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REPUBLICANS CLAIMING VICTORY IN SEVEN WARDS

Deputy Sheriffs and Deputy Constables Are Doing Their Duty While the County Attorney Fearlessly Interposes in Behalf of Honest Voting---Many Attempts of Democratic Repeaters to Vote Illegally in the Fourth and Sixth Wards.

JAMES WHITFIELD COMMITS SUICIDE

(By Associated Press.)
 Kansas City, Mo., April 7.—James Whitfield, president of the Western Baseball league and for many years sporting editor of the Kansas City Star, committed suicide at his home here today.

He arose and dressed himself and then, without making any remark, stepped to the next room and fired a bullet into his right temple. He was dead when members of his family reached him.

Mr. Whitfield's suicide is laid to overwork and worry over financial matters. He has lost heavily in several enterprises in which he was interested.

Mr. Whitfield was born in England 47 years ago. He had lived in St. Louis, Peoria and Pekin, Ill., and was married in Pekin. He came to Kansas City in

1884 and, with the exception of one year, when he was proprietor of the Zephyr, a small weekly, he has been on the Star ever since that time.

He was actively engaged in baseball as early as the eighties. He was one of the organizers of the original Western league and was its first president. Since he decided to head the Western league—the league that is fighting the American association—Mr. Whitfield has toiled night and day. Recently the tax on him began to tell and for the past two weeks he has been under a physician's care.

It is not known here what effect, if any, Mr. Whitfield's death will have upon the Western league.

Mr. J. H. Manning and Mr. Nichols, owners of the Kansas City club, are out of the city.

PATRICK SENTENCED TO BE ELECTROCUTED ON MAY FIFTH

(By Associated Press.)
 New York, April 7.—Albert Patrick, who was convicted on March 26, for the murder of William Marsh Rice, was sentenced today by Recorder Goff to be put to death in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison on May 5. Rice died in this city on September 23, 1900.

An appeal to be made to the court of appeals by Patrick's counsel will act as a stay of execution pending a decision by the higher court.

The recorder, in pronouncing sentence,

made no comment on the jury's verdict. To the customary question, as to whether the defendant had anything to say why judgment should not be pronounced, Mr. House, Patrick's chief counsel, said he desired to make a motion for a new trial and gave several reasons for the motion.

The recorder denied the motion for a new trial. Mr. House took an exception and moved for an arrest of judgment.

The sheriff said he would take Patrick to Sing Sing this afternoon.

The officers in the Eighth had warrants for the arrest of J. Downs and James McCarroll. McCarroll came up to vote and Deputy Sheriff Pelletier took him in charge, but let him go again for the reason that his registration may have been a mistake and he desisted from voting.

McCarroll lives on the wrong side of South Montana street. Half of the street there is in the city and half is outside of it. McCarroll claimed he did not know that. He lives outside the municipality.

There was a warrant out for a man named J. Downs. He had registered from outside the city also, his residence being on the wrong side of Montana. The officers watched for Downs in the Eighth at the polls, but while they were away at lunch he got his vote in. He will be arrested yet, Deputy Pelletier said, though his registration may have resulted from the mistaken belief that he was in the city and entitled to vote.

Jesse Smith, colored, was arrested at 3 o'clock on charges preferred by republican watchers of illegal voting. Deputy Constable J. H. Harris, turned the prisoner over to Constable Boyle.

Deputy Sheriffs May and Dobson at 3 o'clock arrested P. J. Hunt and J. J. O'Donnell on warrants charging illegal registration. The men tried to vote in the Fourth ward.

Eight men had been arrested in the Fourth ward up to 2 o'clock this afternoon by deputy sheriffs for attempting to vote upon alleged illegal registrations.

The names of the men are William Pearce, Dan Mullane, H. Scott, Dan Harrington and Ed. Harvey.

They were arrested upon warrants sworn out in the Justice courts, and the arresting officers were Deputy Sheriff May and Deputy Sheriff Dobson, members of Sheriff Furey's regular staff.

All of the men were arrested at the polls after they had offered to vote. The officers were present with a pocketful of warrants waiting for the men named in them to appear, and when the men arrested walked up with their tickets they were taken in charge and marched to the county jail.

The first arrest was made at 10:30 o'clock and the last at 20 minutes past 2. The officers named had warrants for between 20 and 30 men suspected of registering illegally, but, evidently, the many hung back waiting to see what action the authorities would take during the day.

The Sixth ward is another ward where it was claimed that many illegal registrations had taken place as was also the Eighth.

County Attorney Peter Breen demonstrated at the various voting places in Butte today that he has the courage of his convictions; that he stands for law and order; the right of honest votes to exercise that franchise and above all that so far as he was able to prevent an illegal vote should not be deposited.

Mr. Breen did not remain in his office and wait for complaints of alleged illegal voting to be reported to him, but he personally visited the various polling places and helped to apprehend illegal voters.

Despite the protests of ward heilers and the paid democratic cohorts, the county attorney stood as the central fearless figure on the sidewalk in front of the Fourth ward polling place at Sutton's opera house at 11 o'clock this morning and commanded the arrest of two men who were attempting to vote, as Mr. Breen said, illegally.

"Arrest that man," said Mr. Breen, to a deputy sheriff. "He is not properly registered and has no right to vote."

This declaration so aroused the anger of the democratic hired men that they "roasted" Mr. Breen and for a few minutes it looked as though he would be the victim of a personal attack.

The county attorney stood his ground, however, and not only defied those who threatened him, but insisted the county jail would be filled, if illegal voting was attempted in any of the wards.

Mr. Breen declared that his action was impartial and non-partisan, but that he purposed that it should be emphatic.

When Mr. Breen ordered the arrest of Daniel Mullane who was attempting to vote under the name of "Daniel Mullane," the ward heilers set up a strenuous protest.

Mullane said that he was willing to swear his vote in, but he did not have that opportunity, for in less than ten minutes after he attempted to vote he was in the county jail. Mullane had been arrested earlier in the day and released.

The county attorney visited every polling place in the city and watched the voting as closely as possible.

After his experience in the Fourth ward about noon, he returned at 2 o'clock and kept watch at the door for half an hour. He did not attempt to argue with the heilers but acted when action was, in his opinion, necessary.

Never before in the history of Butte has such intense interest been shown in an election, in which only aldermen were to be chosen, as is being manifested today.

For several days the three parties having candidates in the field have been preparing for the fray in a manner that carried with it the conviction that the battle at the polls was to be one to go down to posterity as the hottest contest in behalf of the election of aldermen ever known in Butte or any other Montana city.

So far as known no attempt was ever before made in a Butte aldermanic election to colonize voters and to perpetuate and encourage the crime of perjury in securing illegal registration, but for this occasion colonization was run wide open by the democrats.

The illegal registration obtained by the democratic party was for use in the Fourth and Sixth wards in which it was a foregone conclusion that the republicans would win with an even break or a square deal.

REVOLUTIONISTS CAPTURE JACMEL, HAYTI, ON SATURDAY

(By Associated Press.)
 Port Au Prince, Hayti, April 7.—A number of revolutionists commanded by General Nicholas Baptiste, attacked and captured Jacmel, a town on the south coast of Hayti, on Saturday, occupied that town for 24 hours, released the prisoners who have been imprisoned there and then retired to the hills, taking with them all the arms and ammunition they could obtain.

During the fighting which preceded the

capture of Jacmel, two men were killed and a number were wounded.

The Haytian cruiser Crete-a-Pierot has started for Jacmel with arms and ammunition for that place and the minister of war, V. Guillaume, has left for Jacmel with a detachment of troops.

All is quiet here.

Bellest Recovering.
 Pony, April 7.—Bellest, the man shot by Nelson Sheldon, near Cherry Creek basin, is reported as slowly recovering.

IN THE DEER LODGE COURT

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
 Deer Lodge, April 7.—The district court opened this morning. Judge Napton called the calendar and cases were set for next week.

The case of the State vs. Felix and Isaac Landry, is set for Monday, April 14. These men are charged with stealing a horse and changing the brand last fall near Elliston.

Bigamist Pleads Guilty.
 In the case of the State against Oscar G. Richards, under arrest for bigamy, the defendant pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to nine months in the penitentiary.

Last autumn Richards married Miss Clara Bennett of this place, and shortly afterward was arrested on the charge of bigamy by his first wife, who lives at Mineral Point, Wis., and has two children.

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(By Associated Press.)
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In making the motion Mr. Stratton said counsel for the defendants was present and prepared to proceed with an oral argument if the court was prepared to hear them, adding that the case involves the same questions as were presented in the Minnesota case.

He added that an immediate hearing was desired because it would save another trip from the state of Washington.

Ex-Attorney General Griggs, who was present as the representative of the railroad companies, acquiesced in what Mr. Stratton said as to the desirability of an early hearing, but the court declined to announce an immediate decision on that point.

The chief justice, however, said that a response would be given early.

SENATOR DEPEW GIVES TESTIMONY THE WEST INDIES INVESTIGATION

(By Associated Press.)
 Washington, April 7.—Senator Depew of New York appeared today before the special house committee investigating charges in connection with the Danish West Indies negotiations. His statement was brief.

He expressed astonishment at having seen his name in the Christmas report. He did not know Christmas and never had seen him as far as he was aware, although he met thousands of people and could not say just who he had seen. But as to this Danish island question, he never had a discussion with anyone on the subject.

C. W. Knox of Glenelg, Maryland, whose name was mentioned in the Christmas report, told of meeting Christmas, whom he considered a cultivated man who had become entangled with sharpers.

The witness said he consented to assist Christmas and a contract was submitted to the committee by the terms of which Knox was to assist in any proper manner in bringing about the transfer, Knox to receive \$15,000 in case of a sale and \$350 per month.

Bribed No One.
 As to a \$5 transaction, which had been referred to, Knox said he gave Christmas his check for \$5, which was indorsed by Hansen and he produced the check. This was the only financial transaction in the entire affair.

The witness said he never bribed anyone and nothing of the kind was ever contemplated. He received no money from Christmas.

In response to questions from members of the committee, Knox specifically denied that he introduced Christmas to W. J. Bryan or that he had claimed to Christmas that he was an intimate friend of Senator Hanna.

Senator Bacon, of Georgia, told of two casual conversations with Christmas. As to the latter's statement that Mr. Bacon took great interest in the purchase of the Danish islands, the senator declared it was absolutely untrue, as he did not believe in the acquisition

of the islands and considered it unfortunate that the United States was in a position where it seemed necessary to take them.

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 Chairman Dazell presented the following letter from Secretary Hays on the subject:

"To Hon. John Dazell, Chairman of Special Committee—I have received your letter of the 31st of March, and, in reply, beg leave to say:

"In the early part of December, 1899, had on this subject to Admiral Bradford, of the navy department. Although he presented no credentials whatever and expressly declared that he had no official character, I thought his story was of sufficient interest to be worth investigation.

"I told him I would send a confidential and trusted agent of this government to Copenhagen to ascertain unofficially the true state of affairs and sent to him the name of Henry White, first secretary of the embassy at London.

Captain Christmas said he would like to be in Copenhagen when Mr. White arrived and bring him into communication with the members of the government whom he mentioned.

Note to White.
 "I gave him a note of introduction to Mr. White, and they met in Copenhagen, where Captain Christmas had arranged for an interview between Mr. White and a member of the Danish government. Mr. Christmas was not present at this interview and his connection with the latter ceased entirely at that time.

He afterwards returned to Washington, and I saw him once or twice, but told him that there was no need for the services of any private person in any negotiation which might be taken up between the two governments, in regard to the acquisition of the islands. I enclose a copy of a letter which I gave to the Danish minister in Washington at the time of the signing of the recent treaty, and also a copy of a letter which I have received from the Danish minister, Mr. Brun, dated the 31st of March 1902. Very sincerely yours,

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In a letter to Minister Brun of Denmark, enclosed, Mr. Hay refers to the signing of the convention of cession, and adds:

Christmas Without Authority.
 "The government of the United States is in no matter under obligation to the good offices of private parties in reaching an agreement now happily brought about between the United States and Denmark, and cannot admit for its own part of support in any such claim against Denmark for commission, compensation or remuneration of whatever nature which might be made by private parties for alleged services in connection with the session of the islands in question to the United States."

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COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL.

Meagher County Votes the Bonds Necessary to Establish One.
 (Special to Inter Mountain.)
 White Sulphur Springs, April 7.—The principal issue before the voters in the school election here Saturday was bonding the county for a county high school.

There was considerable opposition, but the question carried by 100 majority.

Several vacant rooms in the present school building will, it is reported, be utilized for high school purposes next winter.

Lower Court Reversed.

Washington, April 7.—In the United States supreme court an opinion was delivered today by Justice Brewer in the case of Pine and others against the city of New York and Controller Bird S. Coler, involving the right of the city to appropriate all the water of a stream along which the complainants resided. The case was decided against the city by the court of appeals, but today's opinion reversed that finding and remanded the case for further hearing, with instructions to consider the question of damages.

Mrs. Alice Yeo Dead.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
 Dillon, April 7.—Mrs. Alice Yeo, aged 45 years, died this morning from the effects of ether administered for the purpose of performing an operation, at her home near here. Mrs. Yeo is the widow of a rancher who died three years ago, and sister of W. G. Clark of this city.

STORM WARNINGS FOR THE PACIFIC COAST.

(By Associated Press.)
 Washington, April 7.—Storm warnings are displayed on the Pacific coast from the Columbia river to the straits of San Juan Fuca and on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from Hatteras to Mobile.

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Ten Men Arrested.

Ten men, some of whom have confessed to the offense of illegal registration, are now in the county jail and are to be made to dance to the music of their folly. In all probability those who are responsible for their predicament will be compelled to execute a side step or two with them, as they are considered just as deeply involved in the crooked work as the men who registered and knew they had no lawful right to do so.

County Attorney Breen is in possession of positive proof of a wilful disregard for the law on the part of some of the men and purposes to punish the offenders regardless of party affiliations. Among other proof he has an affidavit from T. W. Jones of South Montana street to the effect that one W. H. Griffiths registered from his house and that no such man belongs there or has ever been there.

Jack McLaughlin's Saloon.

About 5 o'clock Saturday evening Constable Boyle of Justice Arnold's court arrested J. J. Cox on a warrant charging him with illegal registration, and it is alleged that he, too, has told all he knows about one unlawful work. It is said that he has informed the county attorney and members of the republican city central committee that he registered twice, once in the Sixth ward and once in the Fourth ward, and that he was paid one dollar for it in

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WRECK WEST OF SPOKANE

(By Associated Press.)
 Spokane, April 7.—Great Northern passenger train No. 4, eastbound, was wrecked this morning at Winchester, 133 miles west of this city.

Railway officials here refuse to make any statement, except to assert that no one was killed.

The best advices obtainable are that

a high wind this morning blew a freight car onto the main track. The passenger train struck it while going at full speed, derailing the engine and seven cars.

The fireman is reported badly injured and it is believed many passengers were hurt.

A wrecking train carrying doctors left here.

BANK OF FOWLER IS ROBBED

(By Associated Press.)
 Pueblo, Colo., April 7.—The bank of Fowler, at Fowler, Colorado, 25 miles east of this city, was robbed of \$1,100 by safe blowers at 2 o'clock this morning.

Several charges of nitro-glycerine were exploded to open the safe and the cash-box. Citizens were aroused by the explosions and fired several shots at four men who were seen running away, but the robbers succeeded in escaping.

News of the robbery was telephoned to neighboring towns. Two men, who boarded the Santa Fe train at Nepeseta, seven miles west of Fowler this morning, were arrested as suspects.

In their possession were found \$288 and several counts. The prisoners have not been identified.

Bloodhounds have been sent to Fowler to track the robbers.

ILLEGAL VOTING AT HELENA—ELECTION OF EDWARDS.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)
 Helena, April 7.—The first man arrested today for illegal voting was Mose Quentin, one of the policemen who struck a few days ago, presumably as part of a plot against Mayor Edwards.

Quentin lives in the Seventh ward, but made affidavit that he lives in the Third and was arrested, being subsequently released on \$100 bonds.

Election is progressing quietly. Indications point to a full vote and the election of Edwards, republican, mayor and republican aldermen in all the wards.