

CITY AND STATE.

From Wednesday's Daily.
Send your watch and jewelry repair work to D. G. Lockwood's jewelry store.
Dr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Taylor returned this morning from a two weeks' visit at Chinook.

Miss Anna Johnson has been appointed to succeed Miss M. Moore as teacher in the Marias school.

The bond of Mary Keaster, as administratrix of the estate of Edward Keaster, deceased, was approved in the district court today. It is in the sum of \$23,500.

Arrivals from the country bring news of spring conditions resulting from the past few days of exceptionally warm weather. Green grass is beginning to appear in sheltered locations, and William Collins avers that he saw grasshoppers on his Marias ranch yesterday.

According to newspaper reports of the Great Northern wreck near Columbia Falls, an old-time Benton boy had a narrow escape from death. Thomas Gordon, a former employe of the River Press who now holds a position as railroad mail clerk, was on one of the trains that was wrecked, and was so fortunate as to escape with no more serious consequences than the loss of most of his clothes. His friends here are greatly pleased over the news of his safety.

H. E. Homan, an inmate of the county jail to whom a diminution of sentence was recently granted by Governor Toole, will have to serve his full term of six months. Pending action upon the matter by the state board of pardons, Homan was given the privilege of a trusty, and took advantage of the opportunity by skipping out to Great Falls. He was arrested in that city, returned to the Chouteau county jail, and the pardon proceedings have been cancelled by the state authorities.

Hilda Nottingham, son of H. A. Nottingham, of the Shonkin, met with a very painful accident yesterday while helping his father build a bunk house at their ranch. Young Nottingham was in the act of climbing down from the top of the house, when he lost his balance and put out his left hand and grasped a log to save himself from falling. Just as he did so his father struck at the log with an axe which caught the young man's hand, the corner of the blade severing the third finger near the first joint. He was brought to town last evening to receive medical treatment.

From Thursday's Daily.
A marriage license was issued today to Frank M. Niskern and Nellie Grant Stator, both of Havre.

G. W. Lovinger, who arrived this morning from Virgelle on a short business visit, reports that the Missouri river is still frozen over at that point.

The will of the late George Godfrey, of Big Sandy, was admitted to probate today in the district court, and Mary Ann Godfrey appointed as administratrix.

Local residents recall the fact that a year ago today it was 50 below zero, the coldest day of the winter. It was a great contrast to the prevailing springlike weather.

Miss Agnes Atkinson, county superintendent of schools, announces that the regular teachers' examination will be held at her office in the court house on Friday and Saturday, February 23d and 24th.

Two new school districts have been formed by Miss Atkinson, county school superintendent, in response to the request of parties interested. One of the new districts is No. 45, at Dodson; and the other No. 46, at Holmes, located on Cow Creek south of Cleveland.

From Friday's Daily
Hay for sale by the carload, ton or bale. Will deliver Tuesday and Friday of each week. Orders may be left at Green Bros' store. J. P. Williams.

John W. Haigler, who returned today from a trip to the Bear Paw country, brings word that the ranchers of that section are busy plowing and preparing for other work usually done in the spring.

Oscar Johnston, of the Overland hotel, and Geo. W. Rouse, of the Teton, are embarking in the Angora goat industry. Each has received three kids which they expect will grow up with the country and multiply into thousands.

Suit has been commenced in the district court by O. G. Nordmarken and W. B. Woodman against McNamara & Marlow, of Big Sandy, to recover payment alleged to be due for a carload of oats. The plaintiffs ask judgment for about \$570.

Announcement is made that Farmers' Institutes will be held in Chouteau county on the following dates: Fort Benton, March 1; Chinook, March 2; Harlem, March 3. Each institute will be addressed by well known agricultural experts, and those who fail to attend will miss an opportunity to secure valuable information on farm topics.

A telegram was received this morning by Jere Sullivan, of the Choteau House, and John C. Sullivan, county treasurer, announcing the sudden death of their mother at her home at Dunville, Ontario, after an illness of only a few hours. Mrs. Sullivan was about 83 years of age, and had lived at Dunville since 1850, being one of the oldest and most respected residents of that locality. Mr. John Sullivan will leave for his old home tomorrow, to attend the funeral services.

THREE KILLED IN WRECK.

Oriental Limited Trains Crash Together Near Columbia Falls.

KALISPELL, Jan. 30.—Between 10:30 and 11 o'clock Monday night passenger trains Nos. 1 and 2, the Oriental Limiteds, met in a head-on collision one mile west of Columbia Falls. The smashup was complete, both trains going at a high rate of speed at the time. The accident occurred just east of the switch post on the high grade of the track being built 12 feet at the end of the Y. From the impact of the trains the baggage car on the westbound was upended and thrown from the track carrying telegraph poles and wires to the ground and putting the line out of business. Both locomotives are fit for the scrap heap only.

Fireman Hanson was killed outright and the other fireman, W. Tangle, was caught in the turn of his locomotive and his back probably broken by the weight upon him. He was pinned down for hours and will die. William Therfachter, the engineer of the westbound train was very badly crushed and wounded and may die. Engineer Barden was thrown forty feet from his cab and knocked insensible for an hour after the wreck. The express messenger on the eastbound train was killed in his car, he was crushed to death by boxes of fish. His name was Wurzbacher and he seems to have been new to the run. Conductor Quinn was on the westbound passenger train and riding in the smoker which happened to be empty when the crash came. He was hurled through a window and into the ditch. One leg was broken and he was otherwise injured.

Not a passenger on either train was hurt enough to require a physician. No. 2, the eastbound train, Engineer H. O. Barden, Conductor Quinn, had orders to meet No. 1, westbound, at Half Moon. Barden ran by the meeting and concluded to try and make Columbia Falls. When he saw the engine No. 1 loom up he jammed the emergency brakes and then tried to escape. It was a long straight piece of track, but the engine of No. 2 had its headlight dark and therefore was not seen by Engineer Therfachter or the collision would have been avoided.

The February Weather Record.

A bulletin issued by Observer C. W. Ling, of Havre, gives the following weather bureau data for February, compiled from records covering the past 25 years:

The mean or normal temperature for February has been 14 degrees. The coldest February on record was that of 1887, with an average of three below zero. During this month, the record minimum temperature of 55 below zero was reached at the local weather bureau station.

The average February precipitation has been 0.51 inches, but it was nearly three times that amount in 1888. The heaviest February snowfall recorded was six inches in 1886.

February has an average of seven clear days, eleven partly cloudy and ten cloudy days.

The Sherman Murder Trial

LEWISTOWN, Jan. 31.—After hearing some additional evidence this morning concerning the circumstances under which James Sherman made confessions of murdering Samuel Studzinski, Judge Cheadle ruled that he would admit all confessions made subsequent to December 18, on which date Sherman called upon Judge Cheadle, in chambers, and asked to be permitted to make a confession to the judge. At that time, Judge Cheadle stated from the bench, he refused to permit Sherman to make any statement and informed Sherman fully as to his rights. Holding that, because he then informed the accused of his rights, confessions subsequently made were voluntary, Judge Cheadle ruled that all confessions made after the interview between himself and the prisoner should be admitted in evidence.

Mr. Hantoon, attorney for the defense, took an exception to the ruling of the court on this point, which is considered the most important in the case.

Imports Have Increased.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The imports into the United States have practically doubled in value in the last seven years, according to a bulletin issued by the bureau of statistics in the department of commerce and labor. In the calendar year 1905 the imports aggregated in value \$1,179,000,000 as against \$635,000,000 in calendar year 1898. The increase in imports is distributed through all classes and practically all articles of merchandise.

MONTANA NEWS BRIEFLETS.

A Budget of Readable Short Items from Various Parts of the State.

GREAT FALLS, Jan. 30.—Spokane men have applied to the city council for a franchise to install and operate a gas plant in this city, promising to invest at least \$250,000, and offering to give a bond to guarantee completion of the plant within two years. Action will be taken at the next meeting of the council.

HELENA, Jan. 30.—The trial of J. H. Peel of Billings, on the charge of having "raised" a \$1 bill to \$10, and essaying to palm it off in the latter sum on an inmate of a Billings resort, consumed the entire session of the United States court today, being given to the jury this afternoon. The jury brought in a verdict of guilty.

BILLINGS, Jan. 30.—Piper Bros. of Pueblo, Colo., have been awarded the contract for the construction of the entire distributing system from Division 1 to 5 of the Huntley project. This is a big contract and will involve the employment of several hundred men when spring opens. The company had previously been awarded contracts for the construction of concrete work and for the putting in of a complete telephone system through the entire tract.

HELENA, Jan. 30.—Governor J. K. Toole today issued a requisition on Governor Cutler of Utah for the return to this state of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gladney, who are now under arrest at Ogden, Utah, at the request of the Silver Bow county authorities, it being charged that the defendants participated in the robbery of the Hennessy store in Centerville, on Jan. 9, when cash to the amount of \$3,000 was stolen. The papers were presented to Governor Toole by Sheriff J. J. Quinn of Silver Bow county.

BILLINGS, Jan. 31.—Billings' long expected crusade against gambling has begun. Ten warrants for the arrest of as many saloon men have been placed in the hands of Sheriff Adams. In each case, the defendant is charged with permitting a roulette wheel to be played for money in and about his place. Rev. B. Z. McCullough, pastor of the First Presbyterian church here, is the complaining witness.

BUTTE, Jan. 31.—The concentrator of the Butte Reduction Works, the smelting plant owned in this city by Senator W. A. Clark, was totally destroyed by a fire of unknown origin, about 1:30 o'clock this morning, and caused an immediate suspension of work. The loss is estimated in the neighborhood of \$300,000, but partially covered by insurance. Four hundred men were employed at the works, but the major portion of these will be afforded employment for some time to come in cleaning up the debris and wreckage.

BOZEMAN, Jan. 31.—James McKeown put some blasting powder in a shot gun shell a few days ago and shot at a cat. The gun was blown to atoms and McKeown is nursing a wounded arm. McKeown was working in the Springhill copper mines about twenty miles from Bozeman and had been bothered by cats trying to steal meat and other articles of food kept on the outside of the cabin. Being short of shot gun powder he thought blasting powder would answer the purpose.

LEWISTOWN, Jan. 31.—The long tunnel which the Barnes-King company has been running in its great Kendall property for many months past is now in about 5,000 feet, and when driven 2,000 further, will tap an entirely new body of ore in the north-west end of the property, over a mile distant from the old workings. This virgin ore deposit was located last year by means of a diamond drill, and in getting to it the company has opened up several other veins, one of which, at least, is unusually rich for cyanide ore, running about \$30 to the ton.

Explains Estray Law.

HELENA, Jan. 31.—An opinion to do with estrays, which is of especial interest to owners of horses, was rendered today by Attorney General Galen in response to a letter from County Attorney Porter of Miles City. After defining estray to mean any mare, gelding, stallion, etc., the owner of which cannot with reasonable diligence be found, or which may have strayed from its accustomed range, the opinion continues:

"The law provides that any person who shall take up from the range and retain in his possession any estray animal, of which he is not the owner, is guilty of grand larceny.

"The law is so comprehensive in its terms that it must of necessity be held to amend or repeal by implication any and all prior laws relating to lost or estray domestic animals found on the public range, and under its provisions there is no possible way by which a person can take up a lost or estray horse and acquire the right to use or dispose of the same."

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Where Marriage Pays.

"Married people have the best of it in ocean traveling," said a sea captain. "For they have a stateroom to themselves. People traveling alone, unless they are willing to pay a good deal extra, have to sleep in the same room with strangers, an unpleasant thing. Some of these lone travelers, to secure privacy, pay extra fare. Others—many, many others—try to secure privacy by giving us lies instead of money."

"No man will tell the chief steward that he has an intolerable snore. Another will say he is subject to epileptic attacks, wherein in the small hours he becomes a shrieking and dangerous maniac. Another will say that in the throes of acute seasickness from the beginning of the voyage to the end he fills the cabin day and night with dismal noises."

"No matter. They all have to share their staterooms with strangers. The only way out of it is to plank down the coin."—New York Press.

Origin of Bonfires.

Bonfires are a survival of the rites of Baal and Moloch. When Christianity rided old ways and customs could be abolished, and so the heathen, still hankering after the ancient deities, but half controlled by pope or bishop, made their bonfires on the eve of St. Peter & St. John. One use of bonfires in the not so far distant past was as a means of disinfection. In his "History of the Plague" Defoe tells of bonfires in London streets. There is reason to suppose that in kindling such fires there was still a remnant of superstition left. It was in a measure a sacrifice to Baal. As to the excellence of the method of making fires to drive away a plague the benefit would be questionable. Anyhow it may be dwelt upon as the earliest effort made toward cremation, for it was of some slight use when an infected neighborhood caught fire and was reduced to ashes. But, then, the remedy might have been worse than the disease.

More Light.

A case was being tried on the charge of selling impure whisky. The whisky was offered in evidence. Jury retired to try the evidence. Judge (presently)—What is the verdict? Foreman of the Thirsty Jury—Your honor, we want more evidence.—San Francisco News Letter.

A Conjugal Tip.

Husband—I see plainly you want to get up a quarrel. And in the street too! Wait at least till we are inside our own house. Wife—Impossible. I shall have cooled down before we get there.—Paris Journal.

Wanted to Find the Crumb.

Mamma—What are you tearing your doll to pieces for? Hattie—I'm looking for the crumb of comfort papa said was to be found in everything.

Man is the merriest of all the species of creation. Above and below him all are serious.—Addison.

Luckiest Man in Arkansas.

"I'm the luckiest man in Arkansas," writes H. L. Stanley, of Bruno, "since the restoration of my wife's health after five years of continuous coughing and bleeding from the lungs, and I owe my good fortune to the world's greatest medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which I know from experience will cure consumption if taken in time. My wife improved with first bottle and twelve bottles completed the cure." Cures the worst coughs and colds or money refunded. At W. J. Minar's, druggist, 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

To Ranchers and Others.

Any person caring for any of my stock this winter will be paid any reasonable price. Stock is branded L on left thigh. LEWIS MUMPER, Beatrice, Mont.

To Bridge Contractors.

Sealed proposals will be received by the county clerk of Chouteau county, Montana, up to the hour of 3 o'clock p. m. of March 6th, 1906, for the construction of a combination bridge across Milk river at a point about one and one-half miles from Dodson station, on the Great Northern railway. Said bridge to be 200 feet long, 18 feet wide, and 80 feet of approaches; set in steel tubular piers filled with well driven piles and concrete. Bidders to submit their own plans and specifications. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check for 10 per cent. of the bid, payable to Jno. C. Sullivan, county treasurer. A bond of double the amount of the bid will be required of the successful bidder. Bids should be addressed to the county clerk and marked on the outside to indicate their nature. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. By order of the board of county commissioners. W. R. LEEB, Clerk of the Board.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of George Godfrey, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administratrix with will annexed of the estate of George Godfrey, 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 administratrix at her residence, Big Sandy, Chouteau county, Montana. MARY ANN GODFREY, Administratrix with the will annexed of the estate of George Godfrey, deceased. Dated Feb. 1, 1906. First publication, February 1, 1906.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Edward Keaster, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of Edward Keaster, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within ten months after the first publication of this notice to the said administratrix at her residence at Highwood, Chouteau county, Montana. MARY KEASTER, Administratrix of the estate of Edward Keaster, deceased. Dated January 25th, 1906. Downing & Stephenson, attorneys for estate. First publication Jan. 30, 1906.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Ephraim Nottingham, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, executrix of the estate of Ephraim Nottingham, 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 W. Y. Pemberton, at the Grand Union hotel, Fort Benton, Montana. M. J. F. NOTTINGHAM, Executrix of the estate of Ephraim Nottingham, deceased. Dated January 11, 1906. First publication, January 12, 1906.

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