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PITTSBURGH:
WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 28, 1858.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

The citizens of Allegheny county who are opposed to the National Administration, are hereby requested to meet in their respective Wards, Boroughs, Townships and Precincts on SATURDAY the 29th day of May, 1858, and elect two Delegates from each to meet in County Convention, at the Court House, in Pittsburgh, on WEDNESDAY, the 2d day of June, at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of nominating a County Ticket.

The primary meetings will be held in the townships between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock, P. M., at the usual places of holding such meetings and in the Wards, Boroughs and Precincts, between the hours of 4 and 8 P. M. *By order of the Committee.*

ROBT. P. KEVIN, *Chairman.*

Poetry and Prose.

The puffing of western land locations, whether town lots, quarter sections, or county seats, has been reduced, in these latter days, to a science. Shrewd speculators, with all their reverence for the Almighty Dollar, acknowledge the power which pertains to the pen, by enlisting that potent instrument in their service. Some of the literary productions, which emanate from this source, are curiosities in their way, presenting a singular mixture of the sublime and the ridiculous. Prose of the "high falutin" order—poetry of the wishy-washy style—unite in extolling the glories of a host of new "Edens," which have been laid out in the region of the Setting Sun. A book bearing the title of "Minnesota, A Bundle of Facts," has just been issued from the press. Its author is a person who styles himself "A SOUTHERN PRE-EMPTOR." This work is best described by a western critic, who says of it, that "its prose is poetry—and its poetry is—indiscribable." The facility with which the author glides from prose to rhyme, in his flights of fancy is really surprising, and forms the great feature of the book. The following extract, depicting the attractiveness of Minnesota to European emigrants, and the impression which is produced upon them, after "locating" within its borders, may be taken as a "specimen brick," from this fanciful structure:

"Nay, more, there are many other peculiarities, extraordinary, valuable and beyond conception; for they must be seen to create belief as there are things true, stranger than fiction

Tell, if you will, without exaggeration,
The facts of Minnesota's vegetation.
Tell of her crops of corn, her yield of wheat
And ask the inquiry, "Can this be beat?"
Her purest atmosphere, exhilarating air,
Acknowledged by every one, from everywhere,
Her balmy summer days and three summer nights,
The Aurora Borealis, those northern lights.
Narrate your own experience—tell the whole truth
Is there anywhere a healthier spot on earth?
Is there any hope there, or any chill—
Those dreadful bullets of the doctors' skill
Though many fruits and flowers, of older States are rare,
All, all are planted and all soon will bear
Many indigenous are there, and plenty
Varieties counted—one hundred and twenty

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Our hopes are realized, our toil is past.
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Letter from St. Louis.

Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Daily Gazette.

ST. LOUIS, MO., April 19th, 1858.

You think Pittsburgh is an exceedingly filthy city; so it is, but the filth in which it abounds is a substantial, wholesome kind of dirt and quite endurable when one gets used to it. Here they have, during a rainy time like the present, about three inches more depth of mud than we, on the surface of the cobble stones, and a very disagreeable, soapy, sticky, sickly looking kind of mud it is, too. To a Pittsburgher the whole surface seems to be covered with a rather soft mixing of fire-clay, and suggests the idea of a terrible waste of a costly material. It is nothing, however, but the grinding from the surface of an over soft limestone, with blocks of which the streets are paved, and when it becomes dried and pulverized as the summer advances, it is more suffocating in its nature than even our much abused coal smoke. The people here fully appreciate this drawback to their comfort, and are in hot pursuit after modes by which to remedy the evil. It is now contemplated to substitute for the limestone a more durable "metal" in the shape of ore from the Iron Mountain. No doubt the substitute will be a good one, and if it should fail the next experiment will be to pave with cast iron. When the public mind is fixed on any object so desirable in a city like this, they do not stop one inch short of its attainment. A comparison between the public spirit and enterprise of the commercial and manufacturing cities or towns in the West, seems to result vastly to the discredit of the latter. But "comparisons are odious," and I banish them with the reflection that dirty, sooty, and disagreeably dead as it is it is many things required to keep up with the progressive age, my native city has still more charms for me than any other. St. Louis is so familiar to your readers, generally, as not to require description; there are two or three specialities, though, to tell about which may be new and interesting.

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