HELENA WEEKLY HERALD.

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 Tapis.

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 chrone icle a victory for the People's Republican ticket of this county. One day before the casting of the ballots intervenes, and the eagerness witnessed indicates a close struggle. If the coalition is not quelched outright, they will be admonished that their tenure of office depends, in the future, in faithfully doing the people's business on the square.

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. The mill and erastras of Phil. Shenon & Co. are grinding and washing from the Dakota and turning out good margins of profit. Information from the Horse Prairie diggings is flattering, and the boys out there will make a profitable run this summer. A letter from Leesburgh, Idaho, informs your correspondent that the various bed rock flumes are beginning to clean up bed-stone, and that this season will prove an unusually good one.

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. On last Saturday the county daddies met and issued proposals for a new jail. The exigencies of the times demanded a special Sabbath session, and those pious men held a session, spoiling the Lord's day woefully. The members from Horse Prairie opened the meeting with a prayer that he might get off home soon. The member from town opened the bids, while he mentally calculated the margin between county scrip and clean greenbacks. The member from the valley wore a linen duster, and talked like a major-general in defense of the people's money, and this was pointed, as he is one of the heaviest tax-payers in the county. The bids were all too high, and after beating the carpenters and builders down, with a great deal of "sugar and pie" talking, the building of a jail 16x20 in the clear was let. Price \$1,100 in county promises. This move was absolutely needed, for it is a species of inhumanity to keep prisoners in the little coop now occupied by them.

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. In "ye local's" department of that sheet, last week, is a tirade of gross dirt, which the writer would be too cowardly to stand by if he were not at a safe distance. The excessive use of illiterate vituperation is the forte of this nomadic author, who ekes out an indifferent existence dishing up small pica excerps at a stated weekly stipend. Not being able to successfully refute the charges of your correspondent, the Montanian feigns an attack on the HERALD, accusing the editor thereof of manufacturing correspondence. This is a white lic of the blackest character, and the managers of that pseudo-neutral know it. All know that the Montanian is a kind of a one-horse Democratic sheet, under the thin disguise of independent neutrality. The idea of a live paper like the HERALD feeling aggrieved at the ponderous opposition of the Montanian is cool and refreshing this hot weather. Your correspondent early learned the cardinal virtue not to steal or bum from printers-and when the Montanian asserts anything to the contrary, it deviates widely from the truth. Forty years ago the Montanian, with its horse-type print, might have passed for an obscure village newspaper, but it is almost isolated among progressive papers of our day. The Montanian boasts that it is "printed by steam"-but neglects to inform its readers that its editorial propellations are run by long-eared power. Do make a change. Put steam where the other power exists, and possibly the Montanian can raise out of its stultified position. You need not take up the cudgel in defense of your correspondent or help him in any way. The trio of bivalves connected with the management of the Montanian cannot sling contemptible blackguardism very effectively, nor is their billingsgate liable to hurt any one. Asking pardon for referring to this triumvirate of incipient blatherskites, at so great a length, your correspondent will reserve the privilege of showing up the unclean outfit whenever duty or inclination prompts, and will do so in the firm hope of making respectable journalists out of raw material. A one-em dashed editorial in the Deer Lodge Northwest contains a Cunnard-canard challenge to your correspondent. Won't do, Mills. Ask Judge Knowles. This is top thin to pass. If "Mono" feels damaged and wants satisfaction, there will be no larring out on account of "age, size or condition, and "Mono" can find your correspondent if he is desirous of a game, without much trouble. This "Mono" redeems himself to some extent in his last letter to the Northese and the assumption of authorship allays wrath, but the object is apparent. Qua

National Park Visitors_Crow Council -Yellowstone Navigation-Commodore Story and his Flotilla-Explorations for Gold_Honors to Diamond " H " Men-Affairs at Fort Ellis-Success of the People's Ticket-Good Advice, etc.

Our Eastern Montana Letter.

BOZEMAN, August 3d, 1873. To the Editor of the Herald:

And the cry is still they come; visitors, prospectors, explorers, sight-seers, pleasureseekers, specimen-hunters, etc., from all parts of the Territory and the East. en route to the Yellowstone country, the Mammoth Hot Springs, and the various and untold wonders of the National Park. At this rate Bozeman will soon become a first-class packing establishment-not pork or beef packing, but bucking cayuse and mule packing. The playful sportings of these native beasts are often a great source of recreation and amusement to our overtaxed citizens, while to the newly imported "Lown Easters" they are but too frequently the scenes of dismay and alarm.

Lieut. McClernand and other officers a Ellis, as also some of our best citizens, have gone on a pleasure and health excursion to the Park. Gen. Whitelesey and other agents for that queer, ingenious, and mysterious piece of furniture, said to have been designed for the special convenience and comfort of Mr. Lo and his numerous family, have gone over to the Agency, while the wards of friend Pease are returning from the hunting ground, washing off the war paint, and preparing

the calumet for the grand peace council that is expected to take place at the Crow camp. 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. He goes to the States soon, but will return to "God's country," the scene of his success.

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. And Mr. Coffin, who has returned from the Yellowstone valley favorably impressed, I am informed, will recommend the project to his company.

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. Mr. Story has always been lucky in his adventures, is in earnest in this undertaking, and, if successful, (and he

are the distinctive features that mark the sad Salt river procession of the "straightouts." Never was local victory so signal, nor defeat so overwhelming. Our "regular" Democratic friends will hardly believe the evidence of their own senses. So accustomed to having things all their own way, it is hard indeed for them to surrender.

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. We all feel for you, for we have been there ourselves, and will promise not to mention it if you will at once put and keep yourselves on your good behavior. You will have to get used to this sort of a thing, gentlemen, and may as well make a beginning now as any time. The people are going to run it them selves now, and you might as well make up to your fate, and turn your attention to internal improvements or "go west."

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. With the recklessness of a madman he has let his devotion to neutrality(?) run away with his better judgment, and has misrepresented and abused his best friends and supporters indiscriminately and without mercy. Hard names and false charges have been his weapons throughout, but they have only recoiled to do himself the injury that they were intended to do to others. The People's Convention has been contemptuously snarled at as being a "mongrel" crew, and its Chairman singled out and charged with being a "middleman"-standing between the producer and consumer to reap the hard earnings of both-when in fact he never had a contract nor even bid on one in his life. And after promising to correct the error, refuses to do so in a manly way, but tries to crawfish out of it. He accuses one of your correspondents of straight out "lying" about the prospects of the election, but the verdict of the people shows who has falsified. We like Joe and alway did. He is a clever fellow, but will get off on the wrong foot once in a while. We met him just after he had switched off, and advised him to go back to the right track, but with a characteristic egotism, he would not heed our warnings and bade us mind our own business. We knew then that he was "gone," and were satisfied that he was bent on mischief. We looked after him with pity, for we knew where he would land. Alas! how are the mighty fallen. The last we saw of him was just after the returns had all come in, when he was

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. Some of his friends lately furnished him with brandy, after drinking which he behaved outrageously,

assaulting not only his keepers, but his own counsel. He is to be hanged on the 15th. 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 disyour minds to it first as last. Come, submit missed 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 Stettin via Havre, with 400 passengers on board, is fteen days overdue at this port.

There were twelve bids for Government gold to-day aggregating \$6,020,000, at from 15 to 15]. A million and a half was sold at 15:40@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 Tukuka, set fire to the buildings, destroyed all the official books and papers, and killed six offi-cers. Four officers are said to have died by their own hands as they saw the rebels overpowering them. Three officers only escaped and fled to Saga, sixty miles above Namasaki. The telegraph line from Nogasaki to Yokohama, which passes through Tsikinzen, was utterly destroyed, and the overland mail road was blockaded, so that information is obtained slowly. A report has reached Nagaski that the houses of all the people in Hakati and country roundabout who would not join the insurgents have been burned, and that the dwellings of rich men and the banks have been robbed. The insurgents are said to number at least 150,000. The cause of the revolt is that the government has required the taxes of the farmers to be paid in money instead of produce, together with the probable failure of the rice crop.

Washington Intelligence.

WASHINGTON, August 1.-The public debt statement shows a total debt of \$2,239,021,-954; total interest, \$31,457,115; cash in the treasury-coin, \$80,144,185, currency, \$3,- Newall, Superintendent of Maryland, spoke 916,689, special deposit held for redemption in regard to the school system in that State, of certificates of deposit as prov QW.

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

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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. Many were killed, and great destruction of property is reported.

Races

CLEVELAND, Ohio, August 1.—In the race to-day between Goldsmith Maid, Lucy and American Girl, Lucy won in three straight heats. Time, 2:22³/₄, 2:23³/₄ and 2:24⁴/₄. The American Girl was second and the Maid was distanced, having caught her hind foot in the boot on her fore leg in the first heat.

SARATOGA, August 7.- The principal event in the races to-day was the two mile dash in the faces to-day was the two mile dash for three year olds. Springbok was the fa-vorite. The pools sold, Springbok, \$905; Illused \$210; Strachino, \$305; Waverly, \$181; Catesby, \$140; field \$140. Nine horses started. Illused won by a neck, Strachino 2d and Springbok 3d. Time, 3:39. In the second race, a dash of a mile and a half, for horses of all ages, Wanderer was the favorite, selling for \$400 to \$180 for Arizona. The latter took the lead at the start and kept it to the finish, winning by two lengths. Time, 238.

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 2:201 and 2:22, and Sensation taking the pext three heats in 2:213. 2:22 and 2:28. Fullerton came in second in every heat. Jim Irving was distanced in the first heat by breaking his martingale, and became unmanageable. The \$245 race was won by Clemintine. Time, 2:29.

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. The subject was 'Upper Schools." The sentiment that seemed to prevail was that there was need in this country of a class school between grammer schools and colleges. There needed to be a heartier sympathy between common schools and colleges. The number of members pres-ent is over 1,500, and a noticeable feature of the convention is the presence of a large number of teachers from the Southern States. Louisiana is well represented by W. G. Brown, a colored man and State Superintendent of schools of that State. Missouri has a large number present, Also, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina and Alabama. This afternoon the several departments were enraged in a discussion on departments of higher instruction. Prof. Edward Jaynes, of Washington and Lee University, Virginia, read a paper on the study of classics, contending strongly in their favor. A paper on the elementary department was also considered.

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 or the state of affairs there. A resolu tion was offered and referred to the proper committee to the effect that it is the opinion of the association that the proceeds of the sale of public lands hereafter should be set aside as a perpetual fund for the Superintendent of Education. Ex-Governor Seymour was called upon and addressed the association upon the subject of education. The time and place for holding the next meeting of the association was left to the Board of Directors.

WILMINGTON, N. C., August 7 .- The elec tion on the Constitut tional am for township officers took place the the State to-day. It is generally und that the amendments are all adopted.

nows no such thing as failure.) will do a great deal towards opening up that portion of the Territory from this side and giving our people a timely foothold.

Our wide-awake and gallant young friend, F. M. Murray, of the enterprising firm of Williams & Murray, is calling for volunteers for his Big. Horn and Wolf Mountain gold prospecting company, of which you have already heard, and they are falling into ranks from every quarter. The maximum number will soon be reached at the present rate of arrivals at the rendezvous here, and about the 15th inst. Frank will take the field and head his column for the new El Dorado. This is independent of the McCormick expedition, but will move in supporting distance of it, I understand, and will be a firstclass opportunity for those wishing the first show in that rich and undeveloped country. Now is the time and here is the chance. But all who would avail themselves of the advantages here offered must be on the ground soon with their own transportation, good arms and plenty of ammunition and three months' supplies. And all this every old miner has or can easily obtain. Leave your business in the hands of friends and club together and come on. And fall in boys on the double quick or you will be left, sure.

Fearing some misapprehension may have gotten abroad as to the position of the Government upon the subject, I will take occasion to disabuse the minds of any by saying that official information has been received through Gen. Sweitzer that the Government will not interfere provided there is no trespass committed on the Crow reservation, of which the boys would not be guilty, as a matter of course. So the expedition moves without interruption to a certainty, and may success attend it and every other effort to explore and open up the country.

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." The best lot of condemned horses ever offered here will be sold at Ellis on the 31st inst. Now is the time for cheap American teams.

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. He also proposes to read at Virginia City and

other p Well, the flood-gates of popular indignation have at last burst open and our Mi nds are "swamped." The scassi's races have been run and the plople's favorins are the winners.

Long faces, tucked tails and empty pockets

making an effort to crawl into his hole and pull the hole in after him, with this significant advertisement pasted upon the outside, "Wanted-A neutral man to conduct Den.ocratic paper.

You will hear from us again as we make he "GRAND ROUNDS." the



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New York News.

NEW YORK, August 2.-Counterfeit halfeagles, coinage of 1872, are in circulation in this city and Boston, and so closely imitate the genuine as to almost defy detection. In weight and color the counterfeit corresponds with the legal coin is made of 840 gold, alloyed with copper and a minimum of silver. Its intrinsic value is four hundred and seventy one hundredths. The outlines of the letters and the eagle on the counterfeit are not as sharp or as square and angular as on the genuine. The chief of the secret service offers a reward of \$5,000 for information leading to the capture of the dies from which the spurious article is made, and to the arrest and conviction of the parties guilty of making and putting it in circulation. Counterfeit twenty-dollar gold pieces are in circulation, and efforts are making to trace them to suspected persons.

The bank statement shows a net loss in the legal reserve of \$816,965, but the banks still hold \$13,803,475 above the 25 per cent. required by law. The decrease in the reserve this week is the result of an increased demand for gold for customs, which has trans-ferred the gold from the banks to the Sub-Treasury.

The specie shipments for the week were. silver bars, \$573,442; American gold, \$125. silver bars, 5010, 425; American gold, 5120,-000; foreign gold, \$9,000; American silver, \$3,000; total, \$710,442. Total since January 1st, \$36,773,140, against \$54,860,098 during the same time last year.

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

NEW YORK, August 3 .- The Chambers-Seddons prize fight took place to-day about five miles from Brooklyn on the Coney Island road. Seddons was defeated in fourteen ounds.

NEW YORK, August 4.-Lovell Purdy, brother of ex-Governor Purdy, of California, and President of the first Jocky 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, ap-pointing a full meeting of that committee in his size on the first of October for the committee in pointing a full meeting of that committee in this city on the first of October for the con-sideration of the proposed amendments to the Constitution which shall effect a change in the mode of electing the President and Vice President. It is intended to give the semilars of the committee in New York a public character, and several leading consti-tional lawyers and writers on this special subject will be invited to address the com-mittee.

\$33,570,000-total in the treasury, \$153,030,-875; debt, less cash in the treasury, \$2,147, 449,194; decrease during the month, \$370, 518. Bonds issued to Pacific Railroad Companies, interest payable in lawful money on principal outstanding, \$34,623,512: interest accrued and not yet paid, \$333,117; interest paid by the United States, \$20,447,986; interest repaid by transportation of mails, etc., \$4,225,853; balance of interest paid by the United States, \$16,222,132.

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. There was a large increase over the business of any previous month, and is accepted as the result of the abolition of franking privileges.

The payments made from treasury warrants during July were on account of civil and miscellaneous, \$6,162,182; 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. The above does not include payments on account of interest or principal of the public debt.

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 Borelly 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. The patentees replevined the Surveyor. put the Sheriff in his office, and threatened last night to blow open the safe for the patent. The General Land Agent here telegraphed the U. S. District Attorney to take all necessary steps to prevent interference with the Surveyor.

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 \$56,000,000.

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. The decree provides for a board of high officials to hear complaints and claims. The said board is instructed mainly to decide upon the identity of the claimants, and is very liberal in its provisions.

WASHINGTON, August 7.-The State De partment has taken a lively interest in the case of the Manitoba prisoners, and is acting energetically. Governor Austin had a com-munication with Sir Edward Thornton, the British Minister here, on the very day that 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 Gov-erament, but delay is anticipated in the ac-tion, from the present uncertain condition of Sir John A. McDonald. The friends of the prisoners have assurances from the State De-partment that the necessary stops shall be partment that the necessary steps shall be taken for their speedy release, waiving no rights or domands growing out of their treat-ment. Governor Austin leaves to night to spend a few days in New York, in connection with the matter, but will be back here again to further push the case of their here again to further push the case if it is long de

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 and a delegation of the City Council. This morning the party visited the principal points of interest in the city. They left this afternoon for Sacramento, Yosemite and San Francisco. Joseph B. Hancock, a member of the Legislature, joined the party to-day. The recep-tion was entirely Mormon. No U. S. officials or Gentiles were invited to participate.

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. Revolvers were drawn and a bloody scene threatened. Fortunately order was restored.

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. They are opposed to the railroad and the election of George C. Gorham to the United States Senate.

Martin Kuppell, a German, hanged him-self 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. They were boaring for oil and were in the well at the time oil was struck. It scarcely reached the surface before taking fire, blazing up one hundred feet or more, and scorching the three men to death. Their bodies were not recovered until to-day.

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. He was a brother of Lewis Case, of Michigan, and the father of General Geo. A. Case, of Pa.

The Coming Allen-McCool Prize Fight

Sr. 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. This makes \$1,500 that is now up. The last de-posit will be made just prior to the meeting.

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LOUISVILLE, Ky., August 7.-A a from Owensboro, Ky., anys three and men entered the house of Robert Allen, miles from that city, last night, for the pose of robbery. They were discovered then commenced chosting. wounding H from Owe Allen and killing his achiev,

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