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REPUBLICAN WARD CAUCUSES.

The Republicans of the city of Grand Rapids will hold caucuses as follows designated in their respective wards for choosing three members to the next county Republican convention, to be held July 13, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be conducted. Ward committees are authorized to change time and place of meeting if necessary.

First Ward—Wagon & Front streets, No. 117 Grandville street, Tuesday, July 12, 7:30 p. m. Second Ward—Wagon & Front streets, No. 117 Grandville street, Tuesday, July 12, 7:30 p. m. Third Ward—Wagon & Front streets, No. 117 Grandville street, Tuesday, July 12, 7:30 p. m.

WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—For Lower Michigan: Slightly warmer; generally fair; weather, except slight local showers, variable winds.

IT PROTECTS ALL.

An esteemed contemporary asks THE HERALD to explain some things that are anomalous and then proceeds to declare that "the highest wages paid in America are received by men employed in unprotected industries." It mentions among other railroad employes, carpenters and stone masons. It must be clear to the questioner that if we had no protective industries and no commercial interchange of commodities we would have no need for railroad employes. If we had no prosperous workmen we would have no need for carpenters and stone masons to build homes for them. If we had no sickness there would be no patients and doctors would starve. If the people were all deaf, dumb and blind we could not make newspapers and this free trade editor would be out of a job.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND HAS DECLINED TO ALLOW THE USE OF HIS WIFE'S NAME BY WOMEN THAT PROPOSED TO FORM A "FRANCES CLEVELAND INFLUENCE CLUB."

Every person in the country will respect Mr. Cleveland for the refusal. The less "Baby Ruth," "Frances Cleveland" and "Baby McKee" nonsense there is in a campaign the better for it, and the more possibility of its being fought on the real issues of the respective parties.

FRON SECRETARY STEIN'S REMARKS ON THE RESULT OF THE RECENT TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS ONE MAY BELIEVE THAT AFTER ALL THERE WAS MUCH THAT WAS MERITORIOUS IN THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS OF THE EARLY PART OF THIS CENTURY.

Teachers of today know something of a vast range of subjects and are versatile exponents of many aims, but depth of learning does not always characterize their work.

IF A FAMILY IS ANYTHING AT ALL IN THE SOCIAL ECONOMY OF A NATION, IT IS SOMETHING TOO SACRED TO BE PARADED AROUND IN CAMPAIGN PROCESSIONS TO EXERT INFLUENCE TOWARD SOME POLITICAL PARTY OR PRINCIPLE.

If the present antagonistic and surly feeling between the council and the municipal boards continues much longer there is every prospect of a row of large dimensions.

MAKES IS NEARER THE EARTH THAN IT HAS BEEN BEFORE IN FIFTEEN YEARS. HE'S PROBABLY TRYING TO GET A GLIMPSE OF GROVER'S LETTER TO ADLAI.

With the awful example of Chicago in mind, Grand Rapids ought to be thankful that it hasn't any base ball club.

ELECTION OF ELECTORS.

EDITOR HERALD:—We have had a discussion at the Soldiers' home in regard to the Minter election law. Are there any provisions in that law that will enable any of the congressional districts to have more than one presidential elector? W. E. BARNES.

SALISBURY A DIPLOMAT.

Lord Salisbury is today considered the greatest of English diplomatists. Trained in the scholarly pursuits of Oxford, and later by several years of comparative hardship as an Australian colonist, he entered the house of lords with mind and heart well prepared to grasp the intricacies of the diplomatic service. Intending in a marked degree the character and unswerving devotion to principle that distinguished Lord Derby, he combines with these elements much of the depth of insight and facility for handling men and parties that made Disraeli so long

OFF OF THE STAGE

Staid Tragedians Are Much Like Other Men.

EVEN INCLINED TO BE JEALOUS

Booth, Gentle and Modest, While Barrett Was Dignified—Keene, Ward and James Are Merry and Gay.

Do you know that when not engaged in the exercise of his profession that the actor likes to enjoy himself and pass his time just like thousands of other men do, who follow the varied pursuits of life? Yet the actor is at all times conspicuous to the curious. There have been occasions when the irrepressible newspaper man has even intruded his boodler and given to the world a description of his wardrobe. He has told how he goes about his toilet, touched upon the frills upon his night dress and observed his diet to the minutest detail. Such intrusions are not only annoying but mortifying to the majority of our celebrated players, who claim as much right to secrecy, peace and seclusion in their home life as do men of other vocations. It has been the privilege of the writer to meet many men and women of the stage. They are sensible, reasonable, being and there is nothing in their manner to identify them with their profession—they cease to act when they leave the stage door. There are others, however, who, if you are known to them as a newspaper representative, will play dead behind the footlights. The noted players, the tragedians, were found to be the most shy and unassuming.

OPERA HOUSE PLANS.

It is Possible That Mr. Powers Will Manage the House. Architect Wood, who will plan the rebuilding of Powers' opera house, was expected in town yesterday, but did not arrive. He is now in California on business and will not arrive here until July 25. Mr. Powers was seen yesterday by a reporter for THE HERALD and said:

"The house will be remodeled entirely and great improvements will be made throughout. The new building will fill the alley at the east of the house, and the entrance will be from that side instead of on Pearl street as at present. A lobby will be built extending the entire length of the block, the partition walls on the same level as at present, and the roof will be lowered eight or nine feet. Waiting for Mr. Wood has delayed our plans somewhat, but as he is the man that planned the old building, and we know him as one of the best opera house architects, we are disposed to wait for him. The fire lets Brady & Garwood out of their contract for the next year, and it is not settled yet what disposition we shall make of the house. We can run it ourselves or let it out. It is unsettled which, yet we are inclined to manage it ourselves as soon as the plans are completed and contracts let. We are expecting that the house will be ready for occupancy about November 1, but cannot state so positively."

PRESS CLUB BANQUET.

The Woman Newspaper Writers to Have a Jolly Time. Arrangements have been perfected for a banquet to be given at the Hotel Ottawa, Saturday, July 16, by the Michigan Woman Press Club. Covers will be laid for 150, and there will be a delicious menu with a bright and sparkling program of toasts contributed by some of the most talented women writers in Michigan and Ohio. The banquet is not intended for Press club members only, but will be attended by leading society people in Grand Rapids, Detroit, Toledo, O.; Muskegon and other cities. Last May at the annual convention of the National Editorial association, the M. W. P. C. sent Mr. E. J. Adams, a beautiful and accomplished woman, a member of the editorial staff of the Toledo Commercial. Mrs. Roe, who is a talented elocutionist, will give a reading at the banquet, and will also recite a number of the humorous and accountable episodes of the editorial trip through California roses. The regular mid-summer meeting of the M. W. P. C. will be held at the Press club rooms on this city, Thursday, July 14. Immediately after the banquet the ladies will go down to the beach for a brief outing. Mr. Dellaven, general passenger agent of the C. & W. M., having tendered them a special car for the trip. The banquet will be the grand finale of the mid-summer meeting.

LINE OF MARCH.

Arrangements for the Furniture Men's Drive. The reception committee for the retail furniture dealer's convention will meet in the dining room of the Morton house promptly at 8 o'clock Monday evening. All visiting salesmen have been elected members of this committee, and each one is earnestly requested to be present at this last and very important meeting of the committee. Each member of the committee will be definitely assigned to their duty during the convention at this meeting.

Martin's Shoulder Blade Broken.

John Martin, a driver for the Spa Bottling works was thrown from his wagon yesterday afternoon near John Baker's residence on right shoulder blade was broken. Two fingers of his right hand were badly bruised. He was driving down a hill when the snap to the wagon strap broke and let the wagon run against the team. They were first turned and ran to the bottom of the hill. One of the horses fell and was injured. Martin was taken to his home at No. 181 Jefferson street in the ambulance and Dr. Droste attended him.

Keene a Merry Monks.

If Thomas W. Keene is a tragedian while on the stage, his latest caricature in private life stamp him as a comedian. He is as merry a Monks as one comes to meet. He is chiefly known as a "guy" and every one who meets him will be more or less subject to his harmless jest in his direction. Without doubt one of the most versatile actors on the stage, he likewise in a social way can adapt himself to any occasion or situation. He greets his friends in a hale-fellow wasp-met style, and through his ready wit and ready wit he has made his name and is as lively and sprightly as a boy in his teens. He plays trinket with much constancy and after passing an hour with him it is surprising to think that he can command himself to represent the

IN THE NEW SPAIN

The Editors on Their New Mexico Jaunt.

TALES OF ITS INHABITANTS

Part of Them Are a Mixture of Spanish, Indian and American—Needs of New Mexico.

We left Pueblo about 11 p. m., May 12, for a long, continuous journey over the plains and through the snow-capped mountains, with stops only for meals. Having crossed the vast agricultural states of Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Kansas, then a fine portion of the centennial Colorado, while a large number of our party came from the Atlantic, we could appreciate the journey through New Mexico and Arizona, regions rich in historic associations and invested with intense interest to the student of our great country. The last place of any importance on our journey through Colorado was Trinidad, and our first city in New Mexico was Las Vegas, a city of about six thousand inhabitants. Here we greeted our first meal since we left Pueblo, Colorado. There were, however, so many to provide for that it took several hours to satisfy the wants of the inner man. We went about the quaint old city, which with a good degree of interest the Spanish Mexicans as they came in from the plains, or deserts, riding or leading their diminutive, dismal looking donkeys. These animals were loaded with bundles of little sticks of wood, sage brush, etc. The price asked for the entire load was from 50 to 75 cents, and the little animal thrown in for from \$3 to \$5. The question arose which was worth the most, the driver or the driven. As to general looks, cleanliness and intelligence there seemed to be no difference.

Unwashed and Uncumbed Natives.

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New Mexico's Need.

New Mexico people say they need a better government. They are more than nine to one in favor of it. They say that her native population are not the ignorant, degraded outlaws which romancing penny-ante novelists have so frequently represented men to be among the people of the far east. They are a sturdy, hardy, correct people. Neither are they inimical to American institutions. The large majority have been born since the acquisition of this country by the United States. They say they know no other fatherland, and they are in acquaintance with no other forms of government than ours. They claim to be as patriotic in their devotion to our common country, as prompt and persistent in the exercise of their political privileges as are the people of any other section of the union.

THIS SEASON'S WOOL.

The Crop is Fair in Quality and the Price is Low. The wool clip is nearly all in. No estimate of the clip in the county can be made as yet. The wool buyers are paying from 2 to 3 cents less.

THE NEW MICHIGAN STATE BANK IN THE MICHIGAN TRUST BUILDING WAS THROWN OPEN TO THE PUBLIC LAST NIGHT AND MANY VISITORS PASSED THROUGH IT. ITS EXCELLENT FURNITURE AND CONVENIENT ARRANGEMENTS WERE HIGHLY COMPLIMENTED.

Several members of the Considine gang were seen on the streets yesterday. They were carrying their favorite stamping ground. They were conspicuous for their very small, coarse and heavy bearing.

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NOW READY TO RUN

The New Gaskell Pump Can Be Started Tuesday.

THE BOARD OF WORKS SQUARING OFF TO THE CITY DEEDS—CONTRACTS LET AND ESTIMATES SUBMITTED.

The board of public works has a very big chip on its shoulder, and is adding to leave the council kick off. Every Saturday the board squares off to the council, and all that prevents a lively racket is that the council isn't there to hear the geysering of the board. At the weekly meeting of the board yesterday afternoon the spirit of "the council be damned" hovered over the deliberations continually, and flapped its wings cheerily at appropriate intervals. Such remarks as "We won't be dictated by the council" and "That isn't any of their business," were frequently spoken, and with a bearing that left no doubt as to the sincerity.

At Navajo Springs.

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AMERICAN TOWN OF ALBUQUERQUE. HER FATHER WAS COMMANDANT OF THE MILITARY POST THERE AT THE TIME SHE BECAME A BEAUFORT YOUNG SOLDIER. THE ADOLESCENT HOUSE WHERE SHE WAS BORN IS STILL IN GOOD REPAIR AT THE ANCIENT PLACE. SAGUNA WAS THE NEXT PLACE OF IMPORTANCE TO THE HUNGRY TRAVELER. NEXT WAS ORANGE, THEN BLUEWATER. HERE SHE PASSED THROUGH A QUARTER, SEPARATING THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE OF MOUNTAINS SOUTH WESTERLY AND NORTH EASTERLY. OUR NEXT STOP WAS AT COOLIDGE AND ITS INTERMEDIATE POINTS, WINGATE AND DELTA. THE LAST TOWN AND LAST STOP IN NEW MEXICO WAS AT MANUELITO. CROSSING THE LINE OF NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA IS AILANTOWN, THE FIRST PLACE IN ARIZONA. SOME DISTANCE NORTH THE ATLANTIC-PACIFIC DIVIDES THE NAVAJO INDIAN RESERVATION. FORT DEFENSE IS LOCATED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE TERRITORIAL LINE. THE RESERVATION RUNS SOUTH TO THE COLORADO AND UTAH LINES. BRANCHES OF THE SAN JUAN RIVER, CANON DE CIELEY AND CANON DE CHUSCO ARE PARTS OF THIS RESERVATION. THE SMALL MOQUO INDIAN RESERVATION JOINS THE NAVAJO RESERVATION ON THE WEST. THE GREAT LA VACA MOUNTAINS JOIN THE LA VACA ON THE NORTH AND THE MOQUO RESERVATION ON THE SOUTH. WE PASSED MANY WATERLESS RIVERBEDS.

THE NATURAL CHANNELS AND WATER COURSES THERE BUT THE WATER THAT AT ONE TIME COVERED THEM HAD ENTIRELY DISAPPEARED. THE ZUNI RESERVATION IS SOUTH OF THE ATLANTIC PACIFIC LINE IN NEW MEXICO, NEAR THE TERRITORIAL LINE OF ARIZONA ON THE EAST. FORT WINGATE IS LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE ZUNI RESERVATION AND JUST SOUTH OF THE ATLANTIC PACIFIC RAILROAD.

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We have now reached Flag Staff, among the most rugged parts of these mountains, between two peaks of rocky cliff, and have passed through places where the train nearly touched each side. Our engine gave out on a short curve at this point, and a flagman was dispatched back to intercept the second and third sections which were following us. The second came upon us slowly and pushed us into the station, where we had a 10 o'clock dinner instead of breakfast, as we expected according to previous arrangements. But we may consider ourselves fortunate in not having this occur during the night.

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