The Avant Courier.

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THURSDAY, : SEPTEMBER 5, 1878.

News of the Week.

—Low rates prevail in the Eastern wool markets.

—Senator Bisine will make several speeches in Iowa during the last part of the campaign.

PARIS, Aug. 25.—The exhibition of prizes at the exhibition has been postponed until October 29.

—The Greenbackers nominated full State tickets in Colorado, Nebraska and Connecticut, on the 14th ult.

—Chas. W. Angell, the Pullman Palace Car Company's secretary, has absconded. His accounts are about $120,000 short.

A young man in England has just been compelled to pay £8,000 damages for writing matrimonially inclined poetry to a young lady.

—Miss Phebe W. Ludlow, Superintendent of Schools in Davenport, Iowa, has been appointed to a professorship in the Iowa State University, with a salary of $1,700.

—James Adams, of Osage, Iowa, on the 20th ult., struck his wife with an axe, inflicting a wound upon her head that will probably prove fatal. Jealousy was the cause.

—The wheat crop on the line of the Northern Pacific Railroad, and in the Red River country, is of excellent quality this season, and yielding more per acre than usual.

—A rain storm recently visited Muscatine, Iowa, raising the streams in that vicinity 15 feet, flooding the city and doing a great amount of damage to buildings and other property.

—Kearney will speak at the Cooper Institute on the 8th inst. Peter Cooper thinks Kearney has done the National party a great deal of damage by his intemperate language.

—Dr. Blackburn, a famous yellow fever expert of Louisville, thinks there is a probability of the yellow fever spreading through the North, and recommends the usual sanitary precautions.

—Chan Pond, a prosperous Chinaman of Boston, doesn't appear to have a very exalted opinion of Kearney. He says: "Kearney is what you calle one dam foole, alle same bad Chinaman."

—Of the eleven objects of art offered by the agricultural society of France for exceptional merit in agricultural machinery in the recent field trials, eight have been awarded to American inventions.

—The old Court House at Plymouth, in which Daniel Webster made his first plea, has been repaired by H. W. Blair, and presented to the Young Ladies' Library Association for a library and reading-room.

—On account of labor strikes in the East, and Indian troubles in the West, it is predicted that the immigration from Great Britain, Germany and France will be unusually small to the United States during the coming year.

—A petition, signed by 49,000 persons of Massachusetts, has been sent to Butler, asking him to run for Governor. That should be sufficient to overcome his excessively modest scruples, and we think he will consent to run.

—Twenty-three thousand claims have already been presented to the pension office under the act granting pensions to the soldiers and widows of soldiers who served fourteen days in the war of 1812, and it is estimated that there are two thousand more to come.

—The European commission to reorganize Eastern Roumelia will meet at Constantinople on the 13th of next month. The commission for the reorganization of Bulgaria will meet the same day at the place chosen as the seat of the province by the Russian commission.

—Howard had a big talk with the Indians at Umatilla, Oregon, on the 28th ult., and concluded peace with about 300 of them, the Indians turning over those of their number who had been engaged in murders and depredations, who will be turned over to the proper authorities for trial.

—Since the attempted assassination of Emperor William by Dr. Nobeling there have been 576 arrests for insulting the Emperor. Of this number 521 have been convicted, including 31 women. The aggregate of sentences of imprisonment is 811 years. Five of the accused committed suicide before trial.

—It is stated that on the day of the last sitting of the congress previous to the signing of the treaty, the Austrian and Turkish plenipotentiaries agreed that Austria should sign a declaration to the effect that the sultan should retain sovereignty over Bosnia, and that the occupation should be only temporary.

—An innovation in the vegetable line has been established by ten workingmen in Los Angeles, California, who have formed a co-operative company. Their object is to furnish the people of Los Angeles vegetables in opposition to the Chinese venders, who are now having a monopoly of this trade.

—A brute by the name of Tom. Boyd was recently lynched, by a vigilance committee, while confined in the jail at Versailles, Ind., awaiting his trial for the horrible crime of outraging a beautiful young girl. He had previously served a term in the penitentiary for a similar offense. His neck should have been stretched ten years ago.

—At San Angel, Mexico, last month, six ladies and three gentlemen assembled to open a box, said to contain Lourdes water and rosaries. They took off one [illegible] removed, and it disclosed a zinc plate; they started to rip that off, and then there came a burst of thunder sound, and only one person was left alive in the room. The box had contained nitro-glycerine.

—Bismarck (D. T.) August 17.—Jimmy Greenaugh, clerk on the steamer Helena, and grandson of Sir James Greenaugh, England, received a letter to-day from his mother, in Pittsburg, Pa., saying that she had come into possession, for him, of $2,500,000 from Sir James' estate. Jimmy says he will serve out his season on the Upper Missouri, and then accept the care of his mother's wealth, regularly and orderly. He had been looking for it for some years.

—At Rush City, Minn., on the 19th ult., Miss Annie Ruberg was accidentally shot and killed by Miss Gracie Pratt, daughter of Capt. F. H. Pratt. It appears that Miss Ruberg was at Pratt's store, to buy some ribbon, while Miss Pratt was attending the store all alone. The girls stood chatting and laughing together, when Gracie espied a small cartride pistol on the shelf, and, handing it down to show Annie, the hammer hit something which caused it to go off while within a foot or so of Miss Ruberg, the ball entering her forehead, on the right side. She was struck senseless, and died within an hour. Miss Ruberg was fourteen year old and Miss Pratt seventeen years.

AD INTERIM.

Ten days ago the editor of the COURIER, mounted on the "hurricane deck" of a bob-tailed cayuse, started out to interview the people of the Capital and elsewhere in the interests of this paper, and, before leaving, he kindly and very considerately, we think, invited us to occupy the chair editorial during his short absence. For a long time we have been waiting for some such opportunity to distinguish ourself, and so, apparently, had a large number of others; for the editor had not been absent twenty-four hours before we were almost surfeited with good advice and valuable suggestions and nearly deluged with literary contributions of rare merit. Why, we are really surprised to find what little work is required in editing a newspaper. Just think of it: we have sufficient original matter already on hand to fill half a dozen papers the size of the COURIER; and still the contributions keep pouring in. This editorial was crowded out last week, as the Texas editor would say, "to make room for interesting reading matter."

We regret very much that we found it necessary to decline one "batch" of original poetry, and think, perhaps we made a grave mistake in so doing; but couldn't help it; it was coming in entirely too fast for solid comfort; and this we were bound to have, even at the risk of losing the patronage of one *original* poet. We regret it ever so much, and hereby tender our politest apology to that great, tall, gaunt, aquiline-nosed Grecian who opened out on us with half a dozen superb, classic poems on as many closely written sheets of foolscap. It was too much of a good thing. The poems, no doubt, had merit. In fact they were "way up" above the average intellect, but they contained too heavy a sprinkling of Posey County Latin or cayuse French for our comprehension or appreciation. Not being well learned in these languages, we were compelled to decline them. We contemplate securing the services of a translator, and hope the young man will call again. After working hard, something less than six hours, on one of the poems, we succeeded in deciphering one stanza, and herewith give our readers the benefit of our labor:

"ime a Koleburner up in the Mountings thar,
an i liv In the honts ov the Grizly Bar,
Unbeknown to surprize A Stranger to feer,
i niver War skeered nur went of on mi Yeer."

We trust this first partial failure of our poet to get before the public will not utterly discourage him; for we still have high hopes of his future, especially when we remember his fine, soft, glossy, Web-Sperian head. There is evidently something in it besides common brain, and that something cannot be discouraged at trifles, nor frowned down into inactivity by the mere scratch—of a pen.

But we are so happy in the thought of occupying the editorial chair even for a short period, and we shall be happier still when relieved, for then we shall be a retired editor, ready to run for Congress, and have many of our friends elected to the Legislature and the remainder to county offices.

Patriotism is already beginning to ooze out of our fingers' ends, and we are almost ready and willing to sacrifice ourself now for the country's good. The question of our election is one of the least of our troubles, as we feel sure of that, provided we conclude to run. If elected, we shall care but little whether it shall be to go or stay at home, but would prefer somewhat to go. If we go, we pledge our generous and intelligent constituents that we will serve them faithfully and attend promptly to all the interests of the entire Territory, and Eastern Montana in particular. We confidently expect to obtain such generous appropriations as will be sufficient to improve the the Yellowstone river, so that the largest Mississippi steamers can run to Bozeman without "laying a line or setting a spar," and have money enough left to remove Fort Benton to the Great Falls, then tunnel and canal the Falls as far as Helena. We shall see to it that a post-office shall be established at every cross road, and a railroad built to every man's potato patch, and not a narrow-gauge railroad, either. Finally, we shall endeavor to secure appropriations for building spacious and commodious lunatic asylums in every town in the Territory, for the safe keeping of all such as may manifest their insanity by refusing to vote for us on general principles.

SELAH.

Bannacks on the War Path.

MANY HORSES STOLEN.

The Hayden Party Set Afoot.

Etc., Etc.

FORT ELLIS, M. T., Sept. 2, 1878.

Major Geo. D. Ruggles, A. A. G., Dept. of Dakota, St. Paul, Minn.:

Courier from Gen'l Brisbin, camped on Miner's Creek, above Boetler's ranch, reports a party of Bannacks or Nez Perces entered the Yellowstone valley at that point, and stole all the stock from there up to Mammoth Springs, including that of Hayden's party. One party of Bannacks, with 200 or 300 head of horses, are heading for Mud Springs, and another small party towards Barronett's Bridge. Gen'l Miles, with 50 men, is supposed to be on Clark's Fork, making towards the Park. [illegible] men, is near Barronett's Bridge, and Gen'l Brisbin, Lt. Hamilton and 30 soldiers and ten citizens near Boetler's ranch. Capt. Egan left here this morning with his company for Mammoth Springs.

BROWNING, Commanding.

—The president of the Pullman Palace Car Company has the cool effrontery to assure the public that the absconding of Angell, with $120,000, will not embarrass the company in the least, nor interfere with the payment of the regular dividends. This, says the *Globe-Democrat*, is the best proof yet offered of the extortion practiced by this corporation. If it can lose $120,000 and not feel the loss, it is time that it should cut down its rates for sleeping and parlor cars.

—At Deadwood, D. T., on the 24th ult., as Jailor Manning unlocked the door of the of the main cell of the city jail, the prisoners, acting on a preconcerted plan, made a dash for liberty. The jailor was knocked down, and the prisoners all succeeded in getting outside the jail-yard before the alarm was given. Pursuit was made by Sheriff Mahan and deputies, assisted by citizens, and the prisoners, Waite and Keiser, horse thieves, and Dale and Martin, cattle thieves, were re-captured. Bell, the alleged murderer of Charles Lee, did not attempt to escape.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Sun River.—Pleasant Homes, etc.—Thoroughbred Stock.—Fort Benton.—The Mcleod.—Navigation of the Missouri River Above the Falls.

A decided improvement is noticeable in the stage stations from Helena to Sun River, and at Mann & Andersons', and Stephen Spitzley's, the two eating stations, we were served with meals that were worthy of praise for the excellent manner in which they were prepared.

Sun River has grown considerably since our last visit, over three years ago, and, with a fine brick hotel, a large store, a brewery, several saloons, a blacksmith shop, carpenter shop, flouring mill, and two school houses, presents a very nice appearance.

The farmers of Sun River Valley will reap an abundant harvest this year, both in grains and vegetables, and they are consequently happy. In justice to them, we must say they are the most thrifty of any community of farmers we have had the pleasure of visiting. Their yards are kept in a clean, presentable condition, as nice as if they were expecting company. They nearly all live in frame houses, nicely finished inside and out, with carpeted parlors and bed-rooms, which are kept both tidy and clean. We might be tempted to think some of the crusty old bachelors kept their houses and yards in their present condition to charm the first young lady that comes along. On closer examination, we would not be surprised should she be willing to unite her fortune with some one of the bachelors, for she would find that they live well, liberally supply the table with the good things of life, and, strangest of all, have their wood sawed and piled up near the kitchen. But we will not praise them too much, believing that if their love for woman was strong enough, they would rustle around and find them to share their pleasant homes and abundant prosperity.

At the ranch of our friend, James C. Adams, we found some nice thoroughbred cattle brought from Missouri the present season by Mr. Buford Farris. They are pure bred short-horns of the most fashionably bred families in Kentucky. Among the lot are Duke bred young Phyllises, Red Roses, Rosemarys, Daisys, and the get of Loudon Duke 10th, the get of the Rose of Sharon, Bull Joe Johnston's Airdrie, Imported Robert Napier, Duke of Patisondale, the noted Rose of Sharon, Waterloo 2040, and the Booth Bull Waterman. Mr. Farris intends to exhibit his animals at the Territorial Fair, where our stock-men will have an opportunity to inspect and purchase them. They are all short-horn record stock, and are splendid looking animals.

From Sun River to Fort Benton it was our pleasure to ride in company with a pilgrim, and the pleasure of our trip was greatly enhanced by observing how hard he took everything. He never forgot to bounce up in the air every time the coach went into a chuck hole, and when it was a deep one, he always emitted a groan that would excite sympathy in any human breast save that of an "old-timer." It is said that "misery loves company," and we are satisfied it does, for it affords the one that is less miserable the excellent opportunity of becoming proportionately happy on seeing how big a fool the other person makes of himself.

Fort Benton has made wonderful advancement in the past three years, and is now almost as large a place as Bozeman. It has several very large warehouses, some of which are concrete buildings with iron roofs. At present there is only one brick building in town, a commodious school house, but Wm. G. Conrad is having the foundation laid, and will soon commence the erection of the finest brick residence in Montana. Business in Fort Benton the past year has been better than for several years past.

On the evening previous to our departure from Fort Benton the steamer Colonel Mcleod arrived direct from St. Louis. She had on board 100 tons of freight, and about 30 passengers, and was only drawing two feet. She is 175 feet long, with a 26 feet breadth of beam. The boat is an open hold boat, is well built, has a nice cabin, etc., and while she has proven tolerably successful so far, in our opinion she will never prove the success she would had she been from 4 to 6 feet wider. Being so narrow, she wabbles, and thus loses power, and the wheel does not have the power it would could it grasp more water with its paddles.

We left Fort Benton on the coach in company with ten other passengers, and it was the good fortune of Col. A. M. Woolfolk, of Helena, and myself to be placed on the hurricane deck; and, by the way, we must relate the object of the Colonel's visit to that section. True, he requested us to say nothing about it, but one of the Territorial newspapers having published an unreliable report, in justice to the Colonel and his party, we give a correct one.

Colonel Woolfolk, Prof. Marsh and two employees left Helena ostensibly on a pleasure and hunting excursion, but if they had been followed it would have transpired that they took a boat at the nearest point to Helena on the Missouri river, and proceeded to drift with the current. As they floated along, they carefully surveyed the river as to its main channel, the obstructions to successful navigation, the swiftness of the current, and the depth of water. From the starting point to the Falls no lack of water was found, a few places were found where some rocks would have to be removed from the channel, but as these are mostly loose, they can be taken out without much expense. The party surveying the river are confident that every obstruction can be removed, for less than $2,000. The swiftest current found was six and one-half miles an hour, which is one-half mile an hour less than the swiftest channel found by Col. Roberts in his survey from the Three Forks to the Falls. Leaving the river a short distance above the upper falls the party proceeded down the river overland on the south side to the mouth of Belt creek, about four miles below the lower falls. Here the party built a large raft, and floated down to Fort Benton, finding no obstacles to the successful navigation of this portion of the river. A company has been organized in Helena, of which Col. Woolfolk is a prominent member, that intends to place a line of steamboats on the Missouri river above the Falls, and Col. Woolfolk and Prof. Marsh were selected to give the river a thorough examination, which they did with the results above stated. The question of the navigability of the Missouri from Fort Benton to a point near the Falls was practically demonstrated by Capt. Massie with the steamer Corra in 1866, he having run his boat to the mouth of Portage creek, about five miles below the Falls. From this point around the Falls to a good steamboat landing above, the distance is twenty miles. Between these two points the freight will have to be transported by wagon. The favorable report of Colonel Woolfolk and Prof. Marsh will undoubtedly lead the company to take immediate action toward building their boats, and from what we could learn at least one boat will be built this winter and placed above the Falls as early as possible next spring. Success to the venture.

OUR CHIEF'S HELENA LETTER.

Improvements.—Our Future Congressman.—Two Scoundrels Ventilated.—Fox the Robber, and Walker the "Insane" Ex-Paymaster.

HELENA, M. T., September 1st, 1878.

Affairs at the commercial centre of Montana progress quietly; even bank failures and occasional funerals do not seem to disturb the routine of business or the usual unanimity of its denizens. Residences and business houses are being built or improved in almost every section of the city, and everything shows that the people here are prosperous and have an abiding hope in the future.

Among the most prominent improvements being made on Main street, we must notice the large two-story brick building being erected on the corner of Main street and Broadway, by H. M. Parchen & Co., and the improvements made by the Cosmopolitan Hotel. The former will be an excellent building, when completed, and an ornament to the town. By removing the office and bar from the front end of the dining room, the Cosmopolitan Hotel provides room to seat at least fifty more guests. This has been rendered necessary to accommodate its many patrons—that they may not be kept waiting for their dinners indefinitely.

Maj. Bruce is still running for Congress, and if a person listens to all that is said, and observes this former Cæser in the Montana newspaper field walking the streets to-day, he would think "there's none so poor to do him reverence," but should be walk the streets in company with the Major, and hear some "horny-handed workingman" shout "Hurrah for Bruce," "Hurrah for the Flour-King of Montana," and then have the Major, after a large inspiration, turn to him and say: "Hear that; I can beat Maginnis in his own home," he realizes that there is at least one person in Montana who believes that Maj. Bruce will be elected to Congress, even though he may be tempted to tell that person

"Lay not the flattering unction to your soul."

The most important topic of conversation here at present is the failure of the People's National Bank. The manner in which the business of the Bank had been conducted for some time had aroused the suspicions of the business men generally, and they were but little surprised when it closed its doors. The following we have gathered in relation to its business, etc. Some of the statements made may vary somewhat from the truth, but we gathered all from reliable resources and they may be relied on as very near correct. Geo. W. Fox, the leading spirit of the Bank, commenced the banking business in Helena in company with C. J. Lyster and Wm. Roe, under the firm name of Fox, Lyster & Roe. At that time the extent of his capital was $6,000. When the People's National Bank was established, he took $18,000 or $20,000 in the capital stock, borrowing a portion of the money for the purpose from a female friend. After the death of Mr. Lyster, Mr. Roe withdrew his interest. The greater part of the stock held by those two men was taken by Geo. W. Fox, and as it is known that he did not possess the capital wherewith to purchase this stock, it is presumed that he used money deposited in the Bank. Thus, with a capital of little over $6,000, he has controlled $54,000 to $75,000 of the stock of the Bank. For the past year he has, not only by his false statements, deceived the general public, but, by false entries, etc., has deceived the Government Agents. His method of deceiving the Bank Inspector was as follows: Taking a certificate of deposit to a friend, he would get a note for a like amount, and in this manner obtain bills receivable to cover the amount he was short on his books. As there was no record kept of these certificates of deposit, the accounts were found perfectly correct by the examiner. From what has since transpired it seems that he was prepared to go under this year. His accounts were examined by Inspector N. P. Langford and found correct. Langford then examined the Bozeman Bank, and found it in good condition. On returning to Helena he heard so much against the People's National Bank that he concluded to examine it again. He did so and found it rotten to the core. The following are among the valueless assets:

A note of $6,000 by Black & Daniels, endorsed by L. M. Black. $20,000 due by Desmonies Smelting Company, of which Wm. Nowlan, the late timber agent, is chief. $20,000 in the Bismarck mine, in Jefferson county, which Fox has been having developed for himself. $3,000 against Major Walker. A few days before the bank was closed he also discounted his own notes for $40,000, and had his particular friend, Ed. Delaney, draw a $1,700 deposit from the bank. His book-keeper, W. D. Smith, also drew out the amount due him, viz, from $600 to $700. He also deeded to his friend, Ed. Delaney, one-half interest in the Resumption lode, and to his niece, Miss Chapman, a warehouse here and the store in Bozeman at present occupied by T. Brunett. He has sported a $1,200 team and two buggies here, which he keeps at a livery stable, but aside from this it is generally believed that he has lived very economically, in fact, miserly. We leave our readers to draw their own conclusions.

Previous to the bank suspension the all-absorbing topic of conversation here was a smaller but equally naked fraud. We refer to the reinstatement as Major in the army, of Robert S. Walker on the pretence of insanity superinduced by arduous labors as paymaster.

Dr. Glick, Capt. [illegible], Major Gilbert, Col. [illegible]witzer and Capt. Freeman, with Maj. Maginnis, cannot feel very well satisfied with their work. Still we are charitable enough to believe that nearly all who are responsible for this disreputable and shameful proceeding were imposed upon and are innocent of any designed wrong; but on the heads of those who knew and did not denounce the outrage, most severely, must fall the condemnation of all fair minded people who believe in an efficient military service and in rewarding honest merit.

Save a remarkably short memory and regard for his creditors, Maj. Walker gives no evidence of insanity; on the contrary, he is engaged in various enterprises indicating a vigorous mind, and is as fit for an active paymaster as he ever was. The fact that he resigned the position of paymaster might have been considered as proof positive of an unsound mind if we could be positively assured that his accounts were found perfectly correct at the last examination ordered by the Government. Immediately after his resignation was accepted, he advertised himself as a claim agent against the U. S., and shortly afterwards was employed at a salary of $150 a month, if we remember right, as clerk for the superintendent of construction of the Helena assay office. After filling the position for nearly one year, he was discharged by Supt. Myendorff and re-instated by a telegram from Washington. He has filled the position of reporter for the *Herald*, and since its organization has been the secretary of the Board of Trade, and to-day is considered one of its most efficient members. The statements to the Government certifying to the insanity, etc., of Maj. Walker, made by the army officers and others that were instrumental in securing this reinstatement and accompanying appropriation for him, can be found in the *Madisonian* of Aug. 10th, 1878.

THE YELLOW FEVER SCOURGE.

POINT GIBSON, Aug. 27.—There has been 220 cases of yellow fever up to date and 25 deaths.

VICKSBURG, Aug. 27.—There were heavy showers last night and this morning. There were 118 new cases of yellow fever during the past 24 hours, and 24 deaths. Among the latter is Dr. W. Booth.

MEMPHIS, Aug. 28.—Eighty new cases were reported up to noon to-day, while the indications are that there will be quite an increase in the death rate. The negroes this morning became clamorous for rations. About one thousand men, women and children surrounded the commissary depot and it was found neccessary to station a guard from the colored military company to keep back the crowd. A number of the well ones are still leaving the city, aided by the Citizen's Committee.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 28.—New cases 220; deaths, 57.

The Howard Association's relief list is gradually increasing. The Young Men's Christian Association now have a hundred patients on their relief list. Seven hundred cases of fever have occurred at Vicksburg. A dispatch from Col. Dennet, dated Brookhaven, Mississippi, says there is not a case of yellow fever in or around Brookhaven. Cannot hear of a case of yellow fever in any town between Canton and New Orleans.

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—The *Times'* Grenada special says: The total number of deaths for the past twenty-four hours is twenty-two. Ten new cases among the whites and twelve among the colored. It seems as if the end would never come, and in spite of all our untiring and never-flagging physicians can do, death reigns supreme.

MEMPHIS, Aug. 29.—The carnival of death continues without abatement. From 6 o'clock p. m., yesterday to noon to-day, the interments number fifty. The number of new cases from 6 o'clock p. m. yesterday to noon to-day is sixty.

At the Board of Health meeting this morning Dr. Lawrence reported a fearful condition of affairs among the colored people in some localities. They are crowded together in narrow, filthy quarters, and are an easy prey to disease and death.—Hundreds of them have been sick for days without medical attendance.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 29.—Number of new cases 140; deaths 49.

Subscriptions for Yellow Fever Sufferers.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 28.—At a meeting of influential citizens to-day, presided over by Mayor Whitely, a resolution was adopted inviting the public to subscribe for the relief of the yellow fever sufferers of the Gulf States of America, and a committee was appointed to make collections.

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Up to noon to-day the subscriptions actually paid in for the yellow fever fund here are: To the Citizens' Committee, $6,872: other committees $5,131; total, $12,002. It is estimated that the amounts forwarded by individuals and through no regular channel will aggregate as much more. Advices from Southern cities this morning indicate increasing want, especially for food and ice.

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Press Notices.

A well conducted newspaper.—*Independent.*

The best newspaper Bozeman ever had.—*New North-West.*

A first-class newspaper, highly creditable to the intelligence, industry and good taste of the editor.—*Ib.*

In its new dress the COURIER presents a very attractive appearance, while its contents, editorial and selections, argue well for its new editor.—*Butte Miner.*

The COURIER is a handsome, well-edited sheet, and shows in its well filled columns the strides the distant Territory is making towards catching up with older communities.—*Household Gazette, Taunton, Mass.*

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Madison Mills

Are being refitted and will be in fine trim to turn out better flour than ever and more of it.

THOMAS' FAMOUS EXTRA FLOUR,

The leading brand in the metropolis for the past six years, will be kept at the head of the market.

Will be prepared to buy wheat of the new crop for Cash. Prompt attention [illegible] orders for all kinds of flour and mill feed.

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BOZEMAN, OR GALLATIN CITY, M[illegible]A.

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PROGRAMME:

MONDAY.

Entry of stock and articles for exhibition and arrangement of the same upon the grounds. At 2 p. m., running race, one-half mile dash, for a purse of $200—$150 to the first horse and $50 to the second. At 2:30 p m, Trotting Race, mile heats, best two in five, for horses that have never beaten 2:50, for a purse of $200—$150 to the first horse and $50 to the second.

TUESDAY.

Continuation of entries until noon. At 1:30 p m, Running Race, three-quarter mile dash, for two year olds, for a purse of $200—$150 to the first horse and $50 to the second. At 2 p m, Running Race, mile heats, best two in three, for a citizens' purse of $1,000—$700 to the first horse, $200 to the second and $100 the third. At 3:30 p m, Trotting Race, one-half mile heats, best two in three, for two year olds, for a purse of $100—$75 to the first horse and $25 to the second.

WEDNESDAY.

At 2 p m, Stallion Trotting Race, mile heats, best three in five, for a purse of $250—$200 to the first horse and $50 to the second. At 3:30 p m, Running Race, six hundred yards dash, for a purse of $200—$150 to the first horse and $50 to the second.

THURSDAY.

At 1:30 p m, Running Race, one and a half mile dash, for a purse of $300—$225 to the first horse and $75 to the second. At 2 p m, running race, one-half mile heats, best two in three, for a purse of $300—$250 to the first horse and $50 to the second. At 3:30 p m, Trotting Race, mile heats, best two in three, for three-year olds and under, for a purse of $200—$150 to the first horse and $50 to the second.

FRIDAY.

At 10 o'clock a m, examination of Roadsters, Saddle Horses, Cattle, and other stock and articles on exhibition: Reception of reports of all awarding committees, and the placing of badges denoting premiums. At 2:30 p m, Trotting Race, mile heats, best three in five, for a purse of $700—$500 to the first horse, $150 to the second and $50 the third. At 4 p m, Running Race, mile dash, for a purse of $250—$200 to the first horse and $50 to the second.

SATURDAY.

At 2 p m, Running Race, mile heats, best three in five, for a purse of $1,000—$700 to the first horse, $200 to the second and $100 to the third. At 4 p m, Handicap Race, mile dash, for a purse of $200—$150 to the first horse and $50 to the second.

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