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GROS VENTRE (m)

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We dislike to speak ill of any civic neighbor, yet it must be said that the community of Gros Ventre is gaining a reputation as Hell with a roof on it. Their notion of endeavor up there is to dream of the day when whiskey will flow in the plumbing. It is unsurprising that every cardsharp and hardcase in northern Montana looks fondly upon Gros Ventre as a second home. We urge the town fathers, if indeed the parentage of that singular municipality can be ascertained, to invite Gros Ventre's rough element to take up residence elsewhere. ep

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stet "hardcase" as one word - it's a Westernism

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Choteau Quill, April 30, 1890 QR (m) (11)

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Word from Scotland reached us in early February, and it was yes and then some. As regular as Christmas itself, the Montana money from Lucas had again wafted to Nethermuir; and together with it this: ep

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Gros Ventre, Mont., 23 Dec. 1889 QR

My dear brother Vare and family, ep

letter

You may wonder at not hearing from me this long while. Some day it will be explained. I am in health and have purchased a business. This place Gros Ventre is a coming town. I remain your loving brother, ep

Lucas Barclay QR (m) (1)

"The man himself, Angus! See now, here at the bottom! Written by our Lucas himself, and he's--" (m)