THE HERALD.

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FOR DIVISION OF GRANT COUNTY.

HARNEY COUNTY.

FOR TEMPORARY COUNTY-SEAT:

BURNS.

FOR LOCATION OF THE HARNEY LAND OFFICE:

BURNS.

OUR little rooster crows lustily on the local page for Burns precinct. The big one is pluming himself.

THE vote in Burns, the home precinct of THE HERALD, is a proud justification of its course as the unflinching advocate of the people's true interests.

THE HERALD is conscious of having performed its whole duty during the campaign just closed, and now calmly awaits the result of Tuesday's voting in confident expectation.

THE political labors of THE HERALD closed last week, and it now has time to turn its attention to the more immediately local issues, viz: Division of this vast county of Grant into lesser proportions, so as to meet the needs of the people resident therein. The location of the Harney Land Office where it will most readily subserve the interests of the people for whom the new district was created.

The necessity for the formation of a new county south of the mountains lying between Burns and Canyon City is apparent to any person that ever traveled once over the road, summer or winter.

The majority of the people, we are satisfied, would, if called together in their precincts for an expression of their sentiments, unite in what is so plainly right and fair, and Harney county be created on terms satisfactory to all concerned.

THE HERALD has advocated, and will vigorously work for county division until obtained. The county-seat question is an after consideration.

THE HERALD has worked vigorously the past six months to collect convincing evidence that the soil and climate of Harney and adjacent vallies, or what is known as "the Harney Country," is specially adapted to the production of grain. The grain raising farmers brought in enough specimens to satisfy the most skeptical, who are hereby invited to call and examine the fine, plump grain of the samples now on exhibit in this office.

This effort was made in order to attract the attention of the better class of immigration, to encourage the industrious already at work, and to induce grain raising at as early date as possible in order to meet the mill enterprise already under way by a Burns business man with both energy and means.

Farmers with whom we have conversed, admit that 35 to 45 bushels of wheat to the acre can readily be raised, and the belief that this is a grain field that only needs to be developed in order to yield a rich return for the industry expended, is steadily gaining ground among those who came here believing the wild hay on the meadow-lands to be the easiest and most remunerative way to make a living.

N. Brown has done the part of a public-spirited citizen, who has at heart the advancement of the business interests of the country, as well as his individual profit, and should receive the commendation of his fellow-citizens, as well as the undivided patronage of grain raisers.

Now, farmers, this fine, large mill building is erected, the dam built, water secured, and machinery here. The latter will be put in next summer, and the mill be in fine running order by the time grain is ready to be hauled. With this assurance the last obstacle to Harney valley grain-raising is removed, as it is no longer needful to haul grain 140 to 160 miles to have ground, or sold.

A large acreage should be sown in wheat this fall for there is still time, and a larger sowing in spring wheat next season. Much ground can be prepared for grain this fall by those farmers not yet in condition for planting. Let us and all other workers for the furtherance of Harney valley improvement, unite in urging farmers throughout the entire Harney country to get in and plant enough grain to keep the new mill busy enough to supply ourselves and our neighbors.

Presidential Vote of 1884.

We give the following tables of the Presidential vote of 1884, that THE HERALD's readers may compare them with the returns of 1888 as received:

States	CLEVELAND Popular vote.	CLEVELAND Electoral vote.	BLAINE Popular vote.	BLAINE Elect. vote.
Alab..	92,973	10	59,144	..
Ark...	72,927	7	50,895	..
Cal....	89,288	..	102,416	8
Colo...	27,603	..	36,166	3
Conn..	67,182	6	65,898	..
Del....	16,976	3	13,053	..
Fla....	31,769	4	28,031	..
Ga....	94,653	12	47,692	..
Illinois	312,584	..	337,411	22
Ind...	244,992	15	238,480	..
Iowa..	177,316	..	197,089	13
Kansas	90,132	..	154,406	9
Ky....	152,961	13	118,122	..
La....	62,546	8	46,347	..
Maine.	51,656	..	71,716	6
Md....	96,866	8	85,748	..
Mass..	122,352	..	146,724	14
Mich..	189,361	..	192,669	13
Minn..	70,065	..	111,685	7
Miss..	76,510	9	43,509	..
Mo....	235,988	16	202,929	..
Neb...	54,391	..	76,903	5
Nev...	5,578	..	7,193	3
N. H..	39,187	..	43,250	4
N. J..	127,778	9	123,366	..
N. Y..	563,048	36	562,001	..
N. C..	142,952	11	125,068	..
Ohio..	368,286	..	400,082	23
Oregon	24,604	..	26,860	3
Penn..	392,785	..	473,804	30
R. I...	12,391	..	19,030	4
S. C..	69,764	9	21,733	..
Tenn..	133,270	12	124,090	..
Texas.	223,679	13	91,701	..
Vt....	17,332	..	39,514	4
Va....	145,497	12	139,356	..
W. Va.	67,317	6	63,096	..
Wis...	146,459	..	161,157	11
Totals.	4,911,017	219	4,848,334	182

The following table gives the pluralities by States on the popular vote:

States.	Cleveland.	Blaine.
Alabama	33,830	.....
Arkansas	22,032	.....
California	.....	13,128
Colorado	.....	8,563
Connecticut	1,284	.....
Delaware	3,923	.....
Florida	3,738	.....
Georgia	46,966	.....
Illinois	.....	24,827
Indiana	6,512	.....
Iowa	.....	19,773
Kansas	.....	64,274
Kentucky	34,839	.....
Louisiana	16,199	.....
Maine	.....	20,060
Maryland	11,118	.....
Massachusetts	.....	24,372
Michigan	.....	3,308
Minnesota	.....	41,620
Mississippi	33,001	.....
Missouri	33,059	.....
Nebraska	.....	22,512
Nevada	.....	1,615
New Hampshire	.....	4,063
New Jersey	4,412	.....
New York	1,047	.....
North Carolina	17,884	.....
Ohio	.....	31,796
Oregon	.....	2,256
Pennsylvania	.....	81,119
Rhode Island	.....	6,639
South Carolina	48,031	.....
Tennessee	9,180	.....
Texas	131,978	.....
Vermont	.....	22,183
Virginia	6,141	.....
West Virginia	4,221	.....
Wisconsin	.....	11,698

WE see that a move in the county division matter in Grant county has been inaugurated by A. W. Waters of Burns, and J. H. Loggan of Harney, and a division of sentiment already created that is likely to render anything like harmonious action impossible. The apple of discord—Temporary County-seat Location—has been tossed between Upper and Lower Harney, and Burns, and the sequence is readily surmised.

It seems to us, from our standpoint (that this subject is of direct concern to every person in the county), that this movement is as ill-advised as it was ill-timed. Had the parties desired to unify the sentiment in favor of county division, and obtain a true expression of the whole people (as we were assured Hon. G. W. Gilham is anxious to procure), they would have done well to have waited until after the exciting interest attendant on a presidential campaign and election had subsided, and the people interested be in a more receptive state of mind.

As the matter now stands it will require wise management and no little trouble to arrive at an amicable understanding at Harney next Saturday.

To antagonize no interest that is able to bring about defeat is always better than that rule or ruin policy, which oftenest recoils on itself.

Detectives are on the track of Thos. Axbury, city treasurer of Cleveland, O., who absconded with the city funds.

—The San Francisco Examiner, that chief of democratic dailies, is on file on our reading desk. Come and read it. –

—Coal Oil at W. E. Grace's drug store. –

LAND NEWS.

Necessity for Extension of Surveys—Increase of Clerical Force in the General Land Office.

A feature of Commissioner Stockslager's report which will be commended by the people of the states in which public lands are for sale, and wherein public surveys are incomplete, is the recommendation for increased appropriations for surveying public lands, and his remarks in this connection tending to prove that good work cannot be done for the prices—$7 to $9 per mile—now allowed for surveying.

The act of March 7, 1887, directs that railroad grants shall be adjusted without delay, and much fault has been found with the land office for an apparent lack of energy in this direction.

It seems that congress in its wisdom or lack thereof, or through the carelessness of men having the matter in charge, does not know that it it is simply an utter impossibility to adjust the largest grants, for the reason that millions of acres of lands lying within the granted and indemnity limits are unsurveyed, and no appropriation has been made to meet the expense of the surveys absolutely indispensable in the adjustment of the grants.

By reason of the failure to survey the lands in these grants the companies are permitted to hold the lands, without taxation, and reap the benefits of the increase in value, while the people along the lines are compelled to carry the entire burden of the local governments.

This is outrageous discrimination in favor of the corporations, discouraging to the would-be settler, and detrimental to the growth of communities, and improvement of the country, practically defeating the objects for which the grants were made.

It is to be hoped that the very sensible suggestions of the Commissioner on the subject of surveys will be seconded by the Secretary of the Interior and acted upon by congress at the next session.

The adjournment of congress on Saturday without having passed either the general land bill, or the bill forfeiting railroad grants, fulfills the predictions made in the first of this series of letters, to which reference has been made once or twice since.

It is to be hoped the next congress will be more productive of results in this respect.

The presidential election will then have become a thing of the past, and legislation for the good of the country without regard to effect upon political organizations, or the prospects for candidates for office, may be enacted.

The suggestion of the Commissioner that the force of his office should be increased should be heartily seconded by all persons interested in land matters.

The fact that 238,156 final entries of various classes are pending before the land office, and that with its present force the office can dispose of only about 75,000 cases per annum, is sufficient argument to prove the need of increased force and a strong effort should be made by the people of the land states and territories to impress upon the minds of their representatives in congress the importance of their interests, and necessity for more prompt adjudication of land cases.

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"CHEAPEST AND BEST" is a combination as difficult as it is desirable; but "Peterson's Magazine" has certainly accomplished it. The November number is a gem in every respect. In addition to a lovely steel engraving, there are three full-page wood illustrations. One of these is an admirable portrait of Bismarck, who forms the subject of the opening article, which is capitally illustrated and gives various interesting incidents of his life, new to American readers. The stories are by popular authors, and are up to the usual high standard of excellence. In the Fashion Department, besides the handsome double fashion-plate, there are scores of dainty dress patterns and designs for the work table, etc., many of them suggestive of very pretty Christmas presents. It is time to think of a magazine for next year, and we cannot too heartily recommend "Peterson." It stands high among the first-class literary monthlies; and, as a fashion-periodical, none can equal it. Every lady should take "Peterson." The terms are only Two Dollars per year, with greatly reduced rates when taken in clubs, and with unusually fine premiums to those getting up clubs, viz: Three copies for $4.50, with the beautifully illustrated book of poems, "Buds and Blossoms," or a large engraving, "The Morning Greeting," for premium; four copies for $6.40, or six copies for $9.00, with an extra copy free for one year; or five copies for $8.00, or seven copies for $10.50, with both an extra copy of the magazine and either "Buds and Blossoms" or the engraving as premiums. For larger clubs still greater inducements. Any lady can, with a little effort, secure one or more of these premiums. Specimen sent free to those who desire to get up clubs. Address PETERSON'S MAGAZINE, 306 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

—If it is correct that the Harney Land Office is to be located in Drewsey, it is contrary to what we have been led to expect, and a very great disappointment in every way. The Harney hand District originated in Burns, in order to secure absolutely necessary advantages to parties desiring to settle in Harney valley; we used the influence of the only Democratic newspaper in the Harney country in every direction to secure the location in Harney valley, and then did the best we could to have Burns designated the favored town. On what grounds the agent of the Land Department preferaed Drewsev we cannot see. We are informed that N. Brown, with his usual enterprise, offered a suitable building rent free. More anon.

—The best bit Cigar at W. E. Grace's drug store. –

—Advertise in THE HERALD if you want to sell anything. –

—For all kinds of Stationery go to W. E. Grace's drug store. –

—See in this issue notice of final proof of Robt. Terrell, and W. L. Terrell.

—Worthy citizens, known to be law-abiding and of conservative views on all public questions, are receiving intimidating notifications from irresponsible parties, the thing bearing fraud upon its face. Our advice is to pay no attention to anything of this nature, as no man or set of men, except cowardly miscreants or would-be assassins whose deeds and misdeeds cannot bear the light of honest day, would descend to such contemptible scribbling. We will add that we also have been the recipient of one of these silly effusions.

—Chas. Ziegler brought in this week 33 potatoes that weighed 50 pounds! How does Poison creek stand in the Harney Valley Fair exhibits? Come in and look at them, all who are interested in proving this a fine agricultural country.

—Yearly advertisers of stock brands in THE HERALD get insertions of stolen and strays free. –