

SWEET GRASS COUNTY.

Argument for, and Remonstrance Against, the Bill for its Creation. All Taxpayers in the New County Said to Support the Measure.

Per Contra, Park County, It is Held, Would Suffer Serious Injustice by Being Divided.

To THE INDEPENDENT: The personal attacks upon Senator Hatch and Representative Van Cleave by the enemies of the proposed county of Sweet Grass, have been so libelous and altogether uncalled for, that they demand refutation. It is said that the non-division of Park county was a campaign issue. This is an erroneous statement, as the formation of Sweet Grass county was not contemplated until after the general election. Senator Hatch is accused of being interested in the passage of this bill for pecuniary reasons. While he is a resident of Big Timber he has not a very extensive property in that town, no more than a man of thrift would naturally acquire in his abiding place. Mr. Van Cleave lives thirty miles from Big Timber and has no interests in that place. He is, if not the largest, certainly one of the heaviest taxpayers in our section of the county, and would not be at all liable to work for the furtherance of any scheme which would increase his own assessment.

It is also urged by the people of Livingston that the two legislators owed their election to pledge to preserve the unity of Park county. This is a plausible view of the fact, that Senator Hatch and Representative Van Cleave were only saved from defeat by the personal popularity outside of Livingston, and were elected by the votes of men who had been their neighbors and most intimate friends during the past seven years, both republicans and democrats. In their own precinct they polled 235 out of a total vote of 302.

Now these friends and neighbors, who are the constituents of Mr. Hatch and Mr. Van Cleave, and the people of Livingston, demand separation from Park county for many and valid reasons, and it is plainly the duty of Mr. Hatch and Mr. Van Cleave to do all in their power to bring about such a result. American institutions are based upon the policy of local self-government. The smaller the confines of any territory which can be made self-sustaining, the more successfully and economically can its operations be conducted.

To say nothing of, or rather to merely hint at, the careless and unbusinesslike manner in which the officials of Park have managed county affairs, and the notorious fact that we as its eastern end know nothing of the use to which our money has been put,—that we are allowed no commission, have been steadily refused roads, bridges and other needed improvements to the detriment of Park county, and that we feel that as we are burdened beyond the ordinary tax in the outlay of money and time required to make a long journey to our present county seat, that the our demand is a just one and entitled to consideration.

There is no protest from within the borders of the proposed county. Livingston takes a most childish and petulant view of the situation, and "history repeats itself," and there has never been a proposed county division in Montana which did not find just such opposition and which the ultimate result did not prove to have been wise and beneficial. It is to be opposed to the formation of Park county, but has since prospered as greatly as if the line was no imaginary line on top of the Belt mountains. The creation of Silver Bow was as stoutly opposed, but no sane person would have been so stupid as to oppose it. So on we might cite an infinity of instances which would add nothing to the strength of the justice of our case, but which might teach Livingston the futility of attempting to block the beneficial division of affairs, and from which, if she cared so to do, she might learn a useful and instructive lesson. MELVILLE FREMONT.

REMONSTRANCE Against the Bill for the Creation of Sweet Grass County.

To the members of the senate and house of representatives, Third legislative assembly of the state of Montana: Gentlemen—Whereas, there has been introduced and is now pending before you for consideration the senate bill No. 11, for the creation of the county of Sweet Grass out of a portion of what is now Park county; and whereas, the creation of such a county is unnecessary and would be detrimental to the best interests of Park county and its inhabitants. Now, therefore, we the undersigned bona fide residents and taxpayers of the present county of Park, do hereby respectfully petition your honorable bodies to refuse to pass said bill, and do hereby protest in the most earnest manner against its passage, and in support of this our petition and protest, present for your consideration the following facts: First, That the present county of Park was created in 1887 out of the then county of Gallatin; at that time the then county of Park contained a population of 10,000, with an assessed valuation of about \$3,000,000. It assumed as a portion of the indebtedness of the then county of Gallatin \$35,000, none of which has yet been paid. Second, That the present county of Park contains not to exceed 8,000 people. Its present indebtedness, including bonds, warrants and outstanding obligations, is about \$150,000; its assessed valuation of property for taxation only amounts to about \$5,000,000. The present tax levy of fifteen mills does not raise sufficient revenue to pay the expenses of the county and interest on debt and provide a sinking fund for payment of outstanding bonds. The county has no public property except a jail worth about \$5,000, and lots for court house site worth about \$2,500, and two poor farms worth about \$3,000. The present indebtedness and expenses of the county have been found to be a serious burden for our people to carry, and efforts to bond for the construction of public buildings have been recently defeated owing to the feeling against increasing these burdens.

Third, That the county, while large in area, is sparsely settled in the country districts and contains large territories of land unsuitable for farming or other settlement. The population is massed in small districts such as Livingston, Big Timber, Horr, Cokedale, Red Lodge, Cooke, Heister and Melville.

Fourth, That the future prosperity of the county depends upon the development of its mineral resources and agricultural values. The pending bill takes from our county the coal fields of Red Lodge and the agricultural regions of Melville, Sweet Grass and the Yellowstone valley. The agriculturists residing in it are among the most fertile in our boundaries, and those within which there are the best prospects for settlement and growth in the near future. To thus divide the county of Park is to greatly injure its present prospects and deprive it of any substantial hope of future growth.

Fifth, That the only persons to be benefited by the division of the new county are the inhabitants of the new county, and only by the increased price which they might be able to obtain for their town lots, owing to the location of the new county seat in that place.

Sixth, That the effect of the creation of the new county would be to about double the burdens of the inhabitants without any material increase in their ability to bear them.

The above facts are submitted for your consideration in the confident hope that you will not permit this great injustice to be done us.

FOREIGN NEWS.

A Mediterranean Island Shaken by an Earthquake. Athens, Feb. 1.—The island of Zante was shaken this morning by an earthquake and a panic ensued. In the town of Zante many houses were wrecked. The dome of the prison fell and many prisoners were killed. The walls of the prison sprang and cracked. The hospital was shaken from its foundation, the floors settled and the roof sank several feet. Two hours later the town was shaken by repeated shocks more houses fell, and the prison became so unsafe that the prisoners were removed. The people fled from their houses, crowding the market place. Scores of families are camped in the fields. Many dead bodies were found in the ruins, and hundreds were injured severely. It is impossible to get further details. The government has sent provisions to the relief of the homeless.

Loss by Silver Depreciation. CALCUTTA, Feb. 1.—A delegation composed of employes in the military and civil services, waited upon Lord Lansdowne, viceroy of India, to complain of the losses they sustained and are sustaining through the depreciation and the fall in the value of the rupee. Lord Lansdowne said the government was only waiting for the report of Her Majesty's commission, to take action. He added that he was convinced that the rupee would not depreciate indefinitely the distress arising from the condition of the currency.

Vatican Distrusts the Quirinal. LONDON, Feb. 1.—A dispatch received here from a high church dignitary in Rome states that England, Austria and Germany are actively pressing the Vatican on the subject of reconciliation between the pope and King Humbert. The dispatch adds that the pope fears the financial scandals in Italy will shake the house of Savoy, and are anxious that the latter be strengthened by an entente with the Vatican. The pope is in rather a bad mood, and is anxious to bring about the end with reserve. His holiness distrusts the quirinal.

Debating the Queen's Speech. LONDON, Feb. 1.—The house of commons assembled at noon and debate on the queen's speech was resumed. Stewart, conservative, from Scotland, objected to the present consideration given to the agricultural interests. He complained that the United States and the colonies could send produce to London cheaper than it could be sent from Scotland on account of the excessive railway rates.

Defrauded a Printing Company. LONDON, Feb. 1.—Sir Henry Isaacs, formerly lord mayor of London; Joseph Isaacs, his brother; Horatio Bottomley and Charles Delman, officers of the Hazard Publishing union, were put on trial today for defrauding the company out of a large amount. The company became insolvent in 1892.

Bread Riots in France. MARSEILLES, Feb. 1.—In consequence of a strike among the journeyman bakers of this city, the military bakeries are supplying the public with bread. The strike threatened the military bakeries and attempted to plunder the bread carts. Troops were called out and dispersed the rioters.

Home Rule Bill Unsuccessful. NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—An address has been issued to the Irish people by the Irish National League of America. It speaks of the home rule bill to be introduced in parliament by Gladstone, and adds: "We have carefully studied its provisions and are of the opinion that the measure is a mere mass of legal verbiage intended to give no satisfaction to any party, even should the bill pass. It would only place Ireland on a still lower level. We stand today at the parting of ways, between resistance and conciliation. We have advised the latter until patience has ceased to be a virtue, and further temporizing has become a crime. We advise the formation of clubs wherever there are Irishmen honestly desiring of improving the condition of Ireland. We call on you to join with us, so we may be able to round out the century by the fulfillment of our hopes."

Resumed Burglary. NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—J. W. Mitchell, under arrest here, confesses that he committed over one hundred burglaries in Newark, N. J., within the past year and a half. He adds that ten or twelve years ago he robbed a bank in Chicago of \$100,000, which made a trip around the world. Returning out of funds, he resumed the practice of his profession.

An Insurance Company's Troubles. NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The attorney general has in a general application in the supreme court to the appointment of a receiver for the Home Benefit association, of the insurance company of Chicago, which failed in 1891. There were unpaid death claims to the amount of \$110,000, while the available assets were not over \$110,000.

Lumpy Jaw Cured. WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Experiments in the treatment of lumpy jaw under direction of the department of agriculture are completed. The results show that of eighty-two cattle treated by eye, 75 were completely cured. Secretary Haskin is highly delighted with the showing.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES. Ex-Mayor G. H. Sanderson, of San Francisco, died Wednesday.

Ex-Use per Taper, of Nebraska, publicly denials a report that he is broke.

A disastrous fire at Little Falls, N. Y., did damage to the amount of \$240,000.

Policeman Chandler, of Bluefield, W. Va., and a negro exchanged shots. Both dead.

Ex-Secretary of War Endicot is lying in a critical condition, and death is thought to be near.

Both houses of the Illinois legislature passed a bill repealing the compulsory school law.

Five kegs of powder exploded in a coal mine near Zanesville, O., killing Charles Reese and John Cavender.

The Erie car works at Erie, Pa., failed for over a million. No other institutions are entangled by the crisis.

The federal grand jury at Lincoln, Neb., indicted C. M. Mosler, president of the wrecked Capital National bank, on thirty-three counts.

All dyspeptics should use TOTT'S PILLS.

The Panama Investigation. WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The Panama and Pacific Mail special investigating committee met today for consultation. They decided to telegraph ex-Secretary Thompson of Indiana, to be present on Saturday or earlier if he can get here before that time. Afterwards the committee will go to New York.

Tobacco Users Smile Sometimes when told that tobacco hurts them; they wince never do, because shattered nerves, weak eyes, chronic catarrh and lost manhood, tells the story. If your husband uses tobacco, you want him to quit, you yourself about Non-Use the wonderful, harmless, guaranteed tobacco habit cure, by sending for our little book titled: "Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away," mailed free. Drug stores generally sell it. Write to The Sterling Remedy Co., Indiana Mineral Springs, Indiana.

Filed to Avoid Ejection. TORONTO, Feb. 1.—The expected trouble between the republican and populist houses did not materialize this morning. No business of importance was transacted by

either house during the morning session. When the republican house reconvened a motion to adjourn until to-morrow was made and carried and the republicans hurriedly left the hall; no action was reported by the populist house, which had been planned.

THE MARKETS.

STOCKS. New York, Feb. 1.—Bar silver, 65 1/2. Copper-Dull; Laka, \$11.85. Lead—Quiet; firm domestic, \$5.00. Governments—Dull and steady.

Petroleum—Higher closed 10 1/2. The stock market today was moderately active but as usual a few stocks monopolized the larger part of the dealings, and while considerable narrowness was seen in the forenoon the market perceptibly broadened later in the day, and the list as a whole closed materially higher than last night. The rail forces were active and hopeful. About noon selling pressure on distillers became heavy and after selling up to 7 1/2 retired to 2 1/2. Here, however, a good demand developed and before the afternoon was over it had risen 5 per cent to 40, which brought out some stock, and it retired in final dealings to 37 1/2, at which point it showed a net gain of 3/8 per cent. Sugar was sluggish and the railroad list was quiet on the whole. The feature was the heavy buying in Omaha, on the expectation that it would become a dividend payer. It closed with a net gain of 3/8 per cent for the day. There were sympathetic advances in other western stocks.

Table with columns for Closing, Northwest, and various stock prices including U.S. 4s, U.S. 5s, and various foreign and domestic securities.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK. CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 14,000. 106 lbs higher, extra steers, \$5.98 to 10; good to choice, \$5.75 to \$5.85; 2 1/2 year olds, \$5.25 to \$5.35; calves, \$4.25 to \$4.50; hogs—Receipts, 20,000; opened slow; 100 lbs live, mixed and packers, \$7.50 to \$7.75; prime heavy and butchers, \$7.00 to \$7.25; light, \$7.00 to \$7.25; pigs, \$7.25 to \$7.50; sheep—Receipts, 8,000; fairly active; steady; natives, \$3.75 to \$4.00; foreign, \$3.50 to \$3.75.

CHICAGO PRODUCE. CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Closing—Wheat—Firm; cash, 74c; May, 75c; Corn—Firm; cash, 44c; May, 45c; Pork—Firm; cash, \$11.00; May, \$11.50; Lard—Firm; cash, \$9.00; May, \$9.50; Short ribs—Firm; cash, \$10.00; May, \$10.50; Shoulders—\$10.50 to \$11.00.

Advertisement for Hood's Sarsaparilla, featuring a portrait of a man and text describing its benefits for various ailments like Catarrh, Kidney Complaint, Heart Failure, Liver Troubles, etc.

Husband and Wife Both Cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla

Catarrh, Kidney Complaint, Heart Failure, Liver Troubles. "I think it my duty to voluntarily tell what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for myself and wife. Last spring my wife was in a very bad way with kidney complaint; felt

Miserable All the Time and could hardly get around the house. She began to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and in one week she was improving. When she had taken but three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla she felt about the best she had felt for years. Her catarrh and liver complaint suffered so intensely that

I could not sleep at night, nor get any rest through the day. As soon as I lay down, my heart would beat so hard that I would have to get up. I had very severe pains in the small of my back and my head like a flock of black birds all sitting at once. My appetite failed, and I also experienced benefit from Hood's Sarsaparilla within a week after I began to take it. I had improved rapidly and can now sleep better than I have for a year, can eat and not blot as I used to. We praise

Hood's Sarsaparilla for we think there is no medicine like it." HENRY C. and MARY E. RICHARDSON, 810 Madison County, N. Y.

HOOD'S PILLS cure liver ills, constipation, biliousness, jaundice, sick head, indigestion.

Orris Employment Agency.

323 North Main Street. Telephone 100. Wanted. 3 coal miners, \$1.25 per cord. 10 teamsters, \$1 each. 10 day laborers, \$2.50. Girl for the country. 20 men to haul coal, wood, short distance from city.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING—THE ANNUAL meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank in this city, for the purpose of electing officers and the transaction of business, will be held at the main office of the bank, on Monday, February 6, 1893, at two o'clock p. m. A. G. SELIGMAN, Secretary.

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP—Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, John M. Miller, and John M. Miller & Company, has been dissolved by mutual consent, the undersigned, John M. Miller, retiring therefrom. All debts due and owing to the firm will be paid by the undersigned, John M. Miller, who is also authorized to collect, receive and pay for the same. GEORGE H. MULLERY, W. J. GANON, Date: Helena, Mont., Jan. 21, 1893.

Advertisement for Dr. H. H. H. medicine, featuring a portrait of a man and text describing its benefits for various ailments like Must be avoided, or you buy at your own risk, anything purporting to be Doctor H. H. H. medicine, sold by unauthorized dealers, etc.

Helena Employment Agency

24 EDWARDS STREET. Telephone 330. W. B. Cook, Proprietor. WANTS—2 waiter girls for city, \$25 1 yard man for city, \$25. 1 blacksmith, \$25 and board. Carpenter who can read and write, \$4 a day. FORSALE—The Moore House, Granite, Mont. TO LET—1 cabin, furnished, \$5. 1 acre near Boulder Hot Springs, with fully equipped farming implements, suitable for market gardening.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE. Advertisements under this head three times FREE. SITUATION WANTED—DRESSMAKER; CORNER Park and Lawrence, room 8. SITUATION WANTED—STENOGRAPHER. A lady desires a position as stenographer. Address, Cora Johnson, No. 85 Johnson building, Cincinnati, O.

SITUATION WANTED—TO DO HOUSEWORK or cooking in private family by competent girl. Address L. A., this office. SITUATION WANTED—BY A SWEDISH GIRL. To do general housework. Call at 1424 Lyndale avenue, S. E. depot.

SITUATION WANTED—AS NURSE. APPLY No 213 North Rodney street. SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. Advertisements under this head three times FREE. WANTED—SITUATION BY YOUNG MAN. German, a kind of work. Wages no object. Inquire at L. A. C. A. Helena.

BELP WANTED—FEMALE. WANTED—GOOD GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. Call at 321 Spruce street. WANTED—GIRL TO ASSIST IN GENERAL housework for her board and room. Apply 60 S. Ewing street.

BELP WANTED—MALE. WANTED—RELIABLE PRINTER. A man of moderate salary to start stamp and reference. "Morris," care this paper. WANTED—SALERMAN; ENERGETIC MAN. Free prepaid outfit; one of our agents has earned over \$5,000 in five years. P. O. box 1381, New York.

BOARD AND ROOM OFFERED. FOUR ROOMS AND BOARD. 306 Warren street, corner Sixth and. FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS. FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS FROM \$5 to \$10 per month at 212 North Rodney street.

FOR RENT—DWELLINGS. WANTED—UNFURNISHED HOUSE. Wanted close to business. Address, Arnold, independent. TO RENT—TWO STORY AND CELLAR. 25 main house, 2 1/2 story front street, containing vineyard and bath, A 1 farm, 1000 square feet, water to suit; rent low. Inquire 104 Monroe avenue, corner Spruce.

TO RENT—LARGE HOUSE. 17 North Main street; largest list of houses and farms in Helena. FOR RENT—WILL RENT FOR ONE OR TWO YEARS, my residence, No 40 Olive street, west side. C. D. Curtis.

EDUCATIONAL. FEMALE BOARDING SCHOOL. PRIVATE SCHOOL. MARY O'F. Jackson, Room 48 Bailey block. SECOND-HAND GOODS. CHEAPEST HOUSE IN HELENA. H. FREMONT'S second-hand store, 316 Lower Main building, next to Sanford & Evans' block. Pianos bought and sold.

FOUND. FOUND—CHECK FOR SMALL AMOUNT. Found, please bring same by paying for this ad and proving property. MONEY TO LOAN. MONEY TO LOAN—HELENA B. REED & Thompson block, opposite Grand Central; \$20 to \$10,000 to loan.

MONEY TO LOAN ON IMPROVED CITY and farm property. Wm. G. Fisher, Forestry. MONEY TO LOAN—H. C. PALMER, 522 1/2 W. 2nd St. MISCELLANEOUS. MASQUERADE SUITS TO RENT AT NO 208 South Main street, Penn block.

WANTED—PUPILS IN SEWING AND dressmaking. A lady desires to teach sewing and dressmaking for system taught. Call at 45 Park avenue. Eureka Employment Agency. CORNER GRAND AND JACKSON. WANTS: 10 teamsters, 10 each. 10 woodchoppers, \$1.25 per cord. 10 dishwashers, \$5. 3 day laborers, \$2.50. 1 woman, housework, \$25. 1 girl, cook, \$10.

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