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THE WEEK IN VIRGINIA

HAPPENINGS OF A LOCAL NATURE.

A Record of the Happenings of the Past Seven Days—The Doings of Virginians Personal and General Matters.

Dr. H. E. Smith, of Pony, is in the city.

Patrick Sullivan of Sheridan, was in the city Wednesday.

Miss Rositor, of Sheridan, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Anna Hall.

R. W. Smith will hold services at the Methodist church tomorrow evening.

Hon. H. D. Rossiter, of Sheridan, was in the city this week doing jury duty.

BORN—On Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1896 to Mr. and Mrs. William Conway, a daughter.

Harry Reddick of Pagetville, who is in the city, states that quite a force of men is employed on the Pennington mine.

J. T. Conner arrived in the city a few days ago from the east and is quartered at the Madison house. He is here to look after his mining interests.

Marcus Elser, a prominent ranchman of the Ruby valley, who was elected county commissioner at the recent election, braved the blizzard Wednesday to file his official bond and oath.

A. J. Bennett, S. R. Buford and Henry Steffens, appraisers of the estate of Barclay Jones, filed their report Wednesday. The report places the assets at \$11,339.25. Newton Orr has been appointed administrator of the estate.

The order of the Eastern Star gave a very enjoyable social at Masonic hall Tuesday evening. The young people danced in the Masonic ball room until 12, while the elders, and those who do not go in for the "mazy," indulged in cards in the hall proper. At 12 o'clock lunch was served.

James G. Walker, clerk of the court, came up from Sheridan yesterday to file his official bond and oath. The amount of the bond is \$8,000 and the sureties are T. T. Taylor, David O'Brien, Oliver Ingram, Wm. Dickey, Daniel L. Whisman, Samuel McCrea, E. D. Marsh, and John Dumas.

The Maenboe ball, billed for Thursday evening did not materialize, partly on account of the extreme cold and partly on account of the fact that the violin virtuoso of the occasion had celebrated Thanksgiving by too copious indulgence in Messrs. Tom and Jerry and other Thanksgiving beverages.

The A. O. U. W. hall at Sheridan Thursday evening was one of the delightful events of the new season, according to the statement of the Virginians who attended, among whom were Oscar Sedman, Clark and K. Kellogg, James McCurg, Dennis Mahagan, Adam Feuling, Henry Steffens and Ben Williams. An excellent supper was served by Fred Schultz.

Frank Metzger was in the city today, having just returned from Omaha, where he went a few weeks ago with a train load of cattle, which were disposed of at good prices. Mr. Metzger states that the market is active and prices were advancing when he left. His father, Hon. Alex Metzger, who accompanied him, went on to York, Pa., to spend Thanksgiving with relatives.

The Ladies' and Children's guilds in connection with St. Paul's church will hold a fair in Armory hall, Friday afternoon and evening, December 4. Various useful and ornamental articles will be offered for sale. This will be an opportunity for those desiring to purchase appropriate holiday gifts, according to the statement of one of the promoters, and at the same time, help a good cause. The proceeds will mostly go toward church expenses and to help pay the debt of the rectory. Refreshments will be served in the afternoon and evening. The regular meeting of the Ladies' guild will be held at Mrs. McNulty's next Wednesday.

Christ's church at Sheridan will be dedicated Sunday. This is one of the handsomest little churches in Montana, and the people of Sheridan should be thankful, as they undoubtedly are, for the indefatigable efforts of Rev. Sidney D. Hooker looking to the erection of this church building. The Rt. Rev. L. R. Brewer will be present to conduct the dedicatory ceremonial, assisted by Rev. Hooker, of Dillon, and Rev. Bowker, of Virginia City. No services will be held in St. Paul's church on that day.

Rev. Bowker deserves commendation for the excellence of his Thanksgiving services held at St. Paul's church last Sunday. The sermons were appropriate to the occasion. He showed why Americans as compared with any other nationality had reason to be thankful this year, on account of the general prosperity of the country. A special choir under the direction of Mr. George Henderson, furnished the music. The church was tastefully decorated with the fruits and products of the season emblematic of the plentiful harvest enjoyed by the husbandmen of this section.

The attention of persons having claims against Madison county is called to the following order, made Dec. 13, 1894, by the board of county commissioners: "The business of the board having been heretofore hindered and delayed by the presentation of bills and claims against the county, during the session of the board; it is therefore ordered, that at future sessions of the board, no bills or accounts will be examined or passed upon, unless the same shall have been presented and filed on or before the first day of the session of the board, and the clerk is authorized to make due publication of this order."

The case of the state vs. Garry Rain, the Norris duelist, who exchanged leaden compliments with Miner Moore, at Norris a few months ago, has been continued for the term. When the case was called, Wednesday afternoon, W. A. Clark, counsel for the defendant, filed affidavits to the effect that James Lyon and James Kern would testify to facts of material importance to the defense—that both had heard Miner Moore make threats against the life of Rain some time before the shooting, and that neither of the men could be found. County Attorney Callaway objected to the consideration of the affidavits, but the court granted a continuance.

The following officers-elect have filed their official bonds and oaths: Hon. Patrick Carney, commissioner, \$5,000, with Henry Elling, A. J. Bennett, and J. F. Delay as sureties; Henry Steffens, county clerk, \$8,000 with A. J. Bennett, Henry Elling, M. Mailand, Alex McKay, E. F. Johnson, and C. H. Buford as sureties; Lew Callaway, county attorney \$2,000, with Henry Elling and A. J. Bennett as sureties; C. W. Mead, county surveyor \$2,000, with E. F. Johnson and George Gohn as sureties; Joseph I. Haines, sheriff \$10,000, with Henry Elling, Philip Conroy, J. M. Knight, J. J. Kohls, and E. F. Johnson as sureties; C. W. Birchard, county superintendent of schools \$2,000 with John Seidensticker and John S. Loft as sureties.

Hon. Patrick Carney was in the city this week to file his official bond and oath. The electors of Madison county have chosen Mr. Carney as one of three to look after the business of the county. In a talk with a MADISONIAN man with reference to county division rumors, Mr. Carney stated that he was decidedly opposed to any such procedure, as were the people at the section in which he resides. He said he had been a citizen of old Madison for more than a quarter of a century, and his hope was that the old mother county would remain intact, and grow in greatness second to no other county in the state, a sentiment to which the MADISONIAN heartily says amen. Mr. Carney has proven his fidelity to the interests of Madison county as a member of the legislature and in various other positions of responsibility and trust, and no statement that the MADISONIAN might make would be necessary to give his utterances weight.

J. F. Dullea, who conducts a general merchandise business at Silver Star and who is one of the solid men of the Jefferson valley, is in the city doing duty as a juror. Time was when Mr. Dullea sought for gold in Alder gulch, but that was years ago, and he has since found surer methods of corraling the needful. He enjoys a visit to the scene of his earlier exploits, where he is well acquainted and has many friends. Mr. Dullea informed the MADISONIAN man that while no large force of men is now employed on any Silver Star properties, money is plentiful. The Aurora and Borealis mines, are now being worked under lease by Messrs. Henrich, Neis & McFarland. There is some talk of a sale in connection with this property. Wm. Pascoe is working the Iron Rod under lease, and a number of other properties are being worked on a similar basis. Mr. Dullea considers the future of Silver Star very bright. He expects to build a handsome brick residence there in the spring.

S. A. Taylor, representing the Western Loan and Saving Company of Salt

Lake City, arrived in Virginia a few days ago for the purpose of placing some shares of the stock of his institution, which, by the way, is an excellent one, with Virginians. The Western is a building and loan association, the only institution of its kind organized outside of the state which has qualified with the stringent protective laws of this state. During his few days' sojourn here he has met with considerable encouragement and within the next few days will interview all desirous of investing in the stock of his company, which has made an average annual earnings of from 12 to 16 per cent. since its organization in 1892. The Dillon branch of this company, organized in March of this year, has as its local board such men as B. F. White, J. F. Bishop, P. H. Poindexter, H. J. Thompson, Fidel Huber, W. H. Cochran, and R. T. Wing. The Sheridan branch, organized recently, has as its officers Winthrop Raymond, president, Wm. O'Brien, vice-president, H. D. Rossiter, treasurer, L. P. Bowen, secretary, with R. H. Herhold, Dr. J. H. Miller and Alex Scott on the board of directors.

BOLD BAD MEN

The Exploits of Napoleon Gayotte and Joseph Benville

Napoleon Gayotte and Joseph Benville are cooling their warm French blood in the county jail as the result of an over concentration of alcoholic fumes in their respective bumps of combativeness. They started in to paint the town a bright vermilion hue one day last week, and were succeeding passing well, when an art critic in the person of Marshal Stark put an end to their dabbling.

It seems that Mrs. Parks possesses a bull dog that the two fancied and they went to her home to get it. She declined to part with the canine and the men became boisterous. She ordered them out of the house. One stopped not on the order of his going, and Mrs. Parke, who is a muscular woman, with the persuasive eloquence of a club, finally induced the other to go. Once on the outside their courage returned and they bombarded the place with stones. Mrs. Parke was struck on the head, and her daughter, Dolly Dunn, was struck on the nose, inflicting an ugly wound. Mrs. Parke then caused their arrest.

They were tried before Police Magistrate McGowan Saturday, and adjudged guilty. Gayotte was fined \$75 and costs, and Benville \$50 and trimmings. Having no money they were committed to jail.

In such cases as these the Maryland whipping post law would apply most appropriately.

DISTRICT COURT MATTERS.

A Chapter of Continuances—The Jury Discharged for the Term.

District court will probably adjourn Monday. The jury was discharged this morning. On account of the failure of important witnesses to materialize the Twin Bridges tarring case was continued for the term.

In the case of P. J. McCleary vs. J. J. Crowley, motion for a new trial was argued and taken under advisement.

In the case of J. A. Knight, administrator, vs. Burns, the defendant's demurrer was sustained.

In the case of Crockett vs. Clark, demurrer was argued and taken under advisement.

The cases of Herzoy vs. Anceny, administrator, and Laurin, administratrix, vs. Polver, were dismissed as settled.

Frank Emerson won his suit in the district court against the Eagle Hill Mining Company, getting a judgment for the amount of his claim, \$268.55, an attorney's fee of \$50 and costs.

The two cases of the Lillian Mining Co. vs. Henry Elling, Evan vs. Rice, Gold Bullion Mining Company vs. John Feaster, O'Donnell vs. Galnan, and Jackson vs. Blitzer were continued for the term, as were most of the civil cases.

In the suit of Louise L. Seales vs. Daniel E. Seales, for divorce, the plaintiff got a decree of divorce and the restoration of her maiden name, Louise L. Lemere. The divorce was prayed for on the grounds of cruelty.

VIRGINIA VISITORS.

People Who Have Visited the County Seat During the Week.

Among those registered at the Madison house this week are: J. H. Barkell, Iron Rod; Thos. Blackmore, Norris; H. B. Nesbitt, Sheridan; Elijah Adams, Red Bluff; P. Carney, Robt Horton, Waterloo; H. Weppler, M. M. Moore, C. F. Frasier, Miss Wallace, F. J. Wallace, Norris; H. Nolte, Silver Star; J. F. Dullea, Silver Star, James Miller, Rochester; J. W. Brooke, Twin Bridges; Robt Hedge, Washington Bar; S. H. Taylor, Denver; J. W. Nevitt, Salt Lake; J. T. Conner, St. Louis, A. Zuckerman, San Francisco; J. J. Rosenberg, Jno Erickson, Sheridan; F. E. Hollingsworth and wife, Butte; J. G. Willis, L. J. Price, Dillon; Nick Karren, Ennis; J. E. Moberg, Norris; Harry Redfield, Pagetville; J. P. Edhill, Twin Bridges; W. O. Hope, York ranch; E. Mackey, Summit; Dan McKenzie, St. Paul; H. E. Greenwald, St. Paul; J. F. Pines, St. Joe; C. S. Claypool, Whitehall; Jas. G. Walker, Sheridan; J. McGee, Wallace; J. W. Sommers, D. Gillis, F. Sheldon, Twin Bridges; F. Metzger, York ranch; W. Benoi., Silver Star; H. F. Smith, Pony; Geo. Lyon, Lyon; Mrs. Hayden and daughter, Rennie Baril, Paul Simon, Sheridan; Thos. Thexton, Asa Will, Ennis; Jas McAllister, Meadowcreek, V. B. Case, Meadowcreek, W. L. Hallaway, Bozeman.

DEATH OF MRS. MCGOWN

FIVE YEARS OF PATIENT SUFFERING.

Of a Family of Distinguished Patriots—One of Her Ancestors Was a Signer of the Declaration of Independence—The Funeral Obsèques

Mrs. Arch'd McGown passed away peacefully at her home in this city Tuesday morning after five years of suffering which she endured with patience and fortitude. For the past two years she was confined to her home and her death has been daily expected for some time. During these years of illness she has had the loving care of a devoted husband, who neglected all other matters that he might soften the pillow and ease the pain of his suffering wife. Mrs. McGown came from a family of patriots, members which stood high in the councils of the nation in the trying times of 1776 and the succeeding years of war and sacrifice. An ancestor, Benjamin Rush, was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Other members of the family were no less distinguished. Her maiden name was Nettie R. Rush, and she was born in Maden county, Kentucky, April 10, 1842. On February 14, 1877 she was united in marriage to Arch'd McGown, and for several years they made their home in Salt Lake, then removing to Virginia City, where they have resided ever since. Besides her husband she leaves a daughter, Mrs. H. C. Harrison, whose home is in Salt Lake City, and a son, Charles Brown, whose home is in Denver.

The funeral occurred Wednesday from the Methodist church, the services being conducted by the Rev. Wiley Mountjoy, and the sentiments expressed in the clergyman's remarks were of a beautiful nature. The casket was covered with floral offerings, the tribute of loving friends. The services at the grave were brief, and the attendance would, no doubt, have been large, but for the bitter cold weather.

To the bereaved husband and relatives, the MADISONIAN extends its sympathies.

Thanksgiving Services.

Notwithstanding the low temperature and the high wind, a few gathered at the M. E. church Thursday morning, at 11 o'clock to observe Thanksgiving day, as recommended by the president and governor. The choir sang several selections, appropriately expressing the sentiments of joy and gratitude. Rev. Emery read Dent., 8th chapter, which enjoined the Jews not to forget God, when they came to possess the land "flowing with milk and honey" and when their gold, silver and other possessions increased and say in the pride of their hearts "by my own power and the strength of my own hand have I gotten this wealth, but to remember it was God that giveth the power to get wealth." Rev. Emery led in an earnest prayer of thanks for blessings past and entreaty for guidance and future favors. Wiley Mountjoy then read the president's proclamation, appointing a day of National Thanksgiving and the Apostles injunction to be always thankful. He then spoke for half an hour, giving by way of introduction a brief account of the origin and evolution of the day. He then pointed out some reasons for Thanksgiving. These were necessarily general and particular. National greatness, progress, peace, prosperity, freedom from pestilence, famine, etc., are blessings enjoyed in common and for which it is appropriate for us together to render thanks. These are the conditions of individual blessings. There are two general causes of ingratitude. Pride and envy—the first comes from placing too high regard upon our own abilities and efforts until we come to believe that we ourselves are the chief factors in our successes. By our own power have we gotten wealth, fame or learning. Very often, the eminently successful man can see very little reason to count either God or his fellow man as partners in his success. He generally esteems himself a self made man and worships his Maker. Another cause of ingratitude is other people's prosperity. Many people are given to thinking more about the "good things" that other people have than of their own blessings. The ordinary, every day favors of life are infinitely more important than the great prizes for which the world contends. The one is essential, the other contingent or accidental. Health, friends, home, food and raiment are things which we may all have in this country. We can afford to sacrifice these for the world's great prizes. The great blessing without them would not bring happiness. We can get along without wealth, fame or place if we have health, friends, home and a robust conscience. Let us seek the best things and be thankful.

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