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## MINES AND MILLS

### A NEW MILL FOR RICHMOND FLAT.

**Col. Johnson, Representing a Tacoma Company, Will Open up the Sterling Mill—The Revenue and Monitor Mines.**

RICHMOND FLAT, Feb. 9.—[Special Correspondence]—Again I take pleasure of chronicling another good streak of luck for this section of the country. E. L. Johnson returned a few days ago from Tacoma, having arranged his business satisfactorily and he will now push the Sterling stone mill along and have it in first class shape for treating the ores of this camp in the near future. There are also two Tacoma capitalists here, having been induced to come here by J. H. Johnson some two months ago while on a visit at Tacoma. Col. Johnson has organized a mining company called the Centennial Company. The object of the company is to operate the Centennial gold mine owned by Wm. Reel of Sterling also to add some other valuable mines to the company's group, if satisfactorily terms can be made. These two additions to our mills, together with the Revenue, which is producing the yellow metal in good quantities, will place our camp on a substantial basis. Other companies will soon be organized. There is plenty of room to dig with good show of success.

Geo. D. B. Turner left for Butte City on business a few days ago. He will return in a few days and push his development work. He has his shaft down 40 feet and intends putting it down 100 feet further, when he will run his drifts along the vein.

The Monitor mine is looking fine. The Revenue mine if turning out fine ore, doing much better than before, and there is no doubt, under the able management of W. W. Dunham, that it will soon make a record that will place it among the best paying mines in Montana.

LOOKER ON.

## CENTENIAL.

**Mails Delayed by Storms—Sparrow Gets the Bovine.**

MAGDALEN, Feb. 12.—[Special Correspondence]—The mail road has been seriously blocked with snow for the past month. The horses played out bucking the snow so that the drivers were compelled to lay out on the road three nights during the last month. The road is getting much better at present and if it will quit storming we will soon have regular mails again.

A. F. Campbell is now a little better and hopes are entertained that he may recover. We sincerely hope he will.

Mr. Wetmore has just returned from Dillon where he went to see Dr. Leason and to get medicine for Mr. Campbell.

J. E. Blake and wife have just returned from Boulder where they attended the funeral of his sister. Mr. Blake has the sympathy of his many friends in his bereavement.

Eb. Sawtell passed through the valley enroute to Monida with a load of fish.

Invitations are out for a grand ball the 22d at Jake Oswald's at Henry's lake. It is an excellent place for a dance and there will doubtless be a large attendance.

W. L. Dengler has just returned from Henry's lake where he has been fishing. While there he made a good catch.

The Sparrow-Shambow calf case came off last Thursday before Judge Fitch. It was decided in favor of Mr. Sparrow, who still has possession of the bovine.

If there is any dependence to be placed on the ground hog sign, we are to have an early spring as it was cloudy all day the 2d inst.

S. B. Burnside, of Monida, has just returned from Salt Lake City.

SUMMIT

**The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.**

## UPPER RUBY.

**A Tribute to a Beautiful Country—Personal Mention.**

RUBY VALLEY, Feb. 9.—[Special Correspondence]—Our Upper Ruby valley, aside from its historical interest dating back to the early 60's of which some of its actors must ever be held in sacred remembrance by all the pioneers of Madison county is attenuated along the Ruby river something after the fashion of a brocaded feather edge ribbon, the brocading representing the homes of the thrifty settlers, the feather edge the beautifully indented foothills along either side, making with ragged mountains towering among the blue of the skies a pleasing contrast to the placid winding Ruby river and level verdure of the valley in summer time, in winter usually covered with Montana's favorite winter mantle of snow.

Some of the homes brocaded on this ribbon pattern of nature are owned by some of the largest tax payers of Madison county, among whom are Messrs. Metzel, Raymond, Larabee, and Donegan all engaged in stock raising and farming. Hillhouse Raymond leads in the horse raising business having introduced some of the finest Kentucky trotting stock, of which Messrs. Larabee and Donegan have availed themselves, and from which business promises success. Mr. Raymond's stock are the finest in the state as most of the citizens of Madison county know, and the Upper Rubians are proud of their horse farming record.

Hon. Alex. Metzel is at the head of the cattle business, having begun as early as 1870 introducing some of the finest Kentucky shorthorn Durhams of which Montana boasts no better, and from which Mr. Metzel has made a success, and now has leisure to attend state duties, of which Upper Rubians are also proud, as they feel sure each duty will be well done.

All of the oldest settlers are pioneers of the earliest days of Montana, who have raised their families here, and have reason to be proud of their noble sons, and fair daughters,—unexcelled in any other community of its size in Montana—for the manly physique intelligence and energy of our boys, and maidenly sweetness vivacity and goodness of our girls; and the marriage record among us show that our young men are beginning to appreciate the sweet companionship of woman, as a life partner. We old ones hope to see our young men and maidens go on getting married, as we believe it to be the best way of life, and consider it to be the duty of every worthy young man and woman to share in this way the joys and sorrows of life.

The latest fad among the pleasure living young Upper Rubians is sleigh-riding the snow being better for this pastime than for years. Shouldn't wander there will be more matrimonial alliances contracted under such auspicious circumstances.

It is a sad fact that one of the old families of the Upper Ruby between the two canyons is broken, one companion taken, and the other left to grope the remainder of life's journey, in the shadow of bereavement, until death calls them to the meeting on the other shore.

With an Eye to His Welfare.



Mrs. Flannagan—Arrah, that Mickey of yours is the smart boy, Mrs. O'Brien! Is it to college ye'll be sending him when he grows up?

Mrs. O'Brien (indignantly)—An do yez t'ink, Mrs. Flannagan, that I'd be trasting me boy to the brutalizin surroundin's of college, as ruffianly as collegas, wid their foightin an football, be these days, at all, at all?—Truth.

**Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Most Perfect Made.**

## PERT PONY POINTS

**THE CHILI MINE WILL HAVE A MILL.**

**Good Ore in the Bozeman—George Philip's Experience—Chas. Miner May Invest a Few Thousand—Birdies and Bachelors—Personal and General Mention.**

PONY, Mont., Feb. 12.—[Special Correspondence]—The lessees on the Bozeman mine here are occasionally shipping a car load of quartz which, it is said, runs over \$50 per ton.

The parties who bonded the Chili mine at Sand creek, have made their last payment, and will erect a five stamp mill there in the spring.

Miss Maud Phillips left last week for Danbury, Conn., where she will remain for a few months visiting relatives. She will be much missed in society here.

Miss Janet Davis will continue the Pony school a month longer by subscription.

Miss Nellie Switzer is here giving music lessons to the children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell.

P. V. Jackson, of Sterling, has been nursing a badly bruised foot for several days, his horse having stumbled and fallen upon him, while driving cattle a short time ago.

While George Phillips was "snaking" a large log in the timber, last Friday, it caught against a tree. The horses turned on him, got him down between them and the log, and, as he since said, "walked all over him." He received several bad bruises and cuts, but fortunately the horses were unshod or the result would have been much more serious.

Dr. I. S. Stafford's son Isaac, is over from Bozeman on a visit, and speaks highly of the agricultural college, of which, he is a pupil.

Charley Miner, of Richmond Flats, is now in Pony, presumably to invest a few hundred thousand in Pony mining property.

On Monday last, that traditional little bird flew over to South Willow creek and warned a couple of old bachelors there, that something was going to happen that night. They took the hint, quickly did their chores, and then made such lively music with their brooms for a while that the spiders danced down from their roosts, and the gum boots, etc., waltzed out from under the beds and benches, and after making some extraordinary flourishes with the mop and dish cloth—vainly imagining that the ladies might consider them double x housekeepers—they put on their "store cloths," parted their hair a la Bill Nye and complacently awaited the coming event.

And, sure enough, soon along came the procession, with prancing steeds and jingling bells; with smiling bells and gallant beaux, and, in a short time that bachelor domicile was well-filled with a happy throng of sixty or more—"ye Lords of Creation" very little outnumbering ye ladies fair. The games, music, songs and dance—interspersed with an abundance of fine edibles—were continued til midnight, when the surprisers, with expressions of delight at the jolly time they'd had, jumped aboard their sleighs and "merely did glide along" to their homes, the ladies slyly leaving enough of feed cakes, etc., in the cupboard to keep the said bachelors—unskilled as pastry cooks—in a comatose condition for several days in consequence of an over indulgence in such luxuries.

We boasted of our summery winter weather a short time ago, and we can boast of it yet when we read of the intense cold in the east; but we don't chop wood in our summer clothes, just now, by any means. They have also secured a corner on snow back there—four feet on the level—leaving us about enough for the beaux to cutter swell with their sleigh belles.

Teachers Examination

A public examination will be held in Virginia City, Friday, Feb. 15. All persons wishing to try for a certificate before May will please report on that date.

D. L. HERNDON,

Co. Supt. of Schools, Madison County, Montana.

## ENNIS.

**Our Correspondent Grows Poetic on the Subject of Oysters**

ENNIS, Feb. 8.—[Special correspondent]—Bert Maynard contracted rather a serious cold while working in the woods, one day last week. He has suffered a great deal on account of the same. He is recovering nicely under treatment of Dr. Southmayd.

Mrs. Traverse arrived in the valley last week and is now visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thornton.

Miss McLaughlin spent last Saturday and Sunday with friends in the Maynard district.

An oyster supper will be given at the residence of Mr. Jas Oliver on Friday evening of this week. Extensive preparations are being made and a general good time is anticipated.

The weather being so bright and fair. Boys! get your girls and all be there; And you old bach be not afraid.

To take along some nice old maid.

Mr. John Grady has returned to our valley.

Rev. King has been holding revival meetings this week, in the Maynard district. He is ably assisted by Prof. Ackley.

Your news gatherer from Ennis is rather derelict in his duty sometimes as he often fails to take notice of important items of news.

Something transpired recently that is worthy of notice. Before the recent cold snap a hen which had hid her nest away among the willows, actually hatched and brought home safely a brood of young chickens. Beat that if you can for a hen story. But it is a fact and it can be vouched for by those who were eye witnesses.

Mr. Geo. W. Burns has returned from his trip to Helena.

## SHERIDAN.

**Peaceful Routine of Social Life—Personal Points**

SHERIDAN, Feb. 13.—[Special Correspondence]—Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Williams gave a card and dancing party last Thursday night Feb. 7. A large number of guests were present and the occasion was evidently enjoyed by all in attendance.

It is reported that Mrs. Harriet Clouston of Twin Bridges has rented the Ruby hotel at this place, and will move in Feb. 18.

Messrs. Tom Shaw, Tom Foster, Harry Foster, and Sam Ogden, attended the meeting of the A. O. U. W. at Twin Bridges, Friday night.

Miss Clara Belcher G. D. M. of I. O. G. T. of Boulder addressed that body here last Saturday evening.

G. B. Wheat of Twin Bridges made a business trip to Sheridan, Friday.

T. A. Metzel passed through town Friday returning from a trip to Butte. R. M. Funk and wife of Virginia City were in town Thursday.

Alex. Anderson of Pony and L. Marian of Laurin were in town Friday.

O. W. Jay of Pony is town on business.

Oscar Sedman passed through on the coach Saturday, on his way home from Deer Lodge where he has been attending college.

Although St. Valentine's day has not yet arrived, the postmaster is busy stamping "locals" already, and the boys and girls are finding that they have more friends than they thought they had. The town is flooded with comies.

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**ROYAL Baking Powder. Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report.**

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer \$100 for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address J. J. CHENEY, Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 15c.

## TIMELY ADVICE

**A DISTINGUISHED DIVINE ON INSURANCE.**

**Sermon by Rev. Dewitt Talmadge, Preached in the Brooklyn Tabernacle—A Warning That Should be Heeded.**

And let them gather all the food of these good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities. GENESIS XLII, 35th verse.

"These are the words of Joseph, the president of the first life insurance company that the world ever saw. Pharaoh had a dream that distracted him. He thought he stood on the banks of the river Nile and saw coming up out of the river seven fat, sleek, glossy cows, and they began to browse in the grass. Nothing frightful about that. But after them, coming up out of the same river he saw seven cows that were gaunt and starved, and the worst-looking cows that had ever been seen in the land, and in the ferocity of hunger they devoured their seven predecessors. Pharaoh, the king, sent for Joseph to decipher these mid-night hieroglyphics. Joseph made short work of it; and intimated that the seven fat cows that came out of the river were seven years with plenty to eat. "Now," said Joseph, "let us take one-fifth of the corn crop of the seven prosperous years, and keep it as a provision for the seven years in which there shall be no corn crop."

The king took the council, and appointed Joseph, because of his integrity and public-spiritedness, as the president of the undertaking. The farmers paid one-fifth of their income as a premium. In all the towns and cities there were branch houses. This great Egyptian life insurance company had millions of dollars of assets. After a while the dark days came, and the whole nation would have starved if it had not been for the provision they had made for the future. But now these suffering families have nothing to do but go up and collect the amount of their life policies. The Bible puts it in one short phrase: "In all the land of Egypt there was bread." I say this was the first life insurance company. It was divinely organized. It had in it all the advantages of the "whole life plan," of the "ontine plan," of the "endowment plan," and all the other good plans. We are told that Rev. Dr. Anbute, of Lincolnshire, England, originated the first life insurance company in 1688. Not it is as old as the corn-cribs of Egypt, and God himself was the author and originator. If that were not so I would not take your time and mine in a Sabbath discussion of this subject. I feel it is a theme vital, religious and of infinite import—the morals of life and fire insurance. It seems to me that it is time for the pulpit to speak out.

BUT WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY IN REGARD TO THIS SUBJECT?

If the Bible favors this institution I will favor it; if the Bible denounces it I will denounce it. In addition to the forecast of Joseph in the text, I call your attention to Paul's comparison. Here is one man who, through neglect, fails to support his family while he lives or after he dies. Here is another man who abhors the scriptures and rejects God. Which of these men are the worse? Well you say the latter. Paul says the former. Paul says the man who neglects to care for his household is more obnoxious than a man who rejects the scriptures. "He that provideth not for his own, and especially those of his own household, is worse than an infidel."

LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES HELP MOST OF US TO PROVIDE FOR OUR FAMILIES AFTER WE ARE GONE.

But if we have the money to pay the premiums and neglect it, we have no right to expect mercy at the hand of God in the judgment. We are worse than Tom Paine, worse than Voltaire and worse than Shaftesbury. The Bible declares it: we are worse than an infidel. After the certificate of death has been made out, and the ninety days have passed, and the office of a life insurance company comes into the bereft

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