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MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

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PEOPLE'S TICKET.

For Mayor.

FERNANDO LITTLE,

For Aldermen.

1st Ward ADAM SPIER.

2d Ward HENRY DINWOODIE.

3d Ward A. H. RALEIGH.

4th Ward JOHN SHARP.

5th Ward ALLEN C. PYKE JR.

For Committees.

W. L. BALL.

ISAAC BROCKBANK.

ELIAS MORRIS.

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JOHN HENRY SMITH.

JOSEPH F. SMITH.

DAVID O. CALDWELL.

GEORGE REYNOLDS.

FRANCIS ARMSTRONG.

For Recorders.

JOHN T. CALINE.

For Treasurer.

PAUL A. SCHETTERER.

For Marshal.

ANDREW BURT.

PIONEERS.

POPE PIUS THE Ninth breathed his last a few minutes before noon yesterday afternoon. He had been a sufferer for a long time, and repeated reports of his death had come across the wires only to be contradicted. But as the word gradually extended just previous to his decease, "Death wins this time."

The Pope's real name was Giovanni Maria Melchiori. He was born May 13, 1795, at Sinigaglia, a seaport town of Central Italy. He commenced his ecclesiastical career at the early age of 11 years, and when 10 years old went to Rome to study for the ministry, leaving "holy orders" ten years later. He afterwards visited South America, staying two years in Chile. After his return to Rome he became archbishop of Spoleto and San Leo. In 1839, was created cardinal. On the death of Pope Gregory XVI., he was chosen Pope and assumed the title of Pius IX., June 16, 1846.

He was a man of great ability and firmness of character, yet was a mild and pleasant manner, endeared him to his people. During his rule, the dogma of the "Immaculate conception" was promulgated, and the Catholic church lost its temporal power in Italy with the exception of Rome and the provinces bordering on the Mediterranean.

Plus the Ninth inaugurated reforms and made many concessions to the popular sentiment. However, he was devoted to the church of which he was a propounder, and his last words were, "Guard the church I loved, a soul and so sacredly." His successor will be chosen from the college of cardinals, which cannot be convened in full for several days. The effects of his death upon European affairs will be incalculable, in consequence of the liberal Catholic governments far removed away from the head of the church.

IRRIGATION.

In another column will be found a communication on the irrigation question, containing three questions to which we are requested to reply. The first must be answered in the affirmative. No argument is needed to support this opinion, as none, we presume, will gainsay it. The second and third are intimately connected, and must be considered together.

The rights of old settlers are the needs of the new should be well understood, and decided under the influence of mutual charity, as regard for the position of each. One of the chief reasons is the choice of a location by the early settlers on various parts of the Territory, was the facilities afforded for irrigation. Farmers selected land near to mountain streams, and were able to cultivate the soil because water was at hand to irrigate it. Its parched and thirsty soil, great labor and expense they incurred in canals and ditches and thus secured water rights in connection with their land claims. In disposing of their property, water rights formed an important figure in value. As the volume of water increased, which it has steadily done from the commencement of the occupation of the Territory, new settlers took up land and obtained the benefits of the increased water. But there are limits to all things, and the streams utilized for irrigating purposes are not inexhaustible. Therefore, if more land is taken than the changeable creeks and rivulets can irrigate, some of the will have to go short. It is for this reason that those who have taken up purchased land not entitled to share of the fluid must be the sufferers.

Water claims are just as valid as land claims, for the latter were of small value were it not for the former. But here in Western Colorado brothers kindred and charity which are a vital part of the Mormon faith have good opportunity for exercise. Any farmer who can be shown to people where he has a chance for making a farm in the land not entitled to water, may be extended by them more freely, and especially times when no one would be juried by their use of the privilege. The new settlers almost always permitted their neighbors to do the same.

The difficulty is that the Mormons are sometimes disposed to claim a right that to which they are not entitled and can only enjoy by subterfuge. This hinders the hearts of the righteous claimants and injures the fountain of their supplication, and the result is, mutual ill-will and back of the good spirit. The rights of all should be understood and conceded. And the wants of the needy should be studied and supplied, as far as possible, by all who have the power, for it is a blessed privilege to be able to do so.

As it is for the interest of the whole community that all the land possible shall be cultivated, and as the rights of the first settlers to water for land legally held is indisputable, new settlers should be encouraged to cultivate the soil, but not to the detriment of rightful claimants. This is our answer to the three questions.

CLIPPING A MUNICIPALITY.

We notice that the petition is in the Legislature of certain inhabitants of the northern part of Ogallala City, for detachment from the municipality, and against which a unanimously signed remonstrance was presented, has been reported from the committee to whom both were referred, by a bill to reduce the northern limits of the city. But the reduction contemplated in the bill is not that asked for in the petition. And, singular to say, it leaves in the city those who chiefly desired to be separated and leaves out those who now desire to stay in. The district defined in the petition is all that portion of the city lying north of the Ogallala river. This includes two Bishop's Warde-Mount Fort and Lyons. The people whose names were on the petition who live in the first were the most anxious for separation; those of them living in the second have changed their opinion, and now almost to a man desire to remain within the corporation. Yet the bill would cut out the latter and leave in the former.

When the subject is fairly and fully considered we think it will be seen that the division movement is exceedingly impulsive, and as it now stands, altogether unnecessary. The majority of the people in the district proposed for detachment, if left to their free expression of sentiment, would never remain in the city, the reasons assigned for the proposed division not being founded on fact, and a large number of the citizens living or holding property in that district having signed the remonstrance, while many many who were induced to sign the petition would also have signed the remonstrance, after due reflection, if they thought it would appear inconsistent.

We consider that the prayers of petitioners should have their full weight with a legislative body and be patiently heard and considered. But we also think that the general welfare should have preference over sectional interests, and the greatest good of the greatest number should be the object sought and secured. Cutting down municipalities can easily be achieved by the Legislature; but enlargement or organization of such corporations is, under our present form of government, a practical impossibility. We trust this matter will not be finally disposed of.

BY TELEGRAPH.

TO-DAY'S DISPATCHES.

EASTERN.

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The Columbia railroad depot was a total wreck and some damage was done to the Central Railroad depot. Many private houses were injured. Dr. Davis and wife, colorado, were found dead in the ruins of their house. The track of the railroad was broken.

THE PEACE AND WAR PARTIES IN ENGLAND.

CHICAGO, 8.—The French London special says: The grave uncertainty and alarm prevails in England. What is to be the fate of Russia's advance, one thing has become clearly evident in England, the war party is fully as strong as the peace party, and every day seems to add to the former's strength. All interest in the conflict is forgotten, and it is doubtful whether the English party would not venture to oppose French action.

The French London special says: There is no reason whatever for the belief that any move will be taken in violation of the terms of the armistice. One of the terms gives the right to the Russians to make a permanent position on the line of Boulogne-Saint-Malo beyond which is a narrow zone not to be occupied by the troops of either belligerent, till the result of the negotiations is finally decided, while the terms of the armistice are observed as far as possible. There is no truth in the repeated charges that the Russians are acting in bad faith since the cessation of hostilities was agreed on. The danger in the situation lies now not in what Russia may do before the conference, but in what the cabinet meeting yesterday, a telegram was sent to the English fleet at Brest Bay ordering it to enter the Dardanelles, but the order was countermanded upon the receipt of Gortchakoff's dispatch.

There exist in the Balkans, in the Dardanelles, and in the Black Sea, a number of small and powerful states, which are not likely to agree very well. Therefore we come to you with a few questions, which we hope you kindly will answer through the paper.

FOREIGN.

GREATER BRITAIN.

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A dispatch dated Constantinople 8th, via Syria, says: The Russians have occupied Chatalja Siliria, on the coast of the Black Sea, and the Sultan has gone to Edirne, the capital of the province of Adrianople.

Suleiman Pasha has gone to Izmir, the capital of the province of Smyrna.

There is a Cabinet crisis in consequence of Parliamentary criticism of the Government's abolition of the Grand Vizierate without consulting Parliament, and of the appointment of Ahmed Vehbi Efendi, the new President of the Council of Ministers.

A General Review is to be held at the Peacock Gardens on Saturday, to endorse Governor's foreign policy.

The difficulty is that the Poles are sometimes disposed to claim a

a portion of the Kingdom of Georgia.

6 p.m.—In the House of Commons, this afternoon, Sir Stafford Northcote, Chancellor of the Exchequer, communicated a summary of terms of the armistice. He said that the government, in view of possible disturbance in Constantinople, had ordered a portion of the debt which was not as a departure from the principles of the armistice. He said that the residue of such lands shall be open to disposal under the homestead and pre-emption laws. And upon default of such lands, the residue of the debts of the empire, which such lands were to settle, shall be retained by the Commissioner, and may determine and set off the proper site according to section one of this act, and declare the remaining lands open to settlement and entry under the homestead and pre-emption laws.

Silver \$4.50 per ounce. Consols 90 11-10; bonds 67 10-15; ten-forces 108.

BALTIMORE, 8.—Bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance, to-day, is \$10,000.

CHESTERFIELD.

STEAM MARKET.

The stock market opened quiet but firm, this morning. Consols opened at 95. Russian securities strong and one percent better than at the close of yesterday.