

THE DAILY BEE.

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The reaction in the condition of President Garfield, which caused so much alarm and anxiety Saturday, has awakened the country to a realization of the fact that the president is by no means out of danger.

Hereafter a few scribbles may die, but none will ever resign.

Now that Conkling has capitulated, it will be in order for Mr. Brooks to retire and make place for the gifted Fred. Nye.

If any business man thinks the advertising rates of THE BEE are exorbitant let him read the exhibit we make about comparative circulations of Omaha dailies.

One of the most delightful developments of politics is the disposition of the creature to get above the creator.—Denver Republican.

And Nebraska contains more of these ingrates than any other state in the Union.

UNCLE SAM is carrying a good many surgeons and doctors on his pay roll that do not earn their salt. The United States army of 25,000 men has a medical staff of some 200. The navy, with 8,000 men, has a medical staff of about 1,000.

It is now definitely settled that the St. Louis bridge will, on the 1st day of August, pass under the control of the syndicate organized by Jay Gould. The syndicate has guaranteed seven per cent interest on the bonds, five per cent on the first preferred stock, payable in one year, and three per cent on the second preferred stock, payable in three years.

They do nothing by halves out in Colorado, not even in the matter of libel suits. Ex-Governor John Evans of Colorado, formerly president of the Denver Pacific, and now president of a projected railroad known as the Denver & New Orleans railroad, has invoked the courts of Colorado to compel the Denver Tribune to pay him the trifling sum of four hundred thousand dollars for damages he claims to have sustained by reason of the publication of an alleged libel.

One of the articles that has caused such tremendous damage to reputation and character as cited in the plaintiff's petition, represents the ex-governor as playing a confidence game on the people of Denver in connection with the road he controlled, that proved disastrous to Denver taxpayers. This charge, according to the plaintiff, was caused to be published at the instance of the Denver & Rio Grande railway company, or some agent or officer thereof, or some person or persons interested in said company, and in preventing the construction of a rival railway of the said Rio Grande railroad.

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The first is: Have you not changed original plans of the Denver & New Orleans in a most radical degree and with a purpose? The second is: Did not this change come after the consultation with Jay Gould and Union Pacific authorities, and an agreement whereby you were to receive a certain amount of money?

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If the experience of THE BEE in the matter of libel suits can be considered a criterion, a fair estimate of the damages which any Colorado jury will award to the complainant will be twenty-five cents for each \$100,000 claimed. As a precedent we can cite the verdict in the celebrated libel suit of ex-Consul General to Shanghai, John C. Myers, against THE OMAHA BEE for \$20,000. The plaintiff after three years of litigation secured a verdict of five cents, which was recognized by all parties as a most liberal allowance for the plaintiff's damaged reputation.

THE CAMPAIGN IN IOWA.

The people of Iowa will hold their state election on the fourteenth of October. With a republican majority varying from fifty to eighty thousand, the election of the candidates nominated by the republican state convention, is a foregone conclusion. The canvas for these candidates is now a mere matter of form.

The coming legislature will determine who is to represent the Hawkeye state in the national senate. In making their choice the representatives should not merely be governed by personal or local preferences. The United States senators do not represent a particular town or county in the national legislature.

There is no danger that the Iowa legislature will be democratic, and there is no danger that honest republicans, elected upon independent tickets, will vote with the democrats. Here in our own state of Nebraska the people have long since refused to obey the mandates of monopoly managers when ever they procure nominations of their henchmen by bribery or packed conventions.

Our republican farmers have in the last two senatorial contests risen in revolt against the misuse of corporation managers and in almost every instance men who were known to be monopoly cappers were defeated and independent republicans who were in active sympathy with the producers have been elected in their place.

Our last legislature made up of one hundred and sixteen members was overwhelmingly republican, but the independent anti-monopoly element was in absolute control and all the machinations of the monopolies were unavailing to prevent the election of General Van Wyck—a pronounced anti-monopolist—to the United States senate. It is to be hoped Iowa republicans will not falter in their duty.

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abuses incidental to the exercise of almost limitless powers by great corporations, is one of supreme gravity. It must be solved by congress in the exercise of its constitutional power to regulate the commerce between the states and the people of the states must enact uniform laws regulating public carriers in their local traffic within the states.

The sharp competition in passenger transportation between the great eastern trunk lines has brought down passenger fares and this so-called railroad war has resulted in a large and profitable increase of business. While there must be a limit to the volume of travel it has time and again been demonstrated that a cut in rates is always followed by an increase of travel that kept the measure of ultimate profit up to the average standard.

We never have been able to understand why railroad companies should charge so much more for carrying a man from Omaha to Chicago or San Francisco than they charge for shipping a steer or a barrel of flour over the same distance.

A railroad company would make as much money in carrying ten men a given distance for \$100 as it would in carrying five men the same distance for \$90. The reduction in the rate per capita, and the required increase of rolling stock and motive power, would be more than overbalanced by the constantly enlarging number of passengers; and thus passenger tariffs would be regulated, not by arbitrary figures based upon limited business, but by a calculation looking to the number of persons to be transported, as freight tariffs take into account the quantity of stock and grain likely to be shipped.

It can never be practicable, we know, to ship passengers at so much per hundred pounds, as cattle and hogs are shipped, and we do not contend for anything so absurd as that; but surely if 200 pounds of beef or pork can be carried from the Missouri to the seaboard for 60 cents, a man might be hauled over the same distance for considerably less than fifty times as much, even under present circumstances.

The railroads would find it to their own interest in every sense, it seems to us, to manage their business with a view to encouraging travel by lessening its cost. It is undeniable that, under our regular passenger rates, a journey to any extent is a luxury which the mass of people can not afford, and in which they indulge only from necessity, or by a process of "saving and scrimping."

The consolidation of the great lines under one management, the pooling of their earnings, and the watering of stock, are causing serious alarm all over the Union. The problem of protecting the people against the

their passengers. It is unjust and unreasonable to compel the people who are obliged to patronize these roads to make good the expense of carrying these dead-weights, who for the most part are political bums and barnacles.

The Kansas City Mail quotes Shakespeare for the benefit of the faller, primate, as follows: Lord Cardinal Conkling: "This is the state of man. To-day he puts forth the tender leaves of hope; to-morrow blossoms and bears his blushing honors thick upon him. The third day comes a frost—a killing frost—and when he thinks, good easy man, his greatness is a ripening, nips his root, and then he falls as I do. I have ventured like little wanton boys that swim on bladders, this many summers in a sea of glory. At length my high-blown pride broke under me, and now has left me to the mercy of a rude stream that must forever hide me. O, Cornelli! if I had served my country with half the zeal I've served my friends it would not have left me thus out of power and naked to mine enemies."

COMMISSIONER RAUM is said to be incensed, and shocked at the turn affairs have taken in the districts where the moonshiners operate. He had been led to believe that these gin-mill outlaws had repented and quit their bloody business. He now discovers that he was mistaken. The moonshiners are as active as ever wherever it is safe for them to bushwhack revenue officials.

JOHN W. BOOKWALTER, the Democratic candidate for Governor of Ohio, owns 17,000 acres of choice lands in this state. These lands are located in Pawnee county, and their value is \$150,000. If Mr. Bookwalter would come to Nebraska to settle down on his big farm he may some day run for Governor with a fair prospect of success, providing he returns to the republican fold, from which he strayed after strange Gods. There is no show for him in Ohio this fall, and in all probability there never will be.

AN EYE-OPENER

That Exposes a Disreputable Confidence Game

Watch Has Been Played Upon Credulous Business Men For Many Years.

On Tuesday last the contract for city advertising was awarded to THE BEE by the city council without a dissenting voice, upon the unanimous recommendation of the committee on printing. This action is denounced by THE OMAHA REPUBLICAN as a fraud, and the editor of THE HERALD has personally condemned the city council for awarding the contract to THE BEE.

This warfare upon our councilmen is not made because these papers regard their action as unreasonable or unlawful, but in order to create the impression among the business men and taxpayers of Omaha, that THE BEE has been subsidized at the public expense. The award having been made purely on business principles, we assert, and will presently show that although the price paid THE BEE is from fifty to a hundred per cent above the other bidders, it is by far the cheapest medium of advertising, and the only medium through which the population of Omaha can be reached.

Two years ago the city council requested each bidder for city advertising to furnish a sworn statement of the city circulation. THE BEE was the only paper that complied with this request, the other bidders refusing to furnish any information about their circulation. The council, nevertheless, awarded the contract to THE OMAHA REPUBLICAN because it was the lowest bidder, but this cheap advertising medium proved to be the most costly in the end.

For the benefit of the taxpayers of Omaha, we invite attention to the following statement: Edwin Davis being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is manager of the city circulation of THE DAILY BEE, that the average daily circulation in the city of Omaha, for the month ending June 30th, delivered by carrier and exclusive of news dealers and street sales was 2012. That the average daily circulation, during the three weeks ending Saturday July 21st, delivered by carrier and exclusive of news dealers and street sales was 2020.

This only covers papers delivered by carriers within the city limits, but it will be shown in another sworn statement below, that THE BEE circulates an aggregate of 503 dailies through newsboys and dealers, making the total circulation in the city 2,523 papers. The aggregate city circulation as delivered by carriers is as follows: Republican 440, Herald 623 or both combined 1,063, which is about one-half of the daily BEE's delivered in the city by carrier. THE BEE employs 14 carriers in its city delivery.

The Herald and Republican employ five carriers each, or ten carriers for the two. The average number of papers delivered by each carrier of THE BEE is 140. The average number delivered by each carrier of THE HERALD 104, and of THE REPUBLICAN, 88. It is self-evident from this exhibit that THE BEE is the only paper in which advertisers can reach the population of Omaha, and therefore its bid even at 200 per cent, above any competitor would be much the lowest.

It is the custom of newspapers to furnish the various newspaper directories and advertising agents with statements of circulation. These statements are either certified under oath or made upon honor. While THE BEE always has cheerfully furnished these parties sworn statements of its circulation and our subscription books are always open for inspection, THE HERALD and THE REPUBLICAN have never yet made a sworn statement and the directories and agencies have taken their figures upon honor.

The figures they have furnished publishers of directories, advertising agencies and business men range all the way from 2,000 to 4,500 daily, and 3,000 to 6,000 weeklies. Cook's Chicago directory, which claims to give exact figures for each paper, quotes the Omaha Republican daily, 3,100; weekly, 6,000. THE OMAHA HERALD daily, 3,000; weekly, 3,250.

Wolfe's city directory of Omaha for 1880 quotes the Omaha Republican, over the signature of C. E. Yost, manager, dailies, 4,520; weeklies, 6,400. As a matter of fact, for which we have the very best proof, the aggregate circulation of these papers is as follows: Omaha Republican daily, 1,720; Omaha Republican weekly, 2,160. Omaha Herald daily, 1835; Omaha Herald weekly, 960.

The following is an exhibit of the aggregate circulation of THE BEE: A. R. Souer being duly sworn deposes and says that he is secretary of the Omaha Publishing Company, proprietors of THE BEE. That the average daily circulation of THE BEE for the month ending June 30 was 4,584, of which 2,523 are in the city of Omaha, delivered to city subscribers, sold to news dealers and news boys. That the average weekly circulation of THE WEEKLY BEE for six months ending June 30th was 12,843.

Notary Public. J. W. Morrison being duly sworn deposes and says that he is the foreman of the press room of THE OMAHA BEE and keeps a record of the class and number of newspapers printed under his supervision, and upon careful comparison of records finds that the above statement is correct as regards the daily and weekly BEE.

Notary Public. Signed and sworn to before me this 23d day of July, 1881, at Omaha, Neb. John Rosicky, Notary Public.

Newspaper directories are published by advertising agents, and nearly all these agents quote certain papers way up and others way down as a matter of self-interest. Papers that live on a fictitious circulation allow them special commissions, which no publisher of an extensive circulation will consent to pay.

THE CONFIDENCE GAME. The confidence game played upon credulous business men here and elsewhere by THE HERALD and REPUBLICAN would, if pursued in any other calling, be regarded as the most disreputable swindling. Here are parties obtaining money from day to day under false pretenses and downright falsification. For a paper that has only 960 weekly subscribers to set up a claim to 3,250 is no better than selling ornate watches for solid gold, mixing sand with sugar or selling 30 pounds of flour for 100. It is fully as cheeky and as criminal in the publishers of THE REPUBLICAN to set up a fraudulent claim of 6,400 for their weekly at a time when they did not have over 1,800.

IMPUDENT IMPOSTORS. The worst imposture has been practiced in this city upon churches, benevolent societies, workmen's organizations and other parties that have paid for circulating hand-bills through THE HERALD and REPUBLICAN. The papers delivered by carriers, paying for this privilege are told that they will take from 1500 to 2000 hand-bills to supply the city subscribers of these dailies, and they have paid for printing 2000 hand-bills when less than one-third were actually printed and circulated. This is not much better than robbing a contribution-box or picking a blind man's pocket. We have exposed the frauds in this community and have been tempted to show up this imposture, but we have thought best not to engage in such warfare unless we were forced into it.

A PROPOSITION. We expect of course that our contemporaries will question the veracity of this statement. If so we make them this proposition: We will do the official advertising for the city of Omaha free of charge for the next five years, if the proprietors of THE HERALD and REPUBLICAN can publish a statement sworn to by their pressmen and business managers covering the circulation of the daily and weekly editions of their papers for the month of June, 1881, or the preceding six months—with a detailed exhibit showing the number of dailies delivered by carrier, the aggregate number of dailies circulated to subscribers and the aggregate number of weekly papers mailed out of their offices.

P. S.—The circulation of THE BEE is just as well known to the managers of THE HERALD and REPUBLICAN as theirs is to us—because in a city like Omaha these matters are always within the reach of publishers, and the number of carriers, and quantities mailed through the postoffice and circulated through newsboys are readily obtained and compiled.

What Others Say.

THE OMAHA BEE has been awarded the city printing—not because it was the lowest bidder in dollars and cents, but because its bid was the lowest and best when its circulation was considered. Another afternoon paper, with a very limited circulation, offered to do the work for less actual money, but the council rejected its bid and gave the advertising to the paper that would reach the greatest number of readers. The council was right.

Public advertising of this character is intended for general information, and the best medium should always be secured. The saving of a few dollars is no equivalent for keeping people in ignorance of their most important municipal affairs. A paper with a large circulation cannot afford to fill up its columns at the cost of setting the type, any more than such lawyers as Marquette or Mason could attend to a police court, assault and battery case at a retail price. There need be no fear of steals. We have never heard of a respectable newspaper being overpaid. It is one of the anomalies of life that a newspaper is expected to work for cost, while other people are allowed to expect and exact a profit.—Lincoln Journal, June 22.

STATE JOTTINGS.

Grafton is to have a school building to cost \$3,800. The assessed value of Clay county is \$2,071,308.80.

Burchard is the name of a new town in Pawnee county. Work has commenced on the Platte bridge at Fremont. The new Methodist church at Hastings has been dedicated.

The new creamery at Crete is meeting with flattering success. Hastings has secured a new flouring mill with four run of stone.

The new Catholic church at Madison was dedicated last Sunday. One man at Hardy has shipped over \$100,000 worth of stock since June 1.

Lumber in Lincoln has advanced in the last six days about forty per cent. It is said Gen. Weaver received \$50 for every speech delivered in Nebraska.

The Universals of Hebron and vicinity are talking of building a church. The railroad from Nemaha to Calvert will be completed within thirty days.

There are now 65,000 head of cattle at Ogallala, and a like number yet to come. The amount to be awarded to fast stock at the coming Saline county fair is \$4,600.

Mrs. Fred Rich, of Rising City, was suddenly made insane one day last week. There are in Dodge county 46,981 of wheat to 12,208 of corn and 12,275 of oats.

The Sioux City and Pacific company are building extensive stock yards in Blair. The alliances of York county will hold a convention on August 20th to nominate a county ticket.

A recent enumeration of Burt county gives a population of 7,451—4,042 males and 3,409 females. Cattle are held at unusually high figures at Ogallala this season, consequently sales are limited.

The headquarters of the R. V. division of the B. & M. has been moved from Hastings to Red Cloud. Altee Hart makes a Chesterfieldian hole to the public in assuming control of THE NORTH NEBRASKA EAGLE.

The B. & M. surveyors have located a north and south line of railroad through Chester in Thayer county. A large number of sheep ranches have been located on Lodge Pole creek, north of Sidney this season.

Eleven cars of hogs, worth \$2,000, were shipped from Oakland, Burt county, to Chicago one day last week. Mr. A. C. Crown, of Otoe county, was drowned in the Nemaha river, near Tecumseh, last Sunday week.

The total tax levy in Adams county is 17 mills on the dollar. In Lincoln county it is over 40 mills on the dollar. There are at present thirteen licensed saloons in Nebraska City, and \$6,500 has been paid into the school fund.

The demand for harvest hands exceeds the supply in all parts of the state. Wages range from \$2 to \$2.50 per day. Stone is being put in the ground for the U. P. hotel building, at North Platte. It comes from a quarry south of Beatrice.

The B. & M. land department will send out 100,000 bills for the coming soldiers' reunion in Lincoln, to be distributed in the east. The total valuation of property in Gage county is \$2,718,928, an increase of \$305,033. The levy is eighteen mills on the dollar.

It is estimated that there will be about 30,000 head of cattle, or about eighty trains of stock, shipped from Grand Island alone this fall. John W. Bookwalter, the Democratic candidate for governor of Ohio, owns 11,720 acres of land in Pawnee county, worth \$120,000.

A meeting will be held in Oakland next Saturday to reorganize the Burt county agricultural society and arrange for a county fair in the fall. John Bruncker will act with work with a gang of men on the U. P. branch, between Columbus and Lost Creek, fell dead the victim of a stroke.

The farmers' organization of Thayer county propose selecting the candidates for office a few weeks previous to the holding of the political primaries. A little child four years old, belonging to a Swede family named Brendenburg, was struck by lightning and instantly killed, near Wahoo a few days ago.

Recently a sister of Henry Arrant, of Kearney, came over from Germany Thursday week she thought it would be nice to go out and help to harvest, which she did without any bonnet covering on her head. The result was that she was sunstruck and died in a few hours.

Superintendent Touzalin says the cars will be running from Nemaha City to Calvert within forty days, if enough men can be found to lay the track in that time. The increase of Adams county is figured thus: Wheat, 50 per cent; corn, 40; barley and rye, 35; potatoes, 50; broom corn, 35; flax, 40, and all very much superior to the crops of 1880.

A block of some sixteen or eighteen buildings in Hastings burned on Saturday week. Loss, \$35,000; insurance, \$17,000. This is the second large fire at that place within two years.

Quite a number of enterprising citizens of Columbus have formed a new joint stock association to establish a fair grounds and driving park, with a capital stock of \$25,000 as a basis. Norfolk, Oakland, Albion and Genoa are making special efforts to secure the Congressional academy that is to be located somewhere in the North Platte country within the next year.

Last Monday the little son of Mr. Waltham, of Sterling, Johnson county, was horribly burned and died in great agony, after three hours' suffering. He poured kerosene on a smoking fire.

seems he has attempted to take her life several times previous but has not yet succeeded. The university heretofore located at Osceola has been removed to Fullerton, President Fitch and other trustees were at the latter place, and the citizens subscribed so liberally that the transfer was agreed upon at once.

From the abstract of assessments in Dodge county for the year 1881 we take the following figures: Total value of personal property, \$1,041,293.62; value of real estate, \$1,329,305; number of acres of improved real estate, 182,195; acres under improved village and city lots, 1,244; unimproved, 3,569; total, 3,813; number of acres cultivated in wheat, 46,081; corn, 12,208; oats, 12,275; barley, 608; mead, 456.

Two crews of tracklayers on the B. & M. met last Monday in the vicinity of Diller. Over 200 miles of what will eventually be the main line between Chicago and Denver are now completed and it is expected that it will be the main line from Crete west until the gap between Nebraska and is bound to do a large local as well as through business.—Fairbury Gazette.

The pay car on the A. & N. had quite a little circus down near Tecumseh last Tuesday. Engineer Warren Fuller picked up a two-year-old heifer and made beef of her in short order, but in the meantime the track trucks of the car were thrown off the track. About this time, too, the train struck a small bridge where about fifty horses were tied that belonged to a party of men that were hunting for a drowned boy in the Nemaha. The animals stampeded and it is said that loose horses were scattered over the country for miles around.

Bradford, Pa. Thomas Fitcham, Bradford, Pa., writes: "I enclose money for SPRING BLOSSOM, as I said I would if it cured me. My dyspepsia has vanished, with all its symptoms. Many thanks, I shall never be without it in the house." Price 50 cents, trial bottles 10 cents. J24-1w

FEENEY & CONNOLLY.

BOOTS, SHOES,

AND

SLIPPERS!

Of every grade and size at

At Prices Heretofore Unheard of.

They have this week added to their stock a splendid new lot of Ladies and Misses'

FINEST FRENCH KID SHOES

Received direct from the manufactory. Ladies are respectfully invited to call and see them, Also their

Side Lace, Polish, and Side Button, Pebble Goat & Grain

FROM \$1.25 up.

THEY HAVE A FINE ASSORTMENT OF

AMERICAN KID SHOES

VERY CHEAP.

Children's Shoes, Slippers and Sandals in endless variety.

MEN'S HAND-SEWED BOOTS AND SHOES, of all kinds a SPECIALTY. THE BEST QUALITY OF

HAND-SEWED BOOTS AND SHOES

IN THE CITY, AND

Lowest Prices Guaranteed

Pegeed, STANDARD SCREW FASTENED AND MACHINERY SEWED FROM \$1.25 up. Their SCOTCH EAGLE BRAND GREY RAILWAY SHOES are selling rapidly and they have this week added an assortment of

"CREEDMORE" BOOTS

To this department.

Feeney & Connolly carefully study the requirements of their customers, always having on hand the least thing asked for, as their prices are acknowledged by every one as very moderate, their trade is booming beyond their expectation.

A Perfect Fit Guaranteed or the Money Refunded.

ONE PRICE ONLY

ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES. THEY GARRY A FULL LINE OF

FARMERS' SUPPLIES,

at prices beyond competition.

512 Sixteenth Street, between California and Cass street. Opposite Wm. Gentlemen's popular grocery store. J3-1maw

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