

THE DEMOCRAT.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1870.

The Missouri Legislature has adopted the 15th Constitutional Amendment.

We regret our inability to attend the convention which assembled yesterday in Lexington. It is the busiest season of the year with us and we could not possibly have our law office open before the time of their marriage. We have a man of considerable wealth and is said to have possessed an unimpeachable record when he got married; his madness amounted to insanity. It is supposed that he was in this condition when the awful tragedy was committed. At least his wife still lingers in a state of delirium and the characters of her recovery are very difficult to determine.

The Mayville Bulletin in copying another which we published a few weeks ago, comments on it thusly: "Doubtless the letter above was addressed to some poor devil whose post office had been broken into to get at his bread for his family, and the donor demanded will necessitate a reduction of rent for the next month." We take this occasion to say, that the postmaster who handed us the letter addressed to an enthusiastic Democrat and is in good circumstances, but has no means to contribute to radical purposes and he does care a *damn* whether they turn him out or not. We make this statement in justice to the "postmaster" in question.

The Primary Election.

Saturday, April the 2d, 1870.

It will be seen from the proceedings of a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee, held in town, on the 11th inst., that a primary election has been ordered to be held throughout the country, on Saturday, the 2d day of April next, to determine the claims of the several aspirants for the different offices to be voted for in August.

The action of the Executive Committee is exactly right and proper. They could not do otherwise than order this election. The people demanded it. It was a necessity.

The old convention mode of nominating candidates has run its course—Democrats for the last two years have not been represented by the Executive Committee, and we are now in a fair position to have the expression of the public sentiment in one of these latter day conventions, and we are compelled to resort to other means of ascertaining the wish of the majority. That the new system will work well we have not a doubt. That there will be objections urged against the action of the Committee we are aware. But no objection can be urged against it on the score of fairness. It is *fair* to all alike, the candidate on *all* the *parts*.

It is a time-honored principle of all political parties that a "majority shall rule." If any candidate receives a nomination in this plan he is certain to be in the majority, because the person receiving the largest number of votes, is nominated by the Executive Committee for the office to which he aspires. We think this is fair.

Many of our Democratic friends have complained of the action of past conventions that we have held, and we fully admit that they have had cause to complain; we know that flagrant violations of justice and right have been inflicted upon the party time and again. We have long needed reform. We have it now, and we can only try this system for the benefit of all. If a fair and peaceful way is adopted in the future. It should not be a remedy for existing evils; we can adopt some other plan or return to our first love. Above all things, let us have harmony inside the Democratic party. This is the chief end and aim of all true Democrats, and HARMONY should be our watchword. We are battling in a glorious cause. Victory is within our grasp. Then, do not let dissensions among ourselves work out our own ruin or mar the beauty of our onward march to the glorious consummation of a complete victory.

Let us look forward to the day of the election with interest, remembering that "the longest pole knocks the perpendicular." That action of the Committee will meet with entire endorsement at the hands of the Democracy of the county. We feel confident that it will result in good, health and welfare for the threatening sores in our county organization.

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Now that a primary election has been ordered, we expect to see candidates think as June-bugs in a dog-scorpion patch. We have our shoulder and elbow-joints patched with books, contemplating an overwhelming of our limbs. Please hand us 85 fine gentlemen to pay for repairs.

A HORRIBLE AFFAIR.

A Man Strikes his Wife in the Head with an Ax, and then Hangs Himself.

We learn that on Friday morning last, Mr. Thomas Bradshaw, a wealthy farmer, living near Sharpsburg, Bath' county, assaulted his wife with an ax, striking her on the head inflicting a terrible wound which will probably cause her death. Bradshaw supposing that the sick he had struck had killed her, immediately secured a rope and hung himself dead. There are many rumors afloat as to the cause of this deed of blood, but as we know nothing of the way of them, we decline to publish them.

Mr. B. and his present wife had only been married a few weeks, he being a widower and the father of a large and interesting family of children at the time of their marriage. He was a man of considerable wealth and is said to have possessed an unimpeachable record when he got married; his madness amounted to insanity. It is supposed that he was in this condition when the awful tragedy was committed. At least his wife still lingers in a state of delirium and the characters of her recovery are very difficult to determine.

This is indeed a singular affair, and one deeply to be deplored by the public. Certainly, the cause as this man to commit such a crime as this in his own household must be great, or he is a maniac. In fact, we do not think that any reasonable excuse could be made for so damnable an act. Mr. B. we understand was in the neighborhood of eight years of age.

We wish that General John C. Breckinridge, the agent and attorney of the Cincinnati Southern Railroad at Frankfort.

Meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee.

At a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Fleming County, held in the town of Flemingsburg, on Tuesday, the 11th inst., the following proceedings took place:

It having been represented to the Executive Committee that a large majority of the Democrats of Fleming County are in favor of holding a poll of polling delegates, a convention to determine the claims of candidates for the various offices of the party of the Democrats are in favor of holding a "primary election," do hereby order said election to be held on Saturday, the 2d day of April 1870, subject to the following rules and regulations:

1st. The Executive Committee shall hereafter appoint two Judges on each and one Sheriff in each of the several districts, who shall convene the polls and count the votes, and hold the election as all other elections have been held in this State by law.

2d. Every male citizen in the county and a legal Democratic voter shall be entitled to cast his vote for the candidate of his choice.

3d. That the Sheriff conducting the election shall be responsible for all expenses as far as possible after the election returns are made to the Chairman of the Executive Committee and agreed to count the votes, and each candidate receives for each office and the candidate receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared the nominee of the party for the several posts on the 2d day of April next.

4d. That no additional services or court of claims be allowed.

5d. That the Sheriff and Clerk (Logan) (committee) be allowed to be present at the election.

6d. That Samuel H. Young, Humphries, Sam'l' B. Huntington and Hammond, Morton G. and Robert Williams be allowed to be present at the election.

7d. That Alfred M. Clark, Lewis, John M. Harmer, John and Margaret Isaac Kelly be allowed to be present at the election.

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3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their paper, we will not be responsible to whom they sent it. They are held responsible to whom they sent it, their bills and give due notice to them to collect.

4. If subscribers move to other places with or without informing the publisher, and the paper is sent to us, we will not be responsible to whom they sent it.

5. The publisher has decided, that referring to a paper from the office, or remitting and having it mailed, is a great favor to print fast, and velocity of information.

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Local Matters.

Laws of Claims.—A good deal of our space has been occupied up to this week in the publication of the list of claims allowed by the County Court of Claims. It is of general interest to the tax-payers of the county.

POPLAR PLAINS HOTEL.—Mr. John McReary has opened the above hotel at Poplar Plains, and is now prepared to receive guests.

HARRISON RIVER NAVIGATION.—The city of Louisville has made arrangements for \$15,000 for the improvement of the Kentucky river last week. Louisville is alive to her interests.

ADVISOR'S REPORT.—We are indebted to Dr. Howard Smith, Auditor for his report of his annual report. We have put had time to examine it, but will refer to it probably hereafter.

Ice.—Our citizens have been busy putting up ice for the past few days.

Cold.—Last Sunday was the coldest day that we have had this winter.

FAT LION.—W. J. Lee of this county, has sold to John Collins, a fat cow weighing 1,800 lbs. at \$1 per cent per lb.

PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.—We were indebted to James M. Alexander, our popular State Auditor for various public documents. Send us some more.

Examiner.—Mr. W. S. Sallier, was elected City Treasurer at the municipal election in Mayville last week. This is a decided compliment to our local press.

Good Templars.—This organization is on the increase in this place, and we expect much good to result from its labors. We know they will thank us for the excellent services on the outside of this paper.

INTERNAL REVENGE.—Mr. Ben Botts is out in an arrangement in our paper this week, for the payment of Internal Revenue for this County, and all persons liable to any Income or Special tax must forward and give it in immediately. See Notice.

ALOYALY.—Our paper last week contained several typographical and grammatical errors, which we regret, but hope our readers will forgive us, as we are like every body else, liable to mistakes, especially in Christmas time.

Called To See Us.—We regret having failed to inform in our last issue that the sending w^t engraved a few days ago by a visit from Mr. Dargai to the Corfele Mercure. We are always glad to see our brethren of the press and we hope our neighbor will call again.

Thanks.—Our thanks are due Messrs. J. A. Andrews & Co. for a can of Christmas Pudding, a few days ago, as for the expression of sympathy that goes for the benefit of the widow and child, with which we did and then "stuff'd" self. They have our thanks and we take this occasion to state that they keep the fresh system in tow.

A RUM EXPLD.—Mr. Jas. Jenkins desires us to contrast the rumour that he had laid his hands in this place with the facts. He is a man of 60 years, and for semi-faint libations, always takes whisky, we will just state that he is still at his old stand and will go to see all those he holds dear, and drink and carouse. He makes the rounds of the saloons, and all movements and pay dollars, the last time he went down town. It is up to keep him waiting.

ANNOUNCEMENT.—Mr. Charles E. Johnson announces himself as a candidate for County Judge, at the ensuing August election. Mr. Johnson is a young lawyer of considerable ability and well qualified for the position. He is well known to the people of the county and his numerous introductory marks upon us would be out of place. He promises if elected to faithfully perform the responsible duties of the place. See announcement elsewhere.

REMOVED.—Mr. Jno. McGrath has removed to New York, to his new shop, located on Main Street, where he will continue to Toner & McCarney's shop, where he will continue to do all manner of work in his line. John is a splendid mechanic and they know his right power. Thompson can't be beat.

VICKS ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE AND FLORAL GUIDE FOR 1870.—Our lady readers will be glad to know that Mr. Vick's of Boston has issued his great and annual Illustrated Catalogue for 1870. It contains a list of all his flower and garden seeds for which his house becomes famous; directions for their cultivation and much other information. It is a valuable book, and we commend it to our friends.

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THE HAULROAD TAX LEVIED.—The County Commissioners of Fayette county have assessed their property at \$100,000,000, and the amount of taxes is \$100,000,000.

We presume that the portion of the road lying between this city and Capon will be put under contract by the first of March, at which time we suppose work will commence upon it.—Paris Citizen.

CITY ELECTION.—The City Election is to be held on the second Tuesday in April, P. W. Clegg, Jas. H. Johnson, Marshall Will T. Payne, Clerk; W. C. Sallier, Trustee; Jas. L. Hunt, Assessor; Mr. McCaffrey, Sheriff; Jas. C. Williams, Constable; Miss Brown, Water Master; and W. Edmunds, Market Master. A very cool election was polled and not much interest manifested.

THE DIRT WASHING MACHINE.—We feel like giving this truly valuable machine lots of notice, every week after using it. It saves so much labor, and does its work more completely, thoroughly, and more rapidly, and more inexpensively, than any other device we have seen. In our opinion, it is THE WASHING MACHINE of the day. Other machines may come up and dislodge—as this blackberry, but we venture to assert, that it is the best.

Local News.—Mr. A. M. Morrison, who is going to those islands indicated by the map, that most come forward and settle there, in their absence, will be ready to give us news of their progress.

Extensive Art Gallery.—Next to the Library, the largest in the country, is the artist's Dictionary. The Unskilled in an extensive art gallery, containing over three thousand engravings, representing almost every animal, plant, reptile, implement, plant, etc., that any one could possibly desire to view, giving information on every subject.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.—Let Common Sense Precede.

The Mail Trade.—The Paris Citizen gives from the best knowledge we can gather, that the trade is not very brisk, but prices are high.

We have just received information from Samms and Montgomery, Alabama, that when we were there a few days ago, they were at a standstill.

They are anticipating more business

with the arrival of the mail. The arrival of the mail should be the signal for the thorough counteractance of the present depression.

The following are some of the shipments of the past week:

Lyke of Fleming, 40 head to Georgia; —**Lyke of Franklin, 100 head to Georgia;** —**Nation & Co., 100 head to Georgia;** —**Lyke & C. Shillman, 1 car-load, Ala.**

Four car loads passed through to day. —**Pitt. City.**

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to be doing much. Everything is dull at Frankfort.

Murder.

On the 31st ult., a quiet and innocent old citizen, was killed by Wm. Guinnett, at Cain's old tavern in this place. Mr. Hall Weller, a son of the deceased, was a violent player and was known to have been a gambler and drinking and carousing had started in the morning that he intended to kill someone, but nothing more was said. He was as difficultly as far as we can learn between him and his victim, nor was old man Payne drunk. Without cause or provocation, he struck his victim in the head and in ten minutes. As soon as the intelligence was brought to town, a warrant of arrest was issued for him, and Capt. Tipton, who after a short investigation, secured the neighborhood was unable to find him. So far as we gather the facts, the killing was cold-blooded and the murderer deserves to be hanged.

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