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LOCAL ITEMS.

Go and see the "Octoroon" to-night. Secure your seats.

For the latest Eastern papers, periodicals and news matter, go to the City Book Store.

Macoy's Masonic Manual, received at the City Book Store, and for sale, wholesale and retail.

Lost.—George W. Irvin has lost the cape of his dark-blue over-coat. Any person finding it, will be handsomely rewarded on delivering it to him at the office of W. F. Sanders, Idaho Street.

Territorial Auditor.—J. S. Lott, late Territorial Auditor, has published an answer to the report of the Special Committee, explanatory of some items in his report. It is printed and has been circulated in the Legislature. We shall refer to this matter again.

For the City of Waters.—Majors' overland dispatch train of eleven wagons, left yesterday for the City of the Latter-Day Saints, in charge of George Swan, the veteran wagon-master. That astute genius and good fellow, Ben Barrows of *Saint Julien* memory, goes along with them.

Delavan House.—A walk up to the Delavan House, at meal time, will convince the most sceptical that the proprietor deserves the patronage which he receives. The most fastidious taste must be satisfied by the appetizing and tasteful display of choice viands that will there meet his eye.

Secret Session.—The programme for a secret session of the Council is as follows: Strangers withdraw; door closes; window blinds are pulled down, and the anxious public look through the half-inch cracks. Members speak as loudly as possible. The fee bill is in a state of aggravated secresy. Not more than twelve men have heard all the debate.

Fire Alarm.—Several rapid strokes in succession upon the triangle suspended at Content's corner, will be understood as an alarm of fire. The number of taps will be the same as the number of the Ward in which the fire occurs. For Firemen's meeting, a slow, continued tap of the triangle will be the signal.
F. G. HELDT,
Chief Engineer.

Silver.—An assay of rock from the "Rockfellow" lode, in Rattlesnake District, made in this city, shows 993 oz., 1 dwt. and 8 grains of silver to the ton of ore, with slight traces of gold. The ledge, which is thirty feet wide between the wall-rocks, was discovered last fall by Mr. S. Decker, and there is a shaft forty feet deep sunk on the discovery claim. This we call property.

Hark! the Merry Horn!—Foster & Culver's boarding-house is furnished with a tin bugle, from whence issues, at meal times, most mournful calls by way of a reminder to to the careless, that by prolonged absence they are likely to "come out at the small end of the horn." This is the meaning of the mysterious sounds which have been variously understood as announcing a fire, an auction sale and a charivari.

Both Good.—On Thursday last, we inspected some very fine, thin skinned seed wheat, which is held for sale by Mr. George H. Hanna, of this city. We can safely recommend it to the agricultural community. In the same store are some cases of Schroeder's Bitters, which are a most superior article of the kind, both for stomachic effect and fine flavor. They are extremely palatable, as well as invigorating in a high degree.

Farewell Sermons.—The Rev. A. M. Hough preached his farewell sermons in the M. E. Church on Sunday last. The evening discourse, founded on the Psalmist's enquiry: "What is man that thou art mindful of him, and the Son of man that thou visitest him?" was both eloquent and able. In parting from them, the Reverend gentleman invoked the Divine blessing on the community, and announced that the Rev. Mr. Smith would preach on next Sabbath, (to-morrow).

Arrivals from Helena.—Ben R. Dittes, of the firm of D. W. Tilton & Co., of this City, and Junius G. Sanders of Helena, made their appearance in town on Sunday last. They report the journey on the snow over the divide as both a soft thing and a hard thing. With them was T. J. Favorite, of the "Radiator," who came out of the Oregonian country, most characteristically, on "web-feet," that is to say snow-shoes, and had a trial of fasting, if not of praying. He is sound and healthy, and appears to appreciate Montana very highly.

Friendly and Hydraulic—Our friend, Colonel John A. Nelson, called upon us on last Wednesday, having arrived in town after a winter's campaign on the Western slope, whither he intends to remove a part of his hydraulic machinery. The Colonel's health seems much benefitted by his travels. He reports that Bear and Elk Creeks are the places for smart men; that there are sixty miles of fine diggings already discovered, and that there is a whole country of rich placers surrounding them, and a large population pouring in.

Short Cut.—As soon as the weather will permit, Messrs. King & Gillette, of toll road notoriety, will open for public travel a new line to the Prickly Pear valley, by way of Dry Gulch, shortening the route some four miles. They have now about sixty men employed on their Fort Benton road, getting it in good condition for the heavy traffic that is sure to pass over it. As soon as the last mentioned work is completed, the whole force of laborers will be employed upon the improvement, grading, repairing, and bridging, necessary to put the Helena and Virginia road in first class order.

Fatal Accident.—We are sorry to state that, on Wednesday last, a fatal accident happened at Nugget Bar, Nevada District, by which Michael O'Brien was instantly killed. The unfortunate man was wheeling dirt, and was caught by the earth falling from the bank, which was being purposely undermined; his comrades escaped. The deceased was forty-four years of age, and came from St. Louis, Mo. He leaves a wife and two children to mourn his untimely fate. On the following day his remains were borne to the Catholic Church in this city, and hence to their resting place, accompanied by his friends and acquaintances, whom his untimely demise had deeply affected.

Open Confession.—Our friend, Major Bruce, has a perfect right to inform the public that his brain is a pumpkin-bed or a melon-patch if he pleases; personally, we had a higher estimate of the seat of his reasoning powers. No such article being on the table or in the house, we conclude either that our jocose friend had melon on the brain, or that it was eaten by him as a *cooler* after the glorious fight of the previous evening. The Major is excusable on the latter supposition, as the dinner was on Sunday. Any presents of fruit from the Mormon Hierarch to the press of Virginia City would probably be special to the Editor of the Democrat. This is the wrong shop.

The Weather.—Winter and Spring have been fighting about boundary lines for the past week. Spring fixes up some sunshine, and warms up the air in the morning, and runs the concern till evening, busily preparing for labor, when Winter, who has a perverse way of getting up late, commences the attack with a snow-storm, and stiffens the mud so that Spring, who is tender-footed, can't stand it any longer, and gives it up for the night. Whereupon Winter and Boreas, arm in arm, go roaring and blustering through the city till daylight. Sometimes a stray Zephyr from Washoe drops in; but he seldom says long, though he raises particular—(what do the British call the letter before m?) while he stays.

Not Lost, but gone Before.—The wish of every smart youth is to be twenty-one years of age; the aim of every unmarried man, who has brains and good morals, is to get a good wife. Lea, Marston, worthy fellow, has earned a certificate of good sense, which we hereby furnish him by stating that he entered into the bonds of wedlock, on Monday last. Believing that the solemnization of matrimony was in this case, eminently calculated to promote the best interests of both parties concerned we offer to our friend and the amiable young lady, his future partner in life, our most sincere congratulations, and our best wishes for their long continued happiness. A section of wedding cake lies before us, and, if the court knows itself, it will not stay there long.

Trial of Faith.—Five mails due, and no exchanges. Horrid, more horrid, most horrid! The Overland is delayed by the deep snow somewhere, and the mails are not forthcoming. An editor without news is like a restaurant keeper without "grub." Thus we spake on Wednesday at 2 p. m. What a strong argument for the Sioux City line road. The word "divide" should stand accursed in the calendar of Montana men. The only way to prevent these inevitable delays is to have a road that crosses no divide of importance, like the one we have named. Still, we always believed in Ben Holladay's vehicle arriving as fast as it could be hauled through. On Thursday morning the mail came in, boxed up in a very sickly looking wagon. Nine passengers were in the vehicle, one of whom was a lady. The males presented a most constipated appearance, as the vehicle staggered up to the post-office in mournful triumph, lugged along by four steaming, and melancholy looking horses, worn out with the toil of the journey, though evidently good animals. Nothing but pluck pulled the machine through the snow and mud. By dint of great exertion another mail was pushed through, and arrived here safely, yesterday morning. The entire indifference to hardship and exposure, manifested by the Overlanders is wonderful. If they gain only a foot a minute, they push on through snow storm, water and mud, that would appal ordinary mortals. As far as the mails are concerned, they are nearly up to time now.

Montana Represented in Paris.—Arrangements have been made by our friend J. T. Connor, now in New York City, for "space" in the "Exposition Universelle," to be held in Paris in 1867. He intends to exhibit specimens of all the numerous and valuable minerals in which our Territory abounds. It is with pleasure that we make this announcement, and would request every one having the interest of Montana at heart, and who is in possession of specimens of gold, silver, copper, or other ore, to contribute to a cabinet to be sent to Paris, every specimen to be accompanied with a descriptive label, stating the name of the lode, the locality, width of crevice, and other particulars connected therewith. Mr. N. J. Davis will act as agent for the reception of samples, at his office, on Idaho street, three doors west of the Planter's House.

Planters' House.—George Williams gave a splendid dinner at the Planter's House, on Sunday last. The *carte* was varied and extensive, and there was nothing in the whole list of dishes that was not good of its kind, well cooked, and tastefully presented. George was the presiding genius of the carving-knife, and Mrs. Williams superintended and assisted in the waiters' department with great skill and dexterity. On the whole, it was the squarest hotel dinner that has been presented in this Territory. So say all of us that know. We are glad to know that the leading establishment of the kind, in Virginia City has fallen into such good hands. Any one who saw that display of the culinary art, with everything from oyster-soup to puff-pastry, and from spring salad to the choicest kinds of fresh and preserved fruits, must have felt satisfied that there are worse places for "grub" than Montana, indeed, few better than mine host's of the Planter's House.

Promoted.—Judge T. W. Taliaferro, late Police Magistrate of this city, placed his resignation in the hands of the Council, on Tuesday evening. The following complimentary resolutions were adopted by that body, on motion of Alderman Boyce, and the Judge left yesterday morning for Diamond City, the county seat of Meagher county, of which he is appointed Probate Judge: "*Resolved*, That in receiving the resignation of Judge T. W. Taliaferro, our worthy Police Magistrate, this Council does so with regret. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this board be hereby tendered to Judge Taliaferro, for the able, efficient, and satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the arduous and difficult duties of his office, and that we hereby endorse and recommend him to any community in which his lot may be cast, as a gentleman of strict integrity, and of legal ability, and as such extend to him our earnest and warmest wishes for his future prosperity and welfare." The Judge seems about as much grieved at leaving Virginia as might be expected from a man who is to receive three times as much for going as he would get for staying. Letting loose his ardent disposition, he was employed in shaking hands with his friends, and "smiling," all Thursday. We hear that he gave an unofficial sanction to a free fight; but this was towards evening. We hope he will be a terror to the evil doers of Meagher county, "and the praise of such as do well," at the same time receiving the more substantial gratification of spondulicks. The Judge will have a good time over there, for it is a stirring place and many good fellows in it.

The People's Theatre.—The principal pieces performed at this deservedly popular place of amusement during the past week, were the "People's Lawyer," "The Spy of the Potomac," the "Honeymoon" and "Pocahontas." Of the last, we have already spoken, and have only to say that its repetition was very successful. Mrs. Irwin's *Biddy O'Flaherty* was much applauded; her conception of the part is naive and natural enough for an importation direct from Skibbereen; it was accompanied by repeated and well-earned applause. *Juliana*, in the "Honeymoon," was beautifully rendered; the petted, passionate and self-willed bride's metamorphosis into the loving and dutiful wife, were admirably portrayed. The versatility of this lady's genius, becomes more and more apparent every night. Mr. Irwin's *Solon Shingle* is a difficult and highly finished representation of the *genus* Yankee, which does him infinite credit. His *Colonel Merriville* in the "Spy of the Potomac" is not more than an average character, but was well played. As *Duke Aranza*, in the Honeymoon, he proved his power nobly, and brought down the house. The mutual support afforded by this gentleman and his lady, greatly enhances the character of the plays in which they are cast together. Charles Graham is an actor of great talent, and a gentleman of most desirable social qualities; it is a pity that he does not take more care of his health, as sudden indispositions on the part of such a fine performer greatly disappoint the public and mar the efforts of his associates. *Robert Howard* is a gentleman's part, few actors could do more than Graham can to make a *character* of this out of a *part*. Harry Rainforth, as the *Mock Duke*, was specially successful; his audience and his last scene were very clever and humorous. His *Jeff.* was also highly natural and much applauded. Dick Johnston's *Sergeant Hickory* and *John Ellesly*, were both good. Edwin Clarke's best character was *Rolando*, which was really well conceived and presented, causing much amusement. John Messenger played *Jacques* nicely. Billy Sheppard came out all square in his own line, and did the *Judge* fairly in the "Honeymoon." Miss Wood's *Zamora*, especially in the veiled scene and in the feigned story of the two lovers, did her great credit, and was a marked improvement on her former performance of that character. In *Caroline*, (the Spy,) this lady was also successful. Miss Perkins' *Drummer Boy* was very natural, the death scene being most faithfully represented; as *Mrs. Otis*, also, she acted with much credit to herself. The music at the theatre is always good. Paul Boulon is a fine violinist, and is well supported. The "Octoroon" is to be played to-night, and we prophesy a great treat to the public. All should go that like theatricals.

DEER LODGE ITEMS.

Flint Creek.—The stampede to the big diggings struck at Flint Creek, is very large, and the idea is that a very large and rich placer is discovered.

Serenade.—Benson and Ed. Gilman, the mountain Orpheuses, treated the citizens of our town to a serenade, a short time since, much to the delight of the residents, who have an ear for music, and appreciated the performances highly.

Deer Lodge Hotel.—This well managed establishment, of which L. R. Maillet & Co. are the proprietors, offers superior inducements to the traveling public, there to deposit their traps and "coal up" for a new cruise. They will find there, good beds, first-class fare, and many different kinds of most seductive "wash-down." There is a good stable with an attentive hostler. Boarders who try this house, will not be apt to leave.

Visitors.—Acting-Marshal Neil Howie (no longer *martial*—seeing that he, Featherstun, Lawrence, Cowen and Curtis did renounce military glory and resign their commissions on the 30th ult.,) and Collector N. P Langford are in town, occupied in the disposal of matters professional. Hugh McQuade, our old friend and type, has gone below, literally, not figuratively, though he was aiming for Hell Gate when last heard of, being bound for Elk Creek, Bear Gulch, and other parts of this paradise of stampeders. We hope he will make his "pile."

Letter from Jas. M. Ryan.

NEVADA CITY, April 3d, 1866.

ED. POST: I wish, sir, to make a few remarks concerning the "Ryan and Sturgis Wagon Road." A falsehood has been industriously circulated, stating that said Ryan and Sturgis road is to be constructed so as to run along the old Salt Lake road south of the Junction and the terminus of the "Parsons' Road"—thereby compelling freighters and others to pay toll before coming to the Parsons' road. This, sir, is erroneous, as we purpose building an entirely new road from Beaverhead Cañon to a point at or near the southern line of the Territory; at the same time not interfering with public or individual vested rights, as our charter calls for; thereby giving a free scope to the traveling community, who can thus pursue their journey by the road most beneficial to themselves. We also agree to build a good and easy road, to be kept constantly in proper repair, crossing no high divides or rough cañons; being abundantly supplied with water and grass, and shortening the route to Helena, Confederate Gulch and the Blackfoot country, some thirty-five miles; and we propose receiving as toll on the same, nearly one half less than what is collected on the Parsons' road, thereby causing a competition which will be beneficial to all.

Allow me, sir, in company with the entire constituency, to return my sincere thanks to the honorable members of both Houses who, untrammelled and acting in accordance with the dictates of their consciences, have sounded the death-knell of an oppressive monopoly.

Yours truly, JAS. M. RYAN.

[Advertisement.]

SAINT LOUIS, February 25th, 1866.

DEAR SIR: The subject of emigration to the Territory of Montana is now occupying a large portion of the public mind, and we beg your attention while we lay before your a few facts of great interest to all. Cheap and direct transportation are the most important considerations to those shipping to the mines, neither of which facilities have ever been offered the public via Fort Benton, as the last three hundred and fifty miles of the river are obstructed by rapids of such a character that but few boats will go through, rendering it necessary to discharge their cargoes at various points below, at inconvenient distances from the mines, and subjecting shippers to expensive delays. At any time when the nature of the river rendered it impossible for the steamboats to reach Fort Benton, the *mouth of Muscle-Shell river was accessible to all*, and it is from this point that the "Missouri River and Rocky Mountain Wagon Road and Telegraph Company" have obtained a charter from the Montana Legislature, and will have this road in good order for the passage of Trains, before the arrival of steamers at that Landing.

Land transportation has been secured at this point for 3,000,000 pounds of freight, through Alex. Majors, the indefatigable Agent of the Overland Transportation Company, whose untiring energy and peculiar fitness in dispatching freight trains is too well known for comment. Contracts will now be made by him for the delivery of freight from the mouth of Muscle-Shell to Helena, Virginia City, Blackfoot City, Deer Lodge, Hell Gate, and all points in the mines, at rates as low as from any other point. A Receiving and Forwarding House has been established at Kercheval City, by Messrs. Kercheval, Parker & Co., who will have suitable warehouses for the accommodation of freight, and will give the trans-shipping from steamboats to wagons their personal attention. The steamers to the mouth of the Muscle-Shell, in consequence of avoiding difficult river navigation above make a reduction in rates to this point of about thirty-three per cent., thus giving those interested great advantages over the old route via Fort Benton.

We call your special attention to these facts, and solicit your favorable consideration. Any further information will be cheerfully given and contracts made from St. Louis by us. Shipments for the mines, consigned to our care will receive attention and go forward with dispatch at lowest rates. Address, BOYD & SYLVESTER,
Land and Water Transportation Agents,
85 No. 72 Commercial Street.

JUSTICE TO THE INNOCENT.—The following item we clip from the special dispatch to the Gold Hill "News." It is dated Sacramento, March 16th, and is a pleasing evidence of the generosity and justice of the Californians:

MCDONALD DISCHARGED.—In the Assembly, yesterday, an Act, appropriating $1,500 for the relief of Donald Mc Donald, who was arrested on suspicion of being Wells, the murderer, was introduced and passed. He will also receive a benefit at the Metropolitan Theatre, to-night, which is tendered to him by the officers of Sacramento

COMMERCIAL

VIRGINIA CITY, M. T., April 6th, 1866.

We have to note quite an improvement in the general market, as regards the demand. Prices, however, are weak for some of the leading staples, owing in part to the near approach of spring, and lack of confidence in many holders as to the stability of this market. It is my opinion that before general merchandise can possibly be laid down in this market, that a great improvement in the demand and considerable advance in prices will take place.

FLOUR.	
St. Louis, ₱ sk	$28 00@30 00
States	24 00@26 00
S. Lake, Provo,	$24 00@25 00
Other brands,	$20 00@22 00
BACON.	
Heavy Sides, ₱ 100 lbs	55c
Medium, do.	50c
HAMS.	
Prime canvassed ₱ lb	65c
Country	55@60c
LARD.	
Small cans	60c
Large	55@00
CANDLES.	
Werk's Cincinnati ₱ lb	62½c
Other brands	57½c
SUGARS.	
New Orleans ₱ lb	55c
Clarified	55c
Powdered	57½c
Crushed	57½c
A refined	55c
COFFEE.	
Java ₱ lb	none.
Rio choice	$0 90
Ordinary	87½
TEAS.	
Imperial ₱ lb	$3 00@3 25
Young Hyson	3 50@3 75
Japanese in papers	3 00
SYRUPS.	
Belcher's G.S., St.L., ₱ 10 gal. keg	57 50
S H M ₱ 10 gal k	50 00@ 55
Sorghum	4 50
BUTTER.	
States ₱ lb	1 00
Salt Lake choice ₱ lb	1 10
Ranche	1 75
FRUITS.	
Dried Apples ₱ lb	55c
States Peaches	none
Salt Lake Peaches	60c
Blackberries	$1 00
Raspberries	none
Currants	90c
Cherries	none
Ground Cherries	none
Prunes	55@60c
Raisins ₱ 24-lb box	$16 00
₱ ½ boxes	8 00
₱ ¼ lb box	5 00
CANNED FRUITS.	
Peaches ₱ case 2 doz	$22 50
Pine Apples	27 50
Strawberries	27 50
Tomatoes	26 00
Corn	26 00
Blackberries	25 00
Cherries	26 00
OYSTERS.	
Field's Steamed	24 00
Other brands ₱ case	22 00
TOBACCO.	
Lewis' Eld. ₱ lb	$3 50@4 00
Ordinary	3 00@3 50
SARDINES.	
₱ case ¼ size boxes	$75 00
₱ case ½ size boxes	85 00
CHEESE.	
Western Reserve, ₱ lb	60c
English Dairy, ₱ lb	70c
BEANS.	
Navy	40c
LEAD.	
₱ lb	75c
SHOT.	
₱ 25-lb sack	$18 00
SOAP.	
Palm	60@65c
Castile,	$1 75
OIL.	
Coal, ₱ gal	5 00
Linseed	4 50@5 00
NAILS.	
₱ 100-lb keg	$40 00
GLASS.	
₱ box of 50 ft	$24 00@26 00
PUTTY.	
In Bladder,	50@52c
SODA.	
Babbit's, in 1 lb papers	50c
In bulk	50c
PEPPER.	
Grain, ₱ lb	$2 00
Ground, ₱ 20 lb box	20 00
BROOMS.	
₱ dozen	$14 00@15 00
CHAMPAGNE.	
₱ b'sket, Heidsick (qts)	60 00
Sp'rkling Cat'ba	40 00@42 50
CLARET.	
₱ case	$24 00@26 00
WHISKY.	
Bourbon, ₱ gal	$10 80@12 00
Rye	10 00@12,00
BRANDY.	
Imported	$18 00@20 00
Domestic	12 00@15 00
GIN.	
Domestic	$12 00
CORN MEAL.	
Sifted, ₱ 100-lb sack	$22 00
CREAM TARTAR.	
₱ lb	$1 10
MUSTARD.	
₱ box. 2 doz	$7 00
₱ lb, in bulk	1 75
STARCH.	
Glenfield, ₱ lb	75c
GINGER.	
Jamaica, ₱ 20-lb box	$14 50
Root, ₱ lb	4 00
PICKLES.	
₱ case, 2 doz, ½ gal	$27 50
₱ 10 gal keg	50 00
CANDY.	
Stick, ₱ 22-lb bxs	$16 00
Fancy (French) ₱ lb	1 00
Fancy (American) ₱ lb	90c
HONEY.	
Strained, ₱ 3-lb can	$3 25
SALT	
Fine, ₱ 100 lbs	$45 00
Coarse " "	40 00
Table, ₱ 10-lb sack	5 00
MATCHES.	
₱ gross	40 00
₱ case, 2 doz bxs	$7 00@ 00
WRAPPING PAPER.	
₱ ream	$7 00@9 00
SHOVELS.	
Ames' Cal., ₱ doz	$72 00
Ames' Spring Point	84 00
PICKS.	
With handles, ₱ doz	$90 00
SLUICE FORKS.	
₱ doz	$30 00@32 50
AXES.	
₱ box, 1 doz	$33 00@36 00
WHITE LEAD.	
₱ 25-lb keg	$12 00@15 00

MONETARY.

Virginia City, April 6th, 1866.

Gold is still low in the East. Currency is very scarce, and can't be had to do the ordinary business. We trust a few weeks more will give a supply to the Territory, when we hope the business men will adopt greenbacks as the currency for Montana. We quote to-day:

Virginia dust (and dust of the same quality) paying in Treasury Notes, $19@20 ₱ oz.
Virginia dust (and dust of the same quality) paying in coin, $15 to $15 50 ₱ oz.
Kootenai, Bannack and Blackfoot dust, paying in Treasury Notes, $20 ₱ oz.
Kootenai, Bannack and Blackfoot dust, paying in coin, $16 ₱ oz.
Boise dust, paying in Treasury Notes, $16 ₱ oz.
Treasury Notes selling at 90 to 95c for dust.
Gold coin buying at 6 to 10 ₱ cent. prem., in dust.
Currency drafts on New York, 3 ₱ cent. prem.
Currency drafts on Salt Lake City and Denver, 5 ₱ cent. premium.
Gold coin drafts on New York, 6 ₱ cent. prem.
Gold coin drafts on San Francisco, 6 ₱ cent. prem.
Drafts on all parts of Europe, 10 ₱ cent. prem.

MARRIED,

On the 2d inst., at the residence of the bride, in Virginia City, by the Reverend Father Giorda, Superintendent of Indian Missions, LEA. F. MARSTON to Miss ELISE VALTSIN, both of this city.

At Nevada, M. T., on Friday, March 30th, by R. Richmond, Justice of the Peace, N. D. JOHNSON, to ELIZABETH BLAZE, both of Nevada.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

GOLD PENS—Eighteen Carats fine, with pencils of the best manufacture, just received at JOHN H. MING'S.

DRY PINE WOOD—Full measure and full length—at $14 per Cord. Orders left at the City Book Store, Virginia City, will be punctually filled.
75-87 HENRY BRUNDY.

AUCTION every day at Montee's "Big Horse Corral," of everything a man wants, from a drove of cattle to a single Cayuse. Household furniture, staple articles, country produce, and, in fact, everything! 75-tf

ON and after the 15th inst., I will run a delivery wagon, and will deliver, free of charge, all goods bought of me, to customers residing within the city limits.
JOHN S. ROCKFELLOW.
Virginia City, March 10th, 1866. 81-tf

FROM and after this date, I will receive for debts due me and for merchandise, City Warants at par; Territorial Congressional Warrants at sixty cents; Territorial Warrants at thirty cents, and County Wafrants at forty cents. JOHN S. ROCKFELLOW.
Virginia City, March 10th, 1866. 81-tf

DEPARTURE OF STAGES.

THE OVERLAND STAGE, for the East, leaves this city on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, next week. Fare to Salt Lake City, $75, in bankable dust.

OLIVER'S EXPRESS, for Helena, leaves this city on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, next week. Fare to Helena, $25.

HOT SPRING EXPRESS leaves Virginia City on alternate days, from Davis, Housel & Co.'s store, on Wallace street.

SMITH'S GALLATIN EXPRESS leaves Virginia City on Thursday, and arrives Tuesday night, of each week. Office at the Missouri House.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice.

ONE hundred bushels prime seed Wheat just received and for sale at GEO. H. HANNA & CO.'S,
85-86 Wallace street, Virginia City.

Estray Notice.

CAME to my Ranche, situated on White-Tail Deer creek, on the 1st of November, 1865, one red and white steer, four years old—no brand or mark. The owner will call for it, prove property, pay charges and take him away.
85-88* N. M. FITCH.

Estray Notice.

CAME to my Ranche, situated on Beaverhead, one mile above the crossing—one dark brown horse-poney—white nose and two brands, on left hip and shoulder. For information, call at Sweet's stable, Nevada, M. T.
JOHN HOLST.
Virginia City, April 4th, 1866. 85-88*

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Summons.

MONTANA TERRITORY, } ss.
BEAVER HEAD COUNTY.

Probate Court, June Term, 1866.

The North-West Ditch Company
vs.
C. M. Kingsbury and the Bannack Ditch and Mining Company. } SUMMONS

To the Sheriff of Beaver Head County, greeting:

To C. M. Kingsbury: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in the above entitled action, which has been filed in the office of the Probate Judge, in Bannack City, County and Territory aforesaid, on the fourth day of June, 1866, that being the June term of our said Probate Court; and if you fail to answer said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff will take judgment against you to set aside a judgment and sale of the North West Ditch.

[SEAL.] Witness my hand and seal of office, this third day of March, A. D. 1866.
[50 cent U. S. stamp.] THOMAS J. HOSFORD,
84-87* *Probate Judge.*

Estray Notice.

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