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GOVERNOR FURNAS and his staff seem to be out of luck. That bill to issue to the State of Nebraska still hangs fire in Congress.

The new Indian bill has been amended so as to prohibit federal officers from entering into contracts with any Indian chief or tribes, and also to abolish the Indian Superintendents in several Territories.

The Herald seeks to shield Ex-Clerk Kitton, against its charge of deliberate lawlessness, by pleading technicalities. The journal in question alleges that Kitton removed the ballot boxes out of his office, where the law directed them to be kept, at the instance of gentlemen appointed to recount the ballots. Now we deny first, that any party was appointed to recount the ballots, and second that Mr. Kitton acted at anybody's instance except by the request of Mr. Johnson. The testimony in this case will bear us out in these assertions.

Mr. Kitton was simply cited as a witness. Mr. Johnson's attorney would produce the ballot boxes, and he promptly replied he would. Mr. Baumer's counsel objected and pointed out the law, and Kitton insisted upon taking the law into his own hands. And now we would be pleased to have the Herald, Mr. Kitton's champion, to answer a few questions: Why did Mr. Kitton exhibit such extraordinary anxiety to produce those ballot boxes in spite of the legal objections? Why was he excited when he opened the first box? and what made his hands tremble like those of an Octogenarian when he commenced to handle the contents? Why was Mr. Kitton so excited all day yesterday, and what made him act so queer during the Council proceedings last evening? Did he have to stimulate his nerves to keep up his part of the performance and what could have produced such a change on him that many persons who witnessed his actions at the organization of the new Council expressed suspicions that he had lost his head.

Assuming that Mr. Kitton had a right to hold the keys of the Clerk's office after his successor had been duly qualified, why did he assume that he could keep personal control over the ballot boxes until after the slow process of investigation and recount was over? Assuming that Mr. Kitton acted wisely and properly in sealing the key holes of the ballot boxes and stationing a policeman in front of his office door to prevent his successor from tampering with the ballots, why did he not take similar precautions immediately after the ballots came into his own possession? Does not the peculiar discrepancy in the second ward count look as if somebody had been tampering with those ballots while Mr. Kitton had charge of them, and does not his conduct give some semblance of suspicion that he has taken more than a passing interest in the final decision of this matter?

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pose. The prima facie evidence according to the Journal of the last Council, is that John Baumer was duly elected Treasurer. When Baumer presented his bond for approval the Council had no right to plead ignorance as to who was elected, but they were bound to examine his bond, and if found sufficient to approve it. What right have they to know anything about the testimony now being taken in the Johnson-Baumer case before that testimony is officially placed before them for consideration? If the Democratic majority of the Council could arrogate to themselves the right to ignore the official canvassers in one case, could they not do so with equal propriety in another case? How did they know that Chase was elected Mayor, unless they came to that knowledge by the record. Looking upon the issue from the legal standpoint, we must say that this is a very dangerous precedent for any political party to establish. The first principle of the Republican form of government is, that popular majorities rule. The next and equally important principle is, submission to the decision of popular majorities. Now, admitting for the sake of argument, that Johnson did argue, that Johnson did receive more votes than were awarded to him by the Judges of election, he has his legal remedy. While seeking to establish his claims to that office he has no right to refuse peaceable possession of his office to the person that was declared duly elected by the official canvassers. When the tribunal that renders final decision in his case declares him properly elected, he will have the right to resume the office.

Supposing the taking of testimony should continue for six months, and at the end of that time Baumer is found properly elected, who will compensate him for the time lost? We have no reason to doubt that our position in this instance will be sustained by Judge Lake. It is sustained by the only precedent on record in this city in the case of Rosewater vs. House.

The Council was at that time Republican. The official canvassers gave a majority to the Democratic candidate for City Engineer. Although a notice of contest had been served, the Council ordered the Clerk to issue the certificate to Mr. House, and when that gentleman presented his bond it was promptly approved without prejudice to the contestants.

Since writing this article we learn through the Nebraska City papers that Judge Gaunt has decided in our case of Tuxbury, referred to in our last issue, by issuing a writ of mandamus that compelled the City Council to issue a certificate of election to Tuxbury, notwithstanding the fact that his opponent contests his election and demands a recount.

There is cheating in all trades, but ours, and there are hypocrites in every church, but ours. If there are rascally middlemen, why should there not also be selfish, greedy, and corrupt Grangers? Human nature is the same everywhere, and the Granger cannot expect exemption from his laws. We indulge in these reflections after perusing the just complaint of Mr. Prince against Allen Root.

We take it for granted that men are not to be judged by their professions, but by their acts. Mr. Root's actions give the lie to his professions, and stamp him as unworthy of the important trusts confided to him by the Douglas County Grangers. While he professes to be actuated by pure motives, he proves to be impelled by a desire to defraud a poor mechanic out of his just dues. While he pleads against lawyers and advocates arbitration, he is the very first man to drag others into a Justice Court. While he professes great friendship for workingmen, he is the very man that seeks to deprive them of their rights.

If the Grangers of Douglas county want to make a creditable impression upon the citizens of Omaha, they will have to discard such leaders as Mr. Root.

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In Charleston, recently, a large dog gave chase to a poor little black and tan, whose hind leg had been injured, but, failing to overtake him, turned about and trotted slowly back. In a short time the small dog returned, followed by a large Newfoundland, who, upon reaching the corner, "seemed to be looking for something," when the little dog gave two or three sharp barks, as much as to say, "That's the dog who chased me." At the same time indicating by his actions the large black dog, who was then at some distance. Whereupon the little dog's ally immediately attacked and severely punished the aggressor, who was glad enough to try the swiftness of his feet for safety. After this little affair the small dog and his friend looked narrowly at the Prince to observe the effect which these exclamations might have on him. He had taken off his hat to bow; his face certainly flashed with pride, perhaps with humility. It is no common face—he is yet so young that no one can tell what there may be in him—but it is the face of one who has confidence in himself and in his "star." Throughout the whole of the day he bore himself with dignity, composure and grace. The Empress was looking very nicely well. I had been told she had greatly aged, but I could not see it. She is still handsome, and, as I had opportunities of proving later in the day, is as winning and charming as ever.

On the Island of Borneo has been found a certain race of wild creatures, which kindred variety have been discovered in the Philippine Islands, Terra del Fuego, and in South America. They walk, usually almost erect, on two legs, and in that attitude measure about four feet in height. They construct no habitations, form no families, scarcely associate together, sleep in caves, feed on snakes and vermin, and on ants' eggs, and on each other. They cannot be tamed or forced to any labor, and are hunted and shot among the trees like the great parrots, which are a stupid, noisy, and when captured alive only find with surprise that their uncouth jabbering sounds are like human language. They turn up a human face to gaze at their captors, and females show instincts of modesty. In fine, these wretched beings are men and women.—Siam Weekly Advertiser.

Mr. J. R. Brockington, of Black Mt. William, county, is responsible for the following snake story: "A dog belonging to a colored man, while trying to catch a large and ferocious hog, was cut or bit by the hog on the left side just below the ribs, and out of the orifice made by the hog's teeth crawled two large snakes. One was alive and apparently in perfect health. The other was severed or cut in two by the hog's teeth, and of course was dead. The color was bright red, striped with blue intermingled with white, and was about six inches long and two inches in circumference. They were snags in every particular. The dog is living and in its usual condition."—Charleston, S. C., Courier.

HONEY FOR THE LADIES.

"Mother may I go out to ride?" "Cause you wear a pucker'd petticoat. They say you hadn't one."

Importers affirm that there are nearly 1,200 pairs in gloves.

Three sisters own and operate a Maine flouring mill, and are making money.

Most men like to see themselves in print. Ladies like to see themselves in silks and velvets.

A lady passenger from Virginia City, March 31st, on arriving at Reno, fell seriously ill, and retired to a room at the Depot Hotel. Dr. Bergman relieved the sufferer. It was a girl baby.

Among the rare things given Patti in Russia is a canary bird of gold as large as life, with a bill of pearl and diamond eyes.

The jewels which the Duchess of Edinburgh brought with her to England are said to be worth \$2,500,000, and include as many as 100 bracelets.

We have no doubt, as the American Sentinel says, the "coming woman" will be a woman who will afford through so much bonnet, bombazine, and bijouterie, to find her.

The New Orleans Picayune wants some of the female crusaders to visit that city, and try and remove some of the honors from the mouth of the Mississippi.

A Texas man claims to have invented a flat-iron that will smooth a sheet in a minute, but it is too heavy to be used as a domestic nuisance.

If ever bonnets were a cause of bewilderment, they are astonishingly so this season. There is no "prevailing shape." The styles differ with every wearer.

A female bill poster is doing an extensive business in New York. The subject was always good at running up bills.—Boston Post.

Why do not the ladies, now that decorating rooms with artificial flowers has become fashionable, adopt the pretty device of fastening sprays of holly leaves on lace curtains, and in the lace on toilet tables? The effect is excellent.

Darwin D. Hall, a prominent and rich man in St. Johnsbury, Vt., committed suicide the other day, "on account of his wife's hired girl." If everybody having this sort of trouble should do this sort of a thing, how tragic would the times become!

Rev. G. W. Field, of Bangor, is said to have created quite a sensation, Sunday, by telling the ladies of his congregation that they had better reform some of their follies in dress before undertaking to make angels of their drags.

The funniest thing on the street this month is the appearance of a sharp-nosed woman in the bonnet of the period and a mask veil. The latter article hangs over the tip of her nose, and covers with all the grace of an umbrella covering over a broken rib.—Boston Transcript.

A poor family in Denison, Ohio, consisting of a husband, a wife, and seven children, were on the point of starvation. Somebody raised \$100 for them, and what did the wife do with it? She bought a silk dress for \$70, and began to take music lessons.

The new boat in Paris is the Pompanon. It is of black velvet, and very high, the legging in front all Venetian cut work, embroidered with silver cord, and a pink or Pompanon red silk stocking is thus seen through the open sloop or diamond-shaped design.

It is said that "the Empress of Germany is one of the most simple dressed of women," and that "she drives out in a calico dress." So much for being known to have plenty of money. It is the women who can't pay for fine clothes that are compelled to wear them.—[Courier-Journal.]

In appearance and manner, I find the average Parisian female all I had expected. The boots fit beautifully; the stockings are of the purest white. Her step, on the street, is a lively graceful trip-tap. The hands are tested for memory. She can carry even an umbrella with such grace that the awkward protective mechanism in her hands becomes a symmetrical adjunct to her person.—[Pratt's Mulford.]

How the Puppet Emperor Looked.

(Chilbeston Correspondence of N. Y. World.) At a quarter past 11 the gilded gates of Camden place were thrown open and a carriage appeared containing the Empress and Prince Imperial, Prince Lucien Bonaparte and Prince Lucien Murat. A great cry arose from the crowd; for the first time in his life this young man, who to-day had attained his eighteenth year, heard himself acclaimed as Caesar. "Vive l'Empereur!" was the cry, and it was taken up and echoed and re-echoed by the crowd that lined the way to the church until the shout almost the merry clangor of the bells of the Protestant parish church, when at this moment began to ring a welcome. I was standing close to the side of the carriage, and owing to the density of the crowd it paused until way could be made for it, and I looked narrowly at the Prince to observe the effect which these exclamations might have on him. He had taken off his hat to bow; his face certainly flashed with pride, perhaps with humility. It is no common face—he is yet so young that no one can tell what there may be in him—but it is the face of one who has confidence in himself and in his "star." Throughout the whole of the day he bore himself with dignity, composure and grace. The Empress was looking very nicely well. I had been told she had greatly aged, but I could not see it. She is still handsome, and, as I had opportunities of proving later in the day, is as winning and charming as ever.

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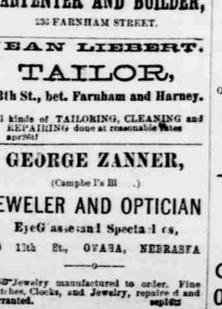
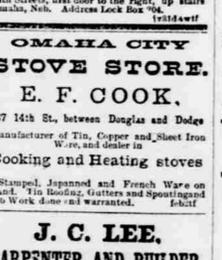
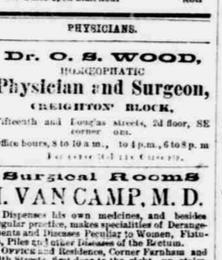
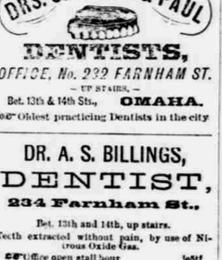
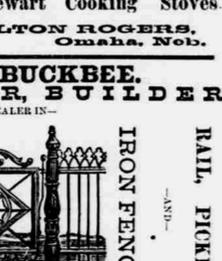
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