

THE PRESIDENT AT A FOX HUNT.

Gen. Sherman to Retire in November.

Sheridan and Party in the National Park.

Synopsis of Blaine's Speech at Portland.

President Arthur.

NEWPORT, R. I., August 28.—President Arthur attended a fox hunt this afternoon in company with the wife of D. W. Astor. The "brush" was awarded to Mrs. E. D. Morgan, Jr., of New York, and the "pads" to Allen Arthur, the President's son, and Francis R. Appleton, of New York. There were several falls, one of which resulted in serious injury to Lloyd N. Price, whose hip is believed to have been broken. He was taken home in an unconscious condition. The start was witnessed by a large number of spectators. The President to-night was the guest of Jno. Wells, of New York, who gave an elaborate dinner. The President breakfasted with W. W. Astor, Minister to Italy. The reception was largely attended.

Washington Notes.

WASHINGTON, August 28.—Secretary Folger has decided to issue a call for bonds, which will probably be made to-morrow. It will embrace all continued 'G's' remaining uncalled and which have not been surrendered for exchange for the new 'G's'. It is estimated that there are about \$4,000,000 of this class of bonds.

Secretary Folger said he saw no necessity for anticipating the payment of bonds embraced in the 115th call, which mature September 13th next.

General Sherman will ask to be placed on the retired list November, 1883. He would be compulsorily retired in 1884. He retires early in order to give General Sheridan, his successor, a chance to express to Congress his views on the best interests of the service.

NEW YORK, August 28.—The Post's Washington special says: The indifference displayed by the Democratic Congressional Committee is in striking contrast with the energy shown at the Republican headquarters, and gives color to the report that the Democrats are not going to make a fight from this point at least for possession of the next House of Representatives. Thompson, of Kentucky, who is secretary of the committee, will soon be here, and active labors of the committee, it is said, will begin. At present they have scarcely a room, and very little is done. Gen. Rosecrans, the chairman, has a good reputation as a manager, but has shown little energy thus far and will leave the city in a day or two for California, to be gone for some time. In the contest for the chairmanship it was urged in behalf of Flower that Rosecrans would be absent in California much of the recess and unable to attend to the duties of the position. This assertion seems to be true. The committee has little money and have not done much beyond distributing a few speeches.

Spy Turned Swindler.

PHILADELPHIA, August 27.—Belle Boyd, the notorious rebel spy of Shenandoah Valley during the war, has been arrested here as an accomplished female swindler. How many people this notorious woman has victimized is at present hard to estimate. She was Saturday arrested for uttering a forged check on a pawn broker for goods she had pledged. She was afterwards released, the money being made good by her friends. Further important developments are expected, should the merchants victimized institute proceedings against her.

Strike Ended.

ERIE, Pa., August 27.—About two-thirds of the old force of puddlers and helpers of the Mount Hickory iron works went in yesterday at the same wages paid before the strike and the balance are expected to go in to-morrow, when the puddling department start a double team with a full complement. Men who return sign individual contracts agreeing to regulate their own affairs with the company without reference to the orders of the amalgamated or any other association.

Emma Bond Failing.

CHICAGO, August 27.—A Taylorsville special to the Daily News says: Miss Emma Bond, the victim of the recent outrage in the schoolhouse by the tramps is failing rapidly and there is little hope of recovery.

United in Death.

LELAND, Ill., August 27.—This evening, Mrs. J. M. Stratton, wife of a successful lawyer here, shot her husband and then herself, both dying immediately. No cause is assigned for the deed. They had been married but a short time and were supposed to be living happily. A short time before the shooting the neighbors heard loud words between them.

Heavy on Don.

CHICAGO, August 27.—The Tribune says editorially: It is stated in the dispatches with some show of positiveness, that Don Cameron's cause in Pennsylvania is lost, and Braver's canvass already practically failed. If this shall prove to be the case the result will be due solely to brutal obstinacy and stupid follies of Don Cameron himself. He has stuffed and minionized politics in Pennsylvania ever since he has had control of them. The Republicans of Pennsylvania are tired of having this upstart political cowboy for master.

Got His Due.

VISALIA, August 26.—Ben Harris, the negro who murdered his family last Tuesday, was found early to-day and in attempting to escape was shot.

Blaine's Speech.

PORTLAND, Me., August 28.—Ex-Senator Blaine delivered a political address to-night in the presence of a large and enthusiastic audience. The speech was devoted chiefly to State politics, including the contest between the Governor of Maine and the State Council. He said that his particular and personal excuse for making this issue publicly with the Governor, was doing precisely with the council of Maine what the lamented President did with the United States; that is, as President Garfield had a great issue with the Senate, so he has one with the Council. Now to begin with, President Garfield never had an issue with the Senate of the United States. There never was any difference between each respected power. Each other kept within its own power. What the President of the United States objected to was that a Senator outside of the Senate Chamber should be dictator to appointments in his State. To make an analogy worth anything Gov. Plaised would have to present these seven executive councillors, each demanding that the appointees in his councillor's district belonged to him, then we would have a parallel case. But the President of the United States never dominated to the Senate. He accompanied a nomination with an understanding, and when there grew up a dispute about one nominated, he accompanied it with the repeated declaration that the Senate had as clear a right to confirm or reject as he had to nominate; that each was absolute within its own sphere. What the President asked was that in a certain nomination which became of great interest to the country, that the Senate would either confirm or reject it. It was demanded it should be withdrawn. The President declined to do this, and said, the nomination before you Senators is within your discretion. I have no right to ask you to confirm, I have no right to ask you to reject; but I have the right to ask that you will do one or the other, because the Constitution gives me the right to ask that. [Applause.]

New York Politics.

NEW YORK, August 28.—The journals continue to teem with local politics. Cornell's re-nomination for Governor by the Republicans is the question of the hour. The Herald's boom for Wadsworth finds many supporters both here and elsewhere in the State. It is likely to prove a split in the party as decided as in Pennsylvania. It is the general belief, certainly among Garfield men, that Conkling is the author of the unpleasantness.

Stands a Good Chance.

NEW YORK, August 27.—The Times Washington special says: Marshal Pitkin arrived here to-night from Louisiana. He says that Kellogg has a good chance of the election, though the Beattie ticket, which has Darrell's active support, will cause trouble. Acklin, the Democratic candidate, is disliked even in his own party.

Brave Rescue.

MACON, Ga., August 27.—The residence of Jeff Kirkland, at Pearson, Coffee county, was burned last night. Bertha, the little daughter of H. C. Green, perished in the flames. Her sister Belle was rescued by R. McDonald, who rushed into the flames at a fearful risk, getting his hair and whiskers burned off.

Another Week for the Lawyers.

NEW YORK, August 27.—The Times Washington special says: We are to have at least one week more of the star route trial. Merrick finishes his arguments to-morrow. Two or three other lawyers will have their say next and then comes Ingersoll and finally the Attorney General.

Cabinet Rumors.

NEW YORK, August 27.—The Times Washington special reproduces the oft told story this morning that Lincoln's place in the Cabinet is to be filled by another appointment.

Endorsing W. P. Kellogg.

CHICAGO, August 26.—A New Orleans special says: A. J. Dunton, president of the Republican State central committee, writes a letter endorsing the candidacy to W. P. Kellogg for Congress and predicts his triumphant election, as it is generally believed Kellogg will get the solid Republican vote. Yesterday's development was to that end.

General Singleton's Letter.

CHICAGO, August 26.—A special from Quincy, Ill., says: General Singleton publishes a letter to the voters of the 12th Congressional district, explaining and vindicating his independent candidacy, but, though tacitly endorsed by the Greenback and Republican conventions, he makes no allusion to them or promises as to his independent action in Congress. The letter is rather directed to a vindication of his Democracy in bolting the regular nomination.

Fair Pedestriennes.

MOXROE, N. C., August 27.—The party of six young ladies engaged in walking across North Carolina, reached here—420 miles from the starting point and go home by rail. One night they camped in a cemetery and slept by the graves. Another night they came upon a bear. A record of their journey contains twelve hundred pages.

A Race Sold.

AUBURN, N. Y., August 26.—The Advertiser says: Courtney told his friends that he was going to win at Saratoga, and they backed him heavily in the pool. The Union Springs people lost thousands of dollars, one young man's losses reaching \$3,000. All the sporting men here pronounce the race an outrageous jobbery.

Rayisher Lynched.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., August 26.—Legrand Colker, the negro who outraged Catherine Haynes, a white woman, and then murdered her, was hung by a crowd of whites and blacks on the spot where the murder was committed. He confessed.

Another Vendetta.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., August 27.—A feud has existed for some time between the Mabrey and Lasby families, both well known here, growing out of the shooting of William Mabrey by D. C. Lasby last Christmas. Mutual threats have passed between members of the families. On Saturday, D. C. Lasby, and his father, Moses Lasby, were in the city hunting for Gen. Joseph H. Mabrey, father of the murdered man, letting it be understood that they intended to kill him on sight. The Lasbys were arrested on complaint of Mabrey, who, with his son, Joseph A. Mabrey, Jr., appeared as prosecutors. During the hearing the prisoners made some disturbance, when two shots were fired from the direction of the Mabreys, and Moses Lasby fell dead and D. C. Lasby was mortally wounded. Nobody seems to know which of the Mabreys did the shooting. They were arrested and admitted to bail.

Murdered for Money.

ALBUQUERQUE, (N. M.), August 27.—A freight train ran over the body of a man this morning near Alamillo. The train was so close when the man was discovered that it was impossible to stop in time. The train men at once went back and found the body badly mangled, but perfectly cold. It proved to be that of Felipe Chavez, a wealthy and influential stockman of Valencia county. He is known to have had a large amount of money on his person, and is supposed to have been murdered, robbed, and placed on the track. No clue to the murderers.

Fight Over Beer.

AUGUSTA, Maine, August 27.—Joshua Nye, a temperance worker, yesterday procured a warrant against Hoyt & Co's express, doing business by the Boston boat, for bringing malt liquors to the city. The deputy sheriff found the storehouse locked up, broke open the lock and seized sixty-two cases of beer addressed to different parties, nearly all known to be fictitious names. An immense crowd gathered, some of whom pulled the men from the teams engaged to take the beer away, threw stones and bricks at them, snatched the beer and made away with it. Several persons were severely hurt. Less than half the beer was recovered by the deputy sheriff, who was badly cut. The city officials did not interfere. Nye gave notice yesterday that the officers a week ago were told to stop the sale, but which they allowed to go on.

Confessed Murderer.

BROCKVILLE, Ont., August 28.—A man who gives the name of James McMinis, aged 47, delivered himself to the police today. He says that five years ago, while a waiter in the Grosvenor Hotel, London, England, he, in company with two others, whom he did not know, murdered three men, also unknown. He was induced to do so through fear of his life. He came to Canada a few days ago from Winnipeg. The crime preyed on his mind so he could neither eat nor sleep. He has been committed to jail, and inquiries will at once be made to ascertain the truth of the statement.

The Work of Jealousy.

CHICAGO, August 28.—Richard Wilson, a Scotchman, aged 54, shot his wife this morning and then killed himself. The woman is not likely to recover. Jealousy was the cause. Several children are left.

In Danger of His Life.

CHICAGO, August 28.—A special from Bloomington, Ill., says: Prof. R. B. Welsh, formerly Principal of the Pontiac School, writes from Topeka that his life is in danger from the liquor men there because, as assistant to the State Attorney, he has been prosecuting the violators of the State law. They have within a day or two cut his buggy to pieces, disfigured his horse and threatened his life. He had to call a meeting of citizens to prevent being mobbed.

Daring Train Robbery.

TOLEDO, August 28.—A special says that excursions were run yesterday to Grand Rapids, thirty miles from here, on the narrow gauge road. On the return trip in the afternoon five or six desperadoes with drawn revolvers captured the train and committed a daring robbery and outrage. One citizen lost \$75 and was thrown from the platform. The conductor was used up trying to arrest one. All the roughs escaped except Larry King, a notorious character, whom the police secured when the train reached the city.

Hotel Burned.

NEWPORT, August 26.—The Cliff House summer hotel was burned this morning and two adjoining cottages, run in connection with the hotel, were badly damaged. Many guests were in bed, but were aroused in time to save the greater portion of their effects.

Miss Parnell's Remains.

PHILADELPHIA, August 28.—In accordance with the wish of Charles Stewart Parnell, the remains of Miss Parnell will rest in America.

Railroad Connection.

CHICAGO, August 28.—Connection was made yesterday between the New York, Chicago, & St. Louis and the Illinois Central railways at Grand Crossing. This gives Chicago another Eastern trunk line connection with New York. It parallels the Lake Shore, and is shorter than that road.

Robinson Can't Get Endorsed.

EMPORIA, Kas., August 29.—The Democratic State Convention will meet in this city to-morrow. The nomination of Hon. J. Martin for Governor is a foregone conclusion. It is ascertained that Governor Robinson, the Greenback nominee, is very anxious to secure the endorsement of the Democratic Convention, but the most pronounced antagonism exists among the delegates.

Gen. Sheridan and Party.

CHICAGO, August 28.—A private dispatch, dated August 24th, received here to-day, states that General Sheridan and party are at Baronet's Bridge, Yellowstone Park. The party up to that time were all in good health and had met with no accidents.

REVOLUTION IN COREA.

All the Members of the Royal Family Murdered Except the King. YOKOHAMA, August 11.—About 5 o'clock in the evening of the 23d of July an organized body of insurgents took possession of the main thoroughfares in Seoul, the capital of Corea, and attacked the royal residence and the Japanese legation. The latter building was set on fire. The Japanese Envoy and Consul escaped with about twenty followers, and made their way to the palace for protection, but found it already in possession of the rioters. They then retreated to Jinsen, fourteen miles distant, being repeatedly assaulted on the way. Six were killed, three wounded and several are missing. The survivors, among whom were the Envoy and Consul, reached a British surveying ship in the neighborhood. Arriving at Nagasaki, a Japanese ship of war was ordered to Corea to rescue the imperilled Japanese, but to avoid discussion or dispute. The vessel returned August 4, and announced that the Japanese at Seoul had probably been slaughtered, and that the capital was in a state of anarchy. Of the royal inmates of the palace, the King alone was spared. The Queen was murdered, and to his heir, and the latter's betrothed, both children, poison was forcibly administered. Thirteen Ministers of State and other high dignitaries were slain. The proceedings are said to have been directed by ex-Regent Tai-in-Kun, by some pronounced father and by others uncle of the King. He has always been violently opposed to foreign intercourse. Whether he has assumed control of the government is not yet known. There have been no disturbances at the ports of Fu San and Gensan. The Japanese acted with promptness and prudence. A naval and military rendezvous has been established at Shimoseki, the nearest port to Corea. A fleet has been dispatched to the scene of disorder and troops have gathered to await development of affairs. Reparation must be absolute and unconditional or war will ensue.

Horrible Riot.

CALCUTTA, August 28.—Fearful rioting between the Hindoos and Mohammedans occurred here. Three Mohammedans were arrested. An eye witness of the disorders says he saw the disemboweled body of a Mohammedan infant lying on the ground, with its arms torn off. The headless corpses of Mohammedan men and women were lying on every side. The houses of the Mohammedans were burned and the principal Mosques almost razed to the ground. Pigs have been thrown into wells with the corpses of Mohammedan children. The troops are still patrolling the streets. The Mohammedans are still a small minority of the population.

Fever News.

BROWNSVILLE, August 29.—There were seventy-two new cases yesterday, and two deaths of Mexicans. The few new cases among the troops in Fort Brown are doing well. There are several cases at Point Isabella. Two Tampico refugees died recently with fever eighty miles from here, on the way to Corpus Cristi. There were seven deaths at Matamoros yesterday.

Cholera.

MANILLA, Philippine Islands, August 29.—Three hundred deaths from cholera occurred here Monday last, 224 of the victims being natives.

Bank Robber Arrested.

CHICAGO, August 29.—Edward N. Welsh, arrested three or four days ago in New York for robbing the First National Bank of Kewanee, Illinois, passed through the city this evening en route to Kewanee in charge of the detective who arrested him. The detective agency, which has charge of the case, says he made a confession, the effect of which is that Dr. J. S. Scoll, of St. Louis, formerly a resident of Kewanee, planned the robbery, though he took no direct part in it; that Pratt, acting cashier, was a party to it, and that instead of the large sum in gold missing being carried away in a valise with other money, it was Pratt who carried it off previous to the day when Welsh and his companions locked Pratt and Mrs. Harris in the vaults, and carried away the remainder, mostly in paper money. Welsh refused to give the name of the man who helped him in the job.

Irish Affairs.

LIMERICK, August 28.—The Constabulary had a meeting Saturday at the police barracks, most of the constables deserting their beats for the purpose of attending. Telegrams were forwarded to other towns asking for support, and a memorial was ultimately forwarded to Earl Spencer, to which a reply is awaited.

Republican Convention.

KALAMAZOO, August 28.—The Republican State Convention meets here Wednesday. It is generally supposed that Governor Jerome, Lieutenant Governor Crosby, Attorney General Van Riper and Superintendent of Public Instruction Cochrane will be re-nominated without opposition.

GALLATIN COUNTY.

Condition of Crops—Business Healthy—Political Matters, Etc. From a letter dated Bozeman, Aug. 25th, 1882, received to-day from Mr. C. Edwards, a prominent stock man of Gallatin county, we excerpt the following items of interest: "The warm, dry weather of the past two or three weeks has forced the Gallatin grain crop to maturity, and set at naught the predictions of croakers who prophesied its destruction by frost. The acreage sown is probably greater this year than any previous year, but the yield will undoubtedly be lighter than it has been in more favorable seasons. While almost any farm in the county may be "for sale," yet there is no apparent disposition, as there was a few years ago, to sell out and get out of the country. There is no disposition to "boom" but all branches of business are in a healthy, flourishing condition. Emigration is coming in gradually from both the east and the west; many desirable additions are being made to the population of the county, while its assessment list is being materially increased by herds of horses, cattle and sheep that are being driven] more particularly to our eastern ranges. There is no little stir in political circles and both parties seem determined to place in nomination for county offices and other positions the most efficient men at their command. All seem to realize the fact that for the next few years particularly, a faithful and efficient administration of county affairs will leave its impress upon our standing for all time to come.

OUR POSTOFFICES.

A More Liberal Policy of the Government Toward Them. Recent official notification of additional allowances covering the necessary operating expenses of the Helena postoffice tends to the conclusion that the Postoffice Department purposes to lend more liberal assistance than heretofore to offices entitled thereto. The continuous inflow of immigration is increasing rapidly the population of numerous towns and cities in the Territory, and in several communities the labor and business of their postoffices have doubled within a year. The Butte postoffice, for a period of several years, has been without allowance adequate to its expenses, and its postmaster has given largely of his own salary to keep the service up to the requirements of the public. We shall be glad to hear that Postmaster Smith has received back from Government his full dues, and that expected allowances covering every expense of his office have been provided by the Department. The Bozeman, Missoula and Miles City offices are others on the list whose outlays in labor and money have exceeded provision therefor, principally owing to rapid growth and additional work imposed, or volume of business transacted. The Miles City office, we believe, is soon to receive a fair allowance for clerk hire, which thus far it has been without, and Missoula is entitled to be served in like manner and doubtless will be awarded a corresponding amount of relief. The Postmaster General, Judge Howe, and the First Assistant, Mr. Hutton, are both western men, intelligently advised of the swift growth and development taking place in the Territories paralleled by their own States, and are disposed to treat the budding municipalities and commonwealths with liberality. They can in no way serve our communities better than in the manner indicated. The cost of the star mail routes has been materially reduced, and the Department is in better shape than ever before to render help where help is most desired and required.

EXPRESS COMPETITION.

Wells, Fargo & Co. Soon to Re-enter Montana to Share its Business. The arrival in the Territorial Capital of Mr. S. D. Brastow and Col. Dudley Evans, the former Superintendent of the Northern Coast Division and the latter Chief Agent in Oregon, with headquarters in Portland, promise at no distant day to revive the business of Wells, Fargo & Co., and place it again in active operation throughout the broad limits of Montana. Mr. Brastow is quite generally acquainted in the Territory. In former years when his company covered the field, he journeyed here frequently, looking after express affairs and directing the pursuit and arrest of road agents who at different times successfully waylaid the stages and robbed the treasure boxes of their contents. Col. Evans, in reaching Helena, traversed the Northern Pacific, coming from the end of the track at Thompson river by private conveyance to Missoula and thence by stage transit to this point. It is understood that as soon as the stage link between the eastern and western termini is established and in daily operation, a through east and west express business will be started and permanently maintained by Wells, Fargo & Co. With the coming year, it is believed, the Territory will have the full benefit of active competition in the express business, and as a consequence far lower rates than have heretofore been realized will prevail. It will probably not be a year at most when the new arrangements now in course of maturity will be in full operation, and every considerable point in Montana served by Wells, Fargo & Co. over the new transcontinental highway.

Best Grazing Country in the World.

"Montana," says the well informed correspondent of the New York Tribune, "is the best grazing country in the world. I know that this is a bold assertion to make, but after seeing something during the last summer of the best cattle ranges of Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Dakota, Wyoming and Utah, which States and Territories furnish so large a proportion of the beef consumed in this country, and talking with stock men, army officers and others whose acquaintance with the West is far more extensive than my own, and whose experience gives to their opinions great weight, I am certain that it is not an exaggeration."

JOHN McCULLOUGH.

The Great Tragedian at Fort Ellis—Entertained by the Officers—Anecdote of Sothern. FORT ELLIS, M. T. August 28, 1882. To the Editor of the Herald. Yesterday we had a most agreeable surprise in the unlooked-for appearance of Mr. John McCullough. He has been visiting the National Park, with General Sheridan's party, and was obliged to curtail his trip in order to meet an engagement to play at the opening of a new theatre. The Post, of course, put its best foot forward to welcome the talented artist, and to make his brief sojourn as pleasant as possible. The Post Surgeon entertained him handsomely at dinner, and in the evening he was invited to supper and egg-nogg (brewed by your correspondent) at the Adjutant's, whose charming house, by the by, evidently took the fancy of his guest. The conversation naturally drifted toward the stage, and the chief theme, and one in which Mr. McCullough clearly delighted, was Sothern, with his "quips and jibes," his practical jokes, and his sunny nature. One very bright hoax, perpetrated by the clever personator of Dundreary, was new to us, and may be to your readers: Mrs. Florence, as every one knows, is a trifle jealous. Billy Florence had breakfasted with Sothern, and after his departure Sothern found Florence's handkerchief, with embroidered initials, on the floor. Sothern seized a pen and, in a feminine hand, indited the following note: My DARLING BILLY—I found this handkerchief on the floor after you left me this morning. How could you be so careless? Suppose my husband had come in and seen it! I love you ever. Yours only and always, ANNIE. He then called a messenger, posted him as to the number and location of Florence's room at the hotel, told him not to leave the note at the office, but to deliver it to the lady who came to the door, and not to wait for an answer. Everything worked as he had planned, and the result must have exceeded his most sanguine anticipations. Florence was taking a nap, and in answer to the messenger's summons, Mrs. F. opened the door, received the note, read it, and—Well, the result and explosion can be better imagined than described. Poor Florence protested his innocence in vain, and finally sent an unaddressed note to Sothern, calling him a few choice pet names, and saying that he had carried his joke too far, as Mrs. F. was in hysterics and he in a pretty mess. At this time Florence and Bonicault were not on speaking terms, so Sothern, as soon as he saw that the note was simply addressed "Sir," sent it to Bonicault, who immediately wrote a furious letter to Florence, saying that he had "always despised him, but until this unprovoked attack, had considered him at least a gentleman." There was a lively row, a challenge, and no end of a circus, all of which Sothern hugely enjoyed; but the upshot was that Sothern owned up to his share in the mischief, and Bonicault and Florence became warm friends.

It was very evident that Mr. McCullough was deeply attached to Sothern, and in recounting the saying and doings of his dead friend, the great actor's steel gray eyes grew tender and humid with suppressed emotion. He recited with exquisite feeling and expression the "Stowaway," the "Vagabonds," and a very beautiful imitation of Moore, and read to us those two wonderful masterpieces of Shakespeare's genius, the dialogue between John and Hubert, beginning "Come hither, Hubert," and the scene from "King Lear" where the poor, crazed monarch recognizes Cordelia, and says with such inimitable pathos: "Pray do not mock me. I am a very foolish, fond, old man. Fourscore and upwards; not an hour more nor less; And, to deal plainly, I fear I am not in my perfect mind."

The evening was, I am sure, one we will long remember as an oasis in the desert of garrison life; and Mr. McCullough left behind him in one little circle a cordial admiration of his genius, and a warm liking for himself. DE FREYNE.

Montana Telephone Company.

Heretofore members of the telephone exchange in this city have been subjected to a small tax when wishing to communicate with persons at Clancy, Jefferson or Wickes, but from this time until further notice no extra charge will be made our citizens for the use of the line to those points. The company is rapidly stringing new wires and the line between Helena, Deer Lodge and Butte will probably be completed and ready for service by the last week in September. We were in doubt as to the utility of a telephone eighty miles in length, but have been informed that telephones attached to the Western Union telegraph wire between this place and Butte worked successfully and that no trouble at all was experienced in the experimental effort to establish continued communication. At some hours during each day, when the atmosphere is more than ordinarily charged with electricity, the messages, even on short lines, come to the ear of the receiver somewhat muffled in sound, but still sufficiently distinct to be intelligible. This is a defect, the cause of which yet baffles electricians and is not yet remedied, but as the interference with distinct communication only occurs for an hour or two at noon it does not seriously affect business on either long or short lines. Telephonic connections already established between Helena and the neighboring towns and cities is found to be of great advantage to the business men of our city and the growing needs of intercommunication between all of the places in the Territory linked together by mutual interests, will soon necessitate the extension of wires to every camp in Montana of even fourth-rate importance. The company is enterprising and will construct lines between all points where there is a probability that business will justify the expense.