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FIRE IN HELENA CITY.

THE telegrams this morning bring an sent, for according to the telegram, ninety Central Pacific. eight business houses, and forty private dwellings, with much of their contents, valued at not less than half a million of curred in this city this morning at about dollars, have been destroyed. This is a terrible misfortune to a young city like Helena, and is deeply to be deplored. Nothing is said about loss of life; but to be deprived at one swoop, in a few hours, of the fruits of years of labor and hours, of the fruits of years of labor and three blocks, being arrested in that industry, as many no doubt have been direction at the fire proof blocks occupiin this case, is a loss, perhaps second ed by Mansfield & Co., on West street, only to loss of life. The details of the and Hale's drug store on East St., leavoccurrence are not given, neither the origin of the fire.

Helens papers mentioned that a movement was immediately inaugurated by

a like casualty recurring again. It the probability is that the present loss would not have been sustained.

This event should prove very suggestive to the merchants and business men of every city in the Bocky Mountains. They are all more or less liable and ex- drunken row. posed to such casualties and contingencies, yet very many are quite as unpre-pared to stay the progress of a fire as the citizene of Helene. In this city for is the lowest bid was 1311, the highest citizens of Helena. In this city, for instance, the means already provided for such an emergency are very scanty; and Exchange to-day and made a short in case of fire here in the business portions of the city, unless discovered instantly, great destruction of property would be almost sure to ensue. To render public safety at all certain in cases of are in a city like this, with twenty or be open to the public gaze; and he should twenty-five thousand inhabitants, the endeavor to administer the finances most approved appliances and organiza- without embarassing the business of tions should be in existence. We have ant effect generally, and especially on hitherto enjoyed, it may be said, a re- the bond market. markable immunity from accidents and alarms of this nature; but it is al-ways best to be prepared. The immuni-ty of the past is no guarantee for safety in the future; and if a fire brigade was formed here, and all the appliances necessary to render it efficient, procured, the feeling of safety in the public mind would be far greater than it could be while there is the least risk of being



day; the track-layers were compelled to desist on account of unfinished grading. The iron was laid at the rate of a mile account of another terrible fire in the city of Helena, Montana Territory. This city seems to be peculiarly unfortunate. It is not yet three months since a fire broke out in the Assay office of Bohm broke out in the Assay office of Bohm & Molitor there, and before it could be cutting and take the Central road, but extinguished, destroyed property valued he found no one with authority to make at from seventy-five to a hundred thou- the change. This morning only nine. and a half miles remained to complete sand dollars. But that, bad as it was, the road through from ocean to ocean, was a mere speck compared to the pre- eight and a half of which were on the

Legal tenders 76. Helena, M. T., 28.—The most destructive fire that ever visited Montana octwo o'clock. The fire originated in Chinatown corner, and Cutler and the east side of Clare St., a distance of ing in its track King and Gillette's block and Hussey, Dahler & Co's bank-ing house alone standing. From the After the disaster in February the foot of Bridge and Wood streets every building on both sides and between those streets, were consumed as far up as Joliet St. Every fire-proof building the leading business men for the adop-tion of measures to ensure the public safety and to prevent, as far as possible, like convert, which was destroyed. It was filled with very valuable goods belonging to several firms, and was a total loss. Ninety-eight business houses and about seems, however, very unfortunately, forty private dwellings were destroyed. that no practical results were reached, or The houseless inhabitants, with what is left of their household goods, cover the

hills overlooking the town, and form a pitiable spectacle. Wells Fargo and Co's and the Western Union Telegraph offices were both burned. The loss is not less than half a million.

"One man was stabbed and killed in a

New York, 29.-Twenty-six proposals 134, 2-100. A million dollars were sold. Secretary Boutwell visited the Stock speech, in substance to the effect that he should faithfully collect the revenues and apply the surplus, after paying the expenses of the government, to the re-duction of the national debt. He said he should introduce economy in the department, and that all operations should

Baltimore .- E. Fulton, the new Surveyor of the port, has appointed Wm. H. Taylor, colored, subordinate of the office. He is the first negro sppointed by a Federal officer in Maryland. The colored citizens waited upon Fulton and thanked him.

Washington .- The Army officers assign the reason for reopening the recruiting offices that the personnel of the army is ascertained to be under the

contemplated minimum. New York .- In the billiard tourna-New York.—In the binnard tothar ment on the fourth day Rodolph beat Daniels, 1,200 to 711; the largest run was 159; the average 25. Deery beat Goldthwaite, 1,200 to 912; the highest run was 160, the average 19] Bavannah, 30.—The ship Sussex, from

Mobile, with a cargo of cotton and oil-cake, for Liverpool, has been towed into this port, her cargo afire; the steam pumps had been sent.

Philadelphia.-The building at the corner of 21st and Race streets, built for a skating rink and used for the Oddfel-lows' ball on Monday night, was de-wonderful and terrific sensation of the stroyed by fire last night; the building was one of the largest in the country, age," which consists of a velocipede ascen-sion by a Master Siegrist, on a wire 200 feet the dancing floor comfortably accommo-dating 5,000 persons.

Cincinnatti.-Judge Ballard, the district Judge of the northern district of Kentucky, yesterday rendered judg-ment for seven thousand against James Gedge, in favor of the United States lower than its real value.

New York .- The District Attorney at Hudson says that Josephine Brown, who recently pretended that her husband had left a confession of the murder band had left a confession of the murder deserved compliments to Gen. Parker, the of a little girl named Angie Brown, Indian Commissioner, and predicts a favorinstead of proceeding to Hartford to able issue from the change. obtain the pretended confession, re-mains in that vicinity, carrying on a has never been any need of war with these love correspondence with a nigger.

In the case of Ellen Corlock, of a verdict against two New York physi-cians, named Blanck and Voelker, who have been committed to jail.

Rower shoal, and remains there this morning.

will show a decrease of about three million. The interest on the May fivetwenties, nearly 24,000,000, will not be charged up until after the first of November. It is this interest which now appears in the aggregate of the debt of every month; it will not be deducted from the total until the next statement at which time the public may look for a large decrease in the debt, not only from this cause, but from largely increased receipts of internal revenue.

It is stated that the President telegraphed yesterday to the absent members of the cabinet, asking their attendance at meeting, to be held to-day at

Thomas Taylor vs W.Wickerson and others on promissory note, defendant filed a plea in abatement in the Probate Court from whence the case was appealed. The plea was argued in this Court and sustained and the suit was consequently dismissed at the cost of Thomas Taylor. The docket was called but there being no business

ready before Wednesday next, the petit jury was dismissed till then. Court adjourned till to-morrow at ten when it will meet for the purpose of the naturalization

of aliens. The Grand Jury is still in session. WARNING .- We hope everybody interested, will read Superintendent Musser's advertisement under the above caption.

WHAT NEXT -An English paper an-nounces that "a tight rope dancer named Balleni, the great Australian Blondin, will

> sion by a Master Siegrist, on a wire 200 feet long, across a lake, at an elevation of 25 feet. Tight rope performances on a veloci-pede are, as far as our experience goes,

"something new under the sun." All the fools are not dead yet. What will be the next sensation? RIGHT .- The Omaha Herald hits the for returning tobacco manufactured at mark when it made the following remarks

on Indian wars:

"The Cheyenne Argus speaks hopefully of the change that is about to take place in the conduct of our Indian affairs. It pays

red men. To argue otherwise is to argue on our inferiority to the French, who, since

THE MATINEE.-Let the little folks bring

half past. a la t il 0-1 : la la t t t i 0-1 Lessees & Managers H. B. Clawson & J. T. Caine. Ap Doors open at 71 o'clock. Performance to SECOND WEEK





These are matters worthy the serious consideration of all our business men, The casualties constantly occurring in the large cities in various parts of the country, show the necessity of being to-day at the Board of Trade rooms in in relation to the matter, could not possibly be attended with harm, and might prove a very great blessing, pecuniarily and otherwise, to the community at

large. BARBAROUS.

THE proclamation, said to have been issued by Valmazedas, Commander of the Spanish forces in the eastern departof which appears in to-day's telegrams, if true, shows that a very sanguinary and barbarous policy is about to be adopted by that Commander in conducting the war against the Cubans.

The execution of every male of fifteen and upwards, who is not able to give a satisfactory account of himself to the now enraged Spaniards, who would not totally opposed to the instincts of the Oscar Mack. age, and worthy only of savages. The demolition of every uninhabited house, with all the Assistant Commissioners in the white flag-the symbol of loyalty to Spain,—is another piece of high handed oppression; while the transpor-North Carolina, and James Thompson, tation, and compulsory detention at Bayomo of every woman found in the possible to believe that any commander, possessing the least spark of humanity or claim to enlightenment, could ever think of enforcing any such meas-

noon. the country. His remarks had a buoy-

beating of intemperate men by the po-lice, and the brutality practiced at the police stations are disgraceful. Philadelphia.—The old freight depot

at Germantown was burned last night; loss \$40,000.

Newark .- In the National Sunday School convention Henry Ward Beechovertaken as the people of Helena have er, S. H. Tyng, Jr., and others partici-just been. er, S. H. Tyng, Jr., and others partici-pated in a debate on Sunday school

mission work. Richmond.-The Conservative convention appointed a committee to wait and, in fact, of the citizens generally. on President Grant relative to the submission of the Constitution, and then adjourned sine die.

prepared even here. Prompt attention favor of the protection of American inand the adoption of effective measures dustry. Morton McMichael presided. Resolutions were adopted recommend-ing a general tariff law, embracing the entire range of imported goods, and superseding all former tariffs and duties, being made specific as far as possible, and sufficiently high to afford fair wages to workingmen and reasonable

profits to employers. Albany.—The legislature, in joint convention, has elected Henry Smith, police commissioner, vice Acton resigned, and John A Griswold, regent of the university. The Senate has adopted ment of the Island of Cuba, a synopsis the report of the conference committee, of which appears in to-day's telegrams, that it shall not be lawful for any corporation whose road extends across the S tate in an easterly or westerly direction to lease the same without first cbtaining legislative enactment there-

Pittsburg.-Louis Lane, celored, was executed in the jail yard, to-day, for the murder of his wife last May. Washington, D. C.-The following officers have been assigned to duty in

be at all likely to be satisfied with any account that could be given, is a policy Wager Swayne, W. McDunn and Col.

Tennessee

Cincinnati.-The United States Grand streets is no better, and it is scarcely Jury have found 52 indictments, mostly against whisky dealers, for defrauding the revenue.

St. Louis, 29.—The Republican has-a. letter from Camp Witcheta, Medicine Bluff Creek, Indian Territory, dated April 6th, which says that one hundred

NAM: AN FOREIGN.

Auckland, New Zealand, advices state that a terrible massacre occurred at White Oliffs, Taranka, Feb. 15, during which Lieut. Gascoyne and his wife and family and six settlers were killed. Outside settlers were coming into the town in a state of alarm. The public offices and stores were closed, and ensigns at half-mast.

Geneva.—It is rumored that the Swiss government has requested Joseph Maz-zini to leave the country; Mazzini lives at Lugano, near the Italian border. His connection with the recent conspiracy

Vienna .- The law declaring Prague in a state of seige has been annulled; placards have been posted in various

Queen: Maria was second, and Brigantine third.

Key West.—The following important dispatch has been received here by mail from Bayomo, Cuba: The Count Valmazeda, commander of the Spanish forces in the eastern department, has is-sued a proclamation, whereof the fol-lowing are the chief features:

First.-Every native male over fifteen years of age found away from his residence without sufficient cause shall be executed.

Second.—Every uninhabited dwell-ing, and every inhabited dwelling where the white flag is undisplayed shall be reduced to ashes.

Third .- All women away from their

houses will come to Bayomo or Sigauri, or they will be brought by force. The proclamation is dated Bayomo, April 4th Londonderry, Ireland.-Riots occurred here yesterday between the Catholics and Orangemen; during 'the collision, the police charged upon both. Fire arms were freely used, several rioters being wounded and two killed. The riot, at one time, assumed fearful pro-portions, but the number of the police d the appearance of the military, finally succe

