

LOCAL NOTES.

From Saturday's Daily.

The advertisements are out for mail contracts, to take effect July 1, 1886.

Mr. Jonas Jones, a prominent cattle man of the Macleod district had a leg broken recently by being thrown from a broncho.

A fair association has been organized at White Sulphur Springs and steps will be taken at once to prepare for an exhibition next season. It is a good move and one we would like to see made here.

Messrs. T. C. Power & Co. are putting the finishing touches to their fine store on Stephen avenue and when completed will add greatly to the appearance of that part of the town.—Calgary Herald.

Mr. A. Begg, of the Dunbow ranche, mouth of High river, who shipped his wool direct this season to Messrs. Long & Brisby, wool dealers, Hamilton, Ont., informs us that the wool sold for 22c per lb. and netted about 18c per lb. after paying freight and commission. Those who sold here to Mr. Hallam at 13c and 14c per lb. have just lost the difference between the price paid here and in Hamilton, providing the wool was the same quality.—Calgary Herald.

Mr. T. A. Cummings returned yesterday from a trip to St. Paul, Duluth, Winnipeg and other points in the northwest. He reports having had a very pleasant sojourn, but was one day too late for the waterways convention, to which he was the delegate from this city. Mr. Cummings met Paris Gibson at St. Paul and found him rather enthusiastic in regard to railroad developments for northern Montana, which goes to confirm other reports that have reached us.

From Monday's Daily.

Charley Young, of Maiden, has returned to that camp from the Sweet Grass mines and says he does not take any stock in them.

W. B. Edgar and family, of Utica, have gone to St. Louis to spend the winter. It is reported that Mr. E. has closed out his sheep interests.

E. W. Carpenter of the Fireman's Fund Insurance Co., who is an old time Montana newspaper man, will arrive in the city in a day or two.

Mike Healy had to "set 'em up" all around yesterday. It is a boy, born at the Grand Union hotel, a democrat of course, and as good looking as its daddy.

L. W. McElroy arrived from the Sweet Grass yesterday and will leave on the Billings coach to-morrow. Mr. McElroy thinks the sweet Grass will be a good mining country.

Richard Quinn, formerly of Horse Plains, and lately of British America, has located a ranch about five miles from Choteau, Montana, and proposes to make his future home there.—Missoulian.

Notice of the meeting of the Teachers' Institute for this county is given elsewhere by the county superintendent, Miss M. E. Johnstone. In a note to the editor Miss Johnstone says: "I shall endeavor to make our institute a profitable and interesting one, but my endeavors will be almost worthless unless we can have the sympathy and help of all who are interested in education, and there ought to be a mighty host of those."

Geo. Bird Grinnell, of the Forest and Stream, the well known sporting paper, arrived in the city yesterday from St. Mary's lake and left for the east this morning. Mr. Grinnell found a romantic and interesting country about St. Mary's, but the weather was by no means pleasant during his sojourn, nor was the hunting as good as he expected, as several lodges of Indians had been there all summer and either cleaned out or scared out most of the game.

The RIVERPRESS received to-day from T. A. Cummings, agent of the Queen Insurance Co., of Liverpool, the full amount of its claim against that company on account of loss sustained by fire. Our claim was promptly and satisfactorily adjusted, and payment in accordance made by the company in the usual time. The Queen is evidently a good company to be insured in. Mr. Roosevelt, we believe, received to-day the amount of his claim against this company.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Typhoid fever is prevailing at Butte at present.

Water right blanks for sale at the RIVER Press office.

The flouring mill at Great Falls will be ready for operations in a few days.

E. B. Clingan is purchasing a big stock of goods from our merchants for his store at Belt.

W. G. Conrad and family left Virginia yesterday for this city, and will arrive in about ten days.

G. D. Patterson and W. A. Holbrook, of Fort Benton, were registered at the Merchants, St. Paul, on the 24th.

Mr. I. F. Churchill, of I. G. Baker & Co., has been busy for two or three days past unpacking new goods for his side of the store.

James Wright is out on Belt creek negotiating for the purchase of 1,000 head of sheep for his ranch at the mouth of Pen d'Oreille coulee.

We learn that Wright & Terhune, of the Montana stables, are going to Buffalo, Wyoming, to open a stable. Mr. Terhune will move to the latter place soon.

T. C. Power & Bro. have had the lower levee, where the dredge beat had been at work, nicely leveled off and it is now in good trim for boats to receive or discharge their cargoes.

Healy Bros., of Bismarck, have received the contract for building a school house at the Fort Peck Indian agency, to cost \$10,000. That is a pretty expensive school house for an agency.

The sheep bought of Hay Bros. last year by Seims & Armington have been brought to the Belt country. One of the bands is taken by Chas. Turner, of Box Elder, and the other by Thomas Miller, on Belt.

Jas. A. Yore is building sheep sheds and otherwise preparing to run a band of wool producers at his home ranch on Belt creek. The firm of Dickey & Yore will divide their sheep and each go it alone hereafter.

Mr. James McDonough, of High River, N. W. T., who had been in the city several days buying horses and general supplies, left for his northern home yesterday. Mr. McDonough made many friends during his sojourn here, and it is to be hoped that hereafter his visits will not be so few and far between.

There is an urgent demand at Fort Benton for small freighting outfits—four to eight horse teams. Our merchants, more than ever before, are supplying small dealers, stockmen and ranchmen in the outlying districts, and so extensive is their business in this way that it is exceedingly difficult to find the transportation needed. Parties having small freight outfits will find Benton a good place to tie to.

An immense prairie fire southeast of the city attracted much attention last night. Its exact locality is not known, but it could hardly have been further away than Arrow creek, if so far as that. We trust that prompt steps will be taken to put out this fire, as it may do an infinite amount of damage. Time was, and but a few years ago, when prairie fires caused but little apprehension, but there are too many cattle and sheep on the ranges of northern Montana to now allow the grass to be burned off in immense districts.

Mr. A. Nathan, of this city advertises in the Butte papers that his clothing house at that place will be opened in the new Kingsbury block on or about the 1st of October. Mr. M. Kaufman, who has been in the city for the past few months, will be interested with him. It affords the RIVER PRESS much pleasure to recommend these gentlemen to the people of the silver city; they will be found to be upright, honorable business men who will carry out faithfully whatever obligations they enter into. Mr. Nathan retains his extensive interests in Fort Benton.

Mail Routes.

The advertisement of the postoffice department inviting proposals for carrying the mails from July, 1886 to June 30th, 1890, is out. Proposals will be received up to 4 p. m. January 2, 1886, and the decisions will be announced on or before February 23, 1886. Following are the routes for which contracts will be let, in which Fort Benton and northern Montana are interested:

Cora, by Kibbey, to Clendenin, 38½ miles, three times a week.

Cora to Belt, 9 miles, three times a week.

Helena to Fort Benton, every day except Sunday, 154¼ miles.

White Sulphur Springs to Clendenin, via Neihart, three times a week.

Choteau by Dupuyer and Robarre to Peigan, 52 miles, once a week.

Choteau to Perrysburg, 45 miles, once a week.

Ubet to Maiden, 48½ miles six times a week.

Billings to Fort Benton, 254 miles, six times a week.

Fort Benton to Conrad, 85 miles, three times a week.

Fort Benton, by Fort Assinaboine, to Belknap, 100 miles, three times a week.

Fort Shaw, by Florence and Augusta, to Cecil, 43 miles, three times a week.

Sun River to Chestnut, 26 miles, twice a week.

Sun River to Choteau, 30 miles, three times a week.

Sun River to Great Falls, 20 miles, twice a week.

Poplar creek agency to Wolf Point, 23 miles, twice a week.

Fort Buford to Poplar creek, 60 miles, twice a week.

Maiden to Judith, 53 miles, once a week.

Ulidia to Truly, 16 miles, twice a week.

Junction to Maiden, 122 miles, three times a week.

Fort Benton, by Steele's (n.o.), Sprague (n.o.) and Sample (n.o.), to Maiden, 92 miles, once a week.

Gold Dust.

The Bank of Northern Montana Friday purchased \$700 worth of Sweet Grass and Little Rocky gold. Dan Sullivan and Lars. Embertson brought in \$400 from the Sweet Grass and the remainder was from the Little Rockies. Mr. E. is an old Confederate gulch miner, and he is enthusiastic over the prospect in the Sweet Grass. He has a good claim and proposes to stay by it.

Passing Away.

From private letters received in Helena, the friends of John S. Fuller, long a resident of this city, are advised that he is in the last stages of consumption at his home near Choteau, in this county. Mr. Fuller was married some years ago to Miss Sallie Bynum, an accomplished young lady of Helena. He was employed for a number of years in Marks' Sample rooms, where he made many friends. He is a comrade in good standing of Wadsworth Post, G. A. R., and was a Union soldier during the rebellion as a member of a volunteer artillery company. Having expressed a wish lately to see a member of Excelsior Lodge, I. O. O. F., John Wood, of that lodge, was this morning sent out by the brotherhood on the Benton coach to confer with and nurse him. Mr. Fuller's physicians have informed him that he has but little longer to live.—Herald.

Teachers' Institute.

Notice is hereby given that a Teachers' Institute will be held at Fort Benton on the 27th, 28th and 29th of October, 1885. All teachers and others interested in education are cordially invited to attend. We shall endeavor to make our institute both profitable and interesting. The following will be the programme:

FIRST DAY—OPENING EXERCISES. Grammar. Best methods for teaching beginners. Geography (Necessity of globe in each school.)

RECESS. Reading. Rudimentary (class drill) Orthography. NOON. Arithmetic. Denominate numbers. Subject to be supplied

RECESS. Didactics. Query box.

SECOND DAY—OPENING EXERCISES. Grammar. Analysis. Geography. Intermediate

RECESS. Reading. (class drill by some teacher of institute) Orthography. Diacritical marks. NOON. Writing. How to teach, etc. Arithmetic. Percentage and Interest. History.

RECESS. Didactics. Query box.

THIRD DAY—OPENING EXERCISES. Grammar. Common errors corrected. Geography. Physical features

RECESS. Topic supplied by county superintendent. Arithmetic. Fractions, etc. NOON. Civil government. Pronunciation and analysis of words.

RECESS. Didactics. Query box.

MARY E. JOHNSTONE, County Supt., Choteau Co. Fort Benton, September 24, 1885.

Montana Wools.

[Boston Bulletin, 20th.]

Territory wool continues brisk and active. Montana wool is especially strong and large handlers are nearly sold out. Low medium Montana has sold at 21c during the week and fine medium Montana at 25c. Wyoming and Kansas wools follow Montana on the upward grade. Choice fine Wyoming, which was selling last year on a basis of 54@55c clean, has been sold at 60@62. The Territorial Wool association have withdrawn their wool from the market and decline further orders for the present.

Sales are reported as follows: 15,000 lbs fine medium Montana at 25c; 10,000 lbs Montana at 24c; 200,000 lbs Montana at 22@24c; 6,000 lbs fine Montana at 22c.

Distinguished People.

Attached to the Northern Pacific west bound train on the 24th were two palatial cars of the Canadian government, with the following named gentlemen aboard, en route to Portland: Hon. Sir Charles Tupper, high commissioner of Canada to England; Collingwood Schreiber, general manager of the government railways of Canada; L. K. Jones, assistant to Manager Schreiber; D. Pottinger, chief superintendent of the Intercolonial railway; Andrew Robertson and Col. Frank Bond, capitalists, Montreal; Hon. C. J. Townsend, member of the Canadian parliament from Cumberland, Nova Scotia; Mr. Stuart Tupper, of Winnipeg, son of Sir Charles. They have been up to Winnipeg and are now en route to the Pacific coast. They will go to the Puget Sound, and travel east on the Canadian Pacific railroad, and inspect and accept that road for the Canadian government.

Live Stock Shipments.

Northern Pacific stock shipments yesterday were light, but during the next few days they promise to be very heavy. Four thousand head of sheep from the Sun river country will arrive in St. Paul today, and to-morrow 4,000 head additional will be shipped from Billings. This will

make a total of 17,000 head of sheep shipped east so far this season. A train load of Washington territory cattle passed through St. Paul yesterday consigned to Albert Myers, Chicago. To-day Rosenbaum Bros. will load forty-two cars at Sprague. Flowerree and Lowry recently brought 500 head down over the Canadian Pacific and Manitoba roads. The man in charge returned by way of the Northern Pacific to Billings, from which place he will, in a day or two, ship 1,700 head. R. S. Ford recently took 500 head from the same range to Chicago, and sold them there at top prices, \$5 per 100. As the cattle averaged 1,265, his average price was \$63.25.—Pioneer Press, 24th.

Letter List.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the post office at Fort Benton, M. T., for the week ending September 26, 1885:

Bice Edwin	Muir H E 2
Davis J J	Perry S E
Darcey Wm	Perry W A
Dodge Sam	Perry O H
Edwards Hiram K	Preston Jos F 4
Gildart Mr	Reynolds W
Henneberry Jas B 2	Rector Babe
Johnson Henry	Stoner C
McDaniels D C 3	Tower Finley H
Mersin Miss Sophie	Ward Mrs Margaret

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "Advertised."

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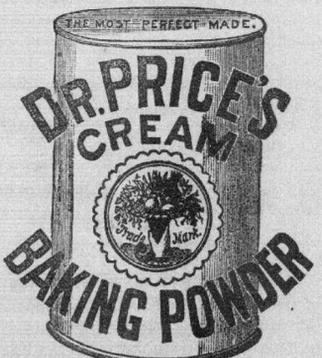
We had a pleasant chat the other day with a cattleman who had only recently returned from Montana and Dakota, and we learned that the prospects of the cattle business in that country are far from flattering. The last winter was unusually severe, and ranchmen did not realize, until the round-ups, the extent of their losses. They have proved unusually heavy; in fact so heavy that it is a hard matter to find men willing to acknowledge how many they have lost. Many are whistling to keep up their courage and console themselves with saying that they have fared no worse than their neighbors, but, in the face of a loss of from twenty-five to forty per cent, this must be rather poor consolation. Our informant went there with a view to purchase a ranch, but, after looking it over very carefully he decided that a milder climate had many advantages over the regions of snow and blizzards and that that country was far from being the best cattle-raising portion of the west.

The north, south and central American exposition opens at New Orleans in November. This is simply a second edition on a smaller scale of the world's fair and is not likely to attract very many people. It will continue during the winter.

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Notice of Final Entry.

LAND OFFICE AT HELENA, M. T., August 26, 1885.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before E. C. Garrett, notary public in and for Choteau county, Montana, at Choteau, M. T., on Saturday, October 10, 1885, viz: William R. Teasdale, who made pre-emption declaratory statement No. 6881, for the S½ SE¼ and the S½ SW¼, section 4, township 24 north of range 6 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: William Russell, Henry Myers, Abel McKnight and John Miller, all of Choteau, M. T. F. ADKINSON, Register.

Notice of Final Entry.

LAND OFFICE AT HELENA, MONTANA, August 26, 1885.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Charles I. Spencer, probate judge of Choteau county, Montana, at his office in Fort Benton, M. T., on Saturday, October 10, 1885, viz: John B. Wetzel, who made pre-emption declaratory statement No. 4906, for the N½ SE¼ section 24, township 20 north of range 6 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John W. Tattam, George E. Ingersoll, John F. Murphy and Jere Sullivan, all of Fort Benton, M. T. F. ADKINSON, Register.

Notice of Final Entry.

LAND OFFICE AT HELENA, MONTANA, September 9, 1885.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before E. C. Garrett, notary public in and for Choteau county, M. T., at Choteau, M. T., on Friday, October 23, 1885, viz: William Russell, who made pre-emption declaratory statement No. 7072, for the E½ NE¼, SW¼ NE¼, SE¼ NW¼, section 9, township 24 north of range 6 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Abel McKnight, John Miller, William Myers and William R. Teasdale, all of Choteau, M. T. F. ADKINSON, Register.

Notice of Final Entry.

LAND OFFICE AT HELENA, MONTANA, September 18, 1885.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before E. C. Garrett, notary public in and for Choteau county, Montana, at Choteau, M. T., on Friday, October 30, 1885, viz: Henry A. Kennerly, who made pre-emption declaratory statement No. 4583, for the E½ SW¼ and W½ SE¼ section 4, township 25 north of range 2 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Samuel C. Burd, James W. Armstrong, Isaac N. Hazlett and James Gibson, all of Choteau, M. T. F. ADKINSON, Register.

Notice of Final Entry.

LAND OFFICE AT HELENA, MONTANA, September 19, 1885.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Charles I. Spencer, probate judge in and for Choteau county, M. T., at Fort Benton, M. T., on Friday, October 30, 1885, viz: James A. Yore, who made pre-emption declaratory statement No. 4946, for the W½ SE¼ section 14, and the W½ NE¼ section 29, township 19 north of range 6 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Edgar G. MacLay, John G. MacLay, Samuel N. Dickey and Edmund R. Cowen, all of Fort Benton, M. T. F. ADKINSON, Register.

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