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The idea seems to be afloat that an extra session of the legislature is to be held this winter. The Bozeman Courier is newspaper authority for the statement, and its editor probably gained the information during a recent visit to Helena. As might be expected, he is violently opposed to it, though good grounds for this early antagonism we fail to discover. Extra sessions of even annual legislatures are not uncommon, and just now, when a great part of Montana has been almost revolutionized by the advent of a new element—the Northern Pacific—it is not surprising if need of early legislation has become apparent. At a second session a legislative body is in position to work more harmoniously and expeditiously than when, as it a first meeting, many of the members are unaccustomed to their duties. If important matters are to be considered by a Montana legislature we doubt if a better set of representatives than those now holding office could be entrusted with the responsibility. After the tedious work of organization had been accomplished last winter the legislature made a most creditable record. A second session is as yet a mere matter of speculation, but if Governor Crosby, in pursuance of his executive authority, should deem it advisable to call the members together, we should feel assured that there was good reason for his action, and should not consider that any tenable argument could be raised in opposition.

**Depreciating Mines.**

A gentleman from Clark's Fork, who is in position to know the true inwardness of mining operations in that region, says that a clique of capitalists are siezing upon every claim that is offered for sale, and are doing everything in their power to keep the true natures of those mines from the knowledge of the outside world. As an instance of this fact he says that the bar of bullion now on exhibition at the First National bank is of very low grade, and that as such it was purposely selected for exhibition in order to create the impression that the Clark's Fork district can not produce anything better. There is undoubtedly a strong element of truth in all this. A like report has been current ever since that district was restored to the public domain though we have not learned of the system being carried to the extreme of exhibiting base metal as the best product of the mines. It is proverbially impossible to obtain information of doings in that region. Occasionally there come rumors of rich finds but they never go beyond rumor, and yet there is good reason to know that surpassingly rich discoveries are being made from time to time. All this systematic effort to withhold from the world a true knowledge of the Clark's Fork mines is not perhaps a legitimate cause for public complaint, as no particular person is aggrieved. It is however evidence of the fact that great wealth exists in that country, and that shrewd men are using every endeavor to secure it to themselves. They will develop it when they have secured all that is available, and then the Clark's Fork will become the leading mining camp of Montana. This is no extravagant prophecy. It is unfortunate that a more general knowledge of the wealth that lies buried in the mountains south of Livingston does not exist, that the efforts spoken of are being made to hoodwink the public. The greater the number of mine owners in a live camp the greater will be its prosperity. Nearly a year ago the writer obtained and published the opinion of a well-posted visitor to the Clark's Fork, that the district would witness little activity this year because the capitalists represented there would occupy themselves entirely in buying property; but that 1884 would fairly inaugurate a boom that would make Cooke City or some adjoining camp a second Leadville. The first part of the prediction has proven correct; the second seems in fair way of fulfillment.

A terrible storm visited the North Carolina coast a few days ago. The wind blew seven hours with a velocity of 93 miles an hour. A great many small vessels were driven ashore and wrecked and much damage done on land.

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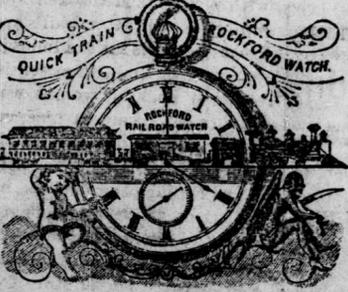
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