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WE are to have another spasmodic enforcement of the law in Omaha.

MR. BOYD admits that Joe Barker was one of the mistakes of his administration.

THE government has disposed of 8,000, 000 acres of land in Dakota to private persons within a year.

CANDIDATES for supreme judge are as thick as prairie chickens in August. The poorer the lawyer the more rabid the applicant for office.

TAKING the inspectors away from the control of the board of public works is the latest move of the council towards placing themselves in more direct communication with the contractors.

THE weather is growing warmer but county politicians are even warmer than the weather. The buttonholing and handshaking and wire pulling has already candidate for renomination.

excited over the dismissal of Cadet Harti return in the way of interest on the ingan, who is accused of hazing a sentinol vestment. Of course there are frauds full report on the case in which he says: "There is now no question in my mind and scoundrels." but that there was a deliberate plan formed and entered into to throw the

out the country. Having riddled the charge, Lieutenant Robertson, who is cattle business as played out and unprof- stationed in Oregon, has been itable, he attacks the mining business, also drawing his pay too frequently, and thirty-five regiments are yet to be almost all frauds in the Rocky heard from. Numerous methods are bemountains are based on mines mineral property. There

is probably as much truth in this statement as there would be in the statement effective will be the prompt court martialthat almost all frauds in Wall street are ing of every offender, and their final disbased on stocks and bonds. Where missal from the service, in spite of politmines and mining property are the chief ical influence, social position or previous interests greater opportunities for fraud record. present themselves. But the conclusion

that "no man can sell a mine and in Changes in the Postal System. selling tell the truth about it," is as false New York Tribune, August 5,

as that no man can sell a farm without Postmaster Pearson has recently obswindling the purchaser. tained copies of the "Postal Laws and Regulations," issued in 1825 and 1828. Mining interests like all interests in which the speculative element enters have and has thus completed his set of the series prepared by the postoffice depart. suffered severely from inflation during ment. The law of 1826 brought together the past five years. A plethora of unin-vested capital in the east offered a heavy had been adopted at various times vested capital in the east offered a heavy premium on wildcatting and the result force in substance for twenty years, was the sinking of millions of dollars in though changes of greater or less im-

worthless securities and unproductive portance were made at several sessions of congress. The differences between the properties. Men who would have hesitated a long time before making a heavy ous and, important. At that time and investment in a substantial business ven-ture threw aside all caution when ap-were sometimes called, "deputy postmasture three aside all caution when approached to purchase mining property and naturally suffered the consequences. A disregard of business principles is generally disastrous. Buying a mine of the senate. The postage rates as

with one's eyes shut is as risky as a dash at the grap hag in a church festival But at the grab bag in a church festival. But while millions have been sunk in buying gree of arithmetical skill on the part of now enjoyed only by a few.

while mithions have been suite in outputs prospect heles, the men who have en-tered into mining transactions on the same basis as they would any other legit. The matchine teal skill on the part of a single sheet of paper were, for any dis-tance under 30 miles, 6 cents; over 30 and and under 80 miles, 10 cents; over 40 and the part of a single sheet of paper were, for any dis-tance under 30 miles, 10 cents; over 30 and the part of a single sheet of paper were, for any dis-tance under 30 miles, 10 cents; over 30 and the part of a single sheet of paper were, for any dis-tance under 30 miles, 10 cents; over 30 and the part of a single sheet of paper were for any dis-tance under 30 miles, 10 cents; over 50 and the part of a single sheet of paper were for any dis-tance under 30 miles, 10 cents; over 50 and the part of a single sheet of paper were for any dis-tance under 30 miles, 10 cents; over 50 and the part of a single sheet of paper were for any dis-tance under 30 miles, 10 cents; over 50 and mate business, have made money. The under 150 miles, 121 cents; over 150 and begun with every incumbent of office a steady output from the Colorade under 400 miles, 181 cents, and over 400 steady output from the Colorade under 400 miles, 181 cents, and over 400 monopoly. Whatever objection there and Idaho mines during the past miles, 25 cents. Letters of two sheets may be to add to the number of the

year shows what carefully selected and THE West Point cadets are very much properly conducted mining property can the same scale. The instructions given to the postmasters in 1825 indicate some of the difficulon duty The entire corps have signed and swindlers in mining operators just One regulation says: ties that were found in applying the law. One regulation says: "It may somethe petition for a courtmartial, and as there are sharps in the real estate bus- times be difficult to discover whether a carnestly assert Hartigan's innocence. iness, crooks among grain dealers and letter is single or double or treble, but The secretary of war referred Hartigan's dishonest dealers in a hundred lines of after a little experience you will generally statement of the matter to Superintendent Merritt, and that officer has just made a Merritt, and that officer has just made a sale denunciation of mines as blind were directed to reckon the distance be-

made for the delivery of let-ters so that the carriers did not return by OUR RETAINER.

the same route that he used in going and sentinel into the ditch of Fort Clinton The supreme court will have a very the method used in calculating the distance was sometimes highly important. and to do him violence and bodily injury, and that ex-Cadet Hartigan was the prime and will be argued if counsel are found tions, "there is a circuitous route from ready. THE OMAHA BEE has already de- Trenton to Allentown, Shrewsbury, etc.,

cided the case. It always decides such to New Brunswick, and thence to Sum-Says the Philadelphia Press: "The cases off-hand and abuses the court for a prospective reversal of its decision, be-fore it has had an opportunity to consider one end of the case. All cases that "Boss Stout" ever had or ever expects to have by that distance would be 12½ cents, but consolidation. As corporations go, this practically triples the dividends which the company can safely pay to its stock-holders at the expense of the public without exciting criticism. Like the tele-

MINES AND MINING SHARPS. The New York Sun has a roving cor-espondent who is doing the west for his until the wonder is not that the aggregate paper, and is devoting his energies to missed two weeks ago for a like offense; the reach of every indvidual in the land. is so great but that it is not several times exposing the frauds of various kinds, and an army chaplain at San Francisco is In this connection the statistics of tolls that shown by the schedules. degrees which he finds scattered through- standing court martial on a like in those foreign countries whose govern-These statements show a list of ments provide telegraph facilities for the 100 men employed for various periods of

people are of interest. In Belgium messages are sent anywhere within the Kingdom for the uniform price of 10 cents;

in Switzerland, 10 cents; in Greece, 18 cents; in France, from 10 to 20 cents, nccording to the distance; in Baden and (ex-Alderman Inman) twenty-one days heard from. Numerous methods are be-ing devised to prevent the possibility of further misdemeanors in this line but of North German Union, 12¹/₂ to 37¹/₂ cents, at \$10 per day, five ticket takers employ-ed for a number of days at \$3 per day according to distance; in Austria and (the whole receipts from this source were Hungary, 10 to 40 cents, according to less than \$1,900), a chief cook eight and distance; in Norway and Sweden, 28 ond half days at \$10 per day, with twen-cents; in Australia, 25 cents. Great ty-five assis ants at from \$3 to Britain was the last to abandon the sys- \$5 per day each, a potato boiler in chief tem of private management of telegraphs for a number of days at \$5 per day, mail and unite them with the postal service. carrier five days at \$5, postmaster five days at \$4, with most of the letters devious to Feb. 5, 1870, were: For a dis-tance not exceeding 100 miles, 24 cents; the dead letter office, a host of messen-

over 100 but not exceeding 200, 36 cents; over 200 miles, 48 cents. For additions of ten words or less than ten words, half rates were charged. Since February 5, 1870, the period when the telegraph lines pass. the period when the telegraph lines pass- been quadrupled what it actually was ed under the control of the post-office de- there is no question but that it would partment, the rates have been uniformly, still have been short. and without regard to the distance,

Upwards of \$400 was expended in throughout the United Kingdom, 24 cents decorations for the opera house interior, for the first twenty words of each mes- and the expense was incurred by the sage not counting the name or address of committee with the express understandthe sender or receiver, and this such ing that the hags and banners comprising covers the delivery of the message by special foot-messenger within the limit of one mile of the terminal telegraph office juestion is what has become of them?

Bills for all sorts of articles intended for use at the camp, but which have never been received by any one, figure largely on the schedules, and in the maze of extravagant figures the committee are of business. utterly at a loss what to do or where to begin to disentangle the web woven around them. tions the speed and conveniencs which is

for the liquidation of this indebtedness. ly, and the tendency is toward further were charged double postage, those of three sheets triple postage, and others on that difficulty to be grasped by the other difficulty-corporate monopoly.

THE FIRST WOMAN.

How She Was Welcomed to a Camp in the Far West.

Denver Tribune.



June 30 was a day of jollification at Iron and steel works are to be erected at Postmasters once at Gunnison, Col., a company having been organized for that purpose with a capital of \$5,000,000. Gunnison is but three years old, with a population of 5,000. Carbonate, Col , being the advent of the first wagon, the first woman and the first board from the mill. It would have

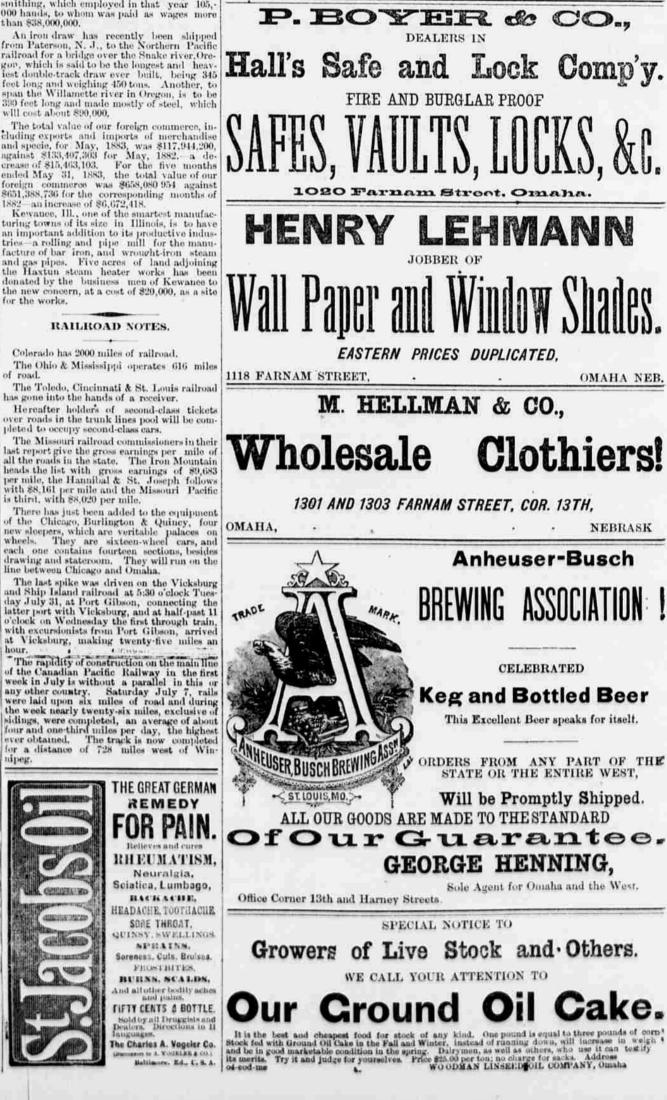
been interesting to the reader to have witneased the electrifying effect on the men in the camp when word was passed along the line that a woman was coming. along the line that a woman was coming. Long before she was within a mile of every eight minutes during working hours. the camp knots of men were gathered It is stated, from the most reliable statistics, the camp knots of men were gathered here and there watching, looking in the direction from whence the wagon was to come. As she hove in sight each one gathered around his or their camp as when an alarm had been sounded in a paraiel der team. When within a been sounded in a paraiel der team were gathered in a prairie dog town. When within a few yards of the outside habitation the woman There are now built in the sta yards of the outside habitation the woman alighted, and accompanied by her hus-band, proceeded toward the county clerk's office. [It had been advertised that the donation of a town lot would be given the first woman who came in.] Cu-outside the state of the consult of the c There are now built in the state of Ohi

approached the clerk's quarters. Stamps were not introduced until 1847. But the crowd which had gathered around the office for mail receded re-railroad for a bridge over the Snake river, Orespectfully each side of the entrance. As gov, which is said to be the longest and heav-she possed in, Colonel Ferguson serenely lest double-track draw ever built, being 345 "Ship" letters, or those brought by vesloomed up, and sailing out among the boxs aritated a recention boys, agitated a reception. Seized by the inspiration, 100 hats 390 feet long and made mostly of steel, will cost about \$90,000. were removed from heads of noble struc-The total value of our foreign commerce, inture and design, filuriated somewhat, perhaps, and 100 horny hands passed over the unkempt locks to smooth them down, vests were pulled down and 100 pairs of eyes ran down the respective owners' "digging clothes,' proudly in-specting the inevitable "ball stitle" 1882—an increase of \$6,329.418 and species for the five months of specting the inevitable "ball stitle" 1882—an increase of \$6,29.418 and species of \$21,388,736 for the corresponding months of specting the inevitable "ball stitle" 1882—an increase of \$6,29.418 and species of \$21,388,736 for the corresponding months of specting the inevitable "ball stitle" 1882—an increase of \$6,29.418 and species of \$21,388,736 for the corresponding months of specting the inevitable "ball stitle" 1882—an increase of \$6,29.418 and species of \$21,388,736 for the corresponding months of ture and design, filuriated somewhat, By the law of 1810, which remained in pairs of eyes ran down the respective owners' "digging clothes,' proudly in-specting the inevitable "ball stitch" sons were allowed to be employed in carrying the mails, lest colored persons Subj. 388.750 for the corresponding months of 1882—an increase of \$6,672,418. Kewance, III., one of the smartest manufac-turing towns of its size in Illinois, is to have an important addition to its productive indusshould use the mails to "make combinawhich rejoined the dismembered seam or advance. It has stated undisputed facts tions to the detriment of the whites. held in place the patch of conspicuous dimensions. By a look of common con-"post bill" was inclosed, so that the receivtries a rolling and pipe mill for the manu sent the Colonel was the man selected to make the reception speech. Uneasily pluming his mustache with carbonate-stained fingers, the Colonel approached sent the Colonel was the man selected to ing postmaster might know what charges stained fingers, the Colonel approached the new concern, at a cost of \$20,000, as a site for the works. her, and followed by the uncovered heads he inadvertantly yanked a frog from his leans. No postmaster could receive a throat and began: "Respected Madame"- and 100 heads RAILROAD NOTES. nodded assent. Appealing again to his Colerado has 2000 miles of railroad. mustache for the needed inspiration, the as the privilege of franking was freely The Ohio & Mississippi operates 616 miles The public who pay the taxes are minor, officials at Washington could send colonel resumed again: "Respected Madame—The illuminating spectre of this most fascinating occasion—" and 100 of road. The Toledo, Cincinnati & St. Louis railroad has gone into the hands of a receiver. the heads nodded screnely again in assent. postage, others Hereafter holders of second-class tickets Pluming again the source of inspiration, ties obtainable it seem probable that there are some very bad citizens in the THE BEE is permanently retained on ver roads in the trunk lines pool will be completed to occupy second-class cars. ties obtainable it seem probable that there are some very bad citizens in the localities affected by these troubles and that the treatment called Ku-Kluxism in the South would be called Vigilance the south wou come sacred to us from toil, vicis-situdes and privations. It is ours by right of discovery, and you are welcome. We are conversant with your sex, and some of us have been victimized. We have learned to love and cherish in mem-ory the tiny fingers which were rubbed sided over by honest judges, have a habit of letters, 1847; registered letters, 1854 of concurring in the opinions expressed free delivery in cities, 1863; railway mail time the postal money order, The re-



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respondent who is doing the west for his Lieutenant Holmes, of Texas, was dis-

graph, the supply of gas, or water, or the on the other side, -Lincoln Journal, The task before the supreme court in Newspapers were sent within the state or express business, the telephone is certain to become an absolute monopoly, the matter of the capitol contract is to a distance of 100 miles for 1 cent each, tempered by criticism and tampered with determine whether the public interests and for 11 cents for grea er distances. by strikes in each locality; but, in our demand that contracts for state work sels, were charged an extra rate. A regupresent methods of dealing with corpora- shall be let to the lowest responsible lar foreign mail was not organized until tions, the public has no defense, except bidder, regardless of who a higher bidder 1847. The mails were carried in "portthat the company cannot charge more may be. We do not pretend to say Steamboats were utilized after 1813 and than the traffic will bear; anything less it whether the task is a light or a heavy railroads after 1838. one It is a very important one, howcan collect.

ever, and Mr. Silver has done well to force for fifty years, only free white per-

THE effort to revive the Ku-Klux howl call upon the court to take it up. THE BEE has not decided the case in for political effect will not be successful. No doubt there is a good deal of lawlessness in the South, and several negroes and drawn the natural conclusions. Mr. The letters were fastened in packages and a in Tennessee and North Carolina may Silver's bid was \$41,000 lower than have been whipped in their cabins. But that of W. H. B. Stout. It was drawn use to be collected. The postmasters there is absolutely no proof that political differences had any part in the disorders. up in strict compliance with the law, and was accompanied by a bond which was in additional allowances were made to the Both states are overwhelmingly demo. every respect sufficient. In the postmasters of Washington and New Orcratic. The party has nothing whatever face of these facts, the board of compensation of more than \$2,000. The to gain by intimidation of voters. They public lands and buildings awarded the number of free letters sent in 1825 was have everything to lose by awakening contract to Mr. Stout, State Treasurer proportionately larger than at present, Sturdevant dissenting. the suspicion that organized political intolerance is again to be practiced throughout the South. Such a scheme equally interested with Mr. Silver in and receive letters without would help the republicans far more than getting at the true inwardness of the payment the democrats. From the best authori- matter, and an appeal to the supreme could receive newspapers free; post-

committee's work in Arizona, Idaho, or during its career. Honest counts, pre-Colorado.

THE council have passed an ordinance by THE BEE in cases where the people service, 1864; and at about the same which takes the appointment of inspec- are pitted against thieves and plunderers. duction in letter postage to two cents on tor of city works out of the hands of If THE BEE changed its position in affairs October 1 will be a further step in adthe board of public works and vests it in of the kind, honest counts and honest vance. the mayor and council. This is a move judges would disagree with it more frein the wrong direction. The board was quently. It is a great misfortune for the created largely to remove contractors as state, and for Lincoln, that a paper of Comments of the Press on Governfar as possible from the council and to equal independence and honesty is not place the supervision of public improve- located at the capital city. ments in the hands of officials specially THE law of the United States requires charged with that duty. As the

parties who let the centracts that when clerks are absent from duties der the supervision of the postoffice deby order of the council it is proper that exceeding thirty days' leave granted each partment, or a separate one of its own, the board should be held responsible for year, except in case of sickness, they shall such troubles as the present would never the fidelity of the contractors in carry- not be allowed pay for the time they are cure a cheaper service for the business ing on their work according to the stipu- off duty. This is a provision apparently and public interests of the country, and most sublime, undreamed of and unprelations adopted. For this reason the of a recent appropriation bill. Secretary be confident of continual decrease in appointment of inspectors naturally fell Folger justly construes this to require into the hands of the board. There are that absence for the purpose of "going superior importance as that by mail. An good reasons for the belief that aside home to vote" shall be deducted from the opportunity is offered for the agitation of from the question of increased political regular allowance of thirty days' vacapatronage, the council was dissatisfied at tion. This is sensible and proper. Howthe distance which lay eetween them and ever proper it may be that the members ing or erecting telegraph lines for the the contractors through this system of of the civil service shall exercise its po- people, to be controlled and conducted as inspection. With a number of litical rights, the government does not a public service for the general good. inspectors responsible only to the seem to be required to excuse them from THE BEMEDY FOR THE TELEGRAPH STRIKE, again say welcome board the personal influence of the performance of their regular duties, the council upon the contractors was where that act requires an absence of sev- postal telegraph would cost the governthe council upon the contractors was where that act requires an absence of sev-alight and any collusion between dishon-eral days. The law was undoubtedly de-3 per cent bonds and arrange the tolls to est inspectors and dishonest councilmen signed and properly to prevent the ser- pay the interest. If the next congress Some of the Costs of Entertaining the was impossible. This is precisely what vice from going home and "working" po-ought to be the case for the best interests litically on public salaries. ought to be the case for the best interests litically on public salaries.

of Omaha. And this is the reason why the curtailing of the powers of the board ory the tiny tingers which were rubbed over our biscuits in other days, and we languish for the same The delicacy of sewing on buttons (thimbleless) is ours, and our toil-stained robes bears the traces of the silurian outcrop. For months we have been here surrounded

by the beautiful crystalline pearls of heaven, which have banked about and around us, and our only solace has been the chirp of the camp bird and the the chirp of the camp bird and the weird wailings of the metaphoric blasts. We have long anticipated the daisy, struggling through the snowy depths to comfort us, as the day drew near when we laid by our snowshoes on for a the limestone ledge, but this occasion is nipeg.

cedented in the history of our new counrates, as has been in postage. Communitry. Thou hast come upon us like the cation by wire has become of equal if not perfume-freighted breath of the gentle springtime, and thou art the shrine to which we bow and bring tribute, and in behalf of these, my partners in the strug-gle, who stand before you with uncovered heads, some of them glistening like a burnished disk in the silurian sunlight heads which have been robbed of capil lary traces from inevitable contact, I And she dropped.

PAYING THE PIPER.

Grand Army in Denver.

Denver News.

An inspection of the vast number of the curtaining of the powers of the board of public works in the matter of inspec-tors of city works is a move in the wrong direction. Cor, IGLES has been sent back to his post in Montana, and there is a strong presumption that the verdict of the court martial was not one of dismissal.

this question, and the papers of the coun-

CHEAP TELGERAPHING. COL, IGLES has been sent back to his

Vicksburg Herald: To begin with the

to respond to popular sentiments.

POSTAL TELEGRAPH.

ment Control.

MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE MAIL.

Nashville Banner: Weretelegraphs un

result. And further, we should thus se-