

THE DEMOCRACY.

Delegates to the State Convention Assembling at Fresno.

ALL INTEREST CENTERED ON THE CHAIRMANSHIP.

The Bone of Contention Being as to the Pledging of Delegates to the National Convention—Senator Ostrom of Yuba and Barney Murphy of Santa Clara the Opposing Candidates, the Former Favoring the Indorsing of Cleveland for President.

FRESNO, May 15.—Although the Democratic State Convention does not meet till Tuesday afternoon, fully half of the delegates have already arrived, and the city consequently has taken on a lively appearance.

The Fresno people are receiving the visitors very hospitably, and have accommodated all so far. There is liable to be some crowding before to-morrow night. The city is in holiday attire, and the principal streets are being decorated handsomely with flags and banners, and nearly every store in town, as well as many private residences, also neatly dressed.

Of course button-holing and wire-pulling is the order of the day, the various contests for delegates-at-large, district delegates and the like not being thought of at this time, all interest being settled on the fight for Chairmanship of the convention. It is now settled that the principal candidates for this position of honor and interest being warm one. These candidates are Senator D. A. Ostrom of Yuba and Barney Murphy of Santa Clara.

Baron Fava Arrives. NEW YORK, May 15.—Baron Fava, Italian Minister to the United States, arrived to-day on the La Corgone. He was taken from the ship by representatives of the United States, and landed in Jersey City at 3 P. M. train for Washington.

President Harrison at Fort Monroe. FORT MONROE (Va.), May 15.—The President and party arrived here at 10 o'clock this morning. They had a pleasant run down. Mrs. Harrison is much improved by the trip.

SATURDAY NIGHT'S STORM. HEAVY RAINFALL IN MANY SECTIONS OF THE STATE.

The Torrent at Marysville the Heaviest Ever Known There—Hay Damaged.

MARYSVILLE, May 15.—Within two or three hours this morning before day-break rain fell in this city and vicinity in a greater torrent than ever known before. The storm measured one inch and fifty-four hundredths. The Yuba and Feather rivers have both risen considerably, owing to the fact that few farmers or fruit growers were in to-day, any estimated damage is not now obtainable.

Yuba City, May 15.—A heavy rain, accompanied by a strong wind, began falling at Yuba City this morning. Considerable damage was done to grain. The rain will be of benefit to date over fifteen inches. Any heavy rain from now on does more harm than good.

Yuba City, May 15.—Rain fell heavily all night, and this morning a heavy rain fell, making the total fall for the season about fifteen inches.

Wheatland, May 15.—One and thirty-eight hundredths inches of rain fell in about eight hours last night. Much grain has been lodged. It is not possible to estimate the damage. The weather remains threatening.

Wholesale Poisoner Arrested. ANNA (Ill.), May 15.—Thos. G. Stansfield has been arrested by Sheriff Rich for poisoning his wife now dead, and G. W. Morris, Sam Morris and Monroe Morris and the father and two brothers. The three latter are still living. Rough on Rich's prison was employed, which was placed in the coffee.

KILLED BY HIGHWAYMEN.

The Redding Stage Held Up by Two Masked Men.

EXPRESS MESSENGER MONTGOMERY LOSSES HIS LIFE.

The Driver and an Outside Passenger Seriously Wounded—The Express Box, Which is Believed to Have Contained Five Thousand Dollars, Secured by the Robbers—Scene of the Tragedy—One of the Robbers Captured.

REDDING, May 15.—At 6 o'clock last evening two masked men fired into the Redding and Shasta stage while it was coming to a long grade five miles above this place, fatally wounding Wells-Fargo Messenger Buck Montgomery, and securing the treasure-box, which is believed to have contained in the neighborhood of \$5,000. The driver and a passenger were also slightly injured. It is thought that the highwaymen were the same men who stopped the stage on last Tuesday and secured so little for their work.

As the stage reached the top of the grade two men suddenly appeared from a clump of bushes beside the road. Both were masked with red bandana handkerchiefs and were armed, one with a shotgun and the other with a rifle. John Boyce was driving with a man named George Suhr on the box beside him. Buck Montgomery, the messenger, was on the back seat inside.

BASEBALL. Results of Saturday's and Sunday's Games. SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—The Oakland and San Jose teams played a great game to-day. The fielding was superb, not an error being made on either side up to the eighth inning. The hitting was lively, but fine fielding kept the hits down.

LOS ANGELES, May 15.—To-day's ball game was exciting from start to finish. The home side, sitting exhibition ever since the loss of the game, was touched up for fifteen hits, with a total of twenty-seven bases, while fourteen safe ones were made in two runs. Score: Los Angeles 9, San Francisco 5.

SATURDAY'S GAMES. The Oakland defeated the San Jose at the Haight-street grounds by a score of 10 to 4.

Died of His Wounds. COLTON, May 15.—Eneas Filine, who was shot by Daniel Salazar last night while attending a dance at East Riverside, died this morning. It is reported that he quarreled with Antonio Baladre and shot him in the leg.

Goddard and McAniff Matched. SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—Joe Goddard and Joe McAniff have signed articles for their fight in the California Athletic Club. The fight will occur on the night of June 3rd.

Fifteen Mile Trucking Race. PETALUMA, May 15.—Last night after dark, and in a drizzling rain, Charles Nordrup and Charles Carter drove a trotting race from here to Santa Rosa, a distance of fifteen miles, for a wager of \$200. Charles Nordrup was the winner.

Prominent Citizens at Death's Door. MONROVIA (Cal.), May 15.—Samuel A. Monroe, founder of this city, is at death's door with pneumonia. He is a prominent Republican and a citizen of wealth.

Young Boy Drowned. EUGENE (Or.), May 15.—The sixteen-year-old boy of George Hunter fell out of a small boat into the Willamette River and was drowned at 4 o'clock to-day.

Programme in the House and Senate. WASHINGTON, May 15.—The coming week in the House will be devoted almost exclusively to the appropriation bills, the sundry civil bill being now under consideration, and either the postoffice or fortification appropriation bills will follow it, as it is not thought probable that Hatch will successfully antagonize consideration with the anti-option bills.

On the Middle Creek Road, About a Mile From Shasta. The point where the stage was stopped is about one mile from Shasta, at what is called the Blue Cut—a place, where the road cuts through a hillock, making a good stand for the highwaymen.

THE MISSOURI BOOMING.

Lands on Either Side Covered With Vast Lakes of Water.

AVERAGE WIDTH OF THE RIVER TEN MILES.

Upon Whose Surface Furniture, Dwellings and the Bodies of Dead Animals are Floating—Rend's Island Three Feet Under Water—The Foundations of Hundreds of Houses Undermined—Much Property Destroyed.

ST. LOUIS, May 15.—At 10 P. M. the river was still rising at the rate of an inch an hour. An Associated Press reporter took a trip down the river for about forty miles to-day. The situation, viewed from the pilot-house, was one of great devastation.

MINE TROUBLES. The Situation at Wallace, Idaho, Somewhat What Unsettled. WALLACE (Idaho), May 15.—The situation in the mines to-day is somewhat unsettled. Fifteen of the non-union men imported have deserted and joined the union. These deserters say their associates are imprisoned in the mine, and all will desert as soon as possible.

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TERRIBLE RAILROAD WRECK.

"Cannon-Ball" Special and Freight Crash Into Each Other.

BOTH ENGINES BATTERED INTO A SHAPELESS MASS.

THE Cars Behind Mashed Into Kindling—Not a Person on Either Train Escaped Uninjured—Five Horribly Mangled Bodies Already Taken From the Wreck, and It is Thought at Least Ten More Persons Lost Their Lives.

CLEVELAND (O.), May 15.—In the midst of a terrific storm of wind and rain, two Big Four trains crashed into each other at Cleveland this morning with awful effect, the horrors of which are not yet known.

At the same moment the express came into sight, and the iron monsters crashed into each other with a roar that sounded above the storm. Both engines were battered into a shapeless mass and rolled off the track.

PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—This afternoon a row boat in the Delaware River capsized and three occupants, Lewis Turner, Charles Anderson and George Roark were drowned.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Senator Vance arrived this morning. He made the trip without serious discomfort, and hopes to resume his duties in a few days.

VISITING EDITORS. GREATLY PLEASED WITH A SIGHT OF CALIFORNIA.

Hospitably Received by the Citizens of San Bernardino and San Diego.

Special to the RECORD-UNION. SAN BERNARDINO, May 15.—A committee of the Board of Trade of this city left last evening for Barstow to meet the National Editorial Association.

When the party was thrown into ecstasy of delight at the wonderful transition from a desert to green fields and blooming flowers, the party was taken to the Valley through the Cajon Pass, through snow-capped mountains, orange trees and abundance of wild flowers.

ONE KILLED AND SEVERAL INJURED. HAGERSTOWN, May 15.—A passenger train on the Norfolk and Western Road jumped the track at Hagersstown this night, and Conductor Hayes, a brakeman and several others were killed.

Fatal Accident to a Boating Party. MONTREAL (Que.), May 15.—A drowning accident occurred to-day at Ste. Catherine's, three young men named St. Cyr went out boating and the boat capsized, precipitating them into the river. Before assistance could be given them they were drowned.

ARMY OF THE CUMBERLAND. WASHINGTON, May 15.—The next annual reunion of the Army of the Cumberland will be held at Chickamauga, Ga., this year, on September 15th and 16th, thus taking place a week before the Grand Encampment at Washington, instead of a week after, as first planned.