

Sun River Sun.

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3 months	\$15.00	\$11.25	\$7.50	\$5.62	\$3.75	\$2.25	\$1.50	\$1.12	\$0.75	\$0.60	\$0.45	\$0.38
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A BOLD HIGHWAYMAN.

Joseph Flick and Mr. Fargo "Held up" by a Highwayman in Prickly Pear Canyon.

Last Wednesday morning a party, composed of Mr. Fargo, Joseph Flick, Miller and another man, left Helena for a trip to the Little Rockies, and on their second night out camped at a point near Bob Eli's saw mill in Prickly Pear canyon. The evening was spent as evenings usually are around a camp fire, and when they had finished their last pipe and were about to turn in for the night, they were startled by the appearance of a man who stepped into the dim light made by the dying embers, and commanded them to "hold up your hands, you sons of-a-bitch!" at the same time drawing a needle gun up to his shoulder, saying: "It is money I want, and be damned quick about it!" While he was saying this he moved forward by the time he had made his little speech, had the muzzle of his gun shoved under Fargo's nose, whose nerve then forsook him and he handed over his wallet. By this time Flick had collected his senses, and lit into the road agent single-handed and soon had him down, choking the everlastingly daylight out of him. The road agent squealed under this treatment and after pinning him he was set up in perpendicular position until his captors held a council and decided what to do with him. They decided to take him to Helena, and after examination there was bound over in the sum of \$2,000, which he not being able to raise he was landed in jail to await the deliberation of the grand jury.

The would-be highwayman, whose name is Fred Schneider, is well known here, having resided in Sun River and thereabouts for many years, and for a number of years past has been considered by those who know him best to be slightly demented at times, especially after a spree, which frolics he was sadly addicted to. It is probable that he was loaded up with Benton road whisky when he committed the act, which will in a measure account for his crime, as the aforesaid whisky is vile stuff and has a demoralizing influence on a perfectly sane mind, while in poor Schneider's case it is a wonder that it did not kill him instantly.

His captors seem to have some thirst for notoriety, and were brutal in the extreme, as it is reported that they beat and pounded up the poor fellow when he was down, in a most shameful manner, and it is probable administered all the punishment he deserved under the circumstance.

A Startling Fact.

AGUSTA, M. T., Oct. 8, 1884.
To the Editor of the Sun:
The knowledge that millions of dollars are taken from this country for meats and flour that could be saved to the people by home production is a fact little disseminated among the people by the merchants of Helena. Having learned of the great quantity of these two articles annually consumed in the western section of Sun River country, I undertake the pleasant task of making a few comparisons that I hope will open the eyes of farmers and ranchmen and thereby enrich this noble community and make it the pride of the great northwest.

In the year just closing there has been brought to this section from Helena and Benton the enormous quantity of meat and flour amounting in the aggregate to \$864,000, and figuring the increase in population at 30 per cent, this amount will increase in proportion, making a total of \$1,128,200 for the coming year of 1885. How to do away with this tremendous drain upon the country is a problem I wish to solve. During the past year there has been produced in this section 4,300,000 bushels of oats. The home consumption can safely be figured at 1,000,000 bushels; two canals, 180,000 bushels; Fort Shaw, 250,000 bushels, various freighting outfits, 200,000 bushels, a total consumption of 1,630,000 bushels, showing an over production of 2,670,000 bushels, for which there is no market, consequently it is almost a total loss. Do away with the raising of this great quantity of oats that has proven a total loss, and plant wheat, barley and other grain and food that can be fed to swine and will produce flour, obviating the necessity for purchasing of other communities that have taken advantage of this fact and are reaping the benefits.

Should the farmers carry out this idea, capital would readily would readily supply the facilities for utilizing the wheat with improved processes for manufacturing as fine grade flour as can be made in Minneapolis. There will then be heard words of praise in the local industry, instead of the complaints now so prevalent about the poor quality of Montana flour. Should this go-ahead policy not be adopted presently the people will not have the money to buy food, as it will all have been swallowed up by foreigners.

Yours truly,
D. B.
Alex. Werk was in town this week. Alex's health has greatly improved.

SUNBEAMS.

Fort Shaw was very well represented here last Sunday.

Frank Cooper and wife, of Eagle Rock, were in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans will take possession of their new house on Ellis street this week.

Rev. J. M. Largent will preach at the school house at 11 a. m. All are cordially invited.

Pete Ford, the popular vendor of liquid refreshments at Ullida, was in town one day this week.

The coach between here and Johnstown and Great Falls is making regular trips now twice a week.

Julius Hirschberg, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. A. Harris, are visiting friends in Benton this week.

During Major Maglunis' sojourn in this section he was the guest of Col. and Mrs. Moale, of Fort Shaw.

Several loads of grain from Hlwood have arrived at the Sun River mill this week to be converted into flour.

Work on the Sun River canal has been suspended for the winter. Three and one-half miles have been completed.

Jas. Gibson is at present rusticiating in the Teton country. We hope he will not protract his visit to any great length.

Paul Bickler, for the past summer engaged on the construction of the Florence canal, was in town one day this week.

J. H. Dunlap has returned from an extended visit to the Teton country. Mr. Dunlap expects his wife and son here shortly.

Captain Strong, of Chestnut, was in town this week. The Captain has many warm friends in Sun River who always welcome his visits.

Mrs. Whitehead, of Helena, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. Mort Strong, for the past few weeks, returned home last Tuesday.

Business which has been rather depressed for the past ten months is beginning to assume its natural proportions, or at least so say our business men.

The Little Rockies stampede is rapidly assuming shape, as far as numbers are concerned, as every day parties en route for that region pass through town.

James Gibb, the popular landlord of the Largent Hotel, will please accept our thanks for a brace of wild fowls, the fruits of his trusty shot-gun and unerring eye.

In our last issue we stated that Mr. and Mrs. John Devine returned from Helena Tuesday evening. We were misinformed, as they did not return until last Saturday evening.

Thomas A. Gorham, of Ullida, was in town this week, on a short business trip. Tom's friends are always pleased to see him, and regret that they are not more frequent.

R. P. Hamill, of Nevada, who is now here with his sheep, recently received a telegram stating that he has been nominated for the assembly by the Elko county convention.

Our young folks who were in attendance at the ball at Augusta report a fine time. We know they would, for the people of that little burg never do anything on the half shell.

Judge J. B. Totten and Otto Peterson, candidates for public favors on the Democratic ticket, the former for Probate Judge and the latter for Assessor, made us a pleasant call Monday.

Yellowstone Journal: Rev. W. J. Hunter, having delivered his farewell discourse to his old congregation at the Methodist church here, will depart to day for his new charge at Sun River.

We acknowledge the pleasure of a call from Hon. Martin Maglunis, who has represented this Territory in Congress for the past twelve years. The Major is doing a little fencing for J. K. Toole.

We would call your attention to W. H. Elm & Son's advertisement in another column. This firm have an extended acquaintance in the Sun River country, and are known as perfectly reliable business men.

An alleged Sun River correspondent of the Benton Record says we will issue a holiday edition of 1,000 copies, which is a mistake, as the issue will be 3,000-1,000 copies having already been subscribed for by private individuals.

It is surprising the amount of labor required to handle the mail matter which daily finds its way into the postoffice at this place. Besides the daily mail from Helena and Benton there are three other mail routes centering here.

There was a perfect exodus of Sun River denizens to Augusta last Friday morning. It looked for awhile as though the town would be depopulated. All the livery rigs, and many of the ranch teams were pressed into service for the occasion.

Miss Williams, who is stopping with the family of H. Blossom, had a narrow escape from serious injury last week. She was descending the stairs when she missed her footing, falling to the landing below. Luckily she escaped with a few bruises.

O. G. Cooper, of Dupuyer creek, while in town last Friday, received a telegram informing him of the death of his wife's father, Mr. H. H. Downing, of Memphis, Mo. Mr. Downing had been in feeble health for the past year, and with a view of receiving benefit by a change of climate and scenes came to this Territory during the summer, but not receiving the aid he expected, he returned to his home in Missouri, with the intention of arranging his affairs so as to spend the winter in California, but upon his return home, he became worse, and died Wednesday, the 8th inst. The bereaved friends in this section have our sympathy.

James Austin came in from his ranch at the head of Chestnut valley Sunday with two teams, one loaded with wheat which was taken to the mill to be made into flour, and the other loaded with onions, of which he has about 10,000 pounds. Mr. Austin, owing to the sheltered position of his ranch, is enabled to raise nearly all the different kinds of fruit. He has about three hundred and fifty young apple trees, from which he harvested this year, besides an abundance of small fruit.

Lieut. Townsend was in town last week. Mr. Townsend had just returned from a prospecting tour in the mountains. He reports a few discoveries of some little importance, but owing to the amount of snow on the range—there being six feet—he was obliged to leave them without much development, but on the return of spring will prospect them more thoroughly. He says there is not much on this side of the range, but believes that paying mines will be found on the opposite side in course of a very few years. There have been quite a number of prospectors in the mountains this summer, and many have discovered what they firmly believe will be an eldorado in the sweet by and by.

We are perfecting arrangements for issuing a holiday edition of the Sun of 5,000 copies. The edition will be in the form of a book, and will be replete with information concerning this portion of Montana, besides numerous engravings of local scenery, dwellings, &c. The pecuniary outlay necessary to successfully carry out this project will be considerable, yet the good we hope it will do this section will more than recompense us for our labor and money. It is necessary for us to have the co-operation and support of every citizen of the Sun River country to make it a success, such as we desire, and we trust that it will be cordially extended to us. We are willing to do our share towards booming this section as it deserves, but we do not feel able to bear all the expense and throw in our time besides, and we do not believe our citizens will expect it. The scheme so far has met with flattering approval, and we trust it will not be allowed to die in the shell for want of any necessary support for its furtherance.

The Weather.

The following weather prognostications by our local weather clerk are for the Sun River and Missouri River valleys:

NOVEMBER.
First week—Some light snows.
Third week—Snow and severe cold; closes the rivers partly.
Fourth week—Thaws, ground bare, but freezing prevails.

DECEMBER.

Continues about the same, with another cold spell which finally closes the river.
Second half—Country white with the beautiful snow; sun warm, but nights and winds cold.
J. S. KERLER.

(To be continued.)

FROM AUGUSTA.

AGUSTA, Oct. 10, 1884.

The races were a success. A large crowd was in attendance from all points, Helena, Dearborn, Sun River, Choteau and Benton being represented. The first race was a 400-yard dash for \$50 for first horse and \$30 for second. Three horses entered; Gypsy, by George White; White Stockings, by Stone, and Strawberry, by Bud Nett. Won by Gypsy; second money to Strawberry.

The second race was a 300-yard dash for \$50, owned by Dandy, owned by Jas. Sturman, and Tom-and-Jerry, owned by Jas. Sturman; won by Dandy. This race was the most evenly contested race of the meeting and both horses did their best to win. All bets were cheerfully paid over and harmony and good humor prevailed. This closed the races for the day. In the evening a large crowd gathered in Manix's hall to trip the light fantastic to the very fine music furnished by the Sun River string band. Considering the large crowd everybody enjoyed themselves finely, and the strains of Home, Sweet Home were not heard until nearly morning.

On Saturday the principal race of the meeting was declared off on account of the non-appearance of Alex. Werk, caused by sickness. A race was made up between Gypsy, owned by Geo. White, and Topsy, owned by A. Spaulding, for a 300 yards dash for \$25. Won by Topsy. More money changed hands on this race than all the races combined, Topsy being the favorite by large odds.

A race was then made up between White Stockings and Tom-and-Jerry for \$20. Won by Tom-and-Jerry, he being the favorite almost three to one.

In the evening a large audience met in Manix's hall to listen to the issues of the day as presented by Hon. Martin Maglunis and others.

Thus closed the largest gathering of the citizens of the South Fork country and vicinity. All strangers expressed themselves surprised at the signs of prosperity, extent of the improvements in the valley and the number of its inhabitants. May this not be the last but the first of a grand annual meeting was the verdict of all in attendance.

Several communications were crowded out this week.

Go to the Republican meeting Wednesday evening, 15th.

Joe Hirschberg, the popular Benton clothier, was in town this week.

Mr. Peter Fehrenbach, of White Sulphur Springs, was in town this week.

Kisselbaugh, Carter & Co.'s lumber is universally acknowledged to be the best that comes to this market and is sold straight through for \$30 per M.

Jas. Halford, probably as well known by the handle, "Missouri Jim," made us a call this week. Mr. Halford is a candidate for sheriff on the Democratic ticket, and was down in this end of the county reviewing old times with his many acquaintances.

JOE HANNA ESCAPES.

Joe Hanna Breaks Jail at White Sulphur Springs, and is now at Large.

From a gentleman who arrived from White Sulphur Springs Tuesday we learn the following concerning the escape of Joe Hanna from the Meagher county jail, where he was lodged awaiting a new trial for the murder of one Nelson at Barker last winter. The circumstances of the murder is familiar to our readers, owing to the numerous acquaintances Hanna had in this section, therefore it will be unnecessary to reproduce them. Suffice to say that at his first trial he was sentenced by Judge Wade to be hanged on the 27th of August, but before that time he secured a new trial which was set for the September term of court, but owing to the influence brought to bear through wealthy relatives, the case was continued over until the spring term. Since then he has been in jail, until last Thursday evening, the 9th inst., when he made his escape.

The circumstances of his escape, which is related by a fellow-prisoner, are as follows: Between 6 and 7 o'clock two men heavily armed came to the jail and walked in in an unconcerned manner and inquired of Joe if he was ready, and telling him to come on, and all of the other prisoners to follow him if they desired their liberty. Joe did not seem in the least surprised and got up leisurely and walked out, accompanied by a fellow prisoner—a horse thief—and shortly after the sound of horses' hoofs told the story of their way of locomotion. The prisoner who remained and told the foregoing was in for some petty offence and had served his time nearly out, and did not care to go.

Hanna's escape was not discovered until about 7 o'clock, when the jailer, Dr. McKay, returned from supper, which he had been enjoying while Hanna and his companion were making their escape. An alarm was immediately made, and some attempt at pursuit, but none seemed to reflect the job, consequently not much of an effort was made to capture him.

There is something remarkable about the circumstances connected with the delivery, and the people at the Springs openly charge that money was freely used in bringing the matter about, and that that parties connected with the institution know where a portion of it went. It seems probable that such is the case, as the Meagher county jail is considered the best in the Territory, and that none of the three locks—one a combination—was broken or showed any tampering with, except such as necessary to gain admission in the ordinary way.

CHESTNUT ITEMS.

OCTOBER 11, 1884.

Potato digging.

Jimmy Austin has a new house-keeper, late from Benton.

Mrs. Edwards and family, late from Iowa, are living in the Coburn house.

Many of the valleys are now hauling wheat to Sun River to be ground into flour.

Mr. Kinsey moved Mrs. Largent to Sun River Monday.

Jim Perkins is over on the Judith looking after his cattle.

Maggie Gorham is stopping with Mrs. James this winter.

W. C. Sweet and family started to California last Monday.

The round-up is in progress now. It will last about two weeks yet.

Bob Thoroughman is captain of the round-up this fall.

Toul Allen had the misfortune to get his armpit badly cut while in the woods the other day by falling upon his axe.

Mr. Lippincott was over to Sun River a few days not long since laying in a big stock of goods for the Ullida store.

Albert Strong, Mrs. Strong, and Mrs. Ed. Stevenson went to Sun River, Friday, in grand style. They were the guests of Rev. Largent's family while there.

Mr. Palmer and wife passed through the valley this week on road to Mullery's. They seem to love the lakes.

The valley school is very full this fall. New seats had to be made on short notice.

Spelling-school at the school house every Thursday evening. A good time. It will be on Friday evening next.

We said some weeks since that Mr. Toul Gorham had gone to Helena after his mother. He only went to visit her.

We are made to exclaim, as did the old colored woman at the return of her long-lost son, "Y. Law Zi where have you been, Eli?" He had not been at home more than a fortnight until they agreed to disagree and they named him "Get 'Thar." "Eli" says that we have failed to give all the news of late. We never once thought that we ever had performed such a noble deed as to give all the news of the valley. We believe it an impossibility, without one had nothing to do but to ride around and gather the news, pretending to be riding for health. We are confirmed that there is no money in it, and, as for the horse, we have had our share. The "maiden production looks well in print" and we hope the "starter" will give Mrs. "Eli" encouragement to continue the items from Chestnut and hereafter excuse us from this duty. We hereby make our bow. Thanks to the many readers of the Sun. May "Eli" do far better than we have done. We know how to sympathize

for you, Mrs. E. Stand bravely to your post while we quietly retire. We love the round-up. Good-bye. Y. L. Z.

FROM CHOTEAU.

We will shortly have direct mail communication with Bepton. Fred Bauers has the contract between here and Val-leaux.

Father Prando, S. J., left here yesterday with 25 more Indian and half-breed children for the Fort Ignatius Mission.

Hank Forbes has been appointed Bango Rider and Detective by the Teton and Marias stockmen. The fall round-up will be over in about a week.

Our Choteau sports returned jubilant from the Augusta races, Bird Spaulding's sorrel horse, "Choteau" having won the 400-yard race, and the boys having generally distinguished themselves. For fast horses, good grass, and pretty girls Choteau is hard to beat. H. DONAUCH.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Republican Rally.
The campaign will be opened in Sun River, WEDNESDAY EVENING, October 15th, by

HON. HIRAM KNOWLES
Nominée for Congress, and

W. H. HUNT,
Nominée for District Attorney.

GOOD MUSIC IN ATTENDANCE

NEW HOTEL!

Augusta House!
AUGUSTA, M. T.

The patronage of the public respectfully solicited.

LIVERY, FEED AND SALE

Stable in connection.

HENRY WIEGAND, Proprietor.

THE

Jackson Hotel,
Old Agency, Montana,
First-Class in Every Respect.

Travelers visiting CHOTEAU will find excellent accommodations at this house. The house and furniture is all new, and nothing lacking which will add to the comfort to guests.

FINE BAR IN CONNECTION

Where will be found only the choicest liquors and first-class cigars.

James W. Armstrong, Prop.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

Cecilia Dennis, my wife, having left my bed and board without lawful cause, I hereby state that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her on my account.
EDWARD DENNIS
Choteau, Montana, Sept. 23, 1884.

ESTARAY HORSE.

One dark bay horse, 11½ hands high, no saddle-marks; white strip in face; branded "E" on left shoulder. The above animal came to my ranch August 29. Address EDWARD DENNIS, Choteau, Mont.

Notice of Final Entry.

LAND OFFICE AT HELENA, M. T.,
October 4, 1884.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. Land Office at Helena, M. T., on November 22, 1884, viz: Henry Wellhousen who made his claim under No. 1231, for the S. 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501,