-members of the various pastoral charges are members. A general attendance is desirable, as questions of importance will come before the body. Religious services will commence on Thursday evening, and continue (at the usual hours of worship) until over Sunday. A number of ministers will be present. The generous hospitality of the good people of Boulder will be extended to all who may attend.

E. J. STANLEY.

Miles City to Bismarck.

Gen. Miles having been informed that, if he would recommend it, a daily mail would be established on the route from Tongue river, direct, to Bismarck, informed the citizens of Miles city of the same. Thereupon they circulated a petition and had it signed by all the prominent citizens of Miles city, asking for the establishment of the line. Gen. Miles has forwarded the petition with his endorsement, and the route will undoubtedly be established soon. This is a good thing for Miles, as the mail has heretofore been carried from Bismarck via Fort Buford, 230 miles northeast, and from that point in a southwesterly direction 170 miles, increasing the distance nearly one-half, and the time for both mail and supplies several days.

It is to be hoped that the Government or some private company will establish a telegraph line on this route, and from there via Forts Custer and Ellis to the settlements of Montana. To show that it can be made a paying investment we need only refer to the fact that the War Department from Sept. 1st to Dec. 31st, 1877, paid out the sum of $1,830 for the forwarding of important messages from Ft. Keogh to Bismarck. The distance is only 70 miles by the trail along the surveyed line of the North Pacific railroad. There is considerable good land along the route, and according to the Bismarck *Tribune*, settlements already extend twenty odd miles up the valley of the Heart river, and are branching out in the surrounding country."

The line is a necessity, and we hope some interested parties will take hold of the matter and make a success of it.

Crow Agency Cows and Calves.

We clip the following from a letter from Stillwater, published in last week's *Times*. We were a little surprised to find such a statement under the head of Stillwater, but would have expected such an article under the head of "Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Wanted at the Crow Agency," or something of that sort:

"I heard that Agent Frost (or Biggest Frost Montana ever saw) had lost a lot of cows (but says nothing about them calves) and I think it would be a good idea for him (Frost) to see Jim (Yankee Jim, of Crow Agency, who is addicted to going into a trance and revealing where lost articles can be found.—ED. COURIER.) He can and will tell him where they are, and not charge over 12 1-2 cents per head for it. As it is a big lot, (Col. Viall might appropriate some towards the same), small lots he will charge 25 cents. I will come again soon and tell you more. How, B. B."

There must be some mistakes about this matter. 1st. Col. Viall has no contract at the Crow Agency. 2nd. Major Frost has had no use for a large number of cows, or calves either, for that matter; and P. W. McCadow, the contractor is such a kind-hearted man that he would not be guilty of separating cows from their calves, and he has also taken so much interest in seeing that other parties have filled their contracts to the letter, that no one will suppose for a moment that he would be guilty of any shortcomings in filling his own.

Again, affairs at the Crow Agency have received the most flattering endorsements from the Bozeman *Times* and Helena *Herald*, which is of itself proof positive that everything is all right, of course. The *Times* has even figured it down to a fine point, and told the number of cattle *en route*, the number of sacks of flour delivered, and the fact that Agent Frost pronounced the flour an excellent quality. Go in on your nerve, boys.

AMERICAN WATCHES

—AT—

STATES PRICES.

3, 4, 5, and 6 ounce cases.

ALL WATCHES FULLY WARRANTED FOR ONE YEAR.

All kinds of Watch Repairing done in a workmanlike manner and warranted for one year.

Jewelry.

Ladies' Sets in Solid Roman Gold, Cameo Amethyst, Coral, Garnet and Pearl, solid 14 Karat gold Guard, Opera, and Vest Chains, Roman and Plain Gold Necklaces, Lockets, Crosses, Finger and Ear Rings, Studs, Sleeve Buttons, Etc., Etc.

☞ Solid Silver and Plated Forks, Spoons, Etc.

FIELD AND SPY GLASSES OF THE BEST FRENCH MANUFACTURE.

Special pains taken in fitting Spectacles and Eye Glasses, to secure a glass suited to the eye. Orders from the country filled with care.

Watches and other goods sent for selection on receiving satisfactory reference.

W. G. BAILEY,
Helena, Montana

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PERSONAL.

W. H. Tracy has returned from Miles city.

Jacob Ellis left for Helena on business yesterday.

B. F. Cline arrived in town from Miles city this week.

Major Geo. W. Frost is in town from the Crow Agency.

Alfred Meyers was up from Fort Custer, this week, and has returned.

Wm. W. Alderson went to Helena on Monday's coach. He is expected back this week.

Dan. F. McMillen, of Miles city, is in town and expects to remain here until next spring.

Vard Cockrill, wife and child, of Central Park, were registered at the Northern Pacific yesterday.

G. H. Campbell passed several days in town last week, and returned home to Gallatin city Monday.

B. F. Sanborn, of Hamilton, was in town Tuesday trying to find a load of freight for Helena.

Charley Gage, who has been passing several weeks in town at the Laclede Hotel, left for the east on Monday's coach.

An Indian girl recently went to Helena from the Crow Agency. She will make her home with Col. A. J. Viall's family.

W. Y. Smith left for the Yellowstone Tuesday, where he will do some surveying in the vicinity of Hayden for private parties.

From a private letter received, we learn that Thos. R. Edwards is visiting Miles City simply on a business trip. He expects to be absent about two months.

John J. Alderson left for Sun River last week, where he will take charge of a lot of cattle, recovered from the 75 head lost by Wm. W. Alderson during a drive to Fort Peck Indian Agency.

Rev. Clark Wright has been appointed Territorial Superintendent of Schools, in place of Hon. Cornelius Hedges, whose official term expired on the 14th inst. The appointment is a good one, and one, we believe, that will give general satisfaction.

A *Herald* descriptive letter of Jefferson city contains the following: Granniss & Sloan, tobaccos, cigars, books, stationary, notions, etc., Dunges block. The firm consists of two very pleasant and business-like young men, who are meeting with a patronage beyond their anticipations. If their strict business habits and rules are adhered to, their success in life is assured.

We acknowledge a call yesterday from Mr. W. T. Van Dorn, of the Ogden Nursery Co., who is traveling through the Territory soliciting orders. His company stands well in Ogden, and is perfectly reliable. As fruit culture is something to which we should devote considerable attention, we hope Mr. Van Dorn will be liberally patronized by the people of Gallatin.

Ladies' Society Sociable.

There will be a sociable at the residence of Major Jno. P. Bruce on Thursday evening, January the 24th. All who are sociably inclined are invited to attend.

MRS. CHAS. RICH, Sec'y.

Romantic.

He was in love with the girl, but, for some unaccountable reason, she did not reciprocate the affection. To make the matter worse, he was despitefully hated by her parents. To secure her, he started stories about her which were everything but flattering in their character. In the course of time, her father heard of these stories and wrote the lover an invitation to call and see him. All alive with anticipation of the blissful future, he started for the home of his adored, fully confident that her parents had agreed to let him marry the girl and prevent a scandal in the family. When he arrived, however, he was cornered by the father of his loved one who started for him with a butcher-knife. By good luck, he succeeded in evading the attack and started for the brush as fast as his legs could carry him. The young lady, when she saw her admirer making his escape, picked up a Winchester rifle and fired three or four shots at him, making him jump higher, yell louder, and run faster than he ever did in his life before. He now resides in Emigrant Gulch, and will not likely circulate villainous stories about young ladies for some time to come, or at least, until he gets over his scare or finds a less determined young lady to impose upon. The heroine of this *romance* resides with her parents at Gage's, on the Yellowstone, where this scene is reported to have taken place.

Sold for Taxes.

On Monday, January 21st, the following property was sold for taxes by J. D. McCaman, treasurer and collector of Gallatin county. The sale took place in front of the sheriff's office. But few persons were in attendance.

H. C. Crowell, 80 acres land, west of Bozeman, $29.04, with costs of sale, sold to W. Y. Smith.

Carpenter and Renfro, improvements on 160 acres on Shields river, $48.00 and costs of sale, sold to W. Y. Smith.

Francis Geisdorff, 2 lots in Bozeman, $1.80 with costs. East lot bought by A. D. McPherson.

L. L. Martin, lots in Gallatin City, $41.69 and costs, bought by G. H. Campbell.

D. F. Grogan & Bro., improved farms, $66.60 and costs, sold to W. Y. Smith.

Other property was offered for sale, but no bids were received. The sale was then adjourned to March 5th, 1878.

Mining Accident.

Neil McCarron, Samuel Sprague and —— Jones, working in the main shaft of the Trout mine on Friday last, after loading two shots with giant powder, got into the bucket to go up to the level above, but on reaching the timbers, McCarron was caught on the shoulder and thrown from the bucket, some fifteen feet, to the bottom. One of his ribs was broken, and he was severely bruised and cut, but able to climb into the cross-cut, which had been started a few feet from the bottom, and thus escape the danger from the explosion. He was brought up and taken charge of by Mr. Fisher, the Superintendent, who pays all expenses and the man his regular wages until able to work again.—*Independent, 18th inst.*

Mail Matter Notice.

The following circular has been issued by the Postmaster General:

Postmasters are required to keep a complaint book, in which all letters reported to them as lost are entered; and, after making examination in their offices, they are required to report the loss, with all particulars, without delay.

The public are invited to report promptly all losses or irregularities in their correspondence, to their Chief Special Agent, Post Office Department, Washington, D. C., and investigation will follow.

If all losses should be promptly reported it will be the means of correcting the irregularities, and the interests of the public, as well as the efficiency of the postal service, will be enhanced in a most important degree.

The omission of the county in the address of letters is one of the great causes of delay and missending.

D. M. KEY,
Postmaster General.

BOZEMAN SANDWICHES.

The Batu Rooms are being extensively patronized.

The new Billiard Hall is open.

Several Bozeman parties are busy cutting and putting up ice.

Wanted—To rent a ranch. If you have one to rent call at this office.

A. Lamme has had improvement made on his residence the past week.

Parlor Tables at Ponsford's Billiard Hall.

A pleasant social party and dance was had at Spring Hill on Friday evening last.

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

The Historical Society of Montana hold their annual meeting in Helena on the 26th inst.

Blake "A" Whisky AT PONSFORD'S

A number of farmers' teams pass through town everyday on their way to Fort Ellis with oats.

Butter, Eggs, Potatoes, Flour, Lard, &c wanted at Lockey's.

A Diamond R mule train from Fort Custer passed through town this week on its way to Helena.

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. [32-tf

A wagon bearing the sign, "Ogden Nursery Co., Utah," on its sides, arrived in town yesterday.

If you want peace in the family use Lockey's California Self-Rising Flour.

Erasmus D. Johnson will learn something to his advantage by applying to the Bozeman Land Office.

Horses, Mares and Mules for sale by Brunett: Any kind of grain taken in payment for the same.

The Quartermaster at Fort Ellis has received authority to purchase 700,000 pounds of oats in open market.

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

Tilton & Wright have dissolved partnership in their freight train, and Mr. Wright has loaded his train for Helena.

Ponsford's Billiard Hall is seperate from the Saloon. Entrance one door East of Basinski's.

We were favored with two light snow storms last week, and the sleighing is now generally good in Bozeman and vicinity.

Ponsford's Billiard Hall is furnished with new Tables—and is separate from the Saloon.

Frank Murray has purchased Mr. Tilton's interest in the Tilton & Wright train, and will freight on the Yellowstone with it.

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

The organization of a Board of Trade is talked of in Bozeman. We certainly need something of the kind. Who will take the initiative steps toward forming one?

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. [32-tf

Church services will be held next Sunday in the Methodist church, Rev. M. Bird occupying the pulpit in the morning, and Wm. W. Alderson in the evening.

Will Frazier and Clark Switzler left town this week for Miles city with two four-horse teams, loaded with flour. Their teams are in excellent condition, and they expect to make a quick trip.

BATH ROOMS.

Bath Rooms will be open on and after Friday, January 18th, in the Headquarters Saloon building (up stairs) on Main street, where persons can be accommodated with baths from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., at reasonable rates. 9-tf

Martin & Meyers have purchased of Parkhurst & Patterson, Penn., the Pease residence, the Bozeman planing-mill, and 20 acres of land, adjoining the townsite of Bozeman on the south.

WALTHAM WATCHES.

3 oz. Silver Hunting Case (stem wind) $25.00
4 oz. Silver Hunting Case (stem wind) $28.00

I make a living by honest labor—not by profit on goods sold.

Silverware, Clocks and Jewelry at proportionate prices.

7-3i LEA F. MARSTON.

At an adjourned meeting of the Directors of the First National Bank of Bozeman, held in the rooms of the association last week, Nelson Story was elected Vice President for the ensuing year.

Sportsmen, Take Warning!

Notice is hereby given that after the first day of January, A. D., 1878, all parties hunting or trapping on farms belonging to the undersigned, without permission, will be prosecuted according to law.

MARION FLAHARTY,	W. CALFEE,
J. L. PATTERSON,	E. D. JOHNSON,
T. B. ELLIS & BRO.,	J. C. SWITZLER,
SANFORD RUFFNER,	Jas. L. SWITZLER,
R. P. MENEFEE,	C. H. SWITZLER,
W. H. HEFFNER,	J. W. MARDIS,
H. K. COLEMAN,	B. F. BISEL.
MATHEW B. RD,	SAMUEL TURNER.

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Occasionally we see clippings in some of the Territorial papers credited to the Benton *Record*. If there is such a paper in existence we would be pleased to receive substantial proof of the fact.

Among the Dead Failures

Of the past, how many bogus nostrums may be numbered! Beginning their careers with a tremendous flourish of trumpets, blazoned for a time in the public prints and on flaming posters, soon, but not too soon, were they relegated to the limbo of things lost on earth. But Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is a living and thriving remedy. It goes on, curing and to cure. Neither underhand nor open competion affect it. On the contrary, contrast with inferior rival preparations only increase its popularity. It has been repeatedly imitated, but without success. Counterfeits of it have been surreptitiously introduced, but have fallen flat. Everywhere it entrenches itself in the confidence of the people; and well it may, for it is a thoroughly reliable invigorant of the feeble, banishes dyspepsia and constipation, braces the nerves, cures rheumatic ailments and kidney complaints, and eradicates and prevents intermittent and remittent fevers. 8-4t.

Read the report of the First National Bank of Bozeman in another column. It speaks for itself. A deposit of $136,615.62 certainly speaks well for the confidence reposed in the bank by its patrons.

Some person at the Crow Agency sends us a communication, but as it is not accompanied by the writers name, and contains personalities evidently not intended for publication, we considerately lay it in the "waste basket."

Be sure and go to the sociable to-night at Major John P. Bruce's. His residence is just a nice distance from town. You can give your girl a sleigh ride in both going and coming, and cannot help having a good time at the Major's.

Quite a number of people left town yesterday evening to attend a select party, given at the residence of Charles R. Hulbert, on Middle creek. The best music in Bozeman was engaged for the occasion, and no doubt all present enjoyed themselves very much.

A number of young folks, on Tuesday evening last, called on Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hellinger, taking them by surprise. A few hours were very pleasantly passed in social chat, and in listening to music furnished by some of the young men present. As is usual on such occasions, there was no dancing.

An Unvarnished Tale.

Adventures of the Maxwell Party.—A Heroic Party of Six Attacked by Indians, and kept in a State of Siege for Nearly a Week.

We are indebted to our friend White Calfee for the following:

Mr. A. J. Maxwell started from Miles City Dec. 7, 1877, for the Stanley crossing of the Little Missouri river, with the intention of locating there. He was accompanied by Mrs. A. M. Maxwell and daughter May, Mr. Bo.ten, George Darland, Matt. ——, and Jester Pruden.

On the evening of the 15th of December while traveling over the divide between the O'Fallon creeks, Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell went ahead of the teams, and discovered, as they thought, two antelope, a short distance ahead of them. On Mr. Bouten coming forward and using his field glass, the objects were ascertained to be Indians, and he also discovered near by about forty lodges. Some of the company became quite excited, and on watching the Indians, the party soon became satisfied that they had run on to a camp of hostiles.

By mutual action, the party began to retreat and agreed to fall back about fifteen miles to water and there make preparations to withstand an attack from the Indians.

They succeeded in reaching the water without being molested. They camped on a high point, which was almost surrounded by a deep ravine. There was no timber nearer them than 200 yards, and water was about the same distance from them.

No Indians being near, they rested until daylight, when they began to build log and earth breastworks. About 11 a. m. that day (Sunday) the Indians were discovered in the vicinity. The party kept at work on their fortification, however, until evening, and were unmolested. The cattle were being kept in the deep ravine near by, and at evening left the mouth of it for water when the Indians rushed up the creek, took possession of the cattle and drove them off without firing a shot.

The men kept busy at work and dared not follow the Indians. About 11 o'clock that night they had their fortifications completed. It consisted in part of the wagons, and the rest was formed of logs, earth and gunny sacks filled with sand. The Indians did not care to make an attack, but used endeavors to draw the men from behind their breastworks by scattering the cattle in the vicinity.

The men heard the cattle bellowing during the next day, and had no doubt that they were seperated by the Indians, and that the Indians thought the white men, hearing the cattle, would think some of them had broken away from the Indians and got left. No Indians were seen during the day, and the men were careful to keep themselves concealed. At night one man started to Fort Keogh for help, which left the force reduced to four men, one woman and one girl.

About 8 o'clock at night the guard heard the Indians coming up the creek. The Indians dismounted, left their stock at the creek, and attempted to crawl upon the party through the grass. The moon was shining brightly and the party could see them. They allowed the Indians to get within sixty yards of them when the men fired, wounding one Indian. The Indian cried out to them in broken English not to shoot any more, that he was wounded, that he was a good Indian, and asked them to come to him. They told him to come up to them and they would not shoot him any more, but would give him grub. The Indian said, "Ugh! ugh! ugh! Can't see it!"

The Indian waited for the men to come to him, but they stayed inside their fortifications. Getting tired of waiting, he said, "How! how! Me go." The other Indians waited near by for the wounded one and assisted him in getting away. The Indians then mounted their ponies and made a dash on each side of the works, firing into them as they passed. Repeating this experiment several times, and finding that the white men would not expose themselves, the Indians retired to a point close by and fired several signal shots, which were answered from a distance, and in about two hours assistance evidently arrived. The Indians then came forward and shouted "How! how! Come out!" The white men refused to comply with the request, and the Indians then commenced shooting and kept up the fire constantly for about two hours. They then left their horses and built five large fires and camped. Being neighborly inclined, they came on foot within a safe distance and asked the men to talk with them. The men were not inclined to be sociable, and refused to answer questions or, by exposing themselves, let the Indians know how few there were in the party. The Indians did not dare come up to the breastworks, and each man had to keep watch and be ready to fight. Mrs. Maxwell cooked their meals, her daughter May carried the grub to the men, and the men eat with their guns over the breastworks, ready to fire at any moment.

On Tuesday morning (18th) the Indians made a determined attack, surrounding the little band of white men and shooting from their bows so that the arrows would drop down inside the breastworks. The men seemed very cool, and fired at every Indian that came within shooting distance. One Indian sat taking a good medicine smoke. He had a nice red scarf on his head. A bright idea seemed to strike him, and with the pipe in his mouth, he walked down within 60 yards of the fortifications and began to take a survey of things. A shot from one of the men sent him to—a warmer climate.

The bow and arrow brigade now fell back and some of the Indians crawled up, watching to see a head above the top of breastworks. They saw one and fired, hitting a pony in the head and killing it instantly. The men kept close watch and never missed an opportunity to shoot when the chances for hitting an Indian were good.

Water getting scarce, a trench was dug under the works and down to the gulch, one of the party crawled out, and under cover of the party, dug down to water and returned with both water and wood. In a tent Mrs. Maxwell built a fire, and as the Indians seen the smoke issuing from the tent they fired upwards of one hundred shots at it. Mrs. Maxwell, however, did not desert her post.

The Indians then circled around the breastworks and fired two rounds as they went, after which they left disgusted, one Indian saying, "Me go; good-bye." They were not seen again by the party. They reported themselves to be Sioux and Nez Perces.

During the fighting, the men counted eight Indians fall, but did not find any. They found blood in several places which proves that the Indians were hurt. Fortunately, not one of this heroic little party was wounded. One shot cut off a few hairs for Mr. Maxwell. They lost twenty-six head of cattle, captured by the Indians, and one pony killed.

The party, having satisfied themselves that the Indians had left, moved a short distance from the fortifications to be nearer water.

The next day Major Baker's command arrived, being guided to the spot by the man who had left the first night of the seige. The party now journeyed back and arrived in Miles City about the last of December.

Custer County Items.

Buffalo are in plenty near the mouth of the Big Horn, and are very fat.

Lieut. Buhler, A. A. Q. M., at Fort Custer, has advertised to sell 17 Cavalry horses on Feb. 4th.

The wood contract at Fort Keogh is filled, which throws about 300 men and many teams out of employment.

Mr. J. C. Guy arrived here from Bozeman on the 10th ult. Mr. Guy has bought out Mr. Ralston's interests here, and now plays a lone hand.

The winter, so far, has been fine. In consequence, there is little or no demand for hay, and speculators in that article are a little down in the mouth.

Mr. Burd Pott is building a blacksmith shop at Etchetah, and will be ready for business soon. Archie McMurdy is also building a store room 24x40 in the clear.

Two companies of the 5th Infantry have left Fort Keogh for Fort Peck, with six months rations, and it is presumed they will be stationed at the latter point for that length of time.

Staple groceries are still very searce and dear, which fact operates against the country, as it keeps all hands "rustling for grub," and there is nothing much left to invest in improvements after said grub is secured.

It is reported that the Crows had a severe battle with the Sioux, and got away with one scalp and about 80 head of horses. Several Crows were wounded. It is also said that the Blackfeet are harrasing the Sioux, and an early surrender is looked for.

The rumors regarding Sitting Bull and his outlaws are "thick as leaves in Valambrosia," but it is to be presumed that the military authorities know his whereabouts and are able to head him off if any attempt is made by that doughty warrior to make war.

ALLEN.

Frederick Reimer Frozen to Death.

We condense the following from the *Madisonian:*

Frederick Reimer and Paul Laroux left the Madison Basin in a small boat and attempted to come through the canyon, about three miles. Before getting through, the boat upset by running on an ice-bound rock, precipitating both men, together with all their provisions, blankets, arms, etc., into the water.

After a series of dangerous encounters the men succeeded in reaching the shore, and started for the Madison valley. In the language of Laroux, this took place when the sun was about an hour high. "We were nearly frozen, our clothes being already frozen stiff. We managed to wring out our socks, but our boots would fill up again from dripping. We kept moving, and by dark we were out of the canyon. I took the lead, and after walking some two or three miles further, I found Fred. was falling behind. I went to him, and he complained of being hungry and weak. I then took him by the arm and led him; he bore heavily at times. I then got him two sticks to use as canes; he used these for a while, but finally threw one away, and said if I would hold the end of the other, to steady him, he could make out. In this way we went some distance further, but he failed fast in his legs and knees. We came to a small creek, and I asked him if he could step over it. He thought he could, but when he attempted it, he fell forward, and I caught him. We were going so slow that I was getting colder, but he wanted to rest. I told him the danger, and urged him to keep moving. I saw that at the rate we were going we would both be gone, and told him I had better go for help. He said, 'Yes; and bring a horse and some grub.' I then started for the valley. It was pretty dark now, but by the light of the moon I could see to travel"

Laroux arrived at the residence of W. F. Kirkwood the next morning, and a young man at that place returned with him to find Reimer. He had traveled about fifty or one hundred yards from where Laroux had left him, and then either fallen or had lain down on his back and died, apparently without a struggle. He was taken to Kirkwood's, and buried in the Madison valley on the 13th inst.

Letter List.

Letters remaining uncalled for in the post office at Bozeman, Gallatin County, Montana Territory, January 21, 1878.

A S Buell	F Bam
C T Barnes	Albert Buel
Miss Lizzy Bruse	Benj Canber
John Fraser	John Gaulter
James W Hinkle	Samuel C Hudson
Joseph Harrison	Irwin Johnson
Wm Kagers	John Steel
Amos Scott 2	W W Shields
Henry Tepper	John Webber
Henry C Wells	Frank A Watkins
S Warren	W H Wheatly 2.

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

J. H. TAYLOR, P. M.

DIED.

HOLMES.—Near Bozeman, on Friday, Jan. 18th, 1878, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holmes, of diptheria.

DUNCAN.—Near Sheridan, Montana, on Thursday, Jan. 17th, 1878, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. James Duncan.

STEFFENS.—In Virginia city, on Sunday, Jan. 13th, 1878, Miss Julia Steffens, aged 19 years and 3 months.

ORTON.—In Virginia city, on Wednesday, Jan. 16th, 1878, Vi s, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. C. Or on, aged 5 years, 9 months, and 16 days.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Bozeman, AT BOZEMAN,

In the Territory of Montana, at the Close of Business Dec. 28th, 1877.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$32,911 73
Overdrafts		1,608 66
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		50,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure deposits		50,000 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages		12,904 05
Due from approved reserve agents		1,243 92
Due from other National Banks		56,543 58
Real estate, furniture and fixtures		5,850 00
Current expenses and taxes paid		4,600 01
Premiums paid		13,600 00
Bills of other Banks		1,281 00
Fractional currency (including nickels)		90 75
Specie (including gold Treasury certificates)		309 46
Legal tender notes		18,000 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)		2,250 00
Total		$249,797 13

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$50,000 00
Surplus fund		6,462 00
Undivided profits		11,719 51
National Bank notes outstanding		45,000 00
Individual deposits subject to check	$126,514 32	
Demand certificates of deposit	3,479 00	
Time certificates of deposit	45,965 28	77,978 60
United States deposits		44,157 92
Deposits of U. S. disbursing officers		14,479 10
Total		$249,797 13

Territory of Montana, } SS:
County of Gallatin. }

I, James G. Dow, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES G. DOW, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of January, 1878.

A. D. McPHERSON, Probate Judge.

CORRECT—Attest:

NELSON STORY, }
W. H. MANLY, } Directors.
T. BRUNETT, }

THE LEADING

Notion House

—OF—

JULIUS BASINSKI'S,

BOZEMAN, M. T.,

Keeps constantly in store the largest and most

CHOICE STOCK

—OF—

Goods

Ever shipped to this market, comprised in part of

Elegant Designs of Mouldings

Adapted to picture frames and window cornices.

Mirrors, Statuaries, Toilet Sets,

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS,

Italian Strings, Instrument Trimmings,

WRITING MATERIAL,

BLANK ACCOUNT BOOKS,

Drawing Paper, Albums,

Scrap Books, Box and Tinted Papers, Visiting Cards, Chromos, Pocket Knives, Razors, Field Glasses, Bird Cages, Willow Ware, Children's Wagons, Hobby Horses, Pocket Books, Wallets, Etc. A complete line of

Smokers' Articles

And Genuine Meerschaum Pipes,

Candies, Nuts, Segars, Tobaccos, (in great variety) School Books, Slates, Novels, and Periodicals.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

Fine Silk Neck-Wear, Cheviot and White Shirts, Gloves, Hats, Caps, Trunks and Valises, and such other goods as to make every branch in his line complete in every particular, on all of which he defies competition, and respectfully solicits the inspection of goods and low prices.

Remember

THE

Closing Out Sale

OF

BASINSKI'S

Entire Stock of Clothing Strictly

At Cost.

6-32tf

LESTER S. WILLSON,

[SUCCESSOR TO RICH & WILLSON,]

Dealer in General

MERCHANDISE,

and Freighter,

Corner Main and Bozeman Streets,

Bozeman - - Montana

AGENT FOR
P. B. Clark's Express and Stage Lines;
The Diamond R Forwarding Line;
Coan & Ten Broeck's Carriages and Buggies (the only reliable carriage for the mountains);
T. C. Power & Co's. Agricultural Implements.

A full and

COMPLETE STOCK

always on hand, and sales made at the lowest living margins.

Staple and Fancy

Groceries,

Tobaccos and Cigars,

Boots and Shoes

CLOTHING,

Hats and Caps,

Gents' Furnishing Goods

HARDWARE,

Harness & Saddlery

The Largest and Best Selected Stock

—OF—

Dry Goods

Ever brought to this market.

A full line of Ladies' Trimmings and Furnishing Goods always on hand.

Terms cash, or such exchange as can be readily converted into cash. [6-25tf

LESTER S. WILLSON.

New Stock. New Men.

NEW STORE!

BLACK & DANIELS,

MERCHANTS AND FREIGHTERS,

CORNER MAIN AND BLACK STREETS,

Bozeman, - - Montana,

Have just opened an entire new stock of

Generl Merchandise, Staple nd Fancy

GROCERIES,

Segars and Tobaccos, Boots and Shoes, Crockery Ware, Etc., Etc

—o—

We will sell our entire stock at lowest possible rates for cash, approved security or produce.

CANNOT BE UNDERSOLD.

M M. BLACK. L. H. DANIELS

[6-46tf]

FINCH & NICHOLSON

BLACKSMITHS & WHEELWRIGHTS.

[Successors to Finch & McMillen,]

Can still be found at the old stand, where they are prepared to do all kinds of work in their line, such as

CARRIAGE WORK

and general

Blacksmithing.

All work guaranteed. Prices as low as good work can be obtained at any other place. Give them a call at the old stand on Main St.

6 43 1y

12 1-2

Exchange!

Great Reduction

—IN—

LIQUORS.

T. Brunett,

Wholesale and Retail Dealer.

The Best of Wines, Liquors and Cigars are Kept at the Bit Saloon.

Family Groceries.

I also keep all kinds of Canned Goods, Family Groceries and Clothing, in the Bogert Brick, for sale at as low rates as first-class goods can be purchased in Montana.

[44tf] T. BRUNETT.

STRASBURGER & SPERLING

—Dealers in—

Fancy Dry Goods,

—BOOTS AND SHOES,—

CLOTHING,

—GROCERIES,—

Liquors,

—TINWARE, &c.,—

All of which will be sold at

The LOWEST

market prices.

Cash Paid for All Kinds of Hides and Furs.

☞ All kinds of produce taken in exchange

—o—

☞ Agents for SINGER and HOWE Sewing Machines. [7-26tf

A WORD TO CASH BUYERS.

Ellis & Davis

Are receiving the largest stock of goods ever brought to Bozeman. They assure the people of Gallatin county they will sell CHEAPER FOR CASH than any other house in Bozeman will or can. They do not quote prices, as that is useless. Call and examine the goods and consider the low prices, and you will decide that they MEAN BUSINESS.

ELLIS & DAVIS.

[38-tf]

LACLEDE HOTEL,

[LATE THE METROPOLITAN]

MAIN ST., : : BOZEMAN, M. T.

A. J. & N. J. MALIN,
Proprietors.

This house has been refitted and partially refurnished by the new proprietors and is in every respect a

First-Class Hotel.

It is the largest Hotel in Bozeman, and all who may apply can be accommodated with board and lodging.

Mr. N. J. Malin, who personally superintends the Hotel, has had six years experience in the Laclede Hotel of St. Louis, and knows how to make his patrons feel at home.

A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

A FIRST-CLASS LIVERY and FEED STABLE run in connection with the Hotel. 7-9

THE EASTERN MONTANA

MINING

—AND—

SMELTING

COMPANY.

TRUSTEES:

Nelson Story.	A. O. Brawner,
L. S. Willson,	W. J. Davis,
Walter Cooper	Horace Annis.
John W. Granniss.	Geo. W. Wakefield.

Wm. W. Alderson.

Announce to the public that the company is now organized upon a fair and permanent basis. All laws and regulations concerning stock companies have been complied with; certificates of stock, stock books, &c., have been procured; smelter (water power) with appropriate and good machinery, is now upon the ground, nearly ready for operations.

THE MINES,

which are located on Clark's Fork, are shown by developments to be the best and richest in the country.

A road to the mines will be opened in a short time from the Crow Agency, a distance of only forty miles, which will enable us to make connection with the Yellowstone boats, putting the products of our mines at least one hundred miles nearer market (wagon transportation) than any other mines in the Territory. The Company now offers for sale

1000 SHARES

OF $25 EACH

At the nominal sum of $10 each, for working purposes, the Company believing that this is the best way to secure a working capital, rather than making assessments, which, as a general thing, become burdensome. This is a rare opportunity for

Safe and Permanent Investment

And parties aiming to do so are invited to make a full and thorough examination of this property and of the condition and standing of the Company.

The attention of mining men and operators is respectfully solicited.

Only 1,000 Shares to be Sold!

Apply to or address either of the trustees or the undersigned at Bozeman, Montana.

J. J. DAVIS Sec'y.

Bozeman, January 23, 1878.