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~~They Fought the Fire~~

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Editor Acantha,

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Dear Sir:—The party which left Choteau on last Saturday arrived on the west side of the range late Sunday, and found a large forest fire crossing the range on to the west fork of the Teton. Realizing the importance of quick action, we dispatched the news to the forest rangers, by swift riders, and before the next night we had a crew of 19 men on the ground, headed by Chas. LaBreche from Sun river and Jack Nesbit from the Teton, with the happy result that we now have the fire practically under control.

The importance of this action will be realized when it is understood that if this fire had got 200 feet farther east it would have reached the heavily timbered basins on the west fork of the Teton which hold the heavy snows with the result that not only would there have been destroyed about 100,000,000 feet of the best timber on the east slopes, but the main source of the Teton water supply would have been swept away. The original party was composed of the following:

W. J. DORRINGTON.

JOHN ZIMMERMAN.

P. J. RALSTON.

W. H. HARRIS.

J. N. RALSTON.