

The Plattsmouth Daily Herald

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MR. CLEVELAND is taking lessons in horsemanship in the Washington riding school, an immense beast having been purchased expressly for his ponderous weight by the master of ceremonies.

THE HERALD is not surprised in the action of the disgruntled democrats in their howl of fraud and illegal voting, and in carrying the matter into the courts.

THE HERALD has been, all along, in consultation with prominent republicans and has understood that although several illegal votes were known to have been cast for Mr. Showalter, yet the managers of the republican campaign, together with Mr. Streight himself, have insisted that no contest should be made on behalf of Mr. Streight, unless the democracy, under the advice of its overzealous leaders should conclude to have a contest of the matter on behalf of Mr. Robinson in the courts.

BUILDINGS FOR POST OFFICES.

The Postmaster General makes a very intelligent and practical argument in favor of the construction of more Federal buildings throughout the country for post office purposes. There are now 104 Government buildings containing post offices; 44 others are in process of construction; and special appropriations have been made for 32 more.

These statements and suggestions are unquestionably forcible; but there is one important thing lacking, and that is an expression to the effect that the proposed buildings should be erected without any discrimination for or against any particular locality on partisan grounds.

of the increase meanwhile in the number of offices entitled to such recognition. At the most, in other words, the present administration could provide only about fifty buildings during the remainder of its term; and is the policy so far pursued by the president should be continued, they would all go to democratic localities, regardless of every consideration but that of partisan interest and partiality.

ADVERTISING THE TOWN.

Advertising pays where growth is desired. If a merchant has all the trade he desires, he has no need to pay the printer money. If the manufacturer has all the business he can handle, he does not need to advertise.

A COLORED BURGLAR CAUGHT.

Paralyzed by a Strong Current of Electricity—A Good Effect. "Yes, we have had quite a number of amusing experiences with burglars who succeeded in getting into our buildings, but did not succeed in getting away. One of these occurred not longer ago than a fortnight.

"Let go, you idiot," exclaimed one of them, "and come over here and give an account of yourself." "Can't, sah. Ow, how it burns!" "Then came a succession of blood curdling yells and finally the fellow fell to the floor unconscious. The men picked him up and found that the palms of the negro's hands had been blistered and that he was for the time paralyzed by the strong current of electricity.

The Legality of Sunday Issues.

A decision has just been handed over in the St. Paul courts that may, if sustained, bring joy to the millions who struggle under mountainous Sunday blanket sheets. A year or so ago Mr. Egbert Handy, of Philadelphia, concluded a contract with the publishers of the St. Paul Globe for the use of three columns in their Sunday issue.

Mr. Handy brought suit, and the court decides that no contract involving work to be done or matter to be published on Sunday is binding. The case will doubtless be appealed, as Mr. Handy holds that the failure on the publishers' part has cost him \$150,000.

How Ocean Wrecks Are Destroyed.

The almost daily reports by arriving vessels of passing derelict and abandoned vessels at sea might lead the landsman to suppose that wrecks are more numerous than is actually the case. But, in fact, a single wreck is reported many times, and frequently in a wide change of position.

A Monster Magnet.

One of our leading army engineers has brought before the engineers' classes of the late an experiment of startling nature. Wonderful results are promised. It is a monster magnet made of two Rodman guns, which are connected at the breech.

Red Tapsim in Russia.

In Russia there is autocratic red tapsim in so small a thing as the color of a hussar's jacket. While in Dresden last summer Miss Agnes Huntington ordered a uniform suitable for the part of Lieut. Vladimir in "Fatinitza."

Pipe Made of Wood Pulp.

Balston is one of the centers from which wood pulp manufacturing is carried on. In talking about that process for utilizing wood, Mr. H. J. Medbury said: "It may sound strange to you, but they now make iron pipe out of wood pulp."

The Whaling Business.

The catch of Arctic and Okhotsk whalers during the past season has been one of the heaviest on record, amounting in all to 1,500 barrels of oil and nearly 600,000 pounds of bone.

GUY FAWKES' DAY.

CELEBRATING THE FIFTH OF NOVEMBER IN ENGLAND.

How "the Gunpowder Treason and Plot" Are Remembered and Observed in an English Village—Not as an American "Fourth of July."

When James I came to the throne the Catholics hoped he would repeal many harsh laws then pressing on them. This he failed to do, and in consequence a secret plot was formed to blow up the houses of parliament on the day he went to open the session, and so destroy the governing power of the nation.

The 5th of November, 1605, was fixed upon for the deed. Shortly prior to that date it occurred to some of the conspirators that in destroying all the nobility, per force, of the Catholic persuasion would perish. So, by way of trying to avoid this, an anonymous letter was forwarded to one of the nobles warning him to absent himself from the ceremony.

The fireworks are principally squibs—squibs of all sizes, but all made thus: A round piece of wood, say of a broom handle about fifteen or eighteen inches in length, is bored to two, an inch and a half from one end. A hole is then bored in the middle and a iron pin inserted in the hole so that the matter can be replaced to appear as if the whole had not been cut, but at the same time leaving it to be removed as will.

Having manufactured a good supply of these weapons, the next thing to do is to find a place where they can be stored on the evening of the crucial day, and some small shop away from the scene of the festivities is usually selected. Then comes the last of the preparations—namely, what hand to join and what costume to wear. If none be worn it is only necessary to select the oldest possible clothes in one's wardrobe.

Meanwhile another band arrives, and their squibs being lighted, the members begin to attack the first comers with them. The assault is returned, and, fresh men having arrived on the scene, those who have used their weapons retire to replenish, and so they come and go, and from the noise one would think a few batteries of artillery were at work.

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