

GENERAL SCHOOL FUND.		
CR.		\$8,818 70
By received from taxes		172 50
By received from J. A. Kanouse, J. P.		110 00
By received from deputy district clerk		
DR.		\$ 33 30
To paid warrants and interest		5,835 07
To transferred to 1st school district		1,638 02
To transferred to 2nd school district		799 27
To transferred to 3rd school district		445 78
To transferred to 4th school district		616 09
To transferred to 5th school district		273 06
To paid collector		
		\$9,302 20
		\$9,102 20

COURT HOUSE FUND.		
CR.		\$ 3,840 00
By balance on hand March 1, 1884		30,918 75
By received from sale of bonds		
DR.		\$10,000 00
To paid warrants		100 00
To paid collector		10,758 75
Balance		\$20,858 75
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TOWNSHIP FUND.		
CR.		\$9,515 72
By balance on hand March 1, 1884		1,476 98
By received from special school fund		982 91
DR.		\$6,493 71
To paid warrants		38 77
To paid collector		5,907 93
Balance		\$11,975 41
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SINKING FUND.		
CR.		\$4,973 84
By balance on hand March 1, 1884		6,803 18
By received from general fund		
DR.		\$4,921 80
To paid commissions and exchange		251 54
To paid collector		6,013 64
Balance		\$11,167 02
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SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND.		
CR.		\$2,604 98
By balance on hand March 1, 1884		
DR.		\$488 00
To paid warrant no 318		100 00
To paid warrant no 349		1,476 98
Transferred to township fund		
Balance		\$2,048 98
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RECAPITULATION.		
Receipts.		
Balance on hand March 1, 1884		\$91,918 07
Taxes collected		49,972 61
License collected		12,733 00
Special fund collected		952 40
County fund		189 00
Received from clerk district court		408 40
Received from county clerk		11 00
Received from J. A. Kanouse, J. P.		188 50
Received from sale of bonds, jail		6,000 00
Received from sale of bonds, court house		30,018 75
Received from probate judge		982 91
Total receipts		\$132,749 04

DISBURSEMENTS.		
Territory		\$ 5,835 07
General fund		22,409 43
Contingent fund		7,072 25
Poor fund		6,184 76
Jail fund		10,169 75
Coal fund		5,704 06
Sinking fund		4,921 80
Court house fund		16,000 00
County fund		32 30
First school district		2,403 63
Second school district		771 40
Third school district		599 15
Fourth school district		374 00
Fifth school district		32 10
Sixth school district		588 00
Special school fund		6,476 71
Insurance tax refunded from general fund to city		28 65
Collector		2,500 00
Improvement balance		55
Balance on hand		40,679 57
		\$132,749 04

CASH BALANCES.		
General fund		\$ 44 24
Contingent fund		104 25
Poor fund		28 50
Jail fund		784 54
Coal fund		207 41
Court house fund		17,758 75
Township fund		5,507 02
Sinking fund		6,013 64
First school district		5,515 18
Second school district		288 21
Third school district		2,475 75
Fourth school district		966 11
Fifth school district		298 65
Sixth school district		686 32
		\$40,679 57

STATEMENT.		
Amount of warrants outstanding March 1st, 1884, per statement		\$15,132 01
Amount of warrants issued during year ending February 29th, 1884		48,654 31
Interest on the above		1,100 80
Paid on court house contract		16,900 00
		\$80,887 12
Debit warrants and interest paid year ending February 29th, 1884		\$67,693 90
Conceded by limitation		82 75
		\$67,676 05
Outstanding warrants		\$13,058 06
Interest on same		151 51
		\$13,209 57

CONTRA.		
Cash in county funds		\$7,272 67
Excess		5,907 80
Cash in court house fund		\$17,758 75
Excess in treasury		\$11,820 05
Decrease of indebtedness		\$2,073 05

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS.		
Outstanding bonds		\$88,000 00
Interest due February 29th, 1884		919 00
		\$88,919 00
Outstanding warrants		\$13,058 06
Interest due February 29th, 1884		151 51
		\$13,209 57
Less cash in treasury		\$40,679 57
Less indebtedness February 29th, 1884		\$64,548 00
Less cash in treasury		17,758 75
		\$46,789 25
Net indebtedness		\$7,080 05
Cash in treasury for school purposes		\$15,648 15
Excess in addition to the above there is in township fund, not included.		9,000 00
Total for school purposes		\$24,648 15

Respectfully submitted,  
 JOHN F. MURPHY, COUNTY CLERK.

Examined and approved,  
 W. S. WETZEL, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF CO. COMMISSIONERS.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**  
 In the Probate Court of the County of Chouteau, Territory of Montana.  
 In the matter of the estate of Anna Armstrong, deceased.  
 Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Anna Armstrong, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator at his residence in said county of Chouteau and at the office of J. J. Donnelly, his attorney, in Fort Benton, in said county and Territory.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**  
 Estate of Thomas Haley, deceased.  
 NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Thomas Haley, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator at the business house of T. C. Power & Bro., the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in the city of Fort Benton, in the county of Chouteau.

JOHN W. POWER,  
 Administrator of the estate of Thomas Haley, deceased.  
 Dated at Fort Benton, M. T., March 24th, 1884.

**F. H. McKnight & Co.**  
**Post Traders,**  
 And Dealers in  
**General Merchandise**  
 FORT SHAW, - M. T.

We are in receipt of a large and complete stock of goods consisting of  
**Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries, Drugs, Boots and shoes, Clothing, Hats and Caps, Hardware, Woodenware, Crockery, Harness, Wool Socks and Twine, Tents, Wagon Sheets,**  
**AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, ETC.**

AGENTS FOR  
 WOOD'S IMPROVED MOWERS, HAPGOOD'S SULKY PLOWS, IMPROVED SULKY RAKES, and STUDEBAKER WAGONS.

We have on hand and to arrive a larger stock than ever before. Ranchmen and Stockmen are respectfully invited to examine our goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere.  
 FORT SHAW, M. T., June 1, 1882.

**J. H. McKnight & Co.**

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 Wholesale and Retail Dealers in  
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**St. Louis Beer** **Milwaukee Beer**

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 Hermitage, Luncheater, Melwood Rye, Blue Ribbon O. K., Stag, Nelson, Reindeer, Magnolia, Scotch and Irish Whiskies.

**Imported Wines and Brandies!**  
 Guinness Stouts, Bass' Ale, Ginger Ale, Double Soda, Cider, Mineral waters, Angostura Bitters, Hostetter Bitters, Reed's Cocktail bitters, Etc.

Agents for Montana for O'Donnell's "Blue Ribbon O. K. Whisky."  
 Cor. Front and Baker Streets, Fort Benton, Montana.

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 STANDARD PATENT MEDICINES,  
 PAINTS, OILS, TOILET ARTICLES, SHOULDER BRACES, VARNISHES, PERFUMERY, TRUSSES, DYE-STUFFS, SOAPS, SPONGES, AND ALL VARIETIES OF  
**DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES**  
 CIGARS,  
 Pure Wines and Liquors for Medicinal Use.  
 BLANK BOOKS, WALL PAPER, &c. Also a full line of STATIONERY.  
 Physicians' Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

**NEW SADDLE HOUSE.**  
 Wm. Glassman, late of Roberts & Glassman, proprietors of the Cheyenne Saddle Shop, Helena, M. T., has purchased the business of L. H. Rosenkrantz of Fort Benton. Mr. Glassman has a wide-spread reputation as a saddler and the following is a testimonial of some of the most influential stock men of the Judith Basin, which speaks for itself:  
 JUDITH BASIN, M. T., July 20, 1883.  
 Mr. Wm. Glassman, Fort Benton:  
 DEAR SIR—We, the undersigned cow men of the Judith Basin, having used your saddles for the past year find them far superior to all others for durability, workmanship and for being the best cow saddles for general use.

Horace Brewster.  
 Charles Brewster.  
 Perry Westfall.  
 James Howard.  
 John Campbell.  
 Jim Smith.

Jesse Phelps.  
 David S. Phelps.  
 Ed. Olden.  
 Ensign Sweet.  
 Sam Campbell.  
 Wm. Rowe.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**  
 Estate of James C. Grant, deceased.  
 Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of James C. Grant, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to present them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator at the law office of Buck & Hunt, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in Fort Benton, in the county of Chouteau.

ISAAC N. HAZLETT,  
 Administrator of the estate of James C. Grant, deceased.  
 Dated at Fort Benton, M. T., March 24th, 1884.

**FOR RENT.**  
 Houses and Rooms to rent in all parts of the city. Enquire of ject-15 W. S. STOCKING.

**CITY AND VICINITY.**  
 Counterfeit one-dollar bills are said to be in extensive circulation in town, which is more than can be said of the genuine ones.  
 Our old friend Bob Vaughn, the Rebert Bonner of Sun River. Is in town on duty for the District Court. Bob seems to grow younger as he advances in years.  
 The Missouri is unusually high for this period and a few days' rain, which will probably set in before the first steambot from Bismarck requires higher water, will bring the stream up to high water mark.  
 Jere Sullivan received last evening a large invoice of his celebrated brands of cigars known as the Noblesas (in tin foil) and the Pickwick Club. Jere is the importer of these brands and they can be found only at the Choteau Exchange.  
 The Original string band of Benton gave an entertainment at J. H. Evans' saloon last evening. The place was crowded and the band acquitted itself as creditably as ever. Toney sawed out some of the sweetest notes that the big fiddle ever gave forth.  
 The district court opened at 9 o'clock this morning and adjourned at a late hour this afternoon. A large amount of business was rushed through, and in spite of the fact that this is one of the most, if not the most, important sessions that has ever been held in Benton, it is not likely to extend over a longer period than usual.  
 The Arcade Restaurant, formerly owned by John Kleber, has been re-opened by Tney Mow and Ah Sing. Tney Mow has the reputation of being the best Chinaman cook in Benton and his restaurant has, under his management, earned enviable fame. If you want a first class meal give Messrs. Mow and Ah Sing a call.  
 Readers of THE RECORD are recommended to go to Wetzel's store before the end of this month and purchase all the dry goods they require for the summer. The stock is large and well assorted and goods can be bought considerably cheaper than from the retail houses in New York. This is the last chance that will be offered in Benton. apr-10d1w.

We should like to know, and the information is desired by various tax-paying citizens, by what right George Houk stopped—or attempted to stop, for the players claim that the rain and not George compelled them to desist—the game of base ball between Houston's and Hagen's nine on last Sunday afternoon. If a game of base ball is any more detriment to a proper observance of the Sabbath than horse racing, gambling or whisky drinking we should like to know why.  
 From Wednesday's Daily.  
 The justice-dispensing tribunal will begin operations at 9 a. m. to-morrow.  
 "The steamer is coming around the bend"—that is, it will be shortly.  
 Every branch of business shows a decided improvement for the past ten days.  
 P. May, of Barker fame, left for that mineral district yesterday, on the hurricane deck of the festive cayuse.  
 A little partially-congealed water fell last night—not quite enough for sleighing or to inspire a poem on the "beautiful"—but we desist.

It is the general opinion of acquaintances of Joe Hanna that he will become a raving maniac before the 27th of August, and thus escape the gallows.  
 The grand and petit jurors have all arrived in the city and now await the coming of his honor, who is expected on tonight's coach.  
 Mr. Pichette, a merchant of Reedsfort, leaves in the morning for his home. He reports a fair trade in his line throughout the Judith Basin.  
 John Breen has exchanged his blond horse for a grey animal and has improved the appearance of his cart by lettering it with the firm name of T. J. Todd & Co.  
 Jos. Sullivan, our popular and unsurpassed saddler, received by last mail an order for goods to the tune of \$180 from the Northwest Territory. Joe's trade will soon extend over the entire Territory.  
 THE DAILY RECORD will appear to-morrow enlarged and with a full telegraphic report via the Western Union and Military line to Benton. The very latest and most important news will be found in the RECORD hereafter, and we have engaged a reporter in Helena to furnish us with the very latest news from the Capital.  
 C. C. Snow, of Maiden, one of the original owners of the Collar mine, arrived in town last evening. He has just returned from St. Paul, where he had an interview with the officers of the company and several of the stockholders, the result of which leads him to believe that the company's affairs will be settled and the mill started by the middle of May at latest.  
 Mr. Charles S. Fell, of the *Mineral Argus*, leaves for his home to-morrow morning. Mr. Fell has been more successful in canvassing and soliciting for his paper than other journalists who has visited Benton for a long while, which leads us to believe that the merchants of the River Metropolis have awakened to the fact that the Judith country is one of the most important tributaries of our city.  
 The district court was opened this morning and adjourned until to-morrow to await the arrival of Judge Wade. This is an unusual and seemingly unnecessary expense to the county. Just why the wheels of justice should be stopped at the expense of the county to await the pleasure of the Judge we are not able to explain, but the information ought to be forthcoming.

**Nice Stuff to Eat.**  
 It is said that a firm in this town has been or is still selling oleomargarine put up in tin cans and represented as Montana butter. The following New York special will enable our readers to judge what delicious stuff oleomargarine is to eat:  
 "Charles Moses, a feeble man of about thirty years propped up in a chair, yesterday told a remarkable story to the senate health committee, who are now examining the bogus butter. He said he had been employed in the packing room of Nathan's oleomargarine factory. He had not been there long before his hands became sore and raw. Soon they began to swell and the nails dropped off from his fingers. The liquor from the butter rotted his clothes and boots, caused his skin to crack, his teeth to loosen and his hair to come out. His condition became so deplorable that he was obliged to go to Bellevue hospital for treatment. The physicians there told him that if he went back to work again in the factory it would kill him. Other workmen in the shop that he knew were similarly affected, but not so badly as in his case."

The damages sustained by steamboats during the recent gorge and flood at Bismarck will perhaps convince some of the owners that Bismarck is not a safe place to winter boats. They had a serious lesson on this subject some years ago when several fine steamers were destroyed. There is no good reason why the steamers plying between Benton and Bismarck should not winter at Benton, as they certainly will do when the H. & B. railroad is built. It was the intention of I. G. Barker & Co. to winter the *Wed Cloud* at Fort Benton the year she was destroyed, and had they been successful it is probable that all the upper river boats would have wintered here the following season. The harbor is certainly safer than any below Benton, and the great advantage of a full load down the river would be added before the first boat now leaves Bismarck.