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## THuRSDAX MORNING, DEC. 7, 1865.

To day being the day appointed by President Johnson and Gov. Gibbs for Thanksgiving, no paper will bo issued from this office to morrow.
Mostass News.-We have files of the Montnail Post to the 18th of November, from which wo compile the following
The fossil remains of a human being were found on Meagher's Bar, near Nevada, which indicate that he (or she) belonged to a race of gigantic proportions. The width between
the articalations of the suh-maxillary bone is fully five inches. From this, the Montann medical men estimate that the being was of at least ten and a balf feet in beight, and possibly twelve. The teeth were perfect, which may be accounted for by the fact that
they were emhedded in a close alluvial deposit, which was formed in what was one time an eddy of the river. The remains of a minstadon, of about twice the size of an Asiatic elephant were found in connection the animal mensured six inches in length by four in diameter. It is reportod that the corresponding tooth of a mastadon was found in Deer Lodge Valley, of three times the dimensions.
The Poat takes a great interest in the opening of lines of trade from the Pacific side, and appears to labor under the impression that the mines on the western slope of the
Rocky and Bitter Root ranges are exhnusted; hence the exertion made to obtain the trade of the Montana mines. Our cotemporary is mistaken in this particular; the Montann trade is only one of three grent fields for our commercial enterprise, of which Boise and Owyhee is the chief, Montann second, and
the new mines up the Columbia third-the last, promising to lay them all in the shade.
Maj. Owen's flour-mill, in the Bitter Root Valley, is finished. It is a thoroughly conatructed establishment, and will secure a for nota of generosity and hospitality to monntain travelers in the last fifteen yoars, has gained him a host of friends.
The first hydraulic and amalgamating machinery brought into the country, arrived from St. Joseph, lately, for the Nelson Ihydraulic Mining Company. Four engines
-ten borse power each, wih a caparity of throwing wator eighty feet bigh, and, by combining the engines, a height of over three hundred feet-constitute the more important machinery of the company. Fifteen hundred feet of wrought iron piping, with India rubber hose extension, and duplicates of every part of the machinery, are unpacked, and lie ready to be used.
A stock-owners protective arsociation has and catte-thieves
The mining news continues favorable. The population is gradually settling down to the business of developing discoveries already made. The reports about the Uncle Sam Lode, at Helena-the gunny bags full of gold-are confirmed, and Mr. Brown, the the precious metal.
The Sebcial Sission. - The Governor's mes. ange was sent to the Legislature, convened for the Special Seseion, on Tuesday, the 5th inst. The Message is, to a great exlent, devoted to the consideration of the poliey of passing the Constitutional Amendment. The modification of the Sunday Law is recommended; some nmendments to the Criminal Code are suggested; it is urged that the Klamath Lake country should be set off from Wasco County and attached to Jackson, and a Registry Law is deemed necessary for the protection of the purity of elections, with the adaition that the
oath of allegiance shall be anken by all electoath of allegiance shall be tuken by all elect-
ors. It is estimated that the amount of Bounty and Pay Bonda for the Oregon Volun. teera will not excerd \$104.899 66.
Hohiday Pahannts.-Mt. J. Juker is now opening the largest and finest assortment of Hollday Presents ever brought east of the mountaina, embracing everything necessiny for the young as well as old people; dolls of all sizes, and some beautiful ladies' workboxes, together with a thousand other ind s-

LETTER FROM IDABO CETY.
Ibsho Citt, Novenber 23d, 1805.
Eotton Mountaisega.-Observing that your paper takes a great interest in representing the section of country lying between the Cas. cades nod Rocky Monntains, I thongbt I would pick up my old neglected goose quill, and
give sour printers as balf an hour's ntausegive your prine meat of sticking type.
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notbe nasts.
This camp has maintained its reputation from its discovery up to the present time, as the richest, both in extent aud duration, of any yet discovered outaide of Califuraia. It from twelve to andion varioushy estimated al. thou ${ }_{6} \mathrm{~h}$ it bas lost four or five thousmad thite fall, who, on the breaking out of the Blackfoot excitement, pulled up their stakea and migrated to that EI Dorndo of the Rocky Moun-
taios. The minea of this camp-I meun taios. The minea of this camp-I meun
placer minen-are not near worked out. It ia true, that some of the creeks and gulehes but I vas rich as they were two years ago balf work'd out yet, and the bills, and flats remain to give eroployment to thousands of practical miers or yora this moment is being carrird on
mining at wore extnsively than at any period durme
the entire summer. We were bleased by Providence with a bountifal supply of water
daring the last two weeks. All the ditehes are full to overflowing, and in every camp th busy stroke of the pick and shovel may be heard. A nugget weighint thirteen ouncer
and a half was found this week on Buena Vista Bar, and the mini.g claims in genera are doing well.

> QUABTZ LODESIN HOLRE BAFIN.

If every foot of the immense range of placer mines in this Basin, yet undiscorered, was en tirely worked out, the quartz lodes of thi camp would give profitisble employment oo idle or wanton assertion, but is based upo a thorough knowledge of the wenlth, charac ter and extent of the innumerable ledges o in this country. There are, perhaps, not les than five thousand quartz claims recorded in Boise County. And there are but few of this number but will eventually pay good interes apon capital inrested in developing and wor ing the same. The great drawbacks to ni
this, is that the owners of lodes, ns a genera thing, cannot afford to go on dereloping their ledges, as they are, in general men, who have no capital to invest in mills, etc. Another miatortune, in my opinion, is that the men sent out here by Eastern capitalista, are en
tirely unqualifed to act as euperintendents or agents, as they have little or no experience in sach mattera, and become an easy prey to the sbarpers who abound in all mining camps, and who atrait the advent of those unsuspecting victims as the rolf would the straying off ot a lumb frow the fold. The consequences are in many 1astances, that the inexperienced
iggent of a company fitda too late, after be has erected $n$ mill and gone to the expense of building offices, roads, ete., that ho has no
quartz to crush. This, I nm grieved to say, quartz to crush. This, 1 nm grieved to say,
is not uncommon, as it gives to the camp a is not uncommon, as it gives to the carmp a
doubtful tame. But reasonable and practical men can readily discover the cnuse and guard against it. The remedy is simple. If moneyed hands of incapables, well and good, they must blame only their own negligence or at upidity, Let them but employ skillful, experienced atid practical men at the head of their enterprises, and my word for it, their \&peculations will be fruitful of snccess, and n matier of incalculible benefit to the conntry. There are bundreds of good and vapuable loders in this country, the owners of which do not wish to give
them away, nor can they bring them uato hem away, nor can they bring them uato
market. As it would appear that those cupimarket. As it would appear that those enpi-
taliats or brokers, who have visited this camp, are possessed with the strange notion of buying large tracts of ground for little money, and zometimes-for it will happenthe lodes are in the imagination of the pur chaser, or in common purlance, the victim has got "quartz on the braio.
Patsey Marley and Uoa. Orem, two boxers fought ninety-seven rounds, it Helena, Montana Territory, on the 5th of November, and although they atarted in at fifteen minutes atter three three, P. M., nigbt closed in on them before the fistic discussion was decided. The next day Orem could not come to time and Marley was proslaimed viator.
Whilam Staisaiak, aged seventy-reve lately died in Sanpete county, Utah Territory He was one of the first six members of the Cburch of the Latter Day Saints, and beld out faithful nutit bis death to the delu

Gen. MoClellan is about to return from Earope. He has now accomplished himself so well in the military art, tont the next chance be gets he will show the nation "how to do it." Four thousand children were lost in the streets of New York, during the year 1864. Two bundred and eleren were never found by their parents again.
Many of the Eoglish cotton-operstives arn coming to the New England S ates for employment.
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