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A DAILY LINE
between Diamond City and Helena via Middle Missouri Crossing; and
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between Virginia City and Gallatin City. 61-tf

LIFE IS BUT A SPAN.

Life is but a span—of horses;
One is Age, the other Prime;
Up and down the hill our course is—
"Go in, ponies, make your time!"

Boyhood plies the whip of pleasure,
Youthful folly gives the stroke;
Manhood goads them at his leisure—
"Let 'em rip, they're tough as oak!"

"Hi ya, there! the stakes we'll pocket;
To the winds let care be sent;
Time 2:40, whip in socket—
Give 'em string and let 'em went!"

On the sunny side of fifty
Prime is drowned in Lethe's stream;
Age is left, old and unthrifty—
Life is then a "one-horse" team.

Age jogs on, grows quite unsteady,
Reels and slackens in his pace;
Kicks the bucket"—always ready,
"Give it up"—Death wins the race.

NEWS SUMMARY.

THE Orleans "Crescent" says Alex. H. Stephens declines to run for Congress in his district in Georgia.

EX-GOV. MANNING has been elected United States Senator from Mississippi, and B. F. Duncan Chief Justice of the State.

COLLECTOR JAMES, of San Francisco, has been removed, and Gen. J. F. Miller has been appointed to the position.

QUINCY A. BROOKS, of Portland, Oregon, has been appointed Special Postal Agent for Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

H. CLAY WHITE, of Leavenworth, who recently attempted suicide, it was thought would recover. At first, his injuries were believed mortal.

IT is officially stated, from rolls in possession of the Government, that Gen. Lee's army, at the surrender, numbered 28,000 men, and Johnston's 37,000.

PATTERSON, who killed ex-Sheriff Pinkam, of Boise county, I. T., has been indicted by the Grand Jury for murder—whether in the first or second degree we are not informed.

THE authorities of San Francisco are about to take steps to make the public buildings as secure as possible against earthquakes. A law is also talked of, extending to all owners of houses.

THE militia of Utah had a grand review, lately, in the vicinity of Salt Lake. The "Telegraph" has said many complimentary things of their evolutions and efficiency. Gen. Connor was present and seemed gratified with the exhibition.

A WORKMAN engaged in excavating on Kearney, near Sacramento street, in San Francisco, on the 2d inst., unearthed an oyster-can full of gold fives, fifties, and a number of twenty dollar pieces, amounting in total to near three thousand dollars.

RECENTLY, at Macon City, Mo., a woman, with four children, took shelter under the cars from a fierce storm. The train started and caught the mother, cutting off her head above her ears. One of the children had both legs cut off below the knee; another had one leg cut off. The other two escaped.

RECENT cases before the San Francisco police court show that a regular system exists in Eastern cities of decoying young girls from their homes for California houses of prostitution. The notorious house of Sarah Palmer, on Pike street, San Francisco, has a procuress regularly employed in Boston.

THE Salt Lake "Telegraph" complains that the General Government has slighted Utah in the usual distribution of arms. The "Vedette" responds that the public arms are for loyalists, who give the Government moral, and are ready, when the occasion may arise, to give it physical support, asserting that Utah can be depended upon for neither.

A JOINT commission for the settlement of claims between the United States and the Government of Columbia, met on the 8th inst., in Washington City. Over two hundred cases, involving millions of dollars, are before the commission, including the larger cases of the Panama Railroad Company, and the Pacific Steamship Company.

AT Yankee Blade, near Austin, Nevada, on the 7th inst., Michael Martin was shot dead by Alexander Newton. Martin was rushing upon a man against whom he was enraged, with a drawn knife. Newton—being a judge of election—ordered him to desist and put up his knife, telling him he would shoot him if he did not. Martin would not comply, and was accordingly shot.

SOME miners in Downieville, Cal., have applied to the Supervisors for the privilege of mining away the old graveyard of that place. The "Sierra Messenger" very properly gets indignant and says: "If the love of gain, the worship of a few paltry dollars, can so debase a man, a human, that he will pollute the dead, rob the grave, 'tis time protective measures were adopted."

AMONG the Powers which, besides England and Turkey, have made known their intention of taking part in a conference for the purpose of studying means for preventing or repressing cholera, are Austria, Prussia, Spain, Portugal, the Roman States, Bavaria, Saxony, Hanover, Wurtemberg, the Hanseatic towns, Denmark, Sweden, Belgium, Holland, Greece and Baden.

THE miners of Boise have handsomely enclosed and appropriately inscribed the headstone of the grave of George Grimes, one of the discoverers of the Boise mines. He fell from the bullet of a hostile Indian, near, and was buried in, the first and only prospect hole he sunk. The body was removed and has been interred on the ridge of what will ever be known as Grimes' Pass. At times the dashing waters of the Payette can be heard at his grave, and the creek which bears his name murmurs a perpetual requiem.

THE Boston "Journal" says English capitalists have purchased £600,000 of Colorado mining lands, and their agents and employees are en route to develope the same. Not wishing to under-estimate the resources of our Colorado friends, which are immense, nevertheless these capitalists would find a more extensive field, in gold and silver lodes, from which to make selections for investment, by coming into Montana. There was never a more extensive quartz country discovered than this, and richer deposits have been found here than were ever before put on record.

A CASE of some hardship under the law in force in British Columbia of imprisoning for debt, is recorded. A woman named Woodward, who had been divorced from a man named Cautz, in San Francisco, was passing through Victoria, on a visit to California, when she was arrested for a debt incurred before the second marriage. Her counsel entered the plea that she was a married woman. Although two witnesses swore they saw her going to church to be married to Woodward, the Judge deemed the evidence inconclusive, and, having left her marriage certificate at home, she was sent to jail. The fact that she was in an advanced state of pregnancy increases our abhorrence of a law that permits such barbarity.

THE Salt Lake "Vedette" publishes a lengthy letter, written by the husband of a woman who is now living as the wife of a Mormon, the letter being in response to one from her, praying that he will make an effort for her rescue. She excuses her conduct by stating that while he was off "on a mission," she was compelled to accept the lustful proposal to save herself and her children from starvation—the Mormon authorities assuring her that there would be nothing unrighteous in such a course, and driving her to it by withholding honorable means of making a livelihood. The wronged husband sends her $80 to defray her expenses out of Utah, should fortune throw in her way a chance of escape. The "Vedette" says this letter is not an exceptional case, there being scores of similar ones coming into and going out of the "New Jerusalem" by every Overland.

Two horrible murders were lately committed in Leavenworth. Dennis Gallagher, a private in the 2d U. S. Infantry, was knocked down with a slung-shot, after which mortal wounds were inflicted with a bowie. Two courtesans had been arrested as accomplices; but an examination resulted in their being released upon the charge, but retained as witnesses. It was thought the principals in the bloody affair could not escape arrest and conviction. A day or two after, the dead body of Wm. Dwyer was found in his bed at the Ringold House, death having been caused by violent blows on the head. No arrest had been made as regards this latter tragedy, and mystery shrouds it throughout. The Leavenworth "Conservative" speaks thus of it: "The criminal records of our State do not furnish a parallel to the awful mystery that envelopes this bloody deed. A stranger in a strange land is murdered; nobody knows why, or with what kind of weapon, or at what hour of the night."

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

A TRIP TO SUMMIT.

VIRGINIA CITY, M. T., Nov. 8th, 1865.

To the Editors of the Montana Post:

GENTLEMEN: Having returned from my northern trip, I followed the advice of the Parson to the scandal-mongers by "taking a look round home," and, accordingly, having mounted my cayuse, I steered up the Gulch. The work there may be said to have been concluded for the season, as a general rule; though, perhaps, on the whole stretch, some thirty claims are being worked, with more or less strength, and with fair results. It is worthy of remark, as bearing on the question of the origin of gold in placer diggings, that all along Alder Creek, wherever a lead has crossed the gulch, or run either obliquely or parallel to the course of the ravine, the claim where this occurs has invariably contained a very rich streak of, probably, a dozen feet wide, tapering off from "good to fair," as Mr. Rockfellow would record in his market report. The fact was specially apparent where the Kearsage and Sterling crossed the Gulch, as Mr. Boardman informed me; and also, I believe, where the Caverone traversed a claim just above discovery, at Summit. It also happens that where a crevice is found on the hills bounding a gulch, and that the placers are very poor or barren, the lode is commonly very rich at that place, and vice versa.

In climbing the ascent to Summit, I particularly noticed the gradually increasing coldness of the atmosphere, and on my return, the same phenomena was observable, in reversed order; with this difference, that, at night, as I came down, the temperature changed suddenly, and not gradually, as if divided into zones. I am glad to say I wore but one spur, for it took all my exertion to keep one side moving, and two would have been a burden. The snow line is a little above Highland, at this time, the road being very slippery, and even dangerous to any but a sharp shod beast. Arrived at Summit, I stopped for a chat with Hank Haines, who lives in the neighborhood of his great discovery, the Yankee Blade, which he visits occasionally, and breaks off a piece of quartz, with a smile, to pan out the gold, as a relaxation in the evening. He says it mends and widens gradually and surely, to the bottom of the shaft—fifty-one feet—where it is six feet wide. "Do you think its a big thing, Hank?" "Big? You bet you; I go my pile on that." I left him smoking his calumet with the air of a convinced Washoe-man, and in such a mood, change of opinion is hopeless. Hank would not shave with a British razor because it was not a Yankee Blade.

I could now see the main object of my journey—not "The Mill on the Floss"—but the mill on the Lucas. Mr. Chas. Davis, the Superintendent of the Idaho Gold and Silver Mining Company, never was more pleased than I was, as I noted the partially completed roof and finished walls of the structure. Having dismounted from my "animal," I accepted, on his behalf, an offer of hay from the manager, Mr. Mesler, and walked into his store, which is the most complete and choicely stocked establishment, for the benefit of the hands more particularly, than any I ever saw in the wilderness. Right at the head of the main gulch stands the building, embosomed in the mountains. Two little forks, which run like the bifurcations of a snake's tongue, head south and southwest, blocked by the huge and hoary Bald Mountain, so called because it is bare of herbage or trees on the top, and covered with coral rock and shells, which rest on limestone and sandstone. It was, I presume, on account of its being naked, that a mountaineer having planted a flag-staff on the apex, hung his shirt on it instead of a flag. Well, the building (at last) is situated right at the base of the divide between the two young gulches, and by a little inexpensive but effectual engineering, the gulch stream from above is carried to a height of twelve feet, so as to supply the boiler and battery. In front, at a distance of twenty yards, runs a never failing stream of limpid water—evidently placed there for the workmen of the Lucas mill. All good Calvinists will receive the assertion as orthodox. Thirsty Armenians may drink and be thankful. The finest timber in the Territory, in inexhaustible quantity, fringes every hill except the Bald Mountain, which is too steep and too high, near the Summit, for the growth of the balsams spruce, fir and pine of this region. The building (I am back again) is seventy-five feet long by thirty-five wide, and sixteen feet high, substantially constructed of logs, with a shingle roof of one-third pitch. The laying of the shingles has just commenced. The situation is perfect. Right at the back of the main building, and only twenty-five feet from it, is the far-famed Lucas lode, which assays per ton of 2,000 pounds, according to Prof. Kent, (a good authority), $728.95 of gold and $12.61 of silver, and this from the blind quartz, in which no gold can be detected, even with a glass. The specimens are magnificent. Reuben Foster, the architect, who may be proud of his work, has added a sort of back kitchen to the mill, twenty-five feet long, which ends at the vertical shaft, reaching the lode at a depth of ten feet. Thus all is under cover, and, like a Canadian farm house, the steamer is in the big barn and the well is in the back kitchen (aforesaid). The boiler is solidly set in masonry; it is tested to two hundred pounds to the square inch; and the engine—twenty-four horse-power, high pressure, non-condensing, horizontal—is ready to be set up. Some magnificent sticks of timber are prepared for the frame-work. The engine-block is of red spruce, fourteen feet and four inches by twenty-six inches and fifteen inches. The engine bed of two blocks and the battery block are composed of as fine timber as can be found. W. H. Johns, the chief engineer, and Mr. Kidd, the second in authority, showed me the stamps, twelve in number, three hundred weight each; but their light weight is compensated for by velocity of motion, the rate being seventy-two revolutions per minute, giving fourteen blows to the second. In about a fortnight the mill will be running, and J. J. Hull will be saving the gold—the cream of the joke being that there is plenty of it to save. Having completed my inspection, I went across to the boarding house—a most beautifully made log building, 70x16. The employees of the Company were most courteous, and Mr. Mesler most hospitable. It was indeed a treat to taste the excellent liquors and to smoke one of the real Havanas of his stock. As I write, I am enjoying one out of the box full presented to me by that gentleman. An inquiry for my pistol having elicited the fact that my six-pounder was at home, A. D. Foster presented me with a fine target rifle pistol of his own make, to "carry me safe to Old Virginia's shore." I said good-bye with regret. I should like to work on that mill.

A chance question to a gulch miner working 25, 26, 27 and 28 above discovery, was repaid by the information that Miles, Gibson & Co., had taken out in a day, with three hands, $143.75, and in a week, $525. Also that their neighbors were doing about as well as they were. It being near night, I took a hasty view of the Seneca Falls Company's mill, which is now near completion. S. G. Armstrong is President, C. D. Boardman, Secretary, and H. Benham, Treasurer and Foreman. The mill is on that auriferous giant, the Caverone—a rich lode, varying from fifteen to forty feet in width of crevice. The machinery is of the finest description, and everything progresses well. The quartz will be drawn a short distance down an incline by a single span mule wagon. I shall, I hope, pay these gentleman a visit when they are in running order. L. B. Olds is the Superintendent of the works, which are situated at the mouth of Batchelor's Gulch, about two hundred yards below the mill on the Oro Cache, which will be replaced by a better one next season. The Seneca Falls Company's mill has fifteen stamps, in a fine frame house, 35x45x15, and is of excellent finish and design. The chimney stack is fifty feet high. Mr. Boardman informed us that the "Keystone," an old discovery, now being developed, is proved to be very rich, and shows splendid specimens.

I turned Bucephalus homewards and became rapidly convinced of two facts: first, that it is easier to go down Alder Gulch than up it; and secondly, that a horse prefers going home to leaving it. My faithful steed brought me safe to Virginia, and I refer to your housekeeper for a certificate of a healthy appetite.

Yours, sincerely, D.

FLOUR has been offered here of late as low as $5 per hundred for the greenbacks; indeed, a countryman the other day had a wagon load which he desired to turn into the ready cash—not goods in barter—and offered it as low as $4 50. We know of a party who offered one of our merchants to let him have $10,000 worth of flour at $7 a hundred, delivered 1st of April next, in exchange for $10,000 worth of store goods now. Coffee has advanced to 85 and 90 cents. Soap and St. Louis matches are at present at high premium. No calculating on the changes of the Utah and Montana markets.—[Salt Lake Vedette, 8th.

TELEGRAPHIC ABSTRACT.

DATES TO NOVEMBER 12th.

Execution of Wirtz---Shipwreck and Loss of Life---Death of Wm. Johnson---Treaties with the Indians---Negro Insurrection anticipated---The Fenians---Ravages of Cholera at Sea-----Sanitary Precautions, etc., etc.

New York, Nov. 10th.

The "Times" special says: All the reports about the Cabinet discussions over the correspondence between Lord Russell and Mr. Adams are absurd; that the correspondence was in the hands of the government for several weeks before it was published, and that Mr. Seward wrote a reply to Russell's last dispatch at least six weeks ago. It is generally understood that Seward informed the English Government that the suggestions on arbitration will not be pressed, nor shall we consent to submit any question to the decision of a military commission, unless all the claims at issue between the two Governments are submitted.

Brevet Brig.-Gen. Briscoe, Colonel of the 199th Pennsylvania regiment, has been found guilty, by a court-martial, of attempting to rob the Government, and sentenced to be dishonorably dismissed from the service, forever disqualified from holding any office of honor or profit under the United States Government, to forfeit all pay or allowances due to him, and be confined at hard labor for five years. In view of high testimonials of former good character and gallantry, so much of the sentence as imposes confinement is remitted by the President.

Washington, Nov. 10th.

A dispatch to the Secretary of the Treasury, dated Galveston 4th, announces the death of Wm. Johnson, only brother of the President, from the effects of an accidental gun-shot wound.

Captain Wirtz was hung between ten and eleven o'clock this morning. On the gallows he declared his innocence, and died without exhibiting any symptoms of fear.

The Commercial's Washington special says that it has been suggested by leading politicians that an amendment, sanctioning the Union debt and ignoring debts for the overthrow of the Union, be added to the Constitution of the United States, and that the Southern States be required to adopt it before recognition.

It is asserted from an official source that the army of the United States has not been reduced as low as has been supposed, but that its full available strength exceeds 180,000 men, of which about half is on each side of the Mississippi river.

It appears from official statements that treaties have been concluded with nine powerful tribes of Indians, on the Upper Missouri.

New York, Nov. 11th.

Efforts are being made by the authorities to improve the sanitary condition of this city, in view of the near approach of the cholera. Several hospitals are being erected on Sandy Hook.

The executive officers of the Fenian Brotherhood have engaged a spacious mansion in the upper part of the city as headquarters. The "Express" says the present organization is not intended for the government of the future Irish Republic, but only to aid the Irish patriots in their struggle for independence, by arms, money, etc.

Calcutta letters of Sept. 22d, say the cholera broke out, Sept. 8th, on board the ship Young Mechanic, bound for Boston. On the 9th, Capt. McReon, the second mate and three sailors died. Five sailors, who survived, were sent to the hospital.

A "Times" dispatch ascertains that during the entire war, the navy has lost only 1,406 men killed, and 1,638 wounded, out of the 75,000 sailors and marines on the rolls, inclusive of all losses in the grand battles on the Mississippi, at Charleston, Mobile, Fisher and elsewhere. The whole expense of the navy since the beginning of the war, including the construction and equipment of all the vessels, and their maintainance, has been less than $230,000,000, or only about seven and a half per cent. of the national debt. We have constructed, since 1861, two hundred and ten vessels of war, all of which are of the most improved models, and contain all the appliances of modern offensive and defensive warfare.

A Washington special says the President is vigorously pressed to have Davis tried under an indictment which has been pending since last June in the Supreme Judicial Court of this district.

The rebel Gen. Breckinridge has applied for pardon, and intends to remove to Texas should the President grant it.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 11th.

Worth is certainly elected Governor over Holden, by a majority of from 5,000 to 10,000.

Washington, Nov. 11th.

It has been decided by the President that the body of Captain Wirtz shall be interred in the Penitentiary Arsenal ground, where Payne and others were buried.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 12th.

Turner, a member of the Confederate Congress, has been elected to Congress in the Raleigh district.

Gov. Holden has received a telegram from Secretary Seward, authorizing him to assume the functions of Provisional Governor until otherwise ordered by the President.

Washington, Nov. 12th.

The Consul at Paris says there is no longer any doubt that the cholera has commenced its ravages in that city.

Reports from Florence to the State Department represent the cholera as greatly diminished in the southern and eastern portions of the Italian kingdom: It is on the decline in Jerusalem. It is also abating at Barcelona.

Maj.-Gen. Kilpatrick has been appointed Minister to Chili.

New York, Nov. 12th.

The brig Mary Ann, for Havana, was wrecked off Frying Pan Shoals. Ten of her passengers were picked up by the brig Brazil, after four days of suffering in an open boat. The remainder are supposed to have perished.

The Herald's Columbia (S. C.) correspondent says: Some of the members of the Legislature having expressed strong apprehensions of a negro insurrection, bills were introduced empowering the State officers to seize all fire-arms found in the possession of the freedmen; to prevent them from hereafter becoming possessed of arms, and to punish with severity any white person proposing to sell the same to them. Measures were also proposed to shut up shops kept by freedmen and to prohibit any white person from employing a negro servant without the written consent of his or her former master having first been obtained. The South Carolinians are all very anxious for the removal from their midst of all national troops, and for the organization of