LOCAL NEWS.

From the Daily Herald of April 12.

Helena Reduction Works.

We have it from good authority that the Board of Trustees of the Helena Reduction Works are entertaining a proposition recently submitted, to lease the property of the company to parties who have an abundance of ore, plenty of capital, and first-class skill and experience in the reduction of ores. The matter of rent has been satisfactorily settled, and if a price, with privilege of purchasing is fixed, valuable improvements will be made and the works put in operation immediately.

Personal.

—W. E. Frederick returned from Ft. Shaw last night.

—Lieut. Kendrick, accompanied by Miss Kirtland, a sister of Captain Kirtland, arrived from Fort Shaw last night. They are registered at the Cosmopolitan and will remain until Saturday.

—Hon. W. E. Bass, President of the Legislative Council of Montana, favored us with a pleasant call yesterday. He is on his return home from the East, where he has been on business connected with the proposed railroad to Montana.—*Salt Lake Tribune, 5th inst.*

Peas for Food.

A Mississippi stock-raiser says: "I have for years kept fat cows and had more milk and butter, and for less money, than anybody I know of. First, I sow peas broadcast, three pecks to a bushel per acre, in the month of May, harrowing them in after breaking the ground well; then in September I pull them up when a few begin to dry, and make hay out of the vines and peas. I get from 4,000 to 6,000 pounds per acre of hay that is eaten by cattle and horses as eagerly as if it were the best clover. Pulling up is far preferable to mowing, as cattle seem to love the roots better than the tops, and it is said to be more nutritious. No manuring is necessary, and an acre in sowed peas is worth six of fodder."

The Successful Farmer.

The following, which we clip from one of our exchanges, contains some practical hints as well as good common sense, and will doubtless interest our farming friends: "To become eminently successful in any profession, two things are absolutely indispensible-First, persistent energy; second, a thorough knowledge of the business in all its details, and a fixed determination to keep with the times. All men engaged in mercantile pursuits, even on a small scale, know well the necessity of keeping themselves posted in everything pertaining to their trade, and all, with scarcely an exception, take and carefully read one or more journals devoted exclusively to their branch of business. They would not do without one, well knowing that their more enterprising neighbor would be benefitted by sudden changes in market values, of which they could have no knowledge. Every physician has his medical journals, lawyers have their periodicals, and watch carefully the latest decisions of the courts and the enactments of the legislatures. In fact, every profession has its periodical supported by nearly every member of the class which it represents. By merchants and professional men these periodicals devoted to their interests are considered as indispensible. But with many farmers the case is quite otherwise. Though from the very nature of things farmers generally require a more thorough and extended knowledge of their surroundings than almost any other profession, in order to arrive at the maximum of success, yet very many, indeed take no pains whatever to familiarize themselves with the nature and habits of their most valuable animals and plants, or of their most destructive and tormenting enemies, and utterly refuse to patronize periodicals devoted solely to their interests, and intended to throw light upon the dark side of every farmer's life. Many do not even attempt to familiarize themselves with the most ordinary rules of business, or the most common forms of law—and what is the result? Is it much to be wondered at that many complain of the unprofitableness of their profession, or that some are victimized by cheats and sharpers? Why is it that the butter of one dairyman always brings two, three and five cents per pound more than that of his neighbor? In the house of one you may find dime novels, comic almanacs and police gazettes; in the other carefully read agricultural papers and dairymen's books. Why is it one man always happens to receive the very highest market price for all his grain and produce, while his unfortunate neighbor can scarcely receive enough to pay expenses? Some say "one is lucky," etc. In the language of a well-known college President, we say, "Pluck is a hero, Luck is a fool."

BREVITIES.

—See advertisement in HERALD to-day of "Proposals for Indian supplies, goods and transportation."

—Wells, Fargo & Co. received last night $10,000 in silver bullion from the Hope Company, Philippsburg.

—Holter & Bro., we learn, have purchased an interest in the Parrot and Mountain copper lodes of Butte, paying therefor the sum of $17,000.

—The Lexington lode is turning out considerable quantities of $12,000 ore, and arrangements have been made to sink a shaft 300 feet in depth.

—General Smith is building a roomy addition to the Surveyor-General's office, which will be occupied by the U. S. Land Office. The Surveyor-General's and Land Office having most of their business in common, it will be a convenience to the public to have the two offices in the same building.

From the Daily Herald of April 13.

George Frank Gouley is Dead!

The telegraph announces that our friend, Brother, Companion and Frater, Geo. Frank Gouley, perished in the flames which consumed the Southern Hotel, at St. Louis, on the morning of the 11th inst. The true Mason's heart is sad all over this broad land, and even throughout the world, at this terrible calamity,—for he had a world-wide reputation as a Masonic writer. And by his bold stand for the right, his fearless attacks on every species of fanaticism, standing as he did on the ramparts of Masonry, he hurled with unerring aim at every insidious innovation of her land marks; a bold Cavalier who ever weilded his sword in defense of the innocent, the bereft, the desolate, and the true religion of Jesus. His friends loved and honored him, and his enemies, if he had any, were only those who regarded him in the light of a representative of truth, honor and integrity. As a writer—bold, fluent, strong, vigorous. As a friend, warm, true and generous. As a Mason, true, tried and trusted. But he is gone, and the sons of Masonry feel that one of her bright lights is extinguished—one of her heroes has fallen—and we mourn and cast a sprig of evergreen on his tomb, and point upward, saying "the will of God is accomplished." Noble, generous Frank, your work is done, and well done. Farewell!

FROM ONE WHO LOVED HIM.

More Blooded Stock for Montana.

The Kentucky *Live Stock Record*, March 31st, records the following sales to the owners of Carriboo:

Messrs. C. E. Williams & Co., Helena, Montana, bought of Mr. T. J. Montague, Lexington, Ky., the chestnut filly Artistic, 3 years old, by imp. Australian, dam Maud Farris by imp. Yorkshire, out of Rosemary by imp. Sovereign.

Mr. H. P. McGrath, McGrathiana Stud Farm, Lexington, Ky., has sold to Messrs. C. E. Williams & Co., Helena, Montana, the bay mare Reply, by Enquirer, dam Colleen Bawn, by Endorser, out of Roxana (Tipperary, Susan Ann, Jury and Chesapeake's dam) by imp. Chesterfield.

Major B. G. Thomas, Lexington, Ky., has sold to Messrs. C. E. Williams & Co., Helena, Montana, the bay filly Terlulia, 3 years old, by Melbourne, Jr., out of Mary Hadley (Puzzle's dam) by O'Meara. These are two beautiful and high bred fillies.

Freight Shipments.

The following are the recent shipments of freight from the forwarding house of Fred. J. Kiesel & Co.:

S. Swenson, 16,762 pounds, consigned to E. G. McClay, Fort Ellis, with a minor amount to Walter Cooper, Bozeman, Montana.

Orson Merrill rolled out yesterday with 16,677 pounds aboard, 14,687 being consigned to P. C. Burke, El Dorada mine, Gertson Canyon, Idaho, and 1,990 to George Yearian, Lemhi, Idaho.

To-day George Cafferty took on board 15,323 pounds, consigned as follows: D. Cohn & Bro., Butte city, 1,115; W. H. Weimar, Deer Lodge, 3,440; Con. Kohrs, Deer Lodge, 1,025; Sim Estes, Watson, Montana, 2,495, with minor amounts to Jo Brown, Darling; J. M. Wetzel, Butte city; W. A. Clark, Deer Lodge; J. C. Anderson, Eagle Rock, Idaho; Joe Warren, Fort Hall, Idaho. Cafferty will roll out this afternoon.—*Corinne Record, 5th inst.*

The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Episcopacy of Pius IX.

What does it mean? The general impression conveyed by the newspaper paragraphs is, that Pius the Ninth will have been fifty years a Pope at his next anniversary of episcopal dignity. This is a mistake. The 3d of June next will be the fiftieth anniversary of his episcopacy, that is, fifty years a Bishop. On the 21st of June he will have been thirty-one years Pope of Rome. The 10th of this month was the fifty-eighth anniversary of his Priesthood. Pius the Ninth is the only Pope who has outlived the years of St. Peter, and the only one who has ever visited the continent of America. As Father John Mary Mastai he sailed for America as Auditor of the Papal Legation to Chili in 1823.

Pony.

A correspondent writing us from Pony says: "The future prospects of the camp are flattering. There is an abundance of good-paying gold ore *in sight* to run 20 or 30 stamps for several years. The mines are easily worked. Prospecting and developing are going on in every direction. The town is being built up rapidly. There are three hotels, all doing a good business; three stores, well stocked with goods, a number of saloons, blacksmith shops, livery and feed stables, and minor business houses. In fact every interest of a well regulated mining camp is ably represented. Our population is constantly increasing, and I do not believe there is a camp in Montana that has a more flattering prospect for its near future than Pony."

Sale of Sheep.

Davenport, Ray & Co. have sold 1,500 head of sheep, all ewes, to Governor Potts, to be delivered in September. The amount paid was $4,500—three dollars per head. The Governor has not yet, we believe, located his ranch.

The Hot Springs.

Mr. W. J. Miner, son-in-law of Colonel Hundley, has leased that popular resort, the Hot Springs. The premises have been put in excellent shape, and Mr. and Mrs. Miner will be pleased to see their friends, and the public generally, at their new home.

Personal.

—Blaine Walker, who has been to the Tongue river posts to pay off the garrisons stationed there, returned home last night after an absence of five weeks. He says the road from Stillwater to Bozeman is in a horrible condition, rendering travel by conveyances slow and difficult.

J. T. Thorpe, of Centreville was in the city to-day.

BREVITIES.

—Nine babies for Helena in one week. This "prolific" state of affairs may be attributed, in a great measure, to climatic influences.

—Several members of the Helena bar, who have been in attendance upon the Jefferson county court, returned home last night. Others are expected this evening.

—A book to sheep growers will be sent free by addressing Raymond, Bros., Virginia City, Montana. w4t-ap19

—Clarke, Conrad & Curtin, C. W. Cannon and other merchants of Helena have shipped from St. Louis on the Katie P. Kountz. This steamer has been overhauled and supplied with new machinery. It is claimed that she will make as good time as any boat on the Upper Missouri.

—A daily mail from Cheyenne to the Black Hills has been established. Spotted Tail, Sitting Bull, and all those notabilities have been raising such a row because they didn't get their HELENA HERALD regularly that the Department has been compelled to concede the point and give the accommodations.

—During the month of March there were 224 lots taken in the Butte townsite, 29 of them being purchased at auction and 195 by private entry since the public sale. We have not the figures to show for the past week's entries, but it is safe to say that lots are being taken at the rate of ten a week.—*Butte Miner.*

—One of our substantial citizens who is on the lookout for a buggy horse, yesterday espied a fine looking nag going up Main street. "There," said he, "is a horse that I think would suit me. Wonder if he could be bought for about $150?" "He might be," replied a bystander, "but I think his owners hold him at a little higher figure. That's Carriboo!" Our friend did not pursue his inquiries.

—Prof. Bartruff, well known as the famous horse-tamer, who has been breaking and training horses in this county for the last six or seven years, gave a public exhibition yesterday. He drove a horse, recently wild, through the streets of Helena, without reins or bridle, guiding, backing, turning, bowing, etc., by simply moving a whip, and word of command.

—It was freely rumored around town this morning that the Montana stages were to recommence running into Corinne in a short time, with the United States mail and passengers. Inquiry failed to trace the rumor to any authentic source, however, but we have good reason to believe that a big effort will shortly be made to bring about this change, which is demanded alike by the interests of the citizens of Montana and Corinne.—*Corinne Record.*

From the Daily Herald of April 41.

Death of Mrs. James W. Hathaway.

We regret to have to announce the death of the wife of Mr. James W. Hathaway, of this city, which occurred this morning at the residence, on the west side of town. We are informed that the cause is attributed to the congealing of blood about the heart. She leaves two children, one about a week old. Mr. Hathaway has the sympathy of his many friends in Helena.

Gold Quotations.

NEW YORK, April 13.—Gold opened at 6, advanced to 6⅛, closed at 5⅞. The decline was caused by the sale of about $3,000,000 in gold by a German speculator, part being long and part short.

Personal.

—S. T. Hauser returned home on the overland last evening.

—Con. Kohrs returned from Sun River last night, and left this morning for Deer Lodge.

—Lt. Kendrick and Miss Kirtland left by Government ambulance this morning for Ft. Shaw, accompanied by Miss Nettie Chumasero, who goes to visit the Misses Gibbon. Miss Nettie will be absent several weeks.

LOST.

A buckskin mare; brand "11" on left hip; heavy mane and tail; saddle mark on weathers: last seen in July, 1876, on Clark's Creek. Will pay a liberal reward for her delivery to me in Helena.

d&w1w-ap10 JACK ROBINSON.

PROPOSALS

FOR INDIAN SUPPLIES, GOODS, AND TRANSPORTATION.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
WASHINGTON, March 30, 1877.

SEALED PROPOSALS, indorsed Proposals for "Beef," Flour, Clothing, Transportation, (as the case may be,) and directed to the COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, No. 40 Leonard street, New York, will be received until 12 M. of TUESDAY, MAY 8, 1877, for furnishing the following Supplies, Goods, and Transportation required for the Indian Service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1878:

Beef on the hoof	34,838,000 pounds.
Flour	5,764,500 pounds.
Bacon	879,400 pounds.
Hard bread	90,000 pounds.
Corn	2,464,500 pounds.
Lard	14,000 pounds.
Mess-pork	790 barrels.

Coffee, 453,960 pounds; Sugar, 896,600 pounds; Tobacco, 59,350 pounds; Soda, 16,750 pounds; Baking Powder, 28,340 pounds; Rice, 83,000 pounds; Tea, 6,580 pounds; Beans, 184,500 pounds; Soap, 118,420 pounds; and Hominy, 153,000 pounds.

ALSO,

Blankets, Clothing, Woolen and Cotton Goods, Hardware, Notions, and Medical Supplies.

ALSO,

Transportation for such of the above supplies as may not be contracted to be delivered at the several Indian Agencies.

Schedules, showing in detail the quantities and kinds of goods and supplies required for each Agency, transportation routes, time and place of delivery, conditions to be observed by bidders, and terms of contract and payment, together with blank proposals and forms of contract and bond, will be furnished upon application to this office, (in Washington or at No. 40 Leonard street, New York;) to E. M. Kingsley, 30 Clinton Place, New York; to Wm. Nicholson, Superintendent of Indian Affairs, Lawrence, Kansas; to the Commissaries of Subsistence, U. S. A., at St. Louis, Chicago, Sioux City, St. Paul, Leavenworth, Omaha, and Cheyenne; or to the several Indian Agents.

d&w3w-ap12 J. Q. SMITH, Commissioner.