

PUBLIC OPINION.

THE COPPER COMBINATION.

The consumation of the deal by which the Mountain View mine and the properties of the Montana Copper companies have been consolidated means that the copper product of Butte will be greatly increased. But it means also that a new concentrating and smelting plant will have to be erected by the consolidated company. The present works of the Montana Copper Company are in no condition to compete in the matter of production with the other concerns here.—*Butte In-ter Mountain.*

UPHOLDS PROTECTION.

As for the great organizations of labor element, we have confidence to think they will be found almost entire in support of protection. We know that the great rail-road interests and influence will be interested in those developments that create the bulk and life of internal commerce. We shall welcome the issue if it comes as proposed. We are for protection to American manufactures and American labor. We are for using any surplus that can be spared to build an American navy that shall within a few years gain the command of all the seas.—*Helena Herald.*

DOUBTS THE REPORT.

The *Independent* recently reported the sale of a band of cattle in Montana at sixteen dollars a head, with the calves "thrown in," and made it the subject of editorial comment. The *Ricer Press* questions the accuracy of the report. Such a sale might have been made on the basis of brand book figures, but that any number of cattle by actual count and delivery were sold at that low price is not within the bounds of belief.—*Fort Benton Ricer Press.*

HONOR THE PIONEERS.

The west is filled with men who by desert routes and by charnel ships sought the wilds, and through it blazed the trails over which the shining sandals of civilization were to follow; filled with men who laid the foundations of glorified states, and who, in doing it, gave up their youth, the strength of their lives, and hopes sweeter than tongue or pen have yet been able to portray.—*Salt Lake Tribune.*

FEED FOR STOCK.

We have an abundant supply of grass this year but this should be no reason why all our ranches should not put up a very large supply of hay; if more hay is stacked than is needed for the winter use it will be as good as money. There can be but very little loss on hay from the ordinary risks and it will pay better to have more hay than needed, than have too little.—*Stock Grower's Journal.*

THE GREAT WATERWAYS.

It is very seldom that a measure of such [the "Soo" improvements] reaching import-ance is brought before congress. The com-merce of the lakes is already greater than that of the Mississippi or the Ohio, and is increasing more rapidly than either. It must be remembered that for the purposes of the great bulk of the commerce of the Union the Mississippi runs the wrong way. Cheap traffic between the east and the west must follow the great lake water-ways; and cheap traffic between the two sections means increased industry and wealth for both and greater prosperity for the whole union.—*Minneapolis Journal.*

OBSTACLES IN THE WAY.

The Brotherhood of Telegraphers have a scheme on foot to purchase the Balti-more & Ohio telegraph plant, to pay there-for \$3,000,000. The plan is to raise the money on an assessment basis, the contributors to receive stock for consid-eration. We doubt if this plan is practical. Three million dollars is a very large sum of money to raise in that way and there is likely to be too much talent in the organ-ization to agree on the details of the man-agement.—*Butte Miner.*

WHAT IT MEANS.

The incorporation of the Boston & Mon-tana Consolidated Copper and Silver Min-ing Company promises another great min-ing enterprise in Butte. It means that C. X. Larabee has put the Montana View mine, which it is currently reported he re-fused \$1,000,000 for, into a combination with the Montana Copper Company's works and mines, and that work will soon commence on all, giving employment to several hundred more men.—*Deer Lodge News Northstar.*

WILL REORGANIZE.

It is a thing of record that Billings pos-sesses a public library, but it has never had the interest taken in it that it justly deserves. A large number of books have been purchased, and we understand that to a large extent they are scattered around our city, and are not returned as they should be to the library. A meeting will be called at an early date, to reorganize, and put everything in working order.—*Billings Gazette.*

NEARLY UNITED.

The engineers cannot now figure on any accident by field or flood which will de-lay the running of trains on the Drum-mond & Philipsburg road, later than Sep-tember 1, and if the present favorable con-ditions hold this time will be shortened by at least two weeks.—*Philipsburg Mail.*

MAY COME NORTHWARD.

After all President Cleveland will visit St. Louis. He will go at the invitation of the people of St. Louis, according to ori-ginal programme, and is evidently pleased to receive the invitation and to find him-self in position to accept it. Perhaps he will take a turn around by St. Paul and Minneapolis, while Chicago will surely be in his path.—*Helena Independent.*

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