

THERE is no truth about the suffering and deaths from freezing in Western Kansas. Western Nebraska and eastern Colorado have had no such experience, a proof that the stories about Kansas, 200 miles farther south, are pure fiction.

DANIEL MANNING, whose death occurred at his home in Albany early this week, was a self-made man and typical American. Like Lincoln, Logan, and other public men whom the people hold dear, he was a man of the people, held in the highest esteem. All classes unite in doing him honor.

THE county seat election in Logan county, Colo., last week was a lively affair. Sterling is the favorite, but the B. & M. people are determined to have the capital at their town of Holyoke, while Julesburg is a side issue. From this distance it looks as though the latter place stood no show, and we advise the people to throw the weight of their vote to Sterling.

THE Nebraska weather service bulletin shows that the cold wave which swept over the plains during the latter part of November was the coldest experienced in that month during the past ten years. At Valentine the mercury touched 31 degrees below zero.

THE State Journal, published at Lincoln, Neb., has recently inaugurated a Monday morning paper, and is now published seven days in the week. The Monday morning Journal is a full sized paper, in every way up to the high standard which characterizes the paper on other days in the week, and does not in any way detract from the other issues of the paper. The Journal has always been one of the best daily newspapers in the west, and this new stroke of enterprise places it in the front rank of metropolitan journalism.

THERE will be a strong effort made at this session of congress to pass a bill controlling immigration. It is time. It seems that a large portion of the foreigners do not come to this country to live under our liberal institutions but to destroy them. If they want to overthrow law and order, let them practice their schemes at home. This country has no use for them.

SENATOR MANDERSON has introduced a bill dividing Nebraska into five divisions in which U. S. court shall be held. North Platte is in the central division, and it includes the counties along the U. P. from Kearney to the west end of the state, Kearney being the place for holding court. The Senator should remember that Kearney is over 200 miles from the west end of the State. North Platte, 90 miles farther west, is much more central, both of territory and population. Senator Manderston should amend the bill to make North Platte the point for holding court, and then it should become a law.

THE special election for the location of the county seat in Perkins county (south Keith) has been called by the Governor for Jan. 17. The towns of Grant and Madrid are contestants. The latter has Grant a hard rap when it says of its rival: "Grant bases her claims for county seat on being the largest town in the county, etc., etc. She contains, no doubt, the largest and only ring of tricksters who have constantly worked against the interests of the people. She contains a set of men who will not hesitate to stoop to anything that will win. A suspicious place to trust anything of public welfare." Chickens come home to roost. By her illegal votes Grant secured the division of the county. Now those who winked at the work are abusing her for it.

OF LATE years a great deal has been said and written about railroad monopolies, the complaints generally being confined to freight and passenger rates. There are other monopolies that are equally as oppressive, perhaps more so, and it is time they should receive the attention of the people and be broken. Perhaps the monopoly that reaches the people more directly at present is that of fuel companies. These are rings generally composed of officers of railroad companies. Nearly every railroad company in the West has one of these rings, and they are especially oppressive throughout

the whole timberless region between the Missouri river and the Rocky mountains. They fix the freight rate, set the price on the coal, and regulate the supply. They fear no competition, for the railroad company, standing in with the ring, will not transport, or at least only in small quantities, for private companies. There are individuals owning coal lands who would gladly work their mines and ship the product to consumers if they could get transportation. That is impossible under present conditions. The same thing can be said of fuel monopolies in the East. The anthracite coal Kings will not allow the supply to exceed a certain amount, thereby keeping the price up to what are claimed exorbitant figures. These things are beginning to make the people think. They are beginning to ask the question what right have a few individuals to size and monopolize the fuel trade? Have a few persons the right to size these vast deposits designed by nature to furnish warmth and comfort to her people, and dole them out to the many in such quantities and at such prices as they (the monopolists) see fit?

If legislation can reach this subject, and we believe it can, it is time the people should take steps to protect their rights. The comfort and health of the people cannot, should not, and must not be at the mercy of a few coal kings, already rich beyond the requirements of any individual.

OUR FUTURE BEEF SUPPLY. The wholesale shipments of cattle from the drouth districts of Iowa and Illinois, the immense number of range cattle both from the northern and southern ranges that have been thrown on the market during the past season, coupled with the almost total extinction of the she stock in portions of the northern ranges last winter, means a great diminution in the supply from sources that have hitherto been a large factor in supplying the markets. While some of the most prosperous states produce more beef than they consume, it is evident that the demand is outgrowing the supply; and again, the cattle supplied from the ranges during the past twenty years have created a line of business in which there are millions invested and which would be difficult for eastern stock raisers to profitably supply.

Phil Armour is reported to have said that "the country east of the Missouri river was capable of supplying the whole demand," yet it seems the country spoken of has not produced what is claimed it could nor in our opinion ever will, notwithstanding such high authority as Mr. Armour. What markets have consumed the produce of the ranges and where have the finest and fattest eastern beves been sold? The canning, packing and refrigerator houses have used the bulk of the range supply and the foreign demand has taken a large portion of the choicest eastern raised beef. There is a large area of the northwestern country that is almost strictly pastoral on account of diversified surface, only a small percentage being capable of maturing agricultural produce on account of the altitude and dryness of atmosphere. Irrigating ditches will reclaim much, but only a small part the whole, and the crops that will be principally raised will be fed to horned stock and cattle. The whole western and northwestern country has hardly begun to be developed. Immense bodies of minerals, coal, oil fields and the timbered districts of the mountains only await the process of "bringing out" to people the country with almost countless industries. The beef supply must come from somewhere. A few venturesome capitalists have sought ranges in some cases disastrous results, in others doubtful. But at present we cannot look to Mexico. Mexicans are not, as a rule, inclined toward the Americans. The whole Spanish South American people and Indians with but few exceptions are in a state of constant fermentation, making the industry of raising cattle with profit in that country merely a theory based on the large amount of unoccupied territory that is supposed to be peculiarly favorable to it. The United States must not only supply herself but must furnish for foreign consumption large quantities of beef, and touching the decrease in our future production, we clip from the Northwestern of Cheyenne the following: Twelve hundred cows on the market in one day at Kansas City,

last week, and from one ranch, is an illustration of how the future beef supply is being cut off. If this was the only case of the kind the papers would be full of talk about it. But it has grown to be so common an occurrence that no one thinks it worth while to comment. It is a present slaughter and a future "boomer." It is rough on the man who gives up the cows but it is piling up big dollars for the man who don't have to sell his she stock.

Those so situated that they can continue in the business as a business—not a speculation—whether in conjunction with the farm or strictly in raising stock will be the people who will have a comfortable surplus to their credit.

Why Freight Rates are High. CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 28.—To-day a contract between Commissioner Vining and the old tripartite association was cancelled. When originally formed, Vining was chosen commissioner with \$12,000 annual salary and a five year contract. The pool lasted but eighteen months but Vining held to his contract, and has since continued to draw his \$1,000 a month. To-day, however, he agreed to take \$6,000 in lieu of the remaining year of the contract. For eighteen months active duty and two years sitting around, Mr. Vining has been paid \$52,000.

WALLACE. Mr. Shaw and wife took Christmas dinner in Curtis.

A Hofmeister went to Holyoke Monday to see about selling corn. As to his success I am not informed.

D. Jackson boarded the train for Curtis Friday evening, and whether he took Christmas dinner with his "best girl" or whether she was Mrs. Jackson before dinner time I am unable to say. However we extend our best wishes to the young couple.

The M. E. folks are holding a week of prayer at the Scofield school house, which will be followed by protracted meetings.

Our Literary is still progressing finely. Question for discussion next Saturday evening, Resolved: "That the interests of the country demand a new political party."

Mr. Huston threshed his millet crop Monday and now has a fine lot of seed for sale.

At last we are to have a post office at this place, our esteemed lumberman D. Jackson having received the appointment of postmaster and as soon as necessary arrangements can be made, the mail will be "dropped" off daily.

Dr. Segraves has deserted the R. R. and offers his services to the public as Surgeon and Doctor.

J. H. Seaton has sold his drug and hardware stock, J. S. Bailor purchasing the drugs and Wilson & Summers, the hardware.

We are informed the Herald will take a lay off this week look out for a whooper next week.

It seems strange yet it is a fact that a number of young people in this vicinity attend our prayer meetings, seemingly for no other purpose than to make sport. Shame on them, and if they continue this kind of conduct I shall publish their names.

A BOOM EDITION. MR. EDITOR:—My attention was called to the advertising scheme of the Inter Ocean solicitor who took his departure from the city a few days since with something over \$125 received from subscribers in our town. As a consideration he forwards the daily Inter Ocean for three months and inserts in one issue an editorial correspondence descriptive of North Platte and the vicinity. It is a credit to our city to notice the increase in public spirit shown by so many of our citizens in the endeavor to boom our advantages and prospects throughout the country.

Now while I approve of any method by which the interests of our community can be advanced, and while the Inter Ocean advertisement will doubtless be beneficial still it is questionable whether for the amount expended as large a return will be realized as by other methods of advertising. During the past four years I have expended quite a large amount in advertising. I have endeavored to trace wherein I received returns from that source of securing customers. I have observed that where I expended money in advertisements in papers outside of our local issues, the returns have been light; and I have found that I received but little if any reimbursement for money expended on foreign publications. My experience has been that the largest returns have come from our home papers. To illustrate: I gave Rev. Vessels ten dollars for my advertisement in the Vanguard. I can trace over \$100 in returns to my card in his little paper. I have frequently received inquiries stating "I noticed your advertisement in THE TRIBUNE, in the Vanguard, your Land News" or other county papers. Your statement relative to your intention of issuing a boom edition would seem to be just what North Platte requires. Now, in 1885 I published and circulated for my own special benefit a small land paper called the Lincoln County Land News, the cost of 5,000 copies amounted to \$37. I have circulated about 3,000 and still use them in answer to inquiries relative to our city and county. To this little paper I can directly trace as receipts over \$1,000 which has come to myself and associates. I can show the

service it rendered the county in the arrival and settlement within our limits of over fifty new settlers who have permanently located themselves and families within the boundaries of our county, and who are now engaged in advancing the general wealth of all by their residence and labor.

This beneficial result has been attained through their receiving and reading this little land sheet. Every settler it has brought to us has added to the wealth of Lincoln county; it has increased the actual value of land. The value of North Platte real estate has been enhanced by their settlement in the vicinity of the city. Every hotel, livery stable, store, lumber and coal yard, bank and other business houses have been benefited. Although the settler individually expends but little, a number of settlers will expend and disburse in a year's time quite a large sum and their labor is at all times increasing general values.

Now if a little private publication with a distribution of only 3,000 copies can be of such value, how much more value and benefit can accrue to the county and city in general by liberally assisting in the publication and circulation of your proposed boomer? A careful and considerate distribution of from 5,000 to 10,000 copies of a good boom issue would be of incalculable benefit to our city and county.

My experience has demonstrated that but little return is received for money invested in foreign publications; that newspapers or circulars of home production give by great odds the greatest return for the amount expended.

Now North Platte and our county can be greatly benefited by giving a generous and hearty support to the publication of a boomer issue. It would be absurd to assert that the real estate man should do all; the public may be assured that they will do their share. They will not be backward in rendering assistance. So now lies with the people as a whole to come forward and give an earnest and enthusiastic support to the coming boomer, as the successful issue of such a paper will tend to increase the personal wealth of every citizen of the county. Respectfully yours, I. A. FORT.

"Where are you going, sir?" said the gardener to a colored chap, whom he discovered crawling through a hole in the fence enclosing the melon patch, giving emphasis to the inquiry by a sharp rap with a hoe handle. "I'm going back, boss," replied Sambo, making haste to wriggle toward the outside of the lot. There are some indications that the administration, having felt the whack of the industrial interest, will forego its felonious designs on the National protection melon patch and crawl, after the hasty manner of the rescuing of the rebel flag order.—Inter-Ocean.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL APPOINTMENT OF THE TEMPORARY SCHOOL FUND.

Superintendent Lane has turned over to the state auditor the semi-annual apportionment of the temporary school fund and the work of drawing the warrants for the same was immediately begun. This apportionment is made in compliance with the provisions of section 3, subdivision 11, of the school law and is derived from the following sources:

Table with 2 columns: Source and Amount. Includes Interest on United States bonds, Interest on State bonds, Interest on county bonds, etc.

The rapid growth of this fund is most gratifying to note and is conclusive evidence of the educational funds of the state. The corresponding apportionment of last year was \$289,270.68 and the fund has grown since 1880 from \$125,312.05.

The total number of children now reported is 270,982 over 252,005 for last year and 233,000 for 1885. Upon this basis the rate per scholar is \$1,194.7296 with a fractional remainder of 17 cents.—State Journal.

Lincoln County has 1890 children of school age and will receive \$2,257.55.

THE MISSOURI PACIFIC COMING.

A special dispatch from Lincoln to the Omaha Republican under date of the 27th, is of special importance to Lincoln county, in as much as it indicates the building of the Missouri Pacific into this section in the near future. It says: "Articles incorporating the 'Pacific Railway Company' were filed with the secretary of state to-day. The incorporators are F. P. Bonnell, Edward Barrington, C. E. Adams, Charles Lohmeyer, J. W. Morse, William Baetman of Superior, Neb., and P. S. Williams of Baltimore, Md. The proposed railroad is to run as follows: Beginning at a point in section 32, township 9 north, range 11 west of the sixth principal meridian, on the south line of Hall county; thence through the counties of Hall, Buffalo, Dawson, Custer, Lincoln, Keith, Cheyenne, Sioux and Dawes, in the state of Nebraska, to the west boundary line thereof, with the right to construct branches from such main line to other places within the limits of said state. The amount of capital stock necessary to construct such road is \$3,800,000. The articles are acknowledged before D. Bosserman, notary public, Nuckolls

county, Nebraska, Dec. 20, 1887. From data at hand the road is supposed to be an extension of the Hastings branch of the Missouri Pacific.

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS.

- Dec. 23d—Full board present. The following official bonds were approved: James Pell, assessor, Mylander. H. H. Bell, road overseer, Somerset. Ben T. Albro, constable, Wallace. L. D. Conger, constable, Wallace. John Spies, constable, Nowell. P. R. Haller, justice of the peace, Willow. E. L. Garrison, justice of the peace, Well. John Hawley, justice of the peace, North Platte No. 1. W. S. Hill, justice of the peace, Wallace. Casper M. Bolish, justice of the peace, Medicine. Allen Cause, justice of the peace, Peckham. Joseph McMichael, road overseer, Somerset. Joseph Spies, road overseer, Nowell. H. H. Bell, road overseer, Mylander. G. A. Sherman, road overseer, Well. J. W. Shoup, road overseer, Sunshine. J. W. Roberts, road overseer, Fairview. A. S. Thomas, road overseer, Birdwood. Giles Bennett, assessor, Vroman. T. J. Allison, assessor, Fairview. G. W. Roberts, assessor, McPherson. R. H. Langford, county superintendent of public instruction.

The board then continued work of setting with county clerk.

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- The following bills allowed on general fund: J. E. Evans, tax list for 1887, \$418. Thomas Reed janitor for November \$30. Louis Loeson, judge of election, \$2. Road districts were formed with the boundaries and Nos. as follows: North Platte No. 1, outside city to be known as district No. 1. North Platte No. 2, outside city to be known as district No. 2. North Platte No. 3, outside city to be known as district No. 3. North Platte No. 4, outside city to be known as district No. 4. Range 33 between rivers, No. 5. Range 34 between rivers, No. 6. Sunshine precinct, No. 7. Fairview precinct, No. 8. Nowell precinct, No. 9. Miller precinct, No. 10. Osgood precinct, No. 11. Morrow precinct, No. 12. Mylander precinct, No. 13. Well precinct, No. 14. No. 29. Cottonwood precinct, No. 15. Gaslin precinct, No. 16. Peckham precinct, No. 17. Walker precinct, No. 18. Bee Creek precinct, No. 19. Fox Creek precinct, No. 20. Buchanan precinct, No. 21. Medicine precinct, No. 22. Somerset precinct, No. 23. Willow precinct, No. 24. Wallace precinct, No. 25. Range 34, north of rivers, No. 26. Range 33, north of rivers, No. 27. Range 32, north of rivers, No. 28. Range 31, north of rivers, No. 29. Range 30, north of rivers, No. 30. Town 14 and all of 13 north of river No. 31. McPherson precinct, No. 32. Brady Island precinct, No. 33. Vroman precinct, No. 34. Spannuth precinct, No. 35. Town 15, range 26, No. 36. Town 16, range 26, No. 37. Town 14, range 27, No. 38. Town 15, range 27, No. 39. Whitler precinct, No. 40. Dec. 28th—Full board present. The following official bonds accepted and approved: C. F. Fraustaur, justice of the peace, Spannuth. Wm M. Hiltman, justice of the peace, Spannuth. J. A. Davis, assessor, Medicine. John R. Ritter, assessor, Birdwood. Henry Faka, assessor, Miller. Joseph Beam, assessor, Willow. John Anderson, road overseer district No. 35. H. B. Anderson, road overseer district No. 17. Loren Purdy, road overseer district No. 31. C. H. Lane, road overseer district No. 40. There being vacancies in road districts 36, 38 and 39 in Garfield precinct, the following appointments are hereby made to fill said vacancies: Robert Kilmer, district No. 36. J. H. Clark, district No. 38. Aaron Gregg, district No. 39. It appearing to the board by petition that it is for the best interests of the residents of O'Fallon, Sunshine and Fairview precincts, that the precinct lines in Lincoln county be altered, the precinct lines of O'Fallon's precinct are so altered as to bound said precinct as follows: Commencing at the west line of Lincoln county on the north bank of the North Platte river, thence south on said county line to the southwest corner of section 31, town 11, range 34, thence east on the township line to the northeast corner of section 36, 11-33, thence north on the range line between ranges 32 and 33 to the north bank of the North Platte river, thence westerly along said river bank to place of beginning. Dec. 28th.—The Board was engaged in the examination of the delinquent tax list, with a view to collecting as much as possible. On the 29th the following official bonds were approved: Chas. S. Kilmer, Assessor, Garfield; Wm. Bloom, Justice, Peckham; S. A. Grandjean, Constable, Spannuth; H. E. Farcol, Constable, Peckham; Chas. N. Briggs, Constable, Deer Creek.

—Being leap year, the gentlemen of Osgallala will keep open house Monday and receive ladies in royal style. North Platte gentlemen should do likewise.

PESTH, Dec. 27.—Herr Esernatony, an intimate friend of Herr Tisz, writes to Nemzet as follows: "Guiding spirits of the German army are in favor of war in order to stop Russian designs. They apprehend nothing from an attack by France and are confident of success in case of war against Russia. If it were not that Prince Bismarck favors peace, Germany's army would already be fighting Russia's, in company with Austrian and Italian armies." In conclusion the writer says he expects peace will be maintained now that Russia finds the powers do not fear her.

A Woman's Discovery.

"Another wonderful discovery has been made and that too by a lady in this county. Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly and could not sleep. She bought of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and was so much relieved on taking first dose that she slept all night and with one bottle has been miraculously cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hamrick & Co., Shelby, N. C. Get a free trial bottle at A. F. Streitz's drug store.

COL. CODY'S SHOW. Col. Cody has kindly favored THE TRIBUNE with a copy of the Manchester (Eng.) Examiner of Tuesday, Nov. 29th, containing a very extensive notice of the Wild West Show, which was to have been opened in that city on the 12th inst. An immense building, costing about 15,000 pounds, had been constructed for the show, and all the accessories were on a stupendous scale, giving a seating capacity for about 10,000 people, with standing room for 5,000 more. The Colonel's friends at home hope his winter season at Manchester will be as successful as his summer campaign in London.

\$25.00 Reward. The above reward will be paid for any case of rheumatism not benefited by Ballard's Snow Liniment. There is no pain it will not subside, no wound it will not heal. It is the most penetrating liniment known for all pain, for man or beast it stands without parallel. Ladies who have backache should never be without it. Price 50 cents. C. W. Price, Agent.

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Cigars! Cigars! 3 for a Nickel. 70 cents a box. North Side Grocery.

"Passion's Slave" drew a full house last night and was well presented. Nellie Boyd sustained her reputation as a truthful impersonator. Miss Boyd is one of the finest actresses on our boards, and she takes so many and such diverse parts, she shows a versatility of histrionic talent which few possess. The whole play was well rendered throughout, and gave satisfaction to all present. To-night the celebrated drama entitled "Unknown" will be presented.—Sacramento Bee.

The Verdict Unanimous. W. D. Salt, druggist, Bippis, Ind., testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles and was cured of rheumatism of ten years standing." Abraham Hare, druggist, Bellville, Ohio, affirms: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 20 years' experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do cure all diseases of the liver, kidneys or blood. Only a half dollar a bottle at A. F. Streitz's drug store.

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J. T. CLARKSON, 174 Randolph St., CHICAGO.

All communications to me, with regard to my interest in lands in Cheyenne and other counties in Nebraska, and as to lots in Schuyler, Alda, Paxton, Julesburg, Sidney, Potter and Kimball, addressed as above, will receive prompt and careful attention. J. T. CLARKSON.

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