

The Montana Post.

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"THE GREAT RE-ACTION."

What has become of it? Only a short time ago the Democratic press throughout the country were telling of the magnitude of its proportions, and trying to inspire the belief that something, but little less terrible than the great South American earthquake was to occur, which should sweep the Republican party out of existence.

WE CONCUR.

The Gazette of yesterday says: "We want peace; but not the kind of peace that reignited in Warsaw after the people were all butchered." In this sentiment we heartily concur, and from the very fact that we agree with our cotemporary upon this point we hope to see Grant and Colfax elected by an overwhelming majority.

We want peace, but not that of Warsaw. We want that peace which shall give to every Northern man in the South the same privileges and security which a Southern man enjoys in the North. We want that peace which shall secure to the government, its laws, courts, and officers that same consideration in the South which they receive in the North.

DEAD.—The St. Joe Vindicator, a sheet as vile as the LaCrosse Democrat and the Frontier Index, and we can in no more forcible manner describe its utter shamelessness, is dead. It ended its short lived existence a few weeks since, after having endeavored in every possible manner to bespatter itself with filth, and now sleeps under the dunghill of slang and slime which it prepared for itself before its decease, and by which alone it will be remembered. Its fate is prophetic of that which awaits its party in November.

THE CONDITION OF SPAIN.

A few days since the United States was the first to recognize, through Minister Ha'e, the government of the new provisional junta of Spain, and it therefore becomes interesting for us to enquire more particularly than we have yet done concerning the present condition of that turbulent country, to examine into the general causes of the recent revolution, and to look, so far as in our power lies, into those future developments which are to result from the new order of things.

There is no country in Europe which shows such a history of tyranny as does Spain, with its records of its inquisition, religious intolerance and degradation of the masses. So severe and thoroughly systematized has been this oppression that Spain has been among the last to grasp at the more liberal ideas which pertain to the higher civilization of the 19th century.

And thus does the "great reaction" show itself, by immense Union gains and Democratic frauds. Both have learned us a lesson and we shall expect in the Presidential contest to see the one increased, the other suppressed, and U. S. Grant domiciled in the White House.

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store for it, and even in the case of New York will probably have an opportunity for indulging in its great speciality, the calculation of per centage tables, and the placing of the Democratic figures in the minus column.

VICTORY IN DAKOTA.

There is not a Territory in the Union, unless our own, wherein we could feel more rejoiced to learn of the complete overthrow of the Democracy, than in Dakota. We helped to fight the first Republican battles in that Territory, when the Democracy was largely in the ascendancy, and when victory perched upon her banner.

Mr. Spink, the Secretary of the Territory, appointed by Mr. Lincoln, and who was for several years connected with the press in Illinois, has been elected over Kidder and Todd. Kidder was the people's candidate, and supported by Burleigh and Tripp, and the fact that these latter named gentlemen supported him, is sufficient reason that no honest or decent man should have voted for Kidder.

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MASONRY.

The recent communication of the Grand Lodge affords excuse for a few remarks for masonry. Although for several years a member of the fraternity, and cherishing in our heart of hearts a love for its precepts, and the beautiful symbolism through which they are illustrated, we often find ourself inquiring whence and why did it originate? No mason can doubt its great antiquity.

The reports continue to be of the most satisfactory character. Pennsylvania is reported Republican by 12,000 majority despite the most gigantic frauds which have been perpetrated, and which will doubtless cause the election to be successfully contested by our candidates in several districts.

Ohio has covered herself with glory, and is now stated to have gone Republican by 20,000 majority.

In Indiana the immense number of illegal votes which we believe have been introduced into the Southern portion of the State from Kentucky, has made the contest a close one, but it is believed that the Republicans have carried the State by a small majority.

Notwithstanding the fact that everything indicates the overwhelming defeat of the Democracy, we do not suppose that the Gazette has yet been enabled to see through the smoke of battle, and presume the New York World will keep "victory hovering over the contending hosts" until it calculates its per centage and figures out a morsel of consolation for its party.

THE ELECTIONS.

A hungry man, dining at a Cincinnati restaurant, spread a piece of bread with a lump of butter which he scraped up from the table and swallowed it, but was horrified when told by the waiter that there was a little plate under the butter. He thought at the time it was rather hard butter.

A story is told of a jolly good fellow who resided in Chicago about four years, and while on an eastern visit was asked how he liked the water out west. "By George, Mr. —," said he, after a moment's reflection, "I never thought to try."

Masons came to Montana in the first year of her history. We learn from the address of Grand Historian Langford, that

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PROJECTOR.

It must be evident to every resident of San Francisco that the growth of the city is progressing with a rapidity really wonderful. On every side buildings are to be seen, and those of a first-class character, that had no existence at the beginning of the present year.

The annual report of the Yellow Jacket Mining Co., of Nevada, shows that their total receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, including a balance of \$116,057 on hand at the commencement, were \$1,240,585.

An Owen's Lake correspondent of the Sacramento Union says that a succession of earthquakes took place in that region, rattling down rocks from the mountains on the 13th, 14th and 15th ultimo. There was also an earthquake about the same time in Alpine county, California, showing that the commotion extended over hundreds of miles.

San Luis park, the southernmost of the three great mountain basins of Colorado, contains a population of 24,000 Mexican Indians. They are mostly Catholics, and speak Spanish.

A New York paper calls for a city market so regulated that a lady can get through it without a policeman and a bottle of cologne.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

EDITOR POST:—There is a subject which has occupied my attention for several days past, which will undoubtedly be considered by most of our citizens, to be worthy of the consideration of the whole community, and I am induced, (as indeed all will be) to bestow more thought upon the matter, in view of the fact of the early departure from our midst of Mr. Langrishe and his excellent theatrical troupe, who have contributed so greatly to our enjoyment during the past year.

Now, sir, attention to business interests, is at all times to be encouraged, but we all see enough of traffic and labor through the day, and the evening remains to be "put in," either profitably, or otherwise, and we naturally inquire what is to be done; we have good society here, but it is so limited that many of our best young men have no opportunity for forming acquaintances among ladies, and hence, are denied the pleasure and good influence of their society, and as a consequence, are often to be found in places, and in the company of those they should avoid; dancing parties are, no doubt, creative of no little pleasure and amusement, but will be indulged in only once a week at most, during the coming fall and winter, and even then but by a few, as compared to our population; possibly some lectures or concerts will be given, which may be very instructive and entertaining, but only occasionally at best.

Now, sir, as a preventative, to a great degree, of these bad results, I have thought that the formation of a Young Men's Association, to be conducted similarly to the society of that name in Chicago, or the Young Men's Library Association of St. Louis, would offer an infinite fund for enjoyment to its members, and be of incalculable benefit to the community at large, and an undertaking of such a nature as to be entirely practicable. Once in good running order, it would not only serve to while away many an otherwise lonesome hour, and instruct us, but would be an institution in which our city might feel a just pride for years to come.