

Will Welcome the President.
Governor Boyd and Adjutant General Vignatin have arranged to extend to President Harrison a fitting welcome to Nebraska, and have accordingly assigned to Brigadier General Colby and Colonel T. W. Griffith the distinguished honor of carrying a welcoming message to the nation's chief executive. They will leave for Denver on the 11th and on the morning of the 12th they will deliver to him in that city a message of cordial welcome to Nebraska from the governor. They will accompany the presidential party hither and tender such information relating to the state and the points of interest along the line as may be deemed of interest.

The Omaha brewing firm of Storz & Her has dissolved partnership and a great brewing association which for capital will equal the noted firms of Milwaukee. The officers of the association are: Gottlieb Storz, Pres. F. Stubbendorf, Vice Pres. L. Schroder, Sec. & Treas. Henry Zaubens, Edward Quinn, George Heimrod, Charles Gruenig, Joseph Kavan, John Hochstrasser, Direct's

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A Flowing Well.
The associated press dispatches say that the largest flowing well in the world was struck yesterday on a farm two miles west of Huron. The flow is through an eight-inch pipe, and is so strong that a solid column of water eight inches in diameter shoots ten feet in the air and makes a tremendous noise. The well is 935 feet deep but it will be put lower still if possible. The flow is estimated at 10,000 gallons per minute. It flooded the ground so rapidly that great ditches were cut to carry it into the Missouri river.

An Interesting Report
Of the city schools for the week ending Apr. 24, 1891.

Room.	Teacher.	Enrollm't.	Avg Att'd.
1	Mag. Le Berry	49	26.3
2	Miss Shepherd	51	25.1
3	Bessie Sloaner	55	28.3
4	Miss May Berry	51	29.25
5	Halsey and McClellan	68	34.1
6	Mrs. Halsey	45	25.1
7	Miss Searie	80	34.5
8	Miss Wilson	69	34.5
9	Miss Kerney	52	26.6
10	Miss Clark	55	27.2
11	Miss Greusel	37	20.3
12	Miss Vallery	60	26.5
13	Miss Myers	31	16.5
14	Miss Hibel	39	20.5
15	Miss Ella Wright	61	28.9
16	Miss M. E. Wright	68	28.58
17	Miss Hempf	60	27.17
18	Miss Hollaway	58	24.37
19	Miss Safford	35	20.42
20	Miss Moore	61	27.5
21	Mrs. G. W. Thomas	40	21.1

Only one case of tardiness, which was in Room 11.

Making an enrollment of 1,179 pupils in our schools with only school room for about 800.

The Nebraska City board has just called an election to vote bonds to build two ward buildings at a cost of \$7,500 each, and Beatrice has done the same. They did not monkey with petitions but called an election to vote the necessary \$15,000 bonds. It behooves our board of education to keep abreast of the times in this matter and not let the cities all around us leave us in the rear. We are entitled to good school buildings and the people will unquestionably vote the bonds if the election is called. There can be nothing gained by waiting all summer, and much may be lost.

The Missouri Pacific.
In speaking of the cut off to Omaha, a gentleman said to a Press man last evening "that all of the road would be completed and running on schedule time by the first of June. By this route the distance between Nebraska City and Omaha is cut twenty-one miles."

"Immediately upon the completion of the work the company proposes to put on a fast train between Kansas City and Omaha which will only make five stops on the entire run. The favored stations will be Leavansworth, Atchison, Hiawatha, Nebraska City and Plattsmouth."

"There is also some talk of putting on a local train between Falls City and Omaha which will make the round trip daily."—Nebraska City Press.

Mr. Lou May and wife came in on the flyer yesterday afternoon and went to South Bend at 6:25 to look after the state fishery. Mr. May is the active member of the State Fish Commission and gives much of his time to the work in which he takes great interest. The commission have just received a fine lot of croppies from St. Joe which will be put in the South Bend ponds to-day. This is a new fish for Nebraska; it is a fine one, however, and we believe will be made a profitable one to plant in Nebraska waters.

E. W. Halford, the president's private secretary, sailed yesterday with his daughter for Europe to be absent six weeks.

Von Moltke, the great Prussian general died of heart disease yesterday at the age of 91 years.

The Wabash Weekly News is getting to be quite a paper, and is certainly a great help to the town where it is published.

James Crawford and W. D. Hill, two of Cass county's solidest farmers from the vicinity of South Bend, visited the county seat to-day.

Pat Ford Jr. of Omaha, the young man who shot Wm. Delaney in Goldsmith's saloon on January last has been acquitted by a jury before Judge Estelle on the plea of self defense.

Mrs. J. G. Blaine jr. has taken up her abode at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to procure a divorce. Ninety days residence there is all that is required to give her standing in the Dakota courts.

J. L. Voris sold a fine two year old thoroughbred polled-angus steer to Ellenbaum the 6th street butcher which weighed over 700 pounds. It will be on sale at his market near McCourts to-morrow morning.

W. H. Eller of Blair was yesterday appointed by governor to be deputy oil inspector at that point. But Plattsmouth with its hosts of simon pure democrats don't appear to be in it. Democratic enthusiasm don't count for much this time.

F. Higdon received some ugly and painful wounds yesterday that he will long remember. He was building wire fence, and in tightening the wire a fastening gave way which jerked several feet of the needle pointed barb wire through his hands cutting and lacerating them in a horrible manner. It will be several days before he can build any more fence.

The M. P. contractors are delayed again on account of failure to receive material which has just been shipped from Pittsburgh, Pa. The steel rails on hand are too light for the sharp curves at this end of the line and will be used in Sarpy county where the line is comparatively straight. It is fully expected that work will begin again Thursday, and nothing but bad weather will stop the contractors after that time until the line is completed. It is said the company desires to put in a new time card, to take effect June 1st, and that they expect to have trains running on the new line by that time.

A woman in Missouri was a candidate for member of school board at the last election in a certain village down there, and only received three votes. Being anxious to know who voted for her she offered \$50 to the men who were her supporters. Before night 250 men had called to claim the reward, each making oath that he had voted for the fair candidate. The old politicians laughed at the impracticable side of the female sex, but they changed their tune when they found the lady in court with absolute proof that she had received 250 votes which would give her a majority over her competitors. The contest is on and her testimony is too strong to be ignored. The chances are she may upset the election board and be counted in yet. Who said the women were no-yes in politics?

A Louisville Elopement.
The Louisville swain by the name of Charley McIntire that had such a hard time trying to get a license to marry the daughter of Tom Urwin at that village some weeks ago, and who was prevented each time by the stern father, outwitted the old folks this morning and has flown with the girl much to the disgust of the fond parent. Mr. Urwin has notified all the county judges by telegraph in this part of the state not to issue license as his daughter is not of age. We fear it is too late for Mr. Urwin to prevent the match; he should have heeded the advice of THE HERALD given some time ago. The next act in the drama will be the wedding, and the return home for the parental blessing, which is usually given when it is too late to do anything else.

The bank on Main street where graders are at work has just caved down (at 1 o'clock), seriously injuring Mr. Wright and another, whose name we did not learn.

A Puzzle.
We clip the following from an exchange which we respectfully refer to our young ladies. If they can't make it out our job printer will explain it on calling at this office: "A young lady wants to know how to make "not enough" out of the word "enough." That is easy. It is done by transposing the letters and arranging them into two words. Take the third, second and first letters for the first word, the sixth, fourth and fifth for the second and you have something that's not enough for any young lady."

A couple of tramps sauntered into the Perkins House and tried to make way with some of Henry Bonn's wearing apparel. They were fired out of the town at a rapid rate by the police, who deemed their absence better than a term in jail at the city's expense.

FOUR AMERICAN SONGS.

TWO WERE WRITTEN IN BATTLE AND TWO DURING PEACE.

One of Them Averted a War—The Source of Inspiration of the Four Writers—Strange Fact About the Music of "America"—How Key Composed His Lyric.

The four great lyrics of our country are "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," "Hail Columbia," "The Star Spangled Banner" and "America."

The first named was written by Timothy Dwight, ancestor of Timothy Dwight, the present president of Yale college. He wrote other patriotic anthems, but "Columbia" is the only one by which he became famous. Dwight was a native of Massachusetts and a graduate of Yale.

He studied law, intending to adopt it as a profession, but there being a dearth of chaplains in the Revolutionary army he became one in Parson's brigade of the Connecticut line and served some time there. It was during this service that he composed the immortal song "Columbia," which at once attracted general attention, and from the first became famous.

It was composed without much thought, the times being full of patriotic feelings, which inspired the poet, and he is said to have expected no more than passing fame for his production. It was caught up, however, by the patriots, and soon became known throughout the struggling colonies. After the war Dwight went back to the pursuits interrupted by his entering the army, and eventually became president of Yale college, a position which he held until his death in 1817.

The author of "Columbia" was a voluminous writer, turning out many extended poems and books, but all seem to have been forgotten but the great lyric which he gave to his country during the struggle for freedom. It will ever remain his monument.

A SONG THAT TOLD.

The words and music of "Hail Columbia" were composed under the American flag. Its author, Joseph Hopkinson, was a native of Philadelphia and the son of a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Like the composer of "Columbia," he was the author of many other things in prose and verse, but nothing has come down to our day with any fame but his national song.

"Hail Columbia" was written in the summer of 1798, when we were having complications with France which threatened to end in war. Hopkinson had an actor friend named Fox, who was to have a benefit at a theater, and it was for him that the song was composed.

The music which accompanied the song, and to which it is sung today, was originally the "President's March," which was written ten years before, on the occasion of Washington's visit to New York, by a German orchestra leader named Fyles. "Hail Columbia" sprang into sudden popularity, and it is said to have averted the threatened war, as it incited national pride and roused the whole country.

Joseph Hopkinson lived until 1842, filling various important offices and loved by all for the great song he had given to his nation. He helped to revise the constitution of Pennsylvania, was a warm friend of Joseph Bonaparte's during the ex-king's sojourn in this country, and at the time of his death was holding the office of United States judge for the eastern district of his native state.

REQUIED BY NATIVE SHORE.
Of the many national song writers none have enjoyed more enduring fame than the author of "The Star Spangled Banner." It is perhaps the greatest and most popular of all our songs and lyrics. It was composed amid the roar of cannon and the bursting of bombs, and seems to have sprung without effort from the mind of its author.

Francis Scott Key, the author, was a prisoner in the hands of the British when the song was composed. He had gone down the bay at Baltimore, then being attacked by the British fleet, for the purpose of securing the release of a friend who was held by the enemy. He carried a message from President Madison asking for the prisoner's release. The British commander agreed to the request, but told Key that he must be detained during the attack. Key and his friends were therefore held back, and it was while they watched the terrific bombardment of Fort M'Henry, now and then losing sight of the flag that waved over its ramparts, that he wrote "The Star Spangled Banner." This took place in 1814.

When he was released Key took his poem back to the city, where it was speedily printed to the music of an old English song, "Anacreon in Heaven," and in a short time was being sung all over the country.

Dr. Smith's beautiful ode "America" was also adapted to an English air, that of "God Save the Queen." Strange to relate, this same melody answers for the national song of the German empire, Great Britain and Ireland, Bavaria, Switzerland, Brunswick, Hanover, Norway, Prussia, Saxony, and does service in the United States as "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

"America" has no stirring history surrounding its composition. It was composed in 1832, and was first sung at a children's celebration at the Park Street church, Boston, on the Fourth of July the same year. Samuel Francis Smith, its author, is still living. He is a native of Massachusetts, where he was born in 1838. His famous missionary hymn, "The Morning Light is Breaking," was written at the same time and place as "America." Dr. Smith has filled many important stations in the church, and has written voluminously, his contributions embracing nearly every branch of good literature.—New York Telegram.

He Has None of the Symptoms.
Maud—Does Jack play football much?
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