

From Bivins' Gulch.

Bivins' Gulch, February 10, 1865. Editor Post.—Some time since I noticed a communication from some one in this gulch about various matters which I had hoped to see continued from time to time, but for which I have looked in vain. Not being much used to quill-driving myself, yet being unwilling that we should be entirely ignored, I thought to drop you a few lines to let you know that we are still alive and kicking.

Mining has been carried on all winter in most of the claims, not yielding very heavy returns, yet enough to satisfy the cravings of hunger, which takes no small pile, and also to keep us out of mischief. The gulch is now nearly deserted. A majority of the miners having gone to Silver Bow and other new mining camps. I think a fair estimate, that two-thirds of the miners who were here in October have left the gulch. Probably the most of them will never return to mine.

During the winter there has been organized two debating clubs, one being held in the upper end of the gulch and one near the lower end. These are interspersed with spelling schools, select reading and declamation. Although laboring under many disadvantages in relation to books, we find these gatherings to be interesting and profitable.

Among those who are about leaving the gulch, is Dr. E. V. H. Alexander, who goes to Silver Bow. During his stay in this gulch, since August last, he has made a host of friends. In his practice as a physician he has succeeded well, and his loss will be felt, as there is no recourse save to the Virginia City. We wish him success in his new field of labor. For fear that I might trespass on your attention too much at this time, I subscribe myself

At a miner's meeting held February 8th, 1865, at the house of Mr. Hunt, in Brown's District, Bivins' Gulch, Madison county, M. T., called for the purpose of settling the difficulty existing between Thomas Burden and Eric Nordlund, in relation to mining claims. It was claimed that a mistake had been made in weighing the money, of one hundred and eight dollars, (\$108) in favor of Mr. Nordlund, which he refused to rectify. After the matter had been explained by both parties, a committee of five, consisting of the following named gentlemen, J. Harper, Dr. E. V. H. Alexander, J. Ramsey, M. Iroson and T. S. Keliev were appointed to draw up a report, and present to the meeting.

The committee, after a short absence, presented the following report which was unanimously adopted: Your committee beg leave to report that from the statements made by Mr. Burden and Mr. Nordlund, and the evidence adduced by other parties, that there was a mistake made in the weighing of the money paid by Mr. Nordlund to Mr. Burden, to the amount of one hundred and eight dollars. And furthermore, that Mr. Nordlund shall pay over to Mr. Burden one hundred and eight dollars, by the first day of April, with interest from the time the deal was made, up to April 1st, deducting the five dollars which Mr. Nordlund paid to Mr. Perkins for recording claims. And in case Mr. Nordlund refuses to comply with this requirement, by the time herein specified, that the miner's of Bivins' gulch put Mr. Burden in possession of one hundred feet of said ground in dispute, on either end of said claims, (Nos. 50, 51, 52, 53, 54 and 55) not worked, which he may select, and should Mr. Nordlund comply with this proposition, Mr. Burden shall make good and sufficient title to said ground.

On motion, the meeting adjourned sine die. E. HADLEY, Chairman. H. N. ELLIOTT, Secretary.

The Penalty of Treason.

The New Year of 1861 saw all the States which formed the American Union thrifty and prosperous. The rights of the citizens in all were protected. All the opportunities which men covet for improvement and advantage here invited men from the whole world and stimulated our own to unusual energy and enterprise. There was such freedom throughout the land and such security of life and property as only the two or three most civilized and favored nations enjoy. The people revelled in abundance of everything which makes life comfortable and adorns it. These blessings cost little in comparison with the price which other nations pay for those which are less. If there was not perfect tranquility throughout the land nothing disturbed the quietness which had reigned so long, save the ominous mutterings of the impending storm which all hoped then might be escaped, and whose violence and duration few suspected. Then there was no cause for conflict. The present second Confederate civil officer had just implored his fellow-Georgians not to take that fatal step which some vehement revolutionists were inciting them to make. Of our condition he spoke with a patriotic pride, which had not then been stilled by the treasonable feelings which afterwards overcame his rational judgment. Mr. STEPHENS said in the legislature of Georgia at Milledgeville, after the Presidential election of 1860:

"Look at what has already been done by them (the people), for their advancement in all that enables man. There is nothing like it in the history of the world. Look around from one extent of the country to the other; contemplate our greatness. We are now among the first nations of the earth. Shall it be said, then, that our institutions, founded upon principles of self-government are a failure? This far it is a noble example worthy of imitation. The gentleman, Mr. Cobb, the other night said it was a failure. A failure in what? In growth? Look at our expansion in national power. Look at our population and increase in all things that make a people great. A failure? Why are the brightest hopes of mankind. Every man, save those who were infatuated by their political ambition and those who were deluded by the others who were infatuated, knew that the words of Mr. STEPHENS were those of truth and soberness. The eloquent Georgian did not rest with his declaration of the greatness of the country at that time. He was as truthful in prophecy as he was in his delineation of the national power and prosperity. He assured his fellow-citizens that "the greatest curse that can befall a free people is civil war." He depicted the desolation, the distress, the disorder, the fearful loss which would attend their efforts to upset the Government, and their appeal to arms, to gratify their unpatriotic aspirations and avenge fearful injuries which he asserted then had no existence save in the disordered imaginations of reckless agitators. Unfortunately the advice of the ungodly leader was neglected. Georgia made that plunge into revolution which she pleaded to prevent. Bitterly, heavily, calamitously she has paid the penalty of her inconside-

rate act. Four years ago Georgia was little less

tranquil than New York.

Her legislature deliberated peacefully at Milledgeville. Her States were secure at home and in other lands. Here they travelled, or in other lands, groaning with the loads, which her rich were musical with the hum of machinery. Her ports were crowded with shipping that linked the State with her sister States in bonds of amity and mutual profit. Georgia was a royal State rejoicing in the merited homage paid her as "the Empire State of the South." What is her condition to-day? Compare her with New York, or with the Keystone, or the Buckeye state now and what a spectacle does she present? What a contrast with that happy condition of hers of the New Year four years ago. Her fields remain rich as they were then. But the laborers are few—the white men of the State have been gathered into the armies of the rebellion. The State has been dragged and only the old, the young and the worthless have been left behind. The blacks have left their masters' homes or are waiting for "Massa Likum," their expected deliverer. The ordinary business pursuits have been suspended. Manufacturing, save the special productions which war has stimulated, has ceased. Her ports have long been closed; their wharves are crumbling to ruin. Her railroads have been destroyed by the Union armies and are tracks of desolation instead of those of prosperous traffic. Her towns have fallen before the invading Union armies and have suffered the calamities incident to war. Her treacherous Legislature was just scattered in disorder by the army of Gen. SHERMAN from the same city where Mr. STEPHENS addressed it in the fall of 1861, in the vain attempt to persuade it not to attempt to precipitate a revolution whose lamentable results he portrayed. That "gentleman, Mr. Cobb"—who was then conspicuous in exciting sedition, having just withdrawn from the position in the national government where he had been pursuing the same nefarious work—has been vainly seeking, as the commander of the Confederate military forces, to check the resistless advance of the Union legions. The defied and contemned national government is felt again in the very heart of the imperial State. Her pride is so humbled, her strength has so departed, that her defence is committed by her Chief Magistrate to a band of felons, whose uniform it that rarely seen except in the penitentiary. Such is the Georgia of this New Year, 1865. She is prostrate; she is impoverished; she is desolated, distressed, humiliated. Her rebellious aims have been thwarted; her ambitious hopes have been blasted; her future hope is in a return to the Union from which she so madly separated herself.

The Union stands stable yet. Its glory is not diminished. Its latent strength has been developed. Its surpassing power has been exhibited. Its permanence is assured. Its prosperity has scarcely been checked, except in those States which provoked the war. The Union is still the admiration of the world, as it was when Mr. STEPHENS spoke his eulogium of it. It is more than that; it is the wonder of the world it is so gigantic in its strength. It yet presents the brightest hopes of mankind. The Union shall live. Georgia, we all trust, will yet be purged of her rebellion and will become a loyal State in the Union, and the sharer in that prosperity and happiness which the Union ensured her till traitors assailed it, and will be renewed when they are subdued.—Vice Herald.

New York, Jan. 30. The World's special mentions that a grand campaign is afoot which will result in the capture of Charleston. Sherman is taciturn and his troops not inquisitive. Every available man has left to join Sherman from Savannah, Beaufort and Port Royal. Deserters from Hardee say the defence of Charleston will be almost entirely by efforts in the field. Foote has arrived within Sherman's lines.

OVERLAND STAGE LINE.

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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 stock 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. 41

STOKES and LEVIS

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COOVER, McADOW & CO.

LUMBER YARD. Corner of Idaho & VanBuren Sts. ALL KINDS OF SLITCH OR BUILDING LUMBER. Lumber bills filled on short notice. 3-3m

CHAMPION SALOON

Jackson Street, Virginia City, M. T. CON OREM. Begs to inform the public that he has on hand an assorted stock of the Best Liquors, Cigars, &c. His Saloon is adorned with the best set of SPORING PICTURES, west of New York. Private Lessons in Boxing and Sparring Once a Week. 3-6m

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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 Notice. Wallace St., one door above the Gem. Virginia City, M. T., Sept. 10, 1864. 3-6m

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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 new 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

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—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

Plain Gold Ring

A PLAIN GOLD RING, with the name "Fanny" engraved inside. The finder by leaving it at this office will confer a favor on the owner and be 50 cents rewarded. 11-21

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 MINER'S BOOTS, ENGLISH CAP BOOTS, All kinds of LIGHT and HEAVY KIP BOOTS, NAILED and UNNAILED CAVALRY BOOTS, SCOTCH BOTTOM BOOTS, SEWED and PEGGED CALF BOOTS, Single and Double Soles, OPERA BOOTS, CALF SHOES of many varieties. 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 MISSES' 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. Stores at Virginia and Nevada Cities. Virginia City, M. T. Nov. 20, 1864. 15-17

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PROF. DIMSDALE, BEGS TO INFORM THE public that he has opened a SCHOOL on Idaho street, behind Mr. Lomax's Corral. Having been long and successfully engaged in tuition, he feels sure that the friends of Education will support him in his attempt to establish a really good school in Virginia City. All the branches included in the curriculum of the best Seminars will be taught in the most approved manner. TERMS \$—\$1.00 per week. A night school will be opened next Monday for those whose vocations prevent their attendance during the day. The strictest attention will be paid to the morals and deportment of the pupils. Young beginners \$1.25. 4-11

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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. 4-11

PATEE HOUSE LOTTERY

GRAND BENEVOLENT PLAN. Arrangements are already made for the sale by Lottery of the Patee House in St. Joseph, Mo.—There will be 528 PRIZES, valued at \$140,000—70,000 shares or Tickets at Two Dollars each. The Hotel and Block of seven lots 45 by 160 feet each, on which the Hotel stands, will be the first prize. One best toned Piano, the second prize. Two Billiard tables, one prize each. Thirty marble top bureaus, one prize each; together with a large amount of valuable furniture as per advertisement, that can be seen with agents. THIS enterprise is the most magnificent of the kind ever started in the West. Twenty-five thousand dollars of the proceeds will be set apart for benevolent purposes, and divided between those towns and cities in proportion to the number of tickets sold in each. Ladies should be interested in the purchase of tickets as there are a number of large mirrors, besides the splendid Furniture in the Bridal Chamber, etc. This magnificent plan is founded on benevolence as the dividend of \$25,000 will be for the relief of the poor. DRAWING TO TAKE PLACE AT ST. JOSEPH MISSOURI APRIL 20th, 1865. REFERENCES. Theron Barnum, of the Barnum Hotel, St. Louis A. Beattie & Co., John Corby, Milton Tooth, Bankers, St. Joseph, Mo. P. S. PEOUTS, Agent for M. T. Tickets for sale by C. Weary, Tutt & Donnell, at the Billiard Saloons, and at D. W. Tilton & Co.'s City Book Store. 22-2m Silver Bow Creek Miners' Meeting. PETER SLATER, President. THE object of the meeting being to repeal the law with regard to claims being held over until the first of May, 1865. On motion of Mr. Conner, J. M. Thomas was chosen Secretary. Resolved, That all persons wanting to go into ditch companies that are on the ground owning claims can go in by giving fifteen days notice previous to going to work on the same. Resolved, That all claims not represented at the expiration of fifteen days from date shall be jeopardized. Silver Bow Creek, Summit Mountain District, Deer Lodge County, M. T. J. M. THOMAS, Jan. 12, 1865. 3-22 Secretary.

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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. 8-6m

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