

## LOCAL MENTION

People who want good shoes always go to Lucke.

Kettle rendered lard at the Havre Meat Market.

Fred Clark was a visitor from Chino Saturday.

E. C. Carruth made a business trip to St. Paul the first of the week.

John Sullivan was down from Benton Monday on a business errand.

H. J. Meili has been confined to the house with sickness for the past week.

Mike Lamey went to Boulder Tuesday, to recuperate from an attack of sickness.

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Harry Loranger returned from Chester the first of the week, where he had been looking after his ranch interests.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ross, of Clear Creek, were in the city Tuesday. They brought in a load of ducks and chickens, which they sold at a good figure.

Dr. J. A. Gordon won the silver tip bearskin rug raffled at Kaste & Kraker's billiard hall Tuesday evening. 150 numbers were sold and number 150 won.

While driving home Monday evening Martin O'Neil was thrown from the wagon, sustaining a badly sprained arm. The team became frightened at an object in the road and jumped upon a steep bank, overturning the wagon.

## CONTEST FOR SHERIFF.

Defendant's answer was filed Tuesday in the suit brought by John Buckley, sheriff of Chouteau county, to have Frank McDonald, who was elected to succeed him, adjudged ineligible to the office, with the purpose that Buckley should be declared entitled to hold over until after the election two years hence.

Defendant denies that he was not a citizen of United States on the day of election; denies that he was born in a foreign country; denies that Buckley was the only qualified or eligible person who received votes for the office of sheriff of Chouteau county at the late election; and denies that the defendant was ever ineligible or disqualified.

Defendant alleges that he is a nativeborn citizen of the United States, in every way qualified for the office to which he claims to have been elected, and he asks that the contest be dismissed, that he be adjudged entitled to the office, and that he have judgment against Buckley for the costs and disbursements defendant has incurred and made in defending the contest.

Defendant also applied to the court for an order to take the deposition of his sister, residing in Massachusetts, and submitted the questions that he desires to have his sister answer. From the interrogatories so submitted, it is apparent that the sister is expected to testify that McDonald was born in Charlestown, Mass.

The contest was to have been tried at Fort Benton tomorrow, before Judge Leslie, who has been requested by Judge Tattan to preside at the trial, but the application for the taking of the deposition will delay the hearing. However, it is expected that the deposition will be received in such time that the contest may be determined before the time for the taking of office by McDonald, if he should be adjudged qualified.

It is alleged by Buckley that McDonald was born on Prince Edward's island (British) and that he has never become a citizen of the United States. It appears that in 1893, while McDonald was a resident of Fergus county, he went before the clerk of the district court at Lewistown, then believing that he was born on Prince Edward's island, and he then declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, renouncing allegiance to every foreign power and particularly renouncing his allegiance to Queen Victoria. He never secured final citizenship papers—in other words, never took the action that is required before an alien may become a citizen of the United States.

After McDonald had been nominated for sheriff, Buckley was advised of the showing made by the records in Fergus county and also learned that McDonald had never secured his final papers. Believing that McDonald is not a citizen, Buckley shortly after the election, contested his right to hold the office. If McDonald should be adjudged ineligible, Buckley would hold over until after the next general election, in 1906.

It is understood that, McDonald claims that, after he had taken out his first papers at Lewistown, he learned, for the first time, that he was not born on Prince Edward's island, but was born in the United States, at Charlestown, Mass. Having learned this, he claims, he was advised that it was not necessary for him to take out final papers, as the fact that he was born in United States would make him a citizen, unless he had at some time renounced allegiance to the United States to reside when he was a boy; that he never renounced allegiance to the United States, and that he never attempted to claim or exercise the rights of citizenship of any other country.

It is understood that McDonald expects to show by his sister, who is considerable older than he, that he was born in Charlestown, Mass., while his mother was on a visit there, the sister being also there at the time. There is no record of his birth at Charlestown, Massachusetts, at that time not requiring the keeping of vital statistics; and if the sister should give the expected testimony, it is difficult to see how Buckley could refute it, for it is said there was no record at that time of births that occurred on Prince Edward's island.

The only question of fact that seems to be involved in the case pending is whether or not McDonald was born in Massachusetts; if he was and if he never renounced allegiance to this country, he is a citizen. Against his claim of citizenship, so far as known, is only his statement at Lewistown, that he was born in a foreign land, and he claims he was mistaken when he made that. He says he was taken to Prince Edward's island when he was a mere baby, stayed there until he was 17 years of age, and his brothers and sisters having been born in that country, he supposed until a few years ago that he was also born on the island.

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