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PUBLISHERS' ANNOUNCEMENT.

After January 1, 1904, the rate for display advertisements in these columns will be increased one-half. The circulation of the Bee has doubled since the prevailing rates were adopted, hence the advance.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1903.

GREETING.

The Bee is not so old as its local contemporaries but it is just as hearty in this, its Fourth annual greeting and Merry Christmas to all the dwellers of the Flathead. This season of 1903 has been the most prosperous in the history of Kalispell and Flathead county, collectively and individually and the year has also been one of grateful promise for the Bee. The circulation of this paper is double what it was a year ago, and this Christmas greeting reaches nearly every dweller in this favored locality. From Sylvanite to Java, from Gateway to Poison is hardly to be found a cabin in which the Bee is not a welcome twice-a-week visitor, depended upon as the vehicle of communication between those widely separated points, and eagerly looked for. To one and all this paper extends its friendship and with the hope that its term of usefulness may extend from four to fourteen and forty years, bids all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

AT SAINT LOUIS.

The statues and other decorations on the great exposition buildings at St. Louis promise to be the best the world has ever known, and this is due largely to a simple discovery that permits the unlimited reproduction of the finest and most intricate designs.

The statue or piece to be reproduced is first etched and then covered with a layer of clay about two inches thick. Over this is put a coat of plaster-of-paris, being first taken off in sections. After the clay has been taken away the outer shell is replaced and the space between is poured full of gelatin. After it becomes stiff it is taken off in sections with the outer shell and is again put together without the original core and is ready to be used in reproducing the statue or decoration. For this purpose "staff" is used, which is a light fibrous plaster first used for the same purpose at the Chicago world's fair. The advantage of the gelatin mold is in its flexibility which permits the intricate parts and "undercuts" to be withdrawn without injury to the mold. The gelatin is tough and flexible and can be used as many times as desired. The process is inexpensive, while the work is perfect in the finest details.

AN ALARMING PROPOSITION.

Congressman Dixon's bill to construct a wire fence along the Canadian boundary between Lake of the Woods and Point Roberts, equipped with an electric contrivance to convey warnings to inspectors and officers that an intruder was being made by Chinaman to Uncle Sam's domains, seems to have some little merit. The dispatches of the past few days announce that Chinese laborers are rushing into Canada by the hundreds, and on every steamer from the orient they are arriving en route to British Columbia.

The cause for the sudden influx into Canada lies in the fact that the Canadian government recently enacted a law by which every Chinaman landing on British soil after January 1, will be compelled to pay a head tax of \$500. Under the present law the Chinese are only required to pay \$5. They go to British Columbia to gain entry into the United States, the border being not difficult to pass, there are so few men on guard compared to the mileage of the boundary. Mr. Dixon would provide a barrier which would sound an alarm every time an attempt was made to smuggle Chinks or any other thing without the pale of the law, across the boundary.

HERBERT SPENCER.

In the death of Herbert Spencer England loses the last great figure of the Victorian era. His works have been translated into every civilized tongue and yet Spencer would hardly be called a literary figure, for he was more than that. A moral philosopher, he was an ardent freethinker, but not for the purpose of escaping the moral obligations of life. The single goal of his existence was truth, and his works are the result of his search for it.

With the possible exception of Darwin, Spencer did more than any other man to shape the world's ideas as to the origin and end of man and in the changing attitude of the world toward theology due to the discoveries of science. Spencer's pen gave form and substance to the new beliefs, or rather the old beliefs as viewed in the light of newly discovered truths.

A correct estimate of his work cannot be made until time has softened its lines.

At the time of his death Spencer was in his eighty-fourth year.

The late pope, Leo XIII., was known to be possessed of vast sums of wealth but after his death but little was found. Mad search was made for the missing treasure but to no purpose. A few days ago Cardinal Gotti, prefect of the propoganda drove up to the vatican in company with one of the late pope's secretaries and together they carried in and laid before the pope a package containing \$9,000,000 in bank notes. About the same time an electrician at work in the apartments of the late pope discovered \$1,850,000 in a hole in the wall. The money was entrusted to Gotti by Pope Leo in the evident expectation that Cardinal Gotti would succeed to the papal chair. In the event that another succeeded to the position, however, Gotti was instructed to turn over the money within four months, which he did. The money was accumulated through the medium of the "Peter's Pence," an offering collected for the pope in every Catholic church in the world.

The secretary of the interior has revoked the order under which final action on entries under the timber and stone act were suspended, and all such entries, aggregating a large number, will now be acted upon in the regular order by the general land office. The order involves several hundred thousand acres of public domain in the west, all entries on which have been held up because of the big frauds perpetrated on the government under the timber and stone act.

'Tis Christmas Time.

Christmas bells are ringing, ringing, Joyfully their strokes of mirth, All around their tidings flinging, Love, goodwill and peace to earth.

Bright Christmas fires beckon back The wanderers from their roving; Back from the world's hardbeaten track, To longing eyes and waiting hearts.

Ah! spirits drifting far apart, So cold with pride and folly, Bring loving thoughts within your hearts, Weave peace in Christmas holly.

Give thought to those who guard our right On land or distant billow, A prayer for those alone, this night, The orphan and the widow.

'Tis Christmas time, 'tis Christmas time, Let garlands crown each portal, And echo all the welcome sound Good will and peace to mortal.

—R. M. Gatiss

Aid for Cripple Creek Miners.

An appeal has been made to the unions of this city for financial aid by the Western Federation of Miners, and believing that the sympathy of all fair minded people should be extended to them in their heroic struggle for fair conditions, it was decided to give the general public an opportunity to show practical sympathy by having subscription lists placed in the following places:

- John Ahues, Cigar Store.
- P. Peterson, Cigar Store.
- A. H. Benkendorf, Confectionery Store.
- Brown's Paint and Paper Store.

By order of Federal Labor Union, No. 175.

—I. R. Gildea, Business Agent.
Kalispell, Dec. 21, 1903.

Social Session F. O. E.

A social session of Aerie No. 234, F. O. E. will be held Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at Elks' hall. Visiting Eagles are especially invited to meet with us and partake of Christmas cheer.

By order of the Aerie.
—Mark B. Conrow,
Worthy Secretary

Jugs Wanted.

Any persons who have empty cider jugs belonging to Fred Whiteside will confer a favor by returning them immediately to the Bee office.

Free!

Banjo concert at Marsden's Drug Store.

After January 1st, 1904, Marsden, the druggist will do no more credit business. Cash only.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

ONE CENT A WORD.

TOD LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

For Sale—150 tons good blue joint hay, \$12 per ton, f. o. b. cars Harlem, Montana. A. Ellis.

Wanted—One furnished room for housekeeping. Must be within one block of postoffice. Address The Bee.

Wanted—To get about 30 head of cows to keep on shares. Good range and plenty of hay for winter feeding. Apply at this office.

Taken Up.

Came to my place one mile north of Sedan, one red bull calf, little white on belly; animal about eight months old; no visible brand. Owner may have same by paying costs and charges.

—S. N. Pool,
Kalispell, R. F. D. No. 3.

Strayed.

Strayed from Bigfork, September 15, bay mare, eight years old, brand on left shoulder letter Z, 17 on side. Reward for information or return to A. M. Wright, Bigfork.

We have a few good second hand sewing machines that have been rented for a short time which we will sell for \$10 a piece while they last. At Sherman's, 340 Main street.

H. S. CANNON



Wherever you go, wherever you go with, you will be correctly attired if you go in one of our warranted suits or overcoats.

H. S. Cannon

OPERA BLOCK
MAIN STREET

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO YOU AND YOURS

May the day be pleasant, the dinner good, the goose done to a turn, the pudding hot with the right kind of sauce.

May you receive as gifts the things you most desire, and may the day be as it should, the most enjoyable of all the year.

FITCH & SMITHERS
...Druggists

205 Main Street

Holiday Suggestions

What Shall I Buy For a Christmas Present?

Is the important question uppermost in the minds of many people just now. Old and young alike agree that something appropriate must be selected to show our appreciation of friends and relatives. The cost to the giver, and the taste of the one to be remembered, enters largely into the question of gift buying.

Noah's Ark has provided a comprehensive assortment of useful and appropriate gifts for all, at prices so low that we cannot fail to please you. Everything marked in plain figures. We have a larger assortment of toys than anyone else in the city. Come and see for yourself.

Toy Dept.

- Rocking Horses - \$2.00 to \$6.00
- Hobby Horses - .25 to 1.00
- Shooflies - 2.00 to 5.00
- Drums - .25 to 4.00
- Air Guns - 1.00 to 2.00
- Dolls and Doll Heads .01 to 5.00
- Doll Carts - .50 to 4.75
- Doll Buggies - .50 to 4.50
- Doll Furniture - .10 to 4.00
- Steam Engines - .75 to 4.00
- Magic Lanterns - 1.25 to 4.00
- Pianos - 1.25 to 3.00

Engines, Fire Patrols, Hooks and Ladders, Trains, Mechanical Toys, Banks, Trunks, Cloth Animals, Dishes, Wheelbarrows and everything in Toys.

Stationery.

The very best in the city.

Books.

- Bibles - 20c to \$5.00
- Gift Books, Copyright Books, Picture Books, Photograph and Autograph Albums, Christmas Cards, School Cards, Calendars, Diaries, Etc., Etc.

Games.

Archarena Boards, Ping Pong Pit, Flinch, Checkers, Backgammon, Old Maid, Authors and one hundred others.

Confectionery.

Candy in pails, boxes or otherwise. Mixed Candies at 15 to 25 cts. per lb. Candies put up in pound boxes to hang on Christmas Trees, 20c per box. Fine Candies, 45c to \$1.00 per pound.

FINE LINE OF CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATIONS.

WE WILL GIVE A SPECIAL DISCOUNT TO CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES

I. D. RONGLIEN
Prop.

NOAH'S ARK

EAST SECOND
STREET.

MISSOULA MERCANTILE CO. MISSOULA MERCANTILE CO. MISSOULA MERCANTILE CO.

SANTA CLAUS

HAS CALLED and delivered us the greatest variety of HOLIDAY GOODS ever shown in any establishment in the Northwest. We are hustling for space in which to show the public our immense stock of Toys and Holiday Goods. We have been compelled to fit up one of our basements in order to display this immense stock.

HOLIDAY GOODS FOR ALL

THE YOUNG AND THE OLD, THE RICH AND THE POOR, ALIKE

HOLIDAY OPENING

Our Annual Holiday Opening will be the grandest thing we have ever given. It will occur on **THURSDAY** and **FRIDAY**, afternoons and evenings, **DECEMBER 10th and 11th, 1903.**

We hope to have the pleasure of seeing every man, woman and child, within reaching distance of this beautiful little city, at our Grand Holiday Opening.

For this special occasion we have secured the services of the best musicians in the west. This feature will be a treat in itself.

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED IN OUR ELEGANT GROCERY DEPT

Keep Your Eye on Our Show Window and Don't Forget the Dates.

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