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WHEN you want good shave, your hair cut and shampooed, or your head rubbed till you can't rest, go to the Star Shaving Saloon, and you will get it done up in good style. Ladies hair dressed, curled and shampooed at the shop, or they will be punctually attended at their private residences. If you are losing your hair, give Anderson a call, for he is sure cure. F. WILSON, 51. N. ANDERSON, F. WILSON.

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James N. Williams,

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WE HAVE constantly on hand a large supply of LAGER BEER, MALT, HOPS, BREWERY FIXTURES, BEER KEGS, ETC. All orders in our line of business will be promptly attended to. Virginia City, M. T. 51-63.

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Wallace Street, Virginia City, and Helena, M. T. LIVERY AND SALE STABLES. ELEGANT vehicles, and well trained horses for the Saddle, Buggy or Carriage, constantly on hand. A First Class Turn-out Guaranteed. THE VIRGINIA CORRAL IS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS ESTABLISHMENT.

HO! FOR THE STATES!

20th of September, 1865. 600 Passengers Wanted. FLEET of Mackinac boats will leave the mouth of the Yellowstone Canon, for the States, The boats are from thirty to thirty-five feet long; sharp at both ends, and built so as to be proof against all injury from obstructions to river navigation. FARE—From Virginia City to St. Joseph, Mo., \$40 00; from the place of embarkation, \$20 00. Experienced navigators of the Yellowstone and Missouri will act as pilots, and the whole will be in charge of a man well acquainted with Indian affairs. Tickets for passage can be obtained from A. M. Torbett, at the Clerk's Office, Virginia City, and at Taylor and Thompson's, Helena. TERMS—Ten dollars in advance, and the balance on embarkation. Tickets must be secured by the 1st of September. August 4th, 1865. R. C. KNOX & CO., Proprietors. 53-18.

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St. Ignace Mission, M. T. THIS Academy is under the direction of the Sisters of Charity. They will teach to read and write, Grammar and English Composition, Arithmetic, Geography, History, and the French language, if required. Sewing, and whatever is understood under the extensive word of Housewifery. Children must be provided with best clothing, two dresses for week days and one for Sundays, half a dozen pocket handkerchiefs, three towels, combs and basin, spoon, fork and knife. They will by their school books in the Academy. For the sake of uniformity and good order, all the pupils will assist at the religious exercises of the Institution. All letters either sent or received, by the pupils, will be subject to the inspection of the Superiors. No visitor admitted without a written order of the respective parents or guardians of the pupil. TERMS—Cash, and invariable five months in advance. Entrance Fee, \$5.00; Board and Tuition, \$25.00 per month; Washing and Ironing, \$5.00 per year. The annual session will commence on the first of September, and end on the first of July. For further information, address Rev. MOTHER MARY, (of the Infant Jesus) Superiors, or Rev. U. GRASSI, S. J., Sup't St. Ignace Mission, 36 miles North of Helena, Montana Territory. 42-3m.

\$25 Reward.

LOST—Two black mules, on Thursday, July 27th—branded "J" on left hip; four years old; between fourteen and fifteen hands high. Each had a rope on. Any person giving information of them will receive the above reward. CHAS. LANGR, German Bar. 50-21.

Esray Notice.

CAME to my Rancho on, or about the 1st of March, one old bay California horse; both ears split; saw on right hip, no name. Point of Rocky, Beaver Head, M. T. August 6th, 1865. 51-47.

Esray Notice.

CAME to my Rancho on, or about the 1st of January, one Beaver Head, one red steer. The owner can have the property by paying the above price. FRANK C. 50-41.

Official Announcement to Maj. G. E. Upson of his Nomination, and his Reply thereto.

VIRGINIA CITY, M. T., Aug. 9th, 1865.

SIR:—We have the pleasure of informing you of your nomination as the Peoples' Convention, for Delegate to Congress from Montana Territory, at a Convention held at Virginia City, this day, and of enclosing a copy of the Platform adopted by that Convention. We are, very respectfully, Your obedient servants, W. F. SANDERS, D. H. HOPKINS, M. T. JONES, Major G. E. Upson, Virginia City.

MAJOR UPSON'S REPLY. VIRGINIA CITY, M. T., Aug. 11th, 1865.

GENTLEMEN:—Your letter of the 9th inst., informing me of my nomination as the candidate of the Peoples' Party, for Delegate to Congress from this Territory, and enclosing a copy of the Platform adopted by the Convention, is received.

I accept the nomination upon a Platform ignoring the effect of partisan issues of the past, and looking only to the local interests of the Territory, the more cheerfully, from the fact, that I have never been a politician, and in no manner connected with the discussion and action upon questions of national policy. It has always been my opinion that the province of a Delegate from a new Territory, especially one so much in need of assistance from the Government, as ours, was to leave such questions to persons who have some voice and vote in shaping them, and to devote himself exclusively to the affairs of this Territory.

You will permit me briefly to allude to some of the legislation which I consider necessary for the development of the mineral and agricultural resources of Montana, and for which I promise my exclusive efforts, if elected to the position for which I receive your nomination.

1st. I consider the extinction of the Indian title to the lands included in the counties east of the Rocky Mountains, of primary importance. Until that is done, the owners of ranches and town property have a mere possessory title. It was for the purpose of obtaining the necessary appropriation for extinguishing this title that I visited the capital last winter, by the advice of Gov. Edgerton; and was so fortunate, even after the matter had been entirely omitted from the general appropriation bill in the House of Representatives, to secure its revival in the Senate, and the ultimate passage in the last hour of the session, of an appropriation of \$15,000. Under this appropriation, the Indian title will doubtless be extinguished during the present session, and an absolute title given to actual settlers.

2d. The protection of the emigrants to our mines requires that the Indian tribes should be restricted within narrow limits, and removed to a further distance from the white settlements. I should deem it my duty as your representative, to advocate such a change of the present policy as would rigorously punish the Indians for any trespass, and secure immunity for the future, from danger in traveling to our Territory.

3d. Our citizens require safe and easy modes of transportation for passengers and goods to the Territory. For this purpose, large appropriations are required to remove obstructions in the Missouri river, above Fort Union, and in the Yellowstone as far as navigable, to open water communication into the very heart of the Territory, and also to further the works already begun, of establishing a wagon road (shorter by several hundred miles than the present routes) via the Niobrara river and the Black Hills. I should consider the securing of such appropriations one of the most important duties of your Delegate.

4th. It is due to the pioneers who open these mountains to civilization, that they should be guaranteed perfect safety in removing their hard-earned treasure to the East; and to secure that end, I should insist upon the establishment of strong military posts near Pointe Canon and other dangerous localities, as well as similar posts for protection from hostile Indians, at Fort Benton and near Powder river.

5th. Our mail facilities are insufficient to meet our wants. The present contractor is only required to bring a limited amount of mail matter to the Territory, and suffered to cast aside any excess over that amount. The mails are then only distributed at the three points of the Territory, Bannack, Nevada and Virginia City. It seems to me that such flagrant injustice as the withdrawal from our miners of the same privileges as to the amount and prompt delivery of their mails, as are given to all the citizens of other States and Territories, might easily be corrected. It should make it my first duty at Washington to demand the carrying of any amount of mail matter that may require transmission to or from this Territory, and the speedy establishment of offices at Bozeman, Emigrant Gulch, the Madison Valley, Gallatin, Jefferson Crossing, Boulder Valley, Jefferson City, Prickly Pear, Helena, Silver City, Fort Benton, Confederate Gulch, White's Gulch, Blackfoot, Deer Lodge, Silver Bow, German Gulch, Cottonwood, Hell Gate, and all other points at which there seemed to be a necessity for such offices.

6th. There are portions of the Internal Revenue Law which require amendment. If the design is to make it of equal effect upon all, the provision allowing but six hundred dollars as a deduction from incomes, for expenses of living, which may be a just estimate in the old States, should be materially altered to prevent it from being ridiculous, in a region where the amount required for that purpose is so much greater. There may be also, sometimes, a hardship in the section requiring a license for miners. I should endeavor, if unable to secure the repeal of this section altogether, to so represent the condition of our miners, and their distance from localities where published notices would be easily seen, to the proper committees, as to convince them of the necessity of more liberal regulations to prevent oppression.

7th. Perhaps the most important duty of your Delegate is to prevent the introduction and passage of any bill through Congress, similar to Julian's Gold Bill, by which the Government would take possession of our quartz lodes and mineral lands. I apprehend that the first wish of our people is to be let alone in them, or to have our legislation in regard to them confirmed. I should labor constantly for such a policy; and at all times resist with whatever power and influence I might exert, any attempt to

the honest prospector of the hard earnings of his toil.

I have refrained from any allusion to national politics, for the reasons given at the commencement of my letter. I shall only strive, with all good citizens, to forget the bitterness of the war, and to make the peace which is now dawning upon us, the beginning of a Union, as strong as the old Union of our fathers; and I shall not allow such questions as negro suffrage—to which I am, and ever have been, opposed—to divert me from the interests of our Territory, to which I have alluded.

Thanking, through you, the Convention for the unexpected and unsolicited honor of this nomination, I am, very respectfully, Your obedient servant, GAD E. UPSON.

MESSRS. W. F. SANDERS, D. H. HOPKINS, M. T. JONES, Committee.

[A copy of the platform was enclosed in the letter of the Committee.]

TELEGRAPHIC.

Washington, July 6.

The Secretary of War is in receipt of scores of letters daily, from the families of soldiers, asking that their husbands and brothers may be discharged from the service and come home to alleviate their poverty stricken condition.

New York, July 10.

For some days past there have been mutterings of discontent among the soldiers stationed at Bailey's Cross Roads, because, as they charged, they had not been fairly dealt with, in that they had not been mustered out. A day or two ago, Maj.-General Crook was informed that the soldiers, headed by some non-commissioned officers, had formed a plot to capture some steamer, and then move into one of the forts and demand terms of the government. Orders were immediately issued to place cavalry in position for any demonstration that might be made. No disturbance, however, occurred. Soldiers were posted yesterday in positions overlooking the camps in the vicinity of the Cross Roads.

The Herald's Toronto correspondent says that the execution of Mrs. Surratt caused intense excitement with the rebel conspirators in Canada. They manifested their feelings in wearing sashes on their arms, singing secession songs, and threatening the President with a terrible retribution.

New York, July 11.

The steamer Eagle, from Havana on the 8th, has arrived. Breckinridge, accompanied by Major C. J. Helm, Confederate agent at Havana, left on the 7th, in the English mail steamer Conway, for St. Thomas and Europe.

Guerrillas still swarm about Matamoros, and rebels from our States continue to arrive in Mexico in large numbers.

The Herald's Galveston correspondent gives additional accounts of the exodus of the rebels from Texas to Mexico. The rebel Gen. Shelby, with 3,000 of his followers, accompanied by Ex-Gov. Moore and Allen, of Louisiana, and other extinguished political luminaries of the late Confederacy, were on the way. They had transportation and supplies for six months, and all were armed with the weapons which they faithfully failed to surrender to the National Government, in accordance with the terms of Kirby Smith's capitulation. They professed though that they were merely going to Mexico as emigrants, and not to fight for either the Republicans or Imperials.

It is understood that twelve or fifteen thousand Confederates are in the Mexican service, near the Texas borders, and it is definitely settled that if these are troublesome, they will be punished, even if pursuit should throw our armies across the border.

New York, July 13.

The South Carolinians have been for some time much annoyed by the garrisoning of harbors and posts in their midst with colored soldiers, whose entire removal has been strongly urged on the military authorities, and there is a rumor that it will soon take place.

The health of Charleston is said to be excellent, except among the negroes, who are dying in large numbers.

A fire broke out in Barnum's Museum, at a quarter to 10 to-day, and by a quarter to one the entire interior was consumed. It is thought the fire will not extend beyond all the buildings adjoining the Museum on Broadway, and two or three in the rear, leaving that portion of the block fronting on Nassau street, including the Herald office, untouched.

The Catholic priests who attended Mrs. Surratt have made affidavits of restrictions imposed by the War Department, which will be published.

Owing to the rapid progress of the fire at Barnum's Museum to-day, very little has been saved. The snakes and wild animals are all burned. Some general articles were brought out and lost in the crowd. The policeman saved a valuable case of coins and the glass engine.

A large number of thieves, during the excitement, have been busy plundering hat stores, and boot and shoe stores, in the vicinity of Barnum's Museum, and are selling their stolen property in the crowd.

Pickpockets are now very active and many arrests have been made.

Several persons have been injured by falling walls.

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