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## THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

The Columbia Falls depot is completed. It is the handsomest one on the Great Northern.

Montana has been voted \$15,000 by the United States Senate for the establishment of a fish hatchery.

Great Falls Wife: "This is a pretty sort of life you are leading."

Husband: "Do shut up."

Wife: Why, the day before yesterday you didn't come home until yesterday, yesterday you came home to-day, and to-day, if I hadn't come to fetch you, you wouldn't have come home till tomorrow."

The code commission expunged the estray law from the statutes.

James Main, aged 18 years, met his death in the Rocky Fork coal mine last Thursday. His head was crushed while he was coupling cars.

The Helena artesian well is now down 940 feet. but the contractors are not able to bore very fast, owing to the hardness of the ground. Veins of water are being struck, and the outlook is good for a heavy artesian flow.

Missoula is to have a free delivery system of mail.

Mrs. Martha J. Van Camp died of heart disease at her home in Dillon on the 27th ult. Mrs. Van Camp came with her husband and family to Montana in 1864.

The Mountain View Spur at Butte is nearly completed, and most of the laborers have been discharged.

Calvin C. Devois bled to death at 5 o'clock Friday morning from the effects of a bursting tumor at the Exchange hotel on Lower Main street, Butte. Mr. Devois was one of the old timers of Butte and for a number of years was employed as amalgamator at the old Dexter mill.

John Coburn of Antelope creek, Fergus county, was shot Tuesday night of last week by Mrs. Drake and died some hours later from his injuries. Coburn had on different occasions insulted the lady by making improper proposals and advances and had been warned to keep off Mr. Drake's premises. Tuesday night Coburn went to the house and rapped on the door. Mrs. Drake told him he had better go away, and as he came in the door she leveled a rifle at him. He retreated to the outside, forced his way in again and she immediately fired, the ball taking him in the left side somewhat below the

breast. He died in a few hours afterward. Mrs. Drake is a niece of Fred Warren, the largest wool grower in the vicinity.

The jury in the Barnum case, at Helena, returned a verdict last Friday of not guilty. Mrs. Barnum was postmistress at Mann, Cascade, county, and was arrested last fall, together with her husband and sons, on complaint of Postoffice Inspector Sackett, charging her with robbing the United State mails, the others being charged as accomplices.

## Modern Proverbs.

A million dollars won't make a man happy, but most of us would like to try it.

Policy wins more friends than honesty.

Truth goes a long way, but it doesn't always get there.

Every whine adds a wrinkle.

Marrying for money is no worse than marrying for poverty.

Knowledge is power, but not to the very young.

Earning makes a man happy; saving makes him wise.

When some people get outside of themselves they are lost.

Contentment stiffens the joints of progress.

Rest is a theory, not a condition.  
--Detroit Free Press.

## A Warning to Democrats.

From the New York World. (Dem.)

Are the democrats of the house of representatives mad? Or have they submitted themselves to the control of political imbeciles?

Upon no theory of sanity and sense can their recent course be explained.

For days in succession, with a majority of 150, they permitted their quorum to be broken by a horse race. As though the faithlessness and inattention to duty were not bad enough they reassembled in force only to enter upon a carnival of extravagance.

It is time for a halt.

The men who are making this record are betraying and in danger of destroying their party.

We tell these heedless hot heads plainly that if this country is to have a succession of billion dollar congresses they should be and they will be republican.

The democrats of the union have no use for a congress that will imitate and even exceed the extravagance which it was elected to reform.

We tell them further that if they

do not halt and retrace their steps they will be almost certain to throw the next presidency into the waiting laps of the jeering and exultant republicans.

Do they not see, or do they not care, that they are passing bills one day to reduce taxes and revenues and passing bills the next day to pile up expenditures, while a republican deficit is already impending?

Do they not perceive that the issue of a deficiency, if raised by a party of economy, will be more effective in the presidential campaign than even the worse-than-war tariff of the war-in-peace force bill?

How can the democrats raise this issue if their house out-squanders the squanderers—if, instead of cutting down the appropriations \$100,000,000 as they promised, they increase them \$50,000,000—passing the half-billion high water mark at the first session?

If there be not an instant halt and a complete about face in the house, the Chicago convention may as well not meet.

## TEN MEN KILLED.

"Cave in" in the Anaconda at Butte.

Last Saturday the Anaconda mine was the scene of the most appalling accident resulting in loss of human life greater than in all the long chapter of mining disasters of Butte. It was a cave-in and occurred about 3 o'clock on the 800-foot level, fourth floor. Fourteen men were at work on the floor at the time. Of this number only four were taken out alive and all of them were badly hurt.

The following is a list of the dead and entombed, who are supposed to be dead: William Dyland, Tim C. Murphy, Quinn Leary, Jerry N. Harrington, Seward Stewart, Dan Sheehan, John Nordstrom, John Smith, John D. Sullivan, Frank Aggaza, John Davis. Injured: Mike Laughren, James Breen, P. J. Murphy, Robert Works.

Two dead bodies have thus far been removed, but the rescuers work will not be finished before tomorrow morning, as they are confronted with an entire wall of ore rock and earth, completely filling the level.

It has been announced that England will accept the invitation of the United States to take part in an international conference to discuss the silver question.