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### Council Clatter.

Last Monday evening the town board held its regular meeting, and the only absentee was Mayor Moulton.

The mayor pro tem, John A. Watson, called the members to order, and the minutes of the February meeting were first disposed of in the usual manner.

Town Treasurer Penning reported the finances of the town in good condition, there being \$720.46 in his hands on March 1st.

The clerk was instructed to notify the owner of lot 7 in block 13 to construct a sidewalk, and move fence to proper line, on the west side of same within thirty days.

Marshal Wilber was instructed to put in certain street and alley crossings.

Only one bill against the town was presented—that of E. P. Wilber, \$75—and a warrant was ordered drawn for the amount.

The appropriations for the next fiscal year were then brought up for consideration. It was decided to limit the general fund expenses to \$2,500 and the police fund to \$1,500.

An ordinance to that effect, which appears elsewhere in this journal, was passed without a dissenting vote.

Election matters were then discussed, the matter of supplies, etc., being left to the clerk. Messrs. James Lytle, B. Tovey and W. H. Clark were appointed a board of registration and judges of election.

Adjourned.

### Wrong Again.

THE MEEKER HERALD has rather dropped on its Four-Mile boom racket. Steamboat Pilot.

No, Sir. Not a single notch. Four-Mile is all right, and don't you forget it.

The Populists, having climbed to power principally through the assistance of the Democracy, now think they can go it alone and have notified the latter that their services are no longer required.

It is worth remembering that no newspaper is printed especially for one person. People who become greatly displeased with something they find in a newspaper should remember that the very thing that displeases them is exactly the thing that will most please somebody that has just as much interest in the paper as they have. It takes all kinds of people to make a world, we are told, and the patrons of a newspaper are made up of the elements of the world. A man may have a dislike for tobacco, but he is not foolish enough to complain of his grocerman because he keeps it for sale.

We modestly suggest that if the state legislature go into the jag-cure business it should so amend the laws that all the license money received for drunkard making should be used for drunkard curing. It is manifestly unjust to let Denver and Del Norte put thousands into their treasuries by farming out the privilege of making inebriates and then ask tax-payers to stand the expense of curing their victims. It was just as sensible for towns to license men to break legs and then ask the state to pay the surgeon's bill for mending them. But the whole system is infamous and barbarous as well as unbusinesslike. Breaking legs just for the fun of hearing the groans and seeing the cripples limp and then asking tax-payers to pay the repair bill is an amusement which should be relegated to the most barbarous tribes.—Monte Vista Graphic.

If the United States does annex Hawaii, it will come to us exactly as so many of Great Britain's colonies have come to her. First the missionaries went out with Bibles to convert the heathen. Then followed the opening of the country to the white man's trade. Then following soldiers, annexation and possession. The men foremost in the revolution and annexation movement at Hawaii are the descendants of missionaries who went from the United States to the Sandwich Islands years ago. Judge Sanford B. Dole, president of the provisional government, is the son of missionary parents who went to the islands from Massachusetts in 1810. Hon. Lorin A. Thurston, president of the annexation commission, is the grandson of missionary parents who went from Massachusetts in 1819. It seems to be the old pilgrim father blood that is stirring up this rumpus again.

An interesting experiment is to be tried at Union Springs N. Y. A committee of prominent residents, including the Episcopal and Catholic clergymen, is to assume the exclusive sale of liquor. This committee has published the following statement: "We will allow no man to pay for another man's drink. We will permit no drunkenness, nor any approach to it. We will allow no one apparently under legal age within our doors. We will sell to no man if by the proper persons we are forbidden so to do. To certain other persons, their names to be passed upon by a majority of the committee, we will not sell at all. We will not sell spirits in larger quantities than a single glass, except on a physician's order, and of all sales we will keep a record. These and such other wholesome rules as from time to time we may deem desirable we will enforce. Our entire profits, which will be large, will be handed over as frequently as possible to the town authorities with the understanding that they will be used for the purpose of reducing the taxation of the town."

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### Ripans Tabules: a family remedy.

One of these days the people of New England and the East will wake up to find that the West has cut loose from them, and that instead of voting for protection on their manufactured articles will be in favor of free trade. They may knock out silver, but the time is coming when the act will be regretted.—Aspen Times.

### The Popular Night Train

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### Infallible Alfalfa.

A friend of ours who has a head as long as a horse's relieves himself in eulogy of alfalfa as follows: "Alfalfa is a curious plant but a paying one. It is better than a bank account, for it never fails. It's weatherproof, for the cold doesn't injure it and the heat makes it grow all the better. A winter flood will not drown it, and a fire will not kill it. It loves water and bores to reach it. As a lover it is equal to an artesian well. When growing there is no stopping it. When cutting a twenty acre field, and when your last load is handled at one end of the field the stuff is ready to cut again at the other end of it. For filling a milk can an alfalfa-fed cow is equal to a hand pump. Cattle love it, hogs grow fat upon it, fowls relish it, a hungry horse will get up in the night to eat it, and children cry for it. If your land will grow alfalfa well, you have the drop on the dry weather, the cinch, as it were, on a drought. Once started on your land, alfalfa will stay by you like Canadian thistles, or a first-class mortgage."

### Washington Notes.

"President Cleveland," said a Democratic senator who was opposed to Mr. Cleveland's nomination, and who is, for that reason called by those who know no better an anti-Cleveland man, "never did a wiser thing than when he smashed precedent, which at times binds us all too closely, and announcing his cabinet in advance of his inauguration. That must now be evident to the most careless observer of things political, as reflected in congress. The opposition which invariably follows the announcement of a new cabinet has been given time to work itself out, and the result will be that the new administration starts with the party which placed it in power in an unusually harmonious condition, although there will be quite a number of individual disappointments as the distribution of patronage proceeds. I see nothing ahead that leads me to believe that this harmony will be seriously disturbed during Mr. Cleveland's administration." This senator declined to allow the use of his name, because he has no desire to be accused of giving President Cleveland "tally," or of having his words construed into a bid for public pay.

Secretary Foster admitted to the house ways and means committee, before which he appeared Saturday, that his recent estimates of treasury receipts for the coming fiscal year were already proven to have been too high, and that his estimates of expenditures were at least \$8,000,000 too low, and that he now regards a deficit for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 1894, as a certainty unless the Democratic administration and congress undergo a great change of mind on the subject, which is not probable.

Prominent among the bills that remained unacted upon at the close of the fifty-third congress was the Nicaragua canal bill.

### They Were Loaded.

"I wonder what this game of craps is?" said a shy Aspen father in the presence of his boy, "I am always running across something in the papers about shooting craps and no one thinks it worth while to explain how it is done or what is done with them after they are shot."

At first the clerk floated listlessly while the fish suspiciously eyed the bait. The old gentleman pushed the matter a little further, very cautiously, but an honest desire to know all about the game seemed uppermost in his mind.

"Well they don't shoot 'em with a cannon," the boy finally exclaimed looking up with very much the air of a man of the world.

"No, I suppose not," the old man answered meekly.

"You see," continued the boy, "it's a game. Two fellows put down their money and one takes two dice and throws them out of his hand on the floor. That's shooting."

"There is no danger in that."

"Not unless the dice are loaded," the boy answered, winking to his mother.

"Yes, I see."

"If the fellow throws seven or eleven before throwing any other number he rakes in the money." The boy continued.

"If he throws two, three or twelve before throwing any other number he loses."

"If he throws four, five, six, eight, nine or ten, he has another chance for his life, and keeps on throwing. If he throws the same number before throwing seven he wins; but if he throws seven before throwing the intermediate number, he loses."

"Well I'll declare," exclaimed the father, "I've lived to be nearly fifty years old and never knew what craps meant. But what's this about 'Come Little Joe'?"

"That's the name for the four. The five is called little Dick, the six is Jimmie Hix, the eight is eighty days, ten is Big Dick. Seven and eleven are the naturals, and the losing points are craps."

"You've got to talk to the bones and keep it up right along. If you don't you won't have any luck."

"Well, son," said the old man as he rose from his chair and fished out a dusty rawhide from behind the clock, "the nickels I have been giving you for Sunday school haven't been making connections of late. Just hand me those little bone blocks out of your upper vest pocket and we will step out in the woodshed and see if they are loaded."—Aspen Times.

### Snollygoster an Old Word.

The word "snollygoster" was first used to describe a place-hunting demagogue, says Colonel Ham of Georgia, back in 1818, when the Niagara incident threatened war with England.

There was a joint debate that year in a Georgia town between John Kelly and Jonas Gaines, rival candidates for the legislature, and Kelly spoke first. The chief plank in his platform, by the way, was that the president should seize all the roads to Liverpool so as to prevent a salt famine in case of war. After he had declaimed with great effect on the necessity of plenty of salt, Gaines arose and spoke these well-remembered words: "Fellow-citizens, of there's anything on top o' earth that makes me mad, it's ter see a snollygoster of a feller continually a sweepin' aroun' after the orthography of a little office what he kain't never git, and hain't got sense enough to fill if he could git it." Finally he reached the salt question, and raising himself on his tiptoes he yelled: "Liverpool—Liverpool—North Carolina salt is a darned sight saltier and there's a dozen roads to the works." Gaines won the debate and was elected.—Denver Post.

### Twenty Things Worth Knowing.

Keep the cover on the canister. Rub lamp-chimneys with dry salt. Throw chloride of lime in rat-holes. Wash oilcloth with skimmed milk. Beat carpets on the wrong side first. Cover apple barrels with newspapers. Keep everything clean about the well. Apply hartsorn to the sting of insects. Pour boiling water through fruit stains. Drink cream for a burnt mouth and throat.

Put your coffee grounds on your house plants. Good eggs always have dull-looking shells. Boiled vinegar and myrrh are good deodorizers. Use oatmeal instead of soap for toilet purposes. Camphor is the best anti-moth preparation known. Use whisky instead of water to make liquid glue. Sponge roughened silk with brandy and rosewater. Use hartsorn to bring back colors faded by acids. Wagon grease will take off warts and protruding moles.

### No Wonder They Fought.

We wonder if it is true—that story about a fight between young ladies upon a street car going from Pittston to Wilkesbarre? It sounds like a fake, and yet it might be true. The provocation given to the Wilkesbarre girls by the Pittston girls was enough to turn a worm into a hyena and a lamb into a tiger. The sad tale runs thus:

A number of young ladies from Pittston were in an electric car along with some young ladies from Wilkesbarre. One of the Pittston girls remarked in a loud voice with a tantalizing ring in its ladylike tones that all the best looking young men in Wilkesbarre left that town of a Sunday evening and called on girls of Pittston. The insult was deadlier far than that offered to Clemenceau in the French chamber of deputies. The rage aroused by the Panama scandal was nothing to the wrath that boiled over at that moment in the gentle Wilkesbarre breast.

Such insinuations could naturally be wiped out only in blood. Wilkesbarre flew at Pittston, and there was a scrimmage such as an assembly of well behaved young women never witnessed before. All the public will be glad to know, though, that the Wilkesbarre girls came off best. One Pittston girl had an injured nose, two others got black eyes, while the only injury sustained by the Wilkesbarre army was one sprained ankle.

Senator Vance, of North Carolina, clearly indicated the purpose and hope of the Democrats in congress in delaying the Hawaiian treaty in an interview in New York the other day, when he said: "Hawaii will not be annexed before Mr. Cleveland is inaugurated and the Democrats get control. There is no hurry about it. The fact is, the acquisition of new territory gives to a party in power at the time great prestige. Democrats are not inclined to give Mr. Harrison this distinction if they can help it, and they certainly can. If nothing else, the acquisition of Hawaii would give the administration historical significance. The Democratic party has had the credit of acquiring Texas, Louisiana and Florida, and it will also dispose of the Sandwich Islands question. Alaska is put down to the credit of the Republicans. Every other acquisition of territory since Jefferson bought Louisiana has been planned and executed by the Democratic party."

### Going to the Dogs.

The accompanying advertisement from a Brooklyn daily, taken in connection with the large attendance at New York's recent dog show, would seem to lend a color of truth to the saying that everybody is "going to the dogs."

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