

DAKOTA NEWS NOTES.

The Dakota Democrats.

The Democratic convention met on the 11th inst., and was one of the most enthusiastic ones ever held in Dakota. Most all the counties were represented by full delegates, and it was apparent from the start that the democracy felt as if the year 1884 was to be the successful one. W. T. Love of Beadle county was made temporary chairman; George Egbert of Fargo and C. Haines of Pierre, secretaries. The following committees were then appointed, after which the convention took a recess until 2 o'clock:

Credentials—Chairman, M. H. Day of Bon Homme; First district, Fred E. Stearns of Pennington; Second, C. H. Price of Hyde, Morris Taylor of Yankton; Third, D. M. Kelleagher of Stutsman; N. M. McCormick of Grand Forks; Fourth, George Henry of Brookings, E. C. Kennedy of Turner.

Permanent Organization—Chairman, C. J. B. Harris, Yankton; First district, F. E. Stearns, Pennington, and J. W. Rogers, Custer; Second, James H. Foster, Davidson, and C. J. Haines, Hughes; Third, C. B. Pratt, Grand Forks, and C. F. Smith; Fourth, E. J. Smith, Minnehaha, and C. F. Zimmerman, Kingsbury.

Resolutions—Chairman, Mr. Duncan; First district, J. F. Watson, J. W. Rogers; Second, Mr. Adams Edmunds, B. P. Haver, Sully; Third, W. J. Goodrich, Stutsman, C. J. Hollemback, Burleigh; Fourth, E. G. Wright, Minnehaha, F. G. Hale, Lincoln.

After recess the committee on permanent organization reported the following for permanent officers, and the report was adopted:

Chairman, James S. Foster of Davidson; first vice president, H. O'Neil of Cass; second vice president, E. G. Smith of Minnehaha; secretary, Capt. George Ebert of Cass; assistant secretaries, Jacob Gebbert of Minnehaha and R. Fulton of Grand Forks.

Six candidates were named for delegates to the Chicago convention, and resulted in a victory for F. M. Ziebach of Bon Homme, and Maj. McCormick of Grand Forks; as alternate, Fred Stearns of Pennington was chosen.

A Bout With Road Agents.

Paymaster Whipple and escort were attacked by road agents on the 14th inst., between Glendive and Buford. Sergeant Conrad of Troop F, Seventh cavalry, was killed, and two men wounded. The paymaster's mules were frightened by the firing and ran away with his ambulance, and thereby saved his government funds.

Burned by Incendiarists.

Grand Forks Special: On the 14th inst., fire was set to the stables of the Commercial hotel, but being soon discovered was extinguished without loss. An hour later flames were seen issuing from the stable of the Schurmeier Waggon company. Two fine horses, owned by John Evans, their agent, who was absent from the city, perished, and about two hundred bushels of seed wheat and oats were destroyed. Great indignation prevails at these raids of evil doers, and if they are caught it will go hard with them.

Inquest in the Cullings Case.

Ashton, Special:—The coroner's inquest over the body of William Cullings (not "Cullen"), found in the river a few miles above here have concluded its investigations. There were several bruises upon the head, indicating that he had been struck with some instrument, although his skull was not broken. Thomas had acted strangely since the disappearance of Cullings, but seemed in no hurry to leave. Some remarks he made tend very strongly to fasten the guilt upon him. On one occasion, when he was asked what he thought had become of Cullings, he stated, "You may find the damned cuss in the river." It was on the 10th inst. that Thomas left with his family for Arkansas. The verdict of the coroner's jury was—

That Cullings came to his death by violent means, and believed to be murdered by some person to the jury unknown; but from the testimony suspicion rested strongly upon said James B. Thomas.

Coroner Reed at once issued a warrant for the arrest of Thomas.

A Handy Boy.

Bismarck Tribune: Mr. White, who lives on the reservation south of the city, was startled Sunday morning by finding the corpse of a man on the sand hills about fifteen miles south of the city. On investigation it was found that on Friday last, while Treasurer Anderson, of the school district in that locality, was in the city, he drew \$300 for the construction of a school building and deposited it in one of the banks of that city. While away from his home, where he left his wife and little boy, two men of suspicious appearance called at the house and demanded entrance, which was refused by Mrs. Anderson. The door was closed and locked, but the intruders succeeded in prying it partly open; and, pointing revolvers in the opening, said they had come for what money there was in the house, and requested that it be handed over. The little son, with commendable pluck, grabbed the shotgun, which was loaded,

and, discharged its contents into the right breast and shoulder of one of the robbers, and was about to give the other vagrant a dose of lead, when his mother prevented him. The wounded man fell into the arms of his chum, who made his escape without ceremony, taking the lead-burdened comrade with him. It is believed that the body found is that of the man who was shot by the boy.

Dakota Territorial News.

At Flandrau, Sheriff Cogley arrested S. Christianson, charged with killing N. Jensen. Christianson had whipped Jensen's dog, whereupon Jensen, his wife and son attacked Christianson, who, with a club taken from Mrs. Jensen, struck Jensen on his head, causing his death.

The people of Lisbon have been agitated over the license question.

The body of Mrs. Alton, who was drowned in the Pipe Stone near Pine-gree about a month ago, was found nearly half a mile below where the accident happened.

Charles E. White committed suicide at Deadwood with a shotgun while temporarily insane.

The following is the last of a series of resolutions adopted by the farmers of Spink county: Resolved, that we condemn the law relating to the taxation of railroad property passed by the fifteenth legislative assembly, as being in conflict with the organic act and unjust by discriminating in favor of railroads, and we request the next assembly to repeal said law, thereby placing railroad property on the same level with other property.

Butler B. Strang, formerly marshal of Dakota, committed suicide at his home in Westfield, Teoga Co., Pa. He arose early, dressed himself, and was making his toilet in the presence of his wife and son Benjamin, when, without attracting their attention, he took a revolver he had from a drawer, and lodged a bullet in his brain. He did not speak after the shot. His protracted illness, without hope of recovery, was undoubtedly the cause of the action, as the coroner's jury found.

Orders have been issued by Gen. Terry directing the transfer from Camp Poplar River to Standing Rock agency of six lodges of Uncpapa Sioux, who surrendered to Capt. Read last winter and have been held at Poplar River as prisoners of war. These Indians claim to belong to Sitting Bull's band and go to the agency to be incorporated therein.

The Manitoba road has closed contracts for two elevators of 50,000 bushels capacity each, to be built at Devil's Lake this summer by two different companies.

W. W. Whitney was found dead on his claim near Dakota, Nelson county.

The members of grand lodge of the Masonic fraternity will meet in annual convocation at Aberdeen, June 10.

Thirty habitual drunkards are posted in Sioux Falls saloons.

Alice D'Estelle, a danseuse at Grand Forks, died of congestion of the brain. She was very popular among the variety fraternity, and shunned vice and dissipation.

An Indian school is to be established at Le Beau by Bishop Hare, ten acres of ground having been donated by Mr. Snipes of that place.

At Flandrau, S. Christianson was jailed for murder.

E. M. Burr, an alleged Steele, Dak., forger, was arrested at St. Paul.

William Cullen of Ashton, was found murdered, and James Thomas, suspected of the crime, has fled to Arkansas.

Gov. Ordway has appointed a military staff as follows: Thomas Free, of Sioux Falls, adjutant general; John B. Dennis, Yankton, paymaster general; William H. Parker, Deadwood, judge advocate general; Alexander Griggs, Grand Forks, engineer-in-chief. Aides de camp, with the rank of colonel: N. N. Tyner of Fargo, Wilbur F. Steele of Steele, Capt. W. Lucas of Chamberlain, Cincinnati W. Richardson of Pierre, Frank J. Mead of Mandan, Charles Richardson of Valley City.

Hyman, Reid, & Schornbling will build a fifty-barrel oat meal mill at Parker, with a capacity for 150,000 bushels of oats and 40,000 bushels of corn a year. Crops look remarkably well in that vicinity.

Five horses were stolen from John Staley of McLean county, a few nights ago.

The Sioux commission has been authorized to negotiate with the Sisseton, Wahpeton and Yankton Indians for the cession of portions of their reservations to the United States. The house committee on Indian affairs have informally agreed to the Sioux reservation bill. The amendments to the senate bill are not material, and will be no obstruction to its passage. The friends of the measure say they are willing to accept the amendments, and are confident the bill will go through the house and become a law this session. The bill will be considered in the house on the 31st, when bills from the Indian affairs committee will be the special order.

Truth is Mighty and Must Prevail

Is a good old maxim, but no more reliable than the oft repeated verdict of visitors that

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is the Queen City of a magnificent county and the most beautifully located of the many new and prosperous places of North Dakota. It is the

Permanent County Seat of Griggs County, and, though only a few months old, already has a representation in nearly every branch of business and each man enjoying a profitable trade. Plenty of room for more business houses, mechanics or professional men. Cooperstown is not only the

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