

The 347 female blacksmiths of England would make money by organizing a troupe and travelling. The woman who can shoe a horse is much more interesting than the woman who can only shoe a hen.

Wisconsin like Michigan has an eloquent son in the present cabinet, and they promised great things for Cleveland in those states. The greatly increased republican majorities in both States ought to make Vilas and Dickinson modest for a while year.

MAJOR BURKE, of the New Orleans Times-Democrat, admits that he is a protectionist, and has always been since he saw the Confederacy go to pieces for want of mechanical arts and mechanics. Major Burke is one of the progressive men of the South, and is now doing for Honduras what the South has refused such men to do for her—establishing schools for mechanical training that will give the country a race of men able to earn their own living, and not depend upon the work and skill of others.

Our Democratic friends are saying that it was bad policy to keep the territories out of the Union and are stirring themselves now to let 'em in before the republicans come along to do the job and take the credit. The democrats always see a good thing just a little too late. Their portion if they let in the territories at this juncture will be that of the Scottish laird who dropped a guinea in the contribution box one Sunday by mistake, and besought the deacon to return him the change as he only meant to give a saxepee. The deacon said that once in the plate money could be returned. The laird then comforted himself with the reflection that he would get credit in heaven for the guinea. "Nae," responded the deacon, "Ye'll only be credited with the saxepee."

He who seeds sixty million of people for failing to appreciate his transcendent wisdom and devoted patriotism, offers no new arguments in self justification, but not uncharacteristically borrows from the anarchists and communists of Paris a phrase, "the communists of capital," and by comparison justifies the bomb-thrower who "attacks and will disorder the citadel of rule." Most conservative and dignified, these suggestions! But they move the nation to reflect with satisfaction that it not only declined to elect such a Chief Magistrate, but never would have elected him had not the voice of the people been suppressed in certain states. This attempt to stir up anarchy in this country, by pandering to ignorance and passion; by inflaming employed against employer and poor against rich, is not worthy of any people in a self-governing state, but it is nevertheless the resort of the free trader in debate when confronted with evidence of the harmonious progress and unexampled prosperity of all classes and all industries under the protective system.

It is impossible to deny sympathy to the Iowa settlers who are being expelled from their homes by federal process. In many cases it means ruin; in all cases it means hardship and sorrow. There can be no question, of course, about the validity of the title held against them. The highest court of the land has confirmed it, and it is not to be longer resisted or disputed. At the same time, however, the misfortune appeals strongly to the sense of pity. A large number of these people have made payments on their lands, and occupied and cultivated them in good faith, with no intent to do a wrong or to gain an unjust advantage. It seems very singular and very hard that some arrangement could not have been made to spare them a reasonable share of the suffering which they are undergoing at a bitter season of the year and under circumstances of peculiar severity.

There are too many lawyers, and there will be so long as the present state of society exists. No other business requires a smaller capital, none offers such glittering temptations; none are there so many precedents to show that merit will rise to high distinction notwithstanding the humblest beginnings. Thousands of young men with very imperfect educations, scorn the honest manual labor of their fathers, rush into professions for which they are unfitted by their qualities of mind and by their early training. A foolish notion that their "education" unfits them for manual work, and that such work would bring with it some sort of degradation, has ruined and will ruin thousands of them every year; this will continue until the bulk of our people have learned that nothing can be more honorable than honest and intelligent manual labor.

It just occurs to us that some blooming members of the bureau of Deas in their zeal for General Mauders's re-election to the U. S. senate, are making themselves amusing, if not ridiculous, in the eyes of the intelligent people of the state. The General has made an active, able, intelligent and honest senator. We sincerely hope and wish for his return to the senate. There is, however, no occasion to fear, as some would have it appear that Nebraska's future hangs upon that contingency. There are a score, among Nebraska's nobles, who would bear aloft our banner with becoming dignity and marked ability, should the senatorial mantle fall upon their shoulders. Here's wishing the General success,—but brethren, be more mild, or at least be as mild as you can.

You can't keep this country running on a southern policy, or an eastern or a western or a northern policy. Such a policy is simply the hiding place of unnatural rivalries and the cover for ill feeling. There is but one policy for a republic that stretches from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and that is a policy which sternly ignores all sections and administrators, and lays with an equal hand toward all alike.

It would be nothing more than right if the country west of the Missouri river were to be represented in the cabinet. It has not been well treated by the present administration, and it is therefore, all the more desirous of securing just treatment from the one which will be begun the 4th of next March.

There will be fourteen liquor dealers in the new common council of Des Moines, and the Tribune of that city suggests this as the form for the president to use in opening the meetings: "The saloon-keepers' association will please come to order. Clerk, please call the roll."

"All things are for the best," is perhaps why the really hard up never get anything.

DAN'S BEAVER LUGGET.

Nice weather. Better than California or Florida. Danbury's building boom is still on. Messrs. Gotham and Kidout lately of Oxford are opening out a fine stock of general merchandise, also as fine a stock of saddles and harness as can be found in the west. Mr. Gotham is a practical harness maker and will give this department his personal supervision and is prepared to turn out the best of work in his line.

McDonnes & Ewart are in their new bank building. The bank of Danbury is firmly established on a sound financial basis. Their building is a model of neatness and the men are gentlemen of the highest order.

The Masonic fraternity are about to launch forth, as their hall is completed and is a beautiful and marvel of neatness.

Old Grover still holds the reins of the Danbury post office and we suppose will till next spring when we will hear something more.

Husb! We've got onto a secret. Last night Esquire County was summoned to go a short distance west of town and he did then and there unite in the holy bonds of matrimony, a Mr. Moore to a Mrs. Adams, so the story goes. We suppose it must be so as every body says it is. The Esquire won't say anything about it.

Danbury is getting to be too large a town to write it all up in one week and so we will close after having made mention of the shooting of Mr. Craig. On Sunday, Mr. Bryant and Mr. Craig, his brother-in-law, went hunting, and of them sure armed with double-barreled shot guns. About half past three in the afternoon Mr. Bryant was crossing the creek when in some manner his gun went off and shot himself. The bullet hit him in his breast killing him almost instantly, having only time to drop a gun and wade back across the creek to where Mr. Bryant was, who helped him up on the bank where he died. There is a moral attached to this which we will not mention.

BOX ELDER BENEFITS.

Fine weather isn't it?

The prodiger is abroad in the land.

The box elder school is progressing nicely with about 20 scholars.

Henry Holton passed through Box Elder on the "flyer," Monday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weygant have gone to Lincoln to spend the winter with their parents and relatives.

The harvest of golden ears is about all in the crib, and farmers are about ready for any blizzard that may come along.

J. H. Stapleton has worn out one set of bugle whistles, in the insurance business, and is about to purchase another set.

We don't see why some of the young fellows also do to go with the girls and start up the boom. Come, boys, wake up.

M. J. Reynolds, who works the mail route from Lincoln to Omaha, has moved to town in order to have better school privileges.

A very enjoyable time was had at the church, on Thursday evening last. A fine literary program and supper occupied the evening and the proceeds were \$20.00.

Matt Stewart, who lives about 4 miles north of Box Elder, has completed his well at a depth of 100 feet. He will soon have a windmill in operation and then he will be happy.

BREVIS.

Blake's Tables of Weather Predictions.

Based upon astronomical mathematics, for 1888, is ready for delivery. It makes a book of 60 pages of tables, in which the number of inches of rainfall in each State and part of Canada are given for each month of the year 1880. Also the maximum, minimum and mean temperature for each month are given. The tables also show what the average precipitation has been in each state for each month for the past fifty years, also what the average temperature has been each month for fifty years. It has required over a year's labor, part of the time with several assistants, to complete this book. It also shows what the weather will be in England and all parts of Europe, as well as British India, for 1888. Based upon these weather predictions, a table of probable prices for wheat, corn, oats and cotton, for each month in the year, is given. Mr. Blake's reputation for the past fourteen years as a scientific meteorologist is too well known to need comment. He has predicted every drought and wet season, and every warm, cold or ordinary winter which has occurred in that time. This year the farmers of Kansas have raised many million bushels of corn more than they would have done but for his predictions and advice, as hundreds of them testify. Following his advice as to the coming season, they now have the largest acreage of winter wheat ever sown in Kansas, and it is in splendid condition. These tables show that next year will produce the greatest extremes of weather which have been known in America for more than sixty years. The floods will be great, draughts still greater. Success or failure of nearly every business next year will depend upon knowing in advance what the weather will be. Price 75 cents. C. C. BLAKE, Topeka, Kas.

An important event of the coming year will be the congress of the United States, the South and Central American states and of Mexico, Haiti and San Domingo, provision for which is made in a bill which received the signature of President Cleveland at the last session of Congress. The object of the congress will be to consider the adoption of a uniform system of weights and measures, a common silver coinage, laws for the regulation of patents, copyrights, trade marks, etc., and an improved method of settling all disputes of an international character. The geographical position of the American nations must eventually establish between them the strongest political and commercial bonds, and it is inevitable that they shall be closely united in the not more distant future by ties of common interest. Such a consummation is bound to prove a source of reciprocal benefit of all of the states concerned, and the proposed congress will doubtless do much to bring about this desired result. The advantage which the United States enjoys to reap from the congress is an extension of our commercial relations with Spanish America, which shall give to this country a convenient and natural outlet for its surplus products. The congress will be held at Washington and its deliberations will be awaited with interest by the civilized world.

REPRESENTATIVE SENATOR of Kentucky came to the front with a bill providing for the election of president and vice president by direct vote of the people. Under certain conditions this would possibly be a desirable change, but as these conditions do not exist, and as there is a considerable number of members in congress who do not propose that these conditions shall exist, the present system is good enough. The change, if a change is considered advisable will come when the people of the south with regard to race or color can express their choice freely and in safety, and that choice be allowed to stand. The south has a most wonderful advantage of the west now by reason of the suppression of the colored vote and the shameless doctoring of returns, and to give that section the power to elect the chief executive officer of the nation, would be an additional outrage upon the free and honest west.

The idea was that when you boom a western town you start in with a saloon every other door and a church comes in by and by. In Kansas you stumble over churches and get tangled up among the colleges and lost in the labyrinth of "homes" and reading rooms, but you have to sneak around and learn the ropes and lie a little to get a drink. And still the boom goes on.—Bob Burdette.

The people of Loup City, aided by officials of the Union Pacific railway company, are preparing to send a model present to the president-elect. It is nothing less than a sod house, built upon a freight car, of full size. The outer walls will be handsomely decorated and embellished. Oil paintings will adorn two sides of the house; the interior will be that of a living room, and are now finished, hastily, too, but they bear little evidence of this fact. They represent Nebraska in 1880 under free trade and Nebraska in 1888 under protection. The inscriptions read as follows:

"In 1869 the republican party declared that the union must be preserved."

"In 1888 the republican party declared that the commercial interests of the country must be preserved."

"Loup City, the seat of Sherman county, sends this offering of respect and esteem to the president-elect."

"In 1860 Nebraska had 23,841 population and no railroads."

"In 1888 Nebraska had 1,200,000 population and 5,000 miles of railroads."

This novel tribute certainly evidences that the genius of Nebraskans beats the world in an advertising way. Loup City could not have cooked up a scheme that would attract more attention; it is another link in the chain that goes to show that Nebraska has gifts and resources just a little ahead of her sister states.

The people of Western Nebraska should not be misled by the Omaha lee and the Lincoln Call and Attorney General Lee in their blind fight against the railroads of the state. The former is simply flouting for special rates for Omaha wholesalers; the Call is only vociferating for a similar rate for Lincoln; while the latter, the attorney general, is but feeding his own egotism and subserving the interests and purposes of a few selfish individuals at the state capital. The whole gang have about as much genuine interest in the dear people, whom they are attempting to hoodwink, as a chicken eating sow has in a brood of geese! Their efforts are diametrically opposed to the best interests of Western Nebraska, where more roads are needed. Let us be sensible of our best and true interests.

A GREAT MAGAZINE.

The Century for 1889.

THE question has often been asked, "to what does The Century owe its great circulation?" The Christian Union once answered this by the statement that "it has been fairly won, not by advertising schemes, but by the excellence which characterizes it in every department." In their announcements for the coming year the publishers state that it has always been their desire to make The Century the one indispensable periodical of its class, so that whatever other publication might be desirable in the family, The Century could not be neglected by those who wish to keep abreast of the times in all matters pertaining to culture. And the unprecedented circulation of the magazine would seem to be the response of the public to this intention.

With the November number The Century begins its thirty-seventh volume. Two great features of the magazine which are to continue throughout the new volume are already well known to the public, the Lincoln history and the papers on "Siberia and the Exile System." The first of these, written by Messrs. Nicolson and Hay, President Lincoln's private secretary, contains the inside history of the dark days of the war, as seen from the White House.

THE SIBERIAN PAPERS, by George Kennan, are attracting the attention of the civilized world. The Chicago Tribune says that "no other magazine articles printed in the English language just now touch upon a subject which so vitally interests all thoughtful people in Europe and America and Asia." As already known, copies of The Century entering Russia have these articles torn out by the customs officials on the frontier.

DURING 1889 The Century will publish the most important feature that has yet found place in its pages. It is the result of four years' work of Mr. Timothy Cole, the leading magazine engraver of the world, in the galleries of Europe, engraving from the originals the greatest pictures by the old masters. A series of papers on Ireland, its customs, landscapes, etc., will appear, and there are to be illustrated articles on Bible scenes, treating especially the subjects of the International Sunday-School Lessons. George W. Cable will write "Strange, True Stories of Louisiana." There will be novellas and short stories by long writers, occasional articles on war subjects (supplemental to the famous "War Papers" by General Grant and others, which have been appearing in The Century), etc., etc.

The Century costs four dollars a year, and is published by The Century Co., of New York, who will send a copy of the full prospectus to any one on request.

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A BAD EGG

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