NEW NORTH-WEST.

Jas. H. Mills, - - - Editor AND PUBLISHER.

DEERLODGE CITY, FRIDAY, APRIL 7.

THE CLARK'S FORK MINES.

Quite a number of our exchanges contain paragraphs concerning the reported new mines on Clark's Fork. They are generally accredited to the *Pick and Plow*. That paper continues to publish and overflow its columns with the most exaggerated and absurd statements conceivable of their richness, the rush thither, and the depopulation that is ensuing in the older camps of Montana, and even goes so far as to accuse other Territorial papers of purposely keeping silent or disputing its statements, lest the effect be disastrous to our localities.

We think Mr. Maguire's nonsense has gone far enough. We do not believe a sluice-box has been set in all the region of country he calls Clark's Fork. We have never known a well authenticated statement that even a good prospect has been obtained there. We have never known a Deer Lodge or Missoula miner or resident start for Clark's Fork or speak of doing so. We do not believe any gulch has been struck, or that any stampede is going on there, and from all the information we can obtain the Munchausenish, sensational stories of Mr. Maguire *are imaginative and totally unreliable.* Now it grieves us to say this about a brother quill, but the *Pick and Plow* having questioned our motives and course, we want to be frank. The Clark's Fork fever has become a monomania with Mr. Maguire. He may believe something of what he writes. There may be mines discovered and developed there hereafter. It is a splendid country, and even if no "color" is found, a good ranche may be, if the Sioux don't lift the hair of the adventurer. But so far as any positive knowledge of good mines is concerned, we believe Mr. Maguire has not had any that would induce any other editor in Montana to recommend a stampede, even if he was located where such stampede would benefit him.

To convince Mr. Maguire that we have no disposition to suppress any favorable news about Clark's Fork, we hereby agree that any statement in the *Pick and Plow* of any developed mines on Clark's Fork; of any sluices set there; of any good prospects found there; of any stampede other than prospectors from Bozeman to them, which will be certified to as credible by any respectable merchant or mercantile firm of Bozeman, we will re-publish in the NEW NORTH-WEST, and give it conspicuous place.

We have deemed the *Pick and Plow* statements sensational, and unworthy of credence, and have ignored or ridiculed them, on that presumption. If the co-operation of the Montana press is desired, doubtless all will be as favorably disposed to assist on as reasonable terms as we proffer.

INFORMATION FOR EMIGRANTS.

From what knowledge we have, every mail that comes to Montana carries numerous inquiries from the East and West concerning the inducements in Montana for settlers to immigrate here. To answer the inquiries in any one of these letters, as they average, would take a quire of paper and still be incomplete. Very often they are unanswered or answered unsatisfactorily, because no one has time or ability to do it. Now, if it is a benefit to Montana to populate, every person sufficiently interested to write should be satisfactorily replied to. It cannot be done by written correspondence. Newspapers must publish new matter, and cannot duplicate save at heavy cost. Information bearing upon every material point has already been published, but it is scattered over two or three years in the various newspapers of the Territory. Among the most important and valuable of these articles are the official reports of the Census Marshals, the Territorial Auditor and Treasurer, the Revenue officers, articles in the Montana Statistical Almanac, and the best descriptive and statistical articles from the papers. These should be collected and prepared by a competent person, and the whole published in an edition in newspaper form. These should be supplied to the various Postmasters, officials and editors, and supplied to inquirers. The Legislature has been most negligent in this matter, or it would have been provided for last winter. Such an edition, ample in number, and covering the entire subject, could be published in two or three weeks for $500, and its eventual benefits would be important. Believing our Federal and Territorial officials could devise some means to raise the amount required, we submit the idea for their consideration.

IMPORTANT TO PRE-EMPTORS.

An exchange says: "The laws of Congress provide that all persons who filed a pre-emption claim to public lands prior to July 14th, 1870, must prove up and pay for their land before the 14th of July, 1871, or not only will their title to the land be worthless, but their right of pre-emption. Those who filed on land after July 14th, 1870, will have eighteen months from that date to prove up. These facts should be known and heeded by every settler who has not got a clear title to his land."

The above is true, but the following, being Sec. 2, chap. 272, of an act approved July 14th, 1870, page 279, of the Statutes at Large, passed at the 2nd session of the 41st Congress, may make the matter a little clearer:

"*And be it further enacted*, That nothing in the act of Congress approved March 27, 1864, entitled 'An act for the relief of settlers on lands reserved for railroad purposes' shall be construed to relieve such settlers from the obligation to file the proper notices of their claims as in other cases, and all claimants of pre-emption rights shall hereafter, when no shorter period of time is now prescribed by law, make the proper proof and payment for the lands claimed, within eighteen months after the date prescribed for filing their declaratory notices shall have expired: *Provided*, that where said date shall have elapsed before the passage of this act, said pre-emptors shall have one year after the passage hereof in which to make such proof and payment."

LECTURES ON MONTANA

From persons interested in the Northern Pacific Railroad, we learn that Jay Cooke, Financial Manager of the Company, has perfected arrangements with Mr. N. P. Langford, Esq., of Montana, to deliver in the eastern cities twenty lectures on Montana and the line of country eastward to Minnesota through which the Road will pass. Than Mr. Langford there is no gentleman in America more competent to speak intelligently on this theme. He has traversed the entire route, and his notes of the topography, distances, climate, character of soil and timber, streams and agricultural capabilities are the most complete we have ever seen, making a volume of manuscript. Mr. L. is an observant, practical man, and the minute details he has preserved carefully for many years will now be of value. Mr. L. was in New York, in not very rugged health, a couple of weeks since, but we understand was under engagement to commence his lectures as soon as he recovered. We shall hope to hear a faithful and good account of Montana from him, as his long residence in the Territory, and identification with its growth and development, eminently qualify him to speak intelligently of its history and resources.

REVENUE DECISION,

That our merchants may not render themselves liable for failure to conform to the Revenue requirements, we publish the following recent decision from the Department:

Prepared Mustard, Sauce, Syrups, Jams, and Jellies must hereafter be stamped under Schedule C.

OFFICE OF INTERNAL REVENUE, WASHINGTON, March 15, 1871.

Otis Clapp, Esq., Ass'r Fourth Dist., Boston, Mass.

SIR: In your letter of March 4, you call my attention to a letter in relation to prepared mustard, &c., addressed to Assessor M. Friedsam by my predecessor in office, under date of July 15, 1870, and published in the *Internal Revenue Record* of August 6, 1870.

It appears from the letter to which you refer that Commissioner Delano suspended the collection of the stamp tax imposed by the act of July 13, 1866, under schedule C, upon prepared mustard, sauces, syrups, jams, and jellies, until Congress should meet and have an opportunity to relieve these articles from stamp duty.

The time of such suspension having expired and Congress having taken no action in the matter, prepared mustard, sauce, syrups, jams, and jellies hereafter sold, offered for sale, or removed for consumption, must be stamped according to the provisions of schedule C.

A. PLEASANTON, Commissioner.

DOMINGO.

The Senate, on Wednesday, by its action, disposed of the San Domingo question for the present session, by refusing consideration of the President's Message. The Report of the Commissioners will now go before the country, and ample time will have been given before the re-convening for the press and people to consider and discuss the proposed annexation. This is the better plan. Having done without the Island for nearly a century, the United States can exist another six months unwedded to the gem (No. 2) of the Antilles, by which time it will doubtless be developed whether the acquisition comes pure and lovely as a millionaire bride, or is grievously affected with chronic climatic complaints and corruptions that offend.

THE REVENUE TAX.

Conditions under which Sellers are not Liable.

WASHINGTON, March 13, 1871.

SIR: Hon. James M. Cavanaugh, M. C., writes under date of the 11th inst., enclosing the letter addressed to him by Wm. M. Alderson, of Bozeman, M. T., under date of the 13th ult., complaining of the annoyance sustained by frontier farmers by being assessed by your Assistant as Cattle brokers, Produce brokers, and as Peddlers. It is represented in this letter that the farmers aforesaid are assessed on the pretext that they peddle the products of their dairies, which the Assistant Assessor claims is not included in the term "products of the farm," etc.

You are instructed, if the statement is correct, that the complaint is just, for the law in express terms, (Sec. 81, Act June 30, 1864, as amended), provides that farmers shall not be "taxed as manufacturers or producers for making butter or cheese with milk from their own cows, or for any other farm produce," thereby recognizing, in the most unquestionable manner, the products of the farmer's dairy as farm products. It must therefore follow, in view of the exception contained in paragraph 32, Sec. 79 of said act, by which any person peddling only the products of his farm or garden, is exempted from the special tax of peddlers, that all farmers must be regarded as exempt from tax as peddlers when peddling butter, cheese, or any other products of their own farms.

If therefore Mr. Alderson, or any other farmer or farmers, have been assessed as peddlers, and show to your satisfaction that they peddle exclusively the products of their farm and dairy, you will aid, or cause him or them to be aided, in preparing the proper claims for abatement or refunding, as the case may be, and will direct your Assistant to cease assessing in such cases.

Should it be found that the farmers peddle articles or produce not the product of their own farms or gardens, they should, of course, be held liable.

No liability as Cattle broker would arise with respect to the sales of cattle raised upon their farms. (See letter to Assessor H. W. Crothers upon this subject, under date Oct. 18, 1869, published on page 137 Vol. 10, Internal Revenue Record.)

As to the liability of farmers to special tax as produce brokers, see page 73, 113, Vol. 10, and pages 28, 123, Vol. 11, and page 10, Vol. 12 of the Record.

A copy of this letter has this day been transmitted to Hon. J. M. Cavanaugh.

Very respectfully,
A. PLEASONTON, Commissioner.

LUCIUS B. CHURCH, Esq., Assessor, Helena, Montana Territory.

[From the Pick and Plow, 1st.]

EDITOR PICK AND PLOW: Allow me to suggest Col WM. L. IRVINE, of Deer Lodge County, as a gentleman in every way qualified to serve as our next Congressional Delegate. *On my own responsibility* you are authorized to announce him as a candidate for that office, on the Democratic ticket, subject to the decision of the Democratic Territorial Convention.

JEFFERSON.

Mark Twain.

The *Aldine* for April has a splendid picture of Mark Twain, accompanied by this autobiography:

"I was born Nov. 30, 1835. I continue to live, just the same. I could have made this longer, but not without compromising myself."

TELEGRAMS IN BRIEF.

The latest news from the Isthmus of Darien represents a newly discovered route for the canal, which is only 22 miles long, and the deepest cut necessary to be not more than 150 feet, or perhaps only 75 or 100 feet deep.

Ben. Wade says he does not aspire to be candidate for Governor of Ohio.

The Episcopal Church, corner Clermont and Greene avenues, Brooklyn, was burned April 1. Loss, $100,000.

Bismarck has consented to the modification of article three, allowing the augmentation of the Paris army to 80,000.

Paris dates to April 1st, says communication between Paris and Versailles is interrupted.

Rumor says the attacking troops have reached Neuilly and St. Cloud, The western gates of Paris are closed.

Several officers and orderlies of the 8th battalion have been arrested.

The complete isolation of Paris is momentarily expected.

The Commune have summoned Col. Cholcton, who surrendered Valrein, but he has refused to appear.

The Times' special says Thiers paid five hundred million francs on Friday evening. Thiers was then allowed to receive reinforcements.

A number of the proprietors and editors of English newspapers have arranged a tour to America. They will probably sail in June.

In the boat race between Oxford and Cambridge, Cambridge was the winner.

Paris, April 1—Noon.—The *Debats* reports a collision at the bridge of Sevres with Ducrot's men, and adds that the battalions of the committee were on the alert last night, fearing an attack. There were 10,000 men in Boise du Boulogne and a large number were bivouacked in the Champs Elysees.

The Commune in Paris is divided, agitated and powerless.

The Assembly is sitting in tranquility at Versailles, and is surrounded by the best army that France ever had.

London, April 2.—All the gates of Paris have been reopened, except that of Passy. Outposts of the army of Versailles on Avenue du Neuilly have been pushed to within 100 yards of the ramparts, and an attack in that quarter is expected. A considerable force is also concentrated on the heights of Chantilon. The Versailles government is constantly receiving reinforcements of troops, and fresh camps are established as they arrive. The army now under its control in the vicinity of Versailles consists of eight divisions of infantry and three of cavalry. All unreliable troops have been sent home.

The army of Versailles has occupied St. Cloud and the line of the Seine.

London, April 2.—Bismarck has informed Thiers that unless the indemnity is paid before the 15th inst., 80,000 Germans will enter Paris, suppress the revolution, and remain until the money is all paid.

The *World's* Washington dispatch says: The commandant of the Brooklyn Navy Yard has been ordered to fit for sea immediately seven vessels—Wachusett, Shawmut, Omaha, Canandaigua, Minnesota, Florida and Susquehanna.

The Treasury Department will sell, during April, $8,000,000 in gold, and purchase $10,000,000 in bonds.

Yesterday, at Ottawa, Ill., as Father Terry, of the Catholic church was leaving the convent he was attacked by an insane man, who fired five shots from a revolver at him. He was hit, but not seriously injured.

San Francisco had two shocks of an earthquake, April 2d.

Hartford, Conn., April 2.—The Gilbert Clock Company's entire works, in Winsted, was burned this afternoon. Loss $60,000.

San Francisco, March 30.—A shock of earthquake was generally felt throughout the central part of the the State. No damage was done. It was exactly a year since the last shock was felt.

Mrs. Charles Bird was killed on Saturday last by a runaway team near Pacheco.

On Saturday Judd Moore shot Claiborne Wright, his father-in-law.

New York, April 3.—A special correspondent telegraphs on Sunday evening as follows: There was a serious engagement this morning between the Government troops and the Communists. About two thousand Nationals marched on Courlevoi and were met by the gens d'arms and the gardes forestiers. The captain of the latter galloped up, waving his cap, intending to address the Communists, when a Zouave with that body shot him dead. A general action followed, in which the gens d'armes took five prisoners—one seventy six years old—who were shot immediately. The guns of Fort Valerien swept the road. The Communists fled. Twenty-five insurgents were killed and many wounded. The engagement was over at one o'clock. The Nationals still hold Porte Maillot. Battalions of artillery are hurrying up: the rappel is beating and the ramparts are being manned. The greatest excitement prevails.

The same correspondent telegraphs from Versailles on the evening of the 2d: The crisis is at hand. Two batteries are in motion on the Paris road, and the ambulances are all ready. Bismarck has given permission for any number of troops to be massed near Paris, and says that if order is not restored in Paris by the 15th inst., the Germans will enter. This news is reliable.

The popular indignation against the Versailles government is terrific. The Nationals threaten to attack Versailles.

Versailles, April 3.—McMahon has been appointed commander-in-chief.

London, April 3—6:30 a. m.—Queen Victoria visits Napoleon at Chiselhurst, to-day.

Detroit, Mich., April 3.—Very little interest was taken in the elections to-day. The Republican candidates on the State ticket are elected, but the returns are too meagre to give any figures.

The Democrats have about 150 majority in this city.

Mrs. N. B. Gardiner voted in the ninth ward of Detroit, and Mary Wilson voted in Battle Creek.

Cincinnati, April 3.—Davis (Rep.) is elected Mayor by 2,500 majority. The vote was unusually large.

San Francisco, April 3.—The Board of Supervisors this evening adopted a resolution accepting Col. Von Schmidt's proposition, to furnish the city with water from Lake Tahoe for forty years for $6,000,000 of the city's 6 per cent. bonds. This insures the construction of the greatest engineering work ever attempted on this continent.

Detroit, Mich., April 3.—Ex-Senator Jacob M. Howard died at his residence in this city yesterday, of paralysis.

London, April 3.—The Paris Commune have issued a decree arraigning Thiers, Favre, Picard, Dufour, Simon and Pothnas, before the tribunal of the people, and also ordering their property to be seized.

[By Telegraph.]

SAN DOMINGO.

The President will accompany the transmission of the San Domingo Commissioners' report to Congress, next week, with a message, in which he says in substance that had the subject received fair treatment when the last treaty was rejected, he would not have asked for its reconsideration; but believing it had not been fairly presented to the country, and the question having become complicated with charges and insinuations foreign to its merits, he desired a full investigation at the hands of Congress, which has been had with results vindicating the correctness of his public policy. He does not ask for action now, but transmits the report for the information of Congress and the country; still adheres to his own views as to the desirability of annexation but with no further recommendation to make; if the country desires the object accomplished, Congress, in the exercise of Constitutional duty, will indicate the desire by advising the consummation of a treaty. He does not by any means abandon his own views, but leaves the responsibility of future action upon Congress, and repeats his original declaration that he has no policy to enforce against the will of the people.

Among the articles enumerated in the Commissioners' "Proposals for Indian Goods," we notice 75 Balmoral skirts, 6,720 hats and 21 dozen fine-tooth combs. Planos and spring bonnets will be advertised for hereafter.

THE TERRITORY.

Pioneer, 30th.

A Sabbath School has been organized, Dr. J. H. McKee, Superintendent.... The Courthouse will receive the first coating of plaster in a very short time.... There are probabilities of a colony of ten or fifteen families removing to Missoula county from Emmett county, Iowa.... An attempt was made at Dalles City, Texas, March 3d, to poison Wm. Demers, formerly of Frenchtown, Montana,—object, robbery. He has purchased 800 head of cattle and will be in Montana in October.... Jiu Lee bought $700 worth of Celestial wife the other day....Geo. P. White has returned from San Francisco, cured of dropsy by Dr. H. H. Toland....The Superior City P. O. (mouth of Cedar) has received its key....Booth & Co. started March 27th for the mouth of Quartz Creek with their ferry-boat, with the intention of running it on the river at that point.

Gazette, 1.

An assay of Clark's Fork quartz by S. F. Molitor, showed "no tracings of anything richer than sand."....The buffalo are crossing Sun River above the Fort in immense herds. It is believed parties of Sioux Indians are driving them.....Judge Spratt has located in Salt Lake City.....The "Iron Clad" lode at Radersburg is said to be the richest lead in Montana "shares in it that could not be purchased now for $100,000. Nave's claim is paying $40 per ton from the plates, without including the deposit in the batteries.... Two steamers were to leave St. Louis for Benton April 25th.

Gazette, 4.

Last week the following old Montana friends were in New York, domiciled at the Metropolitan; A. G. Garrison, Mat. Carroll, Dan. W. Fisk, Jim Byers, L. H. Hershfield, Charley Ingraham, E. H. Wilson, Charley Wells, C. C. Huntley, Sam DeBow, and Mr. and Mrs. Paynter....,Miners' wages at Unionville are $75 per month.....In a China row at Virginia City, yesterday, one Celestial shot another.....The Chinaman killed at Blackfoot was taken to Helena for interment.....Board in Helena is down to $8.....The first fast freight train of the Diamond "R" Line leaves Corinne on the 10th of this month; and on the 11th the first train leaves Helena, and from that time forward they will run on time as advertised. The Far West Freight Line have contracted with the Diamond "R" and with Garrison to transport all freights from the railroad for that line.

Pick and Plow, April 1.

Holzman & Bro. purchased, last Thursday evening, the store room and lot (next door to Davis, Sperling & Co.) which they have occupied during the winter, paying therefor in the neighborhood of $2,000..... Theodore Dollinger has started a jewelry shop in Bozeman....There will be a large number of business houses erected in Bozeman this spring and the coming summer....Last Sunday afternoon, a soldier, named Shultz, rode his horse in full gallop to the saloon on the corner of Main and Bozeman streets—the furious animal getting the better of the reins, leaped onto the pavement in front of the saloon, the head of the unfortunate rider striking one of the timbers of the awning. He fell to the ground unconscious, his skull badly fractured, and died a few hours later....Norway Oats are all the rage in Gallatin.

Montanian, March 30.

Raymond Bro.'s train left yesterday for the railroad.... A. F. Thrasher is located and "busting" the town.... Mr. A. J. Rosenstein's child was circumscribed on Friday last by Mr. Schiller....From the best information we can obtain from all parts of the county the area sown to cereals this spring will be largely in excess of that of any previous year....McGovern & Co. have commenced work on their bar claims, opposite Nevada....Sedman & Co.'s flume will be ready for the first flush of water.

[Advertisement.]

More about Montana Mail Service.

The Imposition Practiced upon the People of the Territory and the Government by Mail Contractors.

Last fall a petition was circulated in Deer Lodge and the surrounding country by Messrs. Gilmer & Salisbury, contractors, asking the Post-Office Department for the establishment of tri-weekly mail service on route No. 16,019, between Beaverhead Canon and Deer Lodge City, which was numerously signed by prominent citizens of the Territory. Upon presentation of said petition at the Post-Office Department at Washington, the service was ordered and contract awarded to Messrs. Gilmer & Salisbury at $12,000 per annum. At the regular letting last year, a number of responsible bidders residing in Montana proposed to perform the said service for a much less sum, and the said bids were bought up by Capt. C. C. Huntly and the present contractors, and the service on said route delayed until the contract could be obtained at a greater price, by fraud. For what purpose was this mail route established? Surely for the direct transportation of the mail, and most certainly with a view of increasing the mail facilities in this portion of the Territory. The route could not have been established by the authorities in the Post-Office Department intentionally, for the sole purpose of benefitting the contractors, as the route does not benefit the country or the people in any way, and is totally superfluous and unnecessary, because there are other mail routes that cover the entire ground. Besides, the mail coming from Beaverhead Canon to Deer Lodge, arrives at Deer Lodge by the way of Helena frequently sooner than by the direct route, and always sooner via Helena once a week. The mails on the Virginia and Beartown route, No. 16,020, and Beaverhead Canon and Deer Lodge route, No. 16,019, are brought to Deer Lodge by the same conveyance by the contractors, they receiving pay for two contracts and virtually only performing one service. Or in other words, mails on route No. 16,019 and 16,020 are brought to Deer Lodge on the same conveyance, over the same roads and upon the same days. The two routes are so nearly parallel that either route would answer for both without the slightest detriment to the interest of anybody in the Territory. Route No. 16,020, as the service is now rendered, is a total abortion, and for which the contractors receive nearly $18,000 per annum, and should most certainly be discontinued. If proper service was rendered on the route from Beaverhead Canon to Deer Lodge, it would cover the entire ground, except a few miles of said service. The whole postal arrangement in this portion of the Territory is a wholesale swindle, concocted, planned and arranged for the pecuniary interest of contractors and their co-partners in this enormous outrage.

I shall, from time to time, ventilate this subject in reference to other routes.

Respectfully,
W. H. TAYLOR.

Latest News by Telegraph

FRANCE.

VERSAILLES, 5.—Forts Issy and Vanvelt are resolutely bombarding Chatillon.

The Nationals unsuccessfully attacked in the night the bridge at Sevres.

PARIS, 5.—A proclamation of the Commune announces retaliatory measures regarding prisoners.

The *Soir*, *Liberte* and *National* are suppressed.

The churches of Madeline and Assumption have been pillaged.

The artillery duel between the federal post and the assemblists, continues, but is insignificant.

An attack is expected to-night

The *Moniteur* is conciliatory.

Prices of provisions are rising.

The principle citizens will draw up a manifesto demanding the maintenance of the republic.

The municipal body of Paris is deciding all questions relative to the organization of the city, instruction, finance, public worship, and guard of Paris by the Nationals, as a basis of conciliation.

The Assemblyists occupy all roads to Versailles. It is probable the whole column of Bergel is prisoners: 5,000 women and children accompany the Federalist troops.

VERSAILLES, 6.—Thiers issued a circular stating the troops entered Marseilles taking 500 prisoners. The Committee fled.

Except Paris, the towns rally to the support of the Government.

London, 5...The *Times'* special from Versailles, states that 15,000 insurgents are taken prisoners.

Paris is in a state of consternation.

The people of Versailles are irritated against the insurgents.

The *Telegraph's* correspondent says the first Prussian army corps has been ordered to hold itself ready to march to Paris.

The reign of terror continues.

The daily *News'* special says the Nationals attacked the Government troops on Tuesday near Meudon, and were completely routed.

It is rumored 20,000 Nationals entered Versailles. It is doubtful.

The effective strength of the Communists is 120,000 men and 200 guns.

Fighting is continued in Paris.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MADRID, 5.—In the Cortes the Minister of Commerce contradicted the report that the United States proposed to purchase the West Indies. The honor of Spain forbids the sale.

San Francisco, 5.—The heaviest rain storm of the season commenced at 3 this a. m., and continues unabated.

Eugene McCarthy has been convicted on an indictment for libel on the Hibernian Bank.

Washington, 5...The Democratic members of the House held a caucus this a. m., Hon. Fernando Wood in the chair. A general interchange of views was had on the course of action to be taken by the minority as to the various House amendments to be proposed to the Ku Klux bill. The proceedings were entirely harmonious and a conclusion satisfactory to all reached. They have decided to oppose all amendments generally as well as the bill itself.

Havana, 5...Advices from Hayti states that great excitement continues over the annexation question, otherwise the republic is quiet.

New York, 6...It was telegraphed from Washington last night on well informed authority that the labors of the Joint High Commission will be finished in a fortnight from the present time, and that the treaty which will be the basis of a settlement of the points of difference between the two countries will be ready to submit to the Senate at that time.

Versailles, 5...Notwithstanding their defects, the Communists have rallied all their forces in Paris, and a desperate conflict will take place before the Government troops enter the capital. The Commune has ordered all citizens between 17 and 35 years of age to enter the ranks, and this decree is enforced with vigor.

Macey, Blanqui and Gambon, having incurred suspicion, their colleagues have been arrested and are in danger of execution.

Prince d' Joinville has fled to London.

The Connecticut Election.

Hartford, April 3.—The State is close and both sides are confident. In a total registered vote of over 100,000 it is impossible to state what the result will be. We hear that in Waterbury, Kendrick (Dem.) for Congress, is running behind his ticket. The Democrats concede that Strong (Rep.) is elected in this district. The majority for English in this city will be reduced 250 or 300 votes. There will be a handsome Republican gain in New Britain. The Republicans will be likely to elect a majority of the Common Council in this city.

New York, April 5..A dispatch received from Hartford at 2 o'clock this morning says English has 16 majority, with a possibility of forty or more. If Stamford gave Jewell 104 instead of 144, as first reported, it is probable that a Governor has not been elected by the people. The Senate will have a Republican majority and the House a Republican majority of 15. Strong, for Congress, has 343 majority; Kellogg 49, Starkweather about 1600 and Barnum 900.

Hartford, 5th..Our corrected returns give English 5 plurality. There are slight discrepancies in 2 or 3 towns, but giving English the benefit of all doubt, he cannot have more than 15 or 20 majority, and there are scattering votes enough to overcome that and send the election to the Legislature. There is an alleged mistake of 24 in the count of Enfield, which if corrected will on our figures put Jewell 19 ahead. An official count alone will settle it.

Hartford, 5th..The revised count of votes furnished by town clerks gives English a majority of 17, with a probability of scattering votes enough to put the election into the General Assembly. The Congressional majorities are: 1st district, Strong 274; 2d district, Kellogg 47; 4th district, Barnum 161; 3d district, Starkweather 1463. Legislature, Senate 18 Republicans to 3 Democrats. House, 130 Republicans to 180 Democrats. The *Times* throws out 22 Republican votes in Cheshire, which the Republican papers count, and makes English's majority 33. The *Press* figures his majority at 12, and scattering votes at 14. It claims the election will go to the Legislature, but some of these votes returned as scattering, will be counted by the canvassers. The chances now are about even, with possibly slight odds in favor of Jewell. There is a possibility that Nicholas, Republican candidate for Treasurer, is elected.

Missouri Election.

St. Louis, 5th..At the city election yesterday the Democrats elected the entire ticket by majorities ranging from 1875 to 3000. Out of 12 aldermen elected 10 were Democrats, which makes the Council a tie. The total vote was 20,000, out of a total registration of 28,000. The *Democrat* attributes the defeat to the Germans, many of whom did not vote. The *Republican* claims that many Germans voted the Democratic ticket. The charter elections at Sedalia, Clinton, Springfield, Chillicothe and Warrensburg, yesterday, were carried by the Democrats.

San Domingo.

WASHINGTON, 5...The report of the San Domingo Commission, with the message of the President, was sent to both houses to-day. In the Senate, after some discussion, the message was laid on the table. The question was then announced by the Vice President: "Will it be well for the Senate to consider the President's message this session?"

On motion of Chandler this was tabled, 27 to 18.

Harlan asked unanimous consent to printing message. Agreed to. Adjourned.

Territorial.

CORINNE, 6. Passengers north to-day: J. G. Steel and wife, G. R. Neely, O. M. Timberlake, James Holcomb, A. Hagan, J. D. Bell, L. T. Bell, W. T. Nichols. Raining here this morning.

Afternoon's Dispatches.

Havre, 6...A train with 180 wounded soldiers came in to-day from Versailles, and other arrivals are expected. The Versailles government has asked for ambulances.

London, 6...The Princess of Wales gave birth to-day to a boy.

Washington, 6...The Treasury Department is endeavoring to devise some means whereby foreign goods may be imported directly into San Diego, Cal., the terminus of the Southern Pacific Railroad.

Hartford, Conn., 6...The *Post* of this city announces the election of the entire Republican ticket, with the exception of Governor. The vote in detail given in the large towns, shows English has generally run ahead of his ticket and Jewell behind, probably on account of the capital question. The Republican ticket, except Governor, is probably elected by more than 100 majority.

Versailles, 6...It is reported Thiers, instead of following up his advantages gained and allowing the army to enter Paris, has commenced negotiations with the Commune, and offered to concede many of its demands, and exempt leaders from punishment in consideration of its recognizing the authority of the Assembly. The report causes intense excitement among the conservative deputies and in the army.

The forces of the Commune are still in large numbers outside Paris, but in extremely critical positions.

New York, 6...J. Howard Wainwright, son of the lamented Bishop Wainwright, died very sudden today.

London, April 6..Prince Bismarck has informed Thiers that all restrictions concerning the number of troops for Paris is removed, and he may occupy the city with 150,000 men if necessary. He also tells Thiers that the present indecisive policy must end and insurrection must end or Germany will march into the Capital and retain it till a stable government be established.

Washington, 6th..Some members of the House started for their homes to-night, not to return during the present session, which it is thought will close one week from Saturday.

San Francisco, 6..James Carter was killed by J. Gatts in a dispute about money at Hamilton, Nevada, yesterday. A gang of Chinamen on the Northern Pacific Railroad, Oregon, mutinied on Saturday. Two were shot by the overseer.

Policeman Hank Sherwood died in Virginia, Nevada, to-day, of a wound received in quelling a disturbance in a saloon.

The Supreme Court of Nevada decides the bondsmen of the defaulting State Treasurer liable for the entire amount.

Providence, R. I., 6...Complete returns of the State election give Padelford (Republican candidate for Governor) 8,819; Steere (Dem.) 5,345. The Senate stands 26 Republicans to 9 Democrats, and 1 no choice. The House 51 Republicans, 13 Democrats, 8 no choice.

London, 6..Evening..Direct communication by telegraph with Paris has ceased. The wires are cut by insurgents.

Cincinnati, 6...Pike's Hall was filled to-night at a meeting of the Army of the Tennessee, Gen. Sherman presiding. Gen. Meade, Admiral Porter, and other notables were on the stage.

New York, 6.—At a meeting of the Union Republican General Committee, this evening, Horace Greely presided. Resolutions were adopted in opposition to the action of the State Committee in attempting to organize a Republican party in this city approving of Sumner's deposition and opposing the San Domingo annexation.

Albany, N. Y., 7.—One of the most extensive conflagrations ever occurring in this city took place this forenoon. The fire broke out in the large printing house of Weed, Parsons & Co., Columbia street, consuming that building and nearly the entire block of buildings on Broadway, between Columbia and Von Tromp streets, on the west side. The loss will reach $500,000.

Helena, 7th...A letter from Fort Benton, 5th, says M. Foy and Col. Spike arrived to-night from Whoop Up, bringing in the body of Joe Spearson, who was shot at that place through the leg and died yesterday. Gladson has been missing several days. His wagon was found on the Whoop Up road, harness cut to pieces, and moccasin tracks around. Snowing and raining all last night and to day.

NOTES OF THE DAY.

Major Veale and David Cowan, formerly of Virginia City, M. T., are practicing law in Chicago. If partners, the firm name would be funny, Cow-an(d)-Veale. Deportment and Poesy is much represented, anyhow.

The "foreman" of the Janesville, Wis., *Gazette* office is a woman.—*Exchange.*

Why not give the name?—Miss Helen Bingham, and she is a fine writer besides.

We notice from the *Reporter* and other exchanges that Frank Kenyon, Esq., and Mr. Al. Merrick, both Montanians, have associated, and will soon start a paper in Corinne. We will welcome the Gentile visitor, gladly.

Trains of the "F. W. F. F." and Diamond R Lines were loading and leaving Corinne for Montana March 20.

The United States consumes 40,000,000 bushels of salt annually, or one bushel to each inhabitant.

The Colorado Central road will be completed into the mountains as far as Guy Hill this season.

Motto for the new State of Montana, (when it is created): "Eternal *vigilance* is the price of liberty."—*Boise Statesman.*

Please explain.

Dennis Crowley shot and killed Dennis McCartey at Grand Creek, Idaho, the other day.

Lon McCarty and Carrie Chapman are delighting the Boisians.

Senator Stewart in speaking of Public Lands the other day said: Out of over 491,000,000 acres of public lands given away by Government, 96,000,000, or less than one-fifth, had gone into the hands of actual settlers.

Illinois is the third newspaper-publishing State in the Union.

Gen. Fremont is reported to have recently made $200,000 in a mining speculation.

The heathen Chinee settled in Alabama are very deferential; they never fail to say "Goo by" as they lumber out of church while service is going on.

Court commenced at Virginia City on Monday, with Judge Murphy on the bench.

The Northern Pacific Railroad is being built "a mile a day" on the eastern end.

The drum-major who ran away from Chickamauga when reproached with cowardice, replied: "I'd rather be called a coward all my life than a corpse fifteen minutes!"

James Gordon Bennett *pere* is valued at ten millions.

The Corinne *Reporter* says the Levans started a train of goods for Montana, March 27th.

The Hardenbrook brothers are build ing a large livery and corral, corner 6th and Front streets, Corinne.

The following resolution was recently introduced and adopted in the County Court at Nashville: "*Resolved*, That the portrait now placed over the chair of the Judge of this Court, and purporting to be the likeness of the Father of our Country, Gen. George Washington, but which looks more like the jack of clubs, be removed from this hall, and the Court House Committee be authorized to have a true likeness of the pure patriot George Washington put in its place."

As soon as the Congressional chaplain closes his appeal to the Throne of Grace there is a clapping of hands all over the floor. It is the way the members have of calling their pages to their side. Every Congressman begins his day's labor by giving an order to a messenger; hence the clapping is universal and uproarous. "Well, that beats me," said an elderly gentleman in the gallery, with mud on his boots which looked as though it had been brought from the other side of the Potomac: "I didn't see anything in that prayer worth cheering!"

FROM HIGHLAND.

EDITOR NEW NORTH-WEST:

Since my last the snow has increased in this vicinity about two feet, making about four feet now, so that if water is any object, times look more promising.

In consequence of the depth of snow, our mails have been a little irregular—both having to go out the same road, down the gulch—but the present indications are favorable for a thaw.

On or about the 25th of March, John Branagan bought a one-fourth interest in the Nevins lode, arastras, etc., for $5,000. The lode is looking well.

Yours,
JNO. ANDERSON.

Red Mountain City, April 2d.

A Cunard.

We learn that an "Extra" from the "Pick and Plow office, Bozeman, announces the massacre of a number of men by Sioux on the Yellowstone. We did not receive an extra, but instead the following:

HELENA, M. T., April 6, 1871.

EDITOR NEW NORTH-WEST: Deer Lodge—

The reported massacre by Sioux is not true.

A. J. SIMMONS.

Thank you, Jack. That Sioux-ts us better.

The *Christian Weekly* is going after Bret Harte for writing "This new literature that endeavors to make slang respectable by giving it poetic expression, that endeavors to redeem profanity from the curse of God and the abhorrence of all good men, by putting it in the mouths of heroes, and that canonizes ripping, tearing, cursing saints whom you and I would not admit into our parlors."

New To-Day.

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of an Execution issued out of the District Court of the Second Judicial District of Montana Territory in and for Deer Lodge County, bearing date April 4th, 1871, to me directed and delivered, in an action in said Court wherin Wm Farview and Henry Schneiple are plaintiffs, and N. Heal, H. F. Drennon, J. M. Merrill and John Ulery are defendants, and judgment having been entered against said defendants and in favor of said plaintiffs, for the sum of Five Hundred and Two and 35-100ths [$502.35] Dollars damages, and costs in the sum of Twenty Nine and 75-100ths [$29.75] Dollars, and all further accruing costs, I have levied upon and will on SATURDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL, A D. 1871, between the hours of 10 o'clock A M and 4 o'clock P. M, of said day, at the front door of the Court House in Deer Lodge City, Montana Territory, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand the following described property, all located in Flint Creek Mining District, Deer Lodge County, M. T., as follows, to-wit; Quartz mining claims Nos one [1] and two [2] N E, and Nos one [1] and two [2] S W from Discovery and Discovery claim on the Aurora Lode; Also, Discovery claim and Nos one [1] and two [2] N E and one [1] and [2] S W of Discovery on the Thunderbolt Lode. Also, Discovery claim and Nos one [1] and [2] East, and one [1] and two [2] West on the Pioneer Lode. Also, fifty (50) feet of No [4] West on the Comanche extension. Also, all the interest of one or either of the above named defendants in and to Nos one [1] and two [2] West on the Comanche extension. Also, Discovery Claim on the Comanche extension.

Given under my hand this 6th day of April, 1871.

WESLEY W JONES, Sheriff.
99.4t By CHAS. S. WARREN, Deputy Sheriff.

Proposals for Grain.

DEPARTMENT OF DAKOTA, OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, Saint Paul, Minn., March 20, 1871.

SEALED PROPOSALS, duly endorsed as such, in the usual form, subject to the usual conditions, in duplicate, are invited to supply the following posts in this Department with grain for one year from June 30, 1871, as follows:

Fort Shaw, M T, 44,241 pounds of Oats, 88,059 lbs of Corn and 207,155 pounds of Barley. Fort Ellis, M T, 2,637,945 pounds of Oats or Barley. Fort Benton, M T, 140,160 pounds of Oats or Barley, Camp Baker, M T, 286,416 poun