

Official Directory.

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Some 125 tickets with M. H. Day for delegate, were rung in on the unsuspecting public. This is to be regretted, as it does not help Day and lessens the representation of the county in territorial and district matters. Dakota is republican and will continue republican for twenty years; and in nine out of ten of all republican district and territorial conventions, the apportionment is determined by the number of votes cast for the republican congressional candidate. The purposeless devotion of a blind democrat to a hopeless cause is a spectacle to make the angels weep.

John C. Evans is elected Register of Deeds of Barnes county. Perhaps no candidate in the county has been more heartily abused and vilified than John; he now has his majority over the slysters who have sought to down him. It is evident that the people and his friends believe in him.

The regularly nominated republican ticket was elected with the exception of the Register, and the commissioner in the Willow district—Messrs Berg and Cozant, respectively. If Berg had divided up his majority, reserving a fair share for himself, the independents would have flown higher.

For November or December. Ballou's Magazine for November:—No magazine which comes to this office has improved as this has within the past year. It is one of the best printed monthlies of the day, and its contents are of a high grade of excellence. Its publisher evidently understands how to make a readable book for the people. As the season now approaches when the people are thinking of their winter reading, we would call their attention to this well-known and meritorious magazine. Subscription price \$1.50 per year post paid. We see by the club terms that four subscriptions are sent for \$5.00. Address G. W. Studley, 23 Hawley, street, Boston, Mass. adv.

The editor of this journal of progress and civilization begs leave to announce that he has got there—to the legislature—by an elaborate majority which (if the game were laps and slams), might give him a fair start for "delegate." Mr. Selby is also elected to the council, and Mr. Sprague to the house. This, however, is of minor importance. We do not like to startle our readers with any astounding news, without first breaking it to them heart-disease gradually, but—prepare yourselves for the shock * * * the COURIER * * * will still be issued at the price of * * * \$2.00 per annum * * * cash in advance, and (D. V.) will contain a Bismarck letter after awhile.

"If the people, etc." "I take this method, etc." "Through the solicitation of, etc." "I wish to announce, etc." "I hereby announce, etc." "At the request of, etc." "I want it understood, etc." "The undersigned is a cam—etc." "To the voters of, etc." Business is nearly done for the season.

Stuffing the Ballot-box. Dr. Bradley, of Lisbon, who has been accused of ballot-box stuffing at Milnor, two years ago, confesses as follows: TERRITORIAL OF DAKOTA, 1886. County of Ransom. Willis W. Bradley, being duly sworn on oath, deposes and says, That he was

one of the judges of election at the Milnor precinct at the general election held Nov. 4., 1884.

That being a particular friend of Thomas C. Lauder, at his solicitation and request, I assisted him with the other judges and clerks of election, in stuffing the ballot box used at the election, with about 149 fraudulent ballots, and placed on the poll lists used fictitious names to correspond with these fraudulent ballots. The fraudulent ballots so placed in said box as above stated contained the name of T. C. Lauder for register of deeds, and Milnor for the county seat. After the polls closed and during the canvass in the night, Mr. N. Linton came in the room, and told Lauder that it would be necessary to have at least 650 votes in the Milnor precinct, to overcome the majority against Milnor, for the county seat, as appeared by the returns that had then been received from other precincts, and on the judges and clerks, in calling off ballots, in making the canvass, would miscall the ballots, by reading the name of T. C. Lauder, for register of deeds, instead of the name of Geo. S. Montgomery, which was actually on the ticket, and calling Milnor instead of Forman, which was actually on the ticket. About ten tickets were miscalled, and afterwards T. C. Lauder destroyed enough ballots to correspond with the number of thus miscalled, and substituted an equal number of ballots containing the name of Lauder for register of deeds, and Milnor for county seat. I further state, that I have this day, voluntarily made under oath, a full and detailed statement, of the manner and extent of the ballot box stuffing, and other frauds there perpetrated, showing just who was connected with, and cognizant of said election, frauds, and, that said statement is now in the possession, and control of W. F. Ball and George F. Goodwin, attorneys for plaintiffs in the county seat contest. Deponent further states, that during the late convention in Sargent county, held Oct. 11th, 1886, T. C. Lauder stated to him that he knew he could not get nomination for register of deeds, and that he had agreed with Dr. A. F. Price, that he would throw his delegates to aid his nomination, in consideration of which Price had agreed to appoint said Lauder, his deputy if elected. Deponent further states, that he fully believes that said T. C. Lauder, is aiding in the election of said Price, in pursuance of the agreement entered into, at said convention.

WILLIS W. BRADLEY. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this twenty-ninth day of October, 1886. GEO. F. GOODWIN, Notary Public. Ransom County, Dakota.

Election Returns. NEW YORK.

NEW YORK CITY, Nov. 2.—Roosevelt, 60,392; Hewitt, 90,296; George, 67,699; Wardwell, 593. The republicans have gained three congressmen in the state so far.

FROM MICHIGAN. DETROIT, Nov. 3.—There are 1,406 voting precincts in Michigan; 123 precincts give Luce, republican, 2,858; Yaple, fusion, 2,639.

GAINS IN INDIANA.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 3.—Sixty precincts show republican loss of 107; democratic loss 234; net republican gain, 127.

OHIO REPUBLICAN GAINS.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 3.—Ohio, 163 precincts net republican gains of 2,813 total vote, 46,866; prohibition vote, 914.

NEW HAMPSHIRE VOTE.

CONCORD, Nov. 3.—New Hampshire 86 towns show a democratic gain of 351.

FROM WISCONSIN.

MADISON, Nov. 3.—Wisconsin, 34 towns and cities show republican gain of 319; city of Milwaukee, 7 precincts, give Rusk, republican, 1,238; Woods, democrat, 142.

MINNESOTA.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 3.—The returns thus far indicate that the republicans have carried the state by from 18,000 to 25,000 majority.

BARNES COUNTY.

Valley City Times: In a total vote of 1,533 thus far reported, Gifford for congress has 741, and Day 595 leaving Gifford a majority so far of 146. For member of the territorial council, Weiser has a majority of the vote so far as reported in this county of 313, which taken with the latest advice from Ransom county seem to indicate his election without doubt. For the members of the house, Elliott's majority would appear to be about 400 in this county, and 500 in Ransom, and so far as learned, McDonnell and Elliott have polled very nearly equal vote. Thus the present indications are that Barnes county will be represented by a member in each house.

For the chief county officers the following are the approximate majorities of the successful candidates as gathered from the reports at hand:

Table listing names and vote counts: C. A. Benson 400, John Simons 400, J. C. Evans 400, G. K. Andrus 800, Charles Walker 200, Nicholas Flagler 200, Belle Sampson 140.

(Special Dispatch to the Courier.) MAYVILLE, Nov. 4th 1886—Selby is beaten. He had a small majority, in Steele. Sprague has 600 majority, in Steele. Adams solid vote. Straight county ticket elected in Steele county.

DEATH ON THE RAIL.

Terrible Accident on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad.

The Limited Passenger Ditched—Twenty Passengers Roasted.

October 28th, after midnight the west-bound limited was ditched at East Rio siding, a small station about thirteen miles east of Portage, on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road.

The accident was caused by an open switch, left so by the crew of a freight train, which had been side-tracked, to allow the limited to pass, which makes about fifty miles an hour. The siding is in a cut where the road curves, so that the switch light cannot be seen from the east, until a train is within a few rods, so the engineer of the limited could not see the switch light turned wrong, until too late to stop. The engine left the track and ran a short distance, and brought up against the side of the cut, toppled over the baggage car, and two regular coaches, while four sleepers kept the track. The engine and cars that went off were badly smashed, and soon took fire from the stoves.

Engineer Little, and Fireman Egan, crawled out from under the locomotive, badly bruised and scalded. The baggage man had a leg broken. All passengers in the sleepers, got out uninjured except slight bruises, but in one day coach, twenty were pinned in, and literally burned to death. Many others were injured by the severe shaking up. The whole train, excepting one coach which they were able to uncouple and draw out, was burned.

It was a most horrible and sickening spectacle, the roasting people making the night hideous with their wails, while by-standers were unable to render assistance. It is the worst wreck ever known in the Northwest. The accident is the first one happening to the Limited, which is the fastest running train in the West, the average speed of which is fifty miles per hour.

Notice of Final Proof—Land office at Fargo, D. T., Oct. 27, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof, viz: Charles Johnson, D. S. No. 17731, for the sw 1/4 of sec. 14, tp 148 n. r. 50 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Henry Gleason, Hans H. Moen, John G. Lee and Peder Erikson, all of Ottawa P. O., Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 20th day of December, A. D. 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. JOHN O. OIE, Attorney. 42-47

Notice of Final Proof—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Nov. 2nd, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof, viz: Iver Johnson, D. S. No. 16988, for the sw 1/4, ne 1/4 and se 1/4 of sec. 28, tp. 147 n. r. 50 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Adolph Hegre, Tobias Thimo, Arne Thompson and Ole S. Moen, all of Cooperstown P. O., Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on Tuesday, the 21st day of December, A. D. 1886, at his office. MICHAEL F. BATELLE, Register. J. O. OIE, Attorney. 42-47

Notice of Final Proof—Land office at Fargo, D. T., Oct. 25, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof, viz: Fritjof Gronland, D. S. H. E. No. 13547, for the southeast quarter of sec. 24, tp. 145 n. r. 50 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Mathias E. Fjelsdal, Edward Stal, Simon J. Ouren, August Johnson, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before Hon. W. H. Francis, judge of the sixth judicial district, territory of Dakota, or in absence before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 16th day of December, A. D. 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Iver Jacobson, Attorney. 42-47

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land office at Fargo, D. T., Oct. 21, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof, viz: James P. Van Voorhis, D. S. No. 15917, for the southeast quarter of sec. 24, tp. 146 n. r. 50 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: A. B. Cox, James Christie and L. Hubbard, Henry Fenner, all of Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of district court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 16th day of December, A. D. 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Iver J. Johnson, Atty. 41-49

Notice of Final Proof—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Oct. 27, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof, viz: Meda Olson, D. S. No. 16288 for the nw 1/4, sec. 25, tp. 145 n. r. 50 w. and names the following as her witnesses, viz: Thore Olson, Jens Storaas, Thore A. Hermanson and Ole Thompson, all of Ottawa, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before Geo. B. Clark, judge and ex-officio clerk of probate court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 4th day of Dec. 1886, at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. 41-49

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