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GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

The World's News as it Reached the "Tribune" by Wire.

NEW YORK, May 18.—The *Commercial Advertiser* says an organization is being effected among capitalists in this city to deal in silver bullion certificates, same as grain certificates are now dealt in. The headquarters of the organization will be the Western National bank of which ex-Secretary of the Treasury Manning and ex-Treasurer Jordan are the founders. Mr. Manning and his associates aim to make New York the chief seat of the silver bullion trade and transfer the control of the silver market from London to New York.

Their plan of operations is to have silver bullion in large quantities deposited with western national banks and have it traded in very much the same way as grain certificates are in Chicago or stock certificates are here. To accomplish this it will be necessary to secure the co-operation of good stock exchanges.

BERLIN, May 18.—Gen. Boulanger's intention to mobilize the French army is the subject of much discussion here. It is deemed certain that if France calls out her troops for active service, Germany will follow suit and mobilize also.

Gen. Boulanger's plan is intended to test the merits of the French system of calling all troops into active service that are on the army roll. He also, no doubt, aims to give such troops some practice in rallying to their respective quarters. The measure cannot fail to alarm Germany, since it would place her at a disadvantage in the event of war. If she is seeking for a pretext to attack France she may make use of this, but it is unlikely that Boulanger will persist if Germany becomes restless.

CHICAGO, May 18.—The number of idle men in this city who have either struck or locked out is rapidly increasing. They are variously estimated at from 10,000 to 20,000. The number probably does not exceed 13,000, but at the end of the present week it will be greatly increased. No more than 500 brick layers are at work and their occupation will be gone as soon as the stock of material on hand is exhausted. Employers in other trades are gradually forced to stop work because they are reaching a point in construction at which they can proceed no further. The outlook is not promising for either contractor or laborer, but both appear to take a cheerful view of the situation and both are determined not to yield a point.

Haverhill, Mass., May 18.—Owing to disagreement between the Knights of Labor and the Manufacturers Association, forty shoe shops closed their doors this morning, throwing 3,000 men out of work. Many association factories that are running to-day will not open to-morrow, increasing the number of lockouts to sixty factories and throwing out of employment 1,700 people. The latter are at work and will probably continue, as their price list has not been cut down. The manufacturers hope to secure help sufficient to enable them to open their shops and continue the work.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Mr. Hyatt, the newly appointed United States treasurer, arrived this morning and was presented to the different treasury officials by Assistant Treasurer Whipple. He says he will not assume charge of the department until some time next week as there are some matters to arrange regarding his bond.

HELENA, May 18.—A speech by the Independent says the Pioneer received a patch from Duluth remarks, the denials from Butte, the relative merits and friends living in Germany.

THE POPULAR ROUTE.

More Good News From Judge Hilger's Boat—The Sand Coulee Coal Did Well.

HELENA, May 19.—From Col. Majors, who made the trip to Great Falls on Hilger's steamer *Rose* of Helena, we learn that the little craft works admirably. The distance from Hilger's ranch to Great Falls, 112 miles, can be easily made in a day, the boat making twelve miles an hour down stream and four miles an hour coming up. The Sand Coulee coal worked first-rate and no better fuel could be desired. It only took two hours' time to come up over the Half-breed rapids.

It went so easy, and they liked it so well, that after getting up once they went down and tried it again. In going down the first time the rope parted and let the rope down backwards. The plucky navigators had a royal reception all along the route and at Great Falls. Steamboat navigation on the upper river is an established fact, and we see no reason why it should not be a favorite excursion for the season. Any one who goes down and buys a town lot will make more on its rise before he gets home to cover his expenses and he will have all the fun for profit.

REGULAR TRIPS.

HELENA, May 19.—Judge Hilger announces that the *Rose* will make regular excursion trips from Hilger's landing through the Gate of the Mountains to Picnic canyon, Willow creek and to Bear-tooth rapids, and back on Mondays, Thursdays and Sundays of each week, leaving Hilger's at 10 a. m. and returning at 3 p. m. Special trips will be made if requested to Half-breed rapids, at Chesnut valley, on Tuesdays, returning Wednesday, and on Fridays, returning Saturdays. The fare on regular trips to Picnic canyon and back is \$2. To Willow creek and Bear-tooth rapids, \$3.

The Wool-Growers Meeting.

MILES CITY, May 19.—The wool-growers of eastern Montana met yesterday at the Maquenee house and elected officers for the ensuing year. There was a fairly good attendance, considering the season. The idea has a very strong hold upon the sheepmen that from this time it will be advisable to prepare plenty of feed and shelter, and instances were shown where bands of sheep have been cared for with but nominal losses, whereas sheep left to rustle sustained a loss of nearly 50 per cent. Where cared for the loss was less than 25 per cent. It has been found, too, that sheep are in need of good water as well as shelter and food or any other necessary thing. As far as could be learned from the reports at hand the lamb crop is unusually good, far better than for years past. This will in a great measure make up for the losses experienced during the winter. In the meeting set for the fall the discussions will be relative to feed and shelter. This will be the most important matter brought forth for consideration. The scab law came in for a full share of the discussion, and it was to some extent endorsed by the sheep industry on the theory that it is in its infancy, yet with a few years will see the business largely increased. The present year promises to be very propitious in the history of wool-growing. Rates for shipping will be less than those which prevailed last season—certainly not greater.

In a neat and forcible speech before the convention J. A. McGreer, a railroad agent, assured the shippers that good roads and good time would be made on his roads and connection. H. Josiah Nichols, of Etchell, was elected president for the ensuing year, J. H. Locke, of Terry, secretary and treasurer, John Barringer and A. M. Cree, vice-presidents. The retiring officers, President Geo. W. Meyers, especially, made a long and interesting speech, and disclosed much of his long experience as a sheep grower and practical flockmaster.

The following were appointed on the executive committee: Geo. W. Meyers, Oscar Brackett, Kent McLean, A. M. Cree and Chas. Daly.

The Audience Forgave Him.

A comic actor was much addicted to drink. He was on the road and billed to appear in a small town. When he came out on the stage he was so drunk that the audience hissed him. Steadily himself on the scenery the actor said:

"Ladies and gentlemen: When an artist of my standing consents to appear at all in such a little one-horse town as this he must either be drunk or crazy. I prefer to be considered an inebriate." The audience roared and forgave him.—*Texas Sittings.*

Helena Challenged.

HELENA, May 19.—The Livingston base ball club has challenged the Helena nine. They propose to have the game take place at Livingston on May 30, for \$200 a side.

Russia Encroaching.

LONDON, May 19.—The *Standard* this morning says it transpires that Russia claims a wider expanse of territory in Afghanistan than the part already disputed.

The Right-of-Way.

HELENA, May 19.—Awards amounting to \$21,000 have been made by the commission appointed to condemn the right-of-way of the Montana Central.

The Festive Knights.

BUTTE, May 19.—The Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias met yesterday. There was a grand banquet at Renshaw hall last night.

The Montana Central.

HELENA, May 19.—The Montana Central railway company has commenced suit

against the Montana Union. The legal proceedings are an action by the Montana Central compelling the Montana Union to show cause why a writ of prohibition should not be issued against the latter road to prevent it obstructing the right-of-way through Silver Bow canyon. The hearing is set for next Friday at Doer Lodge. The action grows out of the recent track straightening anxiety that has taken hold of the Montana Union in the canyon.

The old county road to the valley, leading down Last Chance gulch, was cut through by the Northern Pacific road when it came through, and now the proposed switch running up town will again cut the road. The Montana Central is now cutting through the hill, and for a time travel to and from the valley will have to go by way of the depot—a number of blocks out of the way. The Montana Central has signified its willingness to bridge their track as soon as their cut is completed, and the Northern Pacific will doubtless do the same as soon as requested to do so by the county commissioners. These bridges will prevent all accidents.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW YORK, May 19.—The funeral service of Vicar-General Quinn took place yesterday morning at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The building was filled to overflowing. The body lay in state on an elaborate catafalque in the centre aisle; mass for the dead was celebrated; the pillars of the Cathedral were draped in black.

GALVESTON, May 19.—A special to the *News* from Austin, Texas, says: Fifty mounted men have left for McNeill's, the scene of a big robbery of a passenger train. One passenger is reported shot in the arm.

SHANGHAI, May 19.—The tea trade has never been so bad. The Hankoai has guild which largely controls the market has ordered a suspension of business in consequence of the low prices offered by buyers.

HELENA, May 19.—[Special to the Tribune].—The racers are arriving here for the 4th of July races. Among them are Daniel B. and Ida Glen of Choteau. They will be put in training right away.

MARTINEZ, Cal., May 19.—Sixty boxes of apricots, the first shipment ever made, were consigned yesterday to Porter Bros. of Chicago.

Suicide in Butte.

BUTTE, May 18.—The pistol and the deadly drug in the hands of the abandoned, desperate cyprian, is doing its awful work. One fatal case and one attempted at self-destruction is our suicide record for to-day. The coroner was heard to ejaculate in a low tone of voice as he was summoned in the dark hours of the night to the latest inquest, "Why, it's an epidemic." Elsie Farrar is the name of the last victim. She was an inmate of the house of Emma Abbey, on Wyoming street, who she has resided since her advent in Butte from Portland about seven months ago.

The story of the crime and the cause that led to it are summed up as follows: Several days ago there arrived in the city from Portland a man giving the name of H. H. Odell, who, it appears, had been a former lover of the woman. The unalloyed acquaintance was at once renewed, and to use the expression of one of the girls, she was "dead gone on him." Monday night Odell called on Elsie at the Abbey house, and during the visit a quarrel of some kind took place, the result being that she was badly bruised and beaten, and had both eyes blacked. Last night fearing another visit from her beligerent lover, she secured lodgings for the night at neighboring rooms, telling her friends that she should leave town this morning and go to Missoula at 3 o'clock.

This morning persons sleeping in the vicinity heard a pistol shot, followed in a moment by another ominous sound. An officer forced the door and found Elsie lying on the floor dead, from a pistol ball, which had entered the left temple, passing through the brain. In the room was found a note addressed to Emma, in which the writer stated that she was 19 years old, married, and the mother of three children, and requesting that her husband, B. Farrar, of Portland, be notified of her death. It is believed that either love or fear of Odell was the motive for the rash act.

ANOTHER CASE.

Fannie Mildred, an inmate of Emma Wallace's house, took a dose of morphine last night with, it is supposed, suicidal intent, but prompt medical attention thwarted the woman's desperate intention, imposing, as it were, upon her a new lease of life.

Our Semi-Weekly.

The SEMI-WEEKLY TRIBUNE, which will be issued from this office to-morrow morning, will be replete with information relative to Montana. Besides all the local news and more important general news by telegraph, it will contain several new features, which will interest and instruct every reader. We hope to place this paper in the home of every resident of northern Montana, and believe it to be of sufficient interest to make it worthy of every one's support. The price is the same as charged for the leading weekly papers—\$2 per year. Send \$1 and it will be mailed to you three months. Give it a trial.

School Closes.

The Great Falls school will close a nine months' term to-morrow. The patrons and friends of the school are invited to partake of a free dinner to-morrow at 1 p. m., prepared by the pupils. At 2:30 p. m. will begin the closing exercises, consisting of speeches, declamations, songs, etc.

COURT IN SESSION.

Chief Justice McConnell Presiding With Success—a Light Calendar.

FORT BENTON, May 18.—The district court opened for the spring term to-day. Chief Justice McConnell charged the grand jury who have four criminal cases. These are: D. F. Johnson, held for burglary at Great Falls; Pegg, for horse stealing at Dupuyer; Mellen, for grand larceny, and Rogers for forgery.

In the afternoon Judge McConnell went over the docket with the following result: Territory vs. Daniel Holland—set for trial Friday.

J. J. Murphy vs. W. H. Wright—case heard by the court and judgement granted in the sum asked, \$104.

I. G. Baker & Co. vs. S. H. Seiferd—dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Jas. McDevitt vs. W. H. Wright—dismissed with leave to reinstate.

Geo. Richards vs. F. E. Harvey—motion to dismiss the case filed.

I. G. Baker & Co. vs. P. W. McAdow—denure sustained. Leave granted defendant to file an amended answer.

Maggie Roth vs. Charles S. Roth—denure withdrawn.

I. G. Baker et al. vs. John Forgy—continued for service.

The new chief justice has been well received by the bar and public. The *River Press* says: "Judge McConnell has made a very favorable impression upon all who have had the pleasure of meeting him, and on the bench he at once inspires the confidence of all. Although he cannot be expected to have a thorough knowledge as to what are the ruling evils in Montana, his charge to the grand jury covered the case fully. It was a plain, simple, straightforward presentation of the case, governing the duties of the jury and the offenses they should take cognizance of. Judge McConnell is a man in the prime of life, active, prompt, and withal pleasant and agreeable—one who makes a good impression at first glance. His reputation at his former home, both before the bar and on the bench, speaks for his proper legal attainments, so that clearly the president has done a good service for the third judicial district in appointing Judge McConnell chief justice of the territory." On behalf of our citizens, the *River Press* welcomes him to the river metropolis and hopes that his sojourn, and all succeeding ones, may be pleasant.

PERSONAL.

Messrs. A. E. Dickerman, Geo. W. Taylor, A. J. Huy and D. C. Ehrhart arrived last night from Great Falls. Mr. Ehrhart left for home next day.

A Brother's Scheme.

There is a young man, whose parents live near Central park, who is considered a great ornament to Minneapolis society. His father keeps him to advertise the fact that the family is wealthy. At any rate the *Minneapolis Journal* says he is good for nothing else except to find his sister's dog, that anyone has been able to discover. The young man is great on athletics. Now there is one thing this young man can do. He can spar. He couldn't spar one round with any kind of work, but he can stand up ten rounds with "any of 'em at the gym." And he "knocks 'em out," too, for he is a big, burly fellow.

This swell young man is greatly smitten with a young lady who lives on the East side. He isn't much of a conversationalist, but he has plenty of money and a good team, so he thinks he will win. He called upon the young lady the other night and found a tall, rather slender young man there. The young man seemed very attentive to the young lady. The swell young man was very angry. He treated the stranger rudely and finally almost insulted him. The young lady left the room for an instant. The stranger turned to the swell and slapped his face. They arranged for a fight with gloves to take place that night.

About 1 o'clock in the morning a badly pounded and pummeled young man was led out of a room in a block on Nicollet av. It was the swell. He was scalled all over. He didn't leave his room for two weeks, and he swears he'll never speak to the young lady again.

The young lady's brother was the cause of all the trouble. He objected to the swell calling on his sister, but she didn't. The brother got mad and sent for his college chum to come and help him out. The chum was the cleverest boxer in college, and could knock out any man of twice his weight.

The smart brother knew just how things would come out.

Gen. Lee Did Not Draw Rations.

RICHMOND, Va., May 13.—Governor Lee has mailed a letter to General Adam Badeau in response to one from the latter in reference to General R. E. Lee having drawn rations from the Union forces after the return to Richmond from Appomattox in 1865. Governor Lee shows that General Lee did not draw or apply for rations and concludes: "His colored dining-room servant, Sam, living here, says he did the marketing every morning, and at no time was there any scarcity of supplies. I think likely some persons drew supplies in General Lee's name, of which he knew nothing."

Will Lose his Eye.

Wm. Hamilton, who resides on a ranch about six miles from town, came in last evening, suffering intensely from a wound in his eye caused by a splinter from an iron wedge which he was striking entering his eye. The physicians say he will undoubtedly lose the sight of the affected organ.

Sullivan Ready.

NEW YORK, May 19.—Sullivan has agreed to fight Jake Kilrain for \$5,000. Not more than six rounds are to be fought.

FACTORIES.

Manufacturers are coming westward. They find it better to establish factories in St. Paul, Minneapolis and Dakota towns than to carry on business in places such as New York and Chicago, where competition is keen and where they are remote from the consumers and from the raw material.

Great Falls will profit by this westward movement. The conditions are all favorable for the establishment of factories in this city and its vicinity. Water-power, coal and iron are abundant. The Manitoba and Montana Central railroads will bring to our doors all other raw material that may be needed and will serve to distribute the manufactures throughout Montana.

Manufacturers who come here will have the advantage of being first in the field. The freight on eastern goods will protect them from the competition of older establishments, while the growth of the territory will provide them with an ample market, which may be extended throughout the northwest. The jobbers in Helena and Butte will aid in promoting home manufactures, while the wholesale stores that will be founded here will also serve to distribute the goods among the business centres of the territory. With such inducements, persons who are about to establish factories will do well to settle in Great Falls, where they will find public sentiment very strong in favor of all new industries.

TENDING WESTWARD.

In the recent excellent Dakota number which the Pioneer Press issued, ex-Governor Pierce, we presume, says: "The population of the Union is constantly tending westward. But a few years ago Ohio, Indiana and Illinois were regarded as on the western frontier. Then came Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas, with their fertile plains which were a revelation to the hardworking farmers of New York, Pennsylvania and New England, and almost by magic three powerful and wealthy states have sprung up where a few years ago were only vast and uninhabited plains. Dakota, last and greatest of these western commonwealths, now beckons to the overcrowded east as Iowa and Kansas did twenty years ago. The same advantages are to be found here as there, and in some respects superior inducements are offered."

Beyond Dakota, Governor Pierce might have added, are the fertile valleys, the lofty mountains and the broad bench lands of Montana, which ensure ample rewards to the farmer, the stock-raiser and the wool-grower. All this is supplemented by gold, silver, copper, coal and iron mines, which provide that varied industry which forms the firmest basis of prosperity. Both Dakota and Montana will yet shine resplendently in the galaxy of our glorious Union.

THE PROPOSAL to form a board of trade meets with public favor and an informal meeting may soon be held to consider the subject. The bankers and merchants of Great Falls will find scope for their abilities in conducting the affairs of the board, which will be of great service in providing information for manufacturers and others who intend to settle here. Just now the boards of trade in Dakota cities are publishing flaming advertisements regarding the merits of their respective localities. Such announcements have much greater weight when they come from public bodies than from local real estate dealers.

THE INDIAN is forsaking the forest to engage in marine pursuits. Among the crew whom Captain Todd lately gathered to load the *Rosebud* at Bismarck were Little Sioux, Spotted Wolf, Grey Head, Sheepish, Crazy Horse, White Calf, Two Bulls, Eddie Hill, Bull Head, Red Fox, Young Hawk and Blue Stone. It spoiled all the romance connected with the child of the forest when Spotted Wolf carried aboard a keg of nails and Crazy Horse emerged from below with a barrel of molasses. Probably to offset this encroachment on trade Wong Woo has started a restaurant and bakery at Fort Benton.