CITY AND STATE.

From Wednesday's Daily

G. A. Markin, of Graceville, is among the visitors in town.

P. Graft, of this city, is under medical treatment at St. Clare hospital.

Vernon Lewis arrived from Floweree today, on a visit with friends in this city.

Send your watch and jewelry repair work to D. G. Lockwood's jewelry store.—Adv.

C. Wilson and wife, of Lonetree, arrived today on a visit with Fort Benton friends.

Henry Norden, of Warrick, and H. Lohse, of Judith, are among today's visitors in town.

Declarations of their intention to become American citizens have been filed in the district court by John P. Anderson, of Highwood, and Samuel M. Williams, of Virgelle.

Congressman Pray and wife leave tonight for Washington to be present at the opening of congress Monday. Mr. Pray does not anticipate any important legislation during the session, which will expire by limitation on March 4.

Sportsmen, I mount your trophies true to nature. Send me your game heads, birds and rug work now, and you will always. Twelve years experience. Work guaranteed. Highest prices paid for furs; send for prices. S. S. Bryant, Taxidermist, Livingston, Mont.—Adv.

According to advices from Glasgow, the proposed formation of a new county from the eastern part of Valley county promises to develop a lively contest for county seat honors among the rival towns. The proposed new county is to be named Sheridan county, and the towns of Bainville, Culbertson, Medicine Lake and Plentywood are said to be candidates for the seat of government.

From Friday's Daily

Marion G. Valentine, of Prospect, was among today's arrivals.

Miss Laura R. Peake, of Big Sandy, spent Thanksgiving day with friends in the city.

W. B. Shoemaker, of Glasgow, and C. E. Taylor, of Saco, are among the business visitors in town.

Mrs. P. C. Silk, of Great Falls, is a visitor in the city for a few days, the guest of Mrs. N. T. Chemidlin.

O. A. Bergeson, of Big Sandy, manager for the Mackton Coal company, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Leet, of this city.

A declaration of his intention to become an American citizen has been filed in the district court by Ransom M. Craig, of Clear Lake.

Morris Olsen, of the Teton, is under treatment at the Sanitarium for a broken arm and other injuries sustained in a runaway accident.

The Thanksgiving dance given by the football club Wednesday evening was attended by a big crowd, and was one of the most enjoyable events of the season. The opera house was very prettily decorated for the occasion.

W. P. Sullivan and wife arrived from Square Butte yesterday on a visit with friends in this city. Mr. Sullivan brings word that the Milwaukee railroad grade from Winchell springs to Surprise creek, a distance of about twenty miles, is practically completed.

The fact that the taxpaying season expires tomorrow evening is bringing a big lot of remittances to the county treasurer's office. Among the receipts today was a check from the Great Northern Railway company, for $30,425 this amount representing state, county and school district taxes on property valued at about $1,582,000 located in Chouteau county.

A Western Romance.

Local residents are interested in a story that appears in a recent number of the Popular Magazine, in which Fort Benton and vicinity are named as the scene of some sensational incidents. "Shotgun" Jones is the title of the romance, with Bertrand W. Sinclair as its author.

The hero of the story is a cowboy who quit his job and came to Fort Benton, and finally decided to make his way across country to Canada; but when making camp near the Knees he found a boot containing a large sum of money. This streak of luck caused him to return to Fort Benton, where he became involved in a gambling game, and discovered that he was being shadowed by two suspicious strangers.

The final chapters of the story develop that the money found by Jones belonged to a stockman who had been murdered by these suspicious characters, Jones being made aware of the crime through an item in the River Press. The guilt of the murderers was established, and their punishment followed, and the money found by Jones was restored by him to its rightful owners. A feature of the story is a little love affair that gives it a sentimental flavor.

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MONTANA NEWS BRIEFLETS

A Budget of Readable Short Items From Various Parts of the State.

MISSOULA, Nov. 25.—Patrick Brady, a veteran employe of the Northern Pacific was killed here this afternoon in the local yards, when he stepped in front of an incoming passenger train. Brady was switch light tender for the yards. He was a well known character.

HELENA, Nov. 25.—Three executives in less than a week's time is the record Montana achieved when Dr. I. A. Leighton of Boulder, president pro tem of the state senate, became acting governor in place of Lieut. Gov. W. R Allen, who is attending the mining congress at Spokane. He will continue to act as governor until the return of Lieutenant Governor Allen, who will serve until governor Norris returns.

BOZEMAN, Nov. 25.—Colonel Oliver P. Chisholm, well known miner, lawyer and civil war veteran, died here this morning. He was 69 years old and leaves three sons and one daughter. Colonel Chisholm was well known throughout Montana as part owner in Emma silver mine near Salt Lake City. The body will be shipped to Colonel Chisholm's old home in Elgin, Ill., for burial beside the body of his wife.

LEWISTOWN, Nov. 26.—Joe Pipinick, 6 years old, was killed at his parent's home six miles up Spring creek, last night. The father came to town and reported to the officers that the boy had been killed by stock and an investigation by the county attorney, coroner and sheriff indicated clearly that this statement was untrue. Both parents were placed under arrest this morning and the inquest is now being held.

HELENA, Nov. 26.—The route of the Great Northern's new line from New Rockford, N. D., through Montana as far as Lewistown, is designated in the articles of incorporation of the Montana Eastern Railway company, filed yesterday with Secretary of state T. M. Swindlehurst. About 315 miles of the line will be in Montana and about 250 in North Dakota. Another line 14½ miles long will be constructed by the company from the present station of Snowden, Valley county, southeasterly to Fairview, Dawson county, where it will connect with the New Rockford extension.

"PLEBES" AT WEST POINT.

The Upper Classmen Give Them Many Lessons In Humility.

Notwithstanding the efforts to suppress hazing, the path of a "plebe" at our famous military academy is not exactly rose strewn. W. S. Sample in Lippincott's gives an amusing and enlightening account of the experiences of one plebe.

"For the first ten days in camp," the author tells us, "plebes are made to walk with their little fingers on the seams of their trousers, palms of the hands to the front and depressing their toes as they walk—that is, striking the ground with the toe of the shoe first. It is a very tiresome and ludicrous process and is called 'finning out.'

"A plebe walking quietly down the company street is observed by some visitors, when suddenly he throws out his hands and digs in his toes.

"'Oh, Cadet Beanpole, why is that cadet walking so queerly?' asks a pretty girl.

"'That isn't a cadet; it's a plebe. He walks that way because he wants to be graceful.'

"The true reason is that the poor plebe heard some upper classman say: 'Fin out there, mister; dig in those toes; tear up the gravel. What do you mean by deadbeating and going bow legged?'

"The cadets march to meals, to church, to swimming, to dancing, to everything. The plebes are placed in the rear rank of all formations.

"The first meal a plebe eats in the mess hall with the corps is never forgotten. Twelve cadets are seated at a table, at least three of whom are plebes. The cadet in charge of the table sits at the head, while a plebe called 'the gunner' sits at the foot. It is the duty of the gunner to call the table to attention each day and to announce the kind of dessert. As there is no bill of fare and the dessert is different every day, this is not always an easy job. If the gunner announces the dessert incorrectly, he is deprived of his portion.

"The plebe on the gunner's right is called the cocoa corporal and on the left the water corporal. It is the duty of the cocoa corporal to pour out the cocoa, and the water corporal pours the water.

"The cadets often have a fierce and wonderfully built jelly called 'Felix trembled.' This concoction wabbles all over your plate and derives its name from a cadet named Felix, one of the oldest living graduates, who ate some of the mixture and trembled violently. Cadets who eat it have been trembling ever since. Molasses is called 'Sammy' by the upper classmen. Plebes are required to call it the 'Right Rev. Mr. Samuel, sir,' until they qualify, which is done by eating seven slices of bread and molasses, when they may call it 'Sammy.'

"After finishing their meals, plebes are required to sit bolt upright and gaze fixedly at a potato stuck on matches in the center of the table. They are not allowed to feast their eyes upon the portraits of the great generals that decorate the walls of the mess hall, but must sit and 'brace' until the command, 'Battalions rise,' is given, when they fall in and march back to camp."

Points for Mothers

The Rights of Others.

How many of you mothers forget that the older children should be considered as much and as carefully guarded as the little ones that are not so very far past babyhood?

Haven't you, times without number, made Tommy or Susie give up to the smaller children just to avoid a cry? Haven't you allowed Master Tom to be interrupted by a small brother or sister when he is trying to get his lessons or busy making something that to him is quite as important as any work that you yourself have planned to do?

Do you think this is fair to the older children? Do you think Master Tom can possibly recite a perfect lesson in history, for instance, when baby brother has been allowed to clamber over his lap demanding to be shown the pictures in the book while he is trying to study?

After awhile Tom's patience gives out and he pushes baby away and tells him to play with something else, but repeated efforts to keep the younger child away proving futile, there is a scene, and the little fellow begins to cry. Nine times out of ten the mother will take baby up in her lap and soothe him while she scolds brother Tom for being a big ruffian and blames him for making baby cry when the poor boy is only trying to do his best school work.

Any little girl of ten or twelve will be perfectly willing to help her mother with the care of the younger children. She will cheerfully lend a hand at dressing, undressing, feeding, bathing and the general care of the smaller children, but mother should not expect her to rush home after school every day and take baby brother for a walk. Neither should she allow the little children to interrupt Susie and her small guests when they are "visiting" with one another.

Little children do not mean to be tyrannical and would not be if mothers would only teach them from the time they are able to understand anything that they must respect the rights of others. Let them understand beyond a shadow of a doubt that they must not expect the older ones to yield to them the moment they express a wish. After awhile, if other babies appear, they in turn will be a greater help to mother and more kindly disposed toward the newcomer.

It requires a vast amount of tact and forethought to adjust the places of the children as they should be. Often the beginning of tyranny is established when the claims of the wee baby take up all the mother's time and the older children are neglected.

In discussing this very subject an eminent writer on the care of children and herself a mother says: "In the ideal home a system of mutual helpfulness reaching around the circle binds the household together in perfect harmony. The little ones have an undoubted claim on the caresses, the care and loving protection of those who are older. This being admitted, it is for the parents to see that the older ones are also immune from interruptions that hinder them from proceeding with the work they are daily obliged to do."

Bits About the Baby.

Nervousness may not be catalogued as a disease, but if it is not it certainly should be.

The mother who is nervous will always have a nervous baby, and unless that baby is treated in the proper manner the nerves will develop most troublesome habits, to say the least.

Take, for instance, the case of a young mother who cannot sleep well. Her child will not sleep well either. He will not grow as much as he should nor in the way he should. His food will not agree with him, in the first place, and unless this trouble is corrected early in his life chronic indigestion will certainly be his inheritance.

The lack of sleep and poor assimilation of the food he takes will produce all sorts of ailments, undermine the health and arrest the natural development.

If the mother does not nurse the baby—and it is better for the nervous, anaemic mother not to attempt it—then the selection of a proper food is a great problem. Cow's milk modified with barley water is the best substitute for healthy breast milk, but sometimes the little stranger cannot take the cow's milk. Then the best thing to do is to consult the doctor and let him suggest whatever he may think is wise to use instead.

The Child and Pets.

Don't you often feel sorry for the house pet when the house baby begins to notice it? Poor pussy, if pussy it be, is subjected to loving hugs that squeeze together its anatomy in most unnatural fashion or is picked up by its waist—as its mother never thought of doing—and then, after the eager little fingers have mauled and pulled it, rubbing its fur the wrong way or holding it with choking grasp about the throat, pussy is dropped with nerve shocking suddenness as a new toy attracts baby's attention. The Teddy bear has been a boon to many an overhandled kitten, no doubt, but small children always love the living creatures until taught by scratches that wound the spirit as well as the tender flesh that, while Teddy bear impassively endures all things, kitty posseses a spirit of resentment that makes it dangerous to show too much affection.

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