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FORCIBLE FACTS.

A New Township Created by the Commissioners of Custer County.

How Care is Being Extended to Montana's Insane Patients.

Prospects Regarding Home and Foreign Cattle—A Large Supply.

County Commissioners Meeting.

The board of county commissioners of Custer county assembled yesterday in special session, and, immediately after organizing, proceeded to draw trial jurors for the coming November term of the district court. This concluded, grand jurors were selected.

Upon a petition signed by more than fifty citizens praying for the laying out of a township to include Miles City, it was resolved that a township be laid out commencing at the mouth of Tongue river, thence up said river to the mouth of Pumpkin creek to upper Deadwood stage road crossing, thence along said road to Mizpah creek, thence down Powder river to the Yellowstone river, thence up the Yellowstone to the place of beginning, the same to be known as Miles City township.

A petition was presented signed by a majority of taxpayers praying for two bridges across Rosebud creek. In the opinion of the board such bridges being deemed unnecessary on motion of Mr. Bullard, the petition was not granted.

A petition being presented to the board praying for the division of school district No. 2, signed by more than five head of families, it was resolved that the same be granted. The boundary lines being fixed from the section line of George King's to the western boundary of the county, being No. 6.

At this point the board of commissioners adjourned and resolved itself into a board of equalization.

Montana's Insane.

A report has just been made to Gov. Crosby by Dr. C. K. Cole, who recently visited the Warm Springs institution for the purpose of making an inspection of our Territorial Insane Hospital, which is under a contract with Dr. Mitchell, and the superintendence of Dr. Mussigbrod. He found eighty patients under treatment, of whom seventy-two are males. Four of the number were sent from the penitentiary. During the entire existence of this institution seven patients have been admitted from the penitentiary at Deer Lodge, of which two escaped (one recaptured), and two were discharged as cured.

The mortality rate could not be exactly obtained, but the number of deaths is comparatively small when the physical infirmities attending mental diseases is considered. It is believed that the results attained under the present system and management will compare favorably with similar institutions in the eastern states. During a period of several years, of the whole number annually admitted thirty-two and one-half per cent. have been discharged cured, while of the remainder or what may be termed the resident portion, twelve per cent. have been cured. It is impossible under the regulation now existing for committing insane persons to the care of a hospital to obtain exact and reliable information concerning the previous history of the patients, and consequently a correct conclusion as to the causes in individual cases.

The suggestion made in the report that upon the admission of a patient, blanks in triplicate, giving such facts as are ascertainable be filled; one to be sent to the Executive, one to the magistrate under whose supervision the patient was committed, and the third to be retained in the asylum, has been adopted, and the plan is satisfactory. Food and clothing supplied seemed entirely adequate, both in quality and quantity. A general house cleaning takes place regularly on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday on each week, while each room and cell is whitewashed and disinfected once a month, or oftener if required. All patients are required to have a full bath on Thursday of each week. Patients are encouraged to take systematic outdoor exercise, this being recognized as a leading feature of their treatment.

A general description of the workings of the institution are reviewed in detail, and in a most commendatory

manner, concluding with the statement that its methods reflect credit upon both the contractor, Dr. Mitchell and Dr. Mussigbrod, who is in immediate charge; and this is all the more apparent when the fact is remembered that this neither a federal or territorial asylum, and yet possesses most of the leading features of treatment and general care of inmates found in the large state insane hospitals of the older commonwealths.

Cattle in Chicago.

At Chicago the live stock market, last week, registered to its close on Saturday, a pretty steady decline for all grades below choice. The daily receipts have been enormous, and this fact, although the demand was fair, gave buyers a decided advantage which they were not slow to make use of.

At the start the supply was heavy and consisted for the most part of poor to medium arrivals, which nobody seemed to want. Hence the movement was very slow and the general market about ten cents off for inferior to fair kinds. For fat, well bred beefs there was a good inquiry and as they were scarce the best of the offerings sold readily enough at steady figures.

Range cattle came in in big droves and prices were weaker all along the line. Business dragged a good deal as buyers wanted heavier reductions in prices than salesmen were willing to give. Through Texans, wintered Texans and medium western cattle comprised the bulk of the supply.

The market for stockers and feeders was well supplied with low grade cattle and there were some very choice lots offered. Prices were considered high by purchasers but there was no quotable alteration.

As the week advanced the shipping cattle market was glutted with receipts. The quality, however, was very poor and the offerings of really choice fat animals did not equal the demand. Hence these found ready sale at about steady prices, and indeed values were considered firm on really choice lots. The market for medium grades, however, was dull and weak, while there were a great many lots of poor stuff in the pens, for which no bids could be obtained. As a rule sales were 20@25c lower but the supply of grassy, rough and lean cattle which daily arrives have been cleared at three times that decline.

Butchers' stuff was plenty and as buyers could get all the good and cheap range cattle they wanted the cow market was very much neglected. Prices were 25@40c lower on many kinds and the most desirable lots were hard to sell.

The runs of western cattle were the largest of the season. The offerings of stock from the far west were very heavy and included all kinds, good bad and indifferent. Buyers, however, held off and business at times was lifeless. Salesmen were ready to make liberal concessions but buyers asked too much.

More Fanciers in Quad.

In our Sunday's issue, brief mention was made of the fact that five parties under suspicion of horse stealing had arrived in town in charge of Deputy Sheriff Conley and King. The accused are known respectively James Hayden, Joseph McLaughlin, Garrett Anderson, Frederick Rouserville and Thomas Allen. These people maintained a headquarters on Scott's ranch on the lower Yellowstone, between here and Fort Buford. The deputies above named were accompanied by several other specials who are well adapted to the peculiar work of rounding-up the admirers of other people's horses when they go so far as to appropriate the same without the owners' knowledge and consent. Not only were the culprits taken, but about fifty feloniously appropriated horses were secured as the result of the raid. The accused men are now sojourning in the county jail.

A Deserved Tribute.

The annexed well-merited endorsement is given by Captain James H. Gills, of the New Northwest: "To go no further into an analysis of existing conditions, it may well be said that Judge Knowles is a candidate upon whom the entire party of the territory can unite without personal, sectional grievances to disturb the cordiality of support; who has the vitality of vigorous mental manhood matured and tempered by study, responsibility and experience in public affairs; who is the high meridian of physical life; who is identified with Montana in all that he is, he has, or hopes for; who has planted his hearthstone in her soil and sanctified it with joy and sorrow; who can be presented after many years of eminent public life without a blemish on his fair record; who is a Republican from intelligent conpre-

hension of and devotion to the principles that party has espoused, established and maintains; whose interest in Montana and her people is not circumscribed by imaginary lines, by occupation, age or residence; who knows by heart and has helped to make much of the history of Montana; who is acquainted with her needs and deserts; who if elected will go into Congress and the departments with a knowledge of public affairs, a disciplined mind and habits eminently fitting him to efficiently serve the people of this territory as their delegate."

Tool is Coming.

Joseph K. Toole, Esq., the Democratic candidate for delegate to Congress, is billed for a personal explanation of his peculiar political views before Miles City people on Friday, the 24th inst. Our citizens will accord him a grand turnout, and, after he concludes his speech, an additional number of votes will unquestionably be made for his opponent, Hon Hiram Kuewles. We are glad that Mr. Tool is coming.

The authorities in making prompt arrests of suspected parties for gross depredations committed upon property deserve much commendation from the public. Especially is this the case where horses and cattle are spirited away by stealth. In this connection let the officers bear in mind Davy Crockett's motto: "Be sure you are right and then go ahead." Having this assurance on their side, it is well for them to hunt down and bring all offenders to justice.

The season of the sere and yellow, the russet and brown, has arrived. The summer solstice has passed, and we have entered upon the autumn period. The mornings and evenings are cool and delightful, and require a little extra care and extra clothing. Still, for all that, the autumn is the loveliest of the seasons, inspiring one to live and linger among its scenes, and imparting elasticity to the limbs, a bloom to the cheek, and a sparkle to the eye. Glorious autumn!

An oyster supper will be given by the Ladies' Guild, of the Episcopal church, in the dining hall of the Grand Central hotel on Thursday evening next, beginning at 8 o'clock, p. m. Those who like raw, stewed and fried oysters should attend, and all are invited to be there and aid a good cause.

The shrill voice of the yelping cur like the honest bark of the faithful watch dog, frequently flouts out upon the crisp midnight air, occasionally well punctuated with lively interwaulings of some stray specimen of the fabled feline brood.

The case of George Floyd, charged with swindling, is set for a hearing before Judge Walker to-day. He is accused of seeking to draw money out of bank against what was supposed to be a chimerical check.

The Democratic central committee is going around with an intense Diogenes lantern and a power microscope endeavoring to hunt up enough stray voters to make a slight showing upon their poll books.

The Democratic candidates seem to have gotten down to hard work in dead earnest, for they and their friends are trying to drink up the bulk of the tanglefoot now on tap throughout the territory.

Two hearts were made to beat like one on Sunday afternoon, when Judge Walker in his usual bland and artistic manner, tied the nuptial knot uniting Henry C. Smith and Nancy Eggey.

Freckle Painting. (Exchange.)

A Long Branch correspondent states that freckles have become so fashionable that the manicures have found it expedient to add freckle painting to their list of arts. They drive a thriving business in artificially producing the golden beauty spots on such complexions as are not thus adorned by exposure to sun and wind on the salt sea sands. It is said that carefully managed artificial freckles can be made to last three days. The price charged is 50 cents a freckle.

A Tarantula Colony. (Exchange.)

Near Los Angeles, Cal., is a low hill, which is literally covered with tarantula nests. The vermin swarm there, and at times 100 or more may be seen in the vicinity, while at other times nothing is visible of the colony except the nests. Some of the tarantulas are very old, and one has been noticed which is about as large as four ordinary tarantulas.

The First Pullman. (New York Extra.)

It is a quarter of a century ago that Mr. Pullman ran the first sleeping-car ever appeared on an American railway. It was an August night, on the Burlington, Ill., to Chicago, Ill., and four passengers, who each for the same