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E. S. Bar-tow, Foreign Fright Brown Overseer; I. Bowen, Guide; George Housworth, Recorder; H. J. J. danson, Financier; Wash, Smith, Receiver; M. Maybright, Fast M. W.;
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COUNTY LEGISLATION

#### Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of Cass County, in Regular Session.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb. Mar. 6, 1888. Board of Commissioners met in regular session. All members present. Bird Critchfield, County Clerk. Minutes of February meeting read and approved. Then the following was done to-wit: hurn, allowed. Official bonds approved:

J C Smith .. 50 Hans Wulf H W Lloyd ... " 59 March 8. Frank Stander " A P Cox

The annual settlement of Emil Shrider of road district number 43, was approved

and amount allowed \$28.25. Annual settlement of G. W. Shrader of road overseer district number 38 was approved and amount allowed \$16.50. Claims allowed:

Nettie Shrueder boarding pauper 29 00 John Morris Co. sundry supplies 37 50 Gibson, Miller & Richardson, revenue laws ......

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lowed in case of C. B. & Q. R. R. vs. County of Cass in district and supreme court ..... 100 00 A J Graves make to paupers.... John Murtney lumber for dist. No. 30..... 25 13

saue man..... 12 00 Eli Sampson boarding poor ... 137 93 C Wolker boarding pauper.... 16.45 Bird Critchfield making assessor's book, salary and expenses .... 200 00

C. H. Peterson to run a ferry across the Missouri river. The board granted said license for the period of two years upon the payment of ten dollars by said appli-

The County Clerk was instructed to notify each county officer that no bills would be allowed for supplies unless orderswere made through the county clerk.

Louis Boudeker refused as same had been paid .....

Better Facilities for making Firm Loans than

H. Boeck furniture to poor house 2 50
Upon petition of J. W. Johnson, Commander of McConihie Post, No. 45, G. A. R., F. A. Bates was appointed to attend to the burial of deceased soldiers, under

Board adjourned to meet Mar. 7, 1888. BIRD CRITCHFIELD, Clerk. MARCH 7, 1888.

Board met persuant to adjournment Full Board present. Bird Critchfield Petition of W. H. McLaughlin for di-

vision of taxes due on lots I and 2 in blk 17. in Plattsmouth, was examined and however desperate, to do any deed, however refused. Chrims: Editor Elmwood Echo, printing

Lancaster county, for costs in case of

Peter Hansen, insane, and reported from said county to be a resident of Cass county refused, it appearing that said Hansen was not a resident of Cass county at the time of Lis arrest, but was a res ident of Lancaster county two months prior to his arrest, and is also a foreigner and not a citizen of the United States.

Total Assets, \$42,115,774 Upon the petition of W. Ossenkop and others of road districts No. 10 and 11 to transfer the se or and w hf se or of sec. 16, and the nw qr and w hf ne qr of sec. 22, all in twp 12, range 11 from district No. 11 to road district No. 10. The county clerk ordered to change as peti-

Petition of J. J. Monroe made by his attorney, W. S. Wise for the refunding taxes on swip of Sec. 33-11-14, claimed to be erroneously paid and assessed, was examined and refunded. tioned for.

Claims allowed: M A Hartigan, balance on claim for defending Strate and Wart in district court, allowed, and the Clerk ordered to issue war-Francis to County Treasurer for amount of tages ...... \$ 47 71

rant in favor of County Treasurer for the amount of taxes dae . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 21 17 W H Malick, boarding prisoners. 49 75

N R Hobbs, med. services to paupers. 17 00 American authors are more read than the English in Japan. Last year 85,000 English overseer dist. 7. In the matter of the and 119,000 American books were imported

County Attorney the consideration thereof is continued to await the decision of the Supreme Court in the against the county where the same question is pre-

Claim of P. D. Bates for work in Recorder's room allowed, Cost bill of State vs. Billy Miles, al-

lowed. Cost bill of State vs. Geo. W. Ash-

Sixty names were then selected from Emil Shrider, road overseer Dist. No. 43 | which to select the jurers from the next " 36 term of court. The board then adjourned to meet

BIRD CRITCHFIELD,

County Clerk.

#### SOMETHING FOR NOTHING.

Great Desideratum

That Seems to be the Great Effort, the

The other morning I found upon my desk an elegantly addressed letter. I opened it. The penmanship was noticeably fine, the phrasing correct, the purpose clear. The writer introduced himself as a man of misfortune, who ventured to ask some aid, however small and begging, in case I had to go out, to inclose whatever I was willing to give, in an accompanying envelope addressed to himself. The letter was signed by a stencil plate, with a fac-simile of the writer's signature, and the accompanying envelope was addressed to himself, in the same way. Familiarity with that sort of thing enabled me to decide at once to have nothing to do with the man, and to give him nothing. Later in the day the door opened, and a person with a patch over his eye, very well dressed, entered the room. "Is there any answer to Mr. Blank's letter?" he asked, "Yes; the reply is that there is nothing for

am surprised that you succeed in so thinly disguised a fraud as this." Without a word he turned and left the

you. You are altogether too systematic. I

There are more than a hundred tenants in the building where I have my office, and it would be strange indeed if from some of them this fellow didn't get a \$5 or \$10 bill, and there are several hundred similar buildings in the city, and it would be stranger yet if from them all he didn't derive a very handsome income.

But, see the point? In the first place he had to think out the scheme. In the next it required time and ingenuity to frame and write his begging appeals. Then he had to have them delivered, and then to call, all of which means indus-State Journal Co. supplies. ... 25 50
J C Eikenbary guarding jail. ... 43 50
Application was made for license by

Application was made for license by not find some reputable calling, in which the same industry, the same degree of wit and endeavor, would bring him a fair return for honest labor, a return for honest labor not only, but a return to the people from whom he gets his reward?

Something for nothing. That seems to be the great effort, the great ambition, the great desideratum. It is a kind it is not different from the speculation which Wall street makes respectable, and which after all is little more than betting that a stock which stands here today will be some: where else tomorrow, with the balance in favor, however, of the Wall street operator, because there is a chance for a man there to lose, and that chance he has to take; whereas with our friends, the begging fraternity, the extreme possibility is a failure to connect with an accommodating pocketbook. An unfortunate feature of this sort of thing is found in the fact that many men are misplaced in life, and the misfortune which attends them falls upon their families, adding to their burden and their disappointment at the keen and incisive piercings of positive physical suffering. Men with hungry wives and starving children will do almost any-thing, and I don't know that they are to be censured one iota if they take any chance, wicked, in the moment of their dire necessity and the hour of their extreme emergency .-Joe Howard in New York Graphic,

An Ingenious Mendicant's Tricks. There is a seemingly blind mendicant who for the past year or so has gained a living in the Eastern district of Brooklyn. He is a strapping big fellow physically, of dark com-plexion, and capable of doing any kind of manual labor. The writer met him a few evenings ago and recognized him as a man whom he had frequently bestowed small change upon when he stood on Chatham street, New York city, not three years ago. Up to the time the reporter met him last he did not have any doubts of the man's affliction, but an incident occurred on last Mon-day night which will make the reporter man wide awake.

On the 7:20 boat from Brooklyn the re-porter on looking up suddenly observed the man, but instead of working the blind dodge he had a new wrinkle—that of a one-armed veteran. In a small satchel suspened around his neck he had a number of silver and gold paper envelopes, in which were two or three kinds of court plaster, the virtues of which he proclaimed in a loud tone of voice. He was not very successful in disposing of his wares, and when the boat reached the slip the reporter followed the man as he got off. He walked up East street to Broome, and behind a pile of lumber handed his sachel to a dissipated looking mortal, receiving in return a staff and a square piece of pasteboard. When he had placed the pasteboard around his neck he walked slowly up Broome street to Tompkins, and then turned into Grand street. On the corner of Grand and Lewis streets he builted, took a bundle of lead pencils in his 

The reporter watched him a few moments, and then walked over to him and said; "You are the greatest rogue I ever saw. I noticed you on the ferry boat, when you could see as well as I can, and now you suddealy become blind. What do you mean by

George Staats, collecting taxes . 40 72 The man opened his eyes, turned and walked Sam'l Richardson, viewing road. 3 30 July ap Grand street to the Bowery.—New Chas Graves, make to paupers . . 21 00 York Evening Sun,

American Books in Japan. SMITH & BLACK'S.

Overseer dist. 1. In the marge of the land 119,000 American books were imported into that country, so that the old question, "Who reads an American books" was fairly Plattsmouth, on the reccommendation of answered.—Chicago Herall.

#### ANIMALS MAKE SOIL.

TWENTY SPECIES OF AMERICAN MAMMALS ARE BURROWERS.

The Wonderful Work Done by Ants. Earthworms-What Larval Insects Accomplish-Activity of the Crayfish in Wet Ground-Observations.

Although the earthworms are undoubtedly very important agents in overturning and breaking up of soil, it appears to me that they are most effective in the tilled fields or in the natural and artificial grass lands. So far as I have been able to observe, these creatures are rarely found in our ordinary forests, where a thick layer of leaf mold, commingled with branches, lies upon the earth. The character of this deposit is such that the creatures are not competent to make their way through it, and they, therefore, in the main avoid such situations, Moreover, wherever the soil is of a very sandy nature earthworms are scantily found, if they are present at all. These worms are practically limited to the soils of a somewhat clayey character, which have no coating of decayed vegetation upon them.

As the greater portion of the children has been produced in forest regions, I shall first examine the action of various animals upon the soils of wooded countries. The mammals are of all our vertebrates the most effective in their action upon the soil of forests. Twenty species or more of our American mammals are burrowers in the forest bed. They either make their habitations beneath the ground or resort to it in pursuit of food. Of these our burrowing rodents are perhaps the most effective, but a large number of other small mannmals resort to the earth and make considerable excavations. In forming their burrows or in the pursuit of other burrowing animals these creatures often penetrate through the whole or greater portion of the soil covering. The material which is withdrawn from the burrow is accumulated about its mouth. The result is the overturning of a considerable amount of the earth and a consequent conmingling of the material with vegetable matter. When brought to the surface and left exposed to the action of frost the breaking up of the material is greatly favored, and thus the formation of the soil is facilitated.

Considerable as is the effect of burrowing mammals, the principal overturning of the earth in our primeval forests is accomplished by the invertebrate animals. Where the woods are not very dense, and particularly where the soil is somewhat sandy, our largest species of ants are very effective agents in working over the soil. Their burrows extend to the depth of some feet below the surface. and each hill brings to the air several cubic feet of excavated matter, which, as slight inspection shows, is much commingled with vegetable matter. Wherever these ant hills abound they commonly exist to the number of a score or more on each acre, and the occupants of each hill, in many cases, bring as much as a cubic foot of matter to the surface in the course of a single year. The action of rain constantly operates to diffuse this material on every side of the hill. We may often observe a thin layer of sediment extending

for a considerable distance from the elevation. As is well known to all those who have inspected the soil within virgin forests, the earth is occupied by a host of larval insects, principally belonging to the group of beetles, but including also many orthopterous insects. These creatures in the course of their life underground displace a good deal of soil, a portion of which is thrown upon the surface, the greater part, however, being merely dislodged beneath the surface. The effect, however, is to commingle and to break up the soil, and thus favor its comminution. Although the roots of trees do by far the larger part of the rending which is accomplished in the soil layer, they do not bring about much commingling of the soil,

Where the woods are wet and favor the development of the crayfish the effect of this group of animals on the overturning of the soil is extremely great. It probably exceeds that which is accomplished in our ordinary fields by the action of the earthworm. A single crayfish will often bring in the course of a single season's activity not less than half a cubic foot of earthy matter to the surface. In certain districts where these animals abound there appear to be not less than 1,000 to each acre of surface. If such be their number it is evident that not less than 200 cubic feet of matter is brought to the surface from a considerable depth in the course of a year. As this matter is generally of a rather fine nature and easily dissolved in water it rapidly washes away and forms a thin sheet on the surface. I am inclined to believe that large areas of our wet woods and the open border lands along our streams are completely overturned to the depth of two feet or more in the course of half a century by the actions of these animals.

In open grounds, in natural prairies or grass plains, the smaller species of ants are extremely effective agents in overturning the soils. Wherever the ground remains for some time unplewed it becames accupied by these creatures. In the sandy soils of eastern Massachusetts the overturning accomplished by these creatures assumes a geological importance. For many years I have been puzzled by the fact that the glacial terraces and plains of this region were ex-tensively covered to the depth of a foot or more by a coating of fine sand and very small pebbles, while below the depth of a foot pebbles of larger size are very numerous, and the spaces between them but imperfectly occupied with any material. It is obviously impossible to explain these condi-tions through the action of earth worms, for the reason that these creatures are rarely found in soils of this description. From much observation I have become convinced that this coating of sandy material is to a great extent to be explained by the action of various species of ants, in the forest condition by the work of the larger black ants, and in the condition of open plains by that of the smaller species.—Professor N. S. Shaler in Popular Science Monthly.

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