WE DO NOT desire any contributions whatever of a literary or poetical character; and we will not undertake to preserve, or to return he same, in any case whatever. Our Staff imited space in that direction.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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faction and as proof of good faith. OUR COUNTRY FRIENDS we will always be pleased to hear from, on all matters connected with crops, country politics, and on any subject whatever of general interest to the people of our State. Any information connected with the election, and relating to floods, accidents, etc., will be gladly received. All cations, however, must be brief as possible; and they must, in all cases, be written upon one side of the sheet only.

ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS of candidates for office -whether made by self or friends, and Editor, are (until nominations are made) simply personal, and will be charged as ad-

All communications should be addressed to E. BOSEWATER, Editor and Publisher, Draw-

On and after October twenty-first, 1872, the city circulation of the DAILY BEE is assumed by Mr. Edwin Davis, to whose order all subscriptions not paid at the office will be payable. and by whom all receipts for subscriptions will E. ROSEWATER, Publisher

ELISHA, the Baxterite, has taken

up his quarters in the Arkansas State House. Mr. William Woodhurst, of Nebraska, was appointed as one of the Vice Presidents of the American

Prison Congress for the ensuing THE new currency bill is now in the hands of the House Committee on Banking and Carrency, who, it is understood, are to devise several amendments with a view of pre-

be sure to sign. PAUL DE COSSAGNAC, the champion duelist of the French press, has for once been disappointed. He had just arranged to kill a scion of the defunct Royalty but the friends of the "Jake" will

senting a bill that the President will

SCPERVISING Architect Mullett is now in this city, and we presume it Is his intention to push the United State Post-Office and Custom House to an early completion.

not consent to it.

The building has been under construction about three times as long as it should have been, and we imagine certain nameless parties would willingly extend the agony to an indefinite period. The disinterested citizens of Omaha are, however, beginning to be disgusted with these interminable and we think inexcusable delays. It is therefore to be hoped Mr. Mullet's presence means business.

You must always go away from home if you want to hear the latest news. According to the Lincoln Journal the silly periodical attacks on the State University, in the Omaha Herald is the budding forth of a wiley and secret scheme to move the institution up to Omaha and incorporate it into its costly experiment of a high school, and that some of the underground politicians of that burg are waiting to trade with the capital movers on this basis. The Lincoln editor is known to be a very successful snipe hunter, but we apprehend he has trapped a huge decoy duck this

MUNICIPAL LOOSENESS.

And now it transpires that the

City of Omaha owns real estate, of which no record can be found in any of our municipal offices. This fact was recently brought to the attention of Mayor Chase, by parties who had been occupants of city iots, about which no mention is made in the abstract book of city property. This looseness in municipal affairs is however, only in full keeping with the inexcusable irregularities that prevail throughout the whole system, Mayor Chase is the first municipal executive who has taken the pains to procure a full inventory of city property in each of the various municipal departments, and for this he deserves ever, that a great corporation like on the 30th inst., at which time the city of Omaha, should have a reliable record of every inch of real estate of which they can claim ownership. In our opinion a mere rades. abstract or list, made up by real estate agents, will not fill the bill. It should be made the especial duty of the city attorney, or some other competent attorney to carefully examine the county records for the purpose of ascertaining the description and location of every lot or part of lot owned by the city. These attorneys should also investigate the conditions upon which the city deeded or leased her property, and whether any of the them, remembering that property sold, donated or leased by the city, does not revet to the city by the failure of the purchasers, granteesor lessees to comply with the in the sea, and yet let all be united original conditions of the transfer.

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Few of our citizens are aware that neither the original map or any subsequent map of the City of Omaha has ever been recorded. If we meither the original map or any subsequent map of the City of Omaha has ever been recorded. If we are correctly informed the only copy of the original Jones map now in this city is in possession of Mr. Byton Reed. Suppose this copy should for Reed. Suppose the City of Omaha for Reed. Suppose the City of Reed

be destroyed or lost, where can we ver procure an authentic record of

original locations and surveys. OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY. Why a matter of such vast importance to our citizens should have been neglected for eighteen years passes our comprehension. It is a well known fact that the original surveys of Omaha were not very accurate. Some blocks in the present business center of this city cover more ground than others. Some of the streets are not exactly paralell. It is therefore of the utmost importance that the County Clerk's office should contain a reliable record of these surveys, including a copy of the original maps. Mayor Chase is on the right track but we hope he will not stop until the affairs of this city are put on as sound a basis as those of any well conducted private corporation.

THE re-location of army headquarters from Washington to St. Louis seems now to be definitely arranged. With General Sherman at St. Louis it will naturally follow whether as notices or communications to the | that Sheridan's presence at Chicago would practically become superflu-

It becomes self-evident that it would be an expensive luxury to keep up Lieutenant General's headquarters located at a greater distance from Department headquarters at Omaha, Leavenworth and San Antonio than General Sherman would be when at St.

We shall therefore not be surprised if the relocation of General Sherman's headquarters, would involve a relocation of General Sheridan's headquarters, and a possible readjustment of Department boundaries. Omaha, it seems to us, would be a very desirable location for the Lieutenant General. He would be near enough to the Department of the Missouri, and at the same time at a desirable distance from the great Indian reservations, north and west.

The White Slaves of England. Under the above head the New

York World gives, from its London correspondent, some account of the ondition of the working classes of England. He has been looking over the report of the Inspectors of Factories for the last year. The Inspectors visited the brick-makers, and they report that those laborers are "a most barbarous, semi-civilized, ignorant set. Men and boys look like red Indians; the sand used in brick-making being burnt red, their bodies are covered with it. They work bare-headed, barefooted, with exposed breasts, and with wild looks. Drinking all day Sunday, Monday and Tuesday dog-fighting on Wednesdays, when the poor little unfortunates (that is, the children of both sexes, who are made to do the hardest part of the labor) are made to toil away, stamping and carrying, and pressing a good fort-night's work into three or four days. One man, who last week earned in four days twenty-eight shillings (6.50 in gold), took his wife home a loaf of bread and six-

The law that children under 12 vears of age must not be made to work is systematically disregarded. Cases are given where children ten or twelve years old are made to do night work, and have but seven hours of the twenty-four for sleep and meals. These reports from the brick works are bad enough but what can we say of the stories told of the salt works at Droilwich? In these the women work with the men all night, both sexes stripped to the waist, and very little clothing to cover them below. The men wear short breeches simply, and the women have on only a single garment, a skirt, tied about the waist and

reaching to the knees. The scenes nightly enacted in these works are said to be horrible beyond description, and chastity, morality and decency are, among the workers, words destitute of meaning. This is a brief glimpse into the condition of the toiling masses of the "proudest and most enlightened nation upon the globe," the country upon which the sun never sets. Every true Briton's heart will probably swell with pride at the view. England sends year after year her wealth and her misssionaries to

other lands, to assist and educate, and clothe and civilize the heathen, while her own flesh and blood at home is living in destitution, misery and shame. This is the "finest peasantry in the world," of which England boasts. Let the American working people turn from the pic-ture, view their own condition and be happy.

Decoration Day.

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY) OF THE REPUBLIC, DEP'T OF NEB, Lincoln, May 14, '74 GENERAL ORDER NO. SIX.

Memorial Day will be observed in this Department, in accordance with the rules and regulations, by great credit. It seems to us, how- the Grand Army of the Republic,

> "When spring, with dewy fingers cold Return to deck their hallowed mould." the customary honors will be paid to the memory of our departed com-

Post commanders are recommended to invite the co-operation of comrades not members of the Grand Army, of the clergy, and of all who may feel interested in the memorial services, consisting of public services, visiting and decorating, so far as able, the graves where

It is earnestly hoped that in those places where there are no posts, the day will not be permitted to pass without suitable recognition; but

"There honor comes, a pilgrim gray, To bless the turf that wraps their clay."

Our noble dead are scattered far and wide, they lie on the land and

SERENADE BY A FARMER.

Oh, come my love and live with me ; And busy as a sitting hen.

Oh, rest beneath my fragrant flower; Where sweet starmonium doth entwine; Come smell the gentle cauliflower And cull the mangle-wirtzel vine.

Ah, listen to the rural songs!
The pea shall wind his magic shell,
As Echo plaintively prolongs
The warble of the pinspernel.

Beyond the vermicelli sow
I hear the bull-frogs sigh again—
The cackle of the Durham ewe—
The bellow of the Berkshire hen. Oh, come love, come, the moral is fair, I'll relebrate the day with thee; I'll merrily dig the Bartlett pear, And shake the ruta-baga tree.

Oh, hump yourself, my lovely Poll.
And in the cause of anti-monop.
We'll mulch the turkeys in the fall,
And graft the long clam on the crop

My sweetest! I am fond of mush, And thou will set some out for me We'll early sow the currant bush, And tap the cranberry-jelly tree.

We'll pull the wool from off the calf, The cottonwood its fleece shall shed; So at the winter we shall laugh, And gaily weed the oyster bed.

We'll bi ithely hoe the winter wheat, We'll chase the egg's the squirrels lay. And when the bantam hog shall bleat We'll reed him with some clover hay.

All savory game to thee I'll bring;
The burdoc knows my spear Is sharp;
I'll shoot the dolphin on the wing
And hit him in the pericarp. Then come my love and live with me; And beautify my lonely den, As patient as a bumble-bee, And busy as a sitting hen.

NATURAL CURIOSITIES.

A manatee or sea cow has taken up its home in a creek near St. Augustine, which is to be fenced in and

A boy while fishing in the Missouri river at Brownville last week, caught an eel, the first one that ever came out of the Missouri.

A lad named Platt found a tooth of a mastodon, in McHenry county, | ployed. Illinois, a few days since. and a similar molar was recently discovered in Ogle county. The former weighed ten and the latter fifteen

Professor Darwin is the happy ossessor of a practical supporter of his peculiar theory in the shape of the first gorilla ever tamed. It is described as a most courteous dinerout, very particular as to its food, and insisting on a nightly ration of hot rum and water, sweetend with

honey, before retiring. The Los Angeles public library has made the addition of a second natural curiosity—a mammoth shrimp, nicely bottled and pickled down in vinegar. The specimen is about eight inches long by four in circumference, having the general form of a shrimp, with protruding eyes, long feelers, and every other haracteristic, except the usual size and color, which is a light red.

Mocking birds can imitate human actions as well as human voices, it seems. A Macon, Ga., paper says that two birds of this stripe got jealous of each other and undertook to fight it out in desperate fashion. One of them, getting ugh of it sang and followed this up by crying "nolice, police," And, oddly "police, police." And, oddly enough, there was a policeman within hearing who came up and stopped the fight.

A spaniel named "Curley" is the regular mail-carrier between a settlement called Lake of Two Woods, Dakota, and the Minnesota line, twelve miles away. Letters and papers are placed in a sack and tied about the dog's neck; he is told to go, and never fails to reach his destination. Arriving, the mail is overhauled, the faithful servant is treated to a good dinner, and started on his return trip.

The seals in the Brighton, England, Aquarium are in a room where concerts are occasionally given. It is said that the animals are greatly affected by vocal music, and lately became very disorderly during a performance, rushing about in the water and making a noise which almost drowned the voice of the singer. Instrumental music does not seem to affect them so powerfully, but the more sweet and tender the voice of the singer the more powerfully they are affected.

A gentleman at Helena, Montana Territory, has a pair of huge mountain lions, or cougars, which he has raised from whelps. These beasts are now about two years old, and fully as large as a good-sized panther. They do not obtain their full growth until four years of age. They are very ferocious, and give no evidence of becoming tractable; and an ordinary sized dog thrown into the cage, did not survive long enough to give a yelp. The owner says they have already devoured some ten or twelve dogs, and twen-ty or thirty cats, which have been given them to play with.

A correspondent writes as follows of a celebrated place in Colorado Canon, called Echo Park: "When a gun is discharged, total silence follows the report for a moment; then, with startling suddenness, the echo is heard, seeming at a great distance—say five miles to the south —Whence it comes back in separate and distnet reverberations, as if leaping from glen to glen. Louder and quicker grows the sound, until apparently directly opposite, when a full volume of sound is returned; then once more the echo is heard, like the snapping of a cap, far to the

The New Haven Journal records the case of a young lady in that city who had been lying in a cataleptic trance since the night of Wednesday of last week. She retired on that night in full possession of good health, and in the morning she was found, body and limbs perfectly rigid, and has remained so ever since. Another singular circumstance attending this case is that about a year ago she lost all power of speech for twenty-four hours, and upon regaining it she could articu-late nothing but German, a lan-guage which she has never learned.

The so-called vegetable wax of Japan and China is, in reality, the secretion of an insect about the size that friends and citizens will visit of a grain of rice. It receives its the graves of those who sleep among name because it is found on trees. After it is gathered it is melted and strained; nearly 3,000,000 pounds were exported from China in 1870.

The pretty little plant called the Drosera, or sundew, says the Providence Journal, developes some if there be one present, if not then strange animal instincts. It is a elect a master protem. There is no charming plant, with its lovely pink authority to make the steward masblossoms, while the dew-like sub- ter, as he is outranked by the lec-

best known species, the Dorsera fili-formis. Some living flies were pinned half an inch from the leaves, intoxicating liquors or an habitual near the apex, about ten o'clock in drunkard, said deputy shall, upon complaint, be subject to be deprived of his commission, and said grange the morning. In forty minutes the leaves had bent perceptibly toward the flies. In two hours the leaves to the surrender of its charter. had reached the flies, and their leaves were entangled among the bristles and held fast. The flies

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leaves near enough to entangle the flies, for dead flies failed to produce the same result as living ones. On the same day bits of raw beef were placed on some of the most vigor-PUNANCIAL AGENT SFOR THE UNITED STATES. ous leaves of another species of the AND DESIGNATED DEPOSITORY FOR DISBURSING OFFICERS. plant, the Drosera longifolia. In

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OF OMAHA. Germany is making cannon at Corner of Farham and 13th Rivets the rate of 100 a week. THE OLDEST BANKING ESTABLISHMENT Steps have been taken to estab-IN NEBRASKA. lish a cotton factory in Newbern,

(Successors to Kountze Brothers.) It is proposed in England to use enameled iron plates as a substitute ESTABLISHED IN 1858. Organized as a National Bank, August 26, 1863 for roofing slates and tiles.

It is proposed to make stage scen-Capital and Profits over - \$250,000 ery fire-proof by using wire cloth instead of canvas, and iron frames OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS instead of the wooden ones now em-E. CREIGHTON, A. KOUNTZE. President. Cashier. H. W. YATES, H. COUNTZE, A bell weighing 6,000 pounds, in-Vice Pres't. As't Cashier

tended for the fire department of Brooklyn, has been cast at the foundry of Henry McShane & Co., TICKETS FOR SALE TO ALL PARTS of Europe via the Cunard and National Steamship Lines, and the Hamburg-American M. Ladiguin, a Russian scientist, Packet Company. has invented a means of producing

were then removed three-quarters of an inch further from the leaves. The leaves still remained bent to-

ward the flies, but could not reach

them at this distance. The ob-

server thinks that the action of

the flies' wings may have created sufficient force to bring the

two hours two of the leaves had fol-

ded around the beef, hiding it from

sight. Laving flies were also placed

upon the same species of the plant.

In a little more than an hour one

of the leaves had folded entirely

had ceased to struggle. Two hours later, four leaves had each folded

INDUSTRIAL POINTS.

around a fly.

electric light by which it can be obtained for general use at one-fifth the cost of gas. The bulletin of the American Iron and Steel Association reports the condition of the trade at the end of

April as in a "state of paralysis in

The production of wool in the United States during the past four years was: In 1870, 125,000,000 pounds; in 1871, 112,500,000 pounds; in 1872, 135,000,000 pounds; in 1873, 148,000,000 pounds.

France last year produced 1,381,-000 tons of pig iron, being 200,000 tons more than in 1872. Her production of steel was 167,677 tons, viz., 64,444 tons cast steel, and 103,233

The Manchester, (N. H.) Print Works have passed into the hands of a new Company, with a capital stock of \$2,000,000, one-half of which has been taken by stockholders of the old corporation. The works suffered no discontinuation of busi-A company has been formed in

Pittsfield, Mass., for the purpose of inducing manufacturers to settle there by providing them with suitable buildings and steam power. It has received a gift of twelve acres of land from a real estate owner and is erecting a large factory thereon.

The cleansing of cotton which has been used for oiling machinery, is now a regular business in Westville. Conn. By the aid of machinery the oil is extracted from the cotton, and sold for lubricating purposes. The cotton is then subjected to a bleaching process, by which it is re-

Iron ore has been found for the first time in Schuylkill County, Penn., on property within the city limits of Pottsville. This discovery, which may lead to others, is expected to benefit that section of Pennsylvania which has hitherto procured ore for its furnaces from places more or less distant.

The total value of metals mined in Great Britain last year was \$110,-800,000; of minerals, pottery materials, etc., \$9,000,000; of coal, \$531,400,000; total, \$651,200,000. The excess of value over 1875 is about \$66,400,000, and is due to the influence of the combustible element, which has attained exceptionally high prices. The increase in the production of coal was 4,305,-

The building of wooden ships is making fair progress at the New England ship-yards, despite the preference accorded to iron vessels. In Newburyport a ship of 1,500 tons has been launched, and two others are building. At Kennebunkport one of 1,600 tons is on the stocks while at Richmond one of 1,200 tons is building, and the materials for another of 2,000 have been col-

Grange Decisions.

The various masters of the different State Granges have made the following decisions, which will ma-terially aid subordinate granges in their deliberations: Members not clear on the books

should not be given the annual word. A past master has the same right as any other member, and no more. Granges cannot constitutionally

refund or remit any of the initiation A supordinate grange canno change the by-law requiring money to accompany the petition.

A grange cannot take a note for fees or vote back any fees after they have been paid in. Standing committees on applica-

tions are illegal; all committees on applications must be special. Rituals are not to be distributed among the different members of the grange, but to be kept by the No dispensation can be filled out

after the application has been sent off by the deputy.

Every candidate for initiation must be balloted for, whether the committee reports pro or con. When the M. and O. are both absent a P. M. should take the chair,

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