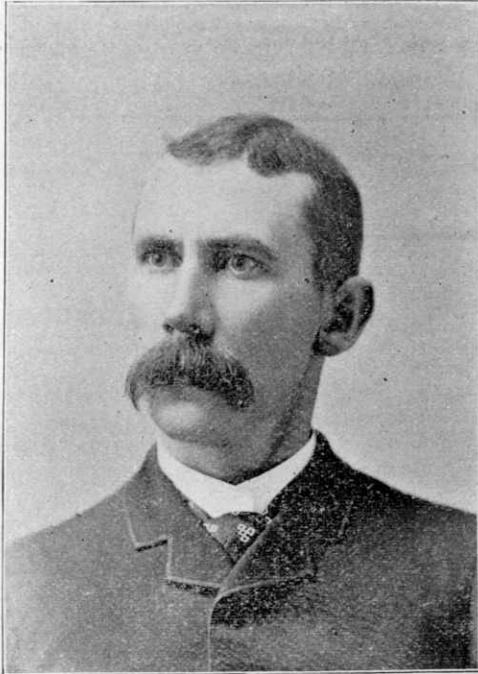


1891; came west and served two years in the construction department of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway. He then became connected in the capacity of resident engineer with the Canada Southern railroad, with which company he remained two years, leaving it to become division engineer on the Bound Brook road in Pennsylvania, which he assisted in locating and building. Mr. Gallaher came to Montana in 1881 and has since been engaged principally on government work, though interested in sheep and other industries.

Lewis H. Fenske.

Mr. Fenske was born in Germany and came to America with his parents when he was ten years of age. They first located at Berlin, Wis. In 1878 Mr. Fenske came to the frontier city of



L. H. FENSKE.

Bismarck, and engaged in business, then coming in 1882 to Billings where he has been ever since. He is interested in various business enterprises from which he derives a good income, is a director in the Yellowstone National Bank, and among the wealthy residents of the city. He is a member of the Masonic Fraternity and a Knight Templar. Mr. Fenske has served the city in the capacity of alderman, having been a member of the first city council.

Walter H. Graves.

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Walter H. Graves is an engineer well and favorably known throughout Montana and other western states. He is a native of Bloomington, Ill., and was educated at the Illinois Wesleyan University, where the degrees of A. B. and A. M. were conferred upon him. His collegiate engineering education was obtained at the Polytechnic Jauques-Cartier University at Montreal. In 1869 and '70 he left college to accompany Major J. W. Powell on his famous trip of exploration of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado river. Subsequently returning to college, he completed his course in 1873. Shortly afterward he was appointed to a position in the engineering service of the government, where he remained until 1880. On leaving government service he engaged in railroad work, locating and constructing for the Illinois Central, the Chicago & Northwestern, the Wisconsin Central and the Denver & Rio Grande. After this he spent some time in mining engineering. Through all these years Mr. Graves has been deeply interested in the question of reclaiming the arid lands of the west, and had been closely studying and investigating the questions relating

especially to irrigation, having frequently left his other work to engage in the construction of irrigating canals whenever opportunity presented itself. In 1882 he located in Denver, Colorado, and devoted himself exclusively to irrigation work. For twelve years he has been actively engaged in irrigation works throughout the west. He has constructed some of the largest and most successful irrigation systems in the country, altogether nearly three thousand miles of canal. In 1892 he was selected by the secretary of the interior, by reason of his reputation as a successful irrigation engineer, to take charge of the extensive irrigation work on the Crow Indian reservation in this state, for which four hundred thousand dollars was appropriated. Mr. Graves has completed five ditches for the Indians, covering nearly twenty thousand acres of land, and has expended less than one-fifth of the appropriation. If the remainder of the fund is expended as economically and judiciously as that already expended the Crows will be the wealthiest tribe of Indians in this country. Mr. Graves is in his forty-first year, and is a thoroughly western man in both head and heart.

Thomas Barry.

The self-made men of Montana have a bright, shining example in the person of Thomas Barry, who by his own individual effort and strict attention to business has, during a residence of 20 years in the Pacific states, elevated himself from comparative poverty to more wealth than he will ever be able to dissipate. A bachelor and on the shady side of 40, Tom Barry has neglected to give his age for publication, but he is yet in the prime of life. With an immense stock ranch on the river just east of the Yellowstone county line, a fruit farm in California and extensive investments in banks and bonds, this typical western rustler has little unoc-



THOMAS BARRY.

cupied time on his hands. In the summer he resides at his Cold Spring ranch near Forsyth, Mont., making frequent visits to Billings, and every winter finds him enjoying the golden sunshine of the Pacific coast.

J. T. Sanford.

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J. T. Sanford, president of the Yellowstone Fair association, was born fifty-two years ago in New Jersey. Served in the war of the rebellion. With the first call for troops he marched to Bull Run. Was in that battle and Mayre's Hill, Fredricksburg and Chancellorsville, receiving a wound during the last battle which