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TIME TABLE.S. C. & T. M. RAILROAD.
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R. M. COWEN, Agent.
C. S. FEE, Gen. Pass. Agt.**Our Washington Letter.**WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.
Some echoes, very like a "rebel yell," issued from some of the brigadiers in the house, Friday evening, when discussing Boutelle's resolution, to inquire into the removal of Union soldiers from from office, and the defacement of inscriptions commemorative of Union victories. "We are in the house of our fathers, and have come to stay," exclaimed Geo. D. Wise, of Virginia, when twitted by the author of the resolution for alluding to the Union veterans as "our soldiers," and hurried on, declining to be interrupted, but denying no important implication of the resolution. After spirited debate the resolution passed as it was reported from the naval committee, amended so as to cover Chandler's term in the navy department. A very noticeable nervousness pervades the democratic side of the house whenever any matter is up which incites reference to the "lost cause," and they always hasten to cut off debate at such times, as was the case on Friday.
The silver men are in the saddle, booted and spurred, and it is not easily to determine in which party the white metal has the most zealous friends, and it has ceased in any sense to be a party question. The most sweeping proposal growing out of the subject, comes from Representative Payson, of Illinois, who declares himself in favor of impeaching the secretary of the treasury for violating the silver coinage act. "This war upon silver is an outrage—the treasury officials are responsible for any depreciation in value silver has sustained—they resist the law and should be impeached, and I think I shall bring the matter before congress," he said. Another severe measure is the bill of Senator Van Wyck, making it a felony to require payment of contract debts in gold, exclusively, and these two propositions illustrate the temper of the silver men. So far Senator Morrill is the only senator who has been bold enough to make any show of fight against the big dollar, and his effort was not a success, in vigor or novelty. He declared it would be a violation of public faith to pay bonds in anything but gold, and that it was only against excessive coinage that he protested. And so the wordy war goes on, and it is not probable that any change will be made, so bitter has the feeling become thus early in the session, but it is expected some proposition will be brought to vote which will compel a division, and end the contest for the present.The banking and currency committee have voted, 8 to 4, to report the old McPherson bill of last session, to authorize the issue of notes to national banks to the full value of bonds deposited to secure circulation. This will be the signal for another financial discussion, and for giving to the country another batch of treatises on political economy, which will appear in the "Record," exclusively. The anti-bank members of the committee will bring in a minority report against the measure.
The members of this administration, like common people seem to be on the look out for the main chance, and go for the best salaries. H. W. Cannon, comptroller of currency, has just resigned to accept the vice-presidency of the National Bank of the Republic, at New York, on a fatter salary than Un-cle Sam paid him.
Should the report of the fortifications board, just handed the President, be adopted, the country will again reminded of the costliness of war, or of preparations for defense, in the event of war. The report estimates that it will require about one hundred and twenty-six millions of dollars to establish a good system of coast defense, and considerably asks the present session for only twenty-six millions with which to buy machinery necessary to begin the works. While it is doubtful if either sum will be granted now, some of our military men believe that, with forts already provided, and our torpedo system, the country is able to defend itself against any attack likely to ever be made, and that a stronger navy is more desirable.
The most frequent legislative topic about the capital, to-day, and of conversation for days past, is the question of admitting Dakota. The matter could be settled in an hour, if Dakota would consent to go back into the dark ages, and come in as a democratic state, as it is very evident all opposition is based on partisan grounds. And this opposition is the crowning blunder of the present majority in congress, and is so inconsistent that even Mr. Butler, of S. C., has been forced to abandon his charge of treason against the people of the territory, and to crawl with a show of decency, has introduced a bill providing for the election of 175 delegates, to meet next December for preliminary organization, the state then to be admitted by presidential proclamation. On the contrary, Mr. Harrison's bill, providing for the immediate admission of South Dakota, is rapidly gaining friends, and may yet pull through.While the week has not been a very lively one in congress, much progress has been made in committee work, and in addition to those already mentioned, the bill to relieve Fitz John Porter (ever hear of it before?), a resolution to inquire into the employment of convict labor on public works, the electoral count bill, one to pension widows, or dependent relatives of soldiers, to the amount of \$12, instead of \$8 per month, as now, (which will pass), and other important measures, are under way.
The social world was sadly shocked by the sudden death of Miss Bayard, whose personal worth made her a general favorite, and many society events were postponed in honor of her memory. The President's dinner, Thursday night, to the diplomatic corps, was a most brilliant event, attended by nearly all the foreign ministers in town, together with their households. W. D.**Commissioners' Proceedings.**Convened January 9, 1886, at 9 a. m.
Present, Comrs. Cooper, Kukke and Halverson, Com. Cooper presiding.
The financial statement of the county treasurer was examined, compared with the county clerk's books, and found to be correct; and all refunding orders, county warrants, and receipts, listed as credits prior to July 1, 1885, were received from the treasurer, canceled and filed in the county clerk's office.
The county treasurer presented a statement of his bank account which was accepted.
The annual report of John H. Atchison, road supervisor of dist. No. 10, was approved.
On motion John H. Atchison was allowed \$19.20, for services as road supervisor. On motion ordered that the following bills be allowed, to-wit:
John Siddle, road work, district No. 10, \$18.
M. A. Ueland, road work district No. 10, \$5.
R. C. Cooper, services as commissioner, \$9.90.
N. C. Kukke, services as commissioner, \$18.20.
Ole Halverson, services as commissioner, \$22.80.
On motion adjourned.R. C. COOPER, Chairman.
H. P. SMART, Clerk.**January 9, 1886, 5 p. m.**Comrs. Cooper and Halverson appeared, also John Hogenson, commissioner elect for district No. 3, whose qualification was filed with the county clerk.
Upon motion of Com. Halverson, Com. Cooper was elected chairman for the ensuing year. Upon motion of Com. Halverson, seconded by Com. Hogenson, ordered that no liquor license be issued in Griggs county for the ensuing year.
On motion, ordered that the applications for liquor license presented by Jackson Bros., Gillespie & Blow, Henry Retzlaff, and A. L. Bowden, be rejected.Upon motion ordered that the county treasurer be instructed to pay to Messrs. Jackson Bros., Gillespie & Blow, Henry Retzlaff, and A. L. Bowden, the amounts deposited by each for license, upon their application for same.
Upon motion ordered that the official bond of Andrew Johnson, justice of the peace, be approved.Upon motion ordered that William Glass be allowed \$15 in payment of salary as clerk of Greendale school township, for the year ending June 30, 1885.
Upon motion ordered that county warrant No. 2029, for \$15, in favor of Andrew Johnson, be applied in payment of his salary as clerk of Greendale school township for the year ending June 30, 1886.
Upon motion ordered that the following bills be allowed, to-wit:
F. H. Adams, printing, books, and stationary, \$111.05.
A. N. Adams, repairs for court house, \$8.16.
John Syverson, lamp and broom for treasurer, \$5.50.
Davis & Pickett, cot for jail, \$5.65.
On motion adjourned to meet Jan. 16, 1886, at 10 a. m.R. C. COOPER, Chairman.
H. P. SMART, Clerk.
Convened Jan. 16, 1886, at 10 a. m.
Present, Comrs. Halverson and Hogenson.
Adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.
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On motion Com. Halverson was made temporary chairman.
On motion ordered that the taxes for 1884, be abated upon the sw 4 sec. 24, tp. 146, r. 60, tax \$13.63; also upon ne 2 sec 2, tp. 145, r. 61, tax \$13.63; also upon sw 4 sec 8, tp. 144, r. 58, tax \$18.81.
On motion ordered that the following refunding orders be issued, viz:
Iver Jacobson, tax, interest, and penalty, erroneously assessed upon sw 24-145-60, for 1884 \$17.04.
Dakota Investment Co., tax, interest and penalty, erroneously assessed upon sw 4-144-58, for 1884, \$24.32.
Dakota Insurance Co., tax, interest and penalty, erroneously assessed upon ne 2-145-61, for 1884, \$16.94.
O. K. Bakken, taxes upon personal property, erroneously assessed for year 1883, \$10.00.On motion ordered that the following abatements be made, viz:
Upon a valuation of \$240 against Robt. Witherow, for personal property for year 1883, \$6.82.
Also an abatement of school tax against John H. Atchison for year 1885, \$2.98, Wheatland township.
The order of this board, dated July 25, 1885, affecting the boundaries of Waziya, Pleasant, and Greenwood school townships is hereby rescinded as far as the same effects the boundaries of Greenwood school township.On motion ordered that the following bills be allowed, viz:
Bufus Pinkerton, road work district No. 2, 1.50.
Geo. D. Barnard & Co., probate blanks \$3.30.
On motion adjourned to meet January 30, 1886, at 10 a. m.
OLE HALVERSON, Temp. Chair'n.
H. P. SMART, Clerk.**Col. Steele's Mission.**
St. Paul Globe: It is believed that the mission of Col. W. F. Steele to Washington with his \$910 fur overcoat, was not exclusively for public purposes, and that a bill recently introduced by Delegate Gifford, allowing the colonel to retain a valuable school section, which, he wants it understood, he took by mistake, might even explain an active willingness to see South Dakota come in as a state. Some of the local papers insist that the mistake of the colonel was worth a good many thousand dollars to the handsome member of the governor's staff if he can induce congress to accept his theory and pass the bill; otherwise he would not have committed the blunder in the face of the government survey and his known sagacity.**Mormons in Minnesota.**
FERGUS FALLS, Minn., Jan. 23.—In the town of Erlberg, 10 miles from here, three Mormon elders have been holding an extended series of meetings for the purpose of proselytism. Their meetings are largely attended, and it is thought a number of converts will be secured. The Mormons are all three polygamists, and preach that doctrine as a part of their religion. The circumstances are creating considerable comment in this vicinity, but no opposition has as yet been manifested.**KNUD THOMPSON'S****"Yankee Doodle"**The Christmas frolics now are o'er.
Old '85 has fled, sir;
Now Cooperstown has no saloons.
And Vanderbilt is dead, sir.
But still, the bums and duds in town
Feel good—it makes them snicker.
To loaf around, and hear the fun,
When Thompson makes a dicker.
CHORUS—
Yankee Doodle is the tune.
Which Thompson thinks so handy;
He makes his trades, and takes his notes
With "Yankee Doodle—dandy!"
And what has Knud to sell? you ask;
Why, simpleton, I answer:
What has he not that cuts or grinds,
Or walks upon the land, sir?
He's sure to have a specimen
Of each and every class, sir,
From J. L. C. Eclipse machines
To Balam's speaking ass, sir.
Chorus.He'll sell you, farmers, what you want—
A mower, plow, or rake, sir;
A mule, a horse, a cow, an ox,
And binders that won't break, sir.
But best of all, he sells them cheap,
And never minds the cash, sirs;
He'll take your notes, and give you time,
Till next year's crop you thresh, sirs.
Chorus.
He never cares to make a cent—
He dickers for his health, sirs;
For trading seems to make him fat,
Then come and make your wad, sirs.
He's the innocentest man in town,
You're sure to "take him in," sirs,
Just trade your old truck for his new,
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