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CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Democratic Primaries and District Conventions for the Selection of Delegates.

The governor of Montana having issued his proclamation for an election to be held on May 14, 1889, for the election of delegates to the constitutional convention to be held in Helena, July 4, 1889, the democrats of the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth districts, situated in Lewis and Clarke and Cascade counties, are requested to hold primary elections in their several precincts on Saturday, May 4, 1889, for the selection of delegates to the district conventions which are to nominate delegates to the constitutional convention.

The primaries in District No Twelve will assemble at 2 o'clock p. m. on the day appointed. The district is composed of the following precincts of Lewis and Clarke county, which will be entitled to the number of delegates indicated:

Precincts.	Meet at	No. Delegates.
Augusta	——	4
Canyon Creek	——	1
Carterville	School House	1
Craig	Station	1
Dearborn	——	1
Dearborn Canyon	——	1
Mitchell	Mitchell's	1
Middle Fork	——	1
Rock Creek	——	1
Hogan	Hogan's Store	1
Jay Gould	——	2
Empire	School House	1
Glouster	Store	1
Stemple	——	1
Marysville	A. O. U. W. Hall	8
Silver Junction	——	1
Valley	Goodwin School House	1
Also the following precincts of Cascade county:		
Mission	——	1
Sun River	——	2
Leavings	——	1
Willow Creek	——	1

The convention for this district will be held at A. O. U. W. hall, Marysville, at 12 m., on Tuesday, May 7.

District No. 13.—(Time of holding primaries 8 p. m. on May 4) is composed of precincts and apportioned as follows:

Fourth Ward Helena	Gerhauser's	6
Fifth Ward, Helena	Payne's Hotel	6
Butler	Section House	1
Rimini	Connolly's Hotel	2
Little Jennie	Boarding House	1
Nelson	——	1
Kessler	School House	2

The convention for this district will be held at Payne's Hotel on Tuesday, May 7, at 12 m.

District No. 14.—Primaries at 8 p. m. Saturday, May 4:

First Ward	City Hall	6
Second Ward	Engine House	6
Third Ward	John Zeigler's Stable	6

The convention for this district will be held at City Hall on Tuesday, May 7, at 12 m.

District No. 15.—Primaries at 8 p. m. Saturday, May 4:

Sixth Ward	Hose House	6
Seventh Ward	School House	6
East Helena	New Hall	3
Unionville	Conetan's Store	2

This convention will be held at Hose House in Sixth ward on Tuesday, May 7, at 12 m.

Three delegates are to be elected from each district to the constitutional convention, but as no voter can vote for more than two delegates, we recommend that democrats nominate only two gentlemen in each district; and would also recommend that in the twelfth district proxies be allowed.

N. J. McCONNELL,
Chairman Democratic County Committee.
JOHN P. McCLARE, Secretary.
Helena, Mont., April 24, 1889.

WANAMAKER, too, has that convenient individual, a wicked partner, upon whom to lay the blame for acts of his business establishment that it isn't agreeable to acknowledge himself.

BETWEEN manufacturing harmony for the republican party and making water run up hill, the Helena organ of the administration has its hands full. Under present conditions the one task is as easy as the other.

JAMES A. STITT, a handsome dry goods salesman of Buffalo, N. Y., has come into possession of a fortune of $200,000 through marriage with Mrs. Scroggs, a widow of 67. The only drawback to the bridgroom's happiness is the fact that his bride lacks a bad cough.

MARQUIS DE MORES is back in the United States booming a scheme for supplying China with railways. The marquis is not the originator of the plan, Count Mitkiewicz having been first in the field; but it is to be hoped better success will attend the efforts of the marquis than was vouchsafed the count.

IF the Journal doesn't mind a cipher or two, it should continue its discussion of the water works canal project broached in its issue of yesterday. It will find a pumping system that will raise "barges and logs" a few hundred feet, more or less, will have to be taken into account. To those who have given the subject careful consideration it is apparent that the only feasible means of procuring a water supply from the Missouri river is by means of a well-constructed conduit supplemented by pumping works.

IN increasing the premiums for agricultural, mineral and mechanical exhibits at the fair which is to be held here in August the managers of the fair association are acting wisely. Montana has reached a stage of her development when more attention should be given to improving the quality and quantity of agricultural products than has been shown heretofore. It is not the plan of the managers, however, to retrench in one direction in order to be more liberal in others, and consequently the purses for races are even larger than they were last year. Under such judicious management the fair cannot fail to be a success.

THE wife of C. P. Ferry, a capitalist of Tacoma, has created a sensation in the American colony at Paris, where she has been residing for some time, by the manner in which she resented her husband's attempt to regulate her pursuit of knowledge. Mrs. Ferry's conduct in Paris, where she was alone, was a trifle erratic, and disturbing rumors reached the husband at Tacoma, which induced him to go to Paris also. There he set a detective to watch Mrs. Ferry's movements, and one day last week she was followed to a hotel of doubtful repute, where also was a young man named Hyppolite, with whom she had frequently been seen. The husband was called, and he and the detective entered the room where Mrs. Ferry and M. Hyppolite were, without being announced. The breach of etiquette was rebuked by Mrs. Ferry springing at her husband and biting off a portion of his nose. The disturbance brought the police, who took the entire company before the magistrate, to whom Mrs. Ferry explained that her only motive in meeting M. Hyppolite at that particular place was that she might have the opportunity to study the French language free from interruptions such as were always occurring at her own apartments. At last accounts the magistrate was still studying American social usages, to ascertain by what right the husband interfered with his wife's educational ambitions.

MESSRS. CARTER AND COX.

The announcement that Congressman Cox and Senator Gorman may possibly visit Montana the coming summer gave Delegate Carter the chance to say something foolish, the other day, and the delegate rarely lets such opportunities pass unimproved. "It seems to be the general opinion," said Mr. Carter, "that the democratic national committee have taken hold of the matter and are going to make Montana the political battleground of the fall campaign. They are going to concentrate energies, orators and everything else to get two democratic senators and a democratic congressman from the state of Montana. But these efforts show the hopelessness of the cause. It reminds me of a hopeless case at the bar. Whenever a criminal gets in a tight place and his cause is particularly shaky, he sends for the best legal talent from abroad to try to get him out of the box." And in the very next breath the embryo statesman sets down Mr. Cox as a smallbore of the weakest order, instead of the giant that the alleged necessities of the democrats require. "The people of Montana," he says, "are as familiar with Mr. Cox's record as they are with his jokes, and, as they have no use for chestnuts, will care nothing for either." Should Mr. Carter win a tithe of the distinction in congress (provided the people of Montana should do such a thing as to make a real congressman of him) he will achieve more than his warmest friends expect. Mr. Cox is well known, both for his services in congress and for his wit, by the people of Montana, and should he be pleased to visit the territory during the summer he will meet with a hearty welcome from Montanians without regard to party. There has been nothing thus far to indicate that his contemplated visit has any connection with politics; the importation of orators for the fall campaign is not at all necessary, and there is no probability that it will be resorted to. However, should Mr. Cox or any other eastern democrat of distinction chance to visit Montana during the canvass and consent to make a public address, he would be listened to with due deference.

Should Mr. Carter fail of an election to congress, would he still be of the opinion that Montanians have "no use for chestnuts?"

IT will be great good fortune if considerable sickness does not result from the use of the impure water that is now being supplied to consumers in this city, and as a precaution it would be well if people would drink no water until after it has been boiled. A little foresight on the part of housekeepers in this matter may result in the preservation of health under the existing trying conditions. The necessity of action by the city authorities is, too, becoming every day more apparent. The insufficiency of present sources of supply cannot be denied, and something must be done speedily towards finding a more reliable and plentiful supply. Alderman Loeb's resolution, which was quoted in these columns on Wednesday, authorizes the taking of initial steps in the matter, and the city's necessities demand that the work be at once entered upon.

THE report of the grand jury of this judicial district is a curious document. After reciting that the county farm has been duly inspected and found to be in a satisfactory condition, the report closes with the statement that the bedding furnished the inmates is "neither cleanly nor sufficient in quantity." Here is a discrepancy that needs explanation. If the institution is, as the report states, clean and well ventilated, the bedding surely cannot be unclean. As the institution is more a hospital than a poorhouse, it would seem as though the beds should be furnished with sheets, as the grand jury suggests; and there certainly is no reason for keeping those seriously ill in the same rooms with those who are convalescent, when there are a number of wards unoccupied. Apparently the county farm needs attention.

Good Words for the Independent.

Butte Miner: The Helena INDEPENDENT announces that it will be further enlarged and otherwise improved. That is good. The INDEPENDENT is already an excellent newspaper, and it deserves its growing popularity.

Jefferson County Sentinel: The Helena INDEPENDENT is to be enlarged next week by adding one column to each page and making a corresponding addition to the length of column. Increased business demands it. The INDEPENDENT is a newspaper in the full sense of the term. It has been for the past fifteen years the leading journal of Montana and indications point in the direction of its keeping in the lead. Everybody likes the INDEPENDENT. They always did.

A Cheering Outlook.

Alta Californian: Montana shows signs of a political change not pleasant for those who were inclined to make it a condition for the admission of new states that they should be republican. Indeed, it would seem as though the mountain men had played it keenly by voting the republican ticket last fall, for admission purposes only, intending to be democratic for state purposes when safely in the union. Such craft is painful to its victims. The local voting in Washington gives up decided signs of the same policy there, and yet Washington himself could not tell a lie. If four democratic United States senators offer credentials from Montana and Washington to balance the four from the Dakotas, then, verily, brethren, how much skill will be turned to naught!

When all other remedies fail, Oregon Kidney Tea comes to the front like a true, faithful friend. For kidney and urinary troubles, such as pain in the back, mucous and milky discharges, brick dust deposit in the urine, loss of appetite, weakness, and general debility, Oregon Kidney Tea has no equal. It never fails and being of purely vegetable composition does not injure the system. Sold by R. S. Hale & Co., wholesale and retail agents, Helena.

CHANGE OF TIME.

Through Chair Cars to Kansas City.

The Minneapolis & St. Louis railway, "Albert Lea Route," ever ready to meet the demands of the traveling public, upon March 17th, 1889, inaugurated a through chair car service between St Paul, Minneapolis and Kansas City, leaving St. Paul daily, except Sunday, at 9:10 a. m., Minneapolis at 9:30 a. m.

These cars are models of perfection and in many respects are superior to those run by any road. The interior is finished in selected and exquisitely polished woods of mahogany, cherry and oak. The curtains, carpets, etc., in harmony of design and color form an ensemble pleasing to the eye and gratifying to a cultivated taste.

No pains or expense have been spared to make them the most comfort-assuring vehicles of their class in America.

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S. F. BOYD, G. T. & P. A.
Minneapolis.
C. L. CANFIELD, Gen. Agt., Helena.

An Express on of Delight.

"About a week ago," says a Los Angeles, Cal., druggist, "a Chinaman came in with a lame shoulder. I sold him a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and guaranteed that it would cure him. He came in again last night, and as soon as he got inside the door began to swing his arms over his head like an Indian club swinger. I thought the blamed fool had a fit, but he finally stopped long enough to say: "Medicine velly fine, velly fine; alle same make me feel plenty good." Chamberlain's Pain Balm is without an equal for sprains, rheumatism, aches, pains or lame back. For sale by H. M. Parchen & Co.

THE MARKETS

STOCKS.

NEW YORK, April 26.—Bar silver, 92¾.
Copper—Stagnant.
Lead—Firmer; domestic, $3.65.

The stock market to-day was less active and in its temper offered a marked contrast to that of yesterday, being heavy and irregular throughout with the net result of leaving most of the list practically lower than yesterday. Government bonds dull and steady.

Petroleum opened steady at 85⅝ and closed firm at 85¾.

Government bonds, 4s, 129¼; 4½s, 108½; Northern Pacific, 25¾; preferred, 60¾; Oregon Navigation, 86¼; Oregon Improvement, 48; Transcontinental, 22¾; Union Pacific, 60⅝.

Money on call easy at 3@2¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4@6. Sterling exchange dull and steady. Sixty-day bills $4 87. Demand $4.88¾.

LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO April 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,000; steady; choice beeves, $4.15@4.40; steers, $3.35@4.10; stockers and feeders, $2.50@3.65; Texas cattle, $2.25@3.60.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,500; strong, 5c. higher; mixed, $4.50@4.75; heavy, $4.45@4.75; light, $4.60@4.80.

Sheep—Receipts, 3,000; slow; 10c. lower; natives, $3.00@5.10; western corn-fed, $5.20@5.60.

WOOL.

PHILADELPHIA, April 26.—Wool—Quiet; prices nominal.

BOSTON, April 26.—There has been no improvement in the demand for wool this week, and the sales have been only 1,644,400 pounds of all kinds. Territory wool has been dull at 18@22¾. In Oregon we have moderate sales were made at 19@25. Pulled wools were sold to the extent of 415,000 pounds, including super at 30@38 and extra at 25@28. Australian wools are quiet with sales of spot at 36@41, and quite large deliveries to manufacturers were made direct from vessels' side. Cape wool was quiet at 25@28; carpet wools firm.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, April 26.—1:15 p. m. Close—Wheat—Easy; cash, 80; May, 80¼; July, 79¾.
Corn—Lower; cash, 35¼; May, 35⅜; July, 34 15-16.
Oats—Lower; cash, 21¼; May, 21 11-16; July, 22¼.
Pork—Steady; May, $11 60; July, $11.75.
Lard—Steady; May, $6.86¼; July, $6.95.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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Public Works.

SEWER ON RODNEY STREET.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the undersigned, room 9, Holter block, until Tuesday, April 30, 1889 at 12 o'clock noon, for constructing a sewer on Helena avenue from Idaho avenue to Rodney street, and on Rodney street from Helena avenue to south end of street, in the city of Helena, Montana, according to plans and specifications on file in the office of Superintendent of Sewers, room 6, Birkenfeld block.

A bond with two sufficient sureties in a sum of at least twenty (20) per cent. of the gross amount must accompany each proposal.

The city reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the City Council.

ALEX C. BOTKIN, City Clerk.

Dated Helena, Mont., April 18, 1889.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

To the Stockholders of Boulder Valley Ditch, Mining and Milling Company.

YOU are hereby notified that a meeting of the stockholders of the Boulder Valley Ditch, Mining and Milling company, a corporation duly incorporated under and by virtue of the laws of Montana Territory, will be held at the office of A. M. Holter & Bro., (being the office of said company), in the city of Helena, county of Lewis and Clarke, territory of Montana, on Friday, May 3, 1889, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

ANTON M. HOLTER,
MARTIN M. HOLTER,
JOHN W. McLEOD,
Trustees.

Dated Helena, Montana, April 20, 1889.