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M. L. THOMAS, EDITOR.

THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 1881.

THE situation at Albany remains about the same; Conkling still holds his own.

A Michigan man who had attained the age of one hundred years committed suicide last week.

The law passed by the legislature last winter, making the keeping of gambling houses a felony, went into effect at twelve o'clock Saturday night and has resulted in closing every gambling house in St. Louis.

NORTH PLATTE, NEB., June 28.—A violent wind storm accompanied by rain visited this place last night about six o'clock, utterly destroying four-fifths of the Union Pacific round-house. A wiper named Tinkham, was instantly killed by the falling timber of the roundhouse. No other person was seriously hurt. The destruction of the roundhouse was caused by the large doors of the building being open when the wind struck it. The locomotives were all but one removed from the debris of the building last night before 10 o'clock. Other damage by the storm in this locality are trivial.

THE OLD, OLD STORY.
Sioux City Journal.
A gentleman from West Fork tells how a lightning rod firm, understood to be Cole Bros., of Council Bluffs, play it on the farmers out that way.

An "agent" drives around first. He is equipped with a galvanic battery, a glib tongue and startling and sensational theories about electricity, lightning, etc. He talks the farmer into having his home and barn rodDED, and takes an order for the same at the rate of sixty-five cents per foot. This order is signed by the farmer. They put up every part of a building that will carry a rod. The farmer thinks his premises well protected and the gang goes on in the wake of the "agent." Then comes the man who settles for the job. He is not the man who took the order, but he has the order signed by the farmer—specifying that the building shall be sufficiently rodDED, and that the rod shall be at the rate of sixty-five cents per foot. He measures up the job, and the amount surprises the farmer. It is four or five times what he expected to pay, and what the "agent," who took the order, told him it would likely be. McClarren, an English colonist of West Fork, gave an order for rods that the "agent" told him would likely cost \$40 or \$50, and settled for \$175. This is only a sample case.

Now the matter has been ventilated in the 'Journal' and other newspapers so often that it seems hardly worth while to repeat for the thousandth time that the man who signs "order," "contract" or whatever at the request of a stranger does a very foolish thing. If a farmer wants a lightning rod or anything else, his word that he will pay for the goods should be sufficient. Suppose instead he takes a contract from the "agent" that the lightning rod, or whatever shall not cost so exorbitant so much.

Another point is this: Insurance companies do not make any difference in favor of buildings that are "protected" by rods. If the protection amounted to anything the insurance companies would find it out.

The so-called "insurance" issued by some agents selling lightning rods, insuring against loss by lightning on buildings on which they put rods, does not amount to the paper on which it is written. The insurance is not backed by any responsible company.

A lightning rod if broken, as most of them are after they have been up a few months, is highly dangerous and should be repaired, or taken down at once.

And lastly, if a man wants a lightning rod put up on his buildings he can put it up for himself at a twentieth part of the expense that a traveling agent will charge him. Plain iron rods, with a thread cut on either end, connected with pump rod couplings, are as good as any, and cost possibly two cents a foot. If put on with staples, driven into the side of the house, it is as good as if insulated with glass. If the lightning follows the iron it is because the iron is a better conductor of electricity than the wood or brick of the wall to which it is fastened.

But in spite of warnings farmers will continue to sign "contracts," and all that sort of thing. The task of warning them is as thankless as the attempt to suppress the robbery of drunken travellers in the city. On the lightning question people are particularly vulnerable. Everyone knows just enough about electricity to be ready to take in all the taffy administered by the agent. The women folks are "deceyry" when it thunders, and a lightning rod don't cost much anyway. So the farmer's name goes on the contract, the rods are put on, and, after much kicking, scolded for with money that is sorely needed for something else, and so the work goes on.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, June 26, 1881.

The famous portrait of Mrs. Hayes, which has been hung in the East Room of the Executive Mansion since March 6 last, has been sent to New York for the purpose of having photographic copies of it made. The portrait is generally thought to be an excellent one, and copies of it will be in demand all over the country. The influence of this noble lady, in her home life at the White House, has left enduring memories that will be long cherished by a grateful people.

Faith and hope are the balium upon which storekeepers, gaugers, and census clerks are to live for months to come. There is no money to pay them, and unless their services are volunteered without pay they cannot be had at all. The work will be done upon the hope that Congress will appropriate money to pay for it. When the proposition is made for that action, there will no doubt be strong opposition to it by some heatsears, who hope to be re-elected because of their efforts on behalf of economy, but for such demagogues, appropriations would not so often fall short of the necessities of the public services.

The first currency issued by the United States Government bearing the signature of a colored man, was received a few days since from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at the Comptroller of the Currency's office. Major J. F. Bates, the venerable New Englander, who has charge of the shipping of currency to the two thousand and more national banks, caused four fives in one sheet, to be taken, and shown to the Register, B. K. Bruce. On holding up the sheet for inspection of those in his office the Register feelingly remarked: "Who would have thought of this spectacle a score of years ago?" This is an incident of interest worthy of a place upon the bright pages of the history of a public man's life.

The sleepy old town of Alexandria has heard the mutterings of the oncoming business boom. A certificate of incorporation of the Potomac Manufacturing Company, providing for an existence of twenty years and a capital stock of \$1,000,000, divided into ten thousand shares of \$100, has been filed in the office of the Recorder of Deeds. The company is to engage in the business of mining and smelting ores, manufacture of iron and steel, and any other manufacturing they may elect to do, in the State of Virginia, and to own real estate, and to acquire such patent rights as may be necessary. The enterprise is backed by business men and capitalists from various sections, and gives promise of inspiring new life to the dead business pulse of the old Dominion.

There are two names that will be ever cherished by the best citizens of this beautiful capital. Both of them have been shamefully vilified and maligned. History repeats itself in every age, Columbus in chains, and Galileo imprisoned at the inquisition for declaring the movements of the earth, are but evidences of man's inhumanity to man. Alexander R. Shepherd and O. E. Babcock, each will yet be perpetuated in the memory of those of coming time by statutes in some of the beautiful parks they had the wisdom and pluck to beautify. Farragut Square, the site of Vinnie Ream-Hoxie's statue of the great admiral, was reclaimed by General Babcock, and from an unsightly dumping-ground has become one of the most beautiful points in the city. Iowa Circle is another evidence of General Babcock's exquisite taste and foresight. Of late years there has not been that care and attention bestowed upon the parks and reservations that is absolutely necessary to keep these breathing spots up to the standard that was elaborated and designed by Boss Shepherd, as he was termed during his administration of public affairs.

The closing exercises of Howard University were unusually interesting, and were graced by the presence of many distinguished individuals. President Garfield presented diplomas to the five graduates in the law department. The President, Dr. W. W. Patton, announced that hereafter no tuition-fee would be charged in the Normal, Preparatory, or College Departments. The University has this year sent out thirty-four educated colored men to be leaders of their race, to wit: Twelve medical graduates, ten theological, five legal, and seven collegiate. Its many friends will be glad to know that it is thus steadily doing its appointed work.

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO SELECT TOASTS AND SPEAKERS FOR THE COMING 4th OF JULY CELEBRATION AT RED CLOUD, NEB., HAVE SELECTED THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS AND SPEAKERS, ALL OF WHOM HAVE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE PRESENT.

The Day we Celebrate—Albert Davis Esq., Guide Rock.

Our Country's Defenders—Wm. A. McKeighan Esq., Elm Creek.

Our American Women—David Curtis Esq., Red Cloud.

Freedom and Independence—Jno. R. Wilcox Red Cloud.

Our National Progress—D. P. Newcomer Esq., Blue Hill.

Our Common Schools and their influence on our Liberties—A. L. Funk Esq., Red Cloud.

Religious Freedom—Geo. Hummel, The Principles of our Government—Jos. Garber Esq., Red Cloud.

Our Farmers—John Harvey Esq., Inavale.

Our Laws—C. W. Kaley, Red Cloud.

Gaylord, Kan., Visited by a Small Hurricane on Monday Night of Last Week.

[From Smith Center Free Press.]
The Congregational church was completely demolished.

The Tin roof blown from the Gilman House.

The front of G. W. Back's store torn off.

Dr. Wells' barn has entirely disappeared.

The roof of Foster's stable was blown off, and blown into Grisinger's residence.

The old feed stable of C. A. McNall's was lifted off the foundation.

The west end of the depot torn off, and two cars blown from the track.

Every out house and well curb in town tipped over.

Lumber scattered all over town. No one hurt.

The citizens have raised \$100 toward rebuilding the church.

News Items From all over the State.

L. C. Johnson, of Gage county shipped 3,300 pounds of wool last week to Philadelphia.

The B. & M. have sent out another surveying party west of Colterton to survey a new route to Denver.

Twelve buildings and a new school house are now erecting at Oakland.

A newly arrived Bohemian purchased a bottle of blueing in West Point the other day, which he proceeded to drink. He thought it was some kind of an American beverage.

Gark, the Brownville murder, attempted to commit suicide last week in jail.

The Republican valley soldiers' association numbers 134 members.

Antelope county has three corner bands—one each at Neleigh, Oakdale and Taylor valley.

Louis Frank, the son of John Frank, of Center Precinct, Platt county, pointed a loaded shotgun at his sister Matilda last week, killing her instantly.

Owen Brown, of Tipps Branch, Pawnee county, accidentally fell from a wagon one day last week and nearly broke his neck—fracturing the pharyngeal cartilage.

The Crete nursery has planted 120 bushels of soft maple seed.

Mrs. Vallery, Cass county, while staking, was bitten by a rattlesnake, and at last accounts was in a dangerous condition.

The first train over the branch of the Elkhorn Valley road from Norfolk to Crete, on the terminus, on last Friday evening.

Thirty houses are building at Blue Springs.

It is estimated the shipment of cattle east over the Republican Valley line will be twice as large this year as last season.

There is some talk of erecting a light school building at Riverton.

One day last week a lady, by the name of Mrs. W. DeLong, in South Bend, while out feeding her chickens, saw a wolf trying to catch one of her fine Branch fowls. With the assistance of a neighbor lady visiting her, they cornered the thieving animal, and Mrs. D. knocked his brains out with a barrow wheel.

A dastardly attempt was made last Friday to wreck the passenger train on the B. & M. between Lincoln and Crete. E. L. Thompson was arrested, charged with the crime.

Samuel Johnson, of Nuckolls county, has a 700-acre corn field.

The new town in Nemaha county is to be called Calvert, in honor of the chief engineer of Burlington & Missouri River railroad.

Stools of eye with thirty-two and thirty-four stalks from single grains are on exhibition at Beaver City.

Nelson precinct, Nuckolls county, has 4,369 fruit trees and 4,167 grape vines.

The female cook at a Culbertson hotel carried a revolver at a fellow who climbed into her window one night.

1881 SPANOGLE & FUNK, 1881

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