

THE BIG MUDDY.

A Broad Gauge View Taken of the Importance of Improving the Upper Missouri.

Montana should be fully represented at the water-ways convention which is to meet in St. Paul. It is hoped that Silver Bow county in particular will have a voice among the delegates.

A railroad from Butte to Benton and the necessary improvement in Missouri navigation will make the people of this territory the most independent in the world as far as railroad corporations are concerned.

The Inter Mountain, therefore repeats the suggestion that Montana be well represented at the St. Paul convention and that the co-operation of every delegate it may contain be secured in the effort to improve the navigation of the "Big Muddy".

The Dredge Boat Completed.

We are pleased to inform our readers that the dredge boat is now completed and ready to begin operations. The following particulars regarding it, given us by the officers in charge, will be of general interest: The steamer Josephine left Bismarck on April 18th and arrived at Fort Benton on the 12th of May, loaded with material for the construction of the dredge.

Racing Notes.

Raymond's Doncaster last week made the fastest mile heat yet trotted by a five-year-old on any track of record in Montana—2:28 1/4. Doncaster is Montana bred. In Saturday's great trotting race Huntley's Ben Lomond, Jr., lowered his record of a year ago one second, making his mile in 8:27—the fastest recorded on any Montana track.

Raiding Indians.

Mr. C. G. Fish arrived from Belknap last Tuesday. He reports that a war party, supposed to be Bloods, well mounted and armed, passed between the Coal Banks and Twenty-four mile springs yesterday.

a few moments they let him go and struck out for the Missouri. They are doubtless on a horse stealing expedition.

Col. M. J. Leaming and S. F. Jamison returned from Fort Assinaboine Wednesday. The colonel says that there are three war parties of Indians now in the field, six or eight being in each party.

Montana and Dakota to be Admitted Together.

"Last, but not least," said my friend, "the territory will be admitted to the Union, with Montana, and it will not be divided. The territory will be admitted with Bismarck as its capital, and such it will remain forever.

This is News.

The substance of a private letter was printed in the Pioneer Press several days ago, detailing that certain St. Paul capitalists were negotiating for the purchase of valuable mining property at Nelhart, Montana.

Montana Pioneers.

At the meeting of the Montana Pioneers held at Helena August 28, 1885, it was unanimously voted that each one who had signed the roll of Pioneers, and every one entitled so to do, should be requested to furnish the corresponding secretary, during the coming year, a brief sketch of his life for the purpose of making up a "Pioneers' Record," similar to that of California, and that all the newspapers of Montana be requested to publish this notice for three months and aid the accomplishment of this enterprise.

The sketch should contain at least the date and place of birth, the date, route and means of conveyance in coming to Montana, place of residence since coming, occupation and most important events during such residence, with any additional matters the writer may wish to make.

CORNELIUS HEDGES, Cor. Sec. Helena, August 29, 1885. They Take Water.

The following circular letter explains itself: SAN FRANCISCO, August 27, 1885.

Geo. W. Crane: DEAR SIR:—At the suggestion of your territorial superintendent we notify you that the use of certificates in making the exchange of school books is discontinued, also that the condition of old books taken in exchange is modified as follows: Books offered in exchange to be so near entire that there is no danger of the other or remaining portion of the book being brought in and offered for exchange.

We desire to make the details of the exchange as popular as possible, and we trust you will carry out our views in this respect.

Please notify your sub-agents, if you have any, of the above change in the manner of exchanging books, etc. There has been considerable delay in publishing the Montana edition of the school geography, but having been recently informed by the publishers that the books would be ready by August 20th, we presume that you will soon receive a supply. Truly yours, A. L. BANCROFT & CO.

MURDER will out. The alleged murderer of Baird, in British Columbia, about a year ago, has just been caught at St. Vincent, and the authorities claim to have proof positive of his guilt. Baird was an old-time Montanan, a trusted employe of Missoula parties.

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DAVID H. CHURCHILL, Administrator of the estate of William E. Hager, deceased. Fort Benton, M. T., August 5, 1885.

\$10 Reward. Estrayed from the ranch of Oleon Lyng, on the Shonkin, a dapple steel gray horse, weight about 1,000 pounds, branded CM on right shoulder and B (sideways) on right thigh. A gentle work horse, with some saddle marks. The above reward will be paid for information leading to the recovery of the animal. Leave word with or address Chas. Rowe, Fort Benton. J. B. BLACKFORD.

Taken Up. A red heifer, three years old, branded OZ on right hip. Came to my ranch last November. The owner can secure the animal by paying cost of advertisement, etc. DANTHO MAS, Stanford.

Strayed. From near Richter & Hunt's ranch, on the Teton, one bay mare and colt, the mare with black mane and tail, narrow white strip in face, branded NG on left thigh, the bay being vent brand and newly put on. A leather halter and twelve feet of rope was on the animal when she left. The colt was about the same color and branded NG. The finder will confer a favor by leaving them with I. G. Baker & Co. Fort Benton, who will pay all charges.