

THREE OF A KIND.

The Doughty Deeds of Republican Chiefs in the Political Vineyard.

Conklings Abilities as a Stewart Contrasted With Mr. Blaine.

A Hale Fellow From Maine.

Special dispatches to the Enquirer.

New York, June 18, 1881. All sorts of opinions prevail about Mr. Conklings' abilities. Some claim that he belongs to as high a school as Webster and Calhoun among lawyers, and ranks as a leader with Clay and Van Buren.

I met Hon. Ben Willis yesterday, who was elected to congress as a liberal republican and acted with the democrats during the Greeley campaign. I said to him: "Mr. Willis, when I was in Albany a day or two before Mr. Conkling first arrived there to open his canvass for the senate, you told me there was a distinguished man in town that I would give something to know, but you could not then give him away. Who was it?"

"Oh, no," said Willis. "He does not rank among leaders and thinkers, but a shrewd wire-puller, arranger of programmes, bearer of messages and a manipulator, don't you mistake him. He knows that business all by heart, and Blaine has not got his equal, unless it be old Hamlin, to go around like an aide-de-camp and set up things. Seeing Hale there in advance of Conkling, I thought I would like to tell you about it, but the circumstances were such I did not like to."

"Then you think Blaine the better politician, Mr. Willis?" "Altogether," said Willis. "Blaine has no such state as New York for a base of operations. He has the poor little state of Maine, away off on the borders of Halifax, but even from there he has scared these politicians. He has upset Pennsylvania and nearly ruined the Camerons. He got into Sherman's state and took his delegates away. He took the Western states nearly solidly, and drove Logan and Grant right in Illinois, and this is the first good shot he has had at Conkling, and see where he has fetched him!"

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Flying Notes From Its Thriving Towns.

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MISSOURI VALLEY, June 21. Missouri Valley Junction is a thrifty growing town, containing the S. C. & P. railroad headquarters, a roundhouse and machine shops, a railway dining hall, a fine school building and long rows of stores with more going up. The drawbacks for this summer are the overflooded farms on the river bottom, and the consequent malaria.

On Tuesday the Valley people determined to have a rousing celebration on the 4th. Some, however, will go over and picnic in Omaha on that day.

Mr. Plummer, a Missouri Valley man, tried to go west without settling his bills and had his corporeity jerked out of a freight car at North Platte, and conveyed back to the starting point under charges of obtaining goods through false pretenses, all of which was published in THE BEE some time ago. The sequel, however, remains unannounced. The creditors got fifty cents on the dollar and let the culprit go.

Logan, Iowa, is the first station east of the junction, and is one of the prettiest towns in western Iowa. It is full of intellectual men and pretty women. Its drawback is a half a dozen vacant stores on the south side of the square, business having drifted northward and left them out in the cold. They could be utilized advantageously by manufacturers. Here peace and prosperity reigns, hence items are scarce.

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MISSOURI VALLEY, June 21. The officials of the Sioux City and Northwestern roads met at Superintendent's Watters' office at Missouri Valley during the last week, and the outcome is that the Northwestern is to increase their side track room to about eight thousand feet all told, build a round house capable of holding three or four engines, and then in conjunction with the Sioux City road, build a grand union depot. The plans and specifications have been fully agreed upon by both companies and work will commence in a very short time.

Notes From Valley and Waterloo. Correspondence of the Bee. VALLEY, Neb., June 21.—Two little towns in the western part of Douglas county show considerable life and activity. Valley, the junction of the O. & R. V. with the U. P., is wrestling with a steam mill project with some prospect of success.

Mr. Chas. Harrier, from Illinois, is erecting a new store building. Mr. Harrier is a merchant of experience and a valuable acquisition to the place. L. A. Puffer & Bro. enjoy an excellent trade in general merchandise, besides being shippers of grain and other produce.

A new hotel is in process of erection by E. Hudspeth, and the rattle of hammer and saw are heard from early morning till late at night. Waterloo is also getting a second hotel and an additional store. Waterloo is situated on the west bank of the Elkhorn river, and close to the place where that stream is crossed by the U. P. railway. Until last season from the building of the road, a long piece of trestle work has stood on the east side of the river between the bridge and the bluff.

This piece of trestle work extended about 500 feet, and was a very necessary proviso for a high water escape. Last year the railway company filled in the trestle work a complete embankment of dirt, and as a result when the high water came this spring, it found an effectual dam here that caused a rise of three feet extra, and throwing the water over the town site of Waterloo to a depth of nearly one foot; and it was three or four weeks before the confined course of the river could carry it away. Cellars were filled, and many crabs spoiled, besides many other damages of a serious nature. E. Clark & Sons claim a loss of \$1,500 worth of corn, and their mill property sustained considerable damage also.

Waterloo people are talking of an excursion steambot to ply between Waterloo and down the river towns. Waterloo is quite a resort for pleasure seekers. There are several fine lakes within a few miles provided with boats and stocked with a variety of choice fish. J. V.

Blair Topics. Correspondence of the Bee. BLAIR, June 20.—The streets are crowded with moving buildings to make room for better and more commodious bricks, of which quite a number will be built this season. The lots are now vacated for the erection of Hingate & Crowell's bank, and Lundt's hardware store, which will go up on the corner of Walker Avenue and Washington street—there is also a prospect of a brick block going up on the opposite corner west. When these buildings are completed they will improve the looks of the business part of Blair. Cheeny & Clark are now running the City hotel and giving satisfaction.

J. Koppel's new hotel on Washington street will soon be ready for occupancy. It is roomy and well located. The members of the G. A. R. are drilling preparatory to the celebration here on the Fourth and Fifth. The Bell Creek Post will be in attendance. They have a full programme and expect a good time.

The Palancy boy, that got his foot crushed last Wednesday while trying to board a freight train on the St. Paul and Chicago railroad, is doing well, and will probably recover. Farmers from all over are bringing in their hogs, on account of good prices. Over \$20,000 worth of hogs were brought to Blair on Saturday.

Last Tuesday while Mr. L. Davis and family, of Herman precinct were away from home some one broke into the house and made off with twenty-five dollars in money and everything else valuable that they could carry. Last Saturday morning about 2 o'clock, J. T. Pacl's store was broken into by thieves. This is the second time in a month that this store has been broken into. This time however they

have arrested a couple of young sports—Frank Sulton and Dick Free. From Sulton's actions it would seem that to reach the penitentiary is his only ambition which will quite likely be gratified this time. Their examination will be commenced to-day. Hr.

Killed by Lightning. Correspondence of the Bee. STOKES, Iowa, June 21.—Toussaint La Moutreux, a Frenchman, who lives a few miles out in the country, was struck and instantly killed by lightning Sunday evening.

Splendid Running of Ocean Steamers. New York Herald. The steamship Arizona, which arrived at New York from Liverpool on the 6th inst., crossed the Atlantic without a single gale, and on three days of her voyage made over 377 miles, and one of these days her log shows a run of 400 miles. On May 11, the same vessel, and on May 28 the Germanic, both approaching Sandy Hook, made the splendid run of 420 miles in twenty-four hours, a speed of nearly eighteen miles an hour. In the last week of April, on the eastern side of the Atlantic, the Lessing ran 484 and the Adriatic 408 miles in one day, while on May 11th and 16th the City of Richmond travelled 375 and 378 miles respectively—the first distance in mid ocean and the latter near the American coast. Later in the month (May 27) the City of Brussels made 385 miles in a day, and the Gallia, three days before, and shortly after leaving the English Channel, 371 miles.

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PROPOSALS FOR BEEF. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Office of Indian Affairs, Washington, June 15, 1881.—Sealed proposals, indorsed "Proposals for Beef," and directed to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C., will be received until 11 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, July 20th, 1881, for furnishing the Indian service, 14,200,000 pounds beef to the post.

Schedules showing the quantities to be delivered at each Agency, together with blank proposals and form of contracts and bond, conditions to be observed by bidders, time and place of delivery, and all other necessary instructions will be furnished upon application to the Indian office at Washington, D. C., or Nos. 65 and 47 Wooster street, New York, W. H. Lyon 483 Broadway New York, and to the Commissioner of Subsistence, U. S. A. at Saint Louis, Chicago, Saint Paul, Leavenworth, Omaha, Cheyenne, and Yankton, and the Postmaster at Sioux City.

Bids will be opened at the hour and day above stated, and bidders are invited to be present at the opening.

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