

As THE eagles gather about the carcass, so thousands of human vultures gather at the national capital at congressional sessions to fatten on unclean legislation, such as railroad jobs, land grants, star route schemes, fraudulent claims, building contracts, supply bids, and so forth, through and endless catalogue of schemes to drain the public treasury. It is estimated that no less than 25,000 adventurers have loafed in Washington this winter, whose sole object appears to be in pursuit of something that leads to unlocking the vaults of the treasury, or to clutch hold of hush-money or stocks that may be squeezed out of corporations which seek to get favorable bills lobbied through congress. This class of people are known in Washington as 'The Third House', which, when organized for active work, can generally manage to control enough congressmen to forestall and overrule the statute-books which turn out by the schemes of lobbyists rather than enactments the people's representatives. They are blood-bills, from which such vultures as the star route thieves and land grant thieves manage to draw their craven followers. The Boss Sheppard paving contracts, the city gaslight contracts, the Potomac flats contracts are notable instances where "the third house" ruled the people.

From Inavale to Blue Hill.

The train being somewhat late we were obliged to stand for sometime enjoying the cool air and waiting for it. The party consisted of Prof. Feltham, of Riverton, Prof. F. B. Smith, I. O. Walker, and other teachers from Inavale; Prof. D. J. Judson, Supt. Springer and others from Red Cloud. At Blue Hill we were kindly met by a large delegation consisting of one man who, feeling kind toward the teachers, invited us one and all to his house to dinner, and as it was the only invitation we received it is needless to add that we accepted it. As we were wending our way up the street we were met by our own Prof. Funk, who kindly shook us by the hand. We soon reached the house and after the usual preliminaries of registering our names and so forth, we at last seated ourselves to a sumptuous repast consisting of pork, scolloped herring and weak tea. Having finished our meal we proceeded to pay our 35cts. apiece and started on an inspecting tour around the town. Five minutes showed us nothing very blue, and no very large hill, so we wended our way to the school house, where we were soon followed by about forty other teachers. About 2 o'clock we were called to order, after which we had singing by the house, and prayer by the president. A short lecture on the errors of speech, with illustrations, by Miss Putnam, was next in order, followed by short speeches from Springer, Feltham, Judson, and others on the same subject. Next came a few remarks by Supt. Springer, Prof. Feltham, Judson, and Miss King, on intermediate grammar. Then we were let out to enjoy a recess of fifteen minutes. After we were called to order. The next in order being the debate. Three judges were chosen, viz: Miss F. L. Knight, Mrs. C. G. Wilson and Miss E. A. Putnam. Mr. Watkins opened the debate with a soul stirring speech, lauding the teachers and the press to the highest, but signally failing to introduce any argument wherein the press exerted any influence on society. He was followed by Mr. Smith, of Inavale, who utterly squelched him in a few minutes, besides brining abundant proof to bear on his side of the question. Mr. Watkins again spoke at considerable length, introducing a new line of argument, but as before failing to produce but few points in favor of the press. He was again followed by Mr. Smith who, this time, completely demolished him, showing plainly that the influence of the teacher was far ahead of that of the press. He spoke about 20 minutes, during which time he held his audience spell bound "as it were." Mr. Watkins is a good talker, but totally incapable of handling such a question, while Mr. Smith is not only a good talker but is perfectly capable of handling this question or any other. The judges decided unanimously in favor of the negative. After the debate we listened to Prof. Funk for about twenty minutes on intermediate reading. We were then adjourned to meet on the second Saturday in April, at Red Cloud. We at last found ourselves safely on the road home, entirely satisfied with our trip to the wonderful city of Blue Hill.

A TEACHER.

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Notwithstanding Mother Shipton's dire prediction the world still exists. The people will live longer if they use Dr. Bigelow's Positive Cure, which subdues and conquers coughs, colds, consumption, whooping cough, and all diseases of the lungs. For proof call at A. Lindley's drug store and get a bottle free.

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EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

The Webster county teacher's association met at Blue Hill, March 8, and a good number of teachers were present. The program was carried out and much of interest was developed in the discussions. The principal matter of interest was the debate on the question; Resolved, that the printing press has a greater influence on society than the teacher. Affirmative—C. F. Watkins of the Times. Negative—F. B. Smith, of West Inavale. The disputants had two rounds at each other, and both made some good argument. Mr. Watkins has been mentioned especially for his fairness, courtesy and dignity in carrying on the debate. Mr. Smith was more impulsive, and at the same time made more special points in his arguments on account of which he was declared by the committee as having made the best argument. The committee was Mrs. C. G. Wilson, of Blue Hill, Miss Fannie Knight of Inavale, and Miss Ella Putnam, of Red Cloud. The teachers who went from the Valley had a pleasant time, and on account of the excursion rates so kindly granted by Mr. Eustis of Omaha, quite a number were enabled to attend. Ample arrangements were made by the people of Blue Hill to entertain the teachers, and all who went to the school-house directly from the train found invitations and to spare, to partake of the necessities of life. Several went away afterwards and remarked that they made preparations for company and none came to call on them. The next association will be held at Red Cloud, Saturday, April 12. Program next week. C. W. S.

The Cheese Business.

At the request of some of my neighbors on the south side of the river, I wrote to some of my relatives on the Western Reserve in Ohio, to send us an expert in the cheese business to operate a cheese factory on the Buffalo. My friends inserted the request in their county paper, and the result has been quite a number of applicants for the job. Now you can see by the report of J. O. Chamberlin in your columns that the cheese factory pays the farmer as well as the manufacturer of cheese, and I hope to see the day that we can have a factory in every precinct in the county, and to aid those who want to establish cheese factories in their communities, I send you the names and addresses of the men that have written to me. Nearly all have sent references and offer to send more if necessary. Some have sent their certificates as having made the cheese that took the premium at the State fair in Ohio. We want all of these men in Webster county and hope you will aid us all you can in this enterprise. Yours respectfully, S. N. RICHMOND.

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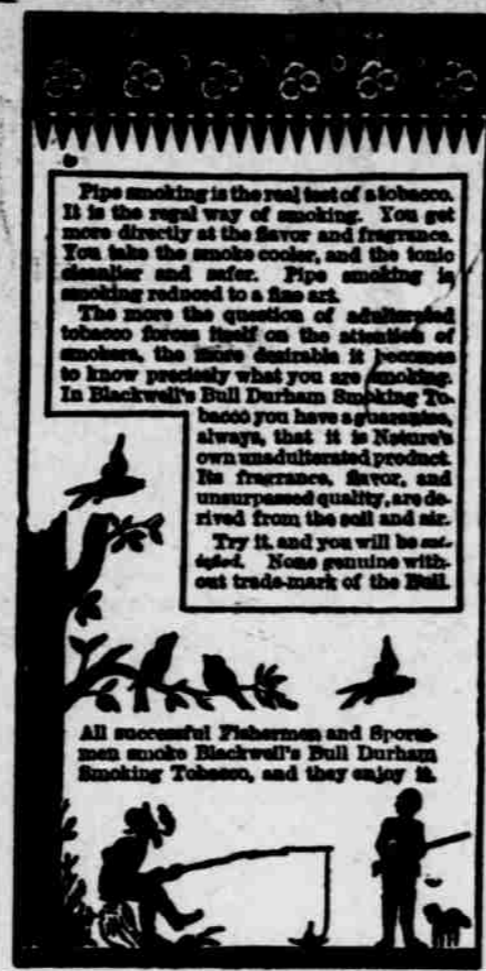
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Science and art first—then faith and prayer—is the order of Heaven itself. Divinity heals through its agents, and those agents are the discoveries of man; not the vague announcements of prophets or seers. Is life a burden to you? Does time drag? Is your power to cope with life's problem and duties weakened. You are not well. Your blood is sluggish and tainted, perhaps; or some organ is torpid or overworked. This fact may have taken the form of dyspepsia, rheumatism, gout, malaria, pains to the stomach, chronic headache, or any of a dozen other ills. Parker's Tonic will invigorate you, as fresh air invigorates those who have been shut up in damp, fetid cells. It is powerful, pure, delicious, scientific, safe—the keystone of the central arch of the bridge of life.



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LEGAL NOTICE.

OTIS L. BATTLES, DEFENDANT, WILL take notice, that on the 10th day of March, 1884, Samantha A. Battles, plaintiff herein, filed her petition in the District court of Webster county, Nebraska, against said defendant, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a decree of divorce from said defendant; and, also, the care and custody of the following named children, to-wit: Francis H. aged 19 years, George W. aged 16 years, Lucy A. aged 13 years, James O. aged 10 years, Laban B. aged 8 years, and Amy E. aged 5 years being of the issue of said marriage. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 28th day of April, 1884. Dated, March 10th, 1884. SAMANTHA A. BATTLES, Plaintiff. mrl4-84 By Kaley Bros., her attorneys.

FINAL PROOF NOTICE.

Land Office, Bloomington, Neb., Feb. 21, 1884. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk District Court, Webster county, at Red Cloud, Neb., on Saturday, April 5, 1884, viz: BENJAMIN R. PIERCE, on H'd No. 8722, for the west half south-west quarter and north half of north-west quarter sec. 24, town 3 n of Range 12 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: William D. McKinney, James D. Alabaster, Joseph W. Jones, August Pierstoff, all of Scott, Neb. feb29-apr4 S. W. SWITZER, Register.

FINAL PROOF NOTICE.

Land Office, Bloomington, Neb., Feb. 23, 1884. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk District Court, Webster county, at Red Cloud, Neb., on Saturday, April 5, 1884, viz: FRANCIS E. PAYNE, on H'd No. 688, for the north half of north-east quarter and north half of north-west quarter sec. 34, town 3 n of Range 12 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: William Cather and John Bibby, of Red Cloud, Neb., Charley Peterson and Erick Peterson, of Cather, Neb. feb29-apr4 S. W. SWITZER, Register.

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SPECIAL EXAMINATION. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I will examine all persons who may desire to offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the Common School of this county, at my office in Red Cloud, Thursday and Friday, April 5 and 6, 1884. CHAS. W. SPRINGER, County Superintendent.

PROBATE NOTICE. ON THE 6TH DAY OF MARCH, 1884, a petition was filed in county court of Webster county, Nebraska, asking that Jos. W. Warren, of Webster county, be appointed administrator of the estate of Albert G. Giringer, deceased. Notice is hereby given that I have appointed and set aside the 1st day of March, 1884, for the hearing of said petition. All persons interested will take notice hereof, and attend at the office of the county judge of Webster county, at that time if they so desire. In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said county court, at Red Cloud, March 7th, 1884. GEO. O. YEISER, County Judge.

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