The Montana Post.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 1867.

OUR AGENTS.

A. B. HAMILTON, is our Agent at Fort Benton.
MR. A. J. SMITH is our Agent at Bannack.
J. M. FISH, Sterling, Hot Spring District.
GEO. S. RAWLINGS, Silver Creek.
J. M. MILLS, Silver Bow.
JAMES STUART, Deer Lodge.
WORDEN & CO., Hell Gate.
Agency of Post, 52 Bridge street, Helena.
JOHN TEMPLE, Junction City.
W. P. PARSONS, Gallatin City.
ED. ALLFIELD, German Gulch.
H. H. HATHAAWY, Highland District.
F. CHURCH, Summit City.
CAMPBELL & CO., Confederate Gulch.
R. C. JOHNSON, Blackfoot.
I. N. BUCK, Boulder Valley.
WESLEY W. JONES, Reynolds' City, Elk Creek.
S. V. BALL, Beartown.
J. W. MAGRUERY, Rocker City.
J. S. WILLIAMS, St. Louis, Mo.
L. P. FISHER, San Francisco, Cal.
HENRY RIERDEN, Argenta.
H. ELLIS & CO., Leesburgh, Salmon River Mines.
CHAUNCY BARBER, Bear Gulch and adjacent mines.
ANSON FORD, Butte City.
JNO. O. OLCEN, of Virginia, is our authorized Agent to receive subscribers and moneys. His receipt will be good.

THE CITY.

Arrivals and Departures During the Week—*Arrived.*

E G Maclay	W E Davis	J R Reese
Henry Marsh	W B Rohrer	Fred Fries
A Smith	Chinaman	Chinaman
Frank Coffin	O W Carpenter	G O Nelson
B F Marsh	D F Morrill	Mrs G B Thomas
and two children		

Departed.

J F C Hughes	S T Hauser	Prof Steitz
Mr Conner	Mrs Wright	Mrs Wilkinson
G A Little	E M Pollinger	E Miller
L S Crowser	Wm Irvine	R De Barre
Z Pierce	W R Messick	P Deideshelmer
Wm Atkins	M Weston	Geo Duling
Henry Duling	J H Carson	J S Frerdendall
John Nevin	R S Knight	J Perijoag
E G Maclay	Jno O'Donnel	Wm Kiskadden
Frank Coffin	H B Skeefs and wife	J McManus
and wife		

Arrivals at the Planters' House.

July 27—W H Inslee, Leavenworth, Kansas; C C Huntley, Helena; Wm Kiskadden, Salt Lake; L M Buck, city; Wm Irwin, Ills; C McKibben, jr Christenot Mill; W A McClure, do; Rev Chas King and lady: Cleveland, Ohio; Albert Chriser; A Adams; W A Coa; Jerry Hyell.

July 28th—Mrs Wilkinson, Salt Lake; W B Fenn New Haven, Conn; T A Tuttle, do; Mrs C L Wright, Helena; E Miller, San Francisco; Professor Steitz, Argenta; S T Hauser, do; L C Gamtar, St. Louis; W H Miller, Summit; John T Walkins; Geo S Walkins; J F C Hughes, Summit; G S Congrove; John Nevin; Frank S Whitney; E G Maclay, Helena; W E Davis; Thos McManus and lady, Salt Lake; Jhon H Allfehim; M B Roher.

July 29—A V Cerry, Pine Grove District; G B Coggeshall, city; J M Bayley; M Ceuch; J M Fish, Sterling; L Coppock, Jefferson; Jno Perkin; J R Riley, Summit.

July 30—C E Pingree, Bannack; J W Moss, San Francisco; R S Knight, do; Amos Reed, Salt Lake; R Cuswell; S Morrison, Salt Lake; B F Marsh, Helena; Frank R Coffin; E Morse, Gallatin; Pref Henry A Ward, Sterling.

July 31—Jas T Meagher, Montana Post; Wm Lewis, Argenta; J S McIntosh; L H Warren, Bozeman; G W Page; Isaac Roe, Bannack; D James; J B Powell.

Aug. 1—R J Merkle, Rams Horn; E L Pratt, Sterling; S V Otis, Boise City; Silas Coe, Bannack; G Hyle do; H Rosenfeld, Portland, Oregon; W H Wann; W C Orr; P K Poindexter; W S Keyes; M Moore; J F Sisson; J M Wolf and lady, Summit; H Wolfson, Salmon; H Hohners, do; A Wharton; H Kirkendall, Helena; H Epperson, Summit; O E Peumell; Gen Sol Meredith, Helena; Wm Chapman, Silver Bow, G W Merk, Leavenworth; I Strasberger and lady, city.

From Tuesday's Tri-Weekly

SPHERICAL CASE.—The *Gazette* says the Radical party is responsible for the present management of Indian affairs. Will the *Gazette* look up the list of Democrats, Louis V. Bogy, the Missouri candidate for the Vice-Presidency, is an example, who have been the ring-masters in the show of Indian management for half a century, through party patronage, until the government was wrested from the hands of the Democracy by an outraged people, through the insidious scheming of wire-pullers and the defection of President Johnson, latterly. The present condition of affairs is one of the abuses left us by the defunct party, that needs reconstruction. Ten to one, every improvement would be branded "infamous" and "unconstitutional" by the opposition; but western Union papers are not so tongue-tied by partizanism that they dare not condemn and appeal from wrong, let the blame rest where it may. It also says the Union party of California, at the last election, had forty thousand majority. Very good statistics. Show the returns. The *Herald* man claims to be the "experienced scribbler" of the Territory, to which honor he is welcome and no doubt well entitled. He says we have abused him Poor fellow! We consider our magnanimity in letting him alone as a most generous and self-denying act of courtesy worthy of especial commendation. The *Democrat*, in re-presenting a stale lot of twaddle from its issue of Feb. 8th, 1866, in regard to the Legislatures, says: "The Organic Act does not say that the apportionment should be made at the first meeting of the Legislature." Will the Major read sec. 4 of the Organic Act? No one doubts the profound legal lore, the astuteness and ability of the *Democrat* to decide upon points of law, or the prerogative of editors in all cases to reverse the decisions of the Supreme Court, where their modesty will permit, but then even the *Democrat* Editor is finite and fallible, and the human heart is desperately wicked and deceitful, and the eyes will weary sometimes, and the mind of the mighty get muddled; and so sec. 4 may be worth re-reading While the *Democrat* is surfeiting its readers on musty hash, we would suggest as a spicy, "high toned" side dish, that *chowder* it made last winter, and named "James M Cavanaugh."

SHOOTING AFFRAY.—A soldier named Wm. Coe, belonging to Captain Hart's company, now encamped above the city, having been down town on Friday night, and indulging freely in liquor returned to camp about 1 p. m. on Saturday, and raised a muss, handling his pistol with a total disregard of consequences and threatening promiscuous destruction. Some of his comrades endeavored to take the pistol from him, when in the melee it was discharged, the ball striking Jeremiah Murphy, another of the company but not engaged in the difficulty, in the left groin, and passing nearly through. No bones were broken, but the ball cut so close to the femoral artery that in probing for it the palpitations of the artery could be noticed distinctly on the probe. Dr. Cornell cut out the ball, dressed the wound and the unfortunate man is getting along very well, no inflammation having yet appeared. Coe was arrested, tried before Judge Stafford and discharged, the shooting having been accidental. It is believed the pistol would not have been discharged had it not been for the attempt to wrest it from him. This may be all proper enough, but the reckless disregard for life manifested in this and surrounding camps, this brandishing of revolvers and blazing away whenever the demon of whisky inspires a man to evil, is going too far. It needs attention and some means resorted to that will lessen the number of casualties of this character. Crime is on the increase; shooting affrays are becoming too common. Men are shot down and there's the end of it. Is there no remedy?

JOHN HOW & CO.—Attention is called to the advertisement of John How & Co. in this issue. Having received a heavy invoice of merchandise direct from the St. Louis house, they are prepared to accommodate their customers with groceries, queensware, hardware, dry goods, boots, shoes, saddles and shoemaker's findings, leather, iron, hard wood, miners' tools, etc., etc. The established reputation of this firm, as a first class general merchandising house, is unexcelled in the West, and the stock of goods now in store has never been equalled in amount, variety, quality and low prices. Merchants in the surrounding camps, who deal at this house, can now be accommodated with choice stocks, and the attention of all dealers and consumers is called to the advantage of giving them their patronage.

JUST IN.—Strasberger & Bro., received yesterday, a very large stock of superior clothing and dry goods. They have opened a store for the clothing, next door to Frank's Bakery, where the latest fashions of the East can be seen and purchased at reasonable figures. The ladies' goods comprise everything in that line, fresh and attractive. These are displayed at the Colorado Store and the ladies will undoubtedly be on hand at once to secure the textile treasures. Remember the Strasberger Bro's.

PIC-NICS IN THE MOUNTAINS.—Our people are improving. They are enterprising and energetic, adopting the fashions, pleasures and prevailing customs of the fashionable world with a celerity not less astonishing than gratifying. Among these may be enumerated chignons and pic-nics, and we are looking daily for the small-pox or cholera. The most desirable of these, we believe, are pic-nics, and it was with joyous hearts that a party on an equestrian jaunt over the mountains, on Saturday last, discovered a couple of parties from our little burgh, out at the lakes, enjoying Heaven's sunshine and Earth's sublimity and grandeur and spring-like beauty by the margin of the crystal waters, beneath the spreading pines, among the modest wild flowers peeping out from grassy banks on the summit of the mountain. It was not the less pleasing that generous hospitality filled the goblets with the vintage of sunnier lands, and we were permitted in the sparkling cup to pledge the brighter sparkling eyes of Virginia's fairest. It came very near disturbing even the equanimity of the half dozen uninvited guests, who were all old enough and ugly enough to know better than to go to pic-nics. The only wonder is that with such magnificent scenery, and all nature in that vicinity is evidently gotten up for the special purpose of pic-nics, there have been none before. From all accounts "the Lakes" will become a favorite resort.

THE FIRST OF THE SEASON.—On Friday evening and Saturday morning, three emigrant wagons arrived in Virginia from the States, being the only ones that have yet arrived. One belonged to some Iowa men, another to Rev. Chas. King, and the other to Mr. Wm. Lewis. The latter left St. Joe on the 21st of April, accompanied by C. D. King, and in traveling along they finally found themselves a portion of a train of 60 wagons destined for Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and California. They were repeatedly attacked by Indians, but lost only one man. A large portion of the train stopped in Denver, fearing to attempt the trip to the localities they started for, and the balance journeyed on together until they reached Fort Bridger, when they divided up, and the parties we have named, having light wagons, traveled at the rate of forty or more miles a day until they reached their destination. They report very little emigration on the plains, it having been turned back at the outset by the rumored Indian troubles.

GREENBACKS AT PAR.—The greenback basis, established by Jno. S. Rockfellow in his stores at Virginia, Argenta and Bannack, is working successfully and giving satisfaction to his immense list of patrons. It is what has long been a desideratum with the numerous companies operating with Eastern capital, avoiding that discount upon the national currency which has been a source of unlimited annoyance and trouble in making settlements. Mr. Rockfellow felt necessitated to adopt this system, and has found it to be much more satisfactory to all his customers than the vexations and unfair basis of taking all qualities of dust at a uniform rate of eighteen dollars per ounce. With his large and splendid stock of goods, and the excellent facilities for doing business, this mammoth establishment is meeting with that success its enterprising proprietor is so justly entitled to.

ITEMS.—George Heldt is a candidate for County Recorder.....A couple of muscular politicians had a set-to down street on Sunday. One of them was horribly beaten, and it is said bled profusely for six hours.....Several trains laden with goods have arrived since Saturday morning...The grasshoppers were moving north again yesterday morning. They have made their appearance in the upper end of Gallatin valley.....We were shown on Saturday a handsome draft of the Summit mineral belt, the work of E L Corbett, civil engineer. Duplicates can be had of Mr. Corbett.....The excitement last evening was a China-Saxon fight, in which the washee man got badly damaged on his frontspiece, and another in Idaho street, China, which resulted in a war of words.

DIVINE SERVICE.—It will be seen by the notice of religious services, that Rev. Charles King, who has for two years been an earnest and successful minister in Colorado, will preach in this city on Sunday next. He returned to Cleveland a few months since, anticipating being assigned to a foreign mission, but the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, under whose supervision he is laboring, considering his experience in the mining regions as eminently fitting him for this field of operations, have assigned him to this place. The mere mention of his name will secure a full attendance on next Sunday.

PEDESTRIANISM.—A wager of fifty dollars was offered on Saturday morning that W. H. Gernhart would walk eight miles in one hour. It was accepted by a gentleman of the sporting world, recently arrived in this section, and the walk came off between the hours of ten and eleven a. m. the same morning. Gernhart started from Virginia and walked over the ground between this and the Eight Mile House in the Stinkingwater valley in fifty-two minutes, raking down the hundred dollars and is feeling quite comfortable, and on hand for all such trips.

GOOD.—Mayor Castner has repaired and refitted his building next the POST buildings, making quite a material difference in appearance, inside and out, and all for the better. The first floor is divided into compartments suitable for stores or offices, and offer a desirable location for business men. The Mayor is entitled to credit for the improvement he has made, and it is with pleasure we accord it. May he be well repaid for his investment.

THE MAN.—Mr. Augustus Griffith, a candidate before the Democratic County Convention of Madison county for Treasurer, desires us to say to the public, as the people seem to be in some doubt as to which Griffith is referred to in this connection, that he is of the late firm of Griffith & Mahan.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—Divine service will be held in the Court Room on next Sabbath at 11 o'clock a. m. and at 8 p. m. Services to be conducted by Rev. Chas. King.

VOUCHERS.—All vouchers are required to be approved by the Governor of the Territory. There are some extant without his endorsal. We are authorized to state that all such vouchers will be approved by the Executive on presentation at his office.

ARE YOU A SMOKER?—If so, for a fragrant Havanna or a delicious "opera" cigar call at Samuel Russell & Co.'s; or, if you will endure pain, try that champaigne sold at Russell & Co.'s.

From Thursday's Tri-Weekly.

ANOTHER HOMICIDE.—From Captain Thomas Baum, who arrived in town on Tuesday morning, we have the details of another homicide, committed at Bozeman City on Sunday last. Capt. Baum was detailed by the Colonel commanding in the field to escort Governor Smith, who was expected in Bozeman City, on Monday, to the front. For this purpose he had detailed fifteen men of his own Company ("A"), five of Company "C" and five of Company "D." Arriving at Bozeman, they camped near the town and began cooking dinner by messes. During the absence of the Captain, while dinner was preparing, two of the men, named Messler and Sullivan, were sparring or wrestling, all in good sport. Another soldier, James Spencer, of Company "A," came up, tripped Messler and kicked him after he was down. On this, several of the squad cried out, "That is not fair play." Among others who spoke was Christopher Yanson, of Company "D," who was sitting near by eating his dinner. At this, Spencer approached Yanson and said, "May be you want to take it up." Yanson put down his plate, rose from the ground and said, "I don't care if I do." Spencer at once drew his revolver and presented it, full cocked, at Yanson's head. Yanson attempted to draw his revolver, but Spencer caught it with his left hand, keeping his own close to Yanson's head. Yanson told him repeatedly—some say four, others six or seven times—to take away his pistol, telling Spencer he was armed with a knife and would use it if he did not remove the pistol. Spencer still retained his position, when Yanson drew a large knife from his sheath and struck him. The blade entered Spencer's body just below the ribs, on the right, passed under the heart and entirely through his body, killing him instantly. Yanson immediately gave himself up and was sent back to the camp on the Yellowstone, under a heavy guard. Spencer was buried the same evening at Bozeman with military honors. He was about 28 years of age, was formerly of New York City, where he has a sister residing, and was last winter in the employ of J. M. Knight & Co., of this city. The above is the account of the affray as we have it from Capt. Baum, and the same as transmitted to the commandant of the forces in the field. The soldiers who witnessed the affray, without an exception exhonerate Yanson from any blame in the unfortunate affair. They say he was compelled to use his knife in self-defense, and earnestly endeavored to avoid striking Spencer. It is their desire to have this expression made public, as there were threats of lynching Yanson by parties who did not witness the affray. When it is recollected that Spencer, the man killed, belonged to Co. A, of whom there were fifteen men present, and Yanson belonged to Co. D, of which there were only five men present, and that Co. A were unanimous in their opinion that Yanson was justifiable, it is enough to exculpate him from public condemnation, at least until he is convicted by law.

TO BE FRANK WITH YOU.—Frank Patton in his down town store, is doing a tip-top trade. Mr. Patton has an excellent stock of goods, which he makes it his business to sell and is succeeding admirably. We don't know a better place to go for choice groceries than Patton's. Suppose you try him and see.

THE SIGNAL GUN.—We are informed that at the solicitation of numerous gentlemen, Col. A. K. McClure will favor the people of Virginia with a speech on next Tuesday evening. This is most gratifying intelligence and will attract a large audience. Col. M. is as thoroughly posted on the great questions of the last twenty years as any man in the country. With long legislative experience and abilities of a high order, we can assure our readers that this opportunity is one they cannot afford to lose. He is an earnest Republican, firmly believing in the principles of the Union party and maintaining them zealously; but we say to all Democrats, go and hear him—it will be facts and argument, not abuse and epithet. Owing to the many important enterprizes instituted at the Union City mines, Col. M. has found it necessary to postpone his return to the States and will remain in Montana during the winter. Good for the enterprizes. Further notice of the time and place of meeting will be given in due time.

THE WIRE AND THE POST.—The telegraph lines have been down for the last forty-eight hours. First at Kearney, then at Julesburg, next La Porte. The Salt Lake operator says: "Its Indians, dead sure. Guess they've got us this time." "Our mutual friend," he that is "gifted," was in the valley of humiliation yesterday, and at 11:40 P. M., sent us the following touching lines, dated at Virginia:

"We need this anguish of suspense
To search our hearts and try our lives.
'Till faith, and not its proud pretense,
Alone survives."

On which Local touched him back thusly:

We need accounts of murders, fires,
Of cholera, politics and Indians——dead.
Faith is a humbug—when the wires
Are bus-tu-ed.

Communication cut off on Wallace street. No Crows in the vicinity; supposed to be night birds.

ABANDONED.—The projected expedition up the Yellowstone river has been abandoned for the present, owing to a combination of circumstances entirely beyond the control of the Locals. It is still talked of as a September trip, but whether it will be really undertaken or fade away in the thin insignificance of words is difficult to predict. We believe the almost fabulous stories from that terra incognita, and it only requires determination and a little of that time which is hanging comparatively idle on the hands and feet of many gentlemen, to ascertain their truth or falsity, while having a real pleasant jaunt. If a tithe of them are true, the section will become a favorite resort, even as the Lakes, which a few weeks ago had never been visited by one in a score of our citizens, now almost daily are visited by pleasure parties, who wonder why they had never gone before.

EXTENDING THE TELEGRAPH.—The great projected enterprise, so long talked of and often deferred, is about to become a reality and Helena is to have a streak of lightning. "Ground was broken" yesterday, as the saying goes, for the telegraph line between Virginia and Helena, and some half dozen men are engaged in sinking post holes, north of Nevada. Teams are being brought in from the valleys to draw the poles from the mountains, and one hundred and thirty-nine bundles of wire are stored in this place, with insulators sufficient to extend over the route. In a few days twenty men will be employed, and in sixty days we will have electric communication with our neighbors across the range. Mr. John Creighton has the management of the enterprise, which is sufficient assurance that it will be pushed forward with rapidity. Speed the day.

TOO BEAUTIFUL TO STAY.—A meteor of transcendant beauty, of a clear, white brilliancy, and sailing through the heavens with easy, enchanting grace, passed over the city at 9:45 last evening, and was visible about 50 seconds. It was not so large as the one we were favored with last winter, and moved in a reverse direction, this one heading to the N. W., probably on a summer excursion to Walrussia—that to the S. E. going to Cuba, for the winter. The brightness was not continual, three separate times disappearing for a second or two, and again appearing in increased magnificence. It passed a little south of the city, at a great altitude, and was the most beautiful specimen of celestial pyro technics we have ever witnessed. We extend the freedom of the city and the courtesies of the press to all such wanderers through the cerulean dome. Come again.

FISTIANA.—Two of our sable citizens, drawing inspiration from Con. Orem's plucky challenge, were showing "the spirit of Yankee Sullivan" to the interested denizens of Cover street yesterday afternoon in a regular set-to for the black championship. Marshal Richie's patrol lying in that direction, he gobbled one instanter. The other made a frantic effort to hide under about a pound of hay, but Alec. succeeded in capturing him and landed both in the calaboose. The names of the aspirants for fistic honors were George Dicken and Levi Larkin. Ritchie played the dickens with their larkin, that time.

GONE FROM OUR GAZE.—Amos Reed, Secretary of Utah, takes his departure this morning on leave of absence. He goes by the way of Fort Benton, believing in the old saying that "the shortest cut is the longest way around." He has been Secretary of this Territory nearly six years, and has been a good, faithful officer.—*Vedette, 27th.*

Mr. Reed arrived in this place by Tuesday's coach, and is tarrying a day or two in the mountains, greeting old friends, looking at our snow-clad, golden-hearted mountains and luxuriant valleys, now a little the worse of the grasshopper dispensation. We wish him a "short cut" to home and happiness, and "the longest way around" to sorrow and the grave.

ITEMS.—Judge Hez. L. Hosmer left for Helena yesterday. He attends the Union Convention as a delegate from Madison, and will hold a term of the Supreme court in Helena.....The Governor issues a proclamation calling for 800 volunteers for six months.....Pavers were engaged yesterday in reconstructing the mud hole on the main corner.....The next coach will carry over the majority of the delegates to the Union Convention.....Governor Smith leaves for the Yellowstone on Friday next.

THREATENING TO KILL.—A would-be valiant son of Mars, named Geo. W. Miller, under the influence of whisky; in the absence of common sense, and the presence of a number of people, yesterday morning succeeded in making himself ridiculous by flourishing a tremendous knife, on Idaho street, and threatening immediate, total annihilation, and reduction to mince meat, of a comrade who had provoked his displeasure. He rests in the claboose.

ARTILLERY.—From a gentleman direct from the Gallatin we learn that Capt. Charley Curtis, with the section of artillery for the Yellowstone, crossed Foster's bridge on the Gallatin on Monday, and are by this time at the camp on Shields river.

COMPLETED.—We learn that Lott's bridges, the finest in the country, are now completed across the Stinking Water and Jefferson, and travelers passing over them. These were greatly needed, and will add materially to the convenience of the public.

FOR GOOD DRUGS—Persons desiring pure chemicals, drugs, perfumeries, toilet soap, etc., will find a fine assortment of the best quality at Dr. Daems' Drug store, adjoining the Masonic Temple. Give him a call.

THE MAXIMUM.—The thermometer stood yesterday at 91° in the shade and 131° in the sun. Hot enough for all practical purposes.

From Saturdays' Tri-Weekly

COMING IN HEAVY.—We noticed yesterday the arrival of 40 wagons laden with goods for F. R. Merk & Co. Twenty-four of these teams belong to Mr. Merk and six to Mr. McKinstrie, and are direct from Benton. Their Freight consists of hardware, stoves, tinners' stock, fancy groceries, queensware, etc., and will be stored until the completion of the commodious two story stone store house of Merk & Co., opposite the Masonic Temple. Their buildings are 124 feet deep and 26 feet front, 60 feet being two stories of excellent workmanship, and will be ready for occupancy in a week or ten days. They have a tremendous stock, as may be inferred from the fact that these trains only bring a portion of their goods. When they get fairly opened up it will be a mammoth establishment, reflecting credit upon the proprietors and the city.

TERRITORIAL SURVEY.—General Sol. Meredith accompanied by Prof. B. F. Marsh, arrived in the city on Thursday evening from Helena, *via* the Gallatin valley. They, accompanied by Professor Eaton and Col. De Lacy, left last evening for Beaverhead Rock. The Commissioner of the Land Office, at Washington, basing his decision upon the published reports of Lewis and Clarke, designated that as the initial point from which should be run the base line of the Territory. We understand, however, that the Surveyor General will have permission to use his discretion in the case. A glance at the mountain ranges on the map would indicate that, although Beaverhead Rock may be a great natural landmark, yet the intervening ranges in the extension of the line eastward would render it an almost impracticable initial point. A practical knowledge of the country confirms this, and it is probable that the General and his assistants will decide on some point farther north, extending through the canyons into the great valley of the Yellowstone. The party will return this evening, when we will be enabled to give the results of their visit. There is a great deal depending upon the correct establishment of this base line, and it is not probable that any hasty decision will be arrived at.

"TILL DEATH DO YOU PART."—The marriage rites, according to the beautiful and impressive Jewish ceremonial, were performed at Council Hall at 7 p. m., on Thursday the 1st inst., in the presence of one hundred and forty invited guests, including the Governor of Montana, the Secretary of Utah, the principal officials, and the *elite* of Virginia. The happy couple were Mr. Isadore Strasberger and Miss Rachel Cohen, the acting Rabbi, a merchant, of the Jewish faith, in this city. The publicity of the preliminaries to "the consummation most devoutly to be wished," and the rare infrequence of a public ceremonial of this character, is our apology for delineating a rite, which perhaps few of our readers, except those present on Thursday evening, have ever witnessed. A silken canopy of spotless white, a symbol of purity, is erected in the center of the room, supported by four columns, usually white, but in this instance twined with white for purity, blue for fidelity, and red, for love. The white lilly is purity and grace, blue signifies fidelity, for it is Heaven's own color, and red is love, for the heart's blood is red. The canopy is raised aloft by four unmarried men, the bridegroom is conducted by the groomsmen under the canopy, and two tapers are instantly lighted, that the "joy" which cometh of light may shed its effulgence over him. The Rabbi stands in front of the canopy, and the bride, robed in white, is conducted by the bridesmaids three times around her future lord, that, as she now in her virginal robes passes around him, so may the graces and virtue of his wife ever be about him as a spirit of good. At least such was our interpretation. She is then placed on his right, an attendant fills a silver goblet with wine, which is consecrated by prayer, and the bridegroom and bride each partake of the cup. A prayer is offered, and the bridegroom, placing a plain gold ring on the finger of the bride, says, "In the presence of these witnesses, I claim you to be my wife according to the laws of Moses." This constitutes the binding obligation of the ceremony. A crystal cup is then handed to the husband, and placing it beneath his heel, he crushes it to atoms. This has a double signification. First, it is commemorative of the destruction of King Solomon's Temple, a symbolism introduced in every Jewish ceremony, and it also signifies that, until man can replace and unite in its original perfection each separate particle of the severed cup, man may not dissever the bonds that bind the newly wedded pair Again they are presented with the consecrated wine, the certificate, previously signed—a binding obligation on the part of the husband to cherish and support his wife, and endowing her with an inalienable possession—is read, the husband salutes his wife, and the usual eccentric conduct of the guests commences. The entire verbal ceremony was in the Hebrew language, the acting Rabbi, bridegroom and attending gentlemen wearing their hats according to the established custom of the Jewish people. The interest manifested was as intense, although less nervous anxiety was shown, as during the lightning wedding performed by the Chief Justice a week ago, with an enraged parent expected momentarily, and was a mingling of pardonable curiosity and sincere gratification at the happy denouement to an interesting and rather seriously complicated wooing. The banquet tables were spread in regal magnificence, and in the vintage of sunnier lands, were drank the health, happiness and prosperity of the wedded ones in the snowy mountains of the north-west. If ever Solomon's "time to dance" was opportune, it was there, and then and there it began, not to cease until "the witching hours ayant the twal" bid tired feet homeward go, and the morrow had sent the pale couriers up the eastern sky to herald forth its coming. [*Union Vedette* please notice marriage.]

PUBLIC MEETING.—Pursuant to a call in the Montana *Democrat*, the citizens of Madison county assembled in the hall of the United States Court room, in Virginia city, August 1st, 1867. W. M. Stafford was, on motion of Samuel Word, Esq., elected Chairman, and Theo. Muffley Secretary. Judge W. L. McMath arose and stated the object of the meeting, and moved that a committee be appointed by the Chair to present the names of eleven persons, whose duty it shall be to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of this meeting. The Judge appointed Judge W. L. McMath, Dr. L. Daems, and Samuel Russell, Esq., as said committee. The committee reported the following gentlemen as a committee to draft resolutions, to be submitted to a future meeting of the citizens of Madison county, to wit: Judge H. L. Hosmer, Judge W. L. McMath, Samuel Word, R. Leach, Judge W. Y. Lovell, Judge Clarkson, A. Hanauer, Col. F. C. Deimling, Jno. S. Rockfellow, J. Feldberg, Col. H. N. Blake, Dr. L. Daems and Samuel Russell. On motion, the report was adopted, and it was ordered that the above named gentlemen be made said committee. Col. Deimling then addressed the meeting, incorporating in his remarks extracts from Salt Lake papers expressive of the manner in which Wells, Fargo & Co., transport our mails. Judge Alex. Davis also addressed the meeting vindicating Wells, Fargo & Co. Judge Davis again spoke in defence of Wells, Fargo & Co.; whereupon Samuel Word made some remarks. Judge Lovell and Col. Deimling also addressed the meeting. On motion of Mr. Word, the meeting adjourned to meet at the United States Court room on Saturday, the 10th inst., at six o'clock p. m., to receive the report of the committee on memorials and resolutions, and that the newspapers give publicity to the same.

PLEASE RETURN.—Some heartless creature, bent on evil, has taken from our door the chair owned by a luckless "devil," who very nearly swore. The foreman says he can't "compose," no typo get a "sit," until it is returned by those who took it. As it was an arm "cheer," any one who returns it will be considered a "charmer" by the disconsolate foreman.

DISTINGUISHED ARRIVALS.—Forty-six Celestials, whose names will be given when lightning strikes our types, arrived on Thursday morning from the West. One solitary feminine from Tartary accompanied the outfit. So a man told us.

A VICTIM.—We notice by the *Herald* that one of the victims of savage barbarity in the recent massacre west of Denver, was Mr. Chas. M. Davis, a Civil Engineer, bringing out to Montana the topographical instruments to this Territory. Two persons were killed and several wounded.

INFORMATION WANTED OF William Mollison, who left Idaho City last fall for Lembi inlues, by his wife, who lately arrived from the East. Any information concerning him will be thankfully received. Address, Mrs. Mollison, at this office.—*Salmon City News.*

LOST—On Thursday evening, a gold bracelet, five topaz sets, a family keep-sake. You will oblige a lady, and be rewarded by leaving it at the Montana POST.

BULLION.—During the present week the St. Louis & Montana Mining Company forwarded to Helena for shipment, 3,600 ounces of bullion from Argenta.

TIME CHANGED.—It being the desire of many gentlemen, who cannot be present on Tuesday to hear the address of Col. A.K. McClure, we are informed that Col. M. has, at their suggestion, concluded to speak on Thursday the 8th inst.

ATTENTION, COMRADES!—Post No. 1 G. A. R., meets every Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock. By order of [tf] COMMANDER.

ATTENTION!—U. L. A. of Virginia city Meetings, every Saturday evening. Jan. 21, tf

HELENA.

From Tuesday's Tri-Weekly.

PRESENTATION.—Previous to moving out of town, Captain Charles Curtis' section of artillery were presented with a beautiful guidon, given them by the ladies of Gallatin valley now resident of this city. The beautiful and accomplished Miss Fanny Campbell presented it on behalf of the ladies and spoke as follows: "Captain Curtis: Permit me, in behalf of the ladies of Gallatin valley, to present through you to the gallant men of your command, this small testimonial of our heartfelt gratitude for their ready response to their country's call, at a time when our homes were menaced by a savage foe. Pray accept this in the spirit in which it is given, with our confidence that you will defend it with honor to yourselves and us." Capt. Curtis eloquently responded, promising that by no act of his or of his men should the beautiful present they had received be sullied, and that it would be defended by the best blood of the command. The guidon was then handed to General Howie, who, in company with General Thoroughman, headed the procession, cheers were given for the ladies of Gallatin, Captain Curtis and his company, when the procession was reformed and marched through the city.

THE "ERRING PRODIGAL."—Jim. Cavanaugh, "who owing to surrounding circumstances, left the Democracy," and plunged around on his own hook for some time, has at length thrown off "the poisoned shirt of Nessus," bathed in the pure Democracy, and now after having become clean again, proposes to partake of the glory and triumph that is to wait on the Democratic banners the coming election. At least that is what the *Gazette* of last Saturday says. But don't "our Jim." after all his scrubbing, still have taint on his garments, offensive to the nostrils of Lee Simon Pures. He is a believer in the doctrine of universal suffrage, besides a strong Union man, and anti-secessionist, and the majority of the "left wing" presume to believe in neither the one nor the other

DON'T DO IT.—The *Gazette* says it has in contemplation to expose a base COYNE. Don't crucify him that way. How do you know but some one intends to present that COYNE with a couple of hogs, a cow and a corner lot in the Green Clay Smith addition to Helena, and where would be the chance to get the other indispensible article to housekeeping, if you should do it.

ON THE PRIMITIVE.—A Mr. Shafer is putting up an arastra in Grizzly gulch, eight and a half feet in diameter, to be run by a twenty-four foot overshot wheel. It is his intention to crush ore from leads owned by himself in the vicinity. Next season he will erect two more of the same dimensions having power sufficient to run them all.

ADVENTURERS WANTED.—The party who design starting for the Saskatchawan country, are taking out a year's supply of provisions, besides seeds of all kinds. It is their intention to go into agriculture, and a few more men can find good inducements to join the expedition. Apply to Malone & Dawson's, Wood street, Helena.

PAINTING.—Attention is called to the advertisement of Messrs. Cornell & Co., house, sign and ornamental painters. They have extensive facilities for the taking and rapidly finishing of large jobs, and the sign and ornamental painting of Mr. Hitchins cannot be excelled anywhere.

From Saturday's Tri-Weekly.

SUNDAY IN TOWN.—The city on last Sabbath presented a very exciting and animated appearance, and to those but lately arrived from staid and solemn villages in America, it undoubtedly presented a strange and startling anomaly. The streets were crowded with miners, tender-feet, "other-siders," freight teams, bull-whackers, fast horses and buggies and faster horsemen, all crowding and jostling each other in their desire to get to where the biggest crowd was assembled. The various auction stands were surrounded by "eager and attentive audiences" trying to get the best of the very bad bargains that were offered, while the hoarse and resonant cries and oaths, of the horse and other auctioneers, together with the music (music! shades of Paganini and of Thalberg!) of the gambling saloons mingled, in a startling refrain with the solemn tones of the "church-going bell." In reviewing the scene you could not but speculate as to the "straight and narrow path" we read about, and wonder if it led through a mining camp to Paradise.

MILITARY.—We learn that a courier arrived in this city on Sunday night from Governor Smith with a dispatch tendering to General Neil Howie a commission as Colonel of the 1st Reg't M. Vols., and requesting him to assume command of the forces in the field. Gen. Howie has accepted the command and will start for the field in a few days. The tender of this position to Gen. Howie and his acceptance of it will be hailed with the liveliest satisfaction by the volunteers and the people. His ability, energy and popularity will infuse new life into the organization, and if there is work to be done it will receive attention. The reorganization of the Militia created a good deal of dissatisfaction at first, but as it is becoming better understood there is a better feeling. Capt. Hereford's company will camp for a few days on Prickly Pear creek, and as soon as the necessary arrangements are completed will start for the Muscleshell, taking with them a section of artillery.

FIGHTS!—A fight occurred on Sunday last at one of the auction stands on Main street between a mule driver or a bull-whacker and one of the auctioneers. The dispute arose about the purchase, when, in trying to prevent the quarrel, one of them interfered, and got into the position of poor dog Tray. A lively little tussle resulted, but the auctioneer tried to hold the bull-whacker down by sticking his finger in his mouth, but did not succeed very well, and B. W. got the best of it. The latter individual forked over $50 and costs, Monday morning. Another sparring match came off, but it must have been a quiet affair, as we were unable to learn any particulars

BENTON NEWS.—The steamer Richmond, A. B. Miller, Master; George D. White, Clerk; arrived at Benton on the 28th inst., seventy-eight days from St. Louis. The following is a list of her passengers: P Vallitan and family, Mr Douglas and wife and daughters, H M Thayer, Mr Merk, J H Lloyd, Mr Bernard, W W Mimms, Mr Nichols, J H Lukins. We will be enabled to publish her memoranda and manifest by next coach.

IN TOWN.—We were pleased to receive a call from our old and valued friend, Rev. A. M. Torbett, of Gallatin. The gentleman speaks in a flattering manner of the present prospects and future hopes of the residents of the valley.

DIED.—David Allen, a member of Co. I, Montana Volunteers, died on Sunday last of bilious fever. Deceased was born in Janesville, Rock county, Wis., and was thirty-six years of age. He was buried on Monday last, with military honors.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.—In the U. S. Court, to-day, Palmer was sentenced to three years imprisonment in the U. S. penitentiary at Detroit, Michigan, for attempting to defraud by forging postoffice money orders.

AURORA BOREALIS.—We are having very fine displays of this northern wonder nightly. If we were learned enough, we should attempt an essay on it; but as every one knows as much about it as we do, it is not worth while.

NOT ACCEPTED.—The resignations of Captains Fisk and Hereford were not accepted, for the reason that they could not be spared from active duty.

From Thursday's Tri-Weekly.

MANIFEST OF STEAMER RICHMOND.

Marks.	*Articles.*	*Consignees.*
Gov G C Smith	1 lot of furniture	
	20 p'kgs mdse	
H Cummings	1 lot of furniture	
	7 boxs mdse	
Ellis & Bro Helena	60 mdse	J G Baker Fort Benton
	38 bundles forks & spades; 18 bales msde; 2 bales mdse	
	6 boxes handles; 1 iron safe; 96 boxes tobacco; 8 bbls tobacco; 10 kegs do; 269 boxes tobacco	
Frederickson & Moss Deer Lodge	1 bale blankets; 2 hay-rakes; 1 roll of leather; 2 boxes sundries	Melton & Taylor Ft Benton
J H Ming Helena	8