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HONORABLE FREDERICK BILLINGS.
Billings Corporations and Societies.

**Minnesota and Montana Land and Improvement Company**—Herman Clark, president; E. G. Woolfolk, vice-president; Geo. B. Hulme, secretary-treasurer.

**Billings Street Railway Company**—Perry W. McAdow, president; Geo. B. Hulme, treasurer; Alex. Devine, secretary.

**Bull Mountain Coal Company**—Geo. B. Hulme, president; Alex. Devine, secretary; F. M. French, manager.

**Artesian Well Company**—John R. King, president; Geo. B. Hulme, vice-president; Herman H. Mund, treasurer; B. F. Shuart, secretary.

**Billings Library Association**—C. W. Horr, president; Geo. B. Hulme, vice-president; F. B. Olmstead, secretary; E. B. Camp, treasurer; L. Whitney, Dr. Saxton, and B. F. Shuart, trustees.

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**St. Luke's Guild of the Episcopal Church**—Mrs. Geo. E. Breakenridge, president; Mrs. B. B. Kelley, vice-president; Mrs. J. D. Matheson, treasurer; Mrs. J. W. Martin, secretary.

**Montana Lumber Company**—W. E. Edwards, president; J. R. Hathaway, vice-president; C. A. Wustum, secretary.

**Billings Board of Trade**—Herman H. Mund, president; George B. Hulme, vice-president; C. H. Thompson, treasurer; P. L. VanCleve, recording secretary; J. D. Matheson, corresponding secretary.

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**Congregational Church**—Rev. B. F. Shuart, pastor, 27th st and 4th ave N.

**Episcopal Church**—Rev. Wm. Horsfall, pastor, Whitney's Hall.
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Sheriff—James Ferguson.
County Clerk and Recorder—H. H. Bole.
Treasurer—J. Breuchaud.
Probate Judge—John McGinness.
County Commissioners—E. S. Tutt, Wm. B. Webb, F. W. Lee.
Assessor—Robert Peters.
Coroner—Dr. A. J. Huiog.
Surveyor—G. T. Lamport.
Superintendent of Schools—J. E. Hendry.
Deputy Clerk of District Court—John M. Tinkler.

Representatives in the Legislature—P. W. McAdow, Billings; Sidney Erwin, Billings.
Councilman—Chas. G. Cox, Miles City.

TOWN OF BILLINGS.

Justices of the Peace—J. D. Matheson, Fred. Sweetman.
Deputy-Sheriff and Constable—Thomas Wheeler.
Constable—J. H. Bloom.
U. S. Land Officer—John M. Tinkler.

Territorial Officers.

Governor—Jno. Schuyler Crosby, Helena.
Secretary—J. D. McCutcheon, Helena.
Delegate to Congress—Martin Maginnis, Helena.
Auditor—J. P. Woolman, Helena.
Treasurer—D. H. Weston, Helena.
Superintendent of Public Instruction—Cornelius Hedges, Helena.
Attorney-General—J. A. Johnston, Helena.
2nd “ — W. Y. Pemberton, Butte.

Chief Justice—D. S. Wade, Helena.
Associate Justice—W. J. Galbraith, Deer Lodge.
U. S. Marshal—Alex. C. Botkin, Helena.
Surveyor-General—John S. Harris, Helena.
Clerk 1st District Court—Theo. Mully, Virginia City.
2nd “—R. L. Davis, Deer Lodge.
3rd “—A. H. Beattie, Helena.
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Customs—Wm. H. Hunt, Benton.
Register of U. S. Land Office, at Helena—Francis Adkinson.
Receiver “—E. Ballow.
Register “ at Bozeman—David Willson.
Receiver “—J. T. Carlin.
Register “ at Miles City—E. A. Kreidler.
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INTRODUCTORY.

It is not the intention of the compilers of this directory to enter into a lengthy history of the Yellowstone valley from the period of its first exploration by white men down to the present date. The story of the eventful years which followed Lewis and Clark’s expedition in 1805, down to the advent of the Northern Pacific railroad in 1881, must be chronicled by an abler pen, and a mind better informed on the subject in hand. Such, indeed, is not the province of a book which refers mainly to Billings—a town whose history is told in the recital of a year’s record. We wish merely to recite such facts as refer to the actual existence of the town of which this is a directory—its past record, its present condition and its future prospects. The object of the book is to act, not only as a city directory, but as a guide to those who desire information in regard to this town and country, and the compilers have sedulously endeavored to make it useful and helpful for the purposes it is intended to fill.
YELLOWSTONE CANYON.
BILLINGS,

YELLOWSTONE COUNTY, MONTANA.

SITUATION.

Billings is situated on the north bank of the Yellowstone river, at a point on the Northern Pacific railroad 915 miles west of St. Paul, and about midway between that city and the terminus of the road at Puget Sound. It is also the end of the Yellowstone division of the railway, and the beginning of the Montana division. The town is located upon a gently sloping plain at the eastern extremity of that most beautiful of Montana valleys—the Clark's Fork bottom. North of the town a line of rugged cliffs, the bank of a once wider Yellowstone, divides the bottom lands along the river from a higher plateau.

Opposite and south of the town the river skirts a system of precipitous bluffs, which, at all times grandly beautiful, are, when illumined by the setting sun, a picture unequalled in nature for grandeur of form and delicacy of color. Westward the view is bounded by the perpetually snow-capped peaks of the Rocky Mountains, seeming, in the pure, clear air, less than twenty-five miles away, but really removed four times that distance.
LOCATION.

The town is located on section 33, township 1 north, and section 3, township 1 south, range 26 east, in north latitude 45 degrees 45 minutes, longitude west of Washington 31 degrees, and west of Greenwich 108 degrees 30 seconds. It is elevated above the sea-level 3,112 feet.

With reference to other towns of importance, Billings is distant from Miles City 146 miles, from Livingston 115 miles, and from Benton 200 miles—far enough removed from any of them to obviate any chance of a rival trade centre. Billings is the county seat and geographical centre of Yellowstone county, and the commercial depot for a vast extent of surrounding country, whose resources and peculiar features will be discussed elsewhere.
THE PAST HISTORY OF BILLINGS.

Near the site of the present city of Billings, and now comprised within one of its additions, there existed some years ago and still exists and flourishes, a village called Coulson. It was a stage station and steamboat landing, and in the earlier days of its history consisted only of a few inferior buildings clustering around a store owned by P. A. McAdow, one of the present representatives of this county in the territorial legislature. It came into existence and flourished because the travel along the valley and the few settlers in the vicinity of Coulson demanded such a trading point, and without the aid of the inspiring railroad it would eventually have grown into a pretentious town, as did the earlier founded Bozeman. During the winter of 1881-82 the approach of the Northern Pacific construction force infused Coulson with new life and spirit, and experienced minds began to recognize that at that place, or in that vicinity, was destined to grow up a prosperous town, to supply the demands of the developing adjacent country. The surveys made it apparent that the terminus of a railroad division would be at or near the point, bringing railroad workshops, round-houses, and a community of laboring men. Far-seeing eyes noted these facts and shrewd minds acted upon them. In March, 1883, a number of capitalists associated themselves under the name of the Minnesota and Montana Land and Improvement Company, purchased of the railroad officials a considerable amount of land in the Clark's Fork bottom, and upon 840 acres thereof adjoining Coulson, began to survey and lay off a town-site. It was called Billings by the consent and in honor of Frederick Billings, formerly and for many years president of the Northern Pacific railroad, and still one of its heaviest stockholders. The many excellent
qualities of heart and mind for which this philanthropic gentleman is justly celebrated make the name an honorable symbol, and one in which the town's inhabitants feel a respectful pride.

At the time the survey of the town-site began there was not a habitation of any kind within its limits. Late in the month of April the railroad company erected a commodious building for the accommodation of the engineers of construction, and about the same time the town-site company opened a stock of merchandise in a building erected for the purpose. On the first day of May, 1882, these two buildings and the residence of F. B. Kennard comprised the town of Billings. But meantime the fame of the new town on the banks of the Yellowstone had gone abroad and the tide of emigration began to tend thitherward. From every direction the people came and entered upon such business or labor as had brought them here. The end of the advancing railroad track was then one hundred miles eastward, and all goods and much material for building was freighted in wagons thence to destination. In those early days of the town's history labor and material for the erection of buildings were, compared with the demand, very scarce, and as a consequence tents came into requisition. But this was only temporary. The majority of those who came, recognizing the desirability of the location, intended to remain, and as soon as practicable the tents which the exigencies of the time and situation made necessary, rapidly gave place to more substantial structures, till now none remain except a few in use in sheds or outhouses. From the first the town assumed an air of permanency and thrift, and its architectural standard has advanced with its age until now we have a class of residence and business buildings, both of brick and of wood, that would compare favorably with those of most eastern towns of like age, and many times the size of Billings.

During the first months of the town's existence so rapid was her growth and so quickly was the vacant place transformed into the busy rendezvous of a large population that Billings became generally known by the apt sobriquet of "Magic City," as best describing a leap into active existence, like that which might result from a wave of the conjurer's wand. In the month of October of last year, less than six months from the foundation of the town, there were within its limits over three hundred buildings actually occupied for residence and city purposes, and since that time the number has so largely increased that it may be safely stated at nearly five hundred of the same class. This is exclusive of the old town of Coulson, which is now included in an addition to the town-site of Billings. In view of so remarkable a development in the short space of one
year, it is needless to say that the town has been uniformly prosperous. Our merchants have engaged and still experience a large and constant flow of trade, while mechanics and laborers have found no difficulty in obtaining employment at highly remunerative prices.

On the twenty-second day of August, 1882, the first railroad train crossed the bridge near town and came within the limits of Billings, and before the day's work was done the end of the advancing track was far up the valley. Billings was therefore never the railroad terminal point, and never enjoyed any of the temporary benefits that belong to that condition. The railroad assisted the growth of this town in that its construction brought about a sudden development of this portion of Montana. Without the railroad a town must have grown up at this point, because the certain development of the country of which Billings is the centre demanded such a growth, and would eventually have produced it. As the causes which have brought Billings into existence are permanent and augmentative in their character, so will the town continue to prosper.
PRESENT CONDITION.

POPULATION.

The population of Billings is composed in part of men who have spent many years in the west and have profited thereby, and in part of young men from the Eastern States who have come to push their fortunes in Montana. Most of the town's first settlers brought with them capital for investment, and all brought a stock of brains, experience and energy, which have enabled them, with few exceptions, to better their condition by locating here. This town never possessed any permanent attractions for the migratory class of western population who are ever in search of some fresh excitement, particularly that which contains the element of lawlessness. The majority of our population were of such character and spirit as would not permit persistent and general violations of social and moral law, and at an early period of the town's existence made this so clearly apparent that such desperate characters as had alighted here took their leave, and those who remained readily conformed themselves to the social condition around them. Offenders against law and order have received punishment according to their deserts, and Billings has earned a reputation as a peaceful and law-abiding community. If the "MAGIC CITY"

could ever justly have been called a frontier town, with all that the description implies, the name is no longer applicable. The population is of a class possessing a high degree of refinement; composed largely of ladies,
Congregational Church—Cost, $10,000.

Presented to the Congregational Society by Hon. Frederick Billings.
living in comfortable, even elegant homes, and enjoying most of the social advantages incident to eastern life. In this regard the town's condition is most gratifying to those who have made it their home, and Billings is pronounced by both residents and visitors as "a good place to live in."

CHURCHES.

Since the town's first organization a church society of the Congregational denomination have held regular services, presided over by a resident clergyman. To this body the Honorable Frederick Billings donated the sum of $10,000 for the erection of a church building. This splendid brick structure is now within a few weeks of completion. It will be the largest and handsomest church in the territory, and would reflect no discredit upon any city. It is a monument to the magnificent philanthropy of its donor, and an emblem of his good-will and regard for the town endowed with his name. An Episcopal society also holds regular services, and is preparing to erect a church building during the present year; and a Methodist church organization is in course of formation.

Billings has always maintained an efficient common school, though owing to lack of a suitable school building educational facilities have not yet reached a standard commensurate with the town's size and demands. This will be remedied during the coming summer, however, as a commodious and costly high school building is to be erected, and thereafter Billings will take a front rank in the maintenance of educational institutions.

SOCIETIES.

The town-site company has been most liberal in its encouragement to religious and social organizations, having set apart desirable lots for the use of any such societies as wish to erect buildings. There are several secular societies in active existence. Among them a Literary Society, a Library Association, a Young Men's Social Club, a Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal Church, a Ladies' Society of the Congregational Church, and Masonic and Odd Fellows' Lodges in formation. A Board of Trade, composed of the leading business men, has a careful oversight of the public welfare, and is doing excellent work in promoting the town's commercial interests, as well as assisting and encouraging internal improvements and plans for the common good.
PAPERS.

Two well-conducted and widely-circulated newspapers—the Post and the Herald, have been published since the foundation of Billings; and on the first of April, in the present year, the Daily Herald made its appearance and continues to flourish, meeting with a large circulation and universal patronage.

STREET CARS.

The necessity for a street railway became apparent before the town was many months old, and a company, taking the matter in hand, the grade along the principal streets was completed last fall, but owing to the delay in getting material, and the advancing season, the iron was not laid until this spring. While this is being written the work is going actively forward, and before it reaches the reader the Billings' Street Railway will be in operation with cars connecting the residence and business portions of the town.

ARTESIAN WELL COMPANY.

An Artesian Well Company, lately incorporated, is about to begin operations to supply Billings with an abundant supply of living water, a work which, it is argued from the geological formation of the country, will be easily accomplished. The town has hitherto been supplied with water from the Yellowstone river, which, though of excellent quality, is obtained at some inconvenience. The Board of Trade has constructed wells in the thickly populated districts for the supply of water for the purposes of protection from fire.

RAILROAD SHOPS.

At Billings the Northern Pacific Railway Company has erected the usual divisional buildings, comprising a round-house, machine-shops, office-buildings, boarding-houses, etc. A large and handsome freight depot, a well-appointed passenger depot and hotel, an express office and several smaller buildings belonging to the company occupy positions near the business centre of the town. There will also be erected in a few weeks a much larger and more elegant depot and dining-room, its foundation being already completed.
STOCK YARDS.

The Northern Pacific stock-yards at Billings are most extensive along the line of the road, as this station is the largest stock-shipping point in Montana. In the short period that elapsed between the completion of the road to this place and the close of the season there were shipped from these yards over 800 car loads, or upwards of 15,000 head of beef cattle—beside a great number of sheep. The shipments during the coming summer will be very far in excess of that number, owing to the longer season, the increase of marketable cattle on the ranges, and the greater extent of country which now recognizes Billings as its shipping point. Several car loads of sheep have already, this spring, been shipped for market from these yards.

BUSINESS HOUSES.

Beside the buildings mentioned many noble mercantile establishments grace our business thoroughfares—buildings conspicuous alike for their size and architectural beauty and for the immense stocks of goods contained therein. The brick-making industry, which is extensively prosecuted in yards on the outskirts of town, has allowed of the construction of several handsome blocks from the material; and before the summer has passed a number more of the same class will have been erected.

HOTELS.

Billings is justly celebrated among western towns for the excellence of its hotels. Four first-class places of entertainment have given the town the reputation of being a "haven of rest" for Northern Pacific travelers.

COMMERCIAL CENTER.

Billings is the commercial centre for an immense and constantly widening circle of surrounding country. Her trade extends northward to a distance of 150 miles; southward into northern Wyoming, 225 miles away; and east and west along the line of railway to points separated, at least 150 miles. Beside this her merchants have established branch stores at Livingston and other smaller towns, thus carrying the business of the parent establishments in other tributary regions. This extensive trade is
both wholesale and retail, though much of the so-called retail trade is wholesale in quantity, as it goes to supply ranch-men and stock-owners who, from their distance, can visit town but infrequently, and therefore must, of necessity, buy in large quantities. But a large wholesale trade is conducted with towns along the line of railroad, and with trading stations scattered at intervals throughout the vast region tributary to Billings. A slight idea of this volume of commerce may be obtained from the records of the railroad company for the month of March past. During that month alone it appears that Billings' merchants received 792,000 pounds of freight, and in the same period shipped 400,000 pounds. This was before the spring trade had opened, and during a time when merchants complained of comparatively light sales.

The amount of goods shipped, as given above, consisted almost entirely of sales to dealers at the smaller railroad towns, and conveys no notion of the volume of retail trade, or of the goods sold for points away from stations reached by mail. The business done by the express company at Billings averages over $4,000 per month, and by the railroad company, in the sale of tickets, about the same sum.

For a much greater extent of country than that reached by its full commerce, Billings is the shipping point, as being the nearest railway station. The herds of cattle and sheep grown on the ranges around Benton, on the Judith, on the Musselshell, in the Bull Mountain district, along the Yellowstone and southward, on the Stinking Water and Big Horn ranges of Wyoming, are all driven to the stockyards at Billings, and thence shipped to eastern markets. The time is fast approaching when they will all be slaughtered at this point, and sent forward as dressed beef and mutton in refrigerator cars. The experiment has been tried and proved eminently successful, and ice is now stored at Billings preparatory to carrying on an extensive slaughtering business during the coming fall. Elsewhere will be found more detailed reference to this question. Beside being the principal cattle depot of the territory, almost the entire Montana wool-clip will, in future, be shipped from Billings. Though the shearing season had been months past when the railroad reached this point last year, there were shipped even at that late date nearly 500,000 pounds of wool; and this year the amount will be increased beyond estimation.

MINES.

The bullion produced at the Maginnis and Parker mining districts comes here for shipment. The first consignment of bullion—90,000
pounds—that ever went over the Northern Pacific road, came from the latter district, was freighted to Billings and thence shipped eastward in January last. The construction of the branch railroad from Billings to Benton, the final surveys for which are now being made, will have a tendency to increase operations in these mines as well as develop all the other country along the line. Southwest from Billings, about 85 miles, are the Clark’s Fork mines, now attracting more attention than any new mining region in the west; and for extent and richness undoubtedly best deserving attention. This town has hitherto derived little benefit from the trade of that region, though much nearer than any other considerable town; the reason being the non-existence of a natural wagon road along the line between the two points. This difficulty will exist but little longer, as surveys are now being made for the construction of a wagon route from Billings up the valley of the Clark’s Fork to the mining district, and by the time developments in those mines are fully under way Billings will be in position to receive the trade of that region. A mail route has been authorized from here to Cook City. The Clark’s Fork mining town and service will be established in a few weeks. About the same time service will be ordered on a mail route from Billings to Franc, Wyoming, in the stock-growing and agricultural region of the Stinking river basin. A line of Concord stages makes tri-weekly trips between Billings and Benton, on the Missouri river, 200 miles northward. The constantly increasing travel over this line makes better service an early necessity; and about July 1 of this year daily stages and a daily mail will connect the two towns.

POPULATION.

The present population of Billings is arrived at through careful estimates, made while compiling the directorial portion of this work, is between 1,500 and 2,000, and will approach nearest the latter figure. It is a community of law-abiding, hard-working, energetic people, few of whom are drones in the hive of industry.

These are a few of the features of this town of Billings—the “Magic City,” which one year ago presented nothing but a carpet of verdure spread over a vacant plain. It has grown and prospered with a rapidity and vigor that is more remarkable than the mushroom growth and ephemeral existence of a mining camp. From nothing but the mere town-site, twelve months have seen the growth of a noble town, well worthy of the name of city. It is an instance of western development more remarkable than anything on record. The causes that produced this remarkable
growth are still in progress. Billings came into existence in obedience to the demands of the surrounding country, and as the development of this country and its resources is yet but in its infancy, so the town in comparison with its future is but in embryo. It would be as impossible to retard the growth of this town of Billings as to prevent the settlement and utilization of Montana.
YELLOWSTONE COUNTY.

The county bearing the name of the famous, almost classic, Yellowstone river was organized but a few weeks ago. A great part of its area, including the town of Billings and the prosperous settlement adjoining, was formerly comprised with all the mammoth county of Custer, with the county seat—Miles City—from 100 to 175 miles away. The inconvenience and expense incident to the transaction of judicial and official business at such a distance from their homes made the erection of a new county an apparent necessity to the people of Billings and vicinity. They, therefore, applied by their representative to the territorial legislature, and on the 23d of March last their request was granted, and the bill for the establishment of Yellowstone county, with Billings as its county seat, became a law. Her election of county officers was held a little later. The county starts its new career with small debt—a proportion of the liabilities of Custer county—with a careful and diligent official corps, and under the most favorable auspices in every respect.

Yellowstone county stretches westward from the mouth of the Big Horn river, along the Yellowstone river to a distance of 110 miles, and from the Yellowstone river northward to the boundary of Meagher county, a distance of over fifty miles. It thus comprises an area of nearly 6,000 square miles—almost equal in size to the State of Massachusetts, and greater than Connecticut and Rhode Island combined. Not one acre of its surface is barren or unproductive. The Musselshell valley in the north of the county, and that of Yellowstone in the south, form two parallel belts of agricultural fertility. Between the two rivers lie the Yellowstone and Musselshell sheep and cattle ranges, universally acknowledged to be
the best in the territory. The Clark's Fork bottom—a beautiful agricultural valley—is entirely within the boundaries of Yellowstone county, as are the vast coal fields of the Bull mountains.

Billings, the county seat, is situated midway along the length of the county. Junction City, near the eastern boundary of the county, and opposite the mouth of the Big Horn river is a lively village of about 150 inhabitants. It is a freighting point for goods consigned to Fort Custer and McKinney on the south, and Assiniboine on the north.

Park City, a village of about the same size, is 23 miles west of Billings. It was settled in the spring of 1882 by a party from Wisconsin, commonly called the "Ripon colony." Huntley, Canyon, Stillwater and Merrill are other trading points within the county, situated along the Yellowstone valley. They are all yet in their infancy, but are destined to grow and prosper with the development of the country surrounding them. Separated from Yellowstone county by the river of the same name lies a portion of the great Crow reservation—a region rich in gold, silver and coal, and possessing fine agricultural and grazing lands. That portion of the reservation west of the Big Horn river will be retroceded and opened for settlement within the next two years. It will then be incorporated with Yellowstone county, and will go to swell the extent and resources of this banner county of Montana.
CLIMATE.

Eastern Montana is no longer regarded as a bleak and sterile region unfit for the habitation of civilized man both by reason of an unprofitable soil and a vigorous climate. That idea, like many another western myth, has vanished before actual observation and report. But the true beauties of the climate of this great region are yet to a great extent unknown or unappreciated by the outside world. It is now clearly demonstrated by years of experience that no situation in the Northern Zone possesses so genial and healthful climate as does the valley of the Upper Yellowstone. To the climate at Billings and in the adjacent Clark's Fork bottom this assertion applies with peculiar force. Owing to our altitude—3,200 feet above sea-level—and our proximity to the great Rocky Mountains, the air is pure and invigorating to such a degree as to be not merely healthy, but a tonic in itself. It causes the blood to circulate with a swifter movement, the nerves to feel more tightly strung, the lungs to expand and the whole being to experience a species of stimulated life. Many instances might be cited of patients who have come to this territory suffering almost to the last stage of existence with asthma, consumption or other pulmonary troubles, and being advised, discarded all medicine, and abandoned themselves to out-door exercise and, as strength permitted, to the life of a herder or prospector, and who are now robust, healthy inhabitants of this country, ready to vouch that this is the only good climate in the world.

Malarial diseases are a thing unknown in this climate and epidemics seem equally infrequent. As a Montana physician has written, "if you have no faith in the simple virtue of our high, dry air, come here and run wild."
During from four to six weeks in the months of May and June what is called a rainy season prevails in Montana. It consists of an alternation of mild, warm showers and sunshiny periods, but is much less disagreeable than the time of spring rains in the Eastern Middle States, as Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois. During this period vegetation grows rapidly and luxuriantly, ready, when the dry season comes, to cure on the ground and be cut as hay or remain to afford nutritious pasturage for stock throughout the winter.

From the close of this season of moisture throughout the year little rain falls, though short refreshing showers are not uncommon. The air remains free from moisture, and the weather is warm and delightful. The thin, dry, pure atmosphere never becomes sultry or oppressively hot, and a breeze from the snow-covered mountains generally reduces the temperature in the afternoons and renders the nights delightfully cool and comfortable. With a gradual but comparatively slight reduction of the average temperature this condition of things continues through the autumn months and during a great part of December. The period of severe winter weather is short and never consists of steady cold. During the past winter of 1882-3 the most vigorous period was from January 1 to February 15 and even that was repeatedly broken by balmy spring-like days. From the last mentioned day till April 1 the weather possessed every pleasant feature of spring-time. There was no snow, the mercury seldom indicated below the freezing point of water, repeatedly stood at 60 degrees above zero, and the average noon temperature for the entire six weeks would probably average 45 degrees above zero. The coldest registration noted at the signal office in Billings during the winter was 38°, and that on only one occasion. In periods of lower temperature, as in higher, the athennation and dryness of the atmosphere again modifies the condition of the weather and sets at naught the indications of the mercury. Thirty-eight degrees below zero is not more severe in feeling at this altitude than is zero weather in a more moist and oppressive atmosphere.

Farming operations were in progress in the Clark's Fork bottom during the second week in March and the ground has not frozen since that time. The month of April was less agreeable than its predecessor, with several transitory snow falls, but the weather was at no time cold and the snow melted as rapidly as it fell. Along this portion of the Yellowstone valley snow never lay on the ground during the winter to a greater depth than twelve inches, and the streets of Billings were not in condition for sleighing for more than one full week. Trains experienced no blockading snow in Montana at any time during the season. E. V. Smalley, writing in the
Century Magazine, says: "The weather in the valley of the Yellowstone is not more rude than in Maryland or Southern Ohio, with the great advantage of a dry, bracing atmosphere, instead of the cold rains and sloppy snow-falls which characterize the season in the middle latitude of the Atlantic coast and the Mississippi valley. The snow-fall is much less than in the belt of country along the Union Pacific railroad." Such snow-falls as visit this region are generally accompanied by an east wind and are in fact the mere outskirts of storms which have spent their fury over the prairie regions north and east of Montana. "Blizzards" or destructive and furious storms of any kind are unknown in Eastern Montana.

This light precipitation, whether of rain or snow, together with the uniformly mild climate and dry atmosphere of Montana, may be traced to two main causes. First, the "Japan current" of the North Pacific ocean; second, the modifying influences exercised by intervening mountain ranges, particularly the Cascade range, which lies nearest the Pacific coast. This Japan current leaves the tropical regions of South-eastern China, carries their heated waters in a broad stream northward along the east coast of Japan and thence crosses the Pacific in an almost direct line till near the American coast, where it turns a little southward and strikes the coast of Oregon. It then skirts the California coast and again turning westward mingles its waters with the torrid ocean whence it originated. This tropical current warms the climate of Alaska, British Columbia, Washington, Oregon and California, rendering their winters little more than a period of rain-fall consequent upon the condensation of the vapors which rise from the heated water. A current of air of varying velocity over sets landward from this broad ocean stream, bringing with it the warm breath of a southern climate. This wind, as it finds its way through the gaps in the mountain chains and blows over Montana, is called the "chinook," and is the chief cause of the mild climate which characterizes this territory. The moisture which it brings from the ocean is condensed and falls as rain or snow before it crosses the mountain peaks, and the "chinook" reaches us in winter as a balmy breeze from the tropics, before whose breath snow is as rapidly turned into water as under a July sun. It is felt all along the Yellowstone and Upper Missouri valleys, and the climate at Bismarck is much modified by its influence. At Billings, as elsewhere in Montana, a few days of severe cold are invariably followed by the balmy "chinook," which often blows gently for days at a time. Indeed the prevalent winds in this region are from the west, and always bring with them clear warm weather. From a meteorological point of view Billings is most fortunately placed, even in comparison with other sections of Montana, being well
removed from the influences of the Dakota prairie storms, and yet not occupying a mountain site where the higher altitudes and encircling peaks bring more severe cold and sudden storms. The records of the various signal offices throughout the territory reveal the fact that the country in the immediate vicinity of Billings enjoys a higher mean winter temperature than any portion of Montana east or west, with the possible exception of the Missoula valley, which is situated much as this section and possesses much the same climate.
TRIBUTARY COUNTRY.

From Billings westward along the Yellowstone to a distance of thirty-five miles lies the

CLARK'S FORK BOTTOM.

This beautiful valley, or bottom, is all alluvial deposit, formed, as may be supposed, by the action of a volume of water flowing out of the Clark's Fork, a large southern tributary of the Yellowstone, near the head of this bottom. It varies in width from four to seven miles, and including lateral valleys must comprise an area of at least 150,000 acres of fine farming land. The soil is a dark, sandy loam, free from stones, and very deep and strong. Close along the river bank, farming has been prosecuted by ranchmen for several years, and with the greatest success. Wheat, oats, corn, potatoes and the ordinary northern vegetables grow, yielding surprising harvests, wherever they are allowed sufficient moisture to carry them through the dry season. The Minnesota and Montana Land and Improvement Company have just completed a great irrigating canal, which, tapping the Yellowstone at the extreme western end of the bottom, skirts the bluff along its entire length, and terminates at a reservoir opposite Billings, whence the surplus water will be conducted through the town's streets, after the manner of Denver and Salt Lake City. This canal, or ditch, is thirty-eight miles in length, twenty-five feet wide and four feet deep, thus having sufficient capacity to convey water for the irrigation of every acre of land along the Clark's Fork bottom. In anticipation of the completion of this ditch, a greatly increased acreage has been tilled and cropped this spring, and
after the commencement of the dry season in July, will receive water from this artificial source. The conditions of climate and soil seem admirably adapted to the cultivation of fruit, in this valley, though the experiment has not yet been tried, beyond planting fruit trees and plants to a considerable extent during the past few weeks. The Missoula valley, in the extreme western portion of Montana, is the only section of the territory where quantities of fruit have been successfully and continuously grown. There apples, cherries, plums and all the smaller fruits and berries have been cultivated and grown during fifteen years past. In climatic peculiarities the Clark's Fork bottom is very nearly akin to the Missoula valley, and it is the opinion of careful and competent observers that as a fruit country the difference is in favor of the former.

The Clark's Fork bottom is destined in a few years to produce annually an immense addition to our agricultural wealth and to support a crowded population of thrifty farmers. Government lands, though being rapidly taken up, are yet obtainable in this valley, while railroad lands may still be secured at moderate prices and on easy terms. The

MUSSELSHELL

River, formed by the union of numerous streams from the Belt, the Crazy, and the Judith mountains, flows along a distance of 150 to 175 miles in an easterly direction and on a line almost parallel with the Yellowstone; then at a point commonly called the Big Bend, it makes a broad sweep and flows northerly through "Bad Lands" to join the Missouri. Its banks and those of its many small tributaries are thickly fringed with cottonwood timber, while the slopes to the higher table-lands are often covered with a thick growth of mountain pine. In 1860 an officer of the United States Army, Lieutenant John Mullins, who traveled with a company from Fort Benton to the mouth of the Yellowstone, wrote in his journal as follows: "The Musselshell is a beautiful, bold running stream, and heads in the highest range of the Judith mountains. The country over which we passed to-day was beautifully diversified. All the higher hills were covered with dense groves of yellow pine, extending in some instances down the slopes to the rolling country beyond, with now and then at intervals of two or three miles, clear streams of running water: The soil throughout this region is rich, and there is an excellent growth of grass. I think this neighborhood is admirably adapted for agricultural pursuits." The character thus obtained by the Musselshell valley from a casual observer so many years ago, deserves
no unfavorable modification in this day. But its valley until lately has attracted more attention as a cattle and sheep growing region than as an agricultural country. The chief excellence of the upper part of the course of the Musselshell, along a distance of about seventy-five miles east of Martinsdale, depends upon its peculiar adaptability for sheep raising. The river bottom is not very wide, but there is a considerable amount of land available for farming purposes. This part of the river's course is now chiefly occupied by sheep-owners, who utilize their ranches only for the production of hay and the construction of corrals. Grass grows in abundance, and though farming has as yet been prosecuted but to a limited extent, its success has been abundantly demonstrated. Where irrigation is necessary it can be supplied at slight expense, as the winding character of the stream's course and a steady fall allows of water being carried upon any farm. This region is rapidly filling up with settlers, preparing to engage more or less extensively in sheep-raising, and in a few years the Musselshell ranges will support immense herds of sheep, while the ranches along the river bottom will produce crops sufficient for the sustenance of the settlers, with perhaps a certain amount of grain to supplement the vast exports of mutton and wool.

Along the Musselshell from about Olden's post-office to the Big Bend, a distance of 75 miles, the character of the country somewhat changes. The valley is to some extent sheltered by encompassing mountains, and as a consequence the snow lies deeper on the ground and there is a heavier growth of bush. Throughout this district sheep-farming gives way to cattle-raising, and for that purpose it is unexcelled. It is as yet but sparsely stocked, but new range locations are constantly being made. Along this portion of the valley the bottom widens and being sheltered and well wooded, presents the most desirable locations for ranches. A great accession of settlers "squatted" upon land along the Musselshell during the last summer and autumn, though perhaps one-half of the available farming land is yet untaken. A force of surveyors are now engaged upon a survey along that valley, and the completion of their work will greatly facilitate the settler's work in securing land. Paris Gibson, of Benton, one of the most extensive wool growers in Montana, describes the Musselshell valley as the best sheep country he has ever seen, and as such it is now being rapidly stocked, both by men who have had long experience in the business, and by eastern investors who have been attracted here by the fame of the place and the industry.

South of the Musselshell about fifteen miles, and northeast from Billings about twenty-five miles, is the western extremity of the
BULL MOUNTAINS,

which thence stretch eastward to the Big Bend of the Musselshell, a distance of less than thirty-five miles. They are a comparatively low range, even the few higher peaks not rising to a greater altitude than twenty-five hundred feet above the surrounding country. Their higher slopes are clothed with a close growth of mountain pine, much of which is valuable as marketable timber. The lower ground is, for the most part, destitute of trees, but covered with a luxuriant growth of natural grasses, presenting excellent pasturage for large herds of cattle. It is doubtful if there is another stock-range in Montana that would support so many cattle in proportion to the acreage as would the slopes, foot-hills and valleys of the Bull Mountains. Between the higher ground and the Musselshell, from ten to fifteen miles distant, stretch numberless lateral valleys, alternating with low divides. Through these valleys, or coulees, as they are called, invariably winds a stream of pure water, often having for its source one or more living mountain springs. These sheltered and well watered valleys, though individually not very extensive, present, in the aggregate, a great area of the finest agricultural land. Neither ranchmen nor stock-growers have been slow to recognize the peculiar value of this Bull Mountain country for their various avocations. But a few months ago this region was a favorite resort for buffalo, antelope and deer, and even during last winter was a hunting ground for Billings sportsmen. Now this species of game is mostly driven forth by the incursions of settlers, who are cultivating the valleys and pasturing herds of cattle upon the ranges.

But what is now attracting to the Bull Mountain district the greatest attention, and what is destined in the near future to make it a busy and peculiarly wealthy region, is that close beneath and often upon its surface lie immense and practically inexhaustible fields of coal. It is lignite coal but of a quality superior to anything of the kind found along the whole transcontinental line of the Northern Pacific, with the exception of the deposits along the coast in Washington Territory. This carboniferous region seems to stretch westward from the Bull Mountains, as coal ledges have been discovered at several points along the Musselshell and its tributaries, particularly Painted Robe Creek. Through this coal bearing district, wherever the seams have been sunk down upon, the work has revealed most encouraging indications, and it is impossible to estimate the extent of the deposits. Thousands of acres of these coal lands have been claimed under the provision of the land laws, and filings are still being made as fresh discoveries appear. Wealthy individuals and corporations
are investing heavily in the purchase of such claims, in anticipation of the fast approaching time when the coal in these mines will be in demand, to supply the fuel consumption of all Montana, as this is the only important deposit in the northwest, with the exception noted. The Northern Pacific authorities have announced their intention of building a branch line from Billings to tap these mines during the present season, and at this writing surveys for its location are in progress. They need the coal to supply the central divisions of the road. Some of the mines are near the proposed course of the Billings and Benton branch, while others would be connected with that road by a spur line.

This Bull Mountain district will, in a few years, become one of the greatest coal producing regions of the continent, and from its proximity to Billings, and naturally tributary character, must necessarily enhance the prosperity of this town.

From the Musselshell northward to the Belt and Snowy Mountains, distant about fifty miles, stretches a level plain mostly adapted to pastoral pursuits, but occasionally varied with agricultural valleys, watered by some of the river's numerous small tributaries. At a point equi-distant (one hundred miles) from Billings and Benton the travelled route between the two towns passes through a natural pass or break in the mountains, called the

JUDITH GAP.

From this "Gap" the two arcs of a semicircular mountain system wend away northward till their widely separated extremities abut on the Missouri. The vast region enclosed within these encircling barriers is called the Judith Basin, watered by the Judith river. It is one of the finest agricultural valleys in the territory, and the higher "benches" surrounding it are especially adapted to sheep raising, and for that purpose are now extensively utilized. It is largely settled by New England people, and among the thrifty ranchmen, sheep-owners and stock-growers of Montana none are more prosperous than those of the Judith Basin. Though it is fast being settled there is yet a large quantity of vacant land in this fine region, which may be obtained under government provisions for settlement and cultivation. Billings is the shipping point for the wool, cattle and sheep produced in the Judith country, and the trading point for its inhabitants.

About forty miles northeast of the Judith Gap, in the heart of the Judith Mountains, is situated the village of Maiden, the center or "camp" of the Maginnis or Warm Springs
MINING DISTRICT,

which is now attracting more general attention from capitalists and practical miners than any other of the recently discovered mining regions of Montana. The first mines were located in this district in 1879, but attracted but comparatively small attention till 1882, when a period of genuine prosperity struck the camp, and seems destined to continue indefinitely. During last year work was principally confined to prospecting and the development of claims, but late in the autumn the Helena capitalists, who had bought the Montana mine, erected upon it a ten-stamp mill, which has since been in almost constant operation. A little later the Omaha Smelting Company purchased a controlling interest in the Collar mine, and are now hastening toward completion a twenty-stamp mill. A custom mill, for the benefit of small operators, is also to be erected in the district, and will greatly increase its prosperity, as affording private mine owners, who have not the capital to erect their own reduction works, an opportunity to obtain the profits of their respective mines. The mineral bearing region in and about the Maginnis district covers a great area, and wherever mining developments have been carried forward the leads have shown an increased extent and richness as they were sunk down upon. The greater part of the ore in this district is free-milling quartz, carrying both gold and silver, but there are also some galena leads of extraordinary richness. A smelter should, and probably soon will, be erected for the reduction of this latter ore. Copper also exists in abundance, but in the presence of the more precious metals little attention is given to these baser leads. The Maginnis mines have evidently before them a brilliant future, and it is difficult to determine the effect of discoveries that may yet be made in this but imperfectly developed region.

The southwestern boundary of the Judith Basin is formed by the Belt range of mountains, in which are situated the Montana, Yogo and Barker Silver Mining districts. Beside the location of claims little development has been prosecuted in any of these districts except the last named—the Barker. The ore of these mines is galena, and somewhat refractory, but rich enough to make its reduction a most profitable enterprise. One extensive smelter and one of smaller capacity are in operation in the district, and others are contemplated. Hughesville and Clendenia are two prosperous Barker camps. The Montana and Yogo districts, not far distant from the Barker, are yet undeveloped, but are reported to present indications of future celebrity and prosperity superior to those of the neighboring district. The first shipment of bullion over the Northern Pacific
road came from Barker, and was shipped from Billings, which is the shipping station, and to a great and increasing extent the supply depot for all the mineral belt, including the Maginnis district.

Stretching over 150 miles along the southern bank of the Yellowstone river and thence southward to the Wyoming line, an average distance of about 70 miles, lies the great

CROW RESERVATION.

Its total area is not less than 6,000,000 acres. No district of equal extent in Montana is worthy of comparison with this great Indian reservation. It is a magnificent country, rich in mineral wealth, abounding with game, comprising excellent cattle ranges, and a large portion of its area is fertile and easily reclaimable farming land. It is now devoted to the use of less than three thousand Indians, who utilize it mainly as a camping ground and as pasturage for their ponies. It is watered by numerous streams, great and small, having their rise in the mountains of Wyoming and thence flowing northward to join the Yellowstone. The principal of these is the Big Horn, a river which drains an immense basin, and is, indeed, excepting the Missouri and the Yellowstone, the noblest of Montana rivers. Its valley, and that of its tributary, the Little Big Horn, is a beautiful prairie region, presenting, as an inducement to agriculture, every advantage of soil and climate. Pryor’s Creek, flowing into the Yellowstone, near Billings, runs swiftly from the mountains through a fertile valley, every foot of which may be irrigated almost by the furrow of a plow. Its waters abound with mountain trout, as do those of all the smaller streams on the reservation.

The Clark’s Fork river, one of the principal tributaries of the Yellowstone, has its source in the perpetual snows of the mountains of the same name and flows a distance of nearly 100 miles entirely through the reservation till it joins the Yellowstone at the head of Clark’s Fork bottom, thirty-five miles west of Billings. Its park-like valley, with the encircling cliffs and mountains, presents scenery of surpassing beauty and grandeur, and has always been a favorite route for tourist travel to the National Park.

Since the advent of the Northern Pacific railroad with its throng of settlers and influences for the development of Montana’s natural wealth, there has grown up a strong feeling that this Crow reservation is much too expensive for the needs of its occupants, and a correspondingly strong agitation has been inaugurated for its reduction. In compliance with this feel-
ing, and the just ideas prompting it, the government of the United States is now moving for the final settlement of these Indians and the retrocession of that portion of their reservation lying west of the Big Horn river. A party of government surveyors are now surveying lands in the valleys of the Big Horn, and Little Big Horn, which have been selected for apportionment in severalty among the Crows, to be by them settled and farmed. The Indian agency now located forty miles west of Billings is to be removed to the Big Horn valley during the present year, and it seems almost certain that in a short time after the completion of these preliminary preparations a treaty will be agreed upon, and an act of congress passed for the retrocession of the western portion of the reservation. Its restoration to the public domain is looked for anxiously by a large number of persons who from actual observation, or reliable information, are acquainted with its natural wealth. Within a very short time after it is opened for settlement it will be reclaimed from its present unproductive condition, and instead will swell the resources of the territory tributary to Billings by its contributions of minerals, of cattle, sheep and wool, and of agricultural products.

South of the Big Horn Mountains, and comprised entirely within the Territory of Wyoming, is a district about 200 miles square, watered by the Stinking Water and Wind rivers, and numerous other streams which go to swell the Big Horn river. It now supports large herds of cattle, and as it abounds with large game is a favorite resort for professional hunters and sportsmen. It also embraces fine farming opportunities, hitherto unimproved, but just now beginning to be turned to practical account by settlers. Before Billings sprung into existence, the inhabitants of this Stinking Water country, as it is called, obtained their supplies and made shipment of their cattle only by a long and toilsome trip over almost impassable roads to towns on the Union Pacific railroad, from four hundred to five hundred miles away. To Billings they now turn as being far less than half the distance removed, and approached by an easy natural wagon road. The hides and pelts taken in that region during the past winter have been brought here during the past few weeks and sold, and the supplies needed by hunters, ranchmen and stock-growers, furnished by Billings merchants. The entire trade of that country (destined to greatly and constantly increase) is now tributary to this town and can not be diverted elsewhere.

Northwest from Billings, less than one hundred miles on the borders of the National Park, lie the celebrated Clark's Fork gold and silver mines, with Cook City as the center of the district. One year ago they formed a portion of the Crow reservation, and though their existence had long been
known, little had been done in the way of developing or even prospecting them. But the restoration of this portion of the reservation to public domain witnessed an immediate influx of miners. The results of last summer's investigation proved that this great mountain region, some of it covered with snow during a great part of the year, formed a body of mineral of immense extent and wonderful richness. The development of mines in the district during the past winter has strengthened this opinion, and it is confidently and generally asserted among experienced miners who have visited the Clark's Fork that there will be witnessed an excitement scarcely inferior to that of Leadville; not, perhaps, because of very rich ore, but on account of the immense area of the mineral-bearing district. A smelter, though of inferior class and capacity, is now in operation in the district, and extensive reduction works are planned for erection during the coming summer. Moneyed companies are securing all properties offered for sale, and there seems every reason to believe that much capital is soon to be invested in the development of the Clark's Fork mines. As mentioned elsewhere in these pages, a wagon road will soon be completed through the canyon of the Clark's Fork valley, which will bring Billings in direct communication with the mines, and before the mines are fully in process of development Billings will be the nearest and most easily accessible supply point for the whole mineral region of the Clark's Fork.

These hurried and necessarily limited references to the country surrounding and tributary to Billings can give no comprehensive exposition of its resources. But it must be apparent to the thoughtful reader that it is a country which from its extent and natural capabilities will support, when fully developed, a city equal to any between the Mississippi river and the Pacific coast.
The Territory of Montana was organized as a separate territorial division by act of congress, passed May 26, 1864. Estimated upon the basis of the total vote polled November 7, 1883, (23,318) and making a small allowance for increase since then, the population of Montana now closely approaches 125,000, with a prospect of very rapid increase from the influx of immigrants over the railroads just now penetrating the territory. Its greatest measurement from east to west is 540 miles, and from north to south, 275 miles; and its superficial area 145,776 square miles, or more than twice as large as all the New England states combined. It extends from the 104th to the 116th degree of longitude west of Greenwich, and for the most part between the 45th and 49th degrees of north latitude. The western portion of the territory is very mountainous, being traversed from north to south by the main divide of the Rockies. It has been estimated that one-third of the entire area of the territory consists of mountains. But this portion of the territory is by no means unproductive. It abounds with valuable mineral substances, from the most precious to the most base, and in the year 1882, of gold and silver alone, added to the wealth of the world $8,000,000 in bullion. The mountain country in Montana is not, as farther south, all arid waste, but is broken by beautiful, fertile valleys, brought pretty fully under cultivation from having been settled during the past twenty years. The eastern portion of the territory consists principally of a system of rolling prairies, divided by lower bottom lands along the numerous water courses. The mean altitude of Montana, including the mountain peaks as well as the valley lands, is placed by Professor Gannet of the Hayden survey, at 3,000 feet above sea level, being 2,600 feet lower.
than New Mexico; 3,000 lower than Wyoming, and 4,000 feet lower than Colorado. Traversed by the great backbone of the continent, Montana comprises portions of two of the great river systems of the continent—the Pacific and the Mississippi. The Clark's Fork of the Columbia, flowing into the Pacific ocean, has its source in Montana and drains 40,000 square miles of the area of the territory. The Missouri, with its main Montana tributaries—Yellowstone, Milk, Teton, Marais, Judith, Musselshell, Jefferson, Madison, Gallatin, Big Horn and Powder—drains from within the territory the waters of nearly 100,000 square miles, and carries them on to swell the volume of the "Father of Waters," and finally empty into the Gulf of Mexico, 4,000 miles from the mountain snows that give them birth. Of over 93,000,000 acres comprised within the borders of Montana, less than 6,000,000 have been surveyed, being principally along the railroads. According to assessors' reports for the year 1882, there were then only 516,101 acres of improved lands within the territory, valued for purposes of taxation at $4,476,118, exclusive of town lots and improvements, which were assessed at $4,163,618. In the same year there were of taxes, horses, 67,802, value $3,197,020; sheep, 362,776, value $1,018,124; cattle, 287,210, value $4,699,812; swine, 7,101, value $45,249. The total assessed valuation of the territory for the past year was $33,212,319, an increase over the previous year of about 38 per cent. For the current year the estimated increase is placed at 50 per cent., caused by the great amount of railroad building, and the enormous immigration. The average rate of assessment in all the counties of the territory, for 1882, was $1.75 on $100. At the beginning of this year Montana had a cash balance to her credit of $14,000, and this surplus is now continually increasing. In addition to her heavy bullion shipment, Montana last year sent to outside markets 50,000 head of beef cattle, 40,000 sheep, 30,000 hides, 40,000 buffalo robes, 100,000 bales of undressed buffalo skins, 3,000,000 pounds of wool, and many thousand bales of elk and deer skins and of the pelts of fur-bearing animals. In 1881 there were butchered for home consumption of beeves, calves, sheep, and swine, 43,471 carcasses, and during the past year the number must have been very largely increased. In the same year there were sown of wheat within the territory, 15,797 acres, producing 424,466 bushels, or an average of 26.8 bushels to the acre; of barley, 1,073 acres, yielding 31,081 bushels, with an average of 28.9 bushels; 334 acres were cropped with corn and resulted in a yield of 32.7 bushels to the acre, or a total of 10,934 bushels; 1,406,749 bushels of oats were harvested from 41,365 acres, showing an average yield of 34 bushels.

The Northern Pacific, now approaching completion in the center of the
territory, will traverse Montana from east to west, while the Utah and Northern branch of the Union Pacific enters from the south, and brings the advantage of competing traffic routes with all the protection implied thereby. Montana is a country of wonderful natural wealth and resources, but yet in the merest infancy of development. With the advent of the railroad era, bringing the flood of emigration and easy inspection from capitalists, who desire to invest, this territory is about to witness the inauguration of a period of prosperity unequalled in the palmiest days of the mining industry. Capital and population, with cheap and rapid transportation, are all that are needed to insure the result.
Montana is not pre-eminently a farming country. While the resources of the territory are varied and magnificent, agriculture is not at present its chief industry. The miner and the stock grower turn to Montana as to their natural scene of action, but the farmer is repelled by what he regards as the "land of the mountain and the flood." Mountain ranges, with intervening table lands, traversed by swift-flowing streams, are the chief topographical features. Except in the early spring months, the moisture-laden winds from the Pacific are deprived of their dampness before they cross the mountains to the lower ground. As a consequence the greater part of the territory elevated high above the level of the streams is, from present lack of water, unfit for cultivation. Two confluent rivers—the Yellowstone and the Missouri—with a network of tributaries of greater or less magnitude, cleave the table lands, and in their valleys is found the only available farming land—a large amount in the aggregate, but a small proportion of the vast area of new territory. Were these river valleys oases in an otherwise uninhabitable desert they would be of little agricultural value. But Montana is a region almost every acre of which is of natural value, though yet but poorly utilized. Notwithstanding the wealth of precious metals that has been taken from the soil, the mining industry is yet in its infancy. Compared with the cattle and sheep that will in a few years graze on the ranges, they are but meagerly stocked. Manufacturing, now almost wholly a thing unknown in the territory, will yet become one of its leading industries. In a few years Montana will support a busy population, who will be consumers rather than producers, and the day is not very far distant when the cultivation of every acre of available farming land will not suffice for the needs of the home market. Our system of farming by irrigation gives abundant satisfaction, and those who are accustomed to its advantages would not exchange it for the alternate floods and drouths incident to entire dependence upon the clouds, even in regions where there is the greatest rain-fall. It is the universal
experience that an irrigated crop never fails. The abundance of never-failing streams, fed by the melting snows and frequent showers of the mountain peaks, render this method of vivifying the soils always practicable, while the rapid and continuous descent of the streams allow the water in their channels to be conducted upon the adjoining bottom lands with the greatest ease and with small expense for the construction of ditches. Irrigating water is not needed until the month of July, at the close of the rainy season, and when the crop is already well advanced toward maturity. In the dry season the ground needs to be thoroughly saturated about once in three weeks, or not more than twice before the crop is ready to be harvested. The greatest expense for irrigation does not exceed fifty cents per acre—an insignificant sum when considered in conjunction with receiving just the proper amount of moisture to insure growth. In Colorado, Nevada, Utah and portions of California, it is not a question of the expense of constructing irrigating ditches and sluices, but merely whether it is possible to obtain water by this means. In those States thousands of acres of apparently barren, arid wastes have been transformed into fertile and productive fields by the aid of water from artificial sources. All doubt of the adaptability of the soil and climate of Montana to agriculture by the aid of irrigation has long ago vanished. Immense yields are harvested of all crops properly belonging to this zone, and with no fear of failure. More and better wheat may be grown on an acre in this Clark's Fork Bottom than on twice that amount of ground in Dakota—the boasted land of “No. 1 hard.” By reference to the statistics of Montana, given elsewhere in these pages, it will be seen that in 1881 the per acre average of wheat grown in the territory was within a small fraction of 27 bushels, and yields to twice that amount from the acre are by no means unusual. Oats, rye and barley are grown with the greatest success. In this valley the season is sufficiently long to allow corn to reach full maturity, and it may henceforth be grown without fear of failure. Potatoes and all kinds of vegetable crops give astonishing yields. Agriculture may be prosecuted with better success in Montana than in any portion of the west, as has been abundantly demonstrated by actual experience. Nowhere in the west, with the possible exception of the older sections of California and Colorado, do improved farms bring so large a price as in Montana, and from the increase of population they are continually becoming more valuable. The settler who selects land in this territory whereon to exercise his government rights, insures a comfortable fortune, for the time is rapidly approaching when forty acres of Montana bottom lands will be more valuable than a section of Dakota prairie.
It is the universal testimony of all who have had wide experience in stock raising, that, for the prosecution of that industry Montana is the best country in the world. Even eastern consumers render a tacit verdict to the same effect, for Chicago cattle growers say that in 1882 Montana grass-fed beeves brought better prices in that market than did the same grade of cattle from any other section. This superiority arises from the abundance and nutritious qualities of the natural grasses, and from peculiar climatic effects, which, while not easily explainable, certainly exercise an important influence. Miss Middy Morgan, the celebrated live stock reporter of the New York Times, visited Montana last summer, and in her report on the country, says:

"Montana possesses just the right combination of food and climate to make perfect beef. The philosophy of the attainment of perfection in beef does not seem to be generally understood, even by cattle growers, who should have a knowledge of these things. Now what makes good beef is the transition of temperature; that is, good, sweet, juicy meat cannot be grown either in a hot climate or where there is such a general average of temperature as there is in Texas. The reason for this need not be discussed, but an experiment has proven the theory."

The most abundant and valuable species of range vegetation is bunchgrass, which springs up from the root in the early spring, before the frost disappears, and in a few weeks has covered upland and valley with a thick carpet of waving emerald. It grows in small bunches and attains a height of from six inches to one foot. The stalk is round and solid, and the head fills with small, firm seeds, which never drop from their close husk while the stalk remains standing. During the rains of spring and early summer grasses continue to grow to maturity, and in midsummer, when the dry
season has arrived, ripen, and undrenched by frequent rains, but retaining all their nutriment, cure upon the ground, and remain until the following spring a boundless field of the most nutritious hay.

Some writer has said that, "to pasture a horse on bunch-grass is like giving him plenty of good hay, with regular and liberal feeds of grain," and certain it is that stock, allowed to pasture on mountain ranges, have no taste for prepared food, and will keep in better condition than with any other treatment.

No arrangements are made by Montana cattle growers to feed their stock during the winter months. Such snows as fall are generally accompanied by sufficient wind to lay bare a large portion of the broken surface of the ranges, and even if covered completely cattle can, and will, "rustle" through a foot of snow to reach the abundant pasturage underneath. Snow seldom lies long on the ground, being regularly dispersed by warm "chinook" winds from the west. Hon. J. B. Grinnell, of Iowa, who visited the ranges north of Billings early in the month of April last, told an eastern paper that he found the cattle that had rustled for their living throughout the winter, in better condition that his Iowa cattle that had been fed on hay and corn for several months previous. Losses in cattle, by cold or privation, during the winter season are comparatively rare. Calves that have been dropped late in fall, or very old cows, may succumb during the more severe weather, but among strong, healthy cattle there will no loss. The highest estimate for loss by disease or casualty may be placed at an annual average of 3 per cent., and under usual circumstances and with ordinary care and attention, should fall below that figure. It is calculated that a herd of cattle, once started, will double itself every three years, and allow beside a handsome annual income from the sale of steers. Another reckoner puts it thus: "The profit for the first year (the stock all being young) is nominal, the second year it averages 10 per cent., the third year 30 per cent., and the fourth year 70 per cent., always allowing a reasonable margin for losses." The cost of raising a steer until he is four years old—the standard marketing age—is variously estimated at from $4 to $9, and will probably average, among carefully managed herds, a figure about midway between those two. This expense arises from the wages and support of herders, or "cow-boys," and the cost of branding at the round-ups in the spring and fall. Four-year-old beef steers are, at this date, worth $45 on the ranges, and an advance of at least $10 will be paid for them before many weeks. Cattle raising was regarded as the best paying enterprise in the west ten years ago, when $25 was a good price for a steer, and now, when the cost of production and shipment is lowered
AG STOCK is across many Good rather a due ment thereon 000 the will the young Iowa, to have be the lowed iron, methods of spending in Texas in Montana to Montana inauguration range, range, The to range cattle, mostly yearlings, shipped or driven from Minnesota and Iowa, where they may be bought cheap. Several thousand of such cattle have been unloaded at the Billings stockyards this spring, and will be followed by thousands more before the summer is past. It is not impossible to enter upon the business of stock grazing without capital. The story of the man who went to Texas a few years ago with one steer and a branding iron, and now owns several hundred head of cattle, is no myth, though the methods employed by this particular person were probably better applicable to Texas than to Montana. It is an easy matter to obtain employment in Montana as a cow-boy or herder at good wages, and little necessity for spending money. The steady, industrious man can, at the end of a year, be the possessor of several young cattle, which he may obtain the privilege of keeping with his master's herd at little cost. This system, employed for two or three years, will start a small herd and lay the foundation for a future fortune. A number of Montana "cattle kings" could be named who began their careers as stock-men, by working as herders, and who, by improving the opportunities thus afforded, have, in a few years, amassed wealth, and have their "cattle on a thousand hills." It is a slow process at first, for the many with little or no capital, but is at least sure and will eventually yield incredibly large returns.
To men of small capital no business in Montana possesses greater attractions or advantages than that of sheep husbandry. The profits are more immediate, if not quite as large, and the attention required not quite as expensive as in the ownership of cattle. Their management, however, is somewhat more troublesome, and closer care is required than in the kindred industry. Beginners, with but small capital, will generally locate upon a ranch in a farming valley and pasture their herd of sheep upon the adjoining upland. In this way they can support themselves and assistants off the products of the ranch, and allow the profits of the sheep to go towards the increase of the flock as long as they desire. The sheep require almost constant attention during the day, though one mounted tender is sufficient for at least 1,500 sheep. At night they must be driven into a corral to guard them against the ravages of dogs and coyotes, or other wild animals. The careful sheep farmers will also cut a sufficient amount of hay to feed his herd in the event of a deep snow, which might lie on the ground long enough to bring the sheep on the verge of starvation, or greatly reduce their condition from the tiresome necessity of digging through the snow to get at the food—a work for which they are not properly fitted. The experienced sheep farmer will select his range in broken ground, comparatively free from bush, where the wind has unobstructed opportunity to blow the snow off the higher ridges, thus leaving bare feeding grounds, even after the heaviest snow storm. A shed or shelter of some kind is generally necessary in the spring to protect the herd against the cold rains that are liable to occur during the lambing season. Without this provision there may be a considerable loss in young lambs. It has been the practice among those having a little capital for investment in sheep husbandry to purchase their stock in Oregon or California and drive them through to Montana. Ewes may be obtained in those States, after shearing, at about $1.50, and stand the removal to Montana with no great loss. Ewes from acclimated Montana herds cost about $4.00. An opportunity often presents itself for a man without capital to obtain a start in
the business by taking a band of sheep from some owner of large herds, attending to them in every way and receiving therefor one-half the increase of the flock.

In this department of the stock industry the profits begin to accrue after the first year. The increase is very large—from 75 to 100 per cent. If the sheep are healthy, and in good condition, they will clip annually from five to eight pounds each of wool, which may be sold at the ranch for 25 cents per pound, with only the condition of delivering it at the nearest railway station or shipping point. Mutton sheep are always salable, and are worth, on the ranges, $5.50 before shearing, or about $3.50 after shearing. With ordinary care and attention, the man who stays with his band of sheep, and gives to their management his personal labor, should realize annually a profit above all expenses of at least 60 per cent. The life of a sheep farmer is not a very pleasant one, if he remains with his flock. But the young man who invests a few hundred dollars in a band of ewes, and remains with them, devoting to their culture his whole time, labor and attention, cannot fail to realize from them profits which will astonish him, even if he closes out the business at the end of a very few years.

DRESSED BEEF.

The system now in partial operation between Chicago and New York, of slaughtering the cattle in the former city and shipping the fresh meat, packed in ice, to the seaboard, is about to largely increase the profits of the Montana stock grower, by being put in operation almost upon his ranges. The construction and successful utilization upon the Northern Pacific road of refrigerator cars has made it possible that dressed beef and mutton be shipped to any distance. Cattle shipped on the hoof from Montana, over the long rail journey, to Chicago, or perhaps New York, are always liable to suffer some loss in deaths from fatigue or overcrowding in cars, while from shrinkage in weight, the loss, it is claimed, will reach 10 per cent. Add to this the deterioration in the quality of the meat and there certainly appears a strong inducement to put in operation some improved method of transporting Montana beef to the markets. This required method has been found in the refrigerator car shipping system. The cattle are slaughtered at the railway station nearest their
range, and the beef, in the best possible condition, is packed in this moving ice-house and sent forward, with all its native qualities, to the markets, a thousand or more miles away. Freight on a carcass of beef shipped thus, is less than if carried in the live state, and no care or attention is required until it reaches its destination. By this system, when put in full operation, the value of a beef animal will be sufficiently enhanced to largely increase the profits of the producer. The hides, tallow and offal will not be carried eastward in their raw state, but will be dressed or prepared for commerce near the location of the slaughter yards. Shipments of dressed beef have been made from Billings with pronounced success, and there seems every indication of the establishment of the requisite facilities for carrying a large business in this way during the next autumn.

Ice has been stored here by the railway company, to be used for this purpose, and a local company is about to form to carry on the business. The dressed beef shipping enterprise, in Montana, is already attracting the attention of the great eastern stock dealers, and at some point along the line of the Northern Pacific, it will soon assume great proportions. That point cannot be elsewhere than at Billings, from the fact that the town is the center of a larger stock growing country than any point along the road. When fully in operation the slaughtering establishments, with their associate enterprises, will largely increase the town's population, trade, and commercial prestige.

HOW TO OBTAIN GOVERNMENT LAND.

The greater part of the land in Yellowstone county belongs to the Bozeman land district, but all filings, claims and proofs may be made in Billings before the deputy clerk of the district court, which officer, by statutory provisions, is granted powers almost co-ordinate with those of the register of a land office in localities where no land office is established.

Agricultural lands owned by the general government, are divided into two classes, one at $1.25 per acre, designated as minimum, lying outside of railroad land limits; the other at $2.50 per acre as double minimum, lying within railroad limits. Titles to these are obtained by ordinary "private entry," and in virtue of the pre-emption, homestead, timber culture and desert land laws. Purchases at public sale are made when lands are "offered" at public auction.
PRE-EMPTIONS.

Heads of families, widows or single persons (male or female) over the age of twenty-one years, citizens of the United States, or who have declared their intention to become such, under the naturalization laws, may enter upon any "offered" or "unoffered" lands, or any unsurveyed lands to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and purchase not exceeding 160 acres under pre-emption laws. A fee of $3 is required within thirty days after making settlement, and within one year actual residence and cultivation of the tract must be shown, whereupon the pre-emptor is entitled to purchase the same at $1.25 per acre if outside of railroad land limits, and at $2.50 per acre if within railroad land limits. A pre-emptor may submit proofs of residence at any time after six months, and obtain title to his land. At any time before expiration of time allowed for proof and payment, the settler may convert his pre-emption claim into a homestead. No person who abandons his residence upon land of his own to reside upon public lands in the same State or Territory, or who owns 320 acres of land in the same State or Territory, is entitled to the benefits of the pre-emption laws. The latter provision does not apply to a house and lot in town.

HOMESTEADS.

Any person who is the head of a family, or who has arrived at the age of twenty-one years, and is a citizen of the United States, or has filed his declaration of intention to become such, is entitled to enter one-quarter section, or less quantity of unappropriated public land, under the homestead laws. The applicant must make affidavit that he is entitled to the privileges of the homestead act, and that the entry is made for his exclusive use and benefit, and for actual settlement and cultivation, and must pay the legal fee and that part of the commissions required as follows: Fee for 160 acres, $10; commission, $6; fee for 80 acres, $5; commission, $4. Within six months the homesteader must take up his residence upon the land, and reside thereupon, and cultivate the same for five years continuously. At the expiration of this period, or within two years thereafter, proof of residence and cultivation must be established by four witnesses. The proof of settlement and certificate of the Register of the land office is forwarded to the General Land Office at Washington, from which patent is issued. Final proof can not be made until the expiration of five years from date of entry, and must be made within seven years. The government recognizes no sale of a homestead claim. A settler may prove his residence at any time after six months, and purchase the land under the pre-emption laws if desired. The law allows but one homestead privilege to any one person.

SOLDIERS' HOMESTEADS.

Every person who served not less than ninety days in the army or navy of the United States during "the recent rebellion," who was honorably discharged and has remained loyal to the government, may enter a homestead, and the time of his service shall be deducted from the period of five years, provided that the party shall reside upon and cultivate his homestead at least one year after he commences improvements. The widow of a soldier, or if she be dead, or is married again, the minor heirs (if any) may, through their guardian, make a homestead entry, and if the soldier died in the service, the whole term of his enlistment will be credited upon the terms of required residence. Soldiers and sailors as
above may file a homestead declaratory statement for 160 acres of land through an agent, after which they have six months to file their homestead. This latter entry must be made in person.

**TREE CLAIMS.**

Under the timber culture laws, not more than 160 acres on any one section entirely devoid of timber can be entered, and no person can make more than one entry thereunder. The qualifications of applicants are the same as under the pre-emption and homestead laws. Land office charges are $14 for 160 acres, or more than 80 acres, when entry is made, and $4 at final proof. Land to be entered must be entirely devoid of timber. Party making entry of 160 acres, is required to break or plow five acres during the first year and five acres during the second year. The five acres broken or plowed during the first year, must be cultivated during the second year, and be planted to timber during the third year. The five acres broken or plowed the second year, must be cultivated the third year, and planted to timber the fourth year. For entries of less than 160 acres, a proportionate number of acres must be planted to trees. These trees must be cultivated and protected, and at the end of eight years, or within two years after that period, proof by two credible witnesses must be adduced, showing that there were at the end of eight years, at least 675 living, thrifty trees on each of the ten acres required to be planted; also that not less than 2,700 trees were planted to each of the ten acres. Fruit trees are not considered timber, within the meaning of this act. Having complied with the terms of the law, and made satisfactory proof of same, the settler receives a patent for the land. Title cannot be obtained prior to the expiration of eight years, and final proof must be made within ten years.

**DESERT LAND ACT.**

Any person possessing the qualifications required under the homestead and pre-emption acts, may file his oath with the Register and Receiver of the land office in the district in which any desert land is located that he intends to reclaim, not to exceed 640 acres of said land, in a compact form, by conducting water upon it, within three years of the date of said oath, and by paying to the Receiver the sum of twenty-five cents per acre for all the land claimed, may enter said land under the desert land act. At any time within three years a patent can be obtained by making proof that he has reclaimed said land, and paying the additional sum of $1 per acre. No person can enter more than one tract of land. This act applies to desert lands in Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Dakota.

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Office: Billings P. O.
BILLINGS' RESIDENT DIRECTORY
1883-4.

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS DIRECTORY.

agt..............................agent
ave..............................avenue
bds..............................boards
cor..............................corner
E B................................East Billings
lab..............................laborer
N.................................North
res..............................resides
rest.............................restaurant
S.................................South
st..............................street

A

Aewheimer Henry, carpenter, res 30th st and 4th ave S.
Alderson John, real estate, res 33rd st, bet 5th and 6th aves.
Alexander Sam, (with P W McAdow) bds Magnolia.
Allason W J, watchmaker and jeweler, Montana ave, bet 26th and 27th sts, res 2nd ave N, bet 25th and 26th sts.
Allen R T, (Allen & Goddard) res 27th st and 7th ave N.
Allen W A, dentist, office over Fenske's store, res 29th st, bet 2nd and 3rd ave N.
Allen & Goddard, atty at law, office over Fenske's store, Mont ave and 20th st.
Allingiam Geo, speculator, bds Geo Town's.
Anderson R H, conductor N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Anderson J T, watchman N P R R.
Anderson R J, prop Windsor hotel, res same.
Ash T S (Ash & Boots), res E B.
Ash & Boots, prop Rocky Mountain brewery, E B.
Ashelby Harry, cattle raiser, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
Axen John, dish washer, Headquarters hotel.

B

Babcock A L (Babcock & Miles) res Montana ave and 31st st.
Babcock J A (Benton, Wells & Co) res 20th st and 2nd ave N.
Babcock & Miles, hardware dealers, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Bacheller W E, clerk (with H Clark & Co) bds Headquarters hotel.
Baker Wm, switchman N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Bank Exchange, Garrison & Leland, props, Mont ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Barker S E, milliner and dress maker, with Mrs M T Rooney.
Barney Chas E, furniture, crockery, glassware, etc, Montana ave and 28th st, bds at Park hotel.
Barth G H (Padden & Barth) bds Magnolia hotel.
Bates Lesley, real estate and insurance, office and res 28th st, bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Bellizia Ralph (with Garrison & Leland) musician, bds Forster's rest.
Bender Sam (with W V Jobes) res same.
Bennett W J, speculator, res 27th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Benton, Wells & Co, real estate, Minnesota ave and 25th st.
Berrick Chas M, prop Park hotel, res same.

Billings Herald, Devine & Matheson, editors and props, Montana ave and 24th st.
Billings House, Mrs Campbell prop, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.
Billings and Benton Stage Line, Walter Burke supt, stables 21st st and 1st ave N, office postoffice.
Bignell John, lab, bds Section house.
Billings' Library Assn, C W Horr pres.
Billings W E, clerk Windsor hotel.
Billings' Seminary, M M Panton prin, Montana ave.
Billings Street Car Co, P W McAdow pres, Alex Devine sec.
Birch Thomas R, conductor N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Bird F H, night operator, bds Headquarters hotel.
Bisson Walter, machinist, bds Magnolia hotel.
Bloom J H, constable, res 25th st and 4th ave N.

Blue Front Store, general merchandise, Marks & Soule props, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.
Bogart D D, bds Headquarters hotel.
Bole H H, co clerk and recorder of Yellowstone co, res 29th st and 4th ave N.

Bole & Co H H, druggists, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Bond J E, blacksmith shop, 27th st and 2nd ave S, bds Windsor hotel.
Boone James, charge N P R R coal yard, bds R R house.
Boots W A (Ash & Boots) res E B.
Borie L H, teamster, res Montana ave and 24th st.
Boston One Price Clothing Store, J Zimmerman & Co props, Montana ave and 25th st.
Boyken David, freighter, res 30th st and 4th ave S.

Bradley A H, carpenter, boards Magnolia hotel.
Branciero Andrew, musician (with Garrison & Leland) bds Forster's rest.
Branciero Peter, musician (with Garrison & Leland) bds Forster's rest.
Braundigam John, lab, bds Section house.
Breakenridge Geo A, manager Wheatley Bros' livery, feed and sale stables, res 30th st and 3rd ave N.
Breuchaud J, co treasurer, res 1½ miles west of Billings.
Browning Walter, porter, (with J Comer) bds Tivoli rest.
Buckner J N, res E.B.
Burke John, (Westbrook & Town) res 28th st and 1st ave N.
Burke Walter, supt Billings and Benton stage line, bds Park hotel.
Burns Mrs B A (Dennison & Burns) res 27th st and 1st ave S.
C

Cain W H (Marvin & Cain) bds Windsor hotel.
Camp C D (King & Camp Bros), Minnesota ave near 27th st, res 25th st and 3rd ave N.
Camp E B (King & Camp Bros) Minnesota ave near 27th st, res 25th st and 3rd ave N.
Campbell Andrew, teamster, res Minnesota ave bet 29th and 30th sts.
Campbell B, prop Billings house, Minnesota ave and 27th st.
Canon Sam, farmer, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
Carder H H, carpenter, res 1st ave S and 27th st.
Carder J H, painting and paper-hanging, res 1st ave S and 27th st.
Carder R H, cook (with Magnolia hotel).
Carlston Tillie, waitress Magnolia hotel.
Carr Hugh, hod carrier, bds Drover's hotel.
Carter Henry W, of Montana Lumber Co.
Casson John, teamster, res 31st st and 4th ave S.
Cellars Laura, waitress, Park hotel.
Chafee C M, farmer, bds Park hotel.
Champion Bakery, Emil Faust prop, 25th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Chicago House, 26th st and 1st ave N.
Child C G, freight agt N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Christenson Peter, blacksmith helper, bds R R house.
Church J A, clerk (Marks & Soule) bds Park hotel.
City Drug Store, Woolfolk & Hersey props, Minnesota ave and 28th st.
Clancy James (with Henihan & Co), res same.
Clark II & Co, wholesale merchandise and R R contractor, Minnesota ave and 29th st.
Clifton C, Chicago house.
Closs Nick, saloon and billiard hall, Montana ave and 26th st, bds Forster's rest.
Collings Tom, brakeman N P R R, bds Park hotel.
Comer J, barber, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts, bds Park hotel.
Congregational Church, Rev B F Shuart pastor, 27th st and 4th ave N.
Conley Thomas, wiper N P R R, bds R R house.
Connel James, blacksmith (with J C Bond) bds Geo Town's.
Conner M, ice dealer, res E B.
Connors Julia, waitress Headquarters hotel.
Cook A B, clerk (Marks & Soule) bds J R Marks.
Cornforth C A, bartender (with Wm J Lutz) bds Forster's rest.
Cortney Celia, cook Windsor hotel.
Cothran Gip, lab, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
Covely E B, manager P W McAdow's store.
Crippen Chas, clerk (with H Clark & Co), bds Geo Town's.
Crocker J W, druggist (with Woolfolk & Hersey) bds Headquarters hotel.
Crowe R R, contractor and builder, res 29th st bet 1st and 2nd ave N.
Crowley Tom C, teamster, res E B.
Crowley T, teamster, bds Geo Town's.
Curren P, res 3rd ave S and 21st st.
Curry W E, manager Park hotel billiard hall, bds same.
Curtis Jack, speculator, bds Headquarters hotel.
Curtis Riley, stockman, res 26th st bet 3rd and 4th ave N.

Danshew Henry, lab, bds Section house.
Davie Dr T A, physician and surgeon, office over Mund's bank, bds Park hotel.
Davis S D, brickman, res 27th st and Minnesota ave.
Dean John, wiper, bds R R house.
Deloy Dennis, hostler, bds R R house.
Dempsey J J, hostler, bds Section house.
Dennison & Burns, millinery and dressmaking, 27th st and 1st ave S.
Dennison Mrs L (Dennison & Burns) res 27th st and 1st ave S.
Devine Alex (Devine & Matheson pub Herald) bds Headquarters hotel.
Devine & Matheson, props and publishers Billings Herald, Montana ave and 24th st.
Dick Geo, lab, bds Section house.
Dobbling John H, freighter, bds Geo Breakenridge.
Donnelly E, wiper, bds R R house.
Donnelly M J, cook, res Montana ave and 24th st.
Doolittle Chas R, deputy clerk and recorder, Yellowstone co, bds Windsor hotel.
Doughlass A S, prop Billings saw mill, res 30th st and 4th ave S.
Doyle James, lab N P R R, bds Section house.
Drover's Hotel, Joseph Lawler prop, cor 1st ave S and 26th st.
Dubard L E, tailor (with E A Schilller) bds Forster's rest.
Duffleld Bros, contractors and builders, cor 2nd ave S and 27th st.
Duffield Wm (Duffleld Bros) shop cor 2nd ave S and 27th st, res same.
Durward David, blacksmith, 29th st bet 1st and 2nd aves N.

Ebberett Abbie, laundress, Windsor hotel.
Edgr Henry, jobber, res 1st ave S and 26th st.
E'Edens Ed, Benton stage line, bds Park hotel.
Filers Win F, prop city beer hall, 26th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Elliott Chas, conductor N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Ellis Chas, lab N P R R, bds Section house.
Ely B C, clerk (with H Clark & Co) bds Headquarters hotel.
Episcopal Church, Rev Win Horsfall pastor, meets Whitney's hall.
Erickson John, lab, bds Section house.

Falk Ida, cook, Headquarters hotel.
Falk J, cook, Headquarters hotel.
Faust Emil, prop Champion bakery, 25th st, bet Montana ave and 1st ave N, bds same.
Fell C S (Hendry & Fell) publishers Billings Directory.
Fenske Adolph, (with L H Fenske) bds Windsor hotel.
Fenske L H, wholesale wines, liquors and cigars, Montana ave and 27th st, bds Headquarters hotel.
Ferguson James, sheriff Yellowstone co, res 1st ave N and 25th st.
Ferris H, car repairer, bds R R house.
Ferry Patrick, locomotive fireman, bds R R house.
Field L F, treas Montana lumber company, res 26th st bet 2nd and 3rd ave S.
Finch W R, photographer, Montana ave, bet 25th and 26th sts, res same.
Fisch Peter, prop International hotel, res same.
Fisher A J, jobber, res 28th st, bet 3rd and 4th aves N.
Fisler Alice, chambermaid Headquarters hotel.
Flanigan Thomas, prop opera house, res 27th st and 1st ave N.
Fleisher Chas, restaurant, Minnesota ave, bet 26th and 27th sts.
Flood —, fireman, bds Section house.
Flynn Joe, carpenter, res 29th st, bet 1st and 2nd aves S.
Ford Geo, teamster, res Montana ave and 24th st.
Forster B (Forster & Sons), res same.
**Forsters' Restaurant**, J P Forster & Sons, props, 26th st and 1st ave N.
Forster J P (Forster & Sons), 26th st and 1st ave N.
Forster W J (Forster & Sons), res same.
Fortanier Robert, baker, res 32nd st bet 4th and 5th aves S.
**Foster Fred**, real estate, res 4th ave N bet 27th and 28th sts.
Foster G, cook, res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
Foote Alfonzo, lab, bds Magnolia hotel.
Fraser A, assistant paymaster H Clark & Co, Minnesota ave and 29th st.
Freese W (Tully, Hart & Freese) Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.
**French F M**, real estate, office Minnesota ave and 26th st, res same.
**French Mrs F M**, millinery and dressmaking, Minnesota ave and 26th st, res same.

G

Gagnon E (Nilson, Crowe & Gagnon) bds Magnolia hotel.
Gardner James, warehouseman N P R R, bds N P R R house.
Garrison O D (Garrison & Leland) res 4th ave N and 29th st.
Gass A, lab, bds Drover's hotel.
Geer Geo, ranchman, bds Park hotel.
Gehrens Casper, lab, bds International hotel.

Gerrish John H, with P W McAdow, res 29th st bet 2nd and 3rd ave S.

Gibson Thomas, U S signal service observer, res Montana ave and 31st st.

Gilbert C M, clothier, Montana ave and 26th st, bds Windsor hotel.

Gillard F H, book-keeper, res Minnesota ave bet 29th and 30th sts.

Gillett E A, railroad contractor, bds Park hotel.

Gillsdore A, butcher (with Hoskins & Co) bds Magnolia hotel.

Givins Joe, farmer, res 4th ave S and 32nd st.

Givins J W, farmer, res 32nd st and 4th ave S.

Goddard O F (Allen & Goddard) res 27th st and 7th ave N.

Goldberg D, clothing, tobaccos and cigars, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts, bds Headquarters hotel.

Gordon F, Chicago house.

Gorum Geo I. (Gorum & Stewart) bds Tivoli hall.

Gorum & Stewart, props Tivoli rest, Montana ave, bet 26th and 27th st.

Goss J R, attorney at law, office over Mund's bank, res 1st ave S & 28th st.

Grady Al, pianist (with Ryan & Hannigan) bds T Flanigan.

Grady Jas, livery, feed and sale stable, 30th st and 3rd ave S, res same.

Grampp Earheart, brewer, (with Ash & Boots) E B.

Grant J S, master mechanic N P R R, Montana div, res Montana ave and 33rd st.

Greene F L (Greene & Peck) res Headquarters hotel.

Greene & Peck, props Headquarters hotel, Montana ave and 28th st

Greenland John, lab, bds Section house.

H

Hackes Sidney, clerk B O P C store, bds Park hotel.

Hall R S, locomotive engineer N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.

Hamilton Wm, well driver, res E B.

Hanlon Thomas, manager H Clark & Co's store, bds Headquarters hotel.

Hannigan J N (Ryan & Hannigan) bds Headquarters hotel.

Hanson Andrew, prop Brewery saloon, 30th st and 1st ave S, res same.

Hanson S C (with Garrison & Leland) bds Headquarters hotel.
Harden Chas W, cook Park hotel.
Harden Mattie, cook Park hotel.
Harriman L M, res 28th st bet 1st and 2nd aves S.
Hart W W (Tully, Hart & Freese) res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
Harwood E N, attorney at law, office over Fenske's store, Montana ave and 27th st.
Hathaway J R, vice-pres Montana lumber co, res 29th st and Montana ave.
Haverly T S, clerk (with C M Gilbert) bds Windsor hotel.
Hawkins Geo, teamster (with Montana lumber co) bds Magnolia hotel.
Headquarters Hotel, Greene & Peck props, Montana ave and 28th st.
Heffner Geo, carpenter, bds Magnolia hotel.
Heffner H C, baker, Minnesota ave bet 26th and 27th sts, res same.
Heizer Chas, lumber dealer, bds Park hotel.
Hendry J E, (Hendry & Fell, pub Billings Directory) bds Park hotel.
Henihan & Co, liquors and cigars, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.
Henihan Michel (Henihan & Co) Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.
Henry John B, farmer and stock raiser, res 32nd st and 4th ave S.
Henry J D, farmer and stock raiser, res 32nd st and 4th ave S.
Henry P, yardmaster N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Henry Walter M, farmer and stockman, res 32nd st and 4th ave S.
Hern H, freighter, bds Magnolia hotel.
Hernam Louis, wiper, bds R R house.
Hersey A H (Woolfolk & Hersey) bds Geo Town's.
Hertzell A E, prop Magnolia hotel, Minnesota ave and 28th st.
Hess Geo, teamster, bds Drover's hotel.
Hibbard C L, commission merchant, Montana ave and 30th st, bds Windsor hotel.
Hill Thomas P, druggist (with H H Bole & Co) bds N P R R house.
Hinds L C, assistant paymaster (H Clark & Co).
Holzman D, clothing and gents' furnishing goods, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts, bds Magnolia hotel.
Hopkins J, shoemaker, res 29th st bet 2nd and 3rd aves S.
Hopley John, manager Chicago and Montana cattle co, bds Headquarters hotel.
Hopple S J, conductor N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Horner John, farmer, res 20th st bet 1st and 2nd aves S.
Horr C W, real estate, bds Park hotel.
Hoshaw Geo, carpenter, res 1st ave S and 27th st.
Hoskins O (Hoskins & Co) 26th st bet 1st and 2nd aves N.
Hulett C L, conductor N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Hulme Geo B, sec and treas Minnesota and Montana land co, office with H Clark & Co.
Hutchinson H, harness maker (with Racek Bros) bds Forster's rest.
Hutchson Nicholis, lab N P R R, bds Section house.

I

Ingraham Frank, wiper, bds R R house.
International Hotel, Peter Fisch prop, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.

J

Jacobson O C, carriage and house painting, 28th st, bet 1st and 2nd aves S.
Jobes Wm V, general merchandise, Minnesota ave bet 26th and 27th sts, res same.
Johnson Francis (Lee & Johnson) res 1st ave N and 28th st.
Johnson J F (Johnson & Stoneman) bds Headquarters hotel.
Johnson & Stoneman, grocers, 28th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Jones Arthur (with P W McAdow) bds Mrs Preble's.
Jones Dick (with Westbrook & Town) bds Geo Town's.
Jones J C, steward Headquarters hotel.
Jones Wm, teamster, res E B.

K

Kane John, musician (with Ryan & Hannigan) bds T Flanigan's.
Kaufman Mas, butcher, bds Park hotel.
Keck Elias, res 27th st and Minnesota ave.
Keirel Jas, lab, bds Section house.
Kellar W J, sawyer, res 30th st and 4th ave S.

**Kelley B B**, physician and surgeon, office over Fenske's store, bds Billings house.

Kelley Ed, musician (with Ryan & Hannigan) bds T Flanigan's.

Kellogg A O, water carrier, bds Magnolia hotel.

Kemp David, lab, bds Drover's hotel.

Kennedy Ed, musician (with Ryan & Hannigan) bds T Flanigan's.

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Lee John, rustler, res 27th st and Minnesota ave.
Lee —, (Lee & Johnson) bds Windsor hotel.
Lee & Johnson, painters, shop 1st ave N and 28th st.
Leland W H, (Garrison & Leland) res 29th st and 4th ave N.
Lephale Sipi, lab, bds Section house.
Lewis John, tailor, res 27th st, near cor Minnesota ave.
Lewis John, tie maker, res E B.
Lindgren H M, lab, bds Section house.
Livingston C, conductor N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Loader Ed, hunter and trapper, res E B.
Logan N, railroad contractor, bds Drover's hotel.
Losekamp F A (Losekamp & Sons) bds Magnolia hotel.
Losekamp Gus (Losekamp & Sons) bds Magnolia hotel.
Losekamp Jacob (Losekamp & Sons) bds Forster's rest.
Losekamp & Sons, boots and shoes, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.
Losekamp William (Losekamp & Sons) bds Mrs Preble's.
Lovell Richard B, wiper N P R R, res Montana ave and 34th st.
Luke Henry, carpenter, res 29th st and 2nd ave S.
Lutz Wm J, saloon, Montana ave and 26th st, bds Forster's rest.

MC

McAdow P W, general merchandise, Minnesota ave and 27th sts.
McBride Sarah, waitress, Headquarters hotel.
McCabe Geo, teamster, res 29th st bet 2nd and 3rd aves S.
McClain M, N P R R express agent, res 33rd st and 5th ave S.
McCintock J D, dressmaker, res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
McCoy L C, hack driver, bds Park hotel.
McCrum Anna, waitress, Headquarters hotel.
McDonald J W, jobber, res 1st ave S and 26th st.
McFarlin Chas, printer, with Billings Herald, res 22nd st N.
McFarlin H F, printer, with Billings Herald, bds Park hotel.
McGinness John, probate judge Yellowstone co, attorney at law, office court house, bds Windsor hotel.
McGirr Thomas (Hoskins & Co).
McGuirk B E, conductor N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
McHorter Albert, carpenter, res 4th ave N bet 29th and 30th sts.
McIntyre —, cook, res 29th st bet 2nd and 3rd aves S.
McKee Ed, railroad fireman N P R R, res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
McKee R, stockman, res 2nd ave S and 28th st.
McKey Robt, wiper, bds R R house.
McKinley Thomas, locomotive engineer, bds Headquarters hotel.

M

Mackey C Z, farmer, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
Maddan Steve, cook, Forster's rest.
Magnolia Hotel, A E Hertzell prop, Minnesota ave and 28th st.
Mains M G, watchmaker and jeweler, P O building.
Malcolm M D, news depot, P O building, res 23rd st and 3rd ave N.
Mallon T R (Hoskins & Co) res E B.
Malone P E, switchman N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Maltyner C G, U S mail service, res 2nd ave S and 27th st.
Mann Frank L (Stilson & Mann) bds Headquarters hotel.
Mansfield Dick, saloon, 27th st and 1st ave S.
Marks J R (Marks & Soule) res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
Martin J W, painter, stationery, books, etc, 28th st, bet Montana ave and 1st ave N, res same.
Marvin & Cain, house and carriage painters, 25th st and 1st ave N.
Marvin J C (Marvin & Cain) bds Windsor hotel.
Matheson David, carpenter, res 25th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Matheson J D, prop Billings post, notary public and J P, 26th st and 2nd ave N, res same.
Matheson Walter (Devine & Matheson) notary public, res 26th st and 2nd ave N.
Matthews Geo, lab, res E B.
Mattock G H, carpenter, res 1st ave N and 30th st.
Maxwell F S, clerk, Headquarters hotel.
Maylone Thomas, teamster, res 1st ave N, bet 28th and 29th sts.
Meadows Jas, boilermaker N P R R, bds R R house.
Means F M, carpenter, res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
Mehlmann Herman (with W J Allason) res 2nd ave N bet 25th and 26th sts.
Melham Otto, warehouseman N P R R, freight office.
Melville B, bds Chicago house.
Melville Chas, carpenter, res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
Meyer A D, barber (with J Comer) bds Joe Lawler's.
Miles A W (Babcock & Miles) bds A L Babcock.
Miles William, locomotive engineer N P R R, bds R R house.
Miller Chas (with Magnolia hotel).
Miller John, farmer, res 29th st bet 1st and 2nd aves S.
Miller Wm, printer, foreman Post printing office, bds Windsor hotel.

Minnesota and Montana Land Co, H Clark prest, Geo B Halme sec, E G Woolfolk vice-prest.
Mitchell Frank, cook, Section house.
Mittlestadt Louis, blacksmith, bds R R house.
Monroe M, prop Chicago house, 26th st and 1st ave N.
Montesano Frank, musician (with Garrison & Leland) bds Forster's rest.
Morah A (with Montana Lumber Co).
Moran Thomas, clerk (with Babcock & Miles) bds Magnolia hotel.
Morey C, wiper N P R R, bds R R house.

Morgan F M, contractor and builder, res 31st st, bet 4th and 5th aves N.
Morris C A, druggist (with H H Bole & Co) bds Windsor hotel.
Moss Lewis, stationary engineer, N P R R, bds R R house.
Mullen M F, (with T J Mullen) bds T J Mullen's.

Mullen T J, prop "The Office," res 26th st and 2nd ave S.

Mund H H (Stebbins, Post and Mund) res Montana ave and 26th st.
Munding Chas, res Minnesota ave and 27th st.

Munro Hugh, locomotive engineer N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Murphy John, manager N P News Co, bds Headquarters hotel.
Murphy Thomas, cook, Windsor hotel.
Myers Wm, water carrier, bds Windsor hotel.

N
Naston Ella, waitress, Headquarters hotel.
Nelson H P, painter, res 30th st, bet 3rd and 4th aves S.
Nickey C E, clerk, Park hotel.
Nickey J J, real estate, bds Park hotel.
Nilson, Crowe & Gagnon, contractors and builders, 1st ave S bet 29th and 30th sts.
Nilson O, (Nilson, Crowe & Gagnon) bds Magnolia hotel.
Noran Linda, waitress, Windsor hotel.
Norman Price, tobacconist, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
N P R R Eating House, Greene & Peck props, Montana ave bet 23rd and 24th sts.
N P P R express office, passenger depot.
N P R R freight depot, Minnesota ave and 27th st.
N P R R house, Minnesota ave and 33rd st.
N P R R passenger depot, Montana ave and 28th st.
N P R R Section house, Minnesota ave and 32nd st.

O
O'Bay Charles, brakeman N P R, bds Headquarters hotel.
O'Brien Martin, lab, bds Drover's hotel.
O'Brien Wm, lab, bds Section house.
O'Flinn John, carpenter, res 30th st and 4th ave S.
O'Harrin M, prop Red Front, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th st.
Oaks Chas, tinner (with King & Camp Bros) bds Magnolia hotel.
Oldman Fred, section foreman N P R R, res E B.
Ornstead W D, farmer, res E B.
Opera House, Thomas Flanigan prop, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Overen P, painter, res 30th st bet 3rd and 4th aves S.
P

**Padden & Barth,** blacksmiths, 27th st bet Minnesota ave and 1st ave S.
Padden P T (Padden & Barth) bds Magnolia hotel.
Panton M M, principal Billings Seminary, res Montana ave and 22nd st.

**Park Hotel,** Chas M Berrick prop, 25th st and 1st ave N.
Parker Dr D M (H H Bole & Co) office store.
Pashley J, carpenter, Minnesota ave bet 25th and 26th sts.
Patten Frank L, N P ticket agent, res 27th st and 1st ave S.
Patten F L, clerk N P freight office, bds Magnolia hotel.

Panuel Nick, dish-washer, Headquarters hotel.

Payne II M, U S mail agent, bds Headquarters hotel.

Pebble Wm, locomotive fireman, bds R R house.

Peck W L (Greene & Peck) Headquarters hotel.

Pendleton Chas, butcher (with Hoskins & Co) bds Forster's rest.

**Pendleton C H,** cigars and fruit, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts, res same.

Penrod Sam, jobber, res 1st ave N and 32nd st.

Peson John, painter (with O C Jacobson) res same.

Peters Robert, assessor Yellowstone county, stock raiser, res E B.

Peterson Chas, bds R R house.

Phelps A, bds Forster's rest.

Phelps C W, clerk (with S H Phelps) bds Forster's rest.

Phelps S H, candy store, Montana ave and 26th st, bds Forster's rest.

Pillow Ed, porter (with P W McAdow).

Pioneer Meat Market, Hoskins & Co props, 26th st bet 1st and 2nd aves N.

Platt H N, attorney at law, bds Headquarters hotel.

Pond C H, poultry raiser, bds J A Babcock.

Pond Ernest, poultry raiser, bds J A Babcock.


**Post Printing House,** J D Matheson editor and prop, 26th st bet 1st and 2nd aves N.

Post W S, day operator N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Pratt M H, carpenter, res 1st ave S and 30th st.
Preble Mrs Nellie, restaurant, Minnesota ave and 28th st.
Prescott C H, machinist N P R R, bds R R house.
Proctor F M, attorney at law, office Windsor hotel, bds same.

Q

Quinlin, Ed, speculator, with Garrison & Leland, bds Headquarters hotel.

R

Racek Bros, harness and saddle makers, 26th st and 1st ave N.
Racek Chas, (Racek Bros) bds Forster's restaurant.
Racek G W, (Racek Bros) bds Forster's restaurant.
Rademaker M B, Blue Grass Billiard Hall, bds Magnolia hotel.
Ramus Alex, carpenter, res Minnesota ave and 38th st.
Ramus Alex Jr, res Minnesota ave and 38th st.
Rath Robert, ranchman, res 32nd st bet 4th and 5th aves S.
Raymond A S, druggist, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts, bds Park hotel.
Raymond Chas W, carpenter, bds Magnolia hotel.
Red Front, M O'Harris propr, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.
Reed J J, res 26th st and 1st ave N.
Reynolds J E, conductor, N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Rhodes Orrin, 2nd clerk Headquarters hotel.
Rice Geo D, real estate and genl contractor, bds Magnolia hotel.
Rice Dr, res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
Richardson E M, cook with Magnolia hotel.
Richardson H L, cashier Stebbins, Post & Mund, bds Mrs. Preble's.
Richmond R, conductor, N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Rixon Anna, teacher Billings Seminary, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
Rixon John, printer, with Billings Post, res Montana ave and 22nd
Rixon Mary, teacher Billings Seminary, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
Roberts George, cook with Mrs Preble, Minnesota ave and 28th st.
Robes Jacob, butcher with Hoskins & Co.
Rocky Mountain Brewery, Ash & Boots, props, E B.
Rogers J, wiper N P R R, bds R R house.
Rogers J P, miller, bds T J Mullen's.
**Rooney Mrs M T**, millinery and dressmaking, Minnesota ave bet 29th and 30th sts.
Rooney M T, contractor, res Minnesota ave bet 29th and 30th sts.
Ross Bill, teamster, res E B.
Rowley H W, civil engineer, office and res Montana ave and 31st st.
Rumley Mattie, res 28th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
**Russell Mrs J D**, fancy goods, Montana ave and 28th st, bds Mrs Preble's.
**Ryan & Hannigan**, props N P R R saloon, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th.
Ryan John, with opera house, bds T Flanigan.
Ryan Joseph, (Ryan & Hannigan) bds opera house.
Ryan Nora, waitress Windsor hotel.

Sam Lee, Chinese laundry, 26th st bet 2nd and 3rd avenues N.
Sanderson Henry, hunter and **trapper**, res E B.
Sands E H, bds Tivoli Hall.
Sands Ed, cook Tivoli Hall.
Sanson John, cook Headquarters hotel.
Sawyer & Lavigne, contractors and builders, 29th st bet 1st and 2nd avenues S.
Sederwal Charles, 30th st and 1st ave S.
Sederwal & Co, props Brewery saloon, 30th st and 1st ave S.
**Schilller E A**, tailor, 26th st and 1st ave N, res same.
**Schimmel F W**, watchmaker and jeweler, Montana ave and 26th st, res 29th st bet 1st and 2nd avenues S.
Schmudlach August, carpenter, res 30th st and 4th ave S.
Schraeder W, bookkeeper, with Tully, Hart & Freese, bds Windsor hotel.
Seamon Davie, bell-boy Headquarters hotel.
Section House, N P R R. Minnesota ave and 34th st.
Selstead Ida, waitress Headquarters Hotel.
Sharp J R, with Babcock & Miles, bds Mrs Preble's.
Sheldon Della, millinery and dressmaking, over Fenske's store, Montana ave and 27th st.
Shuart Rev B F, pastor Congregational church, res 27th st and 4th ave N.
Shupe Henry, machinist helper, N P R R, res Montana ave and 30th st.
Simmer Chas, carpenter, res Western Brewery.
Simons Geo, clerk with Chas E Barney, bds Magnolia hotel.
Simpson John C, wheelright, with Padden & Barth, res 32nd st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Sising Fred, machinist N P R R, bds R R house.
Skillen J, saloon, res E B.
Slater C, prop brick yard, 1 mile N W of town.
Smith Frank, watchman H Clark & Co, res 30th st and 4th ave S.
Smith James G, builder and genl contractor, bds Windsor hotel.
Smith J F, clerk, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
Smith R M, cook, res Minnesota ave and 27th st.
Smith P H, prop water wagons, bds Magnolia hotel.
Smith W W, builder and genl contractor, bds Windsor hotel.
Snidow W M, manufacturer mineral water, res E B.
Snyder Geo, night clerk Headquarters hotel.
Sohl D B, butcher, with Hoskins & Co, bds Park hotel.
Soo Sing, Chinese laundry, Montana ave bet 29th and 30th sts.
Soule W S (Marks & Soule) res 27th st and 1st ave S.
Sparks Richard, porter, Headquarters hotel.
Spencer A, drayman N P R R express, bds Headquarters hotel.
Spencer A J, teamster, bds Headquarters hotel.
Spencer W, farmer, res 1st ave S and 30th st.
Stebbins, Post & Mund, bankers, Montana ave and 26th st.
Stenson H C, sawyer (with Montana lumber co) bds Magnolia hotel.
Stephenson E O, clerk N P R R freight office, res 27th st and 6th ave N.
Stewart Robt L (Gorum & Stewart) bds Tivoli hall.
Stewart Wm, locomotive fireman N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Stilson W E, broker, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Stilson W E, (Stilson & Mann) bds Headquarters hotel.
Stilson & Mann, props Tivoli Hall, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Stoneman E A, clerk Johnson & Stoneman, bds Headquarters hotel.
Stoneman F B, (Johnson & Stoneman) bds Headquarters hotel.
Streckler L F, wiper N P R R, bds R R house.
Strong W G, with Garrison & Leland, bds O D Garrison.
Stultz Wm, bookkeeper, res E B.
Sullivan M, with H Clark & Co.
Sullivan Richard, cook Forster's rest.
Summers F B, printer with Herald, bds Park hotel.
Summerville Lewis, deliverer with King & Camp Bros.
Susman Morris, groceries, Montana ave and 25th st.
Sweetman F, J. P, res 28th st and 2nd ave S.
Swetland Warren, lodgings, res 24th st and 1st ave N.
Szitnick J D, carpenter, res 29th st and 2nd ave S.

T

Tacey Prosper, brewer (with Ash & Boots) res E B.
Taylor Chas, teamster, res E B.
Terrell H, real estate, res 27th st and 3rd ave N.
"The Office," T J Mullen prop, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Thompson H A, freighter, res E B.
Thompson —, farmer, res E B.
Thornton John, under-sheriff Yellowstone co, res 25th st and 1st ave N.
Tinkler John, U S land office, deputy-clerk of the district court, 1st judicial district, office over Fenske's store.
Tinlan Martin, bartender (with Ryan & Hannigan) bds T Flanigan.
Tivas Geo, cook, opera house, bds T Flanigan.
Tomlinson C L, real estate, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts, res same.
Town Geo (Westbrook & Town) res 28th st and 1st ave N.
Tully Fred, bds Windsor hotel.
Tully, Hart & Freese, hardware dealers, Montana ave bet 25th and 20th sts.
Tully John (Tully, Hart & Freese).
U

U S Signal Service, Thos Gibson, manager of the military line and observer in charge, Montana ave and 31st st.
Ulrich Frank, lab N P R R, bds Section house.

V

VanCleve H S (VanCleve & Wadsworth) bds Headquarters hotel.
VanCleve P L (with VanCleve & Wadsworth) res 4th ave S and 20th st.
VanCleve & Wadsworth, real estate, Minnesota ave and 25th st.
VanLoon (with Montana lumber co) res 29th st and 1st ave S.
VanSinden Wm II, insurance and real estate, office with Woolfolk & Hersey, bds Headquarters hotel.
Voelker Henry, bartender (with Wm Eilers) bds Forster's rest.
Voneschen Fred, waiter, Forster's rest.

W

Wadsworth Philip C (with VanCleve & Wadsworth) res 4th ave S and 20th st.
Wadsworth Thomas S (VanCleve & Wadsworth) res 4th ave S and 20th st.
Wagner Augustus, assist operator U S signal service, bds Windsor hotel.
Wagner Van, carpenter, res E B.
Wallace W Thomas, butcher, bds Drover's hotel.
Wallig Jake, Blue Grass billiard hall, bds Magnolia hotel.
Walters G B, clerk (with D Holzman) res Minnesota ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Ward Pat, lab, bds Section house.
Warrall II S, ranchman, res Minnesota ave bet 29th and 30th sts.
Webb Wm B, county commissioner (with Minnesota and Montana land co), res 3rd ave N and 28th st.
Wells Richard, farmer, res Montana ave and 22nd st.
Wescott E D, liquor dealer, bds Forster's rest.
Westbrook C E (Westbrook & Town) bds Mrs Preble's.
Westbrook James, farmer, McAdow's ranch.
Westbrook Peter, farmer, res McAdow's ranch.

Westbrook & Town, livery, feed and sale stables, 27th st and 1st ave S.

Wheatley Bros, livery, feed and sale stables, 28th st bet 1st and 2nd aves S.

Wheatley John W (Wheatley Bros) bds Geo. Breakenridge.

Wheatley M H (Wheatley Bros) bds Geo Breakenridge.

Wheeler Thomas, deputy-sheriff Yellowstone county, res 26th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.

White A F, clerk N P R R freight office, res Montana ave and 32nd st.

White Tony, car repairer N P R R, bds R R house.

Whitney L, postmaster, Montana ave bet 24th and 25th sts, res same.

Wicks C D, U S mail agent, bds Headquarters hotel.

Wiebasch August, lab N P R R, bds Section house.

Wilde Sam, attorney at law, office over "Bank Exchange," bds Headquarters hotel.

Wiley H B, book-keeper (with Marks & Soule) bds Park hotel.

Wilkinson Andrew, farmer, res Montana ave and 22nd st.

Wilkinson Chas, R R employe, res Montana ave and 22nd st.

Wilkinson Ralph, farmer, res Montana ave and 22nd st.

Williams Frank, stage driver, Billings & Benton line, bds Park hotel.

Williams Nellie, waitress Magnolia hotel.

Wilson J H, barber and teacher in penmanship, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts, bds Magnolia hotel.

Wilson Thomas, section foreman, res Section house.

Windsor Hotel, R J Anderson prop, Montana ave and 27th st.

Woods J, ice dealer, res F B.

Woodson John, dishwasher Forster's rest.

Woolfolk E G, (Woolfolk & Hersey) paymaster H Clark & Co.

Woolfolk & Hersey, druggists, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.

Wustum C A, secretary Montana lumber co, res 29th st bet 2nd and 3rd ave S.
Y

Young M C, locomotive engineer N P R R, bds Headquarters hotel.
Young Pete, hunter, res E B.
Ytterdahl John, railroader, res E B.

Z

Zimmerman Jas, B O P C store, bds Park hotel.
BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

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**Attorneys.**
Allen & Goddard, Montana ave and 27th st.
Goss J R, Montana ave and 26th st.
Harwood E N, Montana ave and 27th st.
Miller & McGinty, office court house.
Platt H N, Montana ave, Montana Lumber Co's building.
Proctor F M, Windsor hotel.
Wilde Sam, office over Garrison & Leland's.

**Bakers.**
Champion Bakery, Emil Faust prop, 25th bet Montana ave and 1st av N.
Heffner H C, Minnesota ave, bet 26th and 27th sts.

**Bank.**
Garrison & Leland's, at bank exch.

**Banker.**
Stebbins, Post & Mund, Montana ave and 26th st.

**Barbers.**
Corner J, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Wilson J H, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.

**Billiard Halls.**
Bank Exchange, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Blue Grass billiard hall, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.
Park Hotel billiard hall, E Curry manager, 25th st and 1st ave N.

**Blacksmiths.**
Bond J C, 27th st and 2nd ave S.
Durward David, 29th st bet 1st and 2nd aves N.
Padden & Earth, 27th st bet Minnesota ave and 1st ave S.

**Boarding Houses.**
Campbell Mrs, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.
Preble Mrs N, Minnesota ave and 28th st.
Town G W, 28th st and 1st ave N.

**Boots and Shoes.**
Losekamp & Sons, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.

**Brewery.**
Rocky Mountain Brewery, Ash & Boots prop, E B.

**Brick Yard.**
Slater C, 1 mile northwest of town.

**Broker.**
Stilson W E, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.

**Carpenters and Contractors.**
Duffield Bros, cor 2nd ave S and 27th st.
Morgan F M, 31st st bet 4th and 5th aves N.
Nilson, Crow & Gagnon, 1st ave S bet 29th and 30th sts.
Sawyer & Lavigne, 29th st bet 1st and 2nd aves S.

**Clothing and Gents' Furnishing Goods.**
Boston One Price Clothing Store, J Zimmerman & Co props, Montana ave and 25th st.
Gilbert C M, Montana ave & 26th st.
Goldberg D, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Holzman D, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.

**Confectionery.**
Pendleton C H, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Pheps S H, Montana ave and 26th st.
Commission Merchants.
Hibbard C L, Montana ave and 30th st.

Corporations and Societies.
Artesian Well Co, John R King, Geo B Hulme vice-pres, H H Mund treas, B F Shuart sec.
Board of Trade, H H Mund pres, Geo B Hulme vice-pres, C H Thomson treas, P L VanCleave rec sec, J D Matheson cor sec.

Bull Mountain Coal Co, Geo B Hulme pres, Alex Devine sec, F M French manager.
Library Association, C W Horr, pres, Geo B Hulme vice-pres, F B Ohmstead sec.

Literary Society, meetings every Thursday evening, officers elected every three months.

Minnesota and Montana Land and Improvement Co, H Clark, pres. E G Woolfolk, vice-pres, Geo B Hulme sec and treas.
St Luke's Guild of the Episcopal Church, Mrs Geo E Breakenridge, pres, Mrs B F Kelly, vice-pres, Mrs J D Matheson, treas, Mrs J W Martin sec.
Street Railway Co, P W McAdow, pres, Geo B Hulme, treas, Alex Devine sec.

Dentists.
Allen W A, Montana ave and 27th st.

Dressmaking.
Dennison & Burns, 27th st and 1st ave S.
French Mrs F M, Minnesota ave and 26th st.

McClinton Mrs J D, 28th st and 2nd ave S.
Rooney Mrs M T, Minnesota ave bet 29th and 30th sts.
Sheldon Miss Della, Montana ave and 27th st.

Druggists.
Bole H H & Co, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Raymond A S, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.

Toolfolk & Hersey, prop City Drug Store, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.

Dry Goods and Carpets.
Lee E H, 28th st and 1st ave N.

Dyeing and Clothes Cleaning.
Lamartine Mrs M, 26th st and 1st ave S.

Express.
McClain M, N P R R Express agent, passenger depot.
Spencer A, Express deliverer N P R.

Fancy Goods.
Russell Mrs J D, Montana ave and 28th st.

Fruit Dealers.
Pendleton C H, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.

Furniture.
Barney Chas E, Montana ave and 28th st.

General Merchandise.
Clark H & Co, Minn ave and 29th st.

Groceries and Provisions.
Johnson & Stoeckman, 28th st bet Mont ave and 1st ave N.

Horse Makers.
Racek Bros, 26th st and 1st ave N.

Hotels.
Drover's Hotel, 1st ave S & 26th st.

International Hotel, Peter Fisch prop, Mont ave bet 25th & 26th sts.
Magnolia Hotel, A E Hertzel prop, Minn ave and 28th st.

Park Hotel, Chas M Berrick prop, 25th st and 1st ave N.
Windsor Hotel, J J Anderson prop, Mont ave and 27th st.
Ice Dealers.
Conner M, res E B.
Woods J, res E J.

Insurance.
Bates Lesley, 28th st and 1st ave N.
Van Sinden Wm H, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.

Jewelers.
Allason W J, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Mains M G, postoffice building.
Schimmel F W, Montana ave and 26th st.

Laundries.
Sam Lee, (Chinese) 26th st bet 2nd and 3rd aves N.
Soo Sing (Chinese) Mont ave, bet 29th and 30th sts.

Livery, Feed and Sale Stables.
Grady Jas, 30th st and 3rd ave S.
Westbrook & Town, 27th st and 1st ave S.
Wheatley Bros, 28th st bet 1st and 2nd aves S.

Lodging House.
Billings House, Mrs Campbell prop, Minn ave bet 27th and 28th sts.

Lumber Dealers.
Heizer Chas, Park hotel.
Montana Lumber Co, Mont ave and 29th st.

Mason and Builder.
Klambeck Chas, 30th st bet 2nd and 3rd ave S.

Meat Market.
Pioneer Meat Market, Hoskins & Co prop, 26th st bet 1st & 2nd aves N.

Millinery.
Dennison & Burns, 27th st and 1st ave S.
French Mrs F M, Minn ave and 26th st.
Rooney Mrs M T, Minn ave bet 29th and 30th sts.
Sheldon, Miss Della, Montana ave and 27th st.

News Depots.
Malcolm M D, postoffice building.
N P News Co, John Murphy manager, Headquarters hotel.
Pendleton C H, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.

News Papers.
Billings Herald (daily and weekly) Devine & Matheson editors and proprietors, Mont ave and 24th st.
Post Printing House (weekly) J D Matheson editor and prop, 26th st bet 1st and 2nd aves N.

Notary Public.
Matheson J D, Billings Post.
Matheson Walter, Billings Herald.
Mund H H (Stebbins, Post & Mund) Mont ave and 26th st.

Painters.
Jacobson O C, 28th st bet 1st and 2nd aves S.
Lee & Johnson, 1st ave N & 28th st.
Martin J W, 28th st bet Mont ave and 1st ave N.
Marvin & Cain, 25th st & 1st ave N.
Wilson H P, 30th st bet 3rd and 4th aves S.

Photographers.
Finch W R, Mont ave bet 25th and 26th sts.

Physicians.
Bole H H, office drug store of H H Bole & Co.
Davie T A, Mont ave and 26th st.
Kelley B B, Mont ave and 27th st.
Parker D M (H H Bole & Co) office drug store.
Rice Dr, 28th st and 2nd ave S.

Post Office.
Whitney L, P M, Montana ave and 21st st.

Printers.
Billings Herald, Montana ave and 24th st.
Post Printing House, 26th st bet 1st and 2nd aves N.

Real Estate.
Alderson John, 33rd st bet 5th and 6th aves N.
Bates Lesley, 28th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Benton, Wells & Co, Minnesota ave and 25th st.
Foster Fred, 4th ave N bet 27th and 28th st.
French F M, Minn ave and 26th st.
Horr C W, Park hotel.
Minnesota and Montana Land and Improvement Co, Geo B Hulme sec, Minn ave and 29th st.
Nickey J J, office Park hotel.
Real Estate—Continued.

Rice Geo D.
Rowley H W, Mont ave and 31st st.
Tinkler John, Mont ave and 27th st.
Tomlinson C L, Minn ave bet 27th and 28th sts.
VanCleve & Wadsworth, Minn ave and 25th st.
VanSinden Wm H, Minn ave bet 27th and 28th sts.

Restaurants.

Fleisher Chas, Minnesota ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Forster’s rest, J P Forster & Sons props, 26th st and 1st ave N.
Gorum & Stewart, props Tivoli hall, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Preble Mrs Nellie, Minnesota ave and 28th st.

Sundries.

Racek Bros, 26th st and 1st ave N.

Saloons.

Bank Exchange, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Blue Grass, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.
Brewery, 30th st and 1st ave S.
City Beer Hall, Wm F Eilers prop, 26th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.
Closs Nick, Montana ave and 26th st.
Henihan & Co, Minnesota ave bet 27th and 28th sts.
Lutz Wm J, Montana ave and 26th st.
Nansenfield Dick, 27th st and 1st ave S.
N P R R, Ryan & Hannigan props, Montana ave, near 27th st.
Red Front, M O’Harris prop, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.
“The Office,” T J Mullen prop, Montana ave bet 26th and 27th sts.

Saw Mill.

Billings Saw Mill, A S Douglass prop, 30th st and 4th ave S.

Seminary.

Billings Seminary, M M Panton principal, Montana ave.

Shoe Makers.

Hopkins J, 28th st bet 2nd and 3rd aves S.
Losekamp & Sons, Montana ave bet 25th and 26th sts.

Stage Line.

Billings & Benton Stage Line, Walter Burke supt, stables 21st st and 1st ave N, office Park hotel.

Stationery and Books.

Malcolm M D, postoffice building.
Martin J W, 28th st bet Montana ave and 1st ave N.

Street Car Co.

P W McAdow pres, Alex Devine sec.

Surveyors.

Lamport G T, Co Surveyor.
Rowley H W, Mont ave and 31st st.

Tailor.

Schiffler E A, 26th st and 1st ave N.
Lewis John, 27th st and Minn ave.

Telegraph Office.

N P R R, Minn ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
U S Military Line, Montana ave and 31st st.

Theater.

Opera House, Thomas Flanigan prop, Mont ave bet 26th & 27th sts.

Tobaccos and Cigars.

Malcolm M D, Mont ave and 24th st, P O building.
Pendleton C H, Mont ave bet 26th and 27th sts.

U. S. Land Office.

Tinkler John.

U. S. Signal Service.

Gibson Thomas, manager, Mont ave and 31st st.

Watchmakers.

Allison W J, Mont ave bet 26th and 27th sts.
Mains M G, postoffice building.
Schimmel F W, Montana ave and 26th st.

Water Carrier.

Smith P H, bds Magnolia hotel.

Well Driving.

Hamilton Wm, res E B.

Wholesale Groceries.

Clark & Co, Minn ave and 29th st.
McAdow P W, Minn ave and 27th st.

Wholesale Liquors and Cigars.

Fenske L H, Mont ave and 27th st.
McAdow P W, Minn ave & 27th st.