

AVANT COURIER.

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FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1874.

THE ELECTION.

It is but little more than two months before our people will be called upon to vote for men to fill some very important positions.

Little interest seems to be manifested as yet in regard to the election, or the men to be nominated.

Good men are often led to abandon these praiseworthy considerations by party prejudice and political passion.

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By a united effort upon the part of our people the drain can be stopped and the flood-gates of public expenditures closed, except for legitimate purposes.

MARRIAGE IN HIGH LIFE.

The wedding of Miss Nellie Grant to Mr. Sartoris, a prominent and wealthy Englishman, took place in the East Room of the White House.

NEW PACKET LINE.—A new line of mail ships has been put on from San Francisco to Liverpool for the accommodation of farmers and others.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BOZEMAN.

It will be seen by the statement published in this issue that this institution is in good condition, and quite an improvement is noticeable in the business of the bank since the last report.

Colonel Black has so identified himself with the interests of this Territory that it has become self-interest with him to use his influence for its development and progress.

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UP AND DOWN AIDER GULCH every claim is being worked or put in working-shape. Large numbers of hands are employed and our miners are plying in with a vigor like the palmier old days of '64-3.

A sad accident, terminating fatally, occurred on Wisconsin Creek, at the Company Lodge of D. B. Noble, on last Tuesday afternoon.

THE YELLOWSTONE EXPEDITION Ordered from Williams & Murray's Mammoth Saloon a large stock of choice whiskeys, brandies, wines, &c.

THE ARKANSAS TROUBLES.

The latest information furnished by telegraph in regard to the gubernatorial imbroglio in Arkansas is to the effect that "the Attorney General had presented to the President a written opinion in the Arkansas gubernatorial dispute, in which he finds that Baxter is, according to the organic and statutory laws of Arkansas, the legal Governor, and that Brooks has no claim to the office."

MISSOULA COUNTY. Granges of Patrons of Husbandry were organized last week at Corvallis and Stevensville.

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OREGON POLITICS. The political situation in Oregon is becoming warm. There are three tickets in the field, and the candidates are making an active campaign.

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THE TERRITORY.

DEER LODGE COUNTY. From the New North-West, May 23: Missoula Flour is firm at \$3.50.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

A Terrible Calamity. HAYDENVILLE, (Mass.) May 16.—The reservoir supplying the manufactories of Williamsburg, Leeds and Haydenville, broke this morning and swept down the hills through those villages and almost completely destroyed them.

BOSTON, May 21.—The testimony before the Legislative committee on the Mill river disaster, fixes the loss in Northampton at \$170,000; in Williamsburg, \$800,000; in Leeds, \$100,000; Florence, \$15,000, besides private losses.

THE TEXAS BORDER. NEW ORLEANS, May 22.—A special to the Galveston News, from Brownsville, says a terrible state of affairs exists on the border.

FIGHT AMONG THE INDIANS. From Deputy U. S. Marshal Dusold, Dr. A. E. Ingersoll, and other gentlemen who arrived in Helena from the North on Saturday evening, we gather some items of news from the Indian country not before published.

ADVERTISING. The "Granger Movement" being now the all-absorbing topic, I presume anything in regard to their working principles, their Granges will not be uninteresting.

THE DISCRIMINATION made by the Union Pacific Railroad Company, in favor of Helena against Virginia City, is thirty-five cents on the 100 pounds.

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