THE MILLIONAIRE'S DREAM.

BY JOHN W. EDDY.

The sumptuous halls of the millionaire
Were closed for the night and guarded with care;
The lamps that had flashed through the gilded rooms
Had died out at last in their own perfumes.

Mirth had exhausted itself in delight;
Music had sung itself mute for the night;
The round, bright moon, as it stooped to the west,
Looked peacefully down on the millionaire's rest.

But dreams came to him, as they do to us all,
Sometimes, to delight and sometimes to appall;
For often we see on the wall, in our dreams,
The writing of fire in its prophetic gleams.

Why should not rest be to such an one sweet?
Home brought him love in a circle complete;
Riches rewarded his toil year by year;
Health brought him comfort and friends were most dear.

Into his room past the warders of night,
There came to his soul a strange vision of light;
In raiments resplendent like one glorified,
The Angel of Recompense stood by his side!

Back from the presence he shrank in affright—
"What seek you here at the dead hour of night?"
"Peace," said the Angel, "be patient and look
Here at your life in Eternity's book."

The millionaire trembled when he saw there
All his life secrets uncovered and bare.
His heart sank within him at last when he read
Words long forgotten and thoughts still unsaid.

The wish that his heart had in secresy moved,
The hidden impulses his long life had proved,
The sorrows and joys that had crowded his days
In startling minuteness confronted his gaze.

Considering how signally he had been blest
The Angel demanded a personal test
Of the unconstrained love of the millionaire
Toward the Giver of Good for His constant care.

The test he demanded it was simply to share
The money by Providence placed in his care
Among the down-trodden, and sorrowe-pressed poor—
This done, and God's blessing should follow the deed.

Where lives there a man who would dare hesitate
With a jubilant promptness to consecrate
The bounty his Maker had placed in his hands
In loving response to his righteous demands?

The millionaire thanklessly faltered: "Not yet,
I soon shall be ready to pay the full debt;
But first intercede with your Master Divine,
To spare me enough to sustain me and mine."

The Angel, in love telling accents replied—
"Denying your Maker your prayer is denied;
Had you not acceded to His high behest
His love would have crowned you and cared for the rest.

"But now there is nothing my power can spare.
This message of God I am sent to declare—
To night at the foot of the great judgment throne
Your spirit is summoned to meet Him alone!"

Ere the morning awake the millionaire stood
Confronting the Author and Giver of Good;
With an indescribable fear overcome
He stood by his life's record fright and dumb.

While thus he was waiting, abashed, self-accused—
Remembering the talents his life had abused—
The great book of judgments was opened again,
Disclosing the sentences passed upon men.

Against him was judgment for all he was worth
Including all joys he had known upon earth;
And next to his own was his bookkeeper's name,
With credit sufficient to balance the claim.

"How could my bookkeeper pay such a sum?
Perhaps he may save me—Oh pray that him come!"
The bookkeeper came and immediately wrote
And gave him to sign this acceptable note:

"On demand, without grace, from the close of to-day,
For value received, I now promise to pay
To Him who has kept me and everywhere
Has guarded my soul with an humble care.

"Whose blessings outnumber the drops of the ocean,
While living, the sum of my heart's best devotion;
In witness whereof, to be seen of all men,
I affix the great seat of the soul's Amen."

And when 'twas attested and properly sealed
He gave to the judge and before him appealed
With the fervor of love in behalf of his friend,
That to him God's forgiveness and peace might extend.

The Holy One came who was once crucified
And dipping his hands in the warm crimson tide
That ceaselessly flowed from his spear riven side—
The record was cleansed and the debt satisfied.

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Our souls must return to the Infinite Giver
Whose love is a pure and perennial river;
So let us by patient and earnest endeavor
Accumulate treasures that keep bright forever.

When the contemplated new school buildings are completed the school facilities of this city will be second to none in the west.

E. L. Bonner & Co. keep their buyers constantly in the market, and have arranged to receive new goods monthly during the winter.

GENERAL MINING REVIEW.

A FEW OF THE GREAT ORE-PRODUCING MINES.

What They Are Doing To Swell the Bullion Shipments.

The large and regular bullion shipments from this district have attracted the attention of capital, and as a result we see on every hand new hoisting works and mills and smelters being erected. New life has been instilled into the mining interests, and all feel confident that a grand future is before us. One gratifying fact is that all those properties developed during the past year have to-day a showing which entitles them to be called mines—no longer prospects, and with renewed zeal we begin the New Year, well satisfied that to work a property means to find a mine. While our bullion shipments are not so large as we would wish, they are sufficiently so to draw the attention of the country, and with the new hoisting works and mills now in process of erection, there is no doubt at the close of another year they will be at least double the past one. We have labored and awaited this hour for many tedious years and our most sanguine anticipations are at last being realized. In summing up the year's work it is proper to give a few lines about each of our principal properties, which will be found below: and while not so full as we could desire, it will give an idea of the extent of the developments being advanced. And, as we publish a weekly review, it is not really necessary.

The La Plata steps forward with new hoisting works. The main incline has been driven down 210 feet, following a strong vein of good ore. The first level was opened at 70 feet, and drifts advanced east and west on the vein. Also, drifts east and west from the bottom of the shaft and a very large ore body uncovered.

The Morning Star is making a good showing again, and the more development, the richer the property. The west drift from the bottom of the 320 foot shaft is in 120 feet, exposing a vein about 18 inches wide of fair grade ore. The formation is very hard and the vein considerably pinched, but from present indications the rock is getting soft, and the vein has every indication of widening within a very few feet. The stopes on this level are advancing, on the vein rapidly, and considerable good ore is being extracted. The second stopes on the upper level are looking first-rate and it is thought a large shipment of good ore will be made in a few days.

The Parrott shaft is down about 150 feet, following a well-defined vein which averages 4½ feet in width. The different cross-cuts and drifts have considerable high grade copper ore.

The Scottish Chief is situated in Horse Canyon, four miles east of Butte, The main incline is 6x8 feet, and down 65 feet, following a strong, well-defined vein 5 feet wide, and carries 103 ounces in silver and a trace of gold. The pay streak in the vein in the bottom of the incline is 3½ feet wide, and the walls nearly 6 feet apart. At the point of discovery a cut was run in and the vein uncovered 10 feet wide of ore which assays from 70 to 220 ounces in silver per ton. There is also a good mill site on this property. As soon as the main incline attains a depth of 100 feet drifts will be run east and west on the vein. It is owned by David Meiklejohn and Duncan Gillis.

The Red, White and Blue, also in Horse Canyon, adjoins the Scottish Chief on the south. This claim takes its name from the peculiar character of the quartz. The vertical shaft is down 52 feet and follows a 9-foot vein which samples 25 ounces from the top to the bottom. A drift from the bottom was advanced 25 feet on the vein, the face of which is 8½ feet wide. Another shaft, down 20 feet, exposes a vein of solid quartz 10 feet wide which averages from 12 to 18 ounces in silver per ton.

Development on the Stevens advances with the usual success in point of showing. The main shaft is down 200 feet and is rapidly being sunk for the 300-foot level, at which point drifts will be run east and west on the vein to more thoroughly open the ore body uncovered in the upper levels. The east drift on the 200-foot level is in 220 feet, and will be continued until it taps the vein heretofore found in the Stewart shaft, and at this point the vein will be cut 200 feet below the surface. The west drift on the 200-foot level is in 300 feet, and exposes a vein of very good ore. The stopes are being raised and considerable ore extracted. The west shaft is down 185 feet. The south vein will be more thoroughly drained before the sinking of the shaft is resumed.

The main vertical shaft on the Original Butte has attained a depth or 275 feet, with a very hard formation in the bottom, the average progress per day being 1½ feet. When the 300-foot station is reached a cross-cut will be run to cut the vein. This shaft is a double compartment, and well timbered and equipped with cages with safety attachments. The cross-cut south on the 100 level was advanced about 70 feet and cut a strong vein of fair grade ore. The west drift from the face of this cross-cut follows the hanging wall of the vein for 40 feet, (and therefore does not expose the width of the vein,) at which point a winze is being sunk, and is now down 30 feet, with considerable water in the bottom. The south cross-cut on the 200 level is in 100 feet, and the west drift from the face was driven 75 feet on the vein. At the station on this level is a large "C" Knowles pump. The different drifts and cross-cuts are timbered with 12x12 lumber and put up to stay.

The Moose is only a prospect, with a shaft down 20 feet on the north wall of the vein. The latter carries well in silver.

The main incline on the Clear Grit has been widened to a 2-compartment, and has attained a depth of 85 feet. The pay streak in the vein is 12 inches in width and averages from top to bottom 150 ounces in silver and $15 in gold per ton. The east drift, 60-foot level, which is in 80 feet, shows a vein the pay streak in which averages 1 foot wide. The west drift is in 90 feet, and for the first 40 feet the pay ore in the vein averages 1 foot, and the remaining 54 feet shows a vein 3 feet wide but at much lower grade. The vein has been stoped out on both dritts for 40 feet, and about $30,000 worth of ore extracted. From the face of the west level the south cross-cut is in 12 feet, uncovering an ore body 14 feet wide of from 30 to 40-ounce ore. From the face of this level a shaft was sunk 45 feet and cross-cuts run north and south. In the bottom there is a granite horse 12 feet wide. The vein in the face of the north cross-cut is 15 inches wide and carries 120 ounces in silver; and in the face of the south cross-cut the vein is 6 feet wide of 40-ounce ore. The new hoisting works recently erected are of sufficient capacity to sink 1,000 feet. Some very handsome specimens showing wire and horn silver were taken from the bottom of the shaft a few days since.

The main shaft on the Anaconda has attained a depth of 300 feet, and is still being driven down with all possible dispatch. The powerful hoisting works are in good shape, and the general prospects of the mine excellent. The Anaconda has the reputation of being one of our very best properties.

Secret Societies in Montana.

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Name of Lodge	No.	Location.	No. of Me'brs.
Virginia City	1	Virginia City	32
Montana	2	"	47
Helena	3	Helena	68
Nevada	4	Nevada City	33
Morning Star	5	Helena	93
Gallatin	6	Bozeman	44
Diamond City	7	Diamond City	28
King Solomon	9	Helena	55
Flint Creek	11	Philipsburg	35
Missoula	13	Missoula	27
Deer Lodge	14	Deer Lodge City	39
Jefferson	15	Radersburg	23
Bannack	16	Bannack City	30
Silver Star	17	Silver Star City	23
Bozeman	18	Bozeman	23
Sheridan	20	Sheridan	26
Valley	21	Centreville	22
Butte	22	Butte City	77
Glendale	23	Glendale	21
Mount Moriah	24	Butte	36
Benton	25	Benton	11
*Wasatch	8	Salt Lake City—	
†Summit	10		
‡Red Mountain	12		
§Washington	19		

*Transferred to jurisdiction of Utah.
†Surrendered charter March, 1874.
‡ " October 7, 1772.
§ " October 3, 1887.

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Virginia City	1	Virginia City.
Helena	2	Helena.
Deer Lodge	3	Butte.
Valley	4	Deer Lodge.

COMMANDERIES.

Virginia City	1	Virginia City.
Helena	2	Helena.
Montana	3	Butte.

I. O. O. F.

Montana	1	Helena	63
Cottonwood	2	Deer Lodge	54
Bannack	3	Glendale	31
Western Star	4	Bozeman	35
Excelsior	5	Helena	43
Covenant	6	Missoula	39
Virginia	7	Virginia	22
Fidelity	8	Butte	73
Cable	9	Philipsburg	30
Samaritan	10	Sheridan	29
Choteau	11	Fort Benton	19

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ENCAMPMENTS.

Rocky Mountain	1	Helena
Golden Star	2	Deer Lodge.
Crusader	3	Butte.

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Diamond	1	Diamond City.
Helena	2	Helena.
Boulder Star	3	Boulder Valley.
Sheridan	4	Sheridan.
Queen of Hope	5	New Chicago.
Rescue	8	Helena.
Park City	9	Park City.
Lincoln	10	Fort Ellis.
Fou't'n of Hope	11	Bozeman.
Butte City	14	Butte City.
Missoula Valley	16	Missoula.
Centennial	17	Deer Lodge.
Band of Hope	20	Philipsburg.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS BY COUNTIES.

Lewis and Clarke	148
Silver Bow	145
Madison	107
Custer	63
Gallatin	53
Meagher	39
Deer Lodge	23

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Damon Lodge	1	Butte	71
Pythagoras	2	Bozeman	22
Myrtle	3	Helena	35

ORDER OF CHOSEN FRIENDS.

Comet Council	2	Butte
Hope Council	3	Missoula.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR.

Bozeman Lodge 1,942 Bozeman.

One Lodge of Ancient Order of United Workingmen has been organized in Butte and one in Helena.

THE MINER'S UNION.

The Miner's Union has about 900 members enrolled with the following as officers:

Charles S. Shoemaker, President.
James Cadigan, Vice-President.
John Miles, Treasurer.
Charles Hoskins, Secretary.

During the past year the Union has built a fine stone building on Upper Main street, near Quartz, the upper story of which will be used as its hall. The building is 95 feet in length by 50 feet in width. The lower story is divided into two rooms each of which is 91 feet in length by 23 feet in width. One of the rooms is already rented for a wholesale liquor establishment. The cost of the structure is $15,000. The money was raised by the sale of bonds, issued by the Union, bearing 10 per cent. interest, redeemable in one year and payable in three years. The bonds were all taken by the members of the Union with the exception of $1,000, which were sold to outside parties. The Union is in a prosperous condition and numbers among its members some of our most intelligent citizens.

The assessed valuation of property of Silver Bow county for the year 1881 amounts to $4,424,640, upon which were collected taxes to the amount of $99,372.07.