

OUR BANNACK LETTER.

Reflections on the Impending Election - Items about Mining Matters - A Two Horse Jail to be built - The "Montanian's" Crew Crucified - A Duel on the Tapia.

BANNACK CITY, M. T., August 2d, 1873.

To the Editor of the Herald: When the sun goes down on next Monday, your correspondent hopes to be able to chronicle a victory for the People's Republican ticket of this county.

Mining operations are quietly going on. The various ditch companies are working paying diggings. Messrs. White, Mansfield, Kelley & Co., proprietors of the White's Bar ditch, are taking out good pay, as are also the other companies.

We are to have a two-horse jail at Bannack, the modest trap that has heretofore passed for a calaboose being inadequate to the present wants of incumbents.

Again does that receptacle of insidious malevolence, the Montanian, attack your correspondent for punching up its shameful course, and it winds up by showing, conclusively, to its readers, the cloven foot of a one-sided leaning to the Democracy.

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A one-om dashed editorial in the Deer Lodge Northwest contains a Cunard-canard challenge to your correspondent. Won't do, Mills. Ask Judge Knowles. This is top thin to pass.

WILMINGTON, N. C., August 7.—The election on the Constitutional amendments and for township officers took place throughout the State to-day. It is generally understood that the amendments are all adopted.

Our Eastern Montana Letter.

National Park Visitors—Crow Council—Yellowstone Navigation—Commodore Story and his Flotilla—Explorations for Gold—Honors to Diamond "E" Men—Affairs at Fort Ellis—Success of the People's Ticket—Good Advice, etc.

BOZEMAN, August 3d, 1873.

To the Editor of the Herald: And the cry is still they come; visitors, prospectors, explorers, sight-seers, pleasure-seekers, specimen-hunters, etc., from all parts of the Territory and the East.

Lieut. McClernand and other officers at Ellis, as also some of our best citizens, have gone on a pleasure and health excursion to the Park.

Mr. Fly, the rustling farmer and stock raiser of Jefferson, a few days since drove over to the Crow Agency for Mr. Story 100 head of fine beef cattle.

The Y. T. Transportation Company propose to construct a free road to the head of navigation on the Yellowstone, provided the N. P. R. R. Company will demonstrate its navigability to a point within 200 miles of this place.

Mr. Story intends soon to launch his fleet of flat boats, loaded with general supplies, and head for the mouth of the Big Horn or some other prominent and eligible point in that vicinity, where he will intrench himself and open trade.

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A social hop in honor of our Helena friends, Maclay and Steward, was given on Monday evening last, and was well attended and a pleasant affair.

Maj. Thompson has arrived with a lot of new stock for the Fort, and some of the boys may be soon expected to be "on their high horses again."

No contracts for grain for '73-4 at the Post have been awarded, and the supply will be purchased on informal bids in open market.

Professor White has given a reading here and at Ellis with success, and will again delight our citizens on his return from the Park, when he is promised a crowded house.

Well, the flood-gates of popular indignation have at last burst open and our Missouri friends are "swamped." The season's races have been run and the people's favorites are the winners.

Long faces, tucked tails and empty pockets

are the distinctive features that mark the sad Salt river procession of the "straightouts." Never was local victory so signal, nor defeat so overwhelming.

But the best thing for you to do, gentlemen, is to tip your hats gracefully and come down handsomely. Your wry faces, nettled brows, pouting lips, angry tones and harsh voices will only make the matter worse.

And especially is this kind and friendly advice intended for the neutral (?) editor of the Courier. We are truly sorry for poor Joe, who has not been in a good humor since the campaign opened, and is now almost frantic.

The telegraph line from Nagasaki to Yokohama, which passes through Tsukuba, was utterly destroyed, and the overland mail road was blocked, so that information is obtained slowly.

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TELEGRAMS

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UNITED STATES.

New York News.

NEW YORK, August 2.—Counterfeit half-eagles, coinage of 1872, are in circulation in this city and Boston, and so closely imitate the genuine as to almost defy detection.

The bank statement shows a net loss in the legal reserve of \$316,965, but the banks still hold \$13,303,475 above the 25 per cent. required by law.

The specie shipments for the week were, silver bars, \$573,443; American gold, \$125,000; foreign gold, \$9,000; American silver, \$3,000; total, \$710,443.

Gen. Quesada is said to have enrolled in this city about 300 men, mostly Americans, for service in Cuba against the Spaniards.

The News reiterates the statement that a petition for the pardon of Walworth is in the hands of Gov. Dix, and that he has sent to the District Attorney for the papers in the case.

NEW YORK, August 3.—The Chambers-Sedgins prize fight took place to-day about five miles from Brooklyn on the Coney Island road.

NEW YORK, August 4.—Loyell Purdy, brother of ex-Governor Purdy, of California, and President of the first Jockey Club here, died to-day, aged 70.

NEW YORK, August 5.—Senator Morton has addressed notes to his associates on the Committee of Privileges and Elections, appointing a full meeting of that committee in this city on the first of October for the consideration of the proposed amendments to the Constitution which shall effect a change in the mode of electing the President and Vice President.

James Kelly last evening fatally stabbed his wife, who had refused to live with him. New York, August 6.—Sharkey, the murderer, is under close surveillance.

Levi Bissell, well known as the inventor of locomotive and other machinery, died here yesterday. He was a brother of the late Gov. Bissell of Illinois.

The body of the man murdered on the corner of Spring and Greene streets, has been identified as that of Andrew Gargin, fireman on the steamer Providence.

London papers state that the reports from the agricultural districts in England are generally favorable to hopes of an early and plentiful harvest.

The wife of Dr. Barker having died under suspicious circumstances, he has been put under police surveillance.

A private dispatch from Liverpool states that Capt. Phillips and officers of the wrecked steamer City of Washington have been dismissed from the employ of the company for not casting the lead during the voyage.

NEW YORK, August 7.—A Paris dispatch says Victor Hugo is believed to be dying. The steamship E. M. Arndt, from Sattin via Havre, with 400 passengers on board, is fifteen days overdue at this port.

There were twelve bids for Government gold to-day aggregating \$6,020,000, at from 15 to 15 1/2. A million and a half was sold at 15:40 to 15:48.

A writ of error which operates as a stay of proceedings has been granted in the case of William J. Sharkey, sentenced to be hanged on Friday, the 15th inst.

Kate Stoddard has executed a quit claim deed freeing all the property of the late Chas. Goodrich from any claims that might be used in her behalf.

A Japan letter says that on the 21st ult. 10,000 men, mostly farmers, armed with bamboo spears, assisted by the former Daimos and retainers, armed with swords, attacked the government castle at Tukuksa, set fire to the buildings, destroyed all the official books and papers, and killed six officers.

Washington Intelligence.

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The Commissioner of the General Land Office is in receipt of information that valuable deposits of gold have been discovered by army officers stationed in Alaska.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—In July there were issued from the stamp divisions of the Third Assistant Postmaster General's office, 107,508,410 articles from which revenue is derived, the value of which is \$9,236,747.

The payments made from treasury warrants during July were on account of civil and miscellaneous, \$6,168,182; war, \$3,674,637; navy, \$3,006,198; Interior, Indian, and pension, \$1,991,113; interest advanced to several Pacific Railroad Companies, \$1,938,705; total, \$16,772,837.

Ten per cent. is to be paid informers hereafter by the Treasury Department, instead of six per cent.

Professor Hall of the national observatory, last night observed the comet discovered by Borely at Marseilles, France, July 27.

A patent for 6,000 acres of land is being held by the Surveyor General of California in his office at San Francisco, pending further evidences relating to it.

WASHINGTON, August 4.—All the claims presented to the Southern Claims Commission setting at Washington, have now been numbered and registered. The number is 22,295. The aggregate amount claimed is something in excess of \$66,000,000.

WASHINGTON, August 6.—A translation of the decree of the President of the Republic of Spain, instructing the officials of Cuba to return to alleged insurgents their property which may have been taken from them and confiscated on the grounds of suspected disloyalty, has been furnished our government.

WASHINGTON, August 7.—The State Department has taken a lively interest in the case of the Manitoba prisoners, and is acting energetically. Governor Austin had a communication with Sir Edward Thornton, the British Minister here, on the very day that Senator Ramsey did, and he presented the case to his consideration and that minister has communicated with the Dominion Government, but delay is anticipated in the action, from the present uncertain condition of Sir John A. McDonald.

promising to devote every day to it till the prisoners are released.

An official letter, dated Bulluno, Italy, says on the evening of June 29th a terrible earthquake occurred here, carrying death to many and consternation to all.

Races.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, August 1.—In the race to-day between Goldsmith Maid, Lucy and American Girl, Lucy won in three straight heats. Time, 2:23 1/2, 2:23 1/2 and 2:24 1/2.

SARATOGA, August 7.—The principal event in the races to-day was the two mile dash for three year olds. Springbok was the favorite. The pools sold, Springbok, \$905; Illusd \$210; Strachino, \$305; Waverly, \$181; Catesby, \$140; field \$140.

BUFFALO, August 6.—Fully 25,000 persons attended the races to-day. In the race for horses that had never beaten 2:21, for a purse of \$20,000—\$10,000 to the first horse, \$5,000 to the second, \$3,000 to the third, and \$2,000 to the fourth—five horses started, Judge Fullerton, Jim Irving, Comore, Sensation and Gloster. Fullerton was the favorite, but failed to get a heat, Comore winning the first two in 2:30 and 2:22, and Sensation taking the next three heats in 2:31, 2:22 and 2:28.

National Educational Association. ELMIRA, N. Y., August 6.—The paper read by Dr. McNash last evening was discussed this morning at the general meeting of the Education Association.

ELMIRA, N. Y., August 7.—The meeting of the National Educational Association this morning was very largely attended. M. A. Newall, Superintendent of Maryland, spoke in regard to the school system in that State, describing the state of affairs there.

Salt Lake News.

SALT LAKE, August 6.—A new service was made on Brigham Young last night in the divorce suit, and the case will be argued tomorrow before Judge Emerson.

The delegation of the City Council of Philadelphia, who arrived last night, were met at Ogden by Mayor Wells and a delegation of the City Council.

A butcher has been held without bail for the murder of the Cotton family. At the close of the examination there was great excitement in the court room.

From San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 7.—Washington Bartlett and A. S. Hallidie were nominated for the State Senate by the People's Union of this city.

Martin Kuppel, a German, hanged himself at the Swiss Hotel. He recently arrived from the East destitute of money and became disheartened.

A Terrible Accident.

PITTSBURGH, August 4.—A terrible accident occurred at Butler on Saturday evening, on the farm of William Preston, by which three men were burned to death.

Death of Geo. W. Cass.

CLEVELAND, O., August 6.—Geo. W. Cass died at Dresden, Ohio, to-day, in the 88th year of his age. He had been a resident of Ohio for 73 years, and was the last of the family of Major Jonathan Cass.

St. Louis, August 5.—Another deposit of \$500 in the Allen-McCool prize fight, which is to come off on September 23d, was made to-night at the saloon of Mike McCool.

Louisville, Ky., August 7.—A special from Owensboro, Ky., says three unknown men entered the house of Robert Allen, seven miles from that city, last night, for the purpose of robbery.