

MONTANIAN INTERVIEWED.

Very many Montanians, distinguished and otherwise, when visiting the east good-naturedly submit to interviews by the inevitable, irrefragable newspaper reporter.

Mr. Dixon was at St. Paul two or three days ago and of course the enterprising him-hander immediately made him the target for his pencil.

Col. Sanders was, as usual, ready for the quill driver. He was on his way to the dining room when caught but cheerfully turned away in another direction in order to tell what he knew.

Again says the voracious colonel: "Our democratic friends concede that the state will go republican by a majority of 10,000 if Blaine is nominated."

Coming to the silver question the colonel admitted the people of Montana were in favor of free coinage, but he thought they would be satisfied if the coinage were limited to the American product.

Con Kohrs' interview which appeared in our dispatches yesterday morning relates to the stock situation and incidentally to politics.

There were over 6,000 labor strikes in a single year of Harrison's administration. A labor strike was unheard of during the good old days of democratic supremacy and low tariffs.

MEXICO AND CANADA.

The trade relations of the United States with Mexico and Canada are not likely to be materially affected by the reciprocity clause of the McKinley bill.

Little or nothing can be done with Canada. The productions of that and this country are so nearly alike that it may be said the one implicates the other.

The Avant Courier starts an editorial paragraph with the assertion that Tom Power seems to have put his foot in it, so to speak, on the silver question.

A union protective tariff always has and always will breed smuggling. Before Great Britain repealed or modified her tariff laws her coasts swarmed with smugglers.

The speakership of the house will be decided next Monday. The contest really lies between Crisp and Mills.

Gov. Buchanan carries out his resolve to return the convicts to the lessees of their labor there will be some warm times in Tennessee.

Dr. McGlynn, having been offered an opportunity to square himself with his church, has decided to adhere to his anti-poverty doctrines.

Fifty years of a life consecrated to humanity are now attracting the attention, commanding the respect and homage of people of all religious beliefs.

QUESTION AND ANSWER.

The question is often asked, and honestly asked: "Suppose the protective duty on imported goods were reduced would not our country be flooded with foreign manufactures, and our own industrial establishments be forced to shut down and turn off their armies of employees to become idlers and tramps?"

The history of the quinine duty will serve as an illustration. There was a very heavy duty on this medicine down to 1878. The wholesale price of it was \$3.70 an ounce.

The repeal of the tariff was an invitation to the world to come to this country with its quinine and sell the article in open market.

The Penrose murder case is again before the courts at Butte, but upon new information. The indications strongly point to a change of venue for reasons stated in the TRIBUNE's Butte special.

There is no little anxiety to know how the president will treat the free silver coinage question in his message to congress.

The following from the Pioneer Press doubtless sizes up the Minnesota view of the prohibition movement in Iowa.

The house with its 150 democratic majority will have no use for ex-Speaker Reed's quorum rules which permitted the counting of members whether present or not.

INGRATITUDE.

This is an ungrateful world. It was ungrateful from its creation, if the scriptures are to be believed. Adam and Eve gave the first exhibition of ingratitude in disregarding the wishes of their Maker.

Take railroads for instance. How many towns and cities in the country have anxiously hoped for and prayed for the construction of a railroad to their gates.

FARMERS, READ THIS.

The following excerpt from the St. Louis Republic may be read with profit by every farmer in the country.

The Beals kidnaping case in Kansas City shows how powerless the law is to bring villains to justice where child-stealing is concerned.

Will the Leader please name the "two" of the "Big Four" who have expressed the opinion that the republicans would carry Montana by 10,000 majority next year in case Blaine or any other republican be nominated?

Mr. Con Kohrs has a very level head when it comes to sizing up the stock situation in Montana.

LOCATION OF THE CAPITAL.

Very little is being said now-a-days about the permanent location of the capital of the state, but there is a great deal of hard thinking being done.

Looking at the matter from this standpoint it will occur to every thinking man that Great Falls is the proper place for the location of the permanent capital of the state.

In thus presenting the advantages and claims of Great Falls for the capital the fact is not overlooked that other cities in the state also present certain advantages.

WHERE HE STANDS.

What are Brother Blaine's views on the silver question? Does he stand in with Brother Harrison in his opposition to free coinage?

The first move toward ousting Calvin S. Rice from his seat in the senate was made in an Ohio court the 2nd inst. by a suit being instituted against him for the payment of alleged delinquent taxes.

It is amusing to note the haste with which republican journals proffer their advice to the new house as to the way its members should transact their legislative business.

Chicago didn't care about the republican national convention, but it does care for the democratic convention and wants it to meet in that city.

THE MAIL-ROBBERY CASE.

The trial of Mrs. Barnum for robbing the Mail Bag in Helena.

HELENA, Dec. 2.—The trial of Amelia D. Barnum for rifling the mail at Mann commenced yesterday.

The defendant in the case, Mrs. Lawyer Baum in reply, "was born North Carolina something over 20 years ago. Her early girlhood was passed in New York state.

The district attorney told you that some time prior to August 25 the mail had been systematically robbed on the route.

When Mrs. Barnum was confronted by the officers she brought them a box which she kept the postoffice funds, her own money and that of the express stage companies.

Mr. Carrie Webster hereby informs the public that nobody but herself has any interest in any of her business transactions in this city.

C. E. LeMunyon is now making a specialty of photographing mines, buildings etc. The high grade of his work is known to all.

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