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REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

THE REPUBLICANS OF EMMONS COUNTY will meet in convention at the office of the Register of Deeds in Williamsport on Thursday, the 24th day of October, 1884, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing two delegates to represent said county in the Republican Legislative Convention to be held at Bismarck, the capital of Dakota, on Wednesday, the 16th day of October, 1884, at 2 o'clock p. m., to nominate two members of the Council and four members of the Assembly to represent this district in the next Legislature. Also, for the purpose of putting in nomination county officers for Emmons County, to be voted for at the next general election, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said convention. Each School Township in said county is requested to send five delegates to said convention at Williamsport.

R. T. HERRICK, S. B. HOLFE, J. N. ROOP, DON STEVENSON, THOMAS PARKS.

Republican County Committee.

BAIN BROS.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

GROCERS.

Fine Teas, Coffees, Spices,
Fresh Canned Goods, &c.,
our specialties. Special
attention paid to Mail
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WM. M. PYE, JR.,

Offers special inducements in

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WM. M. PYE, JR.,

Main Street, next to Dakota Block, BISMARCK, D. T.

MASON & CONOVER,

General Dealers in

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T. W. GRIFFIN

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FAMILY

GROCERIES,

Fresh and Salt Meats, Fish, Game, Poultry and Vegetables. Prompt attention given to orders.

Main and Fourth-sts., Bismarck, D. T.

New Goods!

New Goods!

DAN EISENBERG

Is Daily Opening

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GOODS.

You will always find his the cheapest and best place to buy your Dry Goods when you go to Bismarck.

Main Street, next door to Postoffice, BISMARCK, DAKOTA.

FARMERS,

CALL ON

Bismarck

Lumber Co.

FOR

LUMBER

AND

BUILDING MATERIAL

BISMARCK, DAKOTA.

J. H. MARSHALL,

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BOOTS & SHOES,

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Attends to all matters relating to the Public Lands before the United States Local Land Office and the Department at Washington. Final Proofs and Grants a specialty. Money loaned. Taxes paid for non-residents. Rents collected. A general real-estate business transacted. Land scrip and warrants bought and sold.

OSCAR H. WILL,

(Successor to E. M. FULLER).

Seedsmen & Florist,

Proprietor of the

Bismarck Greenhouses

and Nurseries.

BISMARCK, DAKOTA.
Send for Price List.

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MAN & CO.,

Will hereafter carry a complete stock of

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For wholesale and retail trade. Outside orders promptly attended to. Call on or address P. O. Box 865, BISMARCK, D. T.

GEO. W. ELDER'S

International

HOTEL,

FOURTH STREET, BISMARCK, D. T.

Recently refitted and refurbished. Rooms tasty and tables supplied with the best in the market. Livery connected with the House.

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Commissioners of Emmons County will meet in special session on Saturday, Oct. 4, 1884, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of establishing voting precincts and appointing judges of election. DAN WILLIAMS, County Clerk.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMMONS County will meet at the premises and let the following contract:
Building bridge over the Little Beaver at crossing of Fort Yates road—Thursday, Oct. 9.
Specifications to be furnished at the time of letting contract.
W. L. YEATER,
JAMES B. GAYTON,
R. S. WHITNEY,
Commissioners.

Fire!—\$50 Reward!

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF EMMONS County, being desirous of preventing, if possible, the dangerous and destructive practice of fires which have in the past, both in spring and autumn, swept over the county, have seen fit to publish the following paragraphs from the Dakota Statutes governing the matter. Much damage has been done through prairie fires resulting from carelessness, and in future all known violators of the statutes in relation to prairie incendiaries will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law, which is as follows:
"Every person who shall willfully set on fire, or cause to be set on fire, any woods, marshes or prairie, with intention to injure the property of another, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable for all damages done by such fire.
"Every person who negligently or carelessly set on fire, or causes to be set on fire, any woods, marshes or prairie, or who, having set the same on fire, or caused it to be done, negligently or carelessly, or without full precaution or effort to prevent, permits it to spread beyond his control, shall upon conviction, be fined not exceeding ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS, and not less than Ten Dollars, and shall be liable to injured parties for all damages occasioned thereby."
ONE-HALF OF SUCH FINE SHALL GO TO THE INFORMER."
WILLIAMSPORT, Sept. 28, 1884.
W. L. YEATER,
JAMES B. GAYTON,
R. S. WHITNEY,
Commissioners.

Republican National Ticket.

For President,

JAMES G. BLAINE,

OF MAINE.

For Vice-President,

JOHN A. LOGAN,

OF ILLINOIS.

As the RECORD circulates in all sections of Emmons county, and as every dollar expended for goods by her citizens must of necessity go to Bismarck, the columns of this paper are an excellent medium through which the merchants of that city can reach our citizens.

JUDGE GIFFORD came from Boone county, Ill. So did the writer. Probably our future member of congress is a relative. A presidential postoffice will do.

One of the results the consummation of which is devoutly to be wished is that immigration may soon bring about the necessity for a reduction in the size of the over-large counties of Dakota. While the claim may be advanced that more counties would necessitate the employment of additional officers, it is also true that the increased outlay would not prove nearly equal to the benefits which would accrue in the matter of economy in time and expense to those who are compelled to do business at county seats. There are a score of organized counties in Dakota which should be halved.

The RECORD is endeavoring to obtain a reliable statement of the crop product of the county, and also the number of acres of prairie broken this season. Although comparatively few acres have yet been cultivated in Emmons, still a report of the average per acre, weight of grain, etc., will, we believe, compare favorably with any in the territory. There has been a large amount of breaking done, every acre of which is a factor conducive to the general welfare, and we would like to give the names of the parties on whose land it has been done. Write out the yield per acre of grain, flax, buckwheat, potatoes, garden vegetables—in fact, any crop you may see fit to report—and also the number of acres broken this season. Give name, quarter, section, township, and range. Call at this office and leave your report, or send it in by mail. We trust this matter will not be neglected.

On several occasions the RECORD has called attention to the absolute necessity of Emmons county doing something toward making the territorial exhibit at the New Orleans Exposition a success. Commissioner McKenzie has been visiting South Dakota on business connected with this important matter, and everywhere his trip has produced gratifying results. The basis on which county assistance is asked should not be misunderstood. It is not desired as a gift, but simply a loan of credit through county orders, which amount the next Legislature will be asked to appropriate. Our exchanges from all sections of the territory are a unit in advocating the necessity of raising funds, and nominees for legislative honors are generally pledging themselves to the advocacy of an appropriation by our territorial law-makers to cover the credit loan. When past differences on the part of South Dakota people with the Commissioner have been laid aside in connection with this undertaking for the general good, and they are energetically backing him in his work, it will look strange if we from his own section fail to do our part. A good showing of Dakota products at New Orleans will be of vast benefit to the ter-

ritory at large, and Emmons County will receive her share of the advertising and immigration resulting therefrom. We trust the County Commissioners will take favorable action in the matter, especially as not one cent will be taken permanently from the county funds.

Take Notice.

The Republicans of Cherry Grove School Township will meet at the residence of Robert Buchanan on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 1, at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of electing five delegates to the county convention, which meets in Williamsport, Oct. 2.

Frisky's Boneset Balsam for Coughs, Colds, and all Lung Diseases.

Why You Should Subscribe.

The publisher of the RECORD desires to call the attention of citizens of every section of Emmons County to the following facts:

1. That every cent invested in the paper belongs to its founder, and that it is under the control of no ring, company or corporation.

2. That the RECORD will use every argument within the bounds of truth to attract settlers to our county. It will not, however, misrepresent the facts, believing that the truth told regarding the Missouri Valley is sufficient to induce immigration.

3. That, from its subscription and advertising patronage, the RECORD has now reached a point where its permanency is assured.

4. That any citizen of the county may at any time state his or her grievance through the columns of the paper, governed only by attention to decent language and a regard for necessary brevity.

5. That, while the RECORD will ever aim to keep outside the realm of dullness and insipidity, it will under no circumstances become a medium for the introduction of doubtful jokes and questionable stories within the pure boundaries of the family circle.

6. That the RECORD will, as occasion requires, state its opinion freely and fearlessly as to the public life and acts of county officers and candidates for office, with a just criticism of their qualifications; but will not attack, or publish an attack, upon the private life of an officer or seeker for office.

7. In the great political fight which is to come between producers and the transportation and elevator monopolies, the RECORD will be found at all times on the side of the people.

8. That in any sectional jealousies which may exist, it should be remembered that a county paper must be published somewhere in the county; and that a faithful devotion to the interests of the whole county should be the only basis in passing judgment upon it.

9. That the publisher desires news from every postoffice or settlement in the county. A regular correspondent is wanted at every postoffice.

10. That the size and value of the paper will grow in proportion to the support it receives.

11. That, as the RECORD will direct all its efforts toward attracting settlers, and thereby increasing the value of real estate, every man and woman in Emmons owning land or holding a claim will subscribe his or her interests by subscribing to the paper.

12. That the RECORD will keep you posted as to proceedings of the County Commissioners' assessment of taxes, and other county business, and will strive to merit the approval of the people.

13. That the price of the RECORD is \$2.00 per year, \$1.10 for six months, 60 cents for three months; but that it is not absolutely necessary for a yearly subscription to be paid entirely in advance. Send a dollar or a half-dollar at a time, and it will be placed to your credit.

Don't suffer with Corns when Frisky will cure you for 25 cents.

The Model Editor.

Annie Wakeman: Perhaps you think I don't know what constitutes an excellent editor. But I can give you my idea. He has as unerring a scent for good news as a honey-bee has for sweet clover, and, like the bee, can discriminate between new and old blossoms, and knows when the real news is extracted. He must have served in all departments of newspapering, as reporter, correspondent, leader writer, paragraphist, critic and exchange reader. The right lobe of his brain must be conciliatory and full of tact, and his left lobe aggressive. He must have taste and individuality. He must get instantly to the core of the subject like an apple-corer. His style must be terse and versatile, and ought to be unique. He must not only be industrious, but know how to incite labor. He must be a condenser and a generalizer. He must be plausible as well as logical, and he must be an encyclopedia.

Denominations for Money.

In his "Thesaurus," worthy old Dr. Roget says it is cash, funds, bullion, coin, dust, shiners, tin, blunt, rhino, specie, the needful, etc. Washington Irving canonized it as "the almighty dollar." In slangy America it is further denominated in the bonds as capital, pewter, ducats, greenbacks, stamps, boodle, rags, shekels, brads, hard stuff, stakes, divy, scrip, lucre, dingbats, pocket-lining, coupons, padding, soap, root-of-evil, cent-per-cent, retainer, bar-vener, sugar, tough-to-get, easy-to-go, sinews-of-war, letter-of-introduction, character-test, and titles "ad infinitum."—American Queen.

IN TOWN AND OUT.

WHY THE EDITOR SWORE.

With a terrific cold in his head,
And his eyelids heavy and sore,
The editor sat in his broken chair,
And bitterly, earnestly swore.

A youth had dropped in with a poem,
A man was there with a dan,
And a chap had entered to tell him
How the paper ought to be run.

An irate subscriber had told him
That his sheet wasn't fit to be read,
While another had carefully promised
To punch the editor's head.

The devil was yelling for the door;
And the wind whistled through the panes,
In why the editor swore.

But the angel who verily had to heaven
Recorded this verdict there:
"The jury find in the present case
"That was a justifiable swear."

Try Frisky's Corn-Killer.

Dan Williams is at the Capital.

Frank Frisky, Druggist, Bismarck.

Try Frisky's Liver Pills for all bilious troubles.

Messrs. Brindle and Huffman will soon leave for the east.

Frisky sells cottage paints at \$1.15 per gallon. Warranted.

Mr. Asa Casselman and family came down from Bismarck last Saturday.

When you visit Bismarck buy your Drugs, Paints and Oils from Frisky.

Monday's rain was succeeded yesterday by one of the most beautiful days of the season.

Work will soon be commenced on the bridge across Long Lake Creek near Asa Casselman's.

Send all orders for sewing machines, needles, oils and repairs to J. Brady, Bismarck, D. T.

Mr. Thomas Towle, of Winona, was in Williamsport last week, for the purpose of taking out a saloon license.

The postoffice at Roop, Emmons county, is now in full blast. County Treasurer Joseph N. Roop is the P. M.

Mr. U. S. Shelley was thrown from a horse last week by the animal stumbling. The gentleman received no injuries, however.

Mr. Thomas Kelly's house has been completed, and gossip is sure that the future Mrs. K. will occupy it in a short time.

Miss Alice Carpenter came down from the Glencoe neighborhood last Thursday, and went out to her claim northeast of town.

Messrs. Shelley & Briggs have their granary completed. It is a very substantial structure, 16x28 feet, and will hold 3,200 bushels.

Mr. Thomas Herron, an estimable young gentleman connected with Mellon Bros., came down last week. He returned yesterday.

Recently Mr. L. H. Lilly, living near Williamsport, lost his team, Mr. Marsh, of Menoken, sends word that they are in that neighborhood.

A fire in Bismarck Friday night destroyed three buildings, among them those occupied by George Gussner and Albertson's Troy Laundry.

This week we received some very fine vegetables from Mrs. Boutillier. For late papers we are indebted to Dan Williams and Commissioner Whitney.

Messrs. Snyder and Fish have recently written to friends here. They are in the neighborhood of Pierre, and say that they are doing well and catching plenty of fish.

The deed of the Northern Pacific to Mr. Fred Linke, of Bem, Minn., covering sections 15 and 21, township 186, range 77, has been recorded at the office of the County Register.

Our delegates to Pierre, Sheriff Wade and Attorney Herrick, have returned. They report a very pleasant trip. The gentlemen drove up the river road from the convention city.

Last Friday Mr. Frank Pitcher, of the Glencoe neighborhood, passed through Williamsport, with a team and wagon, on his way to Redfield, D. T. He will return in a couple of weeks.

The bridge across Long Lake Creek near J. H. Stevenson's place has been completed by Contractor Dougherty, and as soon as the approaches are graded it will be open for travel.

Miss K. Brady, Bismarck, has constantly on hand the largest assortment of Millinery Goods west of Chicago. All orders promptly attended to. Main street, between First and Second.

A turnip was left at this office yesterday which measures 2 feet 9 inches. It was raised on Uncle Dan Long's claim. We also received one with a girth of 2 feet 6 inches from Mr. J. L. Kennedy's claim.

Messrs. Connor and Armstrong yesterday manifested the commendable public spirit of hitching their teams together and plowing a fire-break around town. The area within the furrows comprises about 100 acres.

D. W. Blake, dealer in dry goods and notions, Banner block, Bismarck, has just received a full stock of fall and winter goods. Citizens of Emmons County when visiting the Capital would do well to give Mr. Blake a call.

Judge Dougherty last week met with the misfortune of losing his fine buggy horse. The animal died suddenly during a trip to Bismarck. He was a valuable piece of property, and the RECORD sincerely regrets to hear of the loss.

According to the Bismarck Journal, Raymond came within three votes of being nominated. This gave considerable power to counties with small delegations. A change in Emmons' two votes would have given the delegateship to John B.

Among the capacious root-houses in this region is that being built at the residence of County Treasurer Roop. It is a country which raises such large quantities of fine vegetables as Dakota a cellar or root-house is absolutely necessary, in town or country.

The preliminary examination in the case of Fred Johnson, for the alleged theft of A. P. Rorick's horse, which had been postponed from a previous hearing to enable the defendant to procure witnesses, took place before Squire Kurtz

last Saturday. The prisoner was committed to the Bismarck jail, and was taken there Sunday by Constable Walker.

Fred Johnson, the man arrested for the theft of A. P. Rorick's horse, last week swore out a warrant against Mr. Rorick, charging him with criminal assault on a girl of 17 who has been living with Johnson. This prosecution bears the earmarks of an attempt to "get even."

The Williamsport School Township meeting for the purpose of choosing delegates to the Republican County Convention was held Monday evening at the office of the Register of Deeds. Mr. Tape presided, and filled the chair to the satisfaction of all. The following gentlemen were elected: H. A. Armstrong, Joseph Tape, Edward Campbell, George Dougherty, and David Yeater.

On the evening of Sept. 28, about 8 o'clock, during a thunder-storm, a "ball of fire" was visible in a northwesterly direction from Williamsport. When first seen it appeared to be the naked eye as about the size of a water-pail, and ten minutes elapsed before it reached its greatest magnitude, which appeared to be about six feet in diameter. The electrical sphere could be seen for some twenty minutes, and then gradually faded away. The phenomenon was also seen at Bismarck.

Messrs. Gregory & Smith were busy thrashing up to Saturday, when an accident to the machinery compelled them to desist from work for the day. The rain during the beginning of the week also delayed them. The owners of this first thrasher operating in Emmons county report a very good yield of grain. The White Russia oats grown by Yeater & Kurtz on Briggs & Shelly's farm weigh 39 pounds to the bushel. The wheat grown by David Yeater on the Bussey place averages over 20 bushels to the acre, and his oats weigh 35 pounds per bushel.

Last Friday our esteemed townsman, Dan Williams, was appointed warden of the North Dakota penitentiary, just being finished at Bismarck. The appointment is an eminently fit and proper one, and will give general satisfaction to the public, especially to those who are personally acquainted with the appointee. To the old-timers in Dakota, from Yankton to the British boundary, Dan needs no introduction; but to new-comers outside of North Dakota we may state that he has satisfactorily filled several public offices of trust in this part of the territory. He is a brother of the Hon. E. A. Williams, and is just as popular with those who know him as his eminent brother with the people of the whole territory. The RECORD congratulates Mr. Williams on his appointment to the position.

Last week a couple of ladies started out from Williamsport with a buckboard and cayuse for a trip across the prairie. As they drove slowly along, and while quite a distance from the residence of an estimable lady who lives a few miles from this place, they were perceived by the lady referred to. Turning to a well-known and venerable cow-boy standing by, she asked what it was. The