

MISSOURI SILVER CONVENTION.

Farris to at Once Demand Its Call by the State Committee.

Lebanon, Mo., June 19.—Chairman Farris left for St. Louis to-night on invitation for a conference with prominent Democrats of the State to take some action relative to calling a State Convention in the event the State Committee again refuses to call it and sets aside the will of the party as expressed through County Conventions and committee meetings. Chairman Farris has in his possession a demand from a majority of the counties of the State for a State Convention. This, he says, he will present to Chairman Maffit and request that the State Committee call the Convention in obedience to the wish of the party in a majority of the counties.

If the committee refuses to issue the call after this strong and positive expression from the people, then the County Chairmen, representing a majority of the counties, together with other prominent and influential party workers, will confer, formulate plans and issue an address to the Democrats of Missouri calling a convention for an expression of the party on the silver question. This will be done if the committee refuses to call it, and the committee will be asked to act without delay.

In addition to a majority of the counties of the State that have endorsed the Farris plan and have signed his call, the following counties have declared for a State Convention: Audrain, Butler, Clay, Dade, Jackson, Johnson, Marion, Jasper, St. Charles, Sullivan, Barton, Cole, Buchanan, Holt, Macon, Ralls, Schuyler and Vernon. These counties, added to the Farris list, make seventy-five counties in which there has been an expression of the party on the question, and they emphatically demand an early State Convention.

A ROUT.

Spaniards Who Were Torturing Citizens Defeated.

Gainesville, Fla., June 19.—F. R. Auerfer of this city has received a letter direct from the seat of the Cuban rebellion. The letter is dated from Arequipa, in the Province of Camagney, and reads:

"Our troops surprised a battalion of Spanish soldiers and completely annihilated them. It seems that their Major, hearing that a wounded Cuban officer was being nursed at this place, decided to capture him. So taking his command, he reached the village before daybreak. After searching all the houses and not finding him, he called the citizens before him and demanded—under threats of torture—that his hiding place be disclosed.

"They all denied knowledge of him. Following this declaration, the Major ordered them put to torture until they would tell. In the meantime a Cuban had escaped from them and knowing we were near, he made all possible speed to reach us. He reported to Col. Rodriguez, who was in command, and immediately ordered forward on double time.

"When we reached the village the scene beggared description. The Spaniards had fired the houses and were killing, torturing and outraging the people on all sides. The women did not escape brutal treatment. Our men were wild with rage at the sight. After firing one volley from our rifles, we were so ferocious that we charged them, and were soon engaged in a desperate hand to hand conflict. No quarter was given, and after three hours ferocious fighting the Spaniards were completely routed.

"After it was all over dead men and others mortally wounded were lying in heaps on all sides. This is the most desperate battle that I have been engaged in as yet, as the Spaniards expected no quarter after being caught as they were. They fought for their lives, but our men fought like demons and could not be resisted.

"Our loss is 163 out of a force of 500 while the Spanish loss is 472 by actual count, including several officers. We captured their outfit complete. This battle will delay us in reaching Gomez, but we hope to reach him tomorrow.

Yours fraternally,

F. P. HANN.

Major Sixth Regiment, Cuban Revolutionists.

GOLD FINDS

In Oklahoma Territory Not so Great as Reported.

El Reno, Okla., June 19.—There is a great deal of suppressed excitement over the reported big finds in gold in Washita County, west of here. The Washita River is out of its banks, and impossible to cross, and no news has come in from there for several days. There are at least 2,500 men on Boggy and Turkey Creeks, placer mining and washing with pan and cradle in the creek beds.

They find flour gold, but on account of the rude methods of mining, a great deal of it gets away. The towns of Arapahoe and Cloud Chief are deserted and not a man is left on his claim in that country. Probably 100 men have left here with picks and shovels and assaying instruments to learn the truth. If they find that gold is found in paying quantities, a great rush is sure to occur.

The lack of information about the gold fields is making the people restless and uneasy, because if there is anything in the reports they want to get there, but sensational reports of gold finds have been sprung on them too often they have become very weary. The sensational reports sent out from Guthrie, 200 miles from the fields, are absurd. Assays have not yet been made and the value of \$1,200 a ton, as reported from Guthrie, is sent out by towns-site boomers, who want to get a rush started and sell town lots.

RICHARDSON

Lived Over a Century.

Anamosa, Iowa, June 20.—It is probable that Delaware county has within its borders the oldest inhabitant of the United States. He is 115 years old, and seems to be good for ten years more.

Five or six miles from Manchester, in a humble home Conrad was born in Cumberland county, Pa., September 22, 1780. He was over 30 years old when the war of 1812 broke out. A cousin brought the news to the old homestead and he at once entered the service as a volunteer, and some time afterward went with his company to the Niagara frontier. He took part in the storming of Queenstown Heights, participated in the battle of Fort Erie, and witnessed Perry's great victory on Lake Erie, and when the war closed he was stationed at Sackett's Harbor, where he and other members of his company received their discharges. Mr. Conrad has used tobacco and liquor all his life.

Bland Ill at Denver.

Denver, Colo., June 19.—Ex-Congressman Richard P. Bland, of Missouri, has returned to the city from his lecture tour through the State and is still at the Brown Palace Hotel. He was not in good health when he came to Colorado, and his trip and constant public appearances seem to weaken him still more. He is unable to see callers. His weakened condition is the result of an attack of grip. Mr. Bland's physician thinks he will be able to travel in a few days.

"I shall remain in Denver several days," said Mr. Bland this evening, "and then go back to my home in Missouri. After a brief vacation I will open the silver campaign in Kentucky, and later in the season proceed further East."

Mr. Bland says he is scheduled to speak at nearly 100 different cities and towns in the East.

Was Forced to Steal.

Clinton, Mo., June 20.—Oscar Gilpin, who some weeks ago stole a horse from Mason Foster, near Leesville, this county, was lodged in jail to-day by Sheriff Bennet. Gilpin says that a man forced him at the muzzle of a gun to steal the horse, and leave the country. Near Green Ridge, he claims to have traded the horse for a pony, a watch and some money. The watch was subsequently stolen and the pony he sold near Montgomery City, for \$5. He had reached a little town in Northwestern Ohio where his relatives live. Sheriff Bennet had little difficulty in locating and gathering him in. Gilpin says he is 22 years old.

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A Hero Stricken.

Cincinnati, Ohio, June 19.—Joe Shannon of the Adams Express Company was stricken with paralysis and will die.

Joe Shannon is known by every expressman in the United States. He has sent 22 men to the penitentiary and has killed two, while defending his treasure box, while running as messenger on the Louisville and Nashville.

Some years ago he was bound, gagged and fastened to a tree in the woods near Montgomery, Ala., for five days before help reached him. Robbers had blown up a south-bound train in order to procure a big remittance being sent to Cuba. Shannon was badly wounded, but he killed one of the robbers. They captured the safe, but it was a steel one and they could not open it. They escaped with the chest but it was subsequently captured.

Free Silver League.

Wichita, Kan., June 20.—Fifteen hundred people met in the Auditorium here to-night and organized a non-partisan 16 to 1 free silver league. Judge T. B. Wall presided. Speeches were made by Judge Sankey, S. B. Amidon, Colonel J. R. Hallowell and others. The feature of the meeting was the declaration of Colonel Hallowell that the platform adopted at the recent Republican county convention was written and sent here by the enemies of free silver for adoption. Colonel Hallowell is a Republican and was the nominee for Congress four years ago.

St. Louis, June 20.—Chairman Maffit of the democratic state central committee announced this afternoon that as the result of the action taken by a majority of the county committees, he would again convene the state committee for the purpose of deciding whether to call a state convention for the discussion of the silver question.

Is Your Tongue

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Reducing the State Debt.

Jefferson City, Mo., June 19.—State Treasurer Stephens sent his check to the American Exchange National bank of New York, the fiscal agent of Missouri, for the sum of \$197,915, \$103,915 of this sum is for the purpose of paying interest on the bonded debt of the State, due July 1, and \$94,000 for the purpose of redeeming that amount of 6 per cent bonds due July 1.

As evidence of the rapid reduction of the bonded debt of Missouri on July 1, 1895, the six months' interest charge on the outstanding bonds amounted to \$340,860, and to day it is \$103,915, a reduction of \$473,890 yearly. After the payment of the bonds due July 1, the bonded debt will be \$5,489,000, \$403,000 bearing 6 per cent interest and \$5,086,000, 3 1/2 per cent.

Eight Americans Murdered.

Deming, N. M., June 20.—News has just reached here from Sonora, Mexico, that eight Americans engaged in placer gold mining on Yaki River were attacked and killed by Indians about two weeks ago. Their names are not definitely known, but Joseph Beck and John Weems, former residents of Deming, are thought to have been in the vicinity. No details are obtainable.

The men have been successful in obtaining gold, having just put in machinery and sluices, and the murders were probably committed for the purpose of robbery. The miners had evidently made a brave resistance, as empty shells of Winchester rifles were found all about the scene. The place where the killing occurred is several hundred miles in the interior, and is cut off from all communication.

Disowned by Her Husband.

Washington, D. C., June 20.—Commissioner General of Immigration has directed that Rosario Pagano, an Italian immigrant who recently arrived in this country with her two children, be permitted to land. The woman, who is 27 years old, and an expert seamstress, expected to receive money on her arrival here from her husband, who is said to be employed in the San Francisco postoffice.

On being communicated with, however, he insinuated that his wife had been unfaithful to him and declined to send her money. The officers learned that he was living with another woman and had assumed the name of Scialabba. The officials do not believe his story and contributed enough money, added to what she had, to take her to San Francisco, where she says she will prosecute her husband.

Sage Loses.

New York, June 19.—The Laidlaw-Sage jury found a verdict of \$40,000 for the plaintiff. The verdict was received with approval.

Mr. Taggart, for the defendant, moved for a new trial. A stay of judgment was granted by Judge Ingraham until September next.

William R. Laidlaw brought suit against Russell Sage for \$50,000 damages for injuries received by the explosion of a bomb in Mr. Sage's office in 1891.

Mr. Laidlaw claimed that Mr. Sage caught hold of him and held him (Laidlaw) between Norcross, the bomb thrower, and himself. Laidlaw was permanently injured, while Mr. Sage escaped comparatively unharmed.

Frightened by a "Ghost."

Chicago, Ill., June 19.—Early this morning while Alva Reidel, Hattie Reidel and Hattie Litz were at work in a laundry one of them saw a white draped figure before the window and ran shrieking for help. After a short time the figure again suddenly appeared and with an unearthly groan glided into the darkness. The three girls swooned and when found half an hour later were still unconscious. Physicians say that Alva Reidel will probably die. There is no clue to the man who perpetrated the ghostly trick.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Illinois, was told by her doctors she had consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida street, San Francisco suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in coughs or colds. Free trial bottles at C. H. L. Tucker's drugstore. Regular size 50c and \$1.

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Dark Crime Confessed.

Erie, Kan., June 20.—Edward Anderson who is under arrest here for the murder of Swan Peterson, the batchelor farmer found dead in his barn Saturday, at his preliminary trial Monday afternoon, confessed the murder saying that he alone did it, that he had been visiting the old man for several days and becoming well acquainted with all the surroundings went with him to the barn the night of the 5th and while the man's back was turned struck him twice with a hatchet nearly splitting open his head. He then threw the body in the manger and afterward to make sure of his job went to the woodpile, got the ax; and going back drove the blade into the old man's breast as he lay in the manger. Robbery was the motive. Anderson took the wagon and horses and sold them.

It has been decided that Gen. Hancock's remains will not be removed from the little cemetery at Norristown, Pa., where they rest in a crumbling sandstone tomb, the original cost of which was \$700. But the grave will be placed in the care of the Loyal Legion of Pennsylvania, and the order will see that a fitting mausoleum be built. But for the opposition of Gen. Hancock's surviving twin brother the remains would probably have been removed to the national cemetery at Arlington. It was the General's own wish to be buried at Norristown. No matter where his ashes repose his memory will always be treasured by his countrymen and they will not neglect to provide for him a monument worthy of his great services.—Globe Dem.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 20.—Samuel Lehman, recently released from jail, where he had been serving a time for wife beating, purchased a revolver this afternoon, went to his home, and fired four shots at his wife, fatally wounding her. Lehman is 34 years old and his wife 18. As he passed the house to-day she was standing in the yard.

"I want to see you, Carrie," he said. When she stepped on the sidewalk he shot and she fell to the ground. Standing over her he fired two more shots and then ran, with a crowd in pursuit. He was chased several blocks and finally captured. Mrs. Lehman's wounds are fatal. Lehman when arrested said he had no regrets and was only sorry that he could not find his father-in-law, as he wanted to kill him also.



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