

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

GENERAL.

Representative Springer introduced for reference in the house the proposed constitutional amendment making the proposed presidential term six years and rendering the president ineligible for re-election for the next succeeding term.

Advices from Regina, N. W. T., say the Indians at Crooked Lake still defy the mounted police and allow no one to enter the Center agency building. Gopher, the leader of the File Hill Indians, is under arrest, and a strong detachment has been sent out to arrest others.

Judge Sawyer, in the circuit court at San Francisco, decided the test case of Chinamen arriving without a return certificate who left this country between the passage of the restriction act, May 6, 1882, and the date it became effective, August 6, 1862. The court held that the Chinamen were unlawfully in the country.

The postoffice at Rich Hill, Mo., was burglarized, \$1,000 cash and stamps being stolen. The safe door was drilled and the bolts thrown back by means of wire.

A petition signed by a number of state officers and many lawyers and leading business men of Colorado, has been presented to President Arthur requesting the appointment of Judge Wagner, of St. Louis, to succeed Judge McCrary on the United States circuit bench for the Eighth judicial circuit.

There is a terrible scourge among the Zuni Indians. Over one hundred children have died with the measles the past month. The disease is still raging and the scenes about the Indian villages are sickening in the extreme.

The house committee on invalid pensions agreed to report favorably Representative Matson's bill, increasing pensions of widows and dependent parents of deceased soldiers and sailors from \$8 to \$12 per month.

The river at Shreveport, La., is the highest since 1849 and still rising. Steamers are bringing stock and people from submerged plantations hundreds of miles above and below. The whole country is reported under water, and great damage is being done.

At Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, Edward Peckham invited Lena Spraight, only 15 years of age, to ride to her home, nine miles from his uncle's, where she was employed as a domestic. When on the road he was joined by Alexander Peckham, and they forced the girl to submit to them in a school-house. The girl was terribly injured.

Specials report the worst blizzard of the season raging at Crokston, Dak., and vicinity. Fears were entertained for the safety of the passengers who left on the stage for Red Lake Falls.

The Yellowstone river broke at Glendive, Montana, on the 26th, and ran out without a gorge. The river is higher than at any time since the spring of 1881. The ice is about three feet thick. Trouble is feared further below, when the Missouri opens below Buford.

The house committee on railways and canals has ordered favorable reports on Holt's bill appropriating \$1,000,000 for the construction of the Maryland and Delaware ship canal.

A cablegram, received by the secretary of state, announces the death of Minister Hunt. He died from dropsy superinduced by chronic inflammation of the liver.

Alma Lyons and Alfred S'ender, boys, died in Chicago of hydrophobia, after the most dreadful agony. The former was bitten January 12th and the latter January 31st.

The bill repealing the test oath, which recently passed the house, has passed the senate.

R. Ryan, supposed to be connected with Fenian organizations in Minnesota and Dakota, has been arrested at Winnipeg for having signed the name of the adjutant general of the district to a call for 500 men to do frontier service along the international boundary.

The debt of Helena, Ark., amounting to \$280,000, has been compromised at fifty cents on the dollars, eight-tenths of the creditors agreeing.

General Gordon reports that the Soudan is tranquil, and he is sending 300 invalids down the river.

Passengers from northern Mexico confirm the existence of so-called yellow fever at Mazatlan and Manzanillo. They say it is worse than last year.

The western mail association held a special meeting on the 26th at Pittsburg. Reports from all sections indicate an improved condition of trade. Stocks have not accumulated, the new card has been maintained, and inquiries are more numerous than usual at this season.

Harry Tuttle, wounded in the Stoneville fight, was taken from the hospital at Spearfish, Dakota, by masked men, and hanged.

Great excitement prevails at Erin, Tenn., over the discovery of a gold mine. While out hunting, L. H. Bernathy found a cave and evidences of gold. He took a lease of the land, and is selling lots at big profits. Over \$5,000 worth of nuggets are on exhibition.

5A tragedy occurred in Marion county, Ky., in which Green Clayton and Wash Burke were killed. Lawrence Clayton fatally wounded and Floyd Burke shot in the arm. The tragedy originated in Lawrence Clayton making some improper remark to

Miss Burke, a daughter of the man killed. J. O. Beach, at Ridgeway, Minn., shot and killed his wife, from whom he was recently divorced, and then killed himself. The trouble arose over the possession of a child, which the court delivered into the possession of the woman.

The democratic state central committee of Indiana has fixed June 25th as the date for the state convention. Ex-Senator McDonald tendered his resignation as chairman, but the committee declined to accept it, and he will continue to act as chairman temporarily, at least.

Miss Kate Giblin, of Pittsburg, and Miss Mary Cassidy, a well known young lady of New York, and daughter of Superintendent Cassidy, of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad, took the white veil at St. Mary's convent, Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Excitement prevails at Eagle, in Waukesha county, over the reported discovery of a rich diamond in that village.

A New London dispatch notes the death by drowning or starvation of seven men of the crew of the schooner Sarah W. Hunt, while searching for seals, near Campbell Island Pacific ocean.

William Penn Nixon, proprietor of the Chicago Inter-Ocean, made an argument before the committee on postoffices and post roads in favor of a postal rate of one cent per pound on newspapers.

The American government has received an invitation to participate in an exhibition of dairy products at Munich in October.

A bill to protect the public health was submitted for consideration of the national committee on public health. It provides that the surgeon general of the army of the United States, the surgeon general of the United States navy, and the supervising surgeon general of the marine hospital service shall hereafter constitute the United States board of health.

The Ohio republican state convention will be held at Columbus April 23d.

There is considerable excitement in the guinine market, in consequence of the fire at the factory of Powers & Weightman in Philadelphia. The price of the drug, which had been in only moderate demand, jumped from \$1.40 to \$1.80 per ounce. The foreign article has been quoted at \$1.10, but went up to \$1.50, with only a limited quantity at that price.

A protest of iron and steel manufacturers and iron ore producers against the Morrison tariff bill, signed by 322 firms and companies, and representing twenty-one states, has been sent to every senator and representative in congress.

Two negroes camped near the depot at New Bradford, Fla., and next morning both were discovered dead in their camp. One was shot through the head and the other terribly mutilated.

The bodies of the Nelson children, of Dakota, have been found. The body of the youngest was found in a snow cave, which had been dug by the father for the protection of the children from the storm. The oldest child had left the cave and wandered off about a mile, where her body was found. The bodies of the father and children were buried at Sanborn. The body of the father was found several days previous to that of the child. The three left their cabin in the late blizzard to go to a straw stack half a mile away for fuel and lost their way.

WASHINGTON.

Representative Cannon has introduced a bill to simplify procedure in pension claims and extend the benefits of the pension laws to worthy claimants, unable by existing laws to furnish the necessary evidence, whereby the private calendar is encumbered with private acts to the detriment of public business.

The shipping committee took up the bill to admit foreign-built ships to American registry free of duty, and voted, 3 to 6, to report it adversely.

The secretary of state received a cable from Minister Foster, at Madrid, announcing the death, by suicide, at Alcaente, Spain, of James R. Partridge, residing there, on account of his health. Partridge was in the United States diplomatic service for many years at Brazil and other South American countries, his last service being at Lima.

A bill was reported favorably to the senate to prohibit the mailing of newspapers containing lottery advertisements, accompanied by two reports. The majority hold the bill constitutional, and in the line of legislation already adopted by all except three of the states. The minority holds that congress has no power to suppress lottery gambling or any other kind of gambling.

At a meeting of the committee on banking and currency, Buckner moved to substitute his bill for the issuance of treasury notes to take the place of bank notes for all bills concerning bank circulation that have been considered by the committee. The substitute was rejected by a vote of 3 to 9.

Speaker Barlisle has received a letter addressed to him personally by several of the most prominent members of the liberal party in the German reichstag, expressing their high sense of appreciation of the action taken by the house of representatives as a token of respect for the memory of the late Herr Lasker. The letter expresses the hope that the two nations may develop and continue in friendship.

The house committee on Indian affairs agreed to report favorably on Morrill's bill for the sale, with the consent of the

Kickapoo Indians, the diminished reservation in Kansas and remove the Indians to the Indian territory.

The secretary of the interior has decided that Perryman should be recognized as the principal chief of the Creek nation, in the Indian territory, instead of Ispahiche.

General Longstreet, United States marshal for Georgia, testified before the Springer committee and denied that he was a defaulter to the government. He said that, on the contrary, a proper footing of his accounts show the government indebted to him for \$1,200. The report that he was in default grew out of the fact that he was charged with \$10,000 which he had never received and which had been all along in the United States treasury. The circulation of the report was the result of a conspiracy by Bryant and others.

Secretary Chandler recommended the nomination of Medical Director F. M. Gunnel to the surgeon-general of the army.

The bill introduced in the senate by Pendleton for the settlement and development of Alaska provides an appropriation of \$100,000 for the construction of a highway between Fort Wrangel and the Canadian Pacific and for opening the agricultural and grazing lands under homestead laws in quantities of 640 acres to heads of families and 320 to unmarried males or females over 21 years of age.

The ways and means committee heard a number of senators and representatives in advocacy of a change in the internal revenue laws. Among the points touched on was to allow fruit growers to make their own brandy without taxation; modification of the laws relative to distillation, and one or two congressmen advocated the abolition of internal revenue.

Representative Watson has prepared a report accompanying his bill for increase of pensions of soldiers' widows and dependent relatives from \$8 to \$12 per month. It estimates the total number of pensions whose rates will be increased by the bill at 124,333, and the aggregate annual increase of pensions at \$5,968,000. Owing to the age of those to be benefited, it is believed that the list will rapidly decrease.

The secretary of the treasury has given notice that he will redeem the bonds in the 126th call prior to maturity (May 1) with interest to date of presentation.

The postoffice bill, as prepared by the committee, appropriates \$10,500,000 as pay for postmasters, the maximum salary being \$4,000. In it the postmaster-general is directed to readjust the compensation, after July 1st next, of railroads for carrying mails by a reduction of 5 per cent. from the rates on a basis of the average weight, and railroads aided by land grants, on condition that they transport the mails at such prices as congress may direct, are to receive only 50 per cent. of the compensation allowed other roads for a corresponding service.

The secretary of war has still on hand \$50,000 of the \$500,000 appropriated for the relief of the relief of the flood sufferers, which he has used to purchase necessary additional supplies.

Secretary Folger, commenting on the dispatch from Consul King at Birmingham, England, relative to the spread of foot and mouth disease, says there is great necessity for legislation to protect the United States against the importation of diseased cattle, and he hopes the matter will soon receive the attention of congress.

The debt statement shows a decrease in the public debt during February of \$2,582,587; decrease since June 3, 1883, \$66,590,074; cash in treasury, \$396,293,452; legal tenders outstanding, \$346,681,016; cash balance available March 1, 1884, \$145,534,201.

The treasurer of the United States has prepared a statement showing the total coinage of standard silver dollars under the act of February 23, 1878, to March, 1884, was 166,125,119; held in the treasury office and mints, 126,822,309; outstanding, 39,302,720. Of the amount held by the treasury there are held to redeem the outstanding silver certificates, 86,247,721, leaving owned by the treasury 30,574,678.

FOREIGN.

Baker Pasha has been appointed chief of the intelligence department, with Col. Barnaby, correspondent of the London Post, as assistant.

The report that El Mahdi is marching toward Khartoum is confirmed. El Mahdi's inaction after his victory at El Obeid is explained thus: Finding the sheikhs of the principal tribes wished to go home with their spoils in order to attend the harvest, he proclaimed a holy truce during the months of Moharren and Safar, ending on the date of the anniversary of the birth of the prophet. That time expired, the campaign will be resumed.

Advices from Madagascar state that fever is rife among Frenchmen at Tamatone.

One thousand British troops at Trinitat advanced four miles on the 26th and occupied Baker Pasha's fortification. The enemy retired, waving their spears.

The house of lords has passed a bill for the prevention of the introduction of foot and mouth disease by foreign cattle.

The steamer Servia, from Liverpool for New York, was passed, 800 miles west of Fastnet, apparently disabled.

Grand Duke Michael, of Russia, has arrived in Berlin at the head of a deputation, to congratulate the emperor upon the seventeenth anniversary of his entrance into the Russian order of St. George. The German crown prince, Frederick William, met the grand duke at the station and gave him a cordial welcome.

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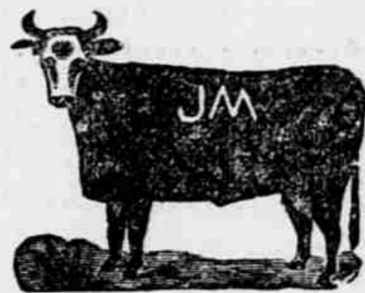
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Ranch on Red Willow, Thornburg, Hayes County, Neb. Cattle branded "J. M." on left side. Young cattle branded same as above, also "J." on left jaw. Under-slope right ear. Horses branded "E" on left shoulder.

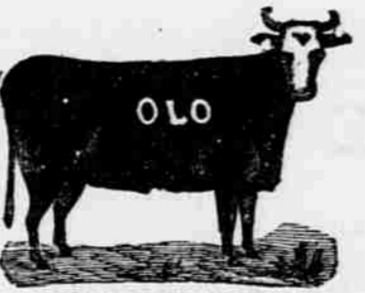


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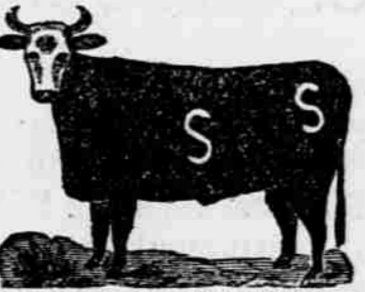
W. J. WILSON.

Stock brand—circle on left shoulder; also dewlap and a crop and under half crop on left ear, and a crop and under bit in the right. Ranch on the Republican. Post-office, Max, Dundey county, Nebraska.



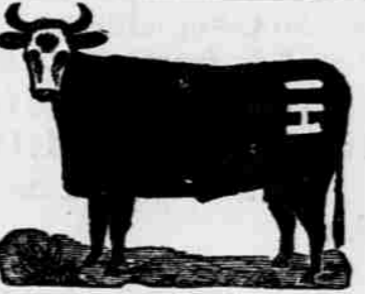
HENRY T. CHURCH.

Osborn, Neb. Range: Red Willow creek, in southwest corner of Frontier county, cattle branded "O L O" on right side. Also, an over crop on right ear and under crop on left. Horses branded "8" on right shoulder.



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Indianola, Neb. Range: Republican Valley, east of Dry Creek, and near head of Spring Creek, in Chase county. J. D. WELBORN, Vice President and Superintendent.



JOHN HATFIELD & SON.

McCook, Neb., Ranch 4 miles southeast, on Republican river. Stock branded with a bar — and lazy on left hip.



J. B. MESERVE.

Ranch, Spring Canyon on the Frenchman River, in Chase county, Neb. Stock branded as above; also "717" on left side; "O. L." on left hip; "7" on right hip and "L." on right shoulder; "L." on left shoulder and "X." on left jaw. Half under-crop left ear, and square-crop right ear.



C. D. PHELPS.

Range: Republican Valley, four miles west of Culbertson, south side of Republican. Stock branded "161" and "7-L." P. O. Address, Culbertson, Neb.



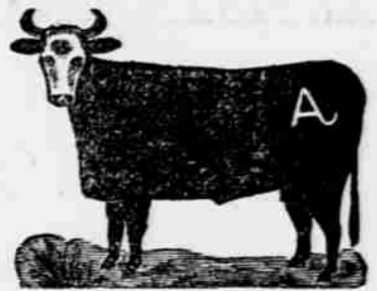
THE TURNIP BRAND.

Ranch 2 miles north of McCook. Stock branded on left hip, and a few double crosses on left side. C. D. ERCANBRACK.



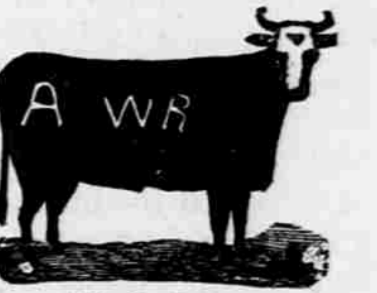
STOKES & TROTH.

P. O. Address, Carrio, Hayes county, Nebraska. Range, Red Willow, above Carrio. Stock branded as above. Also lazy on left side and slit in both ears.



GEORGE J. FREDERICK.

Ranch 4 miles southwest of McCook, on the Driftwood. Stock branded "A J" on the left hip. P. O. address, McCook, Neb.



W. N. PROCTOR.

McCook, Neb., range: Red Willow creek, in southwest corner of Frontier county. Also E. P. brand on right hip and side and swallow-fork in right ear. Horses branded E. P. on right hip. A few branded "A" on right hip.

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