

\$500 REWARD

FOR THE ARREST and CONVICTION

Prairie Burners

A Reward of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS will be paid by the undersigned...

Setting Fire TO PRAIRIE GRASSES,

on any range south of the Missouri River; or the same reward will be paid for information

Sufficient to Convict

any person who may carelessly or maliciously set out or start fires whereby the said ranges are injured or destroyed.

CAMPERS, TEAMSTERS

TRAVELERS,

and all other persons traveling over said ranges are hereby warned that the undersigned cattle owners will prosecute to the

EXTREME PENALTY OF THE LAW

any person or persons who maliciously or otherwise set fire to the prairie grasses.

All persons interested in the protection of the ranges and the advancement of the cattle industry, are earnestly requested to assist in the detection and prosecution of prairie burners, and to wage a vigorous warfare against cattle thieves.

[Signed] JOHN LEPLEY, MORROW & SONS, IKE KINGSBURY.

STOCK NOTES.

Mr. O. McFarland, of St. Paul, who has been visiting all sections of Montana with a view of engaging in the stock business, has decided on Choteau county being the best range and will purchase \$10,000 or \$50,000 worth of cattle in Montana if he can get the same at reasonable rates, if not, he will purchase in Oregon or Washington Territory.

Greenleaf & Co. have engaged in the cattle business, and will hereafter be classed as cattle-men as well as sheep-men.

W. W. Martin is wintering in Washington Territory, with a view of purchasing stock for Choteau's range.

So many stock cattle have been bought in Washington and Oregon Territories that prices have advanced in the former named Territory.

Mr. Granville Stuart, who is the company of Davis, Hauser & Co., stock-growers, was in town last week from his cattle range on McDonald Creek, east of the Little Snowy Mountains, and reports large bands of cattle being driven into that country. Mr. Stuart imagined he had found a cattle range this summer where he would be free from encroachments of other herds, but judge of his surprise to find a post-office and military post established within three miles of him in less than two months after his location was made.

Mr. Geo. D. Patterson arrived in town Saturday night, after a successful fight with the prairie fire south of town. The stock growers of Choteau have considerable to fear from prairie fires, as campers and others are entirely too careless in making fires while camping out. The burning of any portion of Choteau's cattle range at this season would be a serious loss to the entire county, as the owners of stock in the burned district would be compelled to drive their herds to other portions of the county, in that particular range. It is hoped that all travelers on the prairie will use extra caution when building fires, as the stock men of the county are determined to enforce the law at any cost.

Merino Rams For Sale.

I have for sale at Fort Benton, 120 full blood, improved, Spanish merino rams. These rams were bought of the celebrated breeder of merino sheep, Geo. Campbell, of Vermont, and were shipped from his farm this season. They are the long wool type, and are the same class of rams that were sold by Mr. Campbell for the improvement of breeding stock in Australia and New Zealand. Mr. Campbell has repeatedly taken the highest prizes at fairs in the United States and Europe. At the world's exposition in France two years ago, he was awarded the first gold medal on wool. I would be pleased to have parties interested in sheep husbandry in Montana, call and examine these rams at my ranch in Fort Benton.

Paris Gibson.

Stray Notice.

Lost, during the month of August, the following described horses, viz: One sorrel horse, 6 years old, weighing 1000 pounds, branded with W on left shoulder. One two-year-old bay colt branded P on right thigh. One three-year-old mare branded P on right thigh. Also one cream colored horse with white eyes. Any information that may lead to the recovery of the above described horses will be liberally paid for by the undersigned. Address B. D. PHILLIPS, Fort Benton, M. T.

ESTRAYS TAKEN UP.

Strayed or stolen, on the 17th day of June, from Benton, one buckskin horse, 8 years old, branded H on left shoulder, and cross on left hip...

ESTRAYS TAKEN UP.

Found near Twenty-Four Mile Springs, by one, Steve Bost and himself, on the 20th of June, the following described animals: One light bay horse, branded P. M. on left shoulder...

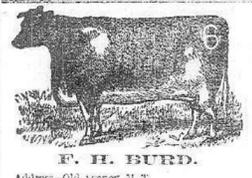
TERRITORIAL BRANDS.



CON KOHR'S. Range—Between Deadwood and Sun River, M. T. Address—Lower Lodge, M. T.



Bull Calves. FOR NEXT SEASON'S USE! Stockmen wishing to improve their herds with aristocratic bulls, will study Bull calf interests by addressing, before August 1, 1889, CON KOHR'S, Lower Lodge, M. T.



F. H. BURD. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Range—Upper Teton. Ear-marks—Underbit and crop in left ear and slit in right ear.



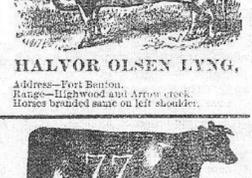
SANDS & CO. J. T. TAYLOR, Agent. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Range—Teton Valley, Choteau county, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop and half over crop in left ear.



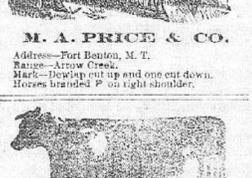
SANDS & CO. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Range—Upper Teton. Ear-marks—Crop and underbit in each ear.



FRANK FARMER. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Range—Upper Teton. Ear-marks—Underbit in left ear and crop of right ear.



HALVOR OLSEN LYNG. Address—Fort Benton. Range—Highwood and Arrow Creek. Horses branded same as left shoulder.



M. A. PRICE & CO. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Range—Arrow Creek. Ear-marks—Crop up and one cut down. Horses branded P on right shoulder.



M. F. HEALY. Range—Sun River and Teton, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Horses branded the same as cattle.

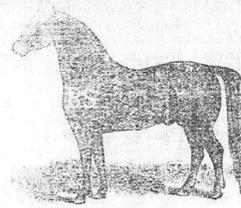


STEPHEN SPITZLEY. Range—Arrow Creek. Address—Fort Benton, M. T.



W. H. THOMAS. Range—Highwood, Choteau county. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Horses branded IXL on left thigh.

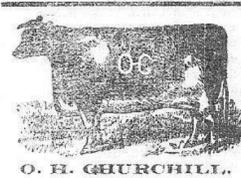
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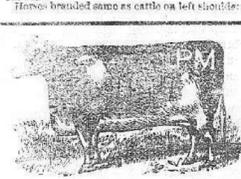
BENTON STABLES. Address—Fort Benton, M. T.



HAMILTON & HAZLETT. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Range—Upper Teton Valley to Maria River. Ear-marks—Crop on left ear and underbit in right ear. Horses branded H on left thigh. A. B. Hamilton's horse branded octagon square with H in center on left shoulder.



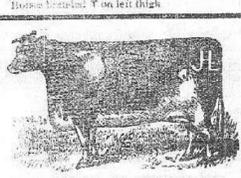
O. H. GEURCHILL. Address—Sun River, M. T. Range—Sun River County. Ear-marks—Crop on left ear and upper, under and bit out of right ear. Horses branded same as cattle on left shoulder.



PATRICK MURPHY. Range—Teton Valley. Address—Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Both in right ear. Horses branded P M on left shoulder.



HARRIS & CO. Range—Highwood. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Half crop in left ear and split in right ear. Horses branded T on left thigh.



JAMES H. LEMON. Range—Upper Sun River Valley. Address—Fort Assiniboine. Ear-marks—Underbit in right ear and half underbit in left ear.



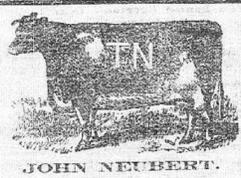
DAVENPORT, RAY & CO. Range—Between Snake and Arroyo Creeks. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop in left ear and slit in left ear. Horses branded with a circle O on left shoulder.



SAM FORD. Address—Fort Shaw. Range—South Fork Sun River. Ear-marks—Split in left ear, underbit in right ear. Horses branded F on left shoulder.



FRIEDS & NEIHOFF. Range—Shonkin. Address—Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—1/20 sits in each ear. Horses branded F on left shoulder.



JOHN NEUBERT. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Range—Lower Teton Valley. Ear-marks—One inch square cut out of upper ear of both ears. Horses branded N on left thigh.



THOMAS L. GORHAM. Address—Choteau, Choteau Co., M. T. Range—From Round creek to Bell creek. Ear-marks—Crop and underbit in left ear and crop in right ear.

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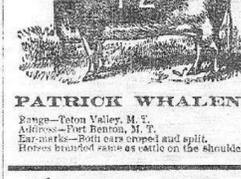
THOMAS CLARY. Range—Sun River, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop on left ear and half underbit in right ear. Horses branded same as left thigh.



JOHN LEPLEY. Range—Between Shonkin and Arroyo Creek. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Horse lock in right ear. Horses branded J L on left shoulder.



PIPPEIN & HILL. Range—Sand Coulee, Choteau Co., M. T. Address—Sun River Crossing, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop and underbit in left ear; split on left in right ear.



PATRICK WHALEN. Range—Teton Valley, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Both ears cropped and split. Horses branded same as cattle on the shoulder.



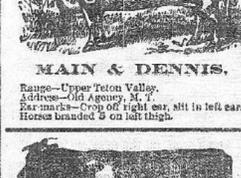
MRS. ANNA ARMSTRONG. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Range—Teton Valley. Ear-marks—Crop of both ears, underbit in left ear.



MILNER & BOARDMAN. Range—Shonkin to Arrow Creek. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Both ears cropped and split. Horses branded same on left shoulder.



J. F. WEGNER. Address—Benton, M. T. Range—Crossed in Black & Bear to Deep Creek in Mountain county. Ear-marks—Crop in left ear and split in right ear. Horses branded W on left shoulder.



MAIN & DENNIS. Range—Upper Teton Valley. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop of right ear, slit in left ear. Horses branded S on left thigh.



NARCISUS VAUX. Range—Teton Valley, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Swallow fork in right ear. Horses branded N on left shoulder.



ROBERT VAUGHN. Range—Sun River, M. T. Address—Sun River Crossing, M. T. Ear-marks—Both ears split. Horses branded V on left thigh.



JOHN H. EVANS & JEFF DEVEREAUX. Range—Highwood. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop on left shoulder same as horse. Ear-marks—Bar down horizontally through the center of the blaze.

TERRITORIAL BRANDS.



D. W. BEACH. Address—Helena, M. T. Range—Musselshell Valley, M. T.



JOHN J. KENNEDY. Range—Teton Valley, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T.



MORROW & SONS. Range—Between Highwood and Shonkin, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Swallow fork in right ear. Horses branded V D on right shoulder.



T. F. HEALY. Range—Sun River and Teton Valleys. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Over crop on right ear and left ear split.



RUFUS PAYNE. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Range—Teton and Maria Valleys. Horses branded same as cattle on left shoulder.



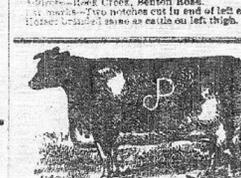
B. W. MURRAY. Address—Sun River, M. T. Range—From Sun River to Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Swallow fork in right ear. Horses branded same on left shoulder.



W. MULCAHY. Address—Sun River, M. T. Range—Between Teton and Missouri Rivers. Ear-marks—Horizontal bar under the brand.



O. H. MORGAN. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Range—Teton Valley. Ear-marks—Crop on both ears, underbit on left ear.



J. H. GREEN. Range—Rock Creek and Beartown. Address—Rock Creek, Benton County. Ear-marks—Two notches cut in end of left ear. Horses branded same as cattle on left thigh.

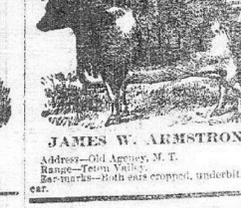


J. D. WEATHERWAX. Address—Benton, M. T. Range—Maria and Teton Valleys. Ear-marks—Both ears split. Horses branded W on left shoulder.



J. M. ARNOUX. Range—Highwood, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Both ears split. Horses branded same as cattle on left shoulder.

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JAMES W. ARMSTRONG. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Range—Teton Valley. Ear-marks—Both ears cropped, underbit in left ear.



MONTANA CATTLE COMPANY. JOHN T. MCPHY, Manager. Organized, name and brand recorded in 1873. Range—Musselshell Valley. Address—Helena, Montana. Also owners of cattle bearing the following brands: A on left thigh, X on left hip, and Y on left ribs.



B. D. PHILLIPS. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Range—Deep, Bell, Highwood and Arrow Creeks. Ear-marks—Split in both ears, piece off of top of left ear. Horses branded P on right thigh.



Benton and Helena Stage Co. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Range—Choteau and Lewis and Clark Co., M. T. Ear-marks—A straight bar horizontally across brand.



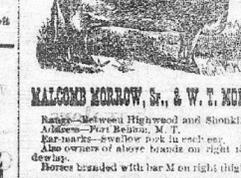
C. W. PRICE & CO. Range—Maria Valley. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Both ears split.



LOUIS MARGOTTE. Range—Arrow Creek, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop in right ear.



W. S. STOCKING. Range—Lower Teton. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Underbit on each ear.



MALCOLM MORROW, Sr., & W. H. MORROW. Range—Between Highwood and Shonkin, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Swallow fork in each ear. Also owners of above brands on right side and dewlap. Horses branded with bar M on right thigh.



EDWARD KELLY. Range—Teton Valley, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop in right ear. Horses branded E K on right shoulder.



SAMPSON BROS. Range—Lower Teton Valley, M. T. Address—Fort Benton, M. T. Also owners of horses branded J P and J O on left shoulder.

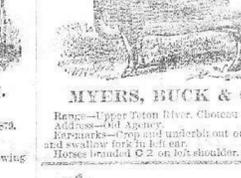


SAM BURD. Range—Upper Teton Valley and Maria. Address—Old Agency, M. T. Ear-marks—Swallow fork in right ear, underbit in left ear.

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P. H. ROWLES & BRO. Address—Sun River, M. T. Range—Sun River to Benton. Ear-marks—Crop in left ear. Horses branded same on left shoulder.



MYERS, BUCK & CO. Range—Upper Teton River, Choteau county. Address—Old Agency. Ear-marks—Crop and underbit out of right ear and swallow fork in left ear. Horses branded C B on left shoulder.



ED. REINICKE. Address—Sun River. Range—Sun River and Teton Valleys. Horses branded same as cattle.



MONTANA STOCK GROWING ASSOCIATION. Range—Sun River. Address—Fort Benton, M. T.



CORNELIA BULL. Address—Sun River, M. T. Range—Sun River and Teton Valleys. Horses branded C B on left shoulder.



SAINT PETERS MISSION. Range—Arrow Creek, M. T. Address—Fort Assiniboine. Ear-marks—Both ears split.



STEPHEN SPITZLEY. Range—Arrow Creek. Address—Fort Assiniboine.



COX & FLOWERBEE. Range—Sun River and Teton Valleys. Address—Fort Shaw, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop and underbit in left ear. Horses branded F on left thigh.



HELDT & DREW. Address—Fort Shaw, M. T. Range—Between Sun River and Missouri Rivers. Ear-marks—Crop in right ear and two notches on upper side of left ear. Old cattle have B, D, Brokers' brand and ear-mark.



BIRKENBUEL & DUNN. Range—Sun River to Benton, M. T. Address—Sun River, M. T. Ear-marks—Half underbit in left ear and crop of right ear.



GIBSON & CO. Range—Teton Valley, M. T. Address—Old Agency. Ear-marks—Half underbit in right ear. Also owners of the shield brand. Horses branded the same as above on left thigh.



GEORGE STELLI. Range—Upper Teton, Choteau Co. Address—Sun River, M. T. Ear-marks—Crop in left ear.