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OUR CORRESPONDENTS will be always be pleased to hear from all matters connected with crops, country politics, and on any subject whatever of general interest to the people of our State.

NOTICE. On and after October twenty-first, 1872, the circulation of the Daily Bee is assumed by Mr. Edwin Davis, to whom all orders and subscriptions not paid at the office will be payable, and by whom all receipts for subscriptions will be counterchecked.

BAXTER and Brooks are just now monopolizing our telegraphic columns with the Arkansas rebellion drama.

TWELVE hundred immigrants reached New York from Europe Saturday. A large portion of them are Westward bound.

A most delicate item of super-royal intelligence, is vibrated across the Atlantic. The Duchess of Edinburgh is en route, says the cable gossip, and we presume the royal family physician understands the symptoms.

THE VERDICT. The City Council, acting as a judicial tribunal on the Johnston-Baumer election contest, have rendered their verdict.

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Let it be remembered that the Democracy have, through their representatives in the Omaha City Council, put a premium on fraud and corruption by upholding a man who at the most favorable aspect of the case by the place of his own counsel could only claim his election by bogus tickets, palmed off on unsuspecting Republicans.

THE SCARLET LETTER.

What would be thought of a judge who, after a case had closed and the jury was about to retire, should attempt to influence their verdict by introducing a letter from an important witness denying the veracity of his verbal testimony?

STATE JOTTINGS.

The Crete Post has entered upon its fourth year. Crete claims 908 inhabitants and the cry is still they come. Saline county returns 1224 dogs and 1331 sheep.

Johnston's character. Could not that have been done just as readily after the Council had recorded their verdict? Does not the interposition of the letter prove that he did want Councilmen influenced by the letter?

Does not this case of very transparent thimble-rig more than ever confirm what Johnston himself did not dare deny? That Vandegrift was sober when the First Ward ballots were being counted, we can personally verify on oath, and a dozen unimpeachable witnesses would do the same thing.

It is this scariet letter was not a very clumsy bait for gudgeons to bite at how came it that Comellian Stephenson knew when that letter was read in Council that Vandegrift had tampered?

VOICE FROM LONE TREE. Lone Tree, Neb., May 9, 1874. EDITOR BEE:

Again we have had an exciting day. A Grange council has been in session, and the County Agricultural Society. Nothing of importance transpired in either, as the all important subject of timber stealing was on everybody's mind.

Hon. W. H. Webster addressed the meeting at length, advising the organization he said that nearly all were guilty, and that means should be taken to fix the matter up, either through the Indian Department or through our Congress.

Our town is looking up again. A new firm has started in the dry goods and grocery line, and steps taken for a bridge across the Platte. Hamilton county vote to aid yesterday, but result as yet not ascertained.

General O'Neill's Irish colony will settle in Holt county. North Platte luxuriates in beef.

Jefferson county foots up \$1,100,000 of taxable property. Treasurer proposes to organize a fair department. Corner lots in Grand Island are on the rise.

Lowell proposes to stick to the U. S. land office. The Fairmont Bulletin has expanded and put on a new dress. Fairmont has elected the straight ticket.

The Lincoln bone settlers are revising their fee bill. Palmyra is building a Masonic hall. 1,800 acres have been sown to flax in Clarksville Precinct, Merriek county, this season.

The contract for bridging the Republican river at Arrapaho has been let. A Cuming county farmer has planted thirty acres of flax this spring. Otoe county assessors return taxable property valued at \$4,748,174.96.

The State penitentiary will now have an official barber. Webster, Mayor of Omaha, has leased a cell for five years. Regular trains will run over the St. Joseph and Denver railroad, from Kearney, on and after Monday, May 11th.

The taxable property of Colfax county foots \$1,340,092.45, from which there is deducted for timber, \$25,864.00, leaving the amount taxable at \$1,314,228.45. The B. & M. lands in the Norfolk land district, for which patents have been finally chosen.

The total valuation of taxable property, real and personal, in Hall county, according to the last assessment, is \$1,544,955.75. The total population according to the same authority is 3,842. The amount of business done at the Beatrice land office: Homesteads taken, 18; final proofs made, 37; total number of timber claims taken in the district, 85, comprising 12,607 acres.

The Governor has for years made the specialty of the improved Siberian apple, and has now growing over forty different varieties. He also has young trees of over thirty of the best varieties of apples imported a few years since by the United States Agricultural Department.

The Executive Committee of the Wisconsin State Grange held a meeting, at which it was ascertained that the whole number of subordinate Granges in the State is now 430, all but 100 of which have been organized since the 1st of March, 1873. These have an average membership of forty-six each, making 19,780 Grangers in the State.

GRANGE POINTS. AT HOME. Buffalo County Grangers contemplate a Fourth of July Jollification. J. H. Painter, the original Granger of Nebraska, now resides in Lincoln.

The Grange organization in Washington county is reported in a very flourishing condition. Deputy Foree declares that no more Granges can be organized in Burt county under the established rules.

The State Purchasing Agent has more orders for agricultural machinery than the factories are able to fill on short notice. Nemaha county Grangers have given up the idea of an official organ, and propose to patronize any paper that suits their individual tastes.

The proposed celebration of the anniversary of National Independence by the Grangers of Douglas and Sarpy counties meets with general approval among the fraternity. A new Granger declares that the only law that was of any benefit to farmers in Nebraska, was the one giving a bounty for gopher scalps, and they had to go and repeat that.

The deputy of Jefferson county, T. F. Warden, has recently organized four Granges in that county, one mile west of Gage county line; one half way between Fairbury and Bowlerville, one at Steele City, and one on Dry Creek, south of River Creek, all of which have a large membership.

The Mason county, Ky., Grangers have adopted for their motto: "Hog and hominy; corn and economy." Mr. Tom Taylor, the new editor of Ponce is a granger. At least he was a student at the Grange School in Sutherland.

The Grangers must guard against demagogues. They must guard against excesses. They must guard against fiddle-faddles, and, above all, they should abandon secrecy as unworthy the true American farmer, who is not afraid to do his work by daylight. -New York World.

The members of many Granges of Northern Colorado devoted last Saturday to the especial work of transplanting trees on their farms, and the selection of a suitable portion of their farms to make orchards in the future to the number of trees put out. It is proposed to make this work of tree planting a distinctive and prominent feature of the Grange.

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