

## IN VIRGINIA TOWN

### BRIEF BITS OF LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

**Doings of Virginians and Madisonians**  
**Social and Personal Gossip—The Unofficial Gossip Record of the Past Seven Days.**

John A. Staudaher of Blaine and Miss Maggie McGovern of Laurin were united in marriage at the Catholic church, Laurin, Sunday, by the Rev. Father Pauwelyn, and in the presence of a large concourse of friends. Mr. Staudaher is a son of George Staudaher of Dillon, and is successfully operating the Lone Tree ranch at Blaine. The bride is the charming daughter of James McGovern of Laurin, where she has many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Staudaher begin life auspiciously and the MADISONIAN hopes that their future will ever be as bright and happy as their beginning would indicate. Miss Katie McGovern, sister of the bride was bridesmaid, and the groom's brother, George Staudaher, was best man.

White bottom onion sets, 75 cents per gallon at O. D. French & Co's.

Wilcomb Bros., concluded their deal with Ras Rochester, Saturday and will take charge some time next month. They are young men of known business ability and will undoubtedly build up a good trade at Laurin. They expect shortly to begin the complete renovation of the present building and will make more room for the large stock of goods they have on the way.

Henry E. Steffens was on Monday appointed deputy clerk and recorder by Barclay Jones, vice Frank Wilcomb who resigned on account of poor health. Mr. Steffens has been connected with the MADISONIAN office for the past seven years in various capacities, and was, when he retired, book-keeper and foreman. His relations with the present management have been very pleasant and his resignation was the occasion of much regret. Mr. Steffens is an expert accountant, and in him Mr. Jones has a valuable assistant. His friends, all over Madison county will be glad to learn of his promotion.

Ed F. Hall of the Revenue, is in the city, after a flying trip to Butte and Great Falls.

Superintendent Rice of the Largey mill has returned from Butte, where he went to make arrangements looking to the early resumption of operations.

The eighth annual anniversary ball of Company D. N. G. M., will be given at Armory hall, Monday evening, May 6. It should be well attended for two reasons, if nothing more—first, because the company is a deserving organization, and includes on its muster roll the names of half a hundred representative young men; and secondly, because the proceeds of the ball go to the benefit of John Robbins, the unfortunate miner who had both legs broken at the Pacific mine a short time ago. Members of the company will appear in full uniform.

D. Rustler Beck, the indefatigable representative of the Bankers Life Association, is in town circulating among the Odd Fellows to-day. Mr. Beck represents an excellent company and is making an excellent record as an under writer.

Read Beck's marginal advertisements. They may keep your family from want after your death.

The Society of Christian Endeavor will give a "birthday party" at Masonic Hall next Friday evening. Refreshments will be served through the medium of a "blind menu."

Ball and entertainment tickets pay for themselves by smelling the receipts. We print 'em.

In its account of the Stockgrowers convention recently in session at Miles City the Yellowstone Journal says: "T. J. Farrell of Madison county interjected at this point a suggestion that the association take some action on the silver question believing that it was proper for an association of Montana men to express themselves clearly on this topic. The suggestion brought forth a round of hearty applause and but for the session being so far advanced and other matters pressing, it would undoubtedly have been acted upon."

Do you need any office stationery? Get our rates before sending money out of the country.

George Cummings has returned from Philadelphia, to which place he accompanied Efe Mathis, the unfortunate miner who was injured in an ex-

plosion in the Leiter mine a short time ago, and whose eye sight is now in the balance. Mr. Cummings came up from Sheridan last night to make his report to the A. O. U. W. lodge. He stated to a MADISONIAN reporter that while the oculist hoped, he was not at all sure about saving Mathis' sight. Mathis is at the Jefferson Medical hospital.

Will Gilmer and Frank Conway of the Madison were in town Friday.

A neat programme adds to the tone of an entertainment. We print 'em.

J. J. Trunk has returned. He could not keep away from the city. Like Bobby Gaylord's cat, he "came back." He is now connected with the Metropolitan meat market. He wears a smile and a Harrington hat.

Clark Anderson was in the city yesterday. He has a number of light vehicles in good condition, buggies, double and single seated, which he would like to trade for hay or grain.

E. L. Dickenson of Sheridan was in town Tuesday.

Do you contemplate committing matrimony? A wedding in these days without announcement cards is like a kiss without a mustache. We print 'em—the cards we mean.

The M. E. Sunday School will hereafter meet at 11 a. m. instead of 3 p. m. Services at night as usual. Subject, "The Sabbath".

M. Mailland contemplates building a 34x36 resident adjoining his present residence. It will be a frame structure, two stories in height. Mr. Mailland now has the plans under consideration.

Charles Heilbrunner of the Mining Reporter and Henry Schlesinger were in the city yesterday.

St. Paul's Episcopal church, Sunday April 28. Sunday School and Bible class 3 p. m. services in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. In the morning the rector will have service at the Ennis Hall at 11 o'clock. Rev. D. Holmes Rector.

The executive committee of the Efe Mathis benefit ball authorize the following statement of receipts and expenditures. Virginia City, sale of tickets and cash donated \$108; Laurin, four tickets \$10; Sheridan 32 tickets, \$80; Dillon, five tickets, \$12.50; Leiterville 68 tickets, @ \$3.25 which included transportation, \$221; T. Benton Leiter, cash donated \$10. Total \$444. Expenditures: J. Z. Clem, Supper, \$95; Expenses of musicians from Virginia City and return \$15; T. B. Shaw, transportation, \$45; Mrs. Moore, piano rent, \$10. Total expenditures \$164. Net proceeds, \$279. The committee consists of J. L. Churchill, Ed Adams, L. Owens, Ed Gohn and James Leiter.

The editor of the Madisonian takes this occasion to acknowledge the receipt of a complimentary ticket to the Odd Fellows ball and reception and an invitation to be present at the banquet. Such courtesies are appreciated.

Hon. H. D. Rossiter of Sheridan, was in the city yesterday.

Tom Graham is now running a line of stages from Sheridan to Butte, making the trip one way in a day. His stages leave Sheridan every other day.

Thomas T. Baker of the well known Butte firm of Baker and Harper, civil engineers, was in town Wednesday. He came by way of Whitehall and says that about two miles of the Parrot canal have been completed. Mr. Baker left for the upper Madison yesterday.

The Literary Society elected officers Wednesday evening. Mrs. McNulty was chosen president; James Powell vice-president; Rev. Geo. E. Morse critic; Miss Bessie Farrell secretary; Miss Mable Elling treasurer, and T. J. Lowman editor of the "Gossip." The question to be debated next Wednesday is "Resolved, That we should adjourn the Literary until the first of November." The affirmative speakers will be Miss Della Herndon and James Powell; the negative Miss Nellie Cole and T. J. Lowman. A sketch of Hawthorn will be read by Mrs. Morse and a review of his works by Mrs. Herndon, followed by a general discussion of the author by the society.

County Superintendent D. L. Herndon has returned from a visit to Belmont Park. She expects to make a tour of the county to inspect the various schools in the near future.

The Virginia City boys didn't wear their playing clothes last Sunday and consequently the Adobetown club went home in a very happy and enthusiastic mood. The score was something like 11 to 52, more or less. Will Clark pitched for Virginia and T. J. Lowman essayed to catch, and had Clark held up to the pace he started out at the result might have been different. Chas. and Ed Lane constituted the Adobe-

town battery, and they were in better form than the home battery. Joe Lane of Adobetown umpired and his decisions met with general satisfaction. The day was perfect and the attendance quite large. The contest was very good natured and was remarkably free from disputes.

Much local matter is crowded out of this issue and more curtailed in order to publish a full report of to-day's doings.

Go and see those ladies low shoes of all descriptions—the latest styles—at Maillands.

Hon. Alex Metzler is in the city. He has just returned from Miles City, where he sold 65 head of saddle horses.

The ladies Lotus club reception at Armory hall last Friday evening was one of the happiest social events occurring in Virginia for some time. The young gentlemen who were so fortunate to attend, were delighted at the manner of their entertainment. The novelty of having the girls foot the bills added to the charm. Mrs. Byrd and Miss Shoenberger had charge of the floor and they discharged their manifold duties admirably.

Dick Finley and Tom Proctor quarrelled at Junction last Sunday. In the fight which followed, Proctor stabbed Finley just over the heart with a pocket knife. The blade did not penetrate deep enough to do any damage.

A. W. Switzer of Ennis is in the city.

T. Benton Leiter and James Waller came up from Leiterville Saturday. Mr. Leiter brought with him a few cords of wood to apply on his subscription to the MADISONIAN. Mr. Waller was on a less amicable mission. He came to receive legal advice concerning the controversy which has arisen between him and S. Weather Teal over the school clerkship of District No. 36. Mr. Waller stated to a MADISONIAN man that he had been duly and legally elected clerk of the school board at the recent election, receiving a clear majority of all the votes cast, all of which he claims to be abundantly able to prove, and that subsequently Mr. Teal, by some clever subterfuge and political trickery, won the school board over to his unholy cause and usurped the office, by appointment, and is now enjoying all the benefits of official pay and perquisites which rightly belong to the legally elect. Mr. Waller is naturally very much chagrined over the unexpected turn of affairs have taken. He proposes to institute a contest and make it exceedingly interesting for the usurper. Until recently, when Mr. Waller and Mr. Teal had a little difference over a social matter, the two were the best of friends. The contest has excited considerable interest in Leiterville.

**Some Young Notables.**  
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## TO TEACH PHOTOGRAPHY.

**A College For That Purpose Just Opened In Illinois.**

Efingham, Ills., recently witnessed the opening of a college devoted exclusively to the training of pupils in the science and art of photography. The college is the first real college of the kind established in the United States. Efingham can therefore lay claim to a unique distinction. That other institutions of a similar character will rapidly follow there can be little doubt, when the artistic and scientific point to which photography is advancing day by day is borne in mind.

There is constantly a call for good operators, as a glance at technical journals will tell. Since there is a lack of competent operators, the college will be welcomed by the leaders of the art, provided it carries out its declarations. And this would seem to be its purpose.

The college is delightfully situated. The reception room, demonstration, operating and study rooms occupy a space of 5,000 square feet and are fitted throughout with all photographic requisites. There is a well selected library of standard works and photography and kindred subjects, which will be accessible to the students, as will all current photographic periodicals.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

**For Those Who Travel.**  
 A new style of sleeping car will have some novel features, one of the most startling innovations being a berth which disappears at the will of the passenger into the wall of the car and is confined in a space of 1 3/4 inches, an idea probably suggested by the disappearing pillow. It is further stated that mattresses of air are to be used, and all bedclothing can be put in lockers underneath the seats of each section. The berths will be made of steel and aluminium. Mattresses upholstered with air ought not to be expensive, and possibly the new sleepers can afford to dispense "tired nature's sweet restorer" to the traveling public at rates that Senator Sherman will not resent as exorbitant.—Philadelphia Record.

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