

From the St. Paul Pioneer, November 16th.
The Idaho Fleet.

Captain Abe Hutchinson, Commodore of the "Idaho fleet," arrived home on Sunday. From him we gather some interesting particulars concerning the expedition and its results.

The expedition was got up by a company called the Idaho Steam Packet Company, organized by some steamboatmen in St. Paul last winter. They purchased the steamer Chippewa Falls and Cutter, and advertised to take passengers up the Missouri, right into the mining region in ninety days.

The boats had their loads made up with very little delay, and on Monday evening, April 18th, started from La Crosse. The Chippewa Falls was commanded by Captain Hutchinson, and was the flagship of the fleet. The Cutter was in command of Captain Frank Moore. The two boats had about two hundred and fifty passengers, with a large amount of plunder on board.

The fleet proceeded without any incidents as far as Fort Randall, where Gen. Sully, on May 19th, impressed the Chippewa Falls to carry supplies for his expedition. Her passengers and freight were transferred to the Cutter which proceeded on her way to the Rocky Mountains.

The Cutter was thus heavily loaded—too heavily, in fact—but as she was a staunch and light draft boat, was enabled by good management to succeed in her journey. She finally arrived at Fort Benton, several hundred miles beyond the mouth of the Yellowstone. Her crew and engineers ran up to the gold mines, and the Cutter was led up to the bank, under the Fort, where she yet remains. In the spring an effort will be made to bring her down.

The Chippewa Falls' first service was to go down the river, light off a steamer loaded with expeditionary stores, which was on the way up to General Sully, and join him at Fort Randall, when he at once moved on the east side of the Missouri. The Chippewa followed near him along the river until the expedition reached a point near the Cannon Ball river, where the Falls ferried the troops across and then started for a point designated by General Sully, on the Yellowstone river, where there was an old trading post. The Chippewa Falls was to carry provisions and forage to this point, in company with a steamer called the Alone. Sully had with him an Indian guide that knew the way perfectly. Very much depended on the boat reaching the point named, as they could not carry with them many rations or much forage, and should they fail to connect the effect would have been disastrous.

Captain Hutchinson, with 65,000 rations, and accompanied by the Alone, started on up the Missouri, and soon reached Fort Union, which is a post at or near the mouth of the Yellowstone. Here he left the Alone and his cargo, and started up the Yellowstone on an expedition.

The Chippewa Falls was the first steamer whose paddle-wheel first stirred the waters of the Yellowstone. Her whistle was the first rude sound that ever startled those primeval solitudes. Thus to Captain Abe Hutchinson, a Minnesotan, and running a Minnesota boat, belongs the credit of exploring one of the largest rivers of the Northwest.

The Chippewa Falls, when light, draws about thirteen inches. Captain Hutchinson ran up only some forty or fifty miles on this trip, and finding about four feet of water, pronounced navigation on the Yellowstone practicable, and returned for his consort and freight.

The Yellowstone river is a stream about the size of the Mississippi above the falls, or from here to Hastings, and about as crooked. It is not so muddy as the Missouri, nor so full of snags. It has some bars; but the most obstructions arise from rocks, which, however, are not dangerous. In fact, in an average state of water, it is a fair stream to navigate. It is bordered with heavily timbered bottom lands, back of which are bluffs which seem quite barren. The Yellowstone is fed with small streams, which are fringed with timber. It is probable that the Yellowstone is navigable for small boats up as far as the mouth of the Big Horn river, where a city is growing up. The last trip up the Chippewa Falls drew thirty inches and found some three feet water.

Having loaded again, the Chippewa Falls, attended by the Alone, started up the Yellowstone. This time they ascended to the old trading post, ninety miles from the mouth, where they waited for the troops six days. The Alone grounded six miles below the post, and could not go further. General Sully's guide struck the river at that point. His troops had been on half rations several days, and were rejoiced to see the boats. The animals were also starving; many had been abandoned and killed.

After having reunited their strength, Captain Hutchinson ferried them across the Yellowstone and descended to Fort Union where they soon joined him. The Chippewa and Alone then returned to Fort Bertkold, and again joined with Sully. Captain Hutchinson was finally ordered down the river, and released from service on October 23d. He then brought the Chippewa Falls to St. Joseph (Mo.), where he left her and returned home.

The Idaho expedition has demonstrated two important facts. First, the practicability of reaching a point on the extreme upper Missouri by steamers of light draught; and second, that the Yellowstone can be navigated by small steamers. If our wagon road to the Missouri river or Big Horn City were completed, a great trade and travel must flow through our State to that region, as passengers could reach Fort Rice quicker through Minnesota by many days than to take steamer at Omaha or St. Joseph. The settlement of that region must benefit our State. There can be no doubt of it. It must accelerate the construction of our Northern Pacific Railroad and the main branch of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, and put St. Paul on the great chain of cities from the lakes to the Pacific Ocean.

FRENCH WOMEN.—That French ladies have taken a fancy to walking sticks is an old story; but a new feature in their whims is the introduction of the steel blades into the handles of the more costly, so that they may be used as a weapon of attack. These canes are exhibited in most of the best show windows.

VOTE OF NEW YORK.—The exact official vote of New York city is given. The average for Electors is: For Lincoln, 36,000; for McClellan, 73,707—McClellan's majority, 37,707.

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BEN. HOLLADAY, Proprietor.
Carrying the Great Through Mail between the

ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC STATES.

THIS Line is now running in connection with the Daily Coaches between

ATLANTIC STATES, KANSAS, & PLACERVILLE, CAL.

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Salt Lake City and Walla Walla,

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Coaches for Great Salt Lake City and Bannack City, leave Virginia City every

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ALLEN & MILLARD, BANKERS,

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DEALERS IN

COIN, GOLD DUST, TREASURY NOTES, and FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC EXCHANGE.

B. F. ALLEN, J. H. MILLARD,
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I HAVE FOR SALE TWO RANCHES ON THE Stinking Water; also one good business house in Virginia City, and one good residence; also one Ranch on the Madison. Enquire of

Wm. CHUMASERO.

STUART & CO.,

Deer Lodge Valley, Montana Ter.

Dealers in

Dry Goods Clothing, Hats, Caps
Boots, Shoes, Hardware,
Cutlery, Groceries, Provisions,
Produce.

And all articles suitable for the country trade.

Virginia, M. T., Oct. 15, 1864. 8-5m

Justus Cooke. J. A. Gray. T. J. Newell.

ELEPHANT CORRAL,

LIVERY, SALE & EXCHANGE

STABLE.

The undersigned having removed their Auction Stand to their corral on Cover Street, would inform the public that they have a

FIRST CLASS STABLE

in every respect, and solicit the patronage of their friends and the public.

SUPERIOR SADDLE HORSES

can be obtained at all times.

Corrals for cattle in connection with the Stables.

COOKE, GRAY & CO.

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WHOLESALE

LIQUOR STORE.

JOHN A. NELSON.

HAS ON HAND A CHOICE LOT OF OLD RYE Whiskey which makes up splendidly in Hot Drinks. He respectfully requests the public to give him a call and examine his stock on Wallace street, opposite California Exchange.

6-3m

PIONEER STORE,

W. H. HASTOR, S. CO.,

Wallace Street, Virginia City.

THE BEST ASSORTMENT OF

Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Gents' Furnishings, Goods, Blankets, Hats and Caps, etc.

Kept constantly on hand. 10-2m

CLAYTON & HALE

WHOLESALE & RETAIL

DRUG EMPORIUM

Virginia City, Montana Territory, Corner of Wallace and Clay sts.,

Opposite Creighton's Stone Block.

We take pleasure in informing the citizens of Montana Territory, that we have opened and offer for sale one of the largest and best selected stocks of Drugs ever brought west of the Missouri River, embracing all kinds of

DRUGS,

MEDICINES,

CHEMICALS,

DYES,

PAINTS,

VARNISHES,

TURPENTINE,

COAL OIL,

ALCOHOL,

BRUSHES,

GLASSWARE,

KEROSENE LAMPS,

WINDOW GLASS,

TOBACCO, CIGARS,

PAPER and BLANK BOOKS

PERFUMERY,

PATENT MEDICINES,

PURE MEDICINAL WINES and LIQUORS,

FANCY GOODS and NOTIONS.

For Mining purposes will keep constantly on hand an ample supply of

QUICKSILVER & GOLD SCALES.

Particular attention will be given to Physicians' orders and Prescriptions, and nothing will be dispensed from this establishment but what is STRICTLY PURE

The prices of all goods shall be as low as they can be bought in the country.

Call and examine before buying elsewhere.

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STOKES and LEVIS

STORAGE & COMMISSION

MERCHANTS.

OPPOSITE JACKSON HOUSE

NEVADA CITY.

We would respectfully announce to the public that we have just opened a large stock of Goods

Consisting of

GROCERIES OF ALL KINDS,

WINE and LIQUORS,

BOOTS and SHOES,

MINER'S TOOLS,

TOBACCO of all KINDS,

FANCY GOODS,

CANNED FRUITS,

and a general assortment suitable for Miner's use. All are invited to call and examine.

4-3m

SPENCER HARRISON & CO.,

(Successor to)

COOVER, McADOW & CO.,

LUMBER YARD.

Corner of Idaho & VanBuren Sts.

ALL KINDS OF SLUCE OR BUILDING LUMBER. Lumber bills filled on short notice.

3-3m

IF YOU WANT THE BEST BEEF

IF YOU WANT THE BEST MUTTON

IF YOU WANT THE BEST MEATS OF ALL KINDS

IF YOU WANT THE BEST VEGETABLES

The market affords and at Low Prices.

Go to the

BULLS HEAD MARKET.

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KRALL & PETCHNER

CONFECTIONERY and BAKERY

A Large and Fresh Stock of

CANDIES,

CANNED FRUITS, and

CONFECTIONERIES

of all KINDS.

FINE CIGARS, WINES, and LIQUORS,

kept constantly on hand.

BALL SUPPERS and WEDDING CAKES,

Gotten up on Short Notices.

Wallace St., one door above the Gem.

Virginia City, M. T., Sept. 10, 1864.

9-6m

JOHN H. MING.

Corner Wallace and Jackson sts., Virginia City, Montana Territory.

BOOKS & STATIONERY.

WHOLESALE & RETAIL.

GROCERIES,

BOOTS and SHOES.

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HO! FOR THE YELLOWSTONE.

DAVIS, HOUSEL & CO.,

HAVE THE MOST COMPLETE ASSORTMENT of Dry Goods, Groceries and Provisions in Virginia City, for sale. Also, a complete assortment of Clothing, and Piece Goods.

Store on Wallace street, above the Stone Block, Opposite the Cabinet Shop.

5-3m

STAR RESTAURANT.

Jackson, between Wallace and Idaho streets, Virginia City, M. T.

FOWLER & SCHENK, PROPRIETORS.

THE "STAR" is now open for the accommodation of Guests and Boarders as a regular Restaurant, and is the only establishment of the kind in the city.

FRESH TROUT, GAME, HAM AND EGGS, HOT COFFEE, OYSTERS,

in every style and the best of everything the market affords, neatly served to order, at all hours of the day or night. Old friends and new ones, and persons from abroad, recollect the Star.

5-3m

TO THE PUBLIC

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE VIRGINIA CITY and Summit City Wagon Road Company, will meet at Allen & Millard's Bank on Wallace (or Main) street Virginia City, on Saturday evening of each week, at 7 o'clock, P. M.—Persons having business with the Company are requested to confer with them at the above time and place. By order of the Board.

J. S. ATCHISON, Sec'y.

6-3m

JOHN A. NYE & CO.

Wallace Street, Virginia City, M. T.

DEALERS IN

MINER'S TOOLS OF ALL KINDS,

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STOVES OF ALL KINDS,

STOVES OF ALL KINDS,

SHEET AND TOM IRONS,

SHEET AND TOM IRONS.

And a general assortment of Goods pertaining to our line of business, which we offer to the Public at reasonable rates.

We are prepared to manufacture anything in our line to order, with despatch.

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J. A. NYE & CO.

SECOND & FAUCETTE

SADDLERS & HARNESS MAKERS.

CONSTANTLY on hand and manufacturing from the best material, all styles of Saddles, Bridles, Single and Double Harness, or anything else made in a first class saddler shop.

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LUNCH! LUNCH!!

—AT THE—

ARCADE RESTAURANT AND SALOON.

BY

LOUIS IVERSON.

Corner of Idaho and Jackson Sts.

Lunch every night, from nine to twelve o'clock. Meals at all hours of the day, put up in the best style.

The finest Wines, Liquors and Cigars, always to be had at the bar.

13-3m

Hook and Ladder company No. 1.

MEET regularly every Monday, at 7 o'clock, P. M., at Masonic Hall. By order of

YOUNG BARNES, Captain.

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GURNEY & CO.'S,

BOOT & SHOE STORE.

STILL ANOTHER ARRIVAL of GOODS

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE LARGEST and best assortment of our Custom Made Boots and Shoes, ever brought to this Territory, comprising our well known

MINERS' BOOTS,

ENGLISH CAP BOOTS,

All kinds of

LIGHT and HEAVY KIP BOOTS,

NAILLED and UNNAILLED CAVALRY BOOTS, SCOTCH BOTTOM BOOTS,

SEWED and PEGGED CALF BOOTS,

Single and Double Soles, of many varieties.

OPERA BOOTS, CALF SHOES, and KIP SHOES, and GENTS FINE SEWED CLOTH & CALF GAITERS.

Also a large assortment of

LADIES ENGLISH LASTING, KID, CALF, and FRENCH GLOVE GAITERS, SHOES, and BALMORALS.

Together with

MISSIS' BOYS' and CHILDREN'S BOOTS, SHOES and BALMORALS.

We also have a large Stock of

BUFFALO OVERSHOES.

And a full Supply of

HAYWARD'S DOUBLE and SINGLE SOLE RUBBER BOOTS.

Making the Boot and Shoe business both in the Manufacture and Sale our entire and legitimate occupation, we are confident of still giving the fullest satisfaction to our numerous customers.

N. B.—We WARRANT all our work.

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Virginia City, M. T. Nov. 20, 1864.

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DEALERS IN

HOTEL and FAMILY,

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TIN,

SHEET IRON,

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N. B.—Job Work in Tin or Sheet Iron done on reasonable terms.

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Express matter left at the "Montana Post" office or Rockfellow and Dennes's Store.

CHAMBERLAIN & THOMAS.

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SCHOOL.

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