

No communication will be inserted in this paper, unless accompanied by the real name of the writer.

Communications intended for publication in the COURIER should be sent in as early as Monday evening if possible.

Local Matters.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

There will be divine service in the Young Men's Library Hall each Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m., and 7 o'clock p. m. until further notice.

Religious services will be held regularly at the following places by the Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Bozeman.

First Sunday, (of each month) Bozeman, 11 a. m. East Gallatin, 3 p. m. Bozeman, 7 p. m.

Second Sunday, Bozeman, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Third Sunday, Fairview, 10 a. m.; Bozeman, 3 p. m.; Bozeman, 7 p. m.

Fourth Sunday, Bozeman, 11 a. m.; Weaver's school house at 7 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday at 2 1/2 p. m. Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening 7 p. m.

Class and Social meeting immediately after morning services. Strangers and friends cordially invited.

Shed's bridges are again up. There are twenty-two convicts in the penitentiary.

Lewis and Clarke county cast a majority of 132 votes against the Railroad Act.

A weekly express has been put on the road between Virginia and Butte city by Charles Pierce.

The Utah Evening Mail says miners from all directions are striking for the Big Horn country.

Mr. Kay has some nice furniture to sell cheap. He is also prepared to renovate and repair sets.

The Missouri river is open at Carroll, and boats are expected to arrive by the 6th of May.

The shipment of bullion from Helena for the past three months by Wells, Fargo & Co's Express amounted to \$91,200.

For the want of a clerk no polls were opened at Cedar Creek, Missoula county, at the late election.

The steamer Carroll left Sioux City on the 4th for Fort Benton. She had on board about fifty passengers.

Col. C. A. Broadwater, of the Diamond R Company, has returned to Helena, after protracted absence in the East.

It is said that only about one-third of the voting strength of the Territory was cast on the railroad question.

Murphy, Neel & Co's train loaded here with 500 sacks of McAlows XXX flour, assigned to Curtis & Booker, Helena.

Capt. Olin S. Clapp, brother of Gen. D. E. Clapp, Agent of the U. S. Army, has gone to the State on a short visit to family and friends.

Ready for Spring Business. New styles of Colored and White Shirts. Also Spring Underwear just received at R. F. MAY'S.

The formation of joint stock company with a capital sufficiently large to build a big hotel is being discussed in Virginia City.

The usual Spring repairs and improvements are now being made in Bozeman, and the ring of the hammer and rasping saw are heard on every hand.

Mr. Lea F. Marston has purchased from John O. Guy the house and lot on Bozeman street, opposite the residence of Mr. C. L. Clark.

Passengers for the Black Hills. I will accommodate 15 or 20 passengers for the Black Hills with the next expedition that will leave Bozeman. Apply to ED. HIBBARD, At Gov's Saloon in Bozeman.

This is the time of year when the good housewife and her masculine protector overhaul the garden seeds and discuss the relative merits of the different varieties.

If your horses feet are peculiarly shaped, and require skill in making shoes to fit them, call on McQuirk & Adams, practical blacksmiths, at Finch's old stand.

The O'Brien Bros., two of the best miners in the Territory, have resumed work on their lead in Emigrant gulch. We hope the boys will realize a fortune. None deserve it more.

Good assortment of Wall Paper, at Helena prices, Aluminous Building Paper, Window Shades, Notions, Fancy Goods, Water Color Paints, Garden and Flower Seeds, Flower Pots, &c., for sale by (214) R. F. MAY.

The Benton Record says the Diamond R Overland train will make connection at Fort Benton with Missouri river steamers as long as boats can reach the head of navigation, and afterwards they will resume the Carroll route.

ELECTION RETURNS.

Official Vote of the Territory.

Table with 2 columns: Candidate/Issue and Votes. Includes Lewis and Clarke county, Meagher, Beaverhead, Chouteau, Deer Lodge, Missoula, Total.

MAJORITIES FOR SUBSIDY.

Table with 2 columns: County and Votes. Includes Madison county, Gallatin, Jefferson, Total.

MAJORITIES AGAINST SUBSIDY.

Table with 2 columns: County and Votes. Includes Madison county, Gallatin, Jefferson, Total.

Territorial Fair.

We have received the premium list of the Seventh Annual Fair of the Montana Agricultural, Mineral and Mechanical Association, to commence at Helena, Monday, September 25, 1876, and continue six days.

The premiums offered by the Association, and the special premiums, are liberal and the Fair will no doubt be the best ever held in the Territory. We shall allude to the matter again.

Garden and Flower SEEDS,

Guaranteed Fresh, just received at OSBORN'S. Will sell at Eastern price at the store or by mail—postage paid.

An earthquake shock was sensibly felt in Bozeman on Friday night, about ten minutes after ten o'clock. Some of the houses in town were shaken up considerably.

The wave of oscillation seemed to proceed from the West, going North. Hon. Henry S. Gilbert, Mayor of Virginia, paid our town a visit this week.

Besides running the city government of Virginia to the satisfaction of his constituents, Henry runs one of the largest breweries in the Territory, and produces the best beer to be had anywhere.

Selling Off at Cost.

HAVING Determined to close out business in Bozeman, I offer my entire stock of Groceries, Clothing, &c., &c., AT COST.

All accounts due me must be paid immediately. T. BRUNETT.

The Hunter Expedition.

By communication to the Times we are informed that the above expedition effected a permanent organization on the 5th inst., on Stillwater, Wm. Lang-ton was elected Captain; Wm. Wright, Lieut.

Wagon-master. The names of those composing the expedition are also given in the communication. Several have signed the roll since organization, which numbered, all told, 180 men, with 35 wagons and about 300 head of horses.

We are indebted to Mrs. G. L. Clark for an Easter egg, which eclipses anything of the kind we have ever seen in the fruit line. In size, it stands mid-way between a turkey and goose egg, and had enough solid meat in it to make a square breakfast. When ordinary eggs are selling at twenty-five cents per dozen, such eggs as this one should be worth at least a dollar per dozen.

Powder, Lead, Shot, CAPS and CARTRIDGES,

For sale at BASINSKI'S. Daily Madisonian.

We have received several numbers of the Daily Madisonian, recently started in Virginia City. It is printed on half sheet of 28x42 paper; contains a full press report of telegraphic news, besides several columns of local news, editorial matter, &c. It bears upon its face substantial evidence of prosperity. If its editors will eschew black-guardism, and pay more attention to the local and news department of their paper, it will meet with more public favor.

The twenty first birthday of our young friend, M. W. Alderson, was celebrated at the family residence on Saturday evening by a social gathering of his numerous friends and acquaintances. We understand a good time was had.

A LONG FELT WANT SUPPLIED. Cheap, Elegant, Durable and Indispensable. The Howe Sewing Machine.

A large lot of these popular machines just received and for sale cheap. Call and see them at WALTER COOPER'S.

Ye honest prospectors are crawling out of their winter holes, with picks and shovels, and some are already winding their way East to the Big Horn and Tongue rivers and tributaries, where they expect to realize that fortune which has ever seemed so near, yet proved so far.

We think the present season would be a good time to build that court house we have been talking about so long.

From the large number of sheep we hear of being driven to the Territory, sheep raising will soon become one of our most prominent industries, and we are of the opinion not the least profitable.

A complete stock of School Books, Copy Books, Slates, &c. For sale at BASINSKI'S.

The old speckled hen is now content playing a sitting of three weeks, and the proud satisfaction she will then experience in matching at the head of a column of little chicks, and teaching them the discipline of life—how to provide for themselves.

After an unprofitable season, sleighs and bells have been stored, and stylish buggies brought into requisition. Bozeman has the best drives of any other town in the Territory, and the number and quality of her turnouts cannot be surpassed.

Clark's Fork.

Judge Annis, and the company of which he is a member, will soon start for Clark's Fork. We believe some of the company are now on the ground. They propose developing their rich and extensive silver leads in that district, and will make an effort to erect a furnace on the ground for the reduction of the ores. We have not heard from Major Pesse and his smelter recently, but we have no doubt both will be on hand in time. It is true of what has been claimed of Clark's Fork, and the lead's there have been examined by mining experts, it will prove the most extensive and richest deposit in the west. It is to be hoped that those who have the matter of their development in hand will prosecute their labors to the end that the world may know that the great bonanzas of the West are not confined to Nevada.

Eastern Montana will no doubt receive a large addition to its population from other sections of the Territory the present season. It is a conceded fact that it presents more advantages than any other section of the Territory, and will unquestionably maintain that position for all time to come. Her agricultural resources are acknowledged to be of a superior character, and her stock ranges are inexhaustible, which added to the mineral, which will soon be developed, and the successful navigation of the Yellowstone river to the very doors of settlers, a fact that will be fully demonstrated in a few weeks, all tend to mark out a future prosperity and greatness for Eastern Montana that cannot be claimed by any other section of Montana.

The ladies are looking forward for the new styles of spring calicoes with an eagerness only equalled by a hungry school boy temptatively viewing the dial of the school house clock for the hands to point to twelve.

EXTRA.

The undersigned are contemplating a change in their business with therefore offer extraordinary bargains in Dry Goods, Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Carpets, &c. &c. We assure the public that we will sell at 25 per cent less than any other house in the Territory. All we ask is for the public to call and price our goods, and be convinced. At the reduced prices, we will sell for Cash only or take Flour and Grain at the highest market price. Hides and urs— we are prepared to buy either in large or small quantity.

ELIUS & DAVIS.

The lowering tides on the merry whistling of the convicts now fill the evening air around Bozeman with music that brings reminiscences of the old country home-stead, by-gone days to the heart.

It has grown callous in the battle of life, and which can only be recalled by the chain of memory which links the past with the present, and stretches its weary length along to the grave, where death snags it in twain, and a few existences taken up, the infinite nature of which can only be judged by the works of the Great Architect of the world.

A complete assortment of Stationery at BASINSKI'S.

The U S Grand Jury.

The United States Grand Jury is still in session. The Jury has been at work for over two weeks, holding sessions daily and pursuing the examination of witnesses summoned before it.

There has been a large number of witnesses examined. The witnesses that have been examined have been connected with the Crow Agency, the Army, and some have been in the employ of contractors. They have all been for the most part, directly connected with the Indian business of South-western Montana and are familiar with all the transactions that have taken place in that section for years past. Our reporter learns that a voluminous lot of evidence has been taken by the Grand Jury. If it were made public the complete substantiation of all the statements heretofore published in the MADISONIAN would be confirmed by sworn testimony. The facts would strike the people as a place upon the nerve centers of the dominating brand of guilt.

In many instances, the furnishing of supplies, contractors operations, and Crow Agency matters have received a thorough overhauling, and it is understood that many crooked transactions have been investigated. It is a matter of speculation as to the number of indictments that will be found, and as it is not the purpose of the Madisonian to create a prejudice or make an attempt to forestall the action of the Grand Jury, we refrain from giving at present any information we have at hand, when, if published, would make a long look ugly for parties who tremble at the words, "Let the jury man escape."

[Weekly Madisonian, 8th.]

This morning the U. S. Grand Jury reported to the Court that they had no indictments to present. Judge Blake asked the clerk of the jury for the minutes of the testimony, which were delivered by James H. Word, Esq. The Grand Jury has been in session twenty two days, including Sundays, and the expenses of which to the Government will be about \$2,300. [Daily Madisonian, 11th.]

[Special to the Independent.]

Virginia City, April 11, 1876.

The Grand Jury has adjourned without finding indictments against Clapp, Stour or anybody else. The evidence in regard to the Crow Agency business was very weak and watery. It didn't amount to anything at all.

Thus ends the farce. Instead of finding a "Comedy of Errors" or fruds the Jury found that the hue and cry of corruption in the management of affairs at the Crow Agency was "Much Ado About Nothing," that the charges emanated and upheld their existence in the minds of unprincipled men who pretend to edit newspapers.

The traditional movie g-d, May 1st, will be observed by many families in Bozeman. We hear of many changes in contemplation on or about that occasion.

450 for 50 Cents!—How to do it. Take a five-dollar bill to Gov's Palace. Billiard Rooms, play two games of billiards, give Gov or Ed the bill and he will return \$4.50. Try it on.

Personal.

Col. Geo. May, of Radersburg, is in this city. Mrs. Amanda Lippincott, of Helena, who has been spending the winter with her aunt—Mrs. Geo. W. Wakefield—of this place, left for home last Tuesday morning.

Upper Yellowstone Items.

James George, commonly known as "Ya-kee Jim," will soon have the road running from Emigra Post Office to Gardiner's river in good order.

Jack Barronett proposes to put in a toll bridge across the East Fork of the Yellowstone for the convenience of the miners at Clark's Fork.

Commodore Topping's boat will doubtless be skimming over the Yellowstone Lake this season, but it is not known whether the gallant Commodore will fling his pennant to the fore.

John Werk is recruiting his stock, and will be ready to transport any number of tourists while making the Grand Rounds. All of which we glean from a private letter.—[Herald.]

Come to Time. We have a large amount of money due us for subscription in this and other counties of the Territory, which would be very acceptable at this time, as we wish to lay in a year's supply of paper, ink, &c.

NORTHERN PACIFIC HOTEL,

Main Street, - Bozeman, M. T. Under the management of Mrs. H. J. Hoopy, this house has attained an excellent reputation. The rooms are well furnished and kept in splendid order. The tables are supplied with everything to be had in the country, which is prepared by the best cooks in the mountains. Travelers will find first-class accommodations at the Northern Pacific. Helena and Virginia coaches stop at this hotel.

The freighting season on the Yellowstone commences earlier and will last longer than on the Missouri. It is also proposed to deliver freight ten days earlier than by any other route.—[Independent.]

M. E. Sunday School. The officers and members of all who are interested in the Sunday School cause are requested to attend the meeting, at the M. E. Church, on Saturday evening, April 22d, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of re-organization and to transact such other business as may be deemed proper. By order of J. H. AYLSWORTH, Superintendent.

C. H. SWITZER, Sec'y.

From the best information we can obtain Emigrant gulch will make a splendid record this season. The mines there will be worked with a vigor unprecedented in the history of the gulch. Several new claims will also be opened, which are supposed to be rich.

The enterprising local of the Herald, through an old hunter, has discovered George M. Pinney, attended by three half breeds, in the main range of the Rocky Mountains, near the British line. Pinney's leg was broken by a fall from his horse. He was evidently on his way to Ghayenne to meet Boss Tweed, from whence these two honest speculators would proceed to the Black Hills and go snooks in unearthing a bonanza.

Xantippe. It seems that the memory of this woman like that of her renowned husband, is likely to be kept alive to the end of time. She is said to have possessed a very irritable temper, and her name has become a synonym of "vixen" or "scold."

It is more than possible, however, that the judgment passed upon her by mankind has been too severe. A more charitable disposition would undoubtedly have discovered in her, many good qualities, and have attributed her failings more to physical infirmities than to moral obliquity. The party most intimately acquainted with her, and therefore best able to form a correct opinion, gives her credit or many domestic virtues. It is now well known that many of the diseases to which women are subject, have a direct tendency to render them irritable, peevish, cross, morose and unreasonable, so that they chafe and fret over all those little ills and annoyances that a person in health would bar with composure. It is fair to infer that most of the tortures of Xantippe were due to these causes alone; and could Socrates as he returned from the Senate, the Gymnasium, or the Athenaeum, have stepped to Pate & Murtter's Drug Store and carried home a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, now and then, no doubt he might have evaded many a "curial lecture," allayed many a "domestic broil," made it pleasant for the children and more enjoyable for himself, and rescued his wife's name from the unenviable, world-wide, and eternal notoriety it has attained. Thousands of women bless the day on which Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was first made known to them. A single bottle often gives delicate and suffering women more relief than months of restlessness by their family physicians. In all those dangerous cases causing headache, general nervousness, nervous and irregular menstruation, it is a sovereign remedy. Its soothing and healing properties render it of the utmost value to ladies suffering from internal fever, congestion, inflammation or ulceration and its strengthening effects tend to correct displacements of internal parts, the result of weakness of natural supports. It is sold by all druggists.

Railroad and River News.

Several packages of Montana freight were received by the first train on the Dakota Division of the North Pacific this season, and other large invoices are en route. The prospect is good for immense increase in this business over last year. The show fall has been heavy, assuring a good stage of water, while the boats are better adapted to the business than ever before. There seems to be a disposition, too, on the part of the North Pacific to consolidate the Benton and other interests which have thought they had just cause for complaint heretofore, to the end that the Montana business may be confined in its proper channel.

The Carroll and Josephine will probably be engaged in the Yellowstone traffic; the Carroll will certainly be loaded for a Yellowstone trip on the opening of navigation.

The Durfee leaves Pittsburgh this week for Bismarck, carrying a number of Black

Hills and other immigrants.

Captain Maratta will have charge of Coulson interests at Bismarck, and is expected to arrive by the next train. Captain Braithwaite will probably have charge of the of the Keontia line, which will put on a new light draft boat in place of the May Lowry, which was burned some weeks since.

If the Benton people heal their difficulty with the North Pacific as they probably will, of course that line will need a representative here. Capt. Emmons, who has served them in the past, is still here, and will make them an efficient agent, and probably a satisfactory one if he keeps free from newspaper controversies.

The river at this date (March 22) shows no indication of breaking, and from the present outlook will not open before the 1st of May.—[Bismarck Tribune.]

List of Letters.

Remaining uncalled for in the Postoffice BOXEMAN, M. T., April 20, 1876.

Anthony Charles, Kent Mattie E Bickel C, Kistner John, Megge Charles, Nye John, Officer William C, Pierce Samuel, Reardon John, Silvers Geo H, Yandal Dr Jack

Held for postage: Chas. Markham, Helena, M. T. J. H. TAYLOR, P. M.

NOTICE.

U. S. INT'L REVENUE Special Taxes.

MAY 1, 1876, TO APRIL 30, 1877.

The Revised Statutes of the United States, Sections 3232, 3237, 3238 and 3239, require every person engaged in any business, avocation, or employment which renders him liable to a Special Tax TO PRODUCE AND PLACE CONSISTENTLY IN HIS ESTABLISHMENT OR PLACE OF BUSINESS A STAMP denoting the payment of said Special Tax for the Special Tax Year beginning May 1, 1876, before commencing or continuing business after April 30, 1876. The taxes embraced within the provisions of the law above quoted are the following, viz:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Dealers in liquors, Dealers in malt liquors, Dealers in leaf tobacco, Retail dealers in leaf tobacco, Ad on sales of over \$1,000, Excise on every dollar in excess of \$1,000.

Dealers in manufactured tobacco 50 00, Manufacturers of stills 50 00, And for each still manufactured 20 00, And for each worm manufact'd 20 00, Manufacturers of tobacco 10 00, Manufacturers of cigars 10 00, Peddlers of tobacco, first class (more than two horses or other animals) 50 00, Peddlers of tobacco, second class (two horses or other animals) 25 00, Peddlers of tobacco, third class (one horse or other animal) 15 00, Peddlers of tobacco, fourth class (on foot or public conveyance) 10 00, Brewers of less than 500 barrels 50 00, Brewers of 500 barrels or more 100 00

A person, so liable, who shall fail to comply with the foregoing requirements will be subject to severe penalties.

Persons or firms liable to pay any of the Special Tax aforesaid above must apply to THOMAS P. BITELL, Collector of Internal Revenue at Helena, Montana, and pay for and procure the Special Tax Stamp or Stamps they need, prior to May 1, 1876, and without further notice.

D. D. PRATT, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Office of Internal Revenue, Washington, D. C., Feb. 1, 1876.

OSBORN'S DRUG STORE,

Old Masonic Building, Bozeman, Montana.

New Stock! Full Assortment!

DRUGS,

Chemicals, Pills, Powders

Roots, Herbs, Patent Medicines,

Toilet Articles, in variety; Fancy Goods in variety; Oils and Paints, in variety; Lamps and Trimmings, Soaps, Brushes

Sponges, Glass and Putty. Prescriptions carefully prepared. Night entrance at the rear. S. H. OSBORN, Proprietor.

Haggood's Hot Springs. I will board, lodge, furnish hot, warm and cool shower and tub baths; will cure coughs, rheumatism and kidney diseases for \$1.25 per day, or \$7.00 per week, in advance. C. HAPGOOD, Hot Spring Creek, Madison Co. M. T.

McGuirk & Adams,

GENERAL Blacksmiths AND RATIONAL HORSE SHOERS.

Particular attention paid to wild or unbroken horses. All diseases of the feet, such as quarter cracks, corns, contracted hoofs, &c., cured and guaranteed on short notice.

Music Lessons.

MRS. A. W. STREET Has removed to Bozeman, occupying the former residence of Dr. G. W. Monroe, on Church street, and is prepared to give instructions on the Piano. Terms reasonable. Managers respectfully solicited.

HO! SHIPPERS!

THE YELLOWSTONE TRANSPORTATION CO WILL LEAVE ST. LOUIS, MO., APRIL 15, 1876, For the head of Navigation on the Yellowstone River and intermediate points. For Freight and Passage apply to Jas. A. Jackson & Co., Nos. 105 and 107, 2d St., St. Louis. John M. Vimont, 307, Main st., St. Louis, Mo.

JOHN M. BRYAN, Master.

E. B. LANME, Clerk.

TRAINS ARE NOW IN READINESS TO TRANSPORT FREIGHT from all points in the Territory.

NELSON STORY.

NOW IS THE TIME!

POSITIVELY CLOSING OUT SALE

At Cost!

OF MY ENTIRE STOCK OF CLOTHING.

Which I have just received. Those desiring to invest should not fail to avail themselves of this rare opportunity.

Respectfully, J. BASINSKI.

T. Brunett,

WHOLESALE & RETAIL Dealer in Liquors

of the very quality. Also keeps Lumber and Wood Yard

and is prepared to supply the wants of the community in both lines.

POTATOES!

for sale in small or large quantities.

EMPTY BARRELS.

I have for sale CHEAP a large number of empty barrels. On the first of November I adopted the CASH SYSTEM.

which will be strictly adhered to in the future, and goods will be sold at greatly reduced prices. T. BRUNETT.

James Kay,

Manufacturer of and dealer in FURNITURE,

Main street, one door east of A. Lamme & Co's store.

BOZEMAN, MONTANA.

Has on hand and for sale a good assortment of Home-Made and Eastern Furniture. Manufactures to order all articles in his line. Repairing of every kind done. Prices reasonable. Call and examine prices and stock.

\$12 A DAY at home. Agents wanted. Offered and terms free. TRUE & CO., Augusta, Maine.

GALLATIN VALLEY

Female Seminary Superintendent—Rev. L. B. CRITTENDEN. Principal—Miss M. G. CRITTENDEN. Assistant Teacher—Miss ELIA ATLESWORTH. Matron and Drawing Teacher—Mrs. CRITTENDEN.

THE second term of the fourth annual session of this school will open on the second Monday, the 10th inst., in the late residence of Wm. H. Drew, between Hamilton and Central Park. This property has been purchased, renovated and enlarged, expressly to accommodate the Seminary. The site is high, the buildings comfortable, and planned with regard to enlargement, an increasing population and patronage demand. Its design is to give a substantial and polite education, in connection with the influence of a Christian family and a happy home.

This term will close on the 31st day of March. The third term will open the 10th day of April and close the 30th day of June.

For Boarding and Tuition, \$30 per month. For tuition of day scholars, 4 per month. Extra charges for teaching French or German, for instrumental Music, Stationery, material for Ornamental Work, and Washing.

For further information, address the Superintendent or Principal, Hamilton, Montana.

ST. LOUIS HOTEL.

Between Main and Jackson streets, front entrance on Main and rear entrance on Jackson street.

Helena, Montana.

SCHWAB & ZIMMERMAN, Proprs.