

THE MONTANIAN.

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CHOTEAU TO BELLEVUE.

Once a week: Saturdays, returning Mondays.
W. J. WATSON, Carrier.

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Local TIME TABLE.

GOING NORTH.

Leave	Great Falls	at	7:30	am
"	Vaughn	"	8:10	"
"	STELL	"	8:45	"
"	Collins	"	10:15	"
"	Piegan	"	12:05	pm

GOING SOUTH.

Leave	Piegan	at	6:15	pm
"	Collins	"	7:55	"
"	STELL	"	9:30	"
"	Vaughn	"	10:05	"
Arrive	Great Falls	"	10:45	"

Now the days are getting longer,
And the cold is growing stronger,
And the coal bin and the wood pile,
Must suffer when it snows;
But the winter'll soon be over,
And then the trees and clover
Will put forth leaf and blossom—
And so will some men's nose.

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Merry
Christmas
To you all.
May peace on earth,
Good will toward man,
Remain with us forevermore.
Rev. Hall will hold Christmas service on Sunday next.

The K. P.s are having a grand ball at the Choteau house this evening.

James Ralston arrived home Wednesday on a Christmas visit to the old folks, brothers and sisters.

Z. T. Burton went to Helena on Monday where he will remain until after the meeting of the irrigation convention on January 7th, 1892.

Judge Dunlap heard a case of assault and battery to-day and fined the offender fifteen dollars and costs.

This morning officer Adlam accompanied by J. F. Burd waited upon O. W. O. Fortune, in whose possession was one Burd's ducks, and charged him with stealing wood. He confessed to taking both, and was ordered to leave town or be prosecuted.

Your attention is called to the advertisement of James Poppleton which appears in this issue. Mr. Poppleton has opened a new meat market at Fenty's old stand where he would be pleased to serve those who desire choice meats, fresh fish, oysters, sausage and the like for their tables.

Patents for the following named settlers residing in this neighborhood were received at the Helena land office early this week: John A. Cox, Preston L. Howard, Edwin L. More, Walwin C. Myers, Joseph Purvis, Clairborn E. Davis, John Joiner, P. H. Crossen, Robt. Fairburn, S. P. Miller, Martha C. Tutt, Alfred Cardner, Milton D. Cooper, Geo. F. Flint.

The Christmas exercises at the school house last evening were splendid. Willie Bouscaren and Lizzie Ralston were accorded prizes for speaking as were also Jesse Armstrong and Ollie Wilcox. All the pupils who took part did well and reflected much credit upon their teachers. At the close of the exercises a large Christmas tree was stripped of some \$200 worth of presents which were distributed.

Wednesday our long spell of nice weather was somewhat disturbed by a strong wind from the north which bro't the the thermometer down to 2° below zero yesterday morning and about two inches of snow. Yesterday, however, was a fine, sunshiny day with but little wind and no snow.

Mrs. Fenty called at this office one day this week and stated that the item in regard to her husband and which appeared in this paper last week was incorrect and that she desired us to state that Mr. Fenty had made ample provision for her during his absence and that the other charges against him were false.

For sometime past Julian Burd's ducks have been mysteriously disappearing. This morning the thief was found with a fattened duck in his possession. Fortune-ately the owner of the bird was somewhat of a Burd himself and being fond of duck, feasted royally, while the un-Fortunate fellow had only quack for his pains.

A. B. Hamilton arrived home last Monday evening after an extended absence of several months. On Tuesday he sold at public sale all the real estate belonging to the late Rosa Hazlett, deceased. The sale came off as advertised and continued until a late hour after supper. They were principally sold in blocks of five and went off in that way like hot cakes at prices ranging from \$5 to \$25 each. Few strangers were present, but it was evident from the beginning of the sale that the fine Italian hands of several real estate dealers from a distance were in it. The administrator has not yet furnished a report of the sales, hence we are unable to state the exact results.

DEATH OF AN OLD-TIMER.

Carl Harris, who was in from Robare last week and who returned hence on Sunday, received word from Germany Tuesday evening announcing the death of his father, Joseph Harris, which occurred at Briesen, West Prussia, on the 30th of November. On receipt of this information Mr. Harris hurried back to Choteau to inform his brother Alfred, arriving here early Wednesday morning.

Joseph Harris, the father of Alfred and Carl Harris, well known in this section, was one of California's 49ers, and a resident of the United States for ten or twelve years, during which time he amassed a fortune. He then returned to the old country, where he has resided since. He was nearly eighty years of age at the time of death. Alfred and Carl are the only ones of the family of nine children residing in this country. They have the sympathy of their numerous friends in this community.

NEW MEAT MARKET.

JAMES POPPLETON, Proprietor.

The undersigned would announce that he has opened a

MEAT MARKET

At Fenty's old stand on MAIN STREET, - - - CHOTEAU.

Where he is prepared to serve Customers with Choice Meats, Fish, Oysters, Sausage, And Everything in that Line.

Respectfully,
JAMES POPPLETON.

ALL IN ONE DAY!

TWO MEN BLOWN UP BY GIANT POWDER.

Albert Bouscaren and Michael Kelly Nearly Killed.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

GUS MOMBURG SERIOUSLY SHOT & WOUNDED.

The Would-be Murderer Lodged In Jail.

The Particulars.

On Wednesday just after dinner, seven sticks of giant powder which were thawing on the stove at Tom McGovern's ditch camp, about two miles south of town, exploded and severely injured Albert Bouscaren and Mike Kelly. Kelly was bending over the stove handling the powder when it exploded. His right leg was broken above the ankle and his face and body burned and cut by the pieces of stove which filled the air. His clothing was set on fire and but for the arrival of those working on the ditch near by he would have burned to death. Young Bouscaren, a son of Engineer Bouscaren and who was time keeper on works, was just entering the tent when the explosion occurred. He was struck in many places on the body by flying bits of stove and badly burned. His left leg was struck at the shoe top, the bone broken and the flesh torn away. How either of them escaped being torn to atoms is a miracle.

Aleck Monkman, who had but a moment before left the tent, was the first to reach it after the explosion. He says Bouscaren was crawling out from the debris on his hands and knees but did not seem to be much hurt. Kelly was yet inside and Bouscaren said that he was on fire and burning up. A peep inside the shattered tent disclosed the unfortunate old man wrapped in flames and writhing with pain upon the ground. Assistance quickly arrived and the burnt clothes removed. Monkman then jumped on a horse and came to town after Dr. Wamsley, who proceeded at once to the scene of the accident. After caring for them the best he could the wounded men were brought to town, their wounds dressed and broken bones set. This morning Dr. Wamsley informs us that both men are doing well, though it a little too soon to determine the full extent of their injuries.

Attempted Murder.

As though not sufficient unto the day were the evils thereof, late Wednesday

night Wm. Wagner made an assault upon the person of Gus Momburg, shooting him in the hip with a revolver. The particulars are as follows:

Wagner came to Momburg's house, about 12 miles northwest of Choteau, intending to remain over night. At bedtime he was shown to a bed upstairs but he soon came down, saying he would not sleep there. He quarreled with his host about the accommodations given him. In reply to a query as to what he was going to do about it he replied by drawing his revolver and firing at Momburg, the ball entering near the point of the hip. The wounded man fell and Wagner attempted to fire again when Mrs. Momburg, who had retired for the night sprang between them and pushed the murderer out the door, which she locked. Fastening up the house securely, she ran to neighbors, half a mile distant, and gave the alarm. A messenger was dispatched for the doctor and officer, both of whom arrived in due time. On the wife's return home she found her husband lying on the floor with a gun by his side ready for attack. The wounded man had crawled to where his gun was kept and was ready for self defense. Dr. Wamsley and officer Adlam soon arrived and the wounded man cared for and later Wagner was arrested at a neighbor's, brought to town and lodged in jail where he now is awaiting an examination before Justice Dunlap.

Last evening the wounded man was brought to Choteau and is now at his brother-in-law's, Jas. Armstrong, under the care of Dr. Wamsley. This morning he reported the wound as serious, tho' not necessarily fatal, the ball having coursed outside instead of inside, as was at first supposed, and lodging in the fleshy part of the upper part of the thigh. The wound is a particularly painful one.

FAILURE OF HARRIS BROS.

The well-known firm of Harris Bros. of Helena, clothing dealers made an assignment on the 14th for the benefit of their creditors, with liabilities estimated at \$60,000. The firm made the bulk of its purchases in New York. Harris Brothers formerly had a house in Butte and others in Great Falls and Spokane. The Spokane house was burned out, causing a loss of about \$9,000 above the insurance. Assignee Morris thinks the stock on hand and book accounts will cover the liabilities. The largest claim against the house in Helena for \$15,000, held by the Montana National bank. Pressure from creditors in New York and failing to realize rapidly on the stock are said to be the principle causes of their failure. Bathsheba Harris, the mother of Ben Harris and Meyer Harris makes the deed of assignment.

BURD'S CASH STORE

On hand with a new Stock of Goods bought of Manufacturers for Cash.

Articles of merit for the lowest prices for cash.

Candee OVERSHOES

Tarbox, Schliek & Co., ROOTS and SHOES

Lindekes, Warner & Schurmeier OVERSHIRTS, OVERALLS and UNDERWEAR.

Laupher, Finch and Skinner: HATS, CAPS, GLOVES, FUR COATS

No Penitentiary Goods,
No Auction Goods,
No Old Goods.

Burd's CASH Store.

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