

Fergus County Argus.

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REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

Councilman—Fletcher Maddox. Representatives—Jacob Titman, James Fergus. Sheriff—John W. Beck. Clerk and Recorder—W. T. McFarland. Treasurer—Frank E. Wright. Probate Judge—D. A. Meagher. Assessor—Geo. M. Stafford. Commissioners—E. P. Chandler, S. S. Robinson, A. J. Stephens. County Attorney—Frank E. Smith. Supt. of Schools—Miss W. A. Shipman. County Surveyor—L. W. Edridge. Public Administrator—S. W. Darling. Coroner—A. W. Sifton.

COUNTY COMMITTEE.

Hon. James Fergus, Fort Maginnis. All J. Stephens, Lewistown. Marshall Jackson, Lewistown. Frank E. Smith, Cottonwood.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

Councilman—W. H. Sutherland. Representatives—J. E. Kanouse, Granville Stuart. Sheriff—G. W. Kelly. Treasurer—T. J. Vivian. Clerk and Recorder—Wm. F. Miller. Probate Judge—John Tombs. Assessor—Mike Garrott. Commissioners—J. P. Barnes, Wm. Berkin, S. F. Morse. County Attorney—County Surveyor—Supt. of Schools—David Calbreath. Public Administrator—Stephen May. Coroner—Dr. L. A. Lapalme.

COUNTY COMMITTEE.

L. Landt, Maiden. F. Saunders, Lewistown. I. R. Shelton, Eden. Dan M. Crowley, Lewistown. David Hilger, Christiana.

Announcement!

TO THE ELECTORS OF FERGUS COUNTY: Acting upon the suggestion and advice of Republicans of Fergus county, I hereby announce myself an independent Republican candidate for the office of County Attorney. RUDOLF VON TORRE, JR. Lewistown, M. T., Sept. 6, 1886.

Bartholdi's statue of "Liberty Enlightening the World," was unveiled yesterday.

It is thought in Washington that Geronimo and his braves will be sent to Southern Florida.

Messrs. Hewitt and Roosevelt have written formal letters accepting respectively the democratic and republican nominations for mayor of New York.

One hundred and thirty head of cattle were killed and cremated at Mandan, Dakota, recently. Govs. Pierce and Hauser have taken prompt action in the matter of stamping out pleuro-pneumonia.

Vermont's request that the government pay \$800,000 to her as an indemnity on the balance due her for expenses during the late war, is offset by the auditor's books, which show that the state owes Uncle Sam over half a million.

Chief Justice Chase's remains, which were originally buried in Washington, were re-interred at his old home in Cincinnati, on the 14th inst. Eloquent addresses were made by Govs. Foraker, Hoadley and Congressman Butterworth.

Range cattle in this section are in good condition, and should the coming winter be as mild as last the percentage of loss will not be much greater. Although the weather of last winter was not severe the grass and water supply was very poor. The fall of snow being light.

"Joobashaws" and "jawsmiths" are the last products of American pot-house politics. A joobashaw is understood to be a man who thinks with his jaw, while a jawsmith is merely a thoughtless mouthworker. —Ex. These terms will do for the uneducated and stupid Montana politics.

It is now reported that Mr. Von Hoffman has got tired of footing the bills of his adventurous son-in-law, the Marquis de Mores, and will close the bank on his dressed great enterprise at Medora. The "Marque" is now on a hunt in the bad lands. It would be money in father-in-law Hoffman's pocket to keep him hunting the year around.

Gov. Pierce in his report discusses the admission of Dakota, which now has 600,000 people into the Union, and adds: "I renew my recommendation, most earnestly, that this great people be no longer kept from their rights, but be permitted a share and voice in that government they honor by their public spirit and sustain by their industry."

Commissioner Sparks' public papers are usually self-glorifying documents and full of denunciations of his critics. His letter to Governors Warren and Hauser is a characteristic one. Everybody who dares to criticize Sparks is a "scoundrel" or a "thief and land grabber." The office Sparks holds has usually been occupied by gentlemen, before he plumped himself into it. —Pioneer Press.

In a recent sermon in London, Henry Ward Beecher astonished the hide-bound, white cravated clergy with his liberal utterances. A number of questions were asked Beecher as to his idea of the doctrine of retribution, and his answers caused intense excitement, several divines rising to their feet and loudly protesting against his views. Beecher retorted that "any man believing in retribution who married, entered society or smiled, was a monster. He preferred not working through the fear of the barbarous doctrine of retribution." These are noble words, uttered by a man who has broken the chains of mental slavery that once held him and is trying to set others free. Missionaries should be sent to England to work among the orthodox clergy.

We regret beyond measure, the necessity of stating that W. T. McFarland is virtually out of the race for the office of clerk and recorder. We like many others—Republicans and Democrats—knowing Mr. McFarland's superior abilities and his many excellent qualities of head and heart, had hoped to see him serving this county in the office to which he aspired. The opportunity was open to him to become a valuable citizen and public officer, but alas, to the sorrow of his many friends, he has returned to his cups, in the distant city of Butte. As publishers and having the welfare of the new county at heart, and having been a warm supporter of Mr. McFarland, we deem it but justice to the people that the facts should be known. The Argus endorses Mr. W. F. Miller, for the office of clerk and recorder.

THE APPROACHING ELECTION.

One week from next Tuesday occurs our biennial election. On that day the people of the new county of Fergus will choose their officers for the ensuing two years. Do we realize the importance of this election? is the question. It is quite an easy matter to take up the work of a retiring officer in an old established county compared to the duties devolved in starting the machinery of a new one. It is half of the battle to get started right, and we want officers who possess a large degree of common sense and some experience in the line of the office to which they aspire. Both tickets possess good men—in one or two instances it is nip and tuck, and nothing but fealty to party can or should decide the contest. This is a happy conclusion for the people who are to be served if not to the candidate who fails to reach the goal. We want men in office who are genial, capable and accommodating—men who will be as cordial and attentive to the wants of the hardworking ranchman as to the man who wears corsets and a pica-dilly collar.

Every legal voter should exercise the franchise and in a careful manner. Great power lies in the ballot for good or evil. Those who stay at home on election day must not complain of the result; their negligence and indifference may be the source of bad government.

It is important that our board of commissioners be composed of live, practical business men; personal spite and groundless prejudices should not be set up against the common weal. It is not up to cast a ballot that it may be counted for or against a man; it is the incentive, the motive that prompted it wherein honor lies. We are also called upon to cast our votes for a delegate to congress. The two parties are waging a friendly but earnest contest for supremacy. In some instances, perhaps, the hirings of the press are crawling on their bellies to fulfill their obligations, but otherwise the campaign is progressing upon an elevated plain. The vile methods and personalities of the east have happily been omitted from the contest. The intelligent voter will stand firmly by his party and his candidate. Now and then a man will turn on the party he has been identified with for years or on a man whose every thought and deed has been in harmony with its great principles, because of some petty grievance that would hardly disturb the equilibrium of a petulant school boy. Vote for a principle, good government, and the welfare of our territory.

QUEST ITEMS.

Wash Kelly was in Ulet Monday night and went to Swimming Woman Tuesday.

County Surveyor Stafford surveyed the line between Fergus and Meagher counties on Monday.

William Berkin, Jr. and Sandy Baker, of Cottonwood went around to Swimming Woman Monday on a tea day's hunt.

Veterinarian Veterinary Surgeon, Keeler, is in the Basin examining stock for pleuro-pneumonia, on Cottonwood and in the Judith roundup.

The Judith roundup has had a great deal of difficulty this fall on account of the heavy fogs, which have delayed them several days at a time.

There is considerable game being killed on the south side of the Snowies. Mr. Carter, a stock man from Chicago, killed three deer in one day last week.

Mr. Metcalf, of Mattly, Croft & Metcalf, sheepman of Wolf creek, was at Captain Wagner's camp on Buffalo creek, after horses stolen from his Wolf creek range by Indians and taken by the soldiers.

WOLF CREEK ITEMS.

T. F. Morgan has been at Benton for the past few days.

There are not potatoes enough on this creek to supply the home demand.

Nearly everybody in the Warcham neighborhood is sick with a sort of epidemic.

Square Butte, just west of Wolf creek is the handsomest and best land-mark in Montana.

We had quite a shower Friday night and Saturday morning the Belts appeared in a white coat.

Chas. Mix is erecting a new building on the south side of Main street, Dubuque, to be used as a saloon.

Yet Woodworth killed a large Rocky Mountain Grizzly bear at the head of the creek a few days ago.

A member of the Judith roundup took a dose of strychnine a few days ago but his life was saved by a larger dose of "bacon grease."

Coyotes are very numerous on the creek this fall and sheep herders have to exercise constant vigilance to keep them out of the herds.

Mr. Daniel Thomas and family are at present sojourning at Deer Lodge, at which place his children were sick at last accounts.

There are about 3,000 tons of the finest hay in stock on Wolf creek, and, commencing at a point a few miles below Dubuque, the range is excellent.

The Stanford postoffice has been removed to the residence of Col. Vial, just west of town, while the town has been rechristened Dubuque, and a post office by that name has been established there.

Lee Bain, the renter, has built a new house on his ranch and is putting up sheep sheds. John P. Thomas intends erecting a frame house 16x20 feet, and "Hank" Warcham will soon have a fine residence completed on his ranch at the crossing of the Benton freight road. Who says Wolf creek is not coming out of the wilderness?

Col. J. A. Vial recently received from Iowa 307 grade two-year-old heifers at a cost of \$22.50 delivered at Billings. He also received 11 head of registered short-horn bulls, 3 registered short-horn heifers, 1 registered Hereford bull and 1 registered Hereford Heifer, all two-year-olds. They were selected from the celebrated Turner herd of Lansing, Mich. The graded heifers were bought of Geo. P. Seoby, Fayette, who has more to sell at the same price.

Samuel B. Scott, the excellent carpenter who is doing the work on Chas. Mix's new building, thinks of locating permanently at Dubuque. ROYCE.

About our Laws.

JUDITH BASIS, Oct. 18, 1886.

EDITORS ARGUS:—In looking over your issue of the 14th inst. I noticed an article from Mr. Granville Stuart, an enterprising stockman of this county, referring to certain acts passed by the 14th legislative assembly, claiming that that body was and are being made that that body was to a great extent governed or controlled by the cattle kings of Montana. I, as a silent on-looker, have heard such charges made against our last legislature, and will further state that I have heard a great many citizens of our territory maintaining that most of the laws passed by that body favored capital rather than the commonwealth of the country. It has also been frequently stated that the four great interests of this territory, viz: mining, railroad, cattle, and sheep, and bankers have been and are the favored ones.

Now, I would like to ask Mr. Stuart what he thinks of a certain act passed by the last legislature in regard to stock killed by railroads. If my memory serves me right the act provided that only two-thirds of the assessed value of an animal killed by the railroads in our territory can be collected under the act. I would ask Mr. Stuart if he does not think that the passage of the above act goes to prove that, in a great measure, the railroads are running Montana instead of the legislature? I will state here that the policy of our lawmakers should be: "Equal rights to all and special rights to none." Now I will ask where is there a law governing the rate of interest to be charged by the bankers of our territory? I know that there is a law allowing them to charge whatever rate of interest they feel disposed to ask. I think I do not think that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of Montana, or in his absence before the Deputy Clerk of said court, in and for Meagher county, M. T., on November 27th, 1886, viz: Francis M. Geer, who made pre-emption declaratory statement No. 5983, for the W1 NW1, W1 SW1, Sec. 2, Tp. 3, north of range 19 east. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Thomas Brewington and Walter E. Buck, of Profile, M. T.; Michael O'Brien, of Halbert, M. T.; and Napoleon C. Smith, of Lavinia, M. T. S. W. LANGSHORNE, Register. F. ADKINSON, Adly.

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do think there should be a law governing this matter.

And yet there are other laws which were passed by our last legislature, viz: the "Salary Bill" and "Road Law," by the Salary Bill, the counties of Meagher and Fergus, alone, have lost, according to the report of some of the commissioners, at least \$5,000 since the passage of that act. And the Road Law, I think, is a pure piece of senselessness. The passage of that act compels the poor man to pay his poll tax in cash instead of labor, when the latter would be much more preferable to him, and of more benefit to the county at large. I think a few days travel over our roads will answer this question satisfactorily.

And now to the citizens of Fergus County: I consider Mr. Stuart a high-minded and level-headed gentleman in every respect, and have learned that he has been placed upon the democratic ticket of this county as a candidate for representative in the 15th legislative assembly, and do think that he is the very best man that the people could have chosen for that place; and I only call his attention to the above facts that he may know the wants of the people of the territory, and trust that he will take due notice thereof, and act and govern himself accordingly. STRICT OBSERVER.

ITEMS FROM DUBUQUE.

Messrs. Brown Bros. have just arrived with a band of thoroughbred bucks.

Judge Tombs and Phil. Whaley called here and remained over night October 15th.

Messrs. Beck, Chandler and Smith, Republican candidates stopped at Dubuque, Tuesday.

A post office has been established here in T. F. Morgan's store. Most of the people of this valley are well pleased at this. The old town, known as Stanford, is not as convenient for the people to receive their mail as at the new town of Dubuque. In fact Stanford is so far from Dubuque that it can never amount to much.

Indians have killed three cows belonging to Mr. Redding on Lone Tree creek. They also stole a horse from Mr. Allison on Wolf creek. WINDLICKER.

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