

A Chamber Proposition.

A few days ago the Kendrick State Bank attached a car of apples in transit over the Northern and yesterday seven attorneys appeared in the probate court for the purpose of arguing motions. The court incidentally suggested that from the array of legal talent it would be more profitable for the litigants if they would dismiss the suit and invite the attorneys to an apple social at the freight yard.—*Moscow Mirror.*

Women Not Competent.

Judge Purky rendered a decision yesterday morning on the question of the eligibility of women in jury service, during the selection of the jury in the case of the state of Idaho vs. Henry Mehl.

The prosecution, in moving to have the two ladies discharged on the ground that women are legally incompetent to serve on a jury, quoted section 3935 of the Revised Statutes which reads:

"A jury is a body of men temporarily selected from the citizens of a particular district and invested with power to present or indict a person for a public offense or to try a question of fact."

The court ruled in accordance with the contention of the prosecution. As the question had been fully discussed and decided a short time ago in Elmore county the defense offered no argument but took an exception to the ruling of the court.—*Halley News-Miner.*

An Idaho Monte Cristo.

Col. W. H. Dewey of Idaho has created a sensation in Chicago relative to the mineral resources of the silver state and more particularly as to the wonderful gold deposits which he has recently discovered. According to an interview recently published in the Chicago Times-Herald the colonel stands a chance of becoming a second Monte Cristo. The article is as follows:

"Colonel W. H. Dewey of Idaho believes that he is the richest man in the world or that he soon will be. There will be trumpet tidings from Idaho within two or three months, he says, tidings that will proclaim Idaho an American Transvaal or a United States Klondike, that will pale the fame of Cripple Creek or any other old diggings. The colonel carries in his pocket a vaseline bottle filled with pure gold, all extracted from just three pounds of quartz. He knows a man who made a bet that a pound of rock from the new Idaho field would result in from \$60 to \$80 worth of gold.

"Colonel Dewey is an old time westerner. He rounded Cape Horn 34 years ago. He is already a multimillionaire, even if these new prospects do not make him Rockefeller's rival. He is a hale old man, as he parades the Auditorium, without a collar or a necktie, but with a big diamond blazing in his shirt bosom. His find is a ledge 5000 feet long and 240 feet across. He estimates a ton of the quartz will yield \$14,000. The world never saw the like, according to his tale.

"Colonel Dewey has been a scout, an Indian fighter, a bad man and a dead shot. Though a gold producer he was an ardent follower of W. J. Bryan. "He takes no stock in the new gold extraction process reported from Denver. He says he has extracted 97 per cent of the gold from quartz, and he doesn't believe more can be extracted than is in it. He foresees a great demand for silver soon and a revival in the silver mining industry."

Idaho Awards.

Lucius C. Rice, commissioner from Idaho to the Pan-American exposition, returned last week with two carloads of exhibits and a basket full of medals. Everything of value was returned except the forestry collection which was presented to the Yale forestry school and will be taken to New Haven, Connecticut as a permanent exhibit. Speaking of the general awards for Idaho the Evening Capital News says:

Mr. Rice is proud of the recognition the state received. Although there was but \$15,000 appropriated, a less sum than any other state that pretended to make a favorable showing, this state secured as much or more recognition than any other western state. He makes special mention of the gold medal received for the agricultural exhibit. This was the highest and best award received by any state "for the general display of agricultural products and artistic arrangement of the same." This was the only gold award for the general exhibit. Illinois received the silver medal on corn, Missouri the gold medal on corn, Alabama one gold medal on cotton, etc., which were all on certain products, but Idaho received the prize for the collection at large. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, the famous authoress, visited the Idaho agricultural exhibit and was enraptured. She said, "It is the most artistic arrangement of agricultural products I ever saw in my life."

The exhibit of fax, grains and grasses was in charge of Mr. W. H. Taylor. Idaho also received a gold medal for

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"a general collection of fresh fruit of superior excellence" This constituted the horticultural exhibit, and was in charge of Mr. F. H. Davis and Mr. A. C. Butler. The state received a bronze medal for "a general display of minerals, commercial values, lead, silver and copper." This was in charge of Mr. J. T. McDuffy. A silver medal was received for "the general display of merchantable timber." This was in charge of Mr. C. H. Ar buckle.

Among the special premiums individual exhibits are the following: Robert Schleicher, Lewiston, gold medal, for cherries, plums, grapes and wines.

L. A. Porter, Lewiston, bronze medal for Crawford peaches, grapes, pears. University of Idaho, bronze medal for model stamp mill (the first prize was won by the Union iron works of San Francisco.)

The New Town Prospers.

Gifford, the new town on Beeman prairie, grows apace. The place has already two general stores, a hardware store, a hotel in which there is a stock of drugs and stationery, a livery stable and blacksmith shop. A box, sash and door factory has selected a site for a building part of which has been erected and machinery ordered for a plant that will cost \$10,000. Seven new dwellings are being built. The district has voted bonds for a new \$1000 school house. The Methodist people already have a fine church built there. Gifford is in the center of the Beeman prairie, one of the richest sections of the reservation.

Will Enforce the Law.

Stockmen will hereafter in this county be protected to the full extent of the law. Notices to this effect were posted this week signed by county Attorney Johnson and Sheriff Kroustinger. In the future all persons engaged in slaughtering cattle must keep at their place of business a book in which they must enter daily the number and class of cattle slaughtered, the name of the persons from whom they were purchased and the marks and brands of such cattle. This book must be open for public inspection. Any person not engaged regularly in the business of slaughtering cattle must retain in his possession the hide taken off the cattle with ears attached and without any alteration of the marks or disfiguration of the brand for a period of 30 days, and on demand this hide must be produced. Anyone violating this law is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Culdesac Enterprise.

At a meeting held at Culdesac Saturday night it was unanimously decided that the citizens of Culdesac build the Albert Sagard road if the citizens of Beeman prairie would build the Shaw road. Both roads connect on Cottonwood creek and furnish an outlet for the farmers of the Beeman prairie to market their crops with a shorter haul. At present the farmers of the Beeman country are obliged to haul 12 miles to Lenore whereas if the roads in question were built they could reach the railroad at Culdesac only four miles away.

At the meeting Saturday night, Culdesac citizens adopted resolutions making this proposition to the farmers of Beeman prairie—that Culdesac will build the Sagard road if Beeman will build the Shaw road. The farmers will no doubt accept the terms and a new and rich territory will find a market through Culdesac. It will add greatly to the prosperity of that growing business center and to the accommodation of the farmers as well.

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