WEEKLY, by mail,

PLATTSMOUTH, APRIL 25, 1883.

THE cowboy, an exceedingly interesting specimen of the genus homo, is creating quite a furore in eastern Texas, and the ranchmen have even went so far as to call on the United States for troops to when inflamed by too much bad whiskey or when mistreated by their employers. They have been to a great extent outlaws upon our cattle ranges for years. With a broad brimmed hat, a pair of Mexiican spurs, a good mustang and a small union services. honest, faithful servant and will risk his life for his employer as freely and gaily as he will go to his meals, when he is well treated. The best thing the ranch men of Texas can do, is to pay these boys good wages and there will be no trouble.

CITY COUNCILMAN PATTERSON.

The city council did a wise thing last evening in insisting upon Hon James M. Patterson remaining in the council. Mr. Patterson is a good, careful business man, and doubtless it is a very unpleasant duty to have to attend council meetings and be annoyed with the unsatisfactory routine of city affairs. We know Mr. Patterson is very busily engrossed in his banking duties, and that to attend council meetings and give his attention to city affairs is often very annoying and inconvenient, but some one bor of love," and some one has to sac-rifice their good time for the good of the whole. Mr. Patterson has been be strewn with the sweet flowers of has to perform this duty. "It is a lachosen by his fellow citizens to perform this duty, consequently he is the man who should sacrifice for the good to remove every soldier's remains of the city.

Gov. BUTLER may disappoint all political parties in Massachusetts, and we presume he is doing so, but our observation has been, that such overhaulings as he is giving the state institutions of the staid old Bay State, results always in the more those institutions. The Herald the loyal women of the land entwine the wreath and fashion the cross and crown, dropping here and there, like timony adduced before the legislative committee now engaged in the careful and wise management of tive committee now engaged in the pleasing work of advertising the average individual of "Culchaw," down in Massachusetts, as worse than Cannibals. We know about how these investigations are managed. Nebraska's asylum for the insane had an overhauling last winter, and we shell; on the battle field in the fierce suppose people living at a distance, maddening charge; on the picket when they read the evidence of some of the witnesses before that investiof the witnesses before that investi-gating committee, believe l Ne-heard, and no hand was reached out braska must be inhabited by a set of to save; in the swamps, fleeing from barbarians. There is too often a a fate worse than death; and some way down motive back of these in- went down in the mighty deep, vestigations, which will not bear the light itself; and the best way to do is to withhold judgment until all where the wild waves lashed carelessly over their bones. Many sleep in graves marked unknown, but the sides are heard.

THE message of Mayor Smith which if observed by the city council and his and their guardians render all the honor, will result in much good to our aid in their power in this noble work. eity during the coming season, and the HERALD congratulates the people of Plattsmouth on the general disposition evinced by citizens of all parties, to speak a good word for our present city government, and encourage and sustain them ment, and encourage and sustain them lingly take up the work where our in all laudable undertakings. The may- palsied hands have left it, and peror specially calls the attention of the petuate for all time to come the council to the necessity of taking good touching ceremony we have inaugucare of the Main and business streets of rated. the city and making such improvements thereon as the case requires, and the citizens will observe that these recommendations do not call for an outlay of any considerable amount of money, either by the property owner or the city. Also the recommendation as to a system of water works is a very reasonable one; the Illinois Central railway and either cisterns and wells or a reservoir of the state of Illinois, in the supreme sufficient capacity to supply the amount court of the United States, is attractof water needed in case of emergency. ing wide spread attention, and we Everybody can see by looking around notice that apprehension is felt by our city that the individual is doing his many who prefess to know whereof part in local improvements. Every- they speak, in regard to the outcome where residences are being built and of this contest. There have been many property improved and beautified in many ways, and at great expense. It is the U. S. court since the days of the due these people that the public streets Granger decisions, and these changes be kept in such repair that they furnish are thought to be of such a character the citizen a safe and convenient means as to seriously imperil the standing of of passing to and from the business por- the Granger decisions. The turning tion of the city; and the recommendation over of those decisions; the enunciaappropriate. The suggestions of the as between the states and these cormayor in regard to the expenditure of porations would be a startling shock to the public funds of the city are very the mind of the yeomanry of this timely, and much in this respect will de- country, and the HERALD predicts, pend upon the manner in which the dif- would inaugurate a popular movement ferent committees discharge their duties; that would dwarf the Granger moveall work done for the city should be ment into insignificance. closely scrutinized, to the end that the This contest for sovereignity becity may seesive full value. We also no- tween these corporations and the peotice the mayor has exercised good judg | ple is a serious and determined one, ment in the appointment of the stand- and in our opinion, a reversal of the ing committees for the year to come, and doctrine already enunciated by the auupon the whole we predict's good bust- preme court of the United States ness government for Plattamouth city would be a deployable happening, and during the year 1883.

DECORATION DAY. Observance.

HEADQUARTERS G. A. R., Омана, Neb., April 14, 1883. GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 10.

1. In compliance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, Wednesday, May 30th, will be observed as Memorial

The National Encampment adopted a resolution at its session at Baltimore, declaring that this holy day should be called Memoriai, and not Decoration Day.

2. I earnestly request all ministers and priests of every denomina- making bona fide settlement within protect their interests from their lawless tion to deliver appropriate sermons vengeance. This cowboy tribe of law or lectures calling attention to the breakers are a dangerous class of citizens duties of the day—the sacrifices when inflamed by too much bad whiskey made and the lessons taught—on Sunday, May 27. I hereby command posts of the Grand Army of the Republic to attend said services in nniform. In cities and villages where it will be practicable, I recommend with interest at 5 per cent. per annum.

arsenal strapped around him, he has been 3. I recommend that the Grand the settler good terms, and we predict the court, judge, jury and executioner Army take especial steps to secure the sale will be a square transaction. upon the ranges for years. He is an the presence and aid of the children and youth of the country in the ceremony of strewing flowers, and oth-erwise honoring the dead, and to that end I hope that all public and private schools, colleges and academies, will be closed.

4. Let the hand of fraternity and charity be extended to the widows and orphans of our dead heroes .-Seek them out; distinguish them from all others, and teach them that on this day the Grand Army mourns with them the loss of the precious ones whom they gave to save the na-

5. I recommend that the loyal wemen of the nation be invited to aid in this work. They will toil with willing hands and grateful hearts .-Though others may have forgotten the dead, the women have never ceased to remember them and treasure in their pure hearts, their heroic services.

6. The marvelous growth of the order throughout the country will be Furniture from the potter's field or paupers burying ground, and reinter them in Grand Army grounds. We cannot perform this ceremony in the proper manner unless we have done our duty

to the living and the dead.
7. "Wilh malice towards none and charity for all," let us unite in this sacred duty. Let the choicest, fairest and most fragrant flowers be culled, and the soft white hands of that the memory of the union sold-ier may not wither. We will lift once more the curtain that hides the dark past, and see our fallen martyrs die for liberty. They gave their lives a cheerful sacrifice. They died loving hearts and eager hands of a grateful people will cast flowers upon THE message of Mayor Smith which the soft green sward that covers the Herald published yesterday, contains many excellent suggestions which, cemeteries in the land open wide,

Comrades, a few short, years fleet- 2 St. Louis Trains Daily, ing swiftly by, and our children will be called upon to perform this duty. Let us so live that the lessons of Memorial Day will ever be imprinted upon their hearts, and they will wil-

By command of PAUL VANDERVOORT, Commander-in-Chief. F. E. Brown, Adjutant-General.

RAILBOAD WAR IN THE COURTS. The contest now going on between changes upon the supreme bench of yor upon this subject is apt and tion of another and different doctrine

a circumstance as alarming as any-

thing of the nature that has happened since the famous Dred Scott decision.

OTHE BESERVATION LANDS.

THE remainder of the Otoe and Mis. souri Indian reservations in Kansas and Nebraska, comprising about 50,000 acres, will be offered at public sale at the U. S. land office at Beatrice, Neb., on the 30th of May next. Senator Van Wyck has, it appears, prevailed on the secretary of the interior to send one of the chiefs of his bureau to Beatrice to attend personally to this sale, and this is right. This land cannot be sold for less than its appraised value, and proof has to be furnished with each bid that the person purchasing intends three months from date of purchase. The land will be sold in 80 acre tracts, and in no case can more than 160 acres be sold to any one purchaser. Terms are one fourth cash within three months from date of purchase, and the remainder in one, two and three years, The government has certainly offered

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