



Benton Lodge, No. 27, A. F. & A. M.

Regular communications of the above named Lodge are held at 8 o'clock, on the first and third Saturdays of each month. Members of other lodges and visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.

RUFUS PAYNE, W. M.
H. P. ROLFE, Secretary.



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have spring chicken, new vegetables, and all the delicacies that the market affords. Give them a call.

Mr. John D. Waite, accompanied by his mother, started for his home in the Judith this morning. Mrs. Waite came up on the steamer Josephine to pay her son a visit.

Al. Hamilton will have all the goods in Benton shipped to the Old Agency if he remains in town much longer. Hamilton & Hazlett are evidently fearing a bone out this season.

Our friend, Tom Bates of Fort Macleod, came very near losing his horse the other day in a mud hole. By a skillful manipulation of the rope, however, he succeeded in rescuing him.

Joe Healy and O. G. Dennis have gone to Fort Calgary. Mr. Dennis lost his clothing on his recent trip from here to Fort Macleod, the Indians got away with it at the crossing of Milk river.

Our merchants are complaining of dull times. They mean, of course, comparatively dull times. Any one of them is doing more business than the average mercantile house in Eastern cities.

Mr. James Cassidy, formerly a resident of our city, is now a prosperous coal merchant in St. Louis. He has taken up his residence there permanently and he writes that he will be glad to see any of his Benton friends when they come his way.

The best and cheapest furniture in Benton is now for sale at T. C. Power & Bro.'s store. Mr. O'Hanlon is also the boss furniture salesman. His ingenuity in doing wire spring mattresses is unsurpassed.

Our people who are in want of help should bear in mind that there are some persons among us that belonged to the Patrick colony, that came up on the steamer Red Cloud, and are anxious to obtain employment.

Mr. Z. D. Holmes, the driver of the Macleod coach from Benton to Rocky Springs, drove through to Macleod this trip, and "Scotch Bill" brought his trip in, arriving this morning, and reports everything quiet on the line.

Mr. Gardiner, one of the gentlemen who are contemplating the erection of a quartz mill in the Barker District, takes his departure for the States on the steamer Josephine. Hope he will return soon and carry out his plans.

We are pleased to note the fact that Miss Emma Wright has been added to the corps of teachers in our public school. No better selection could possibly have been made, and parents and children are alike fortunate in securing so talented an instructor.

John Kelly, who was released from jail the day before yesterday on the promise of leaving town, was again put in jail today for getting drunk and making a general nuisance of himself on the street. He will probably be allowed the privilege of staying there for thirty days.

Mr. Joseph Hirschberg purchased a fine mare this morning. He was offered \$10 for his bargain immediately after making the purchase, but refused the offer. Mr. Hirschberg knows a good horse when he sees one, and don't you forget it.

H. N. Martin, confined in the county jail for the theft of a coat from one of our merchants, addressed an appealing letter to Judge Tattan today, asking to be released from confinement. The letter was quite well written, showing the man had the advantages of an education.

From Friday's Daily.
The steamer Helena passed Poplar creek today.

Col. Macleod started for the Cypress mountains this morning.

Mose Solomon, who is in town today, reports the Marias as falling.

Mr. J. D. Weatherwax has sold his cattle herd entire to the Tingle Bros.

Joseph A. Baker and H. P. Rolfe left on the coach this morning for Helena.

Jim McDevitt has an addition to his family in the shape of a twelve-pound girl.

Sergeant Gippich left for Fort Assinaboine with a deserter arrested in Benton.

I. G. Baker & Co.'s train from Cypress, Doc Spurgeon, Master, arrived this afternoon.

D. J. Price, of Helena, came in on today's coach, and is registered at the Overland.

Hon. James M. Arno, Highwood; Judge A. R. Barrows, Uter; W. C. Kendall, Detroit; are registered at the Overland.

There is milk in the cocoanuts just received at Crane & Green's. Out of a large supply received by the last steamer, the firm have but a few of this delicious fruit left.

Sullivan & Goss are opening up a large lot of goods in their line. They have some very pretty team bells for mule teams, whips, saddles and spurs, just in from San Francisco.

Col. W. W. Saunders, of Gen. Terry's staff, passed through town yesterday on his way to Fort Assinaboine. The Colonel is on his annual inspecting tour, his district being all the military posts in the department of Dakota.

Peter Fernburgh's new discovery in the Montana district promises to be the richest strike yet made in that neighborhood. Pete is tunnelling in the lead, which is ten feet wide, and taking out solid ore which is believed to be very rich.

Johnny Murphy wishes to warn the owners of the cow that has been disturbing his rest for the past two nights and is playing havoc with his garden, that if addressed cow is not kept at home, there will be trouble and somebody will be a cow shot.

The Helena papers report a terrible accident near Kreamer's ranch in Hellgate canyon about thirty miles from Missoula caused by the premature discharge of a blast. R. M. Dunn, nephew of Col. Washington Dunn, the contractor, was dangerously injured. A courier was telegraphed to Helena for a physician. The latter started for the scene at once. No particulars have been as yet received.

A fine large vein of coal has been discovered by Charley Herman in the Judith Basin, near Reed's Fort, about eighty miles from Benton. The vein shows nine feet of excellent fuel. A coal vein has also been discovered in the Judith mountains near Boyd's creek. It is owned by Bourassa & Pichette.

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Broke Jail.

HELENA, June 22.—James HIR and August Schlueter, alias Rawhide Bill, broke jail last night and stole two horses, saddles and bridles. Jas. HIR is about 5 ft. 7 in. high, weight about 165 lbs., florid complexion, shaved clean, dark hair, light clothes, blue overcoat, stout built, age 25 or 30 years—bullet scar on left side of throat.

August Schlueter is about 5 ft. 10 in. high, weight 165, light blue eyes, light complexion, slim build, left hand index finger out at 2nd joint. Fond of whisky.

From Saturday's daily.

For Fine Furniture.

At low prices, go to T. C. Power & Bro. I. G. Baker & Co. are loading a train today for Fort Walsh.

Mr. Chas. W. Price went up to Helena by coach this morning.

Call and inspect those fine Yellowstone views at Crane & Green's.

W. S. Wetzel & Co. have a good supply of Minneapolis lumber on hand.

The Democratic Central Committee have a meeting to-night at the office of Judge Tattan.

Bill Blewens came in with a load of wood today which he readily disposed of at \$10 a cord.

The Cheateau House Exchange have added a very handsome interior to their bar, go and see it.

Mr. John P. Ford of the Sun River round-up is in town making a flying visit. Bad looks well.

The Government telegraph office will remove from the Record building on or about the 1st of July.

Mr. Wm. Rowe returned from his ranch on the Missouri river today where he has been erecting a house.

Mr. W. B. Settle is contemplating a trip to St. Paul when the steamer Red Cloud goes down on her next trip.

Mr. James H. Rowe, one of our Missouri ranchmen, reports his crops as well advanced but needing rain badly.

Messrs. W. H. Todd and W. A. Olden will take a trip to Martinsdale tomorrow to look after the interests of the stage line.

Mr. Patrick Woods, one of our prosperous Highwood ranchmen, came in today. He reports crops in his section as first-class.

Mr. Max Waterman has returned to the city much improved in health and spirits. He spent several weeks at the springs near Helena.

Joseph Connolly, from the Shonkin, is in town. He says everything is looking well in his vicinity. They have had plenty of rain.

Mr. D. J. Price, a recent arrival from Helena, has accepted a position in the store of Kleinschmidt & Bro. as book-keeper.

J. H. Evans & Co. are hauling in from town to twelve cords of pine wood per day from the Shonkin which they offer for sale at \$12 per cord.

J. M. Boardman, Shonkin; Mose Solomon, Marias; R. E. Bywaters, Sand Coulee; H. A. Kennedy, Teton; are among the recent arrivals in town.

Our assessor, Mr. John Healy, is busy assessing our people. He hopes to make a good showing for the county this year, and if anybody can be can.

Mr. Ford S. Caldwell came in this afternoon from his ranch on Big Spring creek. Mr. Caldwell has finished shearing and shipped in his wool to this city.

When Mr. John W. Power's trotter gets here there may be some fun, as there is a race made up already between his mare and another flyer recently brought here.

Messrs. Kohlberg and Burgess reached here this afternoon after an extended tour to Martinsdale and the Judith country. They report a pleasant and successful trip.

Col. C. A. Broadwater arrived from Helena last evening by private conveyance and will continue his journey to Fort Assinaboine today. The Colonel looks well and hearty.

Mr. M. Salinger of the firm of Leopold Baas & Co., wholesale clothiers of Chicago, is in town. Mr. Salinger is making a trip through our territory in the interest of his house.

The probate Judge and Sheriff seem quite competent to maintain law and order in Benton. Our town has had some hard citizens among its residents, but the criminal record is more creditable than that of any other town in Montana.

Judge Chas. L. Lytle, a prominent lawyer of Carlyle, Kentucky, arrived here today on the Helena coach. The judge will remain in town a short time visiting his old friend, Mr. W. B. Settle, and return to his home by one of the first boats.

Mr. Thos. J. Egan, T. C. Power & Bro.'s agent at Poplar Creek, is on his way up the river and is expected to arrive here soon. Tom has been quite sick all winter and is taking a trip for the benefit of his health. We sincerely hope he will derive benefit from the change.

It was certainly a pleasing sight to see some of our most prominent citizens indulging themselves in the harmless sport of sending up paper balloons yesterday afternoon. The idea originated with one of our well known ranchmen whose originality of mind and speech are certainly more than ordinary. As a friend of ours once remarked, their occupation certainly betrayed idleness, if nothing more, but their success as balloonists was of the first order, and the only drawback to the complete satisfaction of mind which always follows a successful venture was the failure of one of their number to provide the ice cream promised. Verily, we are but children of a larger growth.

The Record has for years tried hard enough to have Belt creek properly bridged, but no one who knows anything about the matter will question the point that the improvement or removal of Arrow creek hill is of much more importance to the business interests of Benton than the bridging of a stream that is easily fordable for about two-thirds of the year. We are in favor of bridging the creek if the cost of it should double the county debt, but not until the Arrow creek hill has been improved either by subscription or at the expense of the county. The time has arrived for the business residents of Benton to interest themselves in this matter, and if they fail to attend to it this season, they will rue it before they are another year older.

From Monday's daily.

T. C. Power & Bro.'s mule train arrived from Fort Walsh yesterday morning.

T. C. Power & Bro.'s mule train is loading for J. H. McKnight & Co., Fort Shaw.

It is a little late for Valentines, but the "Commodore" don't get left, and don't you forget it.

A. E. Pound, Martinsdale, Wm. Crowley, Bel Creek, Chas. Lytle, Carlisle, are registered at the Overland.

I. G. Baker & Co. have a large stock of Rotterdam, Switzer and Swiss cheese which they offer for sale cheap.

Mr. A. B. Keeler is loading a train at the upper levee with 30,000 lbs. of government freight for the post at Fort Shaw.

The Power Line Steamer, Butte, arrived at the Coal Banks at 4 p. m. today and will leave for Benton this evening.

Mr. W. C. Darnold, who has been in our city several days visiting friends, departed on this morning's coach for Salt Lake city.

John Center was brought before Judge Tattan this afternoon charged with disturbing the peace and fined five dollars and costs.

Win. B. Edgar and Chas. Carr arrived from the Judith today. They report plenty of rain in their section. Wish we could get some of it here.

An extra fine set of buggy harness, a robe and a whip, valued at \$250.00 will be raffled at the Fountain Saloon on the 4th of July. Tickets \$5.00.

A. P. Sample crossed 270 head of cattle on the upper ferry yesterday. As he had some trouble with a wild steer, but managed by hard work to get away with him.

The "Frontier Club" will give a dance on the steamer "Wyoming" tomorrow evening, a large attendance is expected as the club have not given one of their always enjoyable hops for some time.

Davidson & Moffitt have a large and complete stock of ladies' and gentlemen's Valises and Trunks just received from the States, also wagon covers and horse coverings.

Edward's freight teams arrived from Cheesnut yesterday loaded with wool from Henry Seiben's ranch. This is the first wool to arrive from that part of the country and will soon be followed by plenty more.

Caution to sheep owners: In purchasing sheep dip, great care should be exercised in the selection. Only Ladd's Standard brand should be used. T. C. Power & Bro. have just received a heavy invoice of this brand and consumers can rely upon it being a pure and strong article.

J. S. Guentherodt, manager of the district office for Idaho, Montana and Utah, of the well known Mercantile Agency of R. G. Dan & Co. of Salt Lake City, is in town in the interest of his office. Like all strangers the gentleman is surprised at the size and business of our town.

F. S. Caldwell, Big Spring Creek, F. W. Reed, Glendwin, F. W. Wilson, Chicago, Geo. H. Mallory, Chesnut, J. J. Guentherodt, Salt Lake, Geo. Rockwood and family, St. Joseph, Mrs. Hanson, Helena, Geo. G. Kilborn, St. Joseph, I. F. Dordin, St. Paul, R. B. Scott, Boston, H. E. Bradley, Boston, J. L. Perkins and wife, Cheesnut, are interarrivals at the Cheateau House.

Mr. Horr, of Horr & Bristol, Old Agency, who recently arrived in town, has disposed of his band of horses to Thos. Morgan and has sold his hides to I. G. Baker & Co. and T. C. Power & Bro., and will go down the river on one of the boats now at the levee for a visit