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Special Correspondence.

WILLOW CREEK, Feb. 15, 1892.—
A great writer has said: "Architecture is frozen music" and it may be added, like music, it soothes, inspires, exalts and irritates as our natures interpret it.

We look around and see upon all sides Nature's examples; towering mountains rent with deep canyons, through which sparkling streams wind their way to the valleys below. Their force is spent in clothing and making glad the smiling landscape with a constant renewal of life and productiveness. Meadows clothed with verdure, all forcible and speaking educators of the students of Art. Here we find building material of every variety, lime, sand and clay, grain better adapted to withstand our climatic changes than any we can import; with undisputable evidences of the existence of slate and fire clay—in fact, all the material now used in buildings. It is true, many of these resources are as yet undeveloped, yet one can speak from personal knowledge that they exist in our midst.

The first building of any importance erected in the Willow Creek valley, (9 miles from Blackfoot station, and 2½ from Durham, on the line of the Great Northern) are the two government school buildings, one a common and the other for a boarding school. The former is an imposing two story structure and contains on the first floor, two school rooms, one sitting room and two sleeping rooms, with the usual adjuncts and conveniences found in all first-class school houses. Upon the second floor are to be found two large sleeping rooms for boys, and one room for general exercise. The building proper is 28x50 feet with twelve foot ceilings. The boarding school building is also two stories. The dining room, which is on the first floor, is 30x50 feet, and the kitchen 24x24. On the second floor are three large sleeping rooms for girls, and eight smaller rooms for the use of the superintendent, teachers, etc. These two buildings are built of pine lumber and, though plain in outline, present a pleasing appearance. When the undeveloped condition of the country is taken into consideration, too much credit cannot be given to the promoters of the enterprise, and from an architectural point of view, Mr. Senejeur, of Fort Benton, has left a monument as a witness to his skill and ingenuity.

Under the supervision of Supt. Robinson and Miss Cora Ross, school commenced at the new school house on Wednesday, the 14th inst. At present there only 25 boys and 15 girls in attendance, but this number is shortly to be doubled.

Two Medicine, Willow and Cut Bank creeks and the Milk River country are being thickly settled,

the principal settlers being Indians and half breeds, whose pale-faced brethren can only look on with amazement at their rapid strides toward self support.

Two young pale-face "dear hunters" with anxious faces and palpitating hearts, are busily engaged in manufacturing pretty symbols of devotion in sufficient quantities to stock a New York store. Don't get discouraged, young gentlemen, the game is worth the ammunition, and should you fail altogether, you will recover your appetite for dried meat and pemmican. Before another year rolls around you'll wish you had kicked yourself across the reservation, before laying bare the secrets of your heart to the "fair, but fickle, loved and lost," Miss—

"Mormon Chris" is a firm believer in ghosts, but he will not allow them to interfere with his enjoyment of life. The ghost at his favorite residence, Birch Creek Lakes, was thought as much of as were it a heirloom. It was dignified enough to be the shade of a departed cavalier of the reign of Nero. More anon.

SYNTAX.

What Paris Gibson Says.

[Great Falls Leader.]

Said Paris Gibson a few days ago: "Everything indicates a prosperous season this year notwithstanding the presidential election. The Great Northern road is being pushed on rapidly to the coast and will come very near being completed this year. The Burlington & Missouri will be finished to Great Falls this year or early next summer. I think the prospects for the Neihart and Castle road being built are good. The Castle road is needed by us and I believe it will be pushed through. There is some talk of the Great Falls & Canada road building a line to Augusta. It will open up a good traffic for this road and the passenger traffic will bring them a good business. Their road will have a good passenger traffic anyway as soon as their passenger cars are running regularly. I think a road will be built soon from Great Falls to Choteau and that part of the country. The traffic of this section is worth looking after either by the C. F. & C. or the Great Northern. The prospects for the capital being placed here are in my opinion good. Great Falls will be connected soon by railroads with all Eastern Montana, with Missoula and Western Montana, and it has a good line to Butte. Besides, the northern half of the state is settling up fast. There will be a great population north of the Missouri river in a few years."

The following land patents have been issued to residents of Choteau county: James W. Fryer, 160; Squire C. Chezum, 160; Jonathan D. Carney, 160; August Kropp, 160; James R. Hibbs, 168.81; John Henry, 190; David Heaney, 160; Daniel McGowan, 158.30; Finlay H. Tower, 160; Phil. H. Summers, 159.91; Fred. L. Smith, 160; John F. Simero, 127.31; John Joiner, 160; James J. Brown, 160; Ulysses G. Allen, 160; W. H. Gallagher, 160.

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