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ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS of caustidates for office

E. BOSEWATER, Editor and Publisher, Draw On and after October twenty-first, 1872, the

city circulation of the DAILY BEE is assu by Mr. Edwin Davis, to whose order all subions not paid at the office will be payable. and by whom all receipts for subscriptions will E. ROSEWATER, Publisher

CURRENCY inflation, free banking

and all the other panaceas for curing and preventing financial panies still hang fire in the U. S. Senate. THE Nightingale Cohorts have

made a brilliant campaign at the primaries. How they will succeed on election day remains to be seen. It only takes seven votes to rescind that resignation.

SENATOR INGALLS' bill providing for the relief of settlers upon homestead and pre-emption lands within the railroad land grant boundsries by refunding to them a portion of the purchase or entry fees, was reported adversely by the Senate Committee on Public lands.

benefits of the participation in and beervation of her Commissioners at the Vienna Exposition. Cable advices from India announce the foundering at sea of tee steamer that was conveying the Japanese Commission on their homeward

The municipal campaign is now open. The Convention of Repreentative Republicans entrusted with the delicate responsibility of placing in nomination the officers impending campaign, has acquitted itself of the task in a mgty creditable manner. They have placed before our citizens candidates whose character and qualifications hardly need an endorsement from

the newspapers. The harmony that characterized the proceeding of the Convention, and the fact that the convention was made up of some of the most prominent and respectable Republicans in the City, are the best evidences that these candidatee deserve and will receive the undivided support of our party.

We would invite the attention of our readers to the biographical sketches of the candidates in another column, What Omaha wants is a good City Government, and we believe she will have it if her citizens endorse the Republican ticket. Further comment is deemed superfluous until after the square-toed Democracy shall have placed their ticket in the field.

. OUR CANDIDATES-

The Candidates of the Republican party for the Municipal offices, may be divided under two heads. Executive and Legislative. The Executive Department Consists of the Mayor. Marshal, Police Judge, Treasurer, Clerk, Street Commissioner and Eengineer, while the Legislative branch is composed of the members of the City Council and Board of Education. In this sketch we shall briefly review the antecedents, character and qualifications of the candidates for the Executive offices.

Legislative officials will receive our attention in our next issue. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

of any city is the Mayor and upon him rests the great responsibility of superintending all the other officers attached to the executive Department. No man in Omaha is more fully qualified for this position than Colonel Champion S. Chase, and no man will take greater pains to conduct the affairs of his office with

dignity and impartiality. Thoroughly identified with the material interest of Omaha, Colonel Chase will ever be found in the prise and industry shall make our city prosperous and progressive. Oftemperate habits and liberal views Colonel Chase will, we believe, receive the endorsement of every onservative and law abiding citisen irrespetive of party attachments. Colonel Chase is so well known in this community that we do not deem it necessary to say any more than that he has seen service in the | be Judge; so that it is but an essay ranks of the Union army, and in of a private gentleman upon the the ranks of his party. He wal be the next Mayor of Omaba, if this

court knows itself. In the discharge of his functions as conservator of the peace, the Mayor relies almost exclusively upon

CITT MARSHAL. That office is therefore a very responsible one, requiring sobriety, yigilance, energy and an insight into the habits and workings of the siminal classes. Mr. John Christo-

in the flouring mill of Thomas Da- support. is for more than three years. In 1870 he was appointed a member the Omaha Police in which capacity he has served faithfully and energetically ever since. While other policemen have from time to time been accused of direlection of duty or im-

proper associations, there never has been a single charge or even a suspicion against Mr. Christopherson. His promotion from the ranks is deserved and the people will endorse it.

In the enforcement of law and

a very important functionary. The experience of the past few vears should convince our citizens that their Police Judge should be a man of irreproachable moral character, strict impartiality, and above all a good judge of human nature. We believe Colonel R. W. Wilbur will fulfill these conditions. He is a nan possessed of sound judgment and an unspotted reputation, and while his business ments have not brought him into close contact with the popular sympathy with them. He understands the principles of law while at the same time he has a enforce the ordinances, he has a appreciate the difference between culprits who can be reclaimed and those who are incorrigible. The Cononel has resided in Omaha about four years. This is his first venture on the political chess board, and we anticipate that he will come

off with flying colors. Money is the lever that moves the world, and the man who handles the finances of a city ought to be both capable, industrious and trustworthy. This officer is the

THE CITY TREASURER,

and in presenting the name of John Baumer for this position the Republican convention endorsed a citizen who enjoys the universal respect and confidence among all classes of our

late Colonel Baumer of the Nebraska first. A watch-maker and jeweler by trade, he possesses a thorough commercial education and unquestioned business qualifications. Engine Company number 1, and Treasurer of the Northwestern Firemans Association. Mr. Baumer has never mingled in politics before; but that ought not, and will not prevent to be supported by their party in the him from being the next Treasurer of Omaha.

us to cut short. We shall complete our review of other candidates fo-

TAXATION AND REVENUE.

Gennine Estabrook Reviews Some Recent Decisions of our Courts.

MILLARD, March 18, 1874. To GENERAL ESTABROOKS: Great anxiety is felt in this part of the county to know more about the late decision of Judge Lake in your suit with City Treasurer Johnson, which the BEE says is a second trial, and that it was granted by the Supreme Court. We are not aware that it ever went to the Supreme Court. Please give us the facts in the case. We would also like to be informed in detail what is the decision of the Supreme Court in that injunction case of Harrison Johnson, and in what manner it will affect the taxpayers of the

Yours most respectfully, JOHN HALLENBECK, HARVY LINK, THOMAS BALLARD, JAMES DURNALL, S. STABBEL. S. G. ALLEN, DANIEL CLIFTON, PRESTON REVES, ELI JOHNSON, PETER GLEMETT. OMAHA, March 25, 1874.

GENTLEMEN: Yours of the 8th inst., reached me only yesterday. The newspaper paragraph to which you refer is a jumbling together of two classes, those of Johnson vs. Hahan, and Estabrook vs. Johnson.

The first of these is one of severa cases brought by farmers living in the western part of the county, in 1870, to restrain the sale of their land for taxes levied in part to pay interest upon O. & S. We and O. &

N. W. Railroad lands. The District Court of this county refused the injunction, and one case -Hollenbeck vs. Hahn-was taken to the Supreme Court, where, at the January term, 1873, the judgment of the District Court was affirmed, Judge Crounse delivering the opinion, Judge Mason dissenting.

This case will ever be memo in the annals of Nebraska jurisprudence, on account of some peculiar circumstances attending it.

The opinion as published in 2 Nebraska Reports, 377, was not filed until after Judge Crounse ceased to

The opinion, as published, occupied 40 pages, 32 of which was devoted to the quaestion of the legality of the bonds. This part of the opinion was written sometime before the balance and placed by the Judge in the hands of the bankers of Omaha who were appeared in the hands ha who were engaged in the bond speculation, and by them published in paraphlet form at their own expense, for free distribution. The reason for this unusual proceeding is explained in the following extract from the outplon:

While this continues an and a doubt be thrown over those which may hereafter be put forth, which must result in a prejudice to the credit of the State, which can only be removed by a final adjudi-cation by this tribunal."

This pamphlet and the additions eight pages of manuscript are now on file with the Clerk as the opinion

quieting the "uneasiness" of East-ern capitalists who would speculate in our bonds and who are generally supposed to be able to take care of themselves, but forgets the perturba-tion among the taxpayers at home, many of whom were then selling their corn at 15 cents per bushel to pay the interest on these bonds. It is evident that his honor had never nothing of the corn cob and other

higher degrees of the order.

The balance of the opinion devoted chiefly to the point urged by the plaintiff that before real state could be sold the chattels nust be exhausted. His Honor concludes the

these words: "The tax is due; and ommon justice demands that it hould be paid. With the manner of its collection we have nothing to do. The plaintiff may save both his personal and real property by paying a just claim. If he refused to do this, it is of little concern to us as an equitable question, whether onal property or whether he throt-le the plaintiff and force him to sufficient sence of discrimination to perform his duty to the government which protects both him and

his property.

The judgment of the court below must be affirmed.

Justice Lake concurs." Opinions may differ as may taste, but there are those who would regard the language employed and spleen manifested by this mouthpiece of our supreme tribunal as exceedingly inappropriate and unbe-

After the accession to the supreme bench of two new Judges another case, Johnson vs Hahn was taken up and argued at the last January term. Justice Maxwell delivered the opinion of the court, on the 26th of February last, reversing the judgment below and of course over-ruling the case of Halenbeck vs. Hahn. The decision rests upon the law that the Treasurer must first exhaust the personal property. The bonds were held legal under the rulings of the Supreme Court of the United States made since these

ases were brought, The case of Estabrook vs. John son arose under the law relating the cities of the first class and of course is interesting to those living out of the city only as it exhibits the tendency of the times. John-He has resided in this city for more than seven years, and is actively identified without commercial interests and social organizations. He interests and social organizations. He interests and social organizations. He interests and social organizations is City Treasurer and as such seized my law library and office furniture, and my household furniture to ostensibly satisfy taxes due of the age. It is a young girl, fourests and social organizations. He since 1859. This property was carticle to ostension states and social organizations. He since 1859. This property was carticle to ostension states and social organizations. He since 1859. This property was carticle was downward, is double, and pre-

paraded through the papers under startling head-lines. The property was sold to the highest bidder, bringing less than one-fifth of its value. Not content with this exhibition of me before the public he afterward took occasion in my ab-sence to seize two old horses, an old buggy and an old hack and hitching hem all together behind an express wagon moved them to the head of Farnham street, thence in solemn procession down Farnham to Ninth street, thence back again to Thir-teenth, and thence to Harmon's there, after keeping them a week or more, he says he returned to where he found them. If he did it was with less eclat, and the fact was not the subject of public an-nouncement through the newspaper. Now, all this may have been in the line of official duty, and the circumstances may have instified a public verdict of "served him right" ings as a sailor, a native of Dundee, as to me, but when it comes to be who had gone to sea about 1834, and known that there were many hun-dreds of persons as actually delin-can be little doubt that the Bible dreds of persons as actually delinquent as myself—that most of these had personal property as I had—that he made no other levy except upon my property—that he made no attempt to levy any where else except at Maj. Balcombe's, where

the spirited lady of the house met him at the door and "persuaded" him to let things alone—that many unpaid with an abundance of per-sonal property in sight, as to which he has nevertheless returned under oath that he had made dilligen search and failed to find property out of which to make the taxes, then the animus of the transactio may be better understood. I did not resist the first selzure, nor did my wife, (pistol in hand) so that he had little trouble in earning for himself title of "BRAVE E. J.," and thus, having displayed me and my case as a frightful example to warn others of the wrath to come, and having succeeded, he made the second seizure to deepen the im-pression of the awful doom awaiting the finally incorridible. For these seizures I brought suit aver-

ring the taking and the conversion to his use. The defendant answered, setting up simply his warrant in justifica-tion. To this I demurred, and on he demurrer raised these questions: 1. There can be no delinquent list in the hands of the City clerk, since there has ever been in the general revenue law this proviso: "When-ever in the collection of any district, city or local tax which may have been levied according to law, the collector is not able to make the tax by distress and sale of personal property, and real estate is to be sold for the the same it shall be the duty of the collector of the tax to send such delinquent list to the County n or before the fifteenth lay of July of each year, and the County Treasurer shall receive the delinquent list and advertise the me at the same time he advertises sale of real estate for deline as hereinafter provided, by adding the amount of such delinquent district, town, city or local tax to the amount of delinquent State, county and other taxes, and shall sell such lands for the purpose of paying all such delinquent taxes, as hereinafter directed; and shall credit the proper district, town, city or locality for the amount of taxes so collected, which

year when the lands were delinquent

nor any sum of such delinquency, nor any description of lands delin-4. It is not shown how the pro-perty was disposed of nor that the proceeds were applied to the liquid-ation of any portion of the delin-

ha who were engaged in the bond speculation, and by them published in pamphiet form at their own expense, for free distribution. The reason for this unusual proceeding is explained in the following extract from the opinion:

"As long as the law remains on our statute-books, and as long as it is impossible for failroads to be constructed through counties so as to confer equal benefits upon all sections alike, so long will there be rebollion against taxes levied in their list office and made this apply to the quent tax.

As to the proposition that I was entitled to know how my property had been disposed of and that it had somewhere and somehow, been applied to the payment of mytax, he responded simply, "that makes no difference."

As my demurrer was overruled nd I was given 30 days to reply to the answer.

Thus I have endeavored to give complete answer to your inquiry. These occurances have added noth-

ing to the consciousness that you and I feel in common with all good citizens, that it is our duty to pay all legitimate taxes to carry on the government. We may still insist, I think, that money exterted from us to be paid into the coffers of private persons existing as corporations, is not such taxation. It would doubtless be a calamity if taxes were not paid, and I think I can magine a greater calamity than even this; and that calamity will be upon us when the time arrives if it ever does, that our tribunals of justice shall deny to the citizens the right to come before them and invoke their judgement as to whether the public agent, who is constraining him to surrender his substance for the public use, is doing so according to the law, and where those appointed to administer the law, forgetting that they are simply the mouth-pieces through which the law utters itself, shall take counsel

The Philadelphia Zoological Garden opens next month.

We give special attention to me tinting Railroad and other Corrate Loans issued within the sta Draw Sight Drafts on Fedan Ireland, Scotland, and all parts A talking rat has appeared in Alexandria, Va. In other words, it can open it's trap. The bones of three of Barnum's

dromedaries have been presented to Yale College. The relics of the others go to the Smithsonian Insti-A calf born in Ludlow, Vt., now

two breasts, and six legs. If he had lived, what an ornament to the barn-yard he would have been! A story of Cleopatra's pearl has

A bald eagle, measuring 7 feet nches from tip to tip of wing, was ly of each other. The two legs she quite insensible to pain. She enjoys

A few days ago the Scotsman mentioned that a bible bound in calf and bearing the name of "William Sim," a Dundee man, and the date 1830, had been discovered in the stomach of a codfish. This fact was remarkable enough, but still more extraordinary is another circum-stance connected with the affair also reported by the Scotsman. The very same day on which the discovery was made known, the heirs of the deceased Mr. Sim succeeded in obtaining a warrant in the outer house of the Court of Session (from the Lord Ordinary Mure) to uplift se veral hundreds of pounds belong-ing to the said William Sim, who thus preserved in the codfish's stom-ach belonged to the lost W. Sim of

A disgraceful piece of mischief is reported from Berlin, where some idiot has, it seems, been amusing himself by poisoning a good many of the most valuable animals in the Zoological Gardens. His last victims are six bears, two jaugers, two black panthers, two lions, and a lynx, all of which have died, with the exception of the male jaguar and the female panther. These, however, are not the only losses sustained. Within the last few weeks several valuable carnivora have pershed, and their death being attributed to feeding on the flesh of horses possibly suffering from disease. The food given to the animals has The food given to the animals has since been carefully cooked, so that willful poisoning appears to be the only explanation of the recent deaths among them. The Directors of the Zoological Garden Company have offered a reward of 1,000 thalers for the apprehension of the miscreant.

An equine curiosity arrived in San Francisco last Tuesday in the "Mikado," from Australia. The name of this remarkable animal is "Caoutehoue," and he was captured in the neighborhood of the Balloon River, Queensland, when about two years old. He is now about six years of age, of a pure black, from the tip of his ears to his hoofs, but without a single hair on any part of his body. The color is not unlike that of a black horse very closely elipped, and the microscope fails to detect a single hair from nose to tail. He is a gelding, about fifteen hands high, well made and very compact, the second support of th with fine clean legs, powerful fore-arms and thighs, and a clean, blood-ed, but unusually broad head, from which sparkles a bright pair of eyes beaming with good temper and His owners, Oat & Witchell, paid a handsome price for him, but refused £1,500 in the colonies before leaving for this country. This freak of nature was examined by several eminent veterinary surons in Australia, and they came to but one opinion in regard to this horse, which was that there was no horse, which was that there was no deception practiced, and that in reality he was born without the least particle of hair upon him, and consequently is one of the greatest curiosities in the way of horsefiesh extant. He is evidently not of the "woolly horse" breed that was ex-2. The answer disclosed the fact that my name does not appear on any of the delinquent lists.

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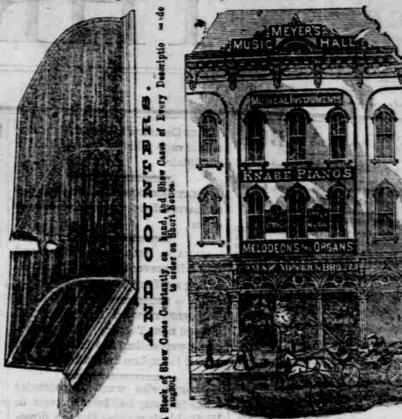
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