

It is within the competency of man to enact such a law as will provide it. Man may gain the quality of administering justice in other ways than by the sword, but which costs to sustain life, which is dear to all.

We send a bill from the American Grocer of St. Louis, Mo., to the effect that the grocer who sells adulterated goods to the public shall be liable for the same as if he were a manufacturer.

Very respectfully yours,
HON. A. S. PABDOCK,
United States Senator.

The following letter is from Mr. W. C. Marshall of the same State, in regard to the "compressed canned beef":

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 7, 1892.—Dear Sir: I note with great pleasure the fact that the bill to amend the act relating to compressed canned beef is now in the hands of the committee on the subject.

I also read the following letter from Mr. Marshall of the same State, in regard to the "compressed canned beef":

DEAR SIR: Your pure-food bill is of greater importance than any bill that has been proposed in Congress for many years.

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these the women and children for whom, before all others, I make this appeal. If you could save to these the possible one-third of the nutrition element of their food supply...

Army Record of an Omaha Man Who Enlisted at the Age of Twelve.

AUGHT NAPPING ON PICKET DUTY

Official Instructions to Nebraska Sons of Veterans—United Pension Rating—She Didn't Like the Yanks—Notes.

Eljah B. Egan of Omaha, is the youngest soldier in Nebraska. He was born August 30, 1851. His father was serving his country in the Second Missouri Engineers and was taken sick in 1864 and was sent to the hospital at St. Louis and wanted Elijah to come there to see him.

There are 382 miles of street railway in operation in Philadelphia.

It is estimated that Europe is \$1,000,000,000 poorer every year by her system of armed forces.

Chicago now limits her buildings to 150 feet in height and only on eighty-foot streets even then.

It is said that the Vanderbilts own over 70,000 shares of Erie and the Millis party own 100,000 shares of Erie.

The Georgia state pension list numbers 400 widows of Confederate soldiers, and means an annual tax of \$100,000.

Krupp, the great gunmaker, is taxed on his future rise as high as lands at the top of his class of income taxpayers.

The undertaker charged the New York Central Railroad company \$5,000 for burying a corpse in the city of New York.

A New York medicalist has succeeded in marrying a venerable widow to whom he delivered a message from her "deceased" husband.

The grand total of charitable bequests in England during 1881, including Baron Rothschild's, for Jewish charities, was \$15,000,000, as against \$11,500,000 in 1880.

The population of Bogota, the capital of the United States of Columbia, decreased 54 during the year 1890, from 125,000 to 124,946 deaths in that city during the year.

A stretch of track across the pampas on the Argentine Republic, Pacific Railroad, from Buenos Ayres to the foot of the Andes is 211 miles long, without a curve, a single bridge, an opening larger than an ordinary drain, a water tank or a telegraph pole, or an embankment more than one metre in height.

Dr. Cyrus Edson of New York, in his article entitled "Do We Live Too Fast?" publishes figures setting forth that the wealth of the United States increased from \$16,150,000,000 to over \$30,000,000,000 in the decade in which the civil war occurred.

THE OMAHA DAILY BEE

formed and participate in the grand parade. Tents will be furnished for all, also wood and straw with good camping grounds.

Didn't Like the Yanks. The following stories by an officer in the union army, who fought at Yorktown during the late rebellion, will give an idea of the temper and spirit with which the advent of the "Yanks" was looked for by the negroes.

Remarkable in Physique and Shooting Ability. The Rangers were the largest men I saw in Texas. The state of late men, writes Richard Harding Davis in Harper's Weekly.

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United States, to nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the United States senate, confirm our friend and best associate justice of the supreme court of Utah, and furthermore to be.

Resolved, That we wish Joseph Murphy, esq., long life, honor, happiness and prosperity in all his undertakings, and that we wish this entertainment and that when, late, he may be called to return to heaven, his estate psychological essence may evaporate to sing forever and ever beneath the ambrosial pain trees of that viewless world where the hierarchal oligarchy blooms perennially forever and ever.

The resolutions were, of course, volitionally adopted. Mr. Murphy paid the bills, but it is, perhaps, unnecessary to add, never received the appointment.

An Incident of 1853. Slowly and painfully a few tired oxen dragged a huge wagon across the dried up plain. The heat was intense and the swollen tongues of the weary cattle told a story of drought and fatigue.

Contrary to the usual custom the freighter had his wife and children with him, and on either side of the lumbering wagon rode half a dozen stalwart youths armed with the long barreled rifles of that date.

The pale face of a woman, worn and tired from a weary vigil over a sick daughter, dying for lack of water and proper care, was now and then thrust through the opening in the canvas and turned in mute inquiry to the man riding beside the wagon.

"No water, yit, Madge," he replied sadly while a tear trickled down his rough face.

It was the familiar story of the earlier days of the gold fever. They had left their comfortable farm in the east and started on the long, dangerous trip to the great west of which they had heard such glowing tales, but which was proving a barren desert to eyes unaccustomed to the broad prairies where for miles the plain stretches in one unbroken line with no trace of life or water.

"If this heat keeps up and we don't get to water soon half these critters'll be a-dyin' on our hands," muttered the old man as he noticed the panting cattle sniffing the hot air.

Suddenly the leaders stopped and raising their heads looked toward the south. A faintly reported and the struggle for comfortable living was a hard one. A lucky thought struck Mr. Feathers.

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"Well, said Feathers, 'I'll tell you what I'll do; I will get you a wife today if you will give me four cords of wood.'"

Gustave was astonished at the proposition but soon promised the wood for the wife and arranged to be in Kearney in the afternoon.

Feathers went direct to the home of the poor family and found them nestled together in one little room which was as clean and comfortable as the room of the wife and arranged to be in Kearney in the afternoon.

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STORIES OF FRONTIER LIFE

A Matrimonial Incident of the Early Days in Buffalo County.

Cruel Joke Played Upon an Ambitious Town Lawyer in Nebraska City—A Champagne Supper and an Enormous—A Tragedy on the Plains.

Among the many stories of pioneer life in Buffalo county old settlers love to relate, there is one told about Alvin Feathers, a farmer living near Kearney, securing a wife for a bachelor neighbor and receiving four cords of wood as compensation for his services.

A young German whose name may have been Gustave Hagen, took up a homestead in the Wood River valley and lived alone in his little "soot shanty on the claim."

At that time some natural timber, suitable for fire wood, grew on the banks of the little stream where now only the wild plum, willow and other small brush is found.

The young German's homestead wood was more plentiful than elsewhere and the bachelor's solitude was sometimes broken by a neighbor in scanty clothing.

One morning as the bachelor was eating his breakfast of pork, yre bread and barley coffee, Mr. Feathers called. The lonely situation appealed to his sympathy.

After the usual greetings, Feathers said: "Hagen, this must be a hard way to live. Why don't you get you a wife?"

"No, Gustave was a German, and far away from the home of his friends. The rosy cheeked German frau who came to this country were gathered into the bosom of his more fortunate "landmen."

The "jankee" girls were not much more numerous. Neighbor Feathers knew of a poor family living near who came to this country the year before.

He had produced a fine, young, well proportioned and the struggle for comfortable living was a hard one. A lucky thought struck Mr. Feathers.

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This arrangement was accomplished. Mr. Feathers drove to Kearney that afternoon with the bride-elect. On their arrival the young German was found waiting and the bride accepted the proffered hand of her suitor.

She was then taken to a store where her merchant wife was kept and fitted out with comfortable clothing. No bride ever looked happier in wedding garments than this poor girl who had lived in poverty on the edge of a bleak prairie.

This marriage which is one of the first on the Buffalo county records, occurred that afternoon in the office of the county judge, John Burn, who resides in Kearney.

Gustave returned home that evening with a wife and Mr. Feathers called on the next day for his wood. Both were well pleased with the bargain. The couple prospered and the German's thrift and economy have made him one of the wealthiest farmers in the county.

Four children blessed this union, but the mother died in the birth of the affectionate mother about two years ago.

A Judicial Joke. Judge Bradford of Nebraska City, was a keen, bright lawyer, and never allowed the perpetrator of a practical joke to escape him unless he was rapidly forfokid.

In 1850, one Joseph Murphy of Sidney, Ia., had incurred the displeasure of the judge. Judge Bradford convinced Murphy that he would be an ornament to the supreme bench of Utah, there being a vacancy at that time.

Murphy, an ambitious man, had said to the judge of the Nebraska judge and bar, beginning with Nebraska City, and as the lawyers of that place were a wine-drinking, high-feeding gustatory set, he had better, before broaching the subject generally, invite them to a supper, the judge to act as the victim, and see that those whose influence it was desirable to secure were on hand.

The authority was given without any restrictions being made as to its extent. The day was appointed, supper prepared, champagne in floods poured, and the guests were assembled to congregate and secure friends and backers for his high commission.

Supper over and the wine partly drunk, Judge Bradford announced that this entertainment had been proposed in his instance; that Mr. Murphy was a candidate for the office of Utah; that he knew him well and could vouch for his capacity; and begged the guests to manifest their friendship for him and their appreciation of his high commission.

In a general recommendation of his friend for the post he sought.

Accordingly, a committee was appointed to prepare resolutions, and at the end of a suitable retirement and delay, the resolutions were read by the following:

Whereas, We are convinced here this evening at the invitation of a distinguished and eminent member of the high and honorable profession of the law—a bright, particular statesman in the treatment of legal erudition, whose effluences illumines the fertile and magnificent valley of the Missouri river—Joseph Murphy, esq. of Fremont county, Iowa, therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That in the intellectual economy of Joseph Murphy are all the elements of an acquisitions pertaining to the sound, practical and profound lawyer, the reliable, staunch, active, energetic and sagacious democrat.

2. That the said Joseph Murphy for his honesty, integrity, liberality and indomitable industry and sobriety is peculiarly fitted for the bench of the supreme court of Utah, for which place he seems to us the man—the man furnished at this crisis in the still of that polity—generally by the band of a never erring deity.

3. That we earnestly, solicitously, anxiously and prayerfully petition his excellency James Buchanan, the president of the United States, to nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the United States senate, confirm our friend and best associate justice of the supreme court of Utah, and furthermore to be.