

Daily Mountaineer.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 3, 1886.

The best quality of flour brings \$15.50, per barrel in New York city.

There is a girl in Maine, 13 years old, weighing 205 pounds.

Wood is worth \$16 a cord at Virginia City, Montana Territory.

The population of Sweden by the last census was 4,020,061; and of Stockholm, 128,576.

The Rev. Alexander Campbell, the founder of Campbellites lately died in Kentucky.

America produces fifty million gallons of ardent spirits annually, which is mostly consumed at home.

The marvellous story about the discovery of a gold in Montana, is so far contradicted that it now simply a very rich gold bearing quartz lode; that's all.

J. Ross Browne has been appointed captain in the Arizona Volunteers, and ordered to report for topographical duty.

The New York Herald designates the military leader of the late rebel armies as "Mr. Lee, now in charge of a little college in Virginia."

A party of young men some time since, while digging for roots a few miles north of Vincennes, Ind., discovered an old leather sack containing \$7,000 in gold and \$8,000 in silver.

The farmers in California are making good progress in plowing and sowing. The rains have been abundant and the weather mild. Present indications are favorable to a good crop.

The Legislature of the new State of Colorado has chosen Governor John Evans and J. B. Chaffee, Senators.—Hon. G. M. Chilcott was elected to the House of Representatives at their late election.

In anticipation of a visitation of cholera, the Secretary of War has ordered the suspension of sale of all Government hospitals, that they may be in readiness for use should there be a necessity for them.

A whole family of thieves have been discovered in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania. Their name is Barkholder, and the gang include all from grand father down to infantile stealers, eight of them.

A lady in a Willamette paper commences a poem by announcing that "My home, it is in Heaven." If her title is perfect she ought to take possession immediately, as it is a great deal better thing than she is liable to get on this earth.

The Idaho Democracy are at last captured by his Calebship of Lyonsdale. H. B. Lane of Lanesdale is supposed to be the real live governor of Idaho, the Lyon of the Dale being kept as a kind of zoological curiosity, to furnish tone and style to the politics of the territory.

From some of the statistics made up at the War Department, of the casualties to our general officers during the war, it appears that we had eight Major Generals and seventeen Brigadier Generals killed outright in battle, while two Major Generals and five Brigadier Generals died of wounds received in action, and seventeen Generals of the two ranks died of disease.

LARGE DEFALCATION—The dispute between the Treasurer of Boise County and the Territorial Treasurer has at length settled itself in a manner somewhat unexpected. Mr. Slocum, the County Treasurer, had declined to pay over to Dr. E. Smith, the Territorial Treasurer, the territorial funds due from Boise County, on the pretense that Smith was not a safe person to be trusted with the money, or that his bonds were insufficient. Slocum further said that he "never would pay over the money to Smith." This has turned out to be prophetic, for the best reason in the world: Slocum, himself, has appropriated all the funds in the county treasury, and there is not a quarter of a dollar's worth of "battery" or "real estate" left in that receptacle of public moneys. The Idaho Statesman of the 18th of January, contains the following particulars of the discovery of the defalcation and the arrest of Slocum:

The community was startled Tuesday evening, the 16th of January, on the arrival of the Idaho stage, to learn that Alfred Slocum, Treasurer of Boise County, was found to be defaulter absconding on the Territorial fund to the amount of nearly eight thousand dollars. The exact amount is said to be \$7,838 77. Ben Anderson, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Council, was sent by joint resolution of both houses just before the adjournment, to bring Slocum and the funds down to the Capital.—An investigation into his affairs discovered the fact that although two relief bills had cut down the amount necessary for him to raise by twenty-one thousand dollars, he was still deficient the paltry balance. The cause assigned is investment in mining stocks, principally the ledge and mill known as the "Elkhorn," above Pioneer. What the entire deficit will prove to be is of course yet unknown. The above figures only show the amount due to the Territory after deducting \$11,500 on the Catcher relief bill, and \$8,900 on the Boise county relief bill, neither of which are entirely settled. Slocum was arrested last Sunday by special officer Anderson, to whom he discovered his defalcation. The Commissioners of Boise county held a special session last Monday and declared the office of Treasurer vacant, and called another meeting for the 15th of next month to fill the vacancy. Slocum has, we understand, made an assignment of his property to three of his most responsible sureties, who will, in the course of a few days, settle up his affairs. He was taken back to Idaho City yesterday morning in charge of Sheriff Catcher.

THE TAX ON ASSAYED GOLD AND SILVER—The subject is from John Cummins, the Collector of Internal Revenue for Idaho Territory:

OFFICE OF COLLECTOR INTERNAL REVENUE, Boise City, January 11, 1886.
Editor Statesman—Dear Sir:—As there is a misapprehension of the law as to whether bullion, when re-assayed, is subject to tax under the Internal Revenue Law, for such re-assaying, I wish to call the attention of parties interested to the following provision of Circular 18, issued by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, under date of August 7, 1864, and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury. It reads as follows: "If any bullion which has been stamped, and on which the duty has been paid in accordance with these regulations, shall be re-assayed or further refined, the duty on the same shall be paid by the assayer, and it shall be restamped in the same manner as if no previous assay had been made."

The ice barrier at Hellgate in the Columbia has been carried away; but the river is closed from the mouth of John Day River for thirty miles up.

TRAIN-OWNERS AND TRAINS IN A PRECARIOUS SITUATION—From a statement in our Helena items, says the Montana Post of the 30th of December, and information derived from other sources, we feel apprehensive of the loss of men and stock between Helena and Pen d'Oreille Lake. It was rumored two weeks ago that pack-animals, in the vicinity of the Lake, were perishing in great numbers from want of food and extreme cold combined. Many trains left Lewiston and Walla Walla between six weeks and two months ago loaded for Blackfoot City and Helena, which have not yet arrived at their destination. To be out in the mountains unsheltered, with the thermometer ranging from zero to thirty degrees below, is certainly to endure great suffering, if not to take desperate chances between life and death. In painful suspense, we are prepared at any time to hear of loss of limbs, and perhaps lives, among these bold and enterprising freighters.

NO LEGISLATURE FOR MONTANA—Gov. Elgerton and the last Legislature of Montana having failed to make provision for the re-election of members of the two houses, and the right to elect under the organic act being exhausted, Montana is left without a Legislature. Gen. Meagher, acting Governor, thus states the case:

The Legislature convened by Gov. Elgerton in conformity with the provisions of the organic act, expired on the 24th of last October. The apportionment bill, providing for a new legislature, having been vetoed by Gov. Elgerton, and the legislature having failed to pass it over his veto by the necessary two-thirds vote, it is clearly my conviction that the legislative functions of the Territory have temporarily lapsed. To revive these functions I am as clearly of opinion that an enabling act of Congress empowering the Governor to re-district the Territory, apportion the representatives and convene them for business, is essentially required, and that no other proceeding can legitimately restore them, strange and embarrassing as the circumstances are in which their suspension places us.

Wasco Lodge, No. 15, F. A. & A. M.—Holds its stated communications on the First and Third Saturdays of each month, at their hall, in Dalles City. Brethren in good standing are invited to attend. E. A. O. Payne, Sec'y. By order of the W. M.

Columbia Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F.—Meets every Friday evening at 7 o'clock, in Gates' Hall, corner of Second and Court Streets. Brethren in good standing are invited to attend. By order, R. G.

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE. I WILL SELL AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. HOWD, Corner of Union and Fourth streets, the entire Household Furniture consisting of PARLOR, DINING ROOM, BED ROOM & KITCHEN FURNITURE. Sale on Saturday, Feb. 2d, at 10 a.m. F. A. O. PAYNE, Auctioneer.

PAYNE'S AUCTION ROOM! (ONE DOOR ABOVE THE POST OFFICE) MAIN STREET, DALLES CITY. I will attend to sales of Real Estate, General Merchandise, Furniture, and Stocks. REGULAR SALE DAYS, MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS. Stock and Special Sales any day, Sundays excepted. F. A. O. PAYNE, Auctioneer.

F. DEHM, Watchmaker and Jeweler. MAIN STREET, DALLES. DEALER IN FINE WATCHES, JEWELRY, CLOCKS, Gold Pens, Silver and Plated Ware, Spectacles, Cutlery, &c. Particular attention paid to repairing fine Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, etc. All Watches repaired by me warranted for twelve months. N. B. All orders from the upper country, by Express or otherwise, promptly attended to.

Private Residence For Sale. A NICE RESIDENCE, located in the best part of town, will be sold cheap FOR CASH. Terms at the Sale of Feb 1st. JOHN & CO. DALLES.

AUCTION AND COMMISSION HOUSE! No. 100 MAIN STREET, DALLES. THE UNDERSIGNED THANKFUL FOR PAST FAVOR, respectfully informs the citizens of Dalles, and the public generally, that he continues to sell PUBLIC AUCTION OR PRIVATE SALE, Real Estate, General Merchandise, Groceries, Horses, Mules, Furniture, Stocks, &c. &c. REGULAR SALE DAYS, Tuesdays and Saturdays. Cash Advances made on Consignments, And PROMPT RETURN made of sales. Out door and Special Sales attended to in any part of the city. Tariff of Charges Until Further Notice: For Selling Merchandise, Groceries, Furniture, Stocks &c. &c. 5 per cent. For Selling Horses and Real Estate, 10 " " Horses, Mules, Work Cattle, each \$2 NO CHARGE FOR STORAGE. JOHN WILLIAMS, Auctioneer.

J. J. UKER, Main Street, Dalles. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN CIGARS, TOBACCO, SNUFF, PIPES, &c. ALWAYS IN STOCK THE BEST BRANDS OF Playing Cards, Pocket Cutlery, Port Cigars, Combs and Brushes, of all kinds, Chamberlains of every description, Chinese Ornaments, Fish Balls, etc. Fish Hooks and Fishing Tackle, Medical Instruments, Fancy Goods, &c. Also, Fine Stationery, Lead, Powder, Pins, Baskets, and many other articles too numerous to mention. Instructions supplied with Cigars, Tobacco, etc. at less than Portland prices, with freight added. oc-8

SELLING OFF AT COST, FOR THIRTY DAYS LONGER!! LAST CHANCE! MISSISS, COHN & BOHM would hereby inform their customers and the public at large, that they will continue to sell AT COST, for thirty days longer in order to give one a chance to make presents for the holidays. We will sell the balance of our stock, consisting of Rich Black Silks, Gent's Cloaks, Lace Trimmings, Dress Coats, Embroideries, Hats & Caps, Boots & Shoes, &c., &c., &c. AT SAN FRANCISCO COST. Without Freight and Exp'n. This will be the last chance to get bargains, prior to closing the concern. JOHN & BOHM. N. B. All bills must be paid by the First of January 1886. If not settled within that time, the same will be placed in legal hands. det-1

J. W. GURLEY, DENTIST, Main St., Dalles, Oregon. WOULD RESPECTFULLY INFORM the citizens of this place and vicinity, that having returned from a professional tour through the states, he has again resumed the practice of DENTISTRY, in the room formerly occupied by him, in the building occupied by Wood & Butler, Photograph Artists, and adjoining Walden Bros' Drug Store. He takes this method of extending thanks for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, and solicits a continuance of the same. List of Prices: Entire Denture on Gold Base.....\$150 to \$225 " Upper Denture, Gold Base..... 90 " 125 " Denture, Vulcanite Base..... 70 " 125 " Upper Denture, Vulcanite Base..... 55 " 65 Gold Fillings inserted from one dollar upward. Children's Teeth extracted free of charge. oc-31-1

M. BROWN & BRO., Wholesale and Retail Dealers in FANCY AND STAPLE DRY GOODS! GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, &c. Mr. M. BROWN, being a resident of San Francisco, we are enabled to offer great inducements to purchasers. We respectfully invite the public to examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere. m15-11

NEW SALOON. NEW STONE STORE, WASHINGTON STREET. THE UNDERSIGNED would respectfully announce that he will open a first class Saloon in French & German New Stone Building, THIS EVENING, and is prepared to serve customers with the best of Wines, Liquors and Cigars. ALSO, A FREE LUNCH Every day and evening. JOHN RINDLAUF, DEALER.

ESTRAY NOTICE. TAKEN UP BY THE UNDERSIGNED, living on Eight Mile Creek, ten miles South of Dalles City, Oregon, on December 25th, 1885, one BAY HORSE, 14 hands high, white with an eye, some saddle marks, white hind feet, some black spots above the hocks, a few white hairs on forehead, branded on the left shoulder, about seven years old, and appraised at \$10. J. E. CLARK.