

CORRESPONDENCE.

Big Bend.

To the west of Rapid City ten miles and one mile south, on or around Rapid creek, is a place which has borne the name of Big Bend for the space of sixteen years. In 1880 a New York company patented fifty-six acres including therein the Fort Meade Tunnel, the creek bed, and dam just above where the Pactola road crosses the creek. This is a mineral entry and in shape, as it follows the creek, resembles a very limber worm with a very large head, or perhaps more properly speaking, a tadpole with his head looking to the north. It is in and around this vicinity that people insist and persist in calling Big Bend. There is one inhabitant at Big Bend proper (if it is proper to call Fort Meade Tunnel, Big Bend) and that is Mr. Austin Agard, who has devoted the most of his time to placer mining in the past few years.

There is no postoffice here. Our school district has adopted the name of Big Bend lately and we have a good school, presided over by Miss Caroline Newman.

The first spelling school of the season was held last Friday night.

Alex Gill has gone east, having received a telegram that his father was very sick. NOMB.

Vesta.

VESTA, S. D.—The cold weather still continues.

The supper given at Center school house last Friday was a failure on account of bad weather.

Henry E. Luke is the happy father of a fine baby girl. Mother and child doing well.

F. L. Smith and Charley Crosby now have their broom factory in running order.

A good time is anticipated at the dance to be given at Dave Hankin's tomorrow night.

List of dead letters remaining in Vesta postoffice Nov. 27, 1896: One letter addressed to M. H. Adams.

A blizzard has been raging in this country for the last thirty-six hours and is still raging.

The supper at Bethel church Thanksgiving was a failure on account of the snow storm.

Interior Items.

INTERIOR, S. D., Nov. 27, 1896.—The winter has set in and we have already had some pretty tough weather on stock the last two weeks. If this state of affairs should continue for some time yet, it will be anything but encouraging for the average cow man.

We were visited on Thanksgiving day by one of the severest kind of a snow storm which lasted thirty hours at least and some loss in stock is looked for.

Mr. L. D. Turner is expected in at any time with his bunch of sheep which he is trailing in from Edgemont, S. D.

Rev. Horner, of Gordon, Neb., teaches the White River school this winter.

This community is enjoying religious services every Sunday and also Sunday school, for which those in charge, as well as pupils, are entitled to much credit.

Some wolves got into Mr. Johnson's bunch of sheep a few nights since and scattered them pretty badly. He has found all but about 200 head which are still at large.

Mr. Charles Thompson brought in six grey wolves the other day for which he received forty-eight dollars in bounty. A few such wolf hunters like Charley would make it interesting for Mr. Gray Wolf.

Mr. Frank Turner and Miss Bertha Swart's were united in marriage on the 18th at Clinton, Neb. Mr. John Livingstone and Miss Eda Porch were united in marriage at Parnell, Mo., a few days ago. Both young couples have taken up their abode on the river. We all join in wishing them a happy journey through life.

Two Boys and One Girl.

On last Sunday, Nov. 15, says the Mountaineer, Mrs. Haynes, wife of W. F. Haynes, of Lyons, nine miles north of town, gave birth to three children, two boys and one girl. Dr. Dunham, who was in attendance, reported mother and children as in good condition, and sees no reason why the children may not all live and prosper.

One of the little fellows weighed four and one-half pounds; one, five and one-half pounds; and third, seven pounds; the aggregate weight being seventeen pounds.

Bob Lewis.

Sundance Gazette: Bob Lewis, the insane cowboy who was sent to the asylum from this county more than a year ago, died at that place on the 4th inst. Bob was well known throughout the Black Hills. At one time he was stock inspector for Lawrence county and possessed considerable property. He lived too fast in those days and when age and disease wrecked his former robust health, his mind gave way and he never recovered.

THE NORTHWESTERN STOCK-MAN is the leading stock publication.

Notice for Publication.

Land office at Rapid City, S. D. 1
November 17, 1896. 1

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before register or receiver at Rapid City, S. D., on December 29, 1896 viz:

LEO MILBRETT
H. E. No. 3512, for the S $\frac{1}{2}$ S W $\frac{1}{4}$ N E $\frac{1}{4}$ S W $\frac{1}{4}$ and S E $\frac{1}{4}$ N W $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 3 T 1 N R 6 E B. H. M.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Charles McDonald of Rapid City S. D., Ole H. Larson, of Rapid City S. D., Alexander Gill, of Rapid City S. D., Ole P. Olson of Rapid City S. D.,

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OLE P. OLSON
H. E. No. 4369, for the s $\frac{1}{2}$ ne $\frac{1}{4}$ and nw $\frac{1}{4}$ ne $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 10 twp 1 n r 6 e B. H. M.
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Notice—Timber Culture.

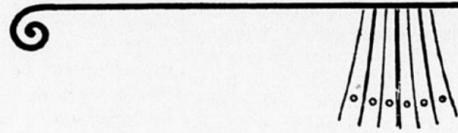
U. S. Land Office,
Rapid City, S. D., October 20, 1896
Complaint having been entered at this office by John Wieging against William H. Bailey for failure to comply with law as to Timber-Culture Entry No. 1727 dated May 24th, 1886, upon the w $\frac{1}{2}$ se $\frac{1}{4}$ and h $\frac{1}{2}$ sw $\frac{1}{4}$ section 27, township 1 n, range 8 e B. H. M., in Pennington county, South Dakota, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that the said William H. Bailey failed to plant or cause to be planted on said tract five acres of trees, tree seeds or cuttings the third year after entry ending May 24th, 1889, and failed to plant or cause to be planted on said tract five acres of trees, tree seeds or cuttings the fourth year after entry ending May 24th, 1890, and failed to plant or cause to be planted on said tract ten acres of trees, tree seeds or cuttings the fifth year after entry ending May 24th, 1891, and further failed in all of the succeeding years since May 24th, 1891 to plant trees, tree seeds or cuttings on said tract as required by law and such failure still continues, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 15th day of December, 1896, at ten o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.
45-48 JOHN LAFABRE, Receiver.



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