

# A LEGALIZED "BOSS"

## SECRETARY BONAPARTE SUGGESTS A NOVAL IDEA.

Cut Out Nominating Conventions—Let One Man Do It All—Have Him Elected Annually by Legal Voters of His Party at a Primary and Let Him Choose All Candidates.

In a recent interview Secretary of the Navy Charles Bonaparte suggested the establishment of a legalized "boss" in political parties in each of the states and cities, the "boss" to be empowered to select the candidates for the various elective offices, thereby doing away with nominating conventions.

It is hard, he said, indeed, often impossible to get men who are fit to become candidates. Unfit candidates can be secured by the bushel.

"Now, by a legalized boss I mean an individual authorized on behalf of each party to choose all candidates for that party for elective offices within a designated territory.

"Of course, every facility should be afforded for making independent nominations, whether within the organized parties or without, so all citizens who may dissent for whatever reason from the 'regular' nominations may be able to vote effectively according to their convictions."

The reporter asked how Mr. Bonaparte would choose his proposed "legalized boss."

"He ought to be elected annually," said the secretary, "by the legal voters of his party at a primary held under all the sanctions of law, and at which only this one officer, or rather position, should be filled. I likewise think it probable that no one of the persons who have been known as 'bosses' since I have known of politicians would have been elected at such a primary.

"Perhaps it might be well to provide that the nominator or 'legalized boss' I have suggested should be himself disqualified to hold public office, but of this I am not sure. There are certainly two sides to the question."

### Expect a Large Corn Crop.

The preliminary returns to the crop estimating board of the department of agriculture bulletin just issued shows the production of corn in 1906 to be 2,881,096,000 bushels, or an average of 30.2 to the acre, as compared with an average yield of 28.3 bushels estimated in 1905.

### Race Suicide in France.

Paris.—Public attention has again been drawn to the national peril involved in the constantly diminishing birth rate by the publication of the vital statistics for 1905.

### A PUBLIC DUTY.

Montpelier, Ohio, Man Feels Compelled to Tell His Experience.

Joseph Wilgus, Montpelier, O., says: "I feel it my duty to tell others about Doan's Kidney Pills.



Exposure and driving brought kidney trouble on me, and I suffered much from irregular passages of the kidney secretions. Sometimes there was retention and at other times passages were too frequent, especially at night. There was pain and discoloration. Doan's Kidney Pills brought me relief from the first, and soon infused new life. I give them my endorsement."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. City Boarder was being entertained by his rural sweetheart. "Do you play and sing 'When the Cows Are in the Corn,' Miss Millyweigh?" "Lord bless you, no!" she ejaculated. "I get the dogs and chase 'em out!"—Harper's Weekly.

### \$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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"No, mum; sure, the doctor sez as it's the dyspepsy."—Baltimore American.

FITS St. Vitus Dance and all Nervous Diseases permanently cured by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE 24 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline M.D., 361 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Newspapers are beginning to flourish in Italy. The first in circulation and enterprise is the Evening Courier of Milan, with 120,000 circulation and an equipment of American Hoe presses. The Tribune of Rome is next in circulation and influence, with an output of 100,000 copies daily.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during teething period.

Venetian glass is not made in Venice, but in the island of Murano.

# SPokane Market Quotations.

Wholesale Produce Prices.

Vegetables—Cabbage, \$1.25 cwt; tomatoes, 40@45c crate; huckleberries, 12 1-2c; cranberries, \$10 bbl; potatoes, 75@85c cwt; turnips, \$1.25 cwt; onions, \$1.25@1.50 cwt; carrots, \$1.75@2.25 cwt; prunes, 40@50c; cauliflower, \$1@2 doz; horseradish, 10@12 1-2c lb; green peppers, 85c@1 box; beets, \$1@1.50 cwt; pears, \$1.25@1.50 box; quinces, \$2 box; eggplants, \$1.50 crate; sweet potatoes, 3c lb; cantaloupes, \$2@2.50.

Apples—Cooking, 75@81 box; eating, \$1@1.50 box.

Grapes—Muscats, \$1@1.25 crate; Tokays, \$1.50; Black Hamburgs, \$1@1.25; eastern Concord, 40@45c basket.

Oranges, \$4.75@5.25 box; lemons, fancy, \$6.50@7.75 case; dried figs, 75@80c 10 lb box; figs in bulk, 6c lb; black figs, 10 lb package, 80c; Fard dates, 8@9c lb; golden dates, 9@10c lb; bananas, \$2.75@3.25 bushel.

Butter and Eggs—Fresh ranch eggs, current receipts, \$7@7.25 case; fresh ranch eggs, selected, \$8.25 case; local eggs, \$5@7; eastern eggs, \$7.50; best creamery butter, 32c lb; cheese, twins, 15c lb.

Honey—\$3.50; strained honey, 9c lb. Sugar—\$5.95 per 100 lbs; beet, \$6.75. Coffee—Common package goods, \$1.25 per 4 lbs.

Seed—Alfalfa, \$14 cwt; red clover, \$14.50@15 cwt; Kentucky bluegrass, \$13.50@14 cwt; timothy, \$5.50@6 cwt; white clover, \$17@20.

### Wholesale Meat Prices.

Beef—Steers, dressed, 5@5 1-2 lb; cows, dressed, 4@4 1-2 lb; mutton, dressed, 9c lb; pork, 11c lb; hams, 14 3-4 lb; bacon, 15 1-4 lb; lard, 11 1-2c lb; dry salt extras, \$11 cwt; dry salt backs, \$11.50 cwt; veal, fancy small, 6 1-2@7 1-2c; veal, fancy large, 5 1-2@6c lb; smoked salmon, 15c lb.

### Wholesale Feed Prices.

Bran, \$15 ton; bran and shorts, \$16 ton; white shorts, \$17 ton; corn, \$1.40 cwt; cracked corn, \$1.50 cwt; timothy hay, \$18 ton; alfalfa, \$14 ton; rolled barley, \$1.16 cwt; new oats, \$1.25 cwt; chopped oats, \$1.35 cwt; wheat, \$1@1.10 cwt; red shorts, \$16 ton.

### Prices Paid to Producers.

Live Stock—Steers, \$3@3.25 cwt; cows, \$2@2.50; sheep, \$3.50@4 cwt; hogs, \$6.50@7.

### Dressed Meats—Mutton, 8c lb; veal, fancy small No. 1, 7@7 1-2c lb; fancy large, 5@6c lb; pork, 9c lb.

Poultry and Eggs—Live hens, 13c; live spring chickens, 13@14c; live roosters, 10c; dressed hens, 14c; ducks, 11c; fresh ranch eggs, \$7 case. Hides—Green steers, 9c lb; cows, 8c lb; salted, 1c higher; dry hides, 14@16c; calf skins, green, 10c lb; kip, 8c lb; sheepskins, \$1@1.25.

### Creamery produce, f. o. b. Spokane

—First grade creamery butter fat, 28 1-2c.

Feed—Timothy hay, \$13@14 ton; alfalfa hay, \$10.50@11 ton; oats, \$1@1.10 cwt.

Vegetables—Apples, 50@60c box; beets, 75c@81 cwt; potatoes, 75c cwt; cabbage, \$1@1.25 cwt; onions, \$1 cwt.

### Wheat Report.

Davenport, Wash.—Wheat—Bluestem, 52c; club, 49c.

Prosser, Wash.—Bluestem, 57c; club and red, 55 1-2c.

Portland, Ore.—Club, 63@64c; bluestem, 66@67c; red, 60@61c; valley, 66c.

Tacoma, Wash.—Unchanged. Bluestem, 68c; club, 66c; red, 64c.

Colfax, Wash.—Bluestem, 61c; club, 49c; red, 46c; no sales.

### Chicago's Candidates.

Chicago.—For mayor on the democratic ticket: Edward F. Dunne, Carter H. Harrison, Lawrence McGann or James Hamilton Lewis, formerly congressman from the state of Washington.

For mayor on the republican ticket: Alexander H. Revell, W. S. Jackson, Frank I. Bennett or Edward J. Brundage.

This is how the Chicago politicians have figured out the lineup at the primaries for next spring's majority campaign.

### Tobacco Trust Under Fire.

An investigation of the business methods of the so-called tobacco trust will be made by the department of justice. E. N. Hill of Boston has been appointed as special attorney to make the inquiry. The officials of the department will not discuss the matter but it is believed that a prosecution under the Sherman anti-trust law is in view.

### Widow of Veteran of 1776.

Mrs. Esther Cumner Damon, said to be the last surviving widow of a soldier of the revolutionary war, died at her home in Plymouth Union, Vt., aged 93. She was married in 1835 when 21 years old to Noah Damon, who was then 75 years old. Damon served through the revolutionary war, having enlisted in 1775.

### Brugere to Visit America.

General Brugere, formerly commander in chief of the French army, will leave Paris soon for a tour of the world. General Brugere's son is at present attending a military school in the United States. While in America General Brugere will be the guest of President Roosevelt.

### General Shafter is Sick.

Bakersfield, Cal., Nov. 15.—Major General William R. Shafter, U. S. A., retired, is seriously ill of pneumonia at his ranch, 14 miles south of Bakersfield.

# MINES AND MINING

## NOTES FROM SEVERAL DISTRICTS OF NORTHWEST.

Miners of Butte, Mont., Get Voluntary, a Big Raise of Wages—Price of Silver Goes Up—Pioneer Mining Man Dies—Big Mining Company in Gold Fields, Nev.

### Southern Idaho Mines.

The run of the mill on the Minerva mine near Atlanta cleaned up \$12,000 last month. All of the ore milled was taken out in the process of development work, drifts and a raise to connect the two tunnels.

Wayne Darlington has secured a lease and an option for the purchase of the South Mountain mine in Owyhee county. The mine is owned by George A. Forenson. The price named in the option is said to be \$65,000.

The property of the A. D. M. & R. mining company, situated in Lemhi county, has been sold to W. F. McQuarrie of Denver, Col., for \$350,000, and by him reorganized and incorporated under the laws of Arizona with a capitalization of \$600,000, with shares at \$1 par value.

### Eastern Oregon Mines.

A contract has been closed with a Baker City company for a 20 stamp mill on the Gold Bug mine. The mill will be in operation before Christmas. The vein recently struck in the Fourteen Thousand Dollar mine in the Foothorns has widened to a ledge of 60 feet, with average values of \$26 in copper and \$6 in gold.

The Crane Flat dredge near Granite, owned by a company in which E. W. Burbridge of Spokane is a large stockholder, has finished its season's work. The final balance was most satisfying, for the weekly cleanups averaged nearly \$1200, while the operating expenses were but \$350 a week.

### Mines in the Cascades.

The Snoqualmie Gold Mining company is building a five mile wagon road from its mine near Snoqualmie to the railroad. The managers have announced that a concentrator will be erected in the spring.

A three foot ledge of rich gold ore has been found in the tunnel on the property of the Esther Gold & Silver Mining company, which lies on Gold creek in Kittitas county. The average return from samples sent to the Tacoma smelter was \$107 a ton.

Shipping galena ore has been encountered in the property of the Belle Fontaine company north of Clealum. The ore was found when the shaft was down 65 feet. A steam hoist is now being installed to handle the ore and to facilitate sinking on the ledge.

"Silver is going to reach a price of 76 or better within two years, and it is going to hold that price," said Geo. W. Roberts, director of the United States mints, in a recent interview.

The coal strike continues to affect unfavorably shipments of ore from the mines of Roseland, B. C. It is evident now that if the strike continues for another four or five weeks Le Roi No. 2 and the Center Star will be compelled to close down pending a settlement of the trouble.

### Butte Miners Big Pay.

The miners at Butte, Anaconda and Great Falls have been given notice of an unexpected raise in wages that will mean an addition of \$100,000 a month to Butte's payroll.

The notices posted at all the large mines were to the effect that the wages of all underground men would be increased from \$3.50 to \$3.75 a day and that all men receiving less than \$3 a day would receive \$3 a day after November 15, when the changes go into effect.

In each case the notices state: "This increase is made on account of the satisfying condition of the world's metal markets, and it may be understood that the increase will stand so long as the price of electrolytic copper remains over 18 cents a pound.

This new scale will affect about 10,000 men in Butte, 1000 in Anaconda and as many at Great Falls, and will enable the miners to earn in 11 months as much as they have heretofore earned in a year. The increase was entirely voluntary on the part of the companies, for the men had made no request for such an action.

### MINING NEWS.

The recent sale of the Krao silver mine at Ainsworth, B. C., to Eute, Mont., people for the sum of \$100,000 cash, and the natural publicity which follows such a transaction, revives in the minds of old timers many events of the past.

The merger of four of the biggest Goldfield mines has been announced on the San Francisco stock exchange.

The mines absorbed in the consolidation are the Mohawk, Jumbo, Red Top and Lagula. The new corporation will be known as the Goldfield Consolidated Mines company, and is capitalized at \$50,000,000. The properties acquired by the giant corporation have been taken over on the following share basis valuation: Mohawk \$20 a share, Jumbo \$5 a share, Red Top \$5 a share and Lagula \$2 a share.

These will be paid for in shares of the Goldfield Consolidated Mines company at par value.

Michael Storms, a pioneer mining man of Idaho and Montana, died of general debility Saturday at Denver. He was 83 years old and had been one of the most familiar figures in Denver for 47 years.

# WIT OF THE YOUNGSTERS.

Little Girl—I thought you said you wasn't coming to school to-day. Little Boy—Oh, that was before I had an interview with papa.

Teacher—Willie, you may spell "felt." Willie—F-e-l-t. Teacher—That's right. Now, Johnnie, what is felt? Johnnie—Mamma's slipper.

"Oh, mamma!" exclaimed little Fred, as he caught sight of a zebra at a menagerie, "come here quick and see the poor little convict pony!"

"Harry," said a mother to her incorrigible son and heir, "did you bring that mud into the house?" "No, ma'am," replied Harry. "It just stuck to my shoes and came in itself."

"My papa is a lawyer," said little bel. "He knows everything your papa papa is a minister," rejoined little Mabel. "He knows everything your papa does and a whole lot about the hereafter."

Little Elsie—What's the meaning of the word "acclimated," Tommy? Small Tommy—Oh, it means to get used to anything. Like when a man and woman has been married so long they don't mind it any more!

"I'm glad I'm not a fish," remarked little George as he watched the goldfish swimming around in the globe. "Why?" queried his mother. "Cause it must be awful to have to be bathing all the time," was the reply.

One day little Elmer's mamma caught him in the pantry helping himself to some cake and jam. "Why, Elmer," she exclaimed, "don't you know it is wrong to take things without asking for them?" "It isn't wrong, mamma," replied Elmer. "Our Sunday school teacher says the Lord helps those who help themselves."

### MIXED THEIR MODELS UP.

Men Posed for Pictures of Women, Women for Those of Men.

It is an interesting fact that artists have used women as models from which to paint men and men as models from which to represent women, says the Strand Magazine.

One of the most striking instances is the well-known picture, "Napoleon on Board the Bellerophon." A woman friend of the painter was the model for the "Little Corporal."

Landseer's famous picture, "The Naughty Boy," was really painted from a little girl, little Lady Rachel Russell. As a matter of fact, the child's mother had taken her to have her portrait painted. When, however, she arrived at the studio she refused to pose in the way the artist suggested, and became so sulky and naughty that it was impossible to do anything with her.

At length her mother put her in the corner as a punishment. There she turned with such a sturdy, defiant look that she impressed Landseer, who sketched the recalcitrant little one as she stood.

A sense of chivalry toward the child caused him to change the sex of the subject, so he added the broken slate, the mangled hair and the undone boots, while keeping the disheveled dress, and gave a title to the canvas which has removed it from any suggestion of portraiture.

Wilkie's "Blind Fiddler," which created a furor when it was exhibited at the Royal Academy, furnishes another instance, for the artist actually sat to himself for the figure of the old woman.

Wilkie used to say that one day Bannister, the actor, called and was shown in while he was sitting on a low seat, dressed as a woman, with a looking glass before him, performing the part of a model for himself. Wilkie was not a man to be in the least discomposed at being found in such a plight. Bannister gazed on him for a moment or so, and said: "I need no introduction."

"Truly, no," said Wilkie. "I know you very well, but you see, I can't move lest I spoil the folds of my petticoat. I am for the present an old woman."

On one occasion Guido painted the head of a Madonna, using his porter as a model.

"Home, Sweet Home."

Probably no one would have been more surprised than Sir Henry Bishop himself could he have foreseen that a single melody in one of his numerous operas would achieve such celebrity that at the present day it is still sung by leading prima donnas at fashionable concerts, jangled on street organs and loved by a vast public that knows nothing of music, properly so called, as the purest representation of the English spirit—"Home, Sweet Home." Clara, the Maid of Milan, the opera in which this favorite song occurred, has long been consigned to the limbo of forgotten musical works, but "Home, Sweet Home," survives with undiminished popularity and is likely to survive when many more pretentious compositions have followed "The Maid of Milan" into oblivion.—Cornell Magazine.

The Evil of a Good Name.

"Mamma," said Picaninny Jim, "why didn't you name me George Washington?" "Sonny," was the answer, "I 'm' gwine to name no no-chilren George Washington. As soon as day hyabs dat story 'bout not bein' able to tell a lie dey 'pears to git curious, and find out whether it's so or not, an' dey stabs in spermentin' as soon as dey kin talk."—Washington Star.

Men have no use for women who wear greasy ribbons in their hair.



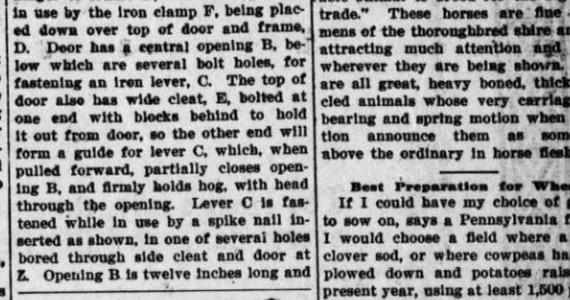
# AGRICULTURAL

Horses from Royal Stables. One of the most interesting studies in the Interstate live stock and horse show held at St. Joseph, Mo., was found in the exhibit of shire horses from the royal stables of King Edward and Lord Rothschild of Sandringham, England. St. Joseph was fortunate in securing this stable as it had not been the intention to exhibit the horses this side of the Atlantic except in the king's dominion, Canada. Louis F. Swift, of Swift & Co., was influential in prevailing upon Manager Beck, representing King Edward, to exhibit the horses, in two United States shows, viz., at the Interstate in St. Joseph and the American Royal at Kansas City. "Our object in bringing the horses to this side of the Atlantic was primarily to stimulate interest in the big shires with the Canadians," said Mr. Beck. "Until within a few years the shire has been too scarce and high priced for the general run of breeders. They are still high priced, but are coming within the range of general breeding and are a profitable animal to breed for the big draft trade." These horses are fine specimens of the thoroughbred shire and are attracting much attention and favor wherever they are being shown. They are all great, heavy boned, thick muscled animals whose very carriage and bearing and spring motion when in action announce them as something above the ordinary in horse flesh.

Best Preparation for Wheat. If I could have my choice of ground to sow on, says a Pennsylvania farmer, I would choose a field where a heavy clover sod, or where cowpeas had been plowed down and potatoes raised the present year, using at least 1,500 pound high-grade fertilizer on the potatoes. The potatoes having been kept clean and dug in good time, I would not plow for the wheat, but harrow at least for five times, and then drill in the wheat, drilling with it 400 pounds good fertilizer, with at least 3 per cent phosphoric acid and 6 per cent potash. Then in the spring, if it did not start grow promptly, I would sow broadcast 150 pounds nitrate of soda per acre. A heavy dressing of stable manure will make a large stand of straw which will not fill well unless one is sure the ground contains plenty of phosphoric acid and potash.

The Pig Pen. The pig sty is nearly always filled with materials for absorbing manure but they are not cleaned as frequently as should be the case. In winter, the yard contains absorbents, they come soaked during rains, and are agreeable locations for pigs. The pig sty is a dry location, as it suffers verily on damp, cold days. The materials in the pig sties will be of no service if added to the manure and a plentiful supply of cut straw thrown into the yard in its place. A covered shed, or sleeping quarters should be littered a foot deep with straw, which may be thrown into the yard after being used, but the yard should always be cleaned out after rain and dry material then added.

Homemade Post Driver. The construction of this post driver can be easily taken from the illustration.



TRAP FOR RINGING HOGS.

nine and one-half inches wide at widest place near lower end, and lower end of opening is ten inches above floor. Crate is four feet two inches long, two feet four inches high, and one foot six inches wide, inside measure. Place trap squarely with rear end close up to hog house door, with lever C thrown back; raise slide door, drive in a hog and drop slide door behind him, and he will thrust his head through the hole B. Pull lever C tight against his neck and insert spike to hold it there, and you can ring with ease a hog weighing nearly 400 pounds.

The Selection of Seed Corn. There is no time which is put in to better advantage or which fetches a larger return than that devoted to selecting the seed corn during the latter part of September and the first half of October. The advantage which securing the seed ears at this time has over the ordinary method of selecting at husking time lies in the fact that a choice of the earliest maturing ears can be made, a distinction that is impossible when all of the crop is ripe and ready to husk. For all the north half of the corn belt that type of corn is best which bears its ears low on the stalk. This means as a rule that such corn will mature early, and while the ears produced may not be quite so large as those which one has to reach above his head after they are much more likely to produce hard corn, which will keep after it is put in the crib. The shape and depth of kernel and form and type of ears are of very trivial importance as compared with the main question as to whether the corn itself is of a variety which will mature a crop in the latitude in which it is planted.

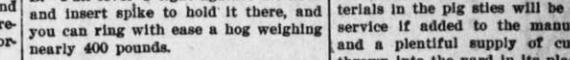
Good Yield of Fleeces. Ten pounds to the fleece is regarded large when it is an average from yearling lambs. A correspondent of Indiana Farmer writes that from a flock of 1,000 yearling lambs of McCabe & Nelson flocks, of Putnam County, Indiana, 10,000 pounds of a very fine quality of wool has been sheared this season, and that the wool is very even in fiber and general condition, showing that the sheep were fed regularly, and cared for in a very excellent manner. This even condition of the wool is always a sure sign of regular feeding and care in management and such wool always brings the best price.

Caps for Haycocks. For the benefit of those who are unwilling to purchase caps for covering the cocks we wish to say that alfalfa, properly cocked, will shed water just as well as clover—in fact, many farmers claim that it will shed water even better and that it is no more difficult to cure than clover in any season. While this may be true, we urge the use of caps for the reason that alfalfa is so much more valuable than clover, and a little extra expense in this line is money well invested.

Cheese-Making Gardening. Cheese-making has been shown recent bacterial research to be a form of gardening—an inverted garden in which the plants are grown for sake of modifying the soil. The peculiar qualities and flavors of the different cheeses have been proved due to the growth of various species of bacteria and molds in them. It has been found possible to produce flavor of the required cheese from milk of any locality by introducing appropriate plants. In a recent issue, for example, C. Gorlin shows the familiar red and green patches characterize Gorgonzola cheese a combined work of a special mold, species of bacillus. These organisms are introduced as the result of air punctures, made in the process of manufacture.

Price and Value. The price of the cow does not rate her value as a producer, edged butter is something that depends on how it is made. The cow gives milk, but upon the management a milk, cream and butter depend quality.

NEW POST DRIVER.



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tion. It can be made to work by or horse power. If man power, use one pulley. This can be made in the winter months and be used for spring fencing.