

Political Pick-Ups.

In 1894 in Socorro county, T. B. Catron had a majority over Antonio Joseph of 978 votes. In 1896 H. B. Ferguson had a majority of 240 over T. B. Catron.

It appears that the Otero push are suspicious that W. E. Martin has been carrying a long, keen knife concealed in his clothes ever since they worked off that coal oil job on him.

The La Belle Cresset has been subsidized by the Republican central committee and will be moved over to Taos where it will advocate the cause of the Frost-Otero combination.

An off hand canvass of the voters in the Jearilla mining camp, Lincoln county, shows about ninety per cent. of the sixty voters to be Democratic. That's about the ratio prevailing in all mining camps of the Territory.

Hon. Sol Luna, who was at Las Vegas and Santa Fe on business, was here last night for a few hours. He states that the political situation in San Miguel and Santa Fe counties is very bright, and that the two counties will give a good majority for Hon. Pedro Perea.—Albuquerque Citizen. Well, now, wouldn't that make you laugh? What a cheerful set of fakirs those Republican editors are, to be sure.

You can bet your whole existence that Pedro Perea will receive 1,000 majority in this county, says the Albuquerque Citizen. This is significant. Only last week the Republican leaders were claiming 1,000 majority for Perea and Sheriff Tom Hubbell made a wager of \$1,000 that Perea would receive such majority in the county, now the Citizen knocks off 600; at this ratio of loss, Ferguson's majority at the coming election will run up into the thousands.

The Democrats of southern New Mexico have unanimously nominated their legislative ticket, as follows: For council, Eighth district, W. G. McAfee, of Deming; for council, Ninth district, G. A. Richardson, of Roswell; for representative, Fourteenth district, Santiago P. Ascarate, of Dona Ana. These are all tried and true men, and their election is sure. Their respective appointments are: J. A. Archita, of Silver City; W. H. Llewellyn, of Las Cruces; R. F. Barnes, of Silver City. Major Llewellyn was a spectator at the convention and another who was there tells THE OPTIC that "he turned as pale as a ghost and immediately left when Capt. Ascarate was nominated."

Health Improved.

"I regard Hood's Sarsaparilla as the best blood purifier and tonic it is possible to obtain. My health is much improved since I began its use. I suffered from indigestion and could not eat anything without distress, but Hood's Sarsaparilla has relieved me." Mrs. ANTON JENSEN, Gunnison, Utah.

Don Carlos and Teodoro Casaus, prominent sheep breeders of Guadalupe county; Jose M. Gonzales and T. C. de Baca, of Union county; J. D. McGrath, Ramon Viljil, of Mora county; Antonio Tafuya, Amador Ulibarri and Antonio Lucero, of this county; all of whom were delegates to the Democratic Territorial convention, returned home this morning. All agree that the citizens of Deming and Grant county generally gave them the a real royal reception.

SOME SNAP SHOTS.

E. W. Spencer, editor and proprietor of the Albuquerque Weekly News, a Republican from time immemorial, whose paper has never faltered in the support of Republican men and measures, presents the following life-like pictures of Pedro Perea, from a Republican standpoint:

In placing on an up to date conventional Republican platform a candidate whose life long traditions are a complete antithesis of every sentiment held dear to life-long members of the party, the convention evidently placed in the field a candidate they thought would run in opposite directions at the same time.

Could the whole life-long political career of Mr. Perea be raked down with a fine-tooth comb, there would not be brought to the surface one solitary sentiment that ever animated his breast that would find a place in the Republican decalogue.

Pan out his official career and not a Republican color would show up. He stands as one of the mediæval ghosts that remain to haunt us—a relic of by-gone ages, stalking around among the wreckage that advancement and civilization have wrought upon the empire of ignorance and oppressor.

He has not been endowed with the perceptive faculties to read the signs of the times or comprehend the inevitable but prowls around with the mildew of decay upon his countenance, opposing inch by inch the advancement of civilization. He is the forked-stick relic of a primeval period, turning his face away as the gang-plow of better ways passes him.

New Mexico has recently turned up two new pages of history, upon which are written La Guastima and San Juan, and now for the Republican party to dredge up dead sea fruit to represent her in congress, in the hour of exultation and pride, is astonishing, discouraging and exasperating.

COME UP, FROST.

Max Frost has sued Dr. Gould, editor of the Las Vegas OPTIC, for \$25,000 for defamation of character. Max Frost's character in its virginity wasn't worth more than 20 cents and since he has bartered it for 10 these many years on the market of Republican political shame, it could only be classed as a low grade fertilizer. Now sue this publication for about ten hundred thousand will you, Max.—Union Democrat.

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LUCAS COUNTY. }

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

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The war over the demands of the Peace Commission seems about to begin.

Synod of New Mexico.

To the Editor of the Optic.

SOCORRO, N. M., Oct. 10.

This ecclesiastical body met last Friday, in Socorro. Rev. J. J. Gilchrist preached the opening sermon. The officers elected for the year are Revs. T. C. Beattie, moderator; Gilchrist, vice moderator; Moffet and Lukens, temporary clerks; Moffet also, permanent clerk. Various matters of routine business were attended to in order.

The annual report of the Synodical Missionary showed a large amount of work done by that individual, among the mission schools, vacant churches and special mission work to Mexicans and Indians.

It is hard times for our Board of Home Missions; yet there are over fifty mission teachers within the bounds of New Mexico and Arizona; during the past year sixteen new ministers have been located within the Synod. Churches have increased in membership, and there are other signs of growth.

Rev. R. M. Craig was re-elected synodical missionary.

That venerable appearing Coloradoan, Rev. Dr. Kirkwood, dearly loved personal friend of many of the old workers in the Synod, represented the Board of Home Missions, and thrilled us with new life.

Socorroites had their choice of a varied and numerous supply of services on Sunday. Rev. Curtis spoke once and Gilchrist twice in Spanish; at the English church there were services morning, afternoon and evening, at the latter the Revs. Craig, Kirkwood and Moffet held the attention, talking on mission themes.

For a long time there have been two mission printing plants in the Synod; a small one owned by Rev. J. J. Gilchrist, for the paper El Anciano, the other a large one owned by Dr. John McManis and used only for tract work. In order to a consolidation of interests and better work in the field, the two publications were placed in the hands of the Synod, and a committee is arranging, hoping to have an editor supported by the board, who will have no other work than in the publishing office wherever it be.

Synod will meet next October in Albuquerque. The body adjourned at noon to-day—Monday.

A Common Experience.

Scene I.—Mr. Johnson is obliged to give up work, remain in the house and take care of himself on account of a dreadful scrofula sore on one of his hands.

Scene II.—Mr. Johnson reads a testimonial which tells of scrofula troubles cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. He resolves to try it, sends for a bottle and begins taking it.

Scene III.—Mr. Johnson has taken six bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla. His scrofula sore is cured. He is feeling stronger, has a good appetite and is able to attend to his work. He writes a testimonial telling of his experience with Hood's Sarsaparilla, and recommends it to others.

Cleanse the liver and bowels, and regulate the system by using Prickley Ash Bitters. It creates and sustains energy. Sold by Murphey-Van Petten Drug Co.

BEULAH BUDGET.

To the Editor of the Optic.

BEULAH, N. M., Oct. 10.—Willie Clay and John Minard will occupy the C. L. Harris ranch this winter—two lonely bachelors; yes, too lonely.

J. J. Morrow, who has been here some two months with an invalid wife, moves to the city today.

A party of health, pleasure and game seekers, from Missouri, are camping on the upper Sapello and enjoying our beautiful scenery and healing climate.

Crops are well-nigh gathered, and every farmer rewarded according to his works. Bountiful crops of hay and grain, and the husbandman feels a degree of independence, the legitimate result of faithful work.

Mrs. J. P. Blake and daughter, Helen, Mrs. P. J. Barker, and Miss Effie Walker, are visiting the Meadow City for a few days.

The Barker hack made a special trip yesterday, carrying nine passengers.

Photographer Max Wardell and Dr. George Ewing, have been enjoying the "Beulah Land" for a week or more, making a trip to Hermit's Peak, spending a night on the summit.

RUSTICUS.

How to Prevent Croup.

We have two children who are subject to attacks of croup. Whenever an attack is coming on my wife gives them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it always prevents the attack. It is a household necessity in this county and no matter what else we run out of, it would not do to be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. More of it is sold here than all other cough medicines combined.—J. M. Nickle, of Nickle Bros., merchants, Nickleville, Pa. For sale by K. D. Goodall, Depot Drug Store.

BUILDING AND LOAN.

The Board of Directors for the Las Vegas Building and Loan Association met last evening.

As the result of the determination to reduce the rate of interest to 8 per cent, and the other expenses in like proportion, application was made for more than \$10,000.

It was ordered that holders of stock in the Third series be allowed to withdraw the same at book value, or the actual amount which the stock has thus far earned.

The election of officers and the reorganization of the association, under the new Board of Directors, was deferred till next Friday evening.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Mrs. Anna M. McDonald to J. A. de Hernandez; consideration, \$750; conveys lot in Las Vegas.

F. O. Kihlberg, town lot commissioner, to Rev. A. Fouchega; consideration \$1; conveys blocks in Las Vegas.

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been qualified as administrators of the estate of Isidor Stern, deceased. All persons considering themselves indebted to the estate will call on the administrators and liquidate their accounts; and those having claims against the estate shall present their accounts within the time prescribed by law.

FANNIE STERN,
ALBERT STERN,