THE CONVENTION.

Everything Quiet at the Capitol Owing to the Vacation of the Convention.

Items of Local Interest Gathered In By The Tribune's Staff of Gleaners.

rooms

game.

SOMETHING WRONG.

The delegates had seen the irrepressible

Bell leap upon the necks of several mem-

bers, and when on Wednesday he

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH RED?

The clerk was reading the bill in the

committee room, preparatory to making a

report to the convention. When he came

to the clause which says that "this section

HIS BUSY DAY.

come in for an hour."

"I wish you would lock the door, Ben-

Social, Commercial, Political and Personal Straws of Interest to Readers at Home.

Thirty-Sixth Day.

[From Friday's Daily.] After reading and adopting the journal,

pers, and when on weanesday he jumped upon the convention every-one prepared for the worst. Fort-unately there were no fatalities or serious injuries, and the disappoint-ment of Mr. Bell was great. He discovered upon examination that some one had re-moved the spikes from his shoes. Mr. Parsons moved to adopt file 144 as a whole. This file is the report of the Committee on "Apportionment," and was so adopted.

Mr. Camp moved that the Convention go into Committee of the Whole, which was agreed to, and Mr. Harris called to the chair.

to the clause which says that "this section shall remain inviolate," a watchful mem-ber of the committee arose and said in the most impressive manner: "Mr. Chairman: 1've heerd a good deal about this article remaining in violet; now I don't think such a provision should be made in our constitution. In the first place there might be a shortage of violet ink sometime in the future, an' it would prove expensive, and furthermore there are large numbers of our citizens who pre-fer black." File 145, a report of the "Joint Committee on Division of Territorial Property" was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Noble was referred to Committee on Revision.

File 130 the original report of the committee on school and public lands and file 138, a substitute report on sections 8, 9 and 11 of file 130, were considered jointly, and the first six sections, after correcting some errors and phraseology, were adopted.

Section 7, designating the amount of land to be sold and the manner of sale, to any one person was moderately discussed. The report of the committee reads: "Not less than 160 acres be sold to any one person." Some members favored a limit from 40 acres to one section.

Mr. Johnson moved to amend section 7 by substituting "one quarter section," for "160 acres," which was agreed to and the section was adopted.

Section 5 provides for the leasing of school lands for "pasturage and meadow," which provision stands and the section was adopted.

Mr. Camp moved that the committee do

Mr. Camp moved that the convention opposed to. Mr. Appleton moved that the convention adjourn to one week from to-morrow. Mr. Camp moved to adjourn till 8 p. m. The latter motion prevailed.

EVENING SESSING.

Mr. Parsons offered an article on arbitration between corporations and employes to be incorporated as a part of the constitution, and moved its adoption.

Mr. Bean moved to lay it on the table. ber of the delegation that's coming from the Forks one thousand instead of five which prevailed by a vote of 39 to 31. Mr. Lauder offered a similar article to thousand, as it will sound more raisonable ' that of Mr. Parsons, with the difference

that the legislature be empowered to provide for arbitration between employer and employee.

Mr. Stevens said the ground was alread covered by an article adopted. Mr. Parsons' favored the article of Mr. Lauder, and intimated that the vote by which his article was tabled would be heard from through the state. Mr. Stevens moved to lay Mr. Lauder's proposed article on the table, as it looked

proposed article on the table, as it looked like a catch penny. Mr. Selby thought the threat conveyed by Mr.Parsons concerning those who voted to lay his proposed arcicle on the table ill-tamed and out of place. Mr. Parsons said he did not intimidate anybody, and he thanked those who stood by his question.

his question. Mr. Steven's motion to lay Mr. Lauder's

article on the table carried by a vote of thirty-nine to thirty.

the scribes and pharisees in the tabernacle, Nickeus was standing on a street corner iscussing politics when the back list collar burst forth in blaze, and the fore arm of a stranger who discussing demanding that the wheels be attached. And the wires woulds be kept hot, and "the people" woulds howl and vengeance be sworn upon the heads of those who entered not the scheme. And the deal worketh, for telegrams shock hands with him later in the evening is so badly burned that it is feared ampu-tation will be necessary. It was also no-ticed that when a Jamestown man breathes hard—a stream of fire shoots into the air, and visitors are at a loss to know what they are all so hot about poureth in from all quarters-of Bismarck, where the delegates playeth the telegram

And the indignation factories in the comes of the defeated plotters runneth they are all so hot about. A LATER REPORT. double time that their appeareth no short-age in the "telegraph" crop. And the 'people smile and exclaimeth: "Verily this is an old-time bluff," and the The following telegram from an Eastern man who arrived in Jamestown last even-

ing adds another mystery to the peculiar state of affairs in that town last night. man who bluffeth and is caught, loseth the JAMESTOWN, N. D., August 9 .-- I had a

narrow escape from an awful fate this evening and am now hiding in a lumber pile where 1 will remain until the arrival of the next train. I was walking down the main street when I was suddenly sur-rounded by a crowd of howiing maniacs. who yelled into my ears such cries as: "Are you a delegate in the constitutional convention?" "What county are you from?" and "Oh what a dam-nable outrage." Then they rushed down the street, some carrying trans-parencies bearing rabid and crazy mottoes, and all gathered in a hall where they looked wild-eyed, and howled. I cannot understand it, but I learn that an insane asylum is lotated here, and I fear that all have escaped. Some go about gnashing their teeth, others imagine they are orators, and with the most fran-tic gesticulations shout and roar; many rush through the streets crying, "Capital! Capital!" and nearly all of them labor under the delusion that some great calamity has befallen the country. It is a sad sight and 1 do not understand why these asylums are not more carefully guarded. narrow escape from an awful fate this guarded.

THE DISAPPOINTED ANTAGONIZER.

"What do you think of the Jamestown meeting ?" was asked of a wild-eved antag onist who came in from the east vester nett," said the industrious Matthews of

day. Grand Forks county, "so that visitors can't "It was a fizzle. They started out right, but they lost their grip as soon as They were in Mr. Matthew's room, the Fancher, Camp, and Blewett appeared on gallant representative of bonanza farms the scene. I like a fight. I came from a and capital candidates was writing with much earnestnes great beads of pers-piration standing out upon his classic brow. At last he made a big black period, exclaimed "there" and turning to Bennett race of fighters. I like to see blood, and would consider this new state of North Dakota a dismal failure if it should adopt a constitution without a fight. What said "How will this do?" reading the folsaid "How will this do?" reading the fol-lowing: GRAND FORKS, N. D., Aug. 8, '89. To J. H. Matthews, Bismarck, N. D.: We protest most emphatically against the scheme to locate the public buildings by constitutional provision. Oppose the nefarious proposition to the bitter end. We will send a delegation of five thousand citizens to Bismarck to save the people from this terrible, damnable, and far-reaching outrage. you want is notoriety. No matter how you get it you ought to have it. The Jamestown fellows who got up the indignation meeting suited me at first to a 'T.' They had such an excellent opportunity 1 thought it would be a great success. Think of it? Jamestown beaten out of the capital! Betrayed by her representatives-cerfrom this terrible, damnable, and far-reaching outrage. Signed Geo. W. Winslip, T. A. Titus, "Pro Bono Publico." "Justitia,', "A Voter." "Constant Reader" and many others. "There, d—n them! How will they like it?" asked Matthews of his spirited Hiber-nian colleague. "How will that sound when read to the convention?" "Well," replied Bennett enthusiastically, "vere the divil's own Matthews. and yez tainly. No town ever lost anything in a legislature or convention that she was not betrayed by her representatives. Every man who owned a lot in the town was an easy subject for the agitators to work upon; they could show him how helpersonally had been defrauded of from \$100 to \$1,000; "ye're the divil's own Matthews, and yez have done will. I could not write it better mesel', but I think I would make the numa little further on they could convince him that the whole deal was a personal matter; that he was the man they were after, and that it was a villianous plot to rob him the of le ritimate profits. of his inves-ments and leave him a hopeless bankrupt, See' Oh, it was a glorious opportunity for a magniteent row, and 1 indeed expected it. 1 expected to see Fancher, Blewett and The amendment was adopted and Mathews thus armed with the positive in-structions of his constituents leaned back in his easy chair and puffed at his cigar with enviable contentment. Camp placed in the mouth of a cannon and blown into Canada; their effigies burned in the public street while the indignation meeting would shake the earth for miles about and the politicians deliver incendi-The following telegram was received ary speeches until the prairie trans-formed into one grand inextinguishable conflagration.

Chief Fancher: I see my friends Win-ship of Grand Forks and Lloyd of James-This is what I expected. It was what "This is what I expected. It was what ought to have been done to give the insti-gators political prestige, prove them to be thoroughbred antagonizers and eventually elevate them to a prominence where they, too, would be entitled to indignation meet-ings, and from which they might see their burning efficies surrounded by the de-lighted multitude. But 1 was disappointed. I suffered the pain of seeing the meeting transformed into a love feast; the delegates applauded instead of shot, and the alleged sing of Grand Forks and "Inoyd of James-town; better known as "The Man-Who-Kicks-in-His Sleep" and "The-Man-Who-Don't-Know-When-He's-Got-Enough are heap mad because the big constitution paper will locate the public tepees. It makes my heart good to see my friends stand by me. I am much busy now kickapplauded instead of shot, and the alleged the men whose funerals I hoped to attend before sunrise. I confidently "Bah?" Talk about your antagonizers. I have met but two in Dakota—one is Denny Hannifin and the other is Sitting Bull. They are the only artists in the business and when Senator Glaspell, General Nickthe stars, Tracy Bangs of Grand Forks exeus and Monte Cristo Lloyd attempted to compete with them for the honors, they prove themselves to be imitators and claimed: "We must kill this scheme for the location of the capital now, kill it at the polls, or die ourselves." Mr. Bangs plagiarists without ability or genius. "Yes, sir, I am a fighter. I like the color need not be alarmed. If he will remain "Yes, sir, I am a nghter. I like the color of blood; I gloat on protests with dynamite in their preambles and nitro glycerine in their boots; scathing denunciations" are choice morsels for my palate, and indigna-tion meetings are my joy—but the James-town article was not genuine and I left in diagnet. I will now now go to the Sjoux quietly and peaceably at home he will never get so near the capitol that it can rear up on its hind legs and jump on him. We will admit that there is nothing in the constitution to prevent a man from talking himself to death, and there is a suspicion disgust. I will now now go to the Sioux reservation in the hope of finding some thorougbreds." abroad that the omission is no serious mis-

will not trouble the mind of Dennis Hannifin or any one else in the capital for at least forty-eight hours. The report of the meeting at Grand Forks shows that the meeting at Grand Forks shows that the citizens of that prosperous city will never suffer from modesty and leads to the im-pression that when they reach Bismarck to-day such a howl will go gallavanting up through the quivering ether that the solar system will be knocked out of plumb and the startled stars will go tumbling down the sidercal back stars in a shape-less mass of twinkling chaos. The Imme less mass of twinkling chaos. The James-town whoop wil also prance around the auricular lobbies of the assembled hosts and the constitution makers will be enterand the constitution makers will be enter-tained from early morn till Morpheus com-mands them. Oh, there will be fun. No ordinary circus, no tame and listless side show, but a grand and peerless aggrega tion of ground and lofty tumblers, bare-back riders, men who can ride a dozen horses at a time and defy the audience to wake the discovery accepter constraints. horses at a time and defy the audience to make the discovery, acrobats, contortion-ists and a world of wonders. We can see the parade as it strikes up Sixth street to the capitol, with Lloyd of Jamestown perched on top of the cage of trick mon-keys, Senator Glaspell leading the drome-dary, and Winship, of Grand Forks, stand-ing defiantly in the cage of staffed lions with a glistening sword in one nand and a ham sandwich in the other, the personifi-cation of a contented warrior. And when they arrive at the capital we can hear the circus orator shouting: "P-a-w-s in ladies they arrive at the capital we can hear the circus orator shouting: "P-a-w-s in ladles and gentlemen, and see the only greatest show on earth; the highest living kickers in 'captivity; the iron-jawed man from the wilds of the Minnesota border; unrivaled contortionists; boneloss wonders; eye-de-ceiving magicians, and a hand of fire kings, who eat coals of living fire, balls of burning brimstone, breathe leaping flames, spit blazes blue, and draw hot irons across their natural tongues?". Yea, it will be circusian, and a circus is always welcome. Let them come with all

always welcome. Let them come with all their attractions and accomplishments. They are not to blame for they are human, man is selfish and they have corner lots for sale.

A MISTAKE SOMEWHERE.

Attorney-General Nickeus has evidently been misjudged. When it was learned that an indignation meeting had been called at Jamestown to protest against the location of the capital at Bismarck, it was also intimated that Mr.Nickeus was among the moving spirits. A little investigation made it seem that there could be no doubt but that he was one of the instigators. Mr. Nickeus arrived in Bismarck yester-day, and was accosted by a Bismarck friend.

Friend. Bismarcker — Good afternoon, Mr. Nickeus: I was very much surprised to learn that you were one of the insti-gators of the indignation meeting in Jamestown.

Nickeus. [surprised.]—Why, my dear sir you are talking in riddles. I had noth-ing to do with any meeting. To what meet-ing do you refer

ing to do with any meeting. To that meeting ing do you refer? Bis.—Did you not assist in getting up a meeting in Jamestown? Nickeus. [In great surprise.]—I don't quite catch your meaning. You must be a

uite catch your meaning. You must be a little more explicit. Bis.—Wasn't there an indignation meet-ing in Jamestown, Friday night? Nickeus. [Reflecting.]—I-ah-believe there was a meeting that night. Let me think, [striking his forehead with his udex finger and sinking into deen meditation] Oh ves

and sinking into deep meditation], Oh yes, I remember that there was some kind of a meeting in Jamestown Friday night. Bis.-Wasn't it an indignation meet-

Nickeus. [Dumfounded.]—A what? Bis.—An indignation meeting! Nickeus. [Lost in profound study.]— Well, well! Of course, I can readily see that you have neard of some meeting or other in Jamestown, and as I was there I ought to be able to give you information. But the fact is I took such little interest in it, and was so oblivious of what was going on that I cannot answer. I will write to a triend in Jamestown to nick will write to a on that I cannot answer. I will write to a friend in Jamestown to-night, and request him to get the particulars and send them to me by mail.

UNFAIR TREATMENT.

OH DEATH, WHERE IS THY STING?

PROTECT HIM.

Our estimable friend, the serious and im-

pulsive Judge Bennett of Grand Forks.

announced while at home Friday. that

while in Bismarck he and his friends have

been surrounded by the most corrupt gang

of schemers "in the history of the world."

The judge has evidently had a pretty ser-

ious time of it. We will admit that he was

Scattering Shots.

en able to discover the results of his

CHIEF CLERK HAMILTON has been aid

abor.

melancholia.

A writer in the Grand Forks Plaindealer opponents, this is "the most unki dest cut of all."

old campaign efforts. Come to think of it, why not have all the old speeches referred to the committee on revision, that they may be reported back with the constitu-tion in process form tion in proper form.

THE autograph albums began to circulate in the convention yesterday, and those who had doubted that the convention was near ing the close, give in. It is a noticeable fact that no body of men have been able to retain a quorum many days after the ap-pearance of the autograph fiend.

THE committee on revision remains in the city and as on that committee are some of the most accomplished antagonizers in the body, it may not be so dull during the convention's vacation, after all.

It is confidently expected that before the delegates return to Bismarck Tuesday next a new tint will appear in the political sky.

Quiet at the Capitol.

It was quiet at the capitol yesterday. The convention hall was as vacant as any banquet hall deserted, and the only evi dences of life in the building were the clicking of the caligraph and the hum of quiet conversation in the rooms of the busy territorial officers. The committee on revis-ion neid a meeting in Judge Carland's office and labored on the disconnected conoffice and labored on the disconnected con-stitution, which was submitted to them, and that they will be ready to report a complete, perfectly adjusted and closely knitted document to the convention on Tuesday next, there is no doubt. With the exception of the members of the committee on revision, very few of the delegates remained in the city, most of them hieing away to visit their constitu-ents, and enjoy the rest and solace of their homes.

omes.

Slaughter Items.

Slaughter, although but twenty-five miles Slaughter, although but twenty-five miles north-east of Bismarck, yet lies many feet higher than the capital city, and in a dif ferent geological formation. To this cause may be attributed our cooler air and moister soil, which insure us excellent crops even in the dryest seasons, although the fact that our farmers believe in and practice deep plowing, and though cultiva-tion must also be taken into account when tion must also be taken into account when our exceptional success in the matter of grair raising is considered.

Our school teacher, Mrs. Linda W. Slaughter, who is superintendent of press-work for the Dakota Womens Christian Temperance Union, has sent out a circular letter of instructions to the local superin-tendents of presswork throughout the ter-ritory for their guidance the coming cam-naign. paign

The little daughter of Mr. Engstrom, who died Saturday of scarlet fever, was buried on Monday in the new cemetery.

Mr. O. Frankland, of the Frankland House, Bismarck, owns one of the finest farms in this section.

Mr. Ole Andersen is enlarging his barn. to accommodate his increasing stock. Mr. Fred Erickson is building an addition to his house.

Harvest is progressing with fine weather; crops first-class

Outside Expressions

Jamestown Alert: The influences that will keep the capital at its present loca-tion were more than enough to overcome all opposition. The Northern Pacific Railall opposition. The forther in Fache tar-road company desired the buildings to re-main there for many reasons; the Aber-deen, Bismarck & Northwestern company

Grand Forks Plaindealer: On the whole the committee has done well in its work, which was a most difficult one. Not every one could be satisfied, and there will be many who think Grand Forks should have been chosen as the seat of government. But everything comes to him who waits. says that Grand Forks riandealer were defeated in the fight for the location of the capital through lack of a competent leader. We protest that flings of this char-unkind. Mr. Mathews must admit that with all that has been said of him by his opponents, this is "the most unki dest. been glad to have left the work to some other body.

Two Noble Nature

Unselfishness is an unfailing test of noble manhood. True chivalry always springs from this source. To show the esteem in from this source. To show the esteem in which generosity has always been held, a little instance is found in the life of Sir Philip Sidney. Sidney Before relating this little story, perhaps, it would be best to give a few of the leading traits for which this good man was so famous. He was one of the noblest men of his time. He was learned, being a poet and a writer. On account of his chivalry and courtliness he was made a knight, and Elizabeth was fond of calling him the "Jewel of her dominions." He was the nephew of the Earl of Leicester, who was sent over in 1556 to assist the Hollanders against Philip II of Spain, and it was at the famous battle of Zutphin that the incident which I am about to relate occurred. Sir Philip Sidney had been fighting brave

ly all day when he received a wound in the thigh, which proved to be his death wound, While he was being borne away upon a litter the profuse bleeding of his wound caused him great thirst, and he asked for water. One of the soldiers handed him a cup, but just as he was about to put it to his lips, he noticed a common soldier, who had also been severaly wounded, looking at the cup with such eager, hungry eyes that he gave it to him, saying, "Take it, thy necessities are greater than mine." What could he more touchingly beautified than this one act of unselfishne which has made the name of Sir Philip Sidney immortal! This calls to mind another act of a similar nature, but under different circumstances and in a different sphere of life; clearly showing that it is not only among the great that noble hearts are found, but among the lowly as well; and that as generous a heart may throb beneath rags as be-neath a cover of silk and velvet.

Two little boys were sweeping the street, and one of them picked up a half eaten apple; he was so hungry that he took a huge bits immediately, and then offered it to his companion, a little gentleman, despite his tat-tered garments. The little fellow took a very modest bite, upon which the one who had found the apple said: "Oh, bite bigger, Billy." To my mind it is hard to distinguish which was the nobler of the two natures, Sir Philip Sidney or the ragged street urchin. One was reared in affluence, amid the splendor of the English court, with the most cultured men of the time; the other in poverty, hunger and dirt, knowing no difference between right and wrong save what his own loyal heart taught him.-M. L. N. in Atlante Constitu-

Didn't Know Its Field.

When savage people first come in contact with the whites none of the wonders that they see is regarded with more suspicion than large sheets of paper. The native is apt to regard paper as a sort of cloth, and the fact that it tears easily and is worthless for most of the purposes to which cloth is put convinces him have told of the disgust with which the na-tives at first regarded paper. The Congo tribes, by the way, are on the lookout for sharpers, and it is pretty hard work for anybody to sell them a bad quality of cutlery or cloth. Savages soon find, however, that paper is not intended to serve the purposes of cloth. Then they cease to look upon it as a fraud, but they do not think it ranks high among white man's manufactures and they have little use for it.

Mr. Lumholtz was traveling in the interior of Queensland, Australia, where he met many natives who had never seen a white man be-fora. One day a crowd of natives were in the white man's camp carefully inspecting the explorer and his baggage when a newspaper happened to drop out of his pocket. The natives unfolded and spread it out on the ground. They decided that it must be an article of wearing apparel and one of them tried it on. He wrapped it around his shoulders like a shawl and sat down on the ground arranging his covering this way and that and watching the faces of the crowd to see what they thought of his elegant garment, covered as it was with many thousands of curious marks.

Presently, however, an accident happen While the savage was rearranging his shawl and trying to bring the corners together in front of him the garment began to tear at the nape of his neck. A howl from the crowd called attention to the disaster. The blanket, or whatever it was, was evidently made of the poorest sort of material. the poorest sort of material. The savage took his covering off, examined the mischief he had wrought, made the tear a little longer, and then with his finger poked a hole through the paper. That settled the fact that the article was worthless. The newspaper suddenly lost all interest for the natives, who turned their attention to less destructible objects.-Chicago Times.

Mr. Parsons offered a proposed at the to be incorporated in the constitution, at the request of Major Powell of the senate committee on irrigation. It reads: "The committee on irrigation. It reads: "The ownership of all flowing streams and water ways shall forever remain in the -tate."

was referred to the committee on revision. Mr. McHugh moved that when the con-vention adjourn, it shall be to next Tuesday at 2 o'clock p. m. Mr. Lauder favored an adjournment to

Mr. Miller said Tuesday was long enough, as a convention was to meet in Fargo on the 21st, and it would be well for the members of that convention to know just what state officers were to be nominated, hence the constitution should be adopted before that time

Several motions to adjourn were voted down.

The committee on schedule were in-ructed to report to the committee on re vision to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. The committee on revision were author-ized to have printed a sufficient number of

its report to supply the convention. Adjourned to next Tuesday at 2 p. m.

THE ARENA.

IN THE TWILIGHT.

The constitution is completed. The session is about ended. It passed the noon hour many days ago, and although apparently in perihelion Wednesday, yesterday's proceedings gave proof of the approach ing twilight in which the last of the work must be done, for when once the endless night that comes with the hour of adjournment falls upon the constitutional convention, then it is too late for the delegates to toil in the exalted field of state-making. The little ripple of excitement occassioned by the discussion of the article locating the capital and other public institutions has about subsided; the orators loomed up yesterday, hoarse, weary and indifferent. there was an air of "goneness" and ennui or other foreign substance about the con-vention, that gave evidence of complete relaxation and reminded the friends who are watching its last moments, that death was near at hand.

There was no sparring—no plunging and very little activity. The report of the com-mittee on legislative apportionment was adopted without amendment, and now each county knows how much of senatorial representative greatness it will possess

and representative greatness it will possess for distribution among its ambitious sons. At last night's session the convention considered the last of the proposed articles remaining on the clerk's desk, listened to a thundering appeal on behalf of the downtrodden laboring man, by Parsons of Morton; heard the suave and winsome Lander of Richland give the laborer a boost, and heard charges of inconsistency and insincerity, until it looked as though the extinguished fire of the convention had sprung into its second life. But it did not last. The material having been exhausted; the orators succumbed and the convention adjourned until Tuesday next, when the committee on revision will report. THE BLUFFERS SHOWSTH THEIR HANDE,

THE BLUFFERS SHOW ATH THEIR HANDS. And it came to pass that the statesmen a scheme concocted, that if they were defeated in their plans to put wheels on the capitol, telegrams shouldst pour in upon

stand by me. I am much busy now kick-ing against the opening of the Sioux re-servation; I am whooping it up very fast on the reservation and nope to scare the Great Father so his heap big scheme won't go through. It makes me glad to hear that to ne hundred of my friends, the kickers, also go from Jimtown to Bismarck to pound the tom-toms and raise—oh, what you call him—raise him h—l. Tell them to make heap noise and hold him fort for I am coming. I will meet them at Bismarck and will take their other friends, Mad Buli, Big Head, Crow-That-Flies-High-in-His-Mind, Eagle-That-Scares-if-He-Can and The-Man-That-Wants-The-Earth-And-a-Star. I am against the constitution, and unless we obsure it I don't helicane it mill

ANOTHER KICK.

last evening.

unless we change it I don't believe it will get a vote on the reservation. Read this to him big convention. Yours For War,

SITTING BULL.

JAMESTOWN ROARS.

The constitutional convention made very little noise in Bismarck yesterday, but it was heard from at Jamestown. It is said that last evening's meeting of the convention at Jamestown was the most thrilling and exciting in the history of the territory,

and that while a very few of the delegates were present, the discussion which was indulged in by the lobby, gallery and third house in general was rare and novel. Just what the noise was all about it is dif-

ficult to understand, but the fact that Jamestown once had a dream that she would be the capital of North Dakota, is a partial explanation. A few of the politicians 'took advantage of the dream and whenthe convention assembled in Bismarck whispered into the ears of the credudo their duty the seat of the government would be removed to the metropolis of the valley of the Jim. When the question came up for vote Jamestown received nineteen votes out of the seventy and mearly all of these votes are the seventy and nearly all of these were the votes of men who would never seriously consent to locating the capital at that place. And yet the politicians of James-town got up an indignation meeting, which they held last night, for the purpose of kill-ing off Messrs. Fancher, Blewett and Camp, and thus leaving the way clear for them to sail into nomination on the state ticket At first it was thought them emericated to sail into nomination on the state ticket At first it was thought they were indig-nant because Jamestown did not receive more than nineteen votes, but it was dis-covered that their indignation was aroused because the delegates from Stutsman did not make a majority of seventy-five by adding three to nineteen. However, this may be, Messrs. Nickeus and Glaspell got up an indignation meeting that they might have an opportunity to indig. and with transparencies, brass bands and blood in their eyes, paraded the streets. The reports from Jamestown do not show that the efforts of the political aspirants met with any brilliant success and it be-

met with any brilliant success and it be-gins to look as though they know more about boomerangs than ever before.

A STRANGE PHENOMENON.

JAMESTOWN, N. D., Aug. 9 .- A strange phenomenon struck this town at about seven o'clock this evening. A citizen was leaning against a telegraph pole when suddenly the pole became ignited. A few moments later a man named Glaspell inadvertantly touched a frame building and during the remainder of the week. A blissthe building was consumed in flames before the fire department could reach the scene of the conflagration. The phenome nonpuzzles the most scientific. Johnson

And with a scowl of contempt on his weather-beaten face the disappointed an-tagonizer departed.

AN UNPARDONABLE OVERSIGHT.

The Grand Forks Herald reporter had written up interviews with leading citizens on the action of the conventions in locating the public institutions without giving the capital to Grand Forks. Having finished the red hot introduction he submitted his work to Editor-in-Chief Winship. who glanced over the manuscript and exclaimed:

"Rot! Mere rot!"

"What's the matter ?" queried the crest-failen reporter, who thought he had writ-ten a first-class roast. "The matter? Why, sir you haven't used the word 'nefarious' once in this whole article. 1 got onto that word over five years ago, and I want it distinctly un-derstood that no article of censure can be considered complete without the appear-ance of 'nefarious' at least three times to the column. the column.

AFTER THE MEETING.

It was in the lobby of the Gladstone notel the evening of the indignation meeting, which had been called for the purpose of indigging against Messrs. Fancher, Camp and Blewett. The meeting had adjourned and an old Yankee who had atended was asked what he thought of the

eeting. "Waal," said he, "there wa'nt any indignant men ez I could see, with the excep-tion of three fellows who cum in from Bis-marck, and their names wuz Fancher, Camp and Blewett."

SECURE SEATS EABLY.

Hark! What sounds are these that come rolling in from the frowning east like the muttering of distant thunder? Prithee m' good man they be the snorts of the gentlemen from Grand Forks and Jamestown. They are the echoes of indignation meetings in towns who would have the earth and howl because the fullness thereof does not roll within their lap. It has been quiet in Bismarck several days, but there will be no complaint because of excessive silence ful harmony has prevailed in the capital city, but if the gentlemen who own corner lots in Jamestown and Grand Forks do not lose their voice before they arrive peace

Edgeley Maii: North Dakota is to be congratulated on the existing state of af-airs. She has a bonded indebtedness of Lying flat on his back and kicking at fairs. She has a bonded indebtedness of \$500,000. a little money in the treasury, a capitol costing over \$200,000 already built and 600 city lots to sell, while South Da-kota has a bonded indebtedness of \$750,000, a deficiency in her treasury of \$150,000 and no capitol building or town lots. With a conservative legislature North Dakota's taxes can be kept down to the minimum figure.

Sioux Falls Press: It has been the gen-eral impression that the opening of the Sioux reservation would be by presidential proclamation, but word from Washington is to the effect that it requires action of the session of congress to ratify the treaty just being signed. This will delay until another season any steps for settlement upon the reservation.

Mandan l'ioneer: Delegate Ray, of Dickinson, has not had much to say in the convention, but those who have watched his votes have seen that his object seemed his votes have seen that his object seemed to be to look after the interest of his con-stituents. His votes have all been just right—in the estimation of those who know where Western Dakota's interests lous time of it. We will admit that he was a long ways from home, but in these days of protection, when hotel keepers put up the sign, "Do not blow out the gas," and policeman are employed to see that no one gets lost, he should not worry. However, we have great respect for Judge Bennett, and believing that he should be given every assurance of safety, we call upon all public spirited citizens to surround him by day and guard him by night, that he may not be kidnapped by the gang.

Fargo Argus: Ought not Fargo to secure the school section adjoining the city for the agricultural college? The state should be induced to appropriate that and take an other district for school purposes there.

Fargo Republican: Cass county will give Gen. Allen 2,500 majority for governor.

The Popular Bad Lands.

On Saturday last another "Bad Lands" THE Grand Forks people laud Bartlett party was erganized, and a trip to the The Grand Forks people laud Bartlett of Griggs, and Purcell of Wahpeton for their opposition to the article in the con-stitution locating the public institutions, and they do it too on high moral ground. The amusing feature of this whole farce is that Grand Forks admits that she wants the capital, and the people are wondering what Grand Forks would say of Purcell and Bartiett provided the article located the capital at that point. wonderland of western Dakota was induiged in. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Mathews of Larimore: Miss Meacham Mrs. Mathews of Larimore; Miss Meacham of Carrington; Miss Reynolds of Lamoure; Mrs. Cora E. Smith of Grand Forks aud Mrs. Benjamin of Bismarck. The party was joined at Medora by Delegates Meacham and Noble. At Glendive they were invited to the cozy club rooms of that city, which have become famous through-out the west, and for several hours were given most royal entertainment. IT is said that Johnson Nickeus, of lamestown, has been telling the people of that city that when he was in Bismarck he worked might and main to defeat the plan for the location of the capital at Bismarck and to secure the seat of government at Jamestown. If this is true, we are not sur-prised at his indignation, for no one has been able to discover the results of his

Low Water Mark Rea

On Tuesday last the Missouri river reached low water mark and is still falling. Notwithstanding this fact, the Power line of boats are still plying the stream and there is a sufficient stage of water for navigation.

The latest fad in New York is to take a ride in a double-decked Fifth avenue stage coach—an amusement open to all classes of people. Frauk Leslie's lilustrated News-paper this week contains a very spirited picture of one of those stages. This ex-cellent number also contains negro sectches by Kemble, a supplement entirely devoted to Detroit, 'Vanderbilg's famous trotting team, and many other good ahings.

THE book bindery establishment of John Anderson & Co. on north Peoria street. Chicago, was damaged by fire Friday

Two Dragons.

Thackeray was a victim of the distressing habit of procrastination. He was always be-hindhand with his work, and always haunted by the specter of some unfinished task. One of his charming little sketches represents him endeavoring to escape from his room, while a printer's boy leans against the door to keep him in.

He recognized his fault, and often bemoaned it.

One day he was visiting the studio of Baron Marochetti with Bayard Taylor, when their host took down a small engraving from the wall and presented it to him. The subject was "St. George and the Dragon." Thackeray inspected it with great delight

for a few minutes, until suddenly becoming grave, he turned to Taylor and said.

"I shall hang it near the head of my bed, where I can see it every morning. We all have our dragons to fight. Do you know yours! I know mine. I have not one, but

"What are they?" Taylor asked.

"What are they? Taylor assed. "Indolence and Luxury." "Icould not help smiling," says Taylor, "as I thought of the prodigious amount of literary, labor he had performed, and at the same time remembered the simple comfort of his dwelling next door."

"I am serious," Thackersy continued. "I never take up the pen without an effort; I work only from necessity. I never walk out without seeing some pretty, useless thing I want to buy. Sometimes I pass the same shop window every day for months and resist the temptation, and think I'm safe; then comes the day of weakness, and I yield. I shall look at this picture and think of my dragons, though I never expect to overcome

Miserable as he made himself with self reproaches, however, he left behind him a priceless addition to the library of English literature in the group of novels which teach us to be gentle and forbearing, to despise-pettiness of spirit, and to exait all that is pure and unselfish .-- Youth's Companion.

Excellent Advice.

Old Resident-Young man, you are about o start a weekly paper bere! Journalist-Yes, sir.

Old Resident-And I suppose you have ome to stay!

Journalist-Yes, sir. Old Resident-Well, take the advice of one who has seen the rise and fall of seventeen. weekly papers in this town. Journalist-I will, sir; what is it! Old Resident-Don's say in your salutatory, "We have come to stay."-Epoch.

ing in the clerical work of the committee on revision and the cheerful spirit with which he enters upon the duties may be accounted for by the fact that Johnson, of Lakota, is out of town. If Mr. Johnson's business should prevent his return to Bis-marck, or if he should be called perma-nently from Dakota, we apprehend that Maj. Hamilton would not suffer a fit of melancholia.

GET out your old speeches. The constitution is about completed and it will soon be necessary to insert the words "now that Dakota is" before many of the old familiar sentences, such as "a member of the sister-hood states," and in other ways revise the morning to the extent of \$25,000.