

THE flood in the Missouri at Bismarck was very destructive resulting in the loss of life and great destruction of property. One whole family was swept into the river and perished.

A WASHINGTON doctor is trying to make out that Cleveland is in danger of going off in a fit of apoplexy. This is denied of course, but does not change the fact. The fat man is a powerful high liver.

THE railroad wreck in Massachusetts was promptly followed by a hotel horror in Buffalo, resulting in the cremation of a dozen or more human bodies. The accidents commenced early in the year seem to be holding out remarkably well.

LAUER's second trial resulted in a verdict of acquittal, as anticipated by all who had read the evidence. This does not change public opinion in the least. If he did not kill his wife intentionally, he was not sorry for the act. A fellow who sleeps in bed with a loaded pistol has murder in his heart anyway.

ROSEWATER having "skipped the bounty," the legislature was compelled to drop the investigation of charges against the judiciary committee. A resolution of censure was adopted, for which Rosy cares about as much as the snap of a finger. Firing windy resolutions at Rosy is as good fun as the Bee wants.

THE assessors of Keith County agreed to assess cattle, 2, 5, 10 and 15 dollars per head; horses 8, 15, 25 and 45 dollars; mules the same; stallions 100 to 150 dollars; sheep 50 cents per head and hogs 1 cent per pound. Land at from one to three dollars per acre, and personal property at a one-third valuation. It will be noticed that the rates are somewhat higher than those agreed upon in this county.

THE Omaha Republican names Myron Reed of Denver as a fit person to succeed Mr. Beecher in Plymouth church. Mr. Reed is a very eloquent preacher and speaker. He was the democratic nominee last fall for member of congress from Colorado, and came very near being elected. In politics he is what is called a "mugwump" or Republican pharisee.

THE Lincoln State Journal, in order to keep up with the demands of the times, has put in a Hoe perfecting press, capable of printing 10,000 papers per hour. The whole plant consisting of press, stereotyping outfit, &c., costing \$16,000. It signaled the event by printing for Sunday morning's issue a 24-page paper, giving a review of Lincoln from the time of his location in 1868. The Journal is and always has been one of the best papers in the West, and its success is deserved. May it continue to prosper.

G. W. Randall, a quack doctor, who had been operating in and around Hastings for some time committed an outrage upon a girl said to be only eleven years old, assisted by his wife. The pair had been before the court on preliminary hearing, and had been held to bail. While awaiting the making out of papers, a brother of the outraged girl fired a pistol ball through the head of the doctor, killing him almost instantly. The general verdict of the people is that the act was justified. The young man will probably never be tried for the offense.

THE Cleveland organs are pointing with pride to the fact that the president vetoed 182 bills during the life of the Forty-ninth congress, or twenty-one more than the total number of bills vetoed from the foundation of the government to the beginning of that congress. But this isn't the only reason they have for "pointing with pride" to the fat man. As H. Clay Dean would have put it, the great vetoer is the first president of the republic who ever hung a man or debauched a woman while in training for the high office. If he doesn't deserve to be "pointed to" with something, who does? Grover is a very great man—in girth.

THE following is the style, according to the Atchison Globe, in which a Topeka real estate dealer told of a bargain he held in the shape of a single lot: "It is all wool and extra wide. No such bargain between here and the headwaters of Bitter creek. Price \$2,000. Dirt cheap, you say? Well, yes. It is worth \$3,000, but I am compelled to sell it before next Saturday in order to meet certain obligations. It makes me groan to think I cannot hold on to it a month and sell it for \$4,000. But what is my loss will be somebody else's gain. It must go at \$2,000."

TAKING RAILROAD LANDS.

The following is the full text of the act in reference to taxing unpatented railroad lands: That no lands granted to any railroad corporation by any act of Congress shall be exempt from taxation by States, Territories and municipal corporations on account of the lien of the United States upon the same for the costs of surveying, selecting and conveying the same, or because no patent has been issued therefor; but this provision shall not apply to lands unsurveyed: Provided, that any such land sold for taxes shall be taken by the purchaser subject to the lien for costs of surveying, selecting and conveying, to be paid in such manner by the purchaser as the Secretary of the Interior may by rule provide, and to all liens of the United States, all mortgages of the United States, and all rights of the United States in respect to such land: Provided further, That this act shall apply only to lands situated opposite to and coterminous with completed portions of said roads, and in organized counties: Provided further, That, at any sale of lands under the provisions of this act, the United States may become a preferred purchaser, and in such case the lands sold shall be restored to the public domain and disposed of as provided by the laws relating thereto.

Sec. 2. That if any railroad corporation required by law to pay the costs of surveying, selecting, or conveying any lands granted to such company or for its use and benefit by act of Congress, shall, for thirty days, neglect or refuse to pay any such costs, after demand for payment thereof by the Secretary of the Interior, he shall notify the Attorney General, who shall at once commence proceedings to collect the same. But when any sum shall be collected of such railroad company, as costs of surveying selecting and conveying any tracts of land which have been purchased under the provisions of section 1 hereof, the Secretary of the Interior shall, out of such collections, reimburse said purchaser, his heirs or assigns, the amount of money paid by him as the costs of such surveying, selecting and conveying.

Sec. 3. That this act shall not affect the right of the Government to declare or enforce a forfeiture of any lands so granted; but all the rights of the United States to said lands, or to any interest therein, shall be and remain as if this act had not passed, except as to the lien mentioned in the first section hereof.

Sec. 4. That section 21 of chapter 216, approved July 2, 1864, is hereby amended that the costs of surveying, selecting and conveying, therein required to be paid shall become due and payable at and on the demand therefor made by the Secretary of the Interior as provided in section 2 of this act, and nothing in this act shall be construed or taken in any wise to affect or impair the right of Congress, at any time hereafter, further to alter, amend or repeal the said act, as in the opinion of Congress justice or the public welfare may require, or to impair or waive any right or remedy now existing in favor of the United States. This act shall be subject to alteration, amendment or repeal.

The beginning of the end of the anarchists is more than half-way accomplished, and this without any reference to the legal ending of them; they are tumbling to pieces by the centrifugal force of crankiness. It is ever thus with too great spirits. The souls too great for the medium-sized garments of common-sense never dwell in unity.

That which has befallen others has befallen the great souls who, finding that the best government on earth was too bad for them, resolved that they would inaugurate a universal no-government by the persuasive oratory of dynamite. Even in the little group of anarchists there could not be equality. Poor Mr. Salomon was not allowed to speak in court, and great Mr. Black was. Brassy Mr. Spies was everywhere made a center of observation and thinking Mr. Parsons was afforded only such vicarious notoriety as floated from the strident oratory of his wife. Mr. Fielden, the most endowed with thought of all the otherwise clattering gang, has been allowed to sink into oblivion. Alas! there are aristocrats even in anarchy!

What with the quarreling lawyers, the discarded dogs, and the egotism of Spies, the frightful intensity of tragedy has been heightened by a touch of almost simian comedy.—Inter Ocean.

A citizen of Overton tells us of a hunter that to town who had a very unpleasant experience and one that he will long remember. Last week he was duck and goose hunting on the river near the Overton bridge when the ice broke up and commenced to move. Making lively tracks for the nearest point of safety—one of the piles of the bridge now in course of construction—and there saw the rush and whirl of the ice and waters as they swept past him. It was nearly dark when the ice broke and the hunter was compelled to maintain his equilibrium on his shaky perch the long night through, and until daylight disclosed him to the bridge workmen, who rescued him from his tiresome and uncomfortable situation.—Plum Creek Pioneer.

THE COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED.

The President has appointed the following inter-state commerce commissioners: Thos. M. Cooley, of Michigan, for the term of six years; Wm. R. Morrison of Illinois, for the term of five years; Augustus Schoonmaker of New York, for the term of four years; Aldace F. Walker of Vermont, for the term of three years; Walter L. Bragg of Alabama, for the term of two years.

Thos. M. Cooley was born at Utica, N. Y., in 1824, studied law and removed to Michigan in 1843, where he has since resided. He was elected a justice of the supreme court of Michigan in 1864, 1869 and 1877. He is the author of some standard legal works.

Wm. R. Morrison was born in Illinois, is a lawyer and was in congress from 1875 and 1887. Walter L. Bragg was born in Arkansas from 1843 to 1861. He was educated at the Harvard and Cambridge law schools. He has been the law partner of Senator Morgan. He has been president of the Alabama state railroad commission.

Aldace F. Walker is a Vermont republican lawyer, forty-four years old, who studied law with Senator Edmunds. He has studied the railroad question extensively as a member of the Vermont state senate.

Augustus Schoonmaker was born in Ulster county, N. Y., in 1828, and is a lawyer in active practice; was a state senator and a close friend of Gov. Tilden and in 1878 attorney general of New York, succeeding Fairchild.

Of the five commissioners, Messrs Morrison, Schoonmaker and Bragg are democrats, and Messrs. Cooley and Walker republicans.

Considerable criticism is indulged that a republican should be named by the president as the first on the commission, but the law creating the commission gives the majority power to select a chairman from this number. It is stated that the president gave Judge Cooley the longest term as a recompense for his surrendering the receivership of the Wabash railroad system, which is more lucrative than his present appointment.

More Good to Flow From It.

EDITORS TRIBUNE: The meeting of the assessors Tuesday was one of the most important meetings ever held in Lincoln county, and there will more good flow from it than any meeting ever held in the county. For the assessors established a just and equal system of assessing, using one unit of measurement for the poor and rich, for personal property and for Real Estate. They tore away the veil which our whilom assessor hid behind and made the people believe the art of assessing was a great mystery, would not let them see how much he would assess their lots at; and when exposed for unjust assessing would tell the injured that he was not to blame, the commissioners ought to have equalized.

The assessors placed the value of horses at twenty dollars, cattle at six dollars, hogs at one dollar, sheep at twenty-five cents and all other personal property at one-fifth the actual value. When farm lands were reached, Mr. Dick moved that they should be assessed the same as personal property, that is at one-fifth the actual value. The assessor who looks through a spy glass with the big end to his eye when he views a rich man's property and the small end when he views a poor man's property, immediately sprang to his feet opposing the motion and advocating the old way, that is to set a value on lands, a certain value for rough lands, a certain value for hay lands, etc., which would greatly assist the assessor, for he would not have to rack his poor brains (and probably show his ignorance) to set a value on lands, and by implication hinted that the county assessors were too ignorant to set a proper value upon lands. Mr. Dick promptly answered him that the same measure used for personal property should be used for real estate; that it would be impossible to classify lands in that way so that they would pay an equal tax on their value; that the assessors were intelligent men elected by the people; were on the ground and were better capable to place value on their lands than those who had not seen them. Several of the county assessors expressed themselves in the same vein and it was plain that all the county assessors were agreed upon it, when Mr. Van Brocklin gained the everlasting gratitude of the people of North Platte by amending the motion by including the Real Estate in the city of North Platte. The amendment was promptly accepted by Mr. Dick, the motion was put and almost unanimously carried.

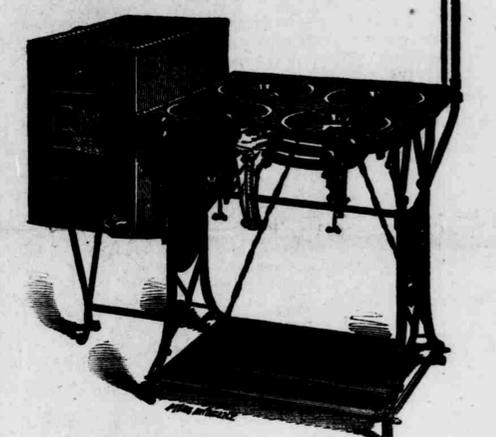
At a first glance the great importance of the action of the meeting is not seen, but effects will be felt for all future time; for it has established a unit of measurement of values (the same as a foot rule is of distance.) It places the poor man's possessions on the same level as the rich; it enables the tax payer to know if he is assessed too high, and it takes away the power from stupid and corrupt commissioners of unjust unequalizing. All honors to the late Board of Assessors for they have earned our everlasting gratitude.

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No section of Nebraska, will receive as heavy an immigration this season as the South Loup country. Large numbers are coming on the recommendations of those who have settled here; no doubt thinking that their friends word is worth a great deal more than the land agents.—Gandy Pioneer.

Yesterday the cases against Ford, McComas and Haebroer for selling whiskey contrary to law, were called up and disposed of, by the parties pleading guilty. The court assessed a fine of \$100 and costs in each case. He gave the boys some wholesome advice and excused the low fine on grounds of its being their first offense, but assured them if repeated they would not likely get off for less than \$500 each. We presume they went on their way rejoicing feeling that they could stand a fine occasionally and it would be cheaper by the year than license.—Broken Bow Republican.

A settler residing across the North Platte had the misfortune to get one of his horses legs broken while crossing the North river bridge last Sunday night. The cause was in one of the planks being improperly placed. The settler has instituted proceedings against the county to recover damages for the loss of his horse. A wedding reported to occur Sunday evening failed to materialize for the reason that the high contracting parties failed to appear though the clergyman summoned from North Platte for the occasion was on hand.—Ogallala News.

The first election in Box Butte county was had on Tuesday of last week. Nonpareil was made the county seat by a majority vote of 136. The total vote cast was 240. The entire republican ticket was elected by majorities ranging from 36 to 126.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION. I, G. R. Hammond, mayor of the city of North Platte, Nebraska, by virtue of the power in me vested, do hereby direct that on Tuesday, the 31st day of April, 1887, a city election for the city of North Platte be held for the election of the following officers: One mayor. One treasurer. One city engineer. One councilman, 1st ward. One councilman, 2d ward. Two councilmen, 3d ward. Two members of Board of Education for district No. 1, for three years. That the polls for said election be open at 9 o'clock a. m. and remain open until 7 o'clock p. m. of said day. Given under my hand this 21 day of March 1887. G. R. HAMMOND, Mayor. C. C. HAWKINS, City Clerk.

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