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The legislature of the territory meets next Monday, and our solons will then have a chance of expressing their opinions—intelligent and otherwise—on the vital questions which are now awaiting the action of that body.

We are glad to see that Enoch Hodson has made a sale of his ties to the Rocky Fork road. The old man has had a lot of trouble and expense in regard to them and it is satisfactory to know that he has at last got the best of it.

The holiday number of the Helena Record is a very handsome and enterprising piece of work and reflects great credit upon the editorial and typographical departments of the Record publishing company. It is a valuable advertisement for Helena property owners.

There seems to be a strong sentiment against the admission of Washington Territory as a state under the name it now bears. The people of the territory are rather in favor of the name of "Washington," but the postoffice department and residents of Washington, D. C., are opposed on the grounds that it will cause confusion in the mails.

Col. C. A. Broadwater has returned from his trip east. In an interview in Chicago he stated that he saw a letter from Senator Mitchell in which the senator said that there was hardly a doubt about the early admission of Montana to the union. The colonel said he would not offer any opinion on the subject, but had strong hopes.

It is said that many democrats as well as republicans are urging President Cleveland to appoint ex-Gov. Carpenter of Helena, chief justice. The reasons assigned are, that he is an able lawyer and his appointment would meet with general satisfaction among the members of both parties, and that as he is a prominent republican, President Harrison would find no cause for removal.

This office acknowledges the receipt of a copy of the Butte Miner Manual. It is in magazine form and is the handsomest publication of its kind ever gotten up in the territory. It is a credit to the Miner Publishing company and to the territory at large. Park county is represented therein by a short descriptive article of her industries and prospects for the future.

St. Paul has been forced to give up her idea of holding a carnival, owing to the remarkably mild and open winter up to this date. Ice cannot be obtained in sufficient quantities to build the palace, for the first time in the memory of the "oldest inhabitant." This may be an immediate loss to St. Paul, but it is a fine advertisement for the magnificent climate of Minnesota and will eventually be of more value from an advertising point of view than the carnival would have been.

There has been considerable question in regard to whether the old claims against the Rocky Fork railroad would be paid or not. Governor Hauser now states that the creditors may rest assured that all just claims will be paid by the company at an early date, as it was their intention to put the line of the road on such a basis as to give satisfaction to the people and at the same time prove a good investment to the company. This will be good news to the holders of time checks and other due bills against the old company.

We have received a request from the editor of the Boulder Age, Hon. Will Kennedy, to advocate the introduction of the Australian system of voting into this territory. We would respectfully ask some well posted individual to rise and explain fully, this method of voting and its advantages over that of the present method. We understand the general principal of the system, as probably do most readers of the newspapers, but there are many points which would come under consideration, as having an important bearing on the question, of which we do not know what disposition is made in this system. Many claim that it has its great disadvantages which would make it of doubtful utility in the United States.

A bill has been finally introduced into congress for the annexation of Canada. Without any probability of its ever coming to a vote, it will have formed a good focal point for the discussion of this mooted question. There is hardly any doubt but that Canada will eventually become a portion of the United States, but it will not be, or rather should not be, until the Canadians themselves ask admission. Although apparently, according to all national laws, Canada belongs in the union, she is to-day as distinct a people from that of the United States as is possible for English speaking nations to differ. There is much more of that spirit of loyalty to the home government than is acknowledged by the extreme annexationists. The English speaking Canadians are much more insular in their habits and speech than they are American, and the large French element in that country is essentially non-American. It will take many years yet to bring all these elements into harmony with the spirit of the people of the

United States sufficiently to make the idea of annexation acceptable to the majority, and until that point is nearer at hand, talk of annexation is out of place and not in accordance with the well known Monroe doctrine, which has given the United States the most peaceable and neutral government in the world.

The house Indian committee has reported favorably the bill to amend the act, providing for opening the great Sioux reservation. The report makes an attack upon the Northern Pacific and Chicago and North Western railroads, claiming that they have been instrumental in preventing the opening of the reservation and have in common with the cattle syndicate and squawmen been responsible for preventing the opening of the reservation. The report says: The Sioux Indians are completely under the control of a few arrogant and self-conceited chiefs and these chiefs are largely under the control of the Northern Pacific and Northwestern railroad companies and a few avaricious white or squaw men, who, with a few chiefs, are reaping large fortunes from the common property of their own people. The Northern Pacific railroad company, as we are advised, own large amounts of real estate in Dakota that they desire to sell at profitable figures, and if this bill should become a law and thereby open up 11,000,000 acres to settlers at nominal figures compared with the prices they ask for their lands, the market for their lands will be closed for many years to come. So they, with their mighty power, oppose the bill. The report also goes on to give the reasons of the opposition of the Northwestern railroad and concludes by saying: The committee recommends that the bill pass and asks congress to give these Indians all the land they can use and teach them that governments are not created to support them, but to protect them, and that, like other people, they must work

Although it is a little late in the season, the ENTERPRISE takes this opportunity of wishing its many readers a happy and prosperous new year. The indications are such as to warrant the statement that the year 1889 will prove to be an epoch in the history of our city. She enters the new year under a municipal organization with every industry in her midst in a flourishing condition. The general increase of trade and growth of our industries has reflected advantageously upon the ENTERPRISE, and it has become necessary to find larger and more suitable accommodations for the business. Perhaps an apology is due for not increasing so far the size of the paper and its typographical appearance. The excuse we make to offer is that during the hurry and confusion of erecting the new building—the finest exclusive newspaper building in the territory—we have been unable to give the close personal attention that was essential to this improvement, and there has not been much addition made to the plant, as it was not wished to make any such improvement until established in the new quarters. With the end of this volume, in June, the ENTERPRISE will be increased from a seven to an eight column paper, and will contain a larger amount of original, newsy and entertaining matter. This increase in size and matter will be made at considerable expense, and we trust that our present subscribers and those who are benefited by the efforts made through its columns to present the great natural resources of Park county to the country in an interesting and attractive shape, will act accordingly. We have endeavored in the past to be guided by a sense of what was due to the best interests, present and future, of our young and growing country, truckling to no one element, or serving no man as an individual. We shall continue in this course in the future. Heartily thanking our patrons for their favors in the past, we solicit a continuance of the same. From those who are not yet on our list, or from those who do not use our columns, we would ask a trial, believing that they would find it to our mutual advantage.

A correspondent of the Pioneer Press writing from Park City, Montana, giving the citizens of Billings rather a raking over for what he calls their misdirected energy. He quotes an article from the Gazette, of a recent issue, on advertising fakes in which Editor Becker expresses his doubt of the value of "write-ups." The correspondent goes on to say that six years ago there were more people in the place than there are to-day, and more business done then; "and this is due neither to the lack of natural resources immediately surrounding the town nor to the want of enterprise in her. They have liberally contributed toward roads, bridges and ferries, both to the north and to the south, aiming to draw to their doors the trade of these directions for a great distance, and some benefit has accrued to the merchants therefrom. But the only permanent advantage in all this generous outlay is its use as an illustration that energy to avail must be wisely directed. Already the Mantola railroad has tapped the Judith region, and the wagon roads built there from Billings are unavailing to draw the trade from the nearer railroad. The Rocky Fork railroad, now building, will make Red Lodge a nearer and more accessible supply point than Billings to Northern Wyoming, and that will be reason enough for the rancher of that section to buy in Red Lodge rather than in Billings. At no distant day the Northern Pacific will be bisected by the Northwestern at or near Billings, building towns along its line both north and south. The people of the Musselshell, of the Judith and of

Wyoming will then no more come to Billings for supplies than Billings will go to them. All this time Billings has entirely ignored the great and sufficient resource lying at her door, and the one upon which she must ultimately depend for support. Immediately around and to the west of her lies a valley richly productive of all farm products known to either or both Wisconsin and Iowa. When a thrifty family occupies each of these 1000 quarter sections Billings will certainly have a surer support than she can gain by reaching out for territory that will clearly, after a little, elude her grasp."

Complimentary to Montana
Judge Goodwin, the editor of the Salt Lake Tribune, thus sums up Montana's claims to statehood: The land of ranges and great mines stands now on the threshold of statehood and the dowry she brings is very grand. Among mining States and Territories she stands first; among the States and Territories that are rich in flocks and herds there is but one superior; her agricultural lands are measured by the numbers that tell the fall compass of States in the east; in area she is an empire. The year just closed has been prosperous in all things. She has advanced to the foremost place among mining regions; she boasts to-day two or three of the first mines of the west, while her really first class mines are numbered by the scores. Aside from her mines she is the great grass yielding region of the republic; her hills in the summer look like rolling billows of green. She has more good agricultural land than any of the old Atlantic seaboard States; for her is perfect present prosperity and a promise of unbroken prosperity for the future. Among her best productions are the boys and girls that are growing up under that bracing climate and amid the hopes that makes all the hearts in that great territory light. That they will always be true men and women and Americans goes without saying. That they will always be country-loving is a self-evident fact. The winters make comfortable homes a necessity; the winter nights mean a growing love for the homes that shelter them, and when men love their homes and are proud of their birth place, it is but a step to advance to a point when the heart expands to take the whole country in. Were Montana an island of the sea, she would hold within her resources everything essential for a nation's happiness. Her area is great enough to make a ruling grand division of the earth; her resources are great enough and diversified enough to bring all needed things within her demands. We trust that before another New Year morn shall dawn she will be a full caparisoned state, with her own local officers and with full representation in the congress of the republic. It is her due. She has the needed capital; the needed backing; the needed people and patriotism and intelligence. There are a hundred reasons why the boon should be granted; there is not one why it should be withheld.

A Token of Esteem.
Pioneer Press: Gen. A. Anderson, formerly engineer in chief and second vice president of the Northern Pacific, now in New York, was the recipient of a very handsome testimonial on Christmas, and his acknowledgments were received at the Northern Pacific offices Saturday. Gen. Anderson's former associates and employees on the Northern Pacific desired to make him some present on his retirement, but they are scattered over a long line of railroad and he had been absent a year before arrangements were completed. For Christmas, however, they sent him an address beautifully engraved and framed containing the signatures of the donors; also a finely mounted collection of photographs of bridges, tunnels and buildings designed by him along the line of the Northern Pacific, including also photographs of scenery which he was known to admire. In addition a testimonial to the value of \$1,500 was sent. Gen. Anderson was highly pleased by the kind remembrance of his friends in the west.

Lew McMullin, appraiser at New York, was requested to resign. He refused and the president has directed his removal.
FOR RENT.—Dwelling house on lower Main street, two stories, frame, with good well and outbuildings. Inquire of F. W. Wright, County Treasurer's office.
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NOTICE TO TEACHERS.—To the teachers of Park county, M. T.: I will hold a public examination at my office on the last Saturday of January, February and March, 1889.
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FOR SALE.—A number of mules; or will trade fresh cows for dry cows. Also a few grade and short horn bulls and some stock cattle for sale. Apply at Spring Hill ranch, one mile east of town, or address J. H. HARVAT, 454 1/2 N. 4th St., Livingston, Montana.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.—Land Office at Bozeman, M. T., Dec. 22, 1888.—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 the judge of the Third Judicial District, or in his absence before the clerk of said court, at Livingston, Park county, M. T., on Saturday, February 9, 1889, viz: Robert C. Griffith, who made homestead entry No. 844 for the W. 1/4 of fractional S. E. 1/4, lot No. 8 and N. E. 1/4 of fractional S. E. 1/4, T. 2 S., R. 20 E., of range 10 east. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: William Allen, Solomon E. Shrake, Know W. Sawyer and George W. Grant, all of Livingston, Montana.
GEO. W. MONROE, Register.
(1st pub. Dec. 29, 1888)

NOTICE TO CO-OWNERS.—To M. Monte.—You are hereby notified that I have expended \$50 in labor and improvements upon the "Little Queen" and "Wall Street" quartz lode mining claims, situated in the New World Mining District, Park county, Montana territory, as will appear by the certificates filed with recorder of said district, in order to hold the said premises, under provision of section 2284 revised statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold your fractional interests for the year 1888. And if within ninety days after this notice of publication you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditures as co-owner, together with cost of advertising, your interest in said claims will become the property of the subscriber, under said section 2284.
L. SANBORN.
Dated Bozeman, M. T., Jan. 7, 1889.
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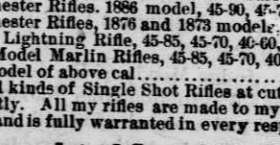
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