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L. P. FISHER, San Francisco, Cal. E. D. POUQUETTE of Virginia City, is our authorized Agent to receive subscribers and monies.

LOCAL ITEMS.

STRAYED CAT.—Who owns the feline beast, go to the City Book Store.

FOR READING matter for these long evenings, go to the City Book Store.

ROLAND STARR at the Stonewall Store, is offering great inducements to purchasers.

We see the work of constructing street crossings is progressing. We hope the work will meet with no suspension until it reaches completion.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—All letters hereafter, connected with the editorial or other departments of the Post establishment, should be directed to D. W. Tilton & Co.

NOTICE.—A case on docket at the Police Court this week. During the absence of Judge Talliferro to the Rattlesnake district, police affairs were in the hands of Mayor Castner.

CHARLEY DAVIS, with his usual smiling countenance, is visible in town again, and informs us that on Monday he will start his new mill on Summit. We shall endeavor to be on the ground.

SEND us your orders, and we will print them with neatness and dispatch, and on reasonable terms.—Democrat.

These send them down here, and we will print what is ordered neatly, cheaply and correctly.

BARBARD, SLAYN & CO.—This firm have as fine brands of liquors, wines, etc., as may be seen at St. Louis, which they are offering at the most reasonable prices.

ADDITION TO OUR STOCK.—With our cellar half filled with new paper, no apprehension need be felt that we will be compelled to print on wrapping-paper this winter. J. S. Rockfellow's train brought us another supply.

Judge Talliferro returned from his trip among the Rattlesnake river leads last Thursday, bringing over about a basket of fish specimens. The Judge returns an enthusiast.

STAR RESPANDED CHARLEY.—J. C. D. Curtis, the leading actor, and Chief of the Fire Brigade of Helena, is appearing among us, and, from outward appearances, we are led to believe that he is enjoying himself to the highest degree.

"N. O. H."—Those verses you sent us, entitled, "I am sad—then art afar," are very pathetic and unexceptionable in construction; but their length precludes publication in our columns. Your manuscript is preserved—can have it by calling.

THERE will be a regular meeting of the "Young Men's Literary Association" at J. S. Rockfellow's store, on next Tuesday night. It is hoped and expected that the Association will have their Hall in order by the next following meeting.

SHIPT ON THE "CAVAYONE"—Pope, Patton & Co., of Nevada City, have sunk a shaft on the Cavayone lead fifteen feet in depth, from which they have taken fifty tons of rock, now ready for crushing. The crevice of the "Cavayone" is only thirty-five feet in width.

Freight Arrivals.—J. S. Rockfellow's wagon train arrived last Tuesday loaded with all kinds of merchandise for his extensive mercantile. Also, bringing a train of eight wagons. Four of these carried several loads of choice brands of liquors and cigars of the quality of which we had substantial proof.

MAX BURICE, you are sold. Your cock is "the cock that crows in the night" as the proverb says, and you are a Jesuit. If you keep him to chronicle Democratic victories, you will think that some things as well as others (Democratic votes) were made in vain. That was a likely chicken, but he is under this regime.

MYSTERY CASE.—Complaint has been made by one of a party of teachers that a companion was robbed of \$750. When the officers had arranged for an investigation, the complaining witness disappeared. The party was on a general spree, and that that amount was abstracted from the pockets of one of its members.

THE JEFFERSON.—This deservedly popular hotel has changed hands, being now conducted under the proprietorship of Messrs. Shannon & Munson. From our acquaintance with these gentlemen, we feel safe in predicting for them a successful career in their new calling. Board, \$16 per week, board and lodging, \$22.

THE "GARNET" LEAD.—This lead—discovered by W. H. Patton, of Pope, Patton & Co.—from present appearances will soon be in course of profitable development. Their agents have opened books, in Boston, for a stock company, and three-eighths of the capital (\$200,000) have already been subscribed. The crevice of this lead is six feet wide, and well defined.

PREPARED FOR THE HOLIDAYS.—Messrs. Krall and Pletcher have, at "Frank's Bakery," the most complete variety of holiday goods that was ever brought to the mountains. Much of the confectionery is of their own manufacture, and it is indeed a treat to view some of the specimens. We never saw greater beauty or more ingenuity displayed in like work in Eastern cities. Read their advertisement in this issue.

A meeting of the Pioneer Hook and Ladder company No. 1, will be held, on next Saturday evening, at the City Attorney's office, precisely at 7 P. M. A full attendance is respectfully and earnestly solicited, as business of the utmost importance will be transacted. Let every one attend. By order JAS. H. MCHANE, Foreman.

ACCIDENT.—On Monday last, Mr. H. E. Hayner, in going up to Summit on horseback, attempted to pass a bay horse, when his animal took fright and sprang down a dangerous declivity, which caused Mr. H. to spring from his saddle; in doing which he fell against a rock, and broke his left arm between the wrist and elbow. Although suffering much pain from the injury, he is doing well.

THE reason why we can do Job Printing more cheaply than any other establishment in this or the adjoining Territories, is, that we have a Power Press, with which one man can throw off fifteen hundred impressions an hour. By the old hand-press method, two hundred impressions require an hour's time and two men's labor. Then our stock of ink, types, zinc, bronzes, etc., is most complete.

DANBY & STUART have disposed of their entire stock of merchandise to the well-known firm of Gorham & Patton, who hereafter will be found at the old stand of the first-named gentlemen. Messrs. Danby & Stuart return their sincere thanks for the patronage so liberally bestowed, and express their hope that the business will be continued by their successors. Their store in Deer Lodge City and saw-mill on the Deer Lodge River, will be continued, as heretofore, under the presidency of Mr. Stuart. The Judge goes to the East—to woo, we guess; and if he does, he will win, as there is no such word as fail in his lexicon.

Great Christmas Lottery.—Leopold Kremer and W. R. Morgan will dispose of \$400,000 worth of property at lottery, on the 25th of this month. A fine 160-acre ranch on Indian creek, in Madison county, is among the valuable prizes. Quartz property of good marketable reputation, the richness of which has been tested and proved, is also in the list; also, a gold watch, valued at \$125; horse, saddle and bridle, \$100; ring, \$25; watch, \$25. The drawing will take place at the Montana Billiard Hall, under control of responsible parties. Tickets can be had here at the Montana Billiard Hall; in Helena at Mathers'.

NELSON MINING COMPANY'S HYDRAULIC MACHINERY IN OPERATION.—Mr. Murphy, Superintendent of the machinery of the "Nelson Mining Company"—and one of the stock-holders, we believe—succeeded, last Tuesday, in getting one of the engines in operation; and Wednesday further experimenting. Although laboring under disadvantages of weather, and these hindrances incident to first putting any steam machinery in operation, these trials have proved the undertaking a success. We were present at the experimenting of Wednesday. The engine, which was a fine specimen of the thermometer standing (or rather sinking) for the cold was intensifying throughout the day several degrees below freezing point. The steam condensed measurably after leaving the boiler, before it reached effectiveness; and then the steam gauge only indicated from fifteen to twenty pounds. The engine is of eighty pounds capacity, and Mr. M. informs us that he expects, when under full headway, to uniformly use sixty pounds of steam to the engine, the Company having. So, we may safely say that the experimenting was witnessed with not more than one-third ordinary power. The ground having been soaked by being plowed the day before, was frozen very solid—so solid that it could scarcely be cut away with a pick. The hose-nozzle was directed towards the contractors and frozen bank. The resistance of the earth and gravel was not momentary; soon it yielded; and then, having opened the way, the stream burst into the crevice with mingling rapidity—leaving holes that cut away three, four, five and even six feet in depth. With a full pressure of steam on, the ground would soon be torn away, and sent floating down the river with the returning current. A few fresh wakips marked the spot where now stands the third place in point of population, and one of the first in that of carted wealth, in the Territory. The water, which had been heated to the boiling point, and hundreds of homeless persons are busy preparing for themselves shelter from the rigor of the winter's season, supply the demand for lumber.

A PIONEER IN THE FRONT RANK OF ENTERPRISE.—Mr. T. W. Cover called on us the first of the week, being on his way to procure the machinery for a new mill to be designed for the West. Gallatin, early next week. Mr. Cover was with the first party of white men who entered Adair Gulch. Seeing a city springing up from the public domain, he presented a striking city owing much to him. One of our principal streets ready for the occupancy of the Gallatin Valley of cultivation. His mission now to the East is to purchase the machinery for the second one, which will be erected on the West Gallatin. Such gentlemen as Mr. Cover are the kind to lead in extending empire.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—Next Thursday is the day set apart by President Johnson for thanksgiving to the Creator of the Universe for His manifold national deliverances and mercies. The whole people to make confession of our national sins against His infinite goodness, and with one heart and with one mind implore Divine guidance in the way of national virtue and holiness. The day will be appropriately observed in many private circles in Virginia; but we have not heard of any preparation for its public observance. No previous proclamation ever fixed a day when there were greater reasons for both giving thanks and asking forgiveness, than the day designated by President Johnson. Since writing the above, a citizen has called on the following: Let us respond to the call with one accord. Let us be glad to see the day of our national deliverances in the glorious anthem of national praise, and echo back the majestic strains as they roll on from our distant homes in the East. We owe it to our country, to our brave soldiers, to ourselves, and especially to Almighty God, for His deliverance from the horrors of a civil war, and for His innumerable blessings to us in our mountain home. He has given us rest, treasure in silver and gold, and we are crowned with prosperity and plenty. There will be no more service in the Church on Idaho street, at 11 o'clock A. M. The people praise Him.

HELENA ITEMS.

THE Masonic obituary of Joseph East will be found under the general head, "Died."

"HELENA'S TRUMP" in Dry Gulch, is barren this week—no crop, nor sign of one.

ACCEPTED.—Joe Reilly's card has got him into extensive business. Jim Shannon also accepts his challenge, as will be seen by his card in this issue.

REMOVED.—The office of the MONTANA POST has been removed to one door below Allen & Millard's Park, on Bridge street.

A portion of the material of the new Democratic paper has arrived. The balance will be in in about two weeks. Messrs. Danby & Stuart have the matter in charge.

ONE of the most complete outfits of tin and hardware in the Territory may be found at the establishment of W. F. McLeod, on Main street. He employs the best workmen.

Thanks.—To the citizens of Helena for a perfect "rush" of subscribers, in the past week. Thank you, thank you, gentlemen; the more liberal your support, the better the paper we can give you.

POZNANSKY & BEHM.—This extensive and enterprising firm, having houses in both Helena and Nevada, have on hand a complete stock of winter goods, which they will sell at reasonable figures. See their advertisement.

HIS DEPARTURE.—On Tuesday last week, one George Sanders was found hanging from that same old tree, in Dry Gulch, with the following inscription pinned to his back: "This man was hung for robbing A. Slane of \$1,150, and for other small stealings."

"WHOA."—Our town is again echoing to the whoop of "bull-dozers." Mr. Ball's train of fifteen wagons has arrived from your city, loaded principally with flour for Gaston, Simpson & Co. They have an immunity of the "staff of life" piled up to the gaze of our citizens.

RESIDENTS near the Fountain Restaurant are much pleased over the most complete outfit of the streets of our town, which have been constructed to carry off the filth that formerly offended the olfactory nerves of passers-by. A continuation of side-walks there also adds to "our" comfort.

MAMMOTH CORRAL.—As will be seen elsewhere, Joe Gray has changed his base, and turns up in the livery and auction business, at Helena, in company with Gooding, at the old stand of Higgins & Travis on Main street. They are good fellows, and we bespeak for them the liberal patronage of the public. They surely deserve it.

The Helena Water Company are still extending conduits below James Gornley's and opposite the post-office, adding to the convenience and happiness of the inhabitants of our town, and truly deserving the commendation which are "carriers of water" for a long time.

On Monday, the 27th, our townsmen and fellow-citizens, W. S. Travis, of the firm of Higgins, Travis & Co., departed for the States. His well known form, charged with "Dem Quilts" like "first at the Elephant Saloon," when at the assembled crowd, will henceforth be remembered among the things that were.

A FAVORABLE INDICATION.—When a community advertises liberally, it is a sure indication of one of two things, that it is already or soon will be in a very prosperous condition. Advertising brings prosperity, and all prosperous communities advertise. The advertising columns of a newspaper tell who the business men of a community are, and the leading business men of a community do the advertising. See Helena Advertisements in this issue—nearly a column of them.

A COURTESAN KILLS HERSELF.—On Sunday morning, our community was startled by the announcement that Kettie Moore, a well known character, had committed suicide by taking strychnine. There is no doubt of the poison having been administered by her own hand. She had spent the evening in the dance-hall, from which she returned to her home, and lived about an hour after committing the fatal act. Cause: disappointment in an intended trip to the States.

New Book Store.—Mr. H. W. Bryant, formerly having charge of the City Book Store, on Bridge street, has associated himself with Mr. C. Gilpatrick, and opened one door below Allen & Millard's Park, a book store and news depot, where, at all times, the latest Eastern papers and publications of all kinds may be had. The respective publishers, G. & B. for money paid for the Post will be recognized. Their advertisement will appear in our next issue.

RECEIVED THEIR CHARTER.—Helena City Lodge No. 10 received its charter from the Grand Lodge of Colorado, Saturday, Nov. 25th, dated at Denver City, Nov. 7th, 1865. The officers appointed are: C. H. Edwards, W. M. Joel Wilson, S. W.; Louis Behm, J. W. The Lodge held its first regular meeting the same evening. Its prospects appear most flattering. It is expected that the membership of the lodge will be in readiness by the 1st of December. The results of the late Masonic ball are understood to have left the fraternity in a good financial condition.

DROWNED.—Members of a train camped on the ford of Jefferson river, five miles below the bridge, found the dead body of a man, supposed to have been an Irishman named David Reed. Description: Five feet and six inches in height; light complexion; attire in a dark coat, gray trousers and high gaiters. An empty purse was in one of his pockets, and a declaration of citizenship. He was buried as decently as circumstances would admit. It was afterwards ascertained that he had refused to pay toll, and in attempting to wade the stream at the old ford, was carried off by the swift current. His traveling companion, who had a pack-horse, made search, but could not find the body, which had floated five miles below, and lodged on a little sand-bar.

FIRE BRIGADE.—The Fire Brigade have secured rooms in OWEN'S building, corner of Main and Bridge streets. J. D. Curtis is Chief Engineer. The organization numbers over one hundred effective members. They have a phernalia belonging to this branch of a Fire Department. Their bucket truck carries one hundred vessels. Their method of sounding an alarm is a three-fourth inch steel bar, seven and a half feet in length, triangularly bent. It answers the purpose of a bell quite effectively—its clear, ringing notes being heard, when the hammer is vigorously applied, far out among the hills. The Fire Brigade members bear a beautiful silver star, police fashion.

THE CHAPMAN TROUPE are doing well. Tuesday evening the Theater was crowded from "pit to dome." On that evening the "French Spy" was performed. Mrs. Chapman taking the character of "St. Alene." When we say that she acquitted herself usually well, we mean that she was very successful. She is truly a fine actress, and will receive laurels among the Helenites in each succeeding performance. As "Col. De Courcy," Edwin Clarke's acting, also, deserves special mention. Throughout the part, his delineations were natural, apt and graceful. The other members of the company gave creditable accounts of themselves. The entertainment closed with the laughable farce of "Hole in the Wall," which was laughably performed. The bill was repeated Wednesday night, and the audience was nearly as numerous as on the night preceding.

Helena, M. T., Nov. 24th, 1865.

DIAMOND CITY ITEMS.

Flour has been up to \$36 per sack, and tobacco \$6.50 per pound.

THE A. F. and A. M. have taken some steps toward erecting a Lodge here, which may be done during the coming winter.

QUITE a stampede is going to Deep Creek, some twenty-five miles up the river, from here. Over one hundred men left last night. A "big thing" is expected, of course.

ELWOOD (a new town started three miles below this place) is a fast building up. It has a good locality, and will make a place of no small importance if the main gulch proves good down there.

We were not aware that our friend Shannon was an aspirant for pugilistic honors; but he is "on the shoulder," and like the boy, "he won't be dazed." From his "shape," we think he will fight Joe Riley, or "any other man," and not throw off the light, either.

OUR enterprising townsmen, Vanderburg, Taylor & Co., looking down the dim vista of the future but a little way, perceived that a toll wagon-road from this place to the head of the river would be a "good thing," as well as afford means of getting in and out of town during the winter, and hence they obtained a charter therefor. They are now negotiating, or have negotiated, with contractors, and will not exceed four thousand dollars. The cost of the road will be accomplished as soon as energy, backed by dust, can do it.

THREE months ago this extensive of a place replete Diamond City was a wilderness outside of the confines of Confederate Gulch. A few fresh wakips marked the spot where now stands the third place in point of population, and one of the first in that of carted wealth, in the Territory. The water, which had been heated to the boiling point, and hundreds of homeless persons are busy preparing for themselves shelter from the rigor of the winter's season, supply the demand for lumber.

Constantly kept on hand.

COMMERCIAL.

VIRGINIA CITY WHOLESALE MARKET.

Corrected weekly by J. S. Rockfellow, No. 5 Jackson st. VIRGINIA CITY, M. T., Dec. 1, 1865. (Non-resident readers will please bear in mind that our quotations are based upon actual transactions, and are gold prices about ten per cent. above quotations.) Our market for the week ending Nov. 30th, exhibits no material change. We are, however, inclined to think that some of the leading articles are weaker than they were the week previous.

The receipts of merchandise and produce have been very light, only a few lots arriving from the States or Salt Lake Valley. Scarcely any local produce is being brought in, owing to the unpropitious and unsettled state of the weather.

Flour.—The receipts have been limited, with a fair demand from consumers; prices per sack unchanged.

Corn Meal.—Firm, demand steady.

Lard.—Unchanged.

Butter.—Scarce and firm.

Candles.—Works advanced; other brands steady, with good inquiry.

Sugars and Coffee.—Unchanged; demand fair from consumers.

Tobacco.—Weaker; prices asked are not sustained.

Seagood all business, and let Virginia City enjoy one day of quiet, peaceful jubilee. Let these mountains ring with the glorious anthem of national praise, and echo back the majestic strains as they roll on from our distant homes in the East. We owe it to our country, to our brave soldiers, to ourselves, and especially to Almighty God, for His deliverance from the horrors of a civil war, and for His innumerable blessings to us in our mountain home. He has given us rest, treasure in silver and gold, and we are crowned with prosperity and plenty. There will be no more service in the Church on Idaho street, at 11 o'clock A. M. The people praise Him.

Helena, M. T., Nov. 24th, 1865.

ASSAY OFFICE

Helena City - - - - - M. T.

TWENTY YEARS EXPERIENCE IN EUROPE AND AMERICA.—Every description of Gold, Silver, Copper and Lead ores, assayed with perfect exactness.

NO MISTAKE IN MY LABORATORY.

About one ounce of ore for assay may be sent by mail or Express, and certificates of assay will be returned as soon as possible. Label each specimen with the name or number of single specimens of ore - - - \$10 00

Three different specimens of ore - - - 20 00

Enclose each specimen and money in an envelope, and direct to CHARLES RUMLEY, Assayer, Helena, M. T.

W. T. McLEOD,

Helena, M. T.

Tin and Hardware Store,

Main Street, Helena, M. T.

Cast Iron Stoves

Constantly kept on hand.

GOODING & GRAY,

—AT THE—

MAMMOTH CORRAL,

(In Higgins & Travis' old Stand) Main Street, Helena, - - - - M. T.

ALSO A DAILY LINE OF

FOUR HORSE COACHES,

From Helena to Diamond City, (Confederate Gulch).

TIME - - - - - SIX HOURS

FARE—CHEAP.

67-79" GOODING & GRAY.

DRY GOODS

FOR THE TERRITORY,

—AT—

HELENA & NEVADA CITIES, M. T.

LADIES' DRESS GOODS

MERINOS, DELAINES, SILKS, MUSLINS,

Prints, etc., etc.

FLANNEL AND DRESS TRIMMINGS OF EVERY Variety and Shade; in fact a complete assortment of Ladies' Furnishing Goods.

An immense stock of all kinds of Gents' Wear,

At Prices to suit the times. 67-69

CLOTHING!

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CALIFORNIA STORE

KEEP constantly on hand and are receiving from Eastern Markets, a fine and well selected Stock of

CLOTHING!

AND

Gents' Furnishing Goods!

SUCH AS

COATS, PANTS, VESTS,

HATS, UNDER SHIRTS, DRAWERS,

OVERSHIRTS OF ALL STYLES,

SOCKS, &c., &c.,

Which I offer to sell both

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL,

AT THE

Lowest Prices

Merchants are particularly requested to give me a call before purchasing, as my facilities are such that I can at all times supply them with goods just from the East, at very low prices.

Remember the "CALIFORNIA STORE!"

Corner of Bridge and Main Streets,

Helena, Montana Territory.

G. GOLDBERG.

7-19"

MISCELLANEOUS ADV'S.

H. J. BRENDLINGER. F. F. STONE.

H. J. BRENDLINGER & CO.,

DEALERS IN

TOBACCO, CIGARS, PIPES, SNUFF

AND

FANCY GOODS,

COPPER, TIN AND SHEET IRON WORK DONE with neatness and dispatch. A large assortment of

Cast Iron Stoves

Three Doors below Kiskadeen's Stone Block, Virginia City, M. T. 7-30"

STAR RESTAURANT,

Jackson Street, - - - - Virginia City.

GEORGE BRANDT

BEGS to inform his friends and the public generally, that he has fitted up his new Stone Building, solely with a view to the comfort and convenience of his patrons, and regardless of expense. The business will be conducted on the

EUROPEAN SYSTEM

Selections can be made by each guest from the Bill of Fare, on which the prices of each article will be distinctly marked

Beefsteaks and Mutton Chops Served in the English Style.

FRESH MEAT, GAME, FISH, POULTRY, VENISON, CROQUETS, BONED FOWL, OYSTERS and other Shell Fish in all Styles. PASTRY OF ALL KINDS, JELLY AND PUDDINGS. BLANC MANGE.

BOARDERS

Will receive every attention at the hands of the Proprietor.

AN ICE CREAM SALOON

Is fitted up with a separate entrance for Ladies, where every delicacy and description of refreshment obtainable at such establishments will be in readiness.

A choice selection of

Wines, Liquors, &c., will be kept on hand, and also

CIGARS OF THE BEST DESCRIPTION.

MEALS SERVED AT ALL HOURS OF THE DAY AND NIGHT.

Suppers provided for Public and Private Parties in the highest style of the art.

All kinds of Preserved Fruits. 68-70"

NEW STOCK.

MIGGINS & HAWAIIAN

HAVE ON HAND AT

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL,

THE entire stock of

MERCHANDISE

Of Colonel Sawyer's Train, consisting of

18,000 lbs. Dried Apples, 2,000 lbs. of Zante Currants, 500 gallons of Golden and Sugar House Syrups, 3,000 lbs. of Navy Beans, 1,000 gallons of Kerosene Oil, 10,000 lbs. of Coffee, 100 cases of Star Candles, 50 gross of Matches, 10,000 lbs of prime Bacon, 200 sacks of sugar, 150 boxes Raisins.

A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF CAN FRUIT AND OYSTERS

50 boxes Sardines, 3,000 lbs. of choice Teas, 2,000 lbs. Smoking and Chewing Tobacco.

These goods are offered with the desire to close them out within the next ten days. The attention of Jobbers and Retailers is invited at once.

ALSO FOR SALE, COMPLETE,

Fifty-seven Schuttler