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Under the same Organic Act the Legislature of Kansas convened first, by order of Gov. Reeder, at Lawrence, Mo.

Again! The Seat of Government of Kansas is at LeCompton. The Legislature met there and adjourned to Lawrence, where there are now enacting laws, and no one, from the President down, questioning their validity on that account.

Another instance has been quoted by Attorney General Estabrook of this Territory, as a precedent in point against the course pursued by the Nebraska Legislature.

Can the Legislature—the law making power of a State or Territory—Constitutionally enact laws at any other place than at the Seat of Government?

We frankly acknowledge that when this question first presented itself to our mind—and when called upon, as a member of the Assembly, to act by our vote in the matter—we entertained very serious doubts; so much so that we voted in the Council, against the motion to adjourn to Florence.

In answer to the interrogatory used as a caption to the article, we assume that unless there is some organic provision to the contrary, the body possesses such power, as a necessary ingredient of the very sovereignty it wields.

It must at least be conceded by all candid men that a Legislature may enact laws at other places than the seat of government, provided they previously fix that place by law, or adjourn to it through the forms of law, by simple motion, joint resolution or otherwise.

Neither House, during the session of Congress, shall without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, or to any other place than that in which the two Houses shall be sitting.

It does not require, as is supposed, that the consent of the Executive should also be obtained to adjourn even to another place. But every Joint Resolution or Bill before it must be presented to the other branch of the government for its consent.

they received the sanction of an organic majority of both Houses of the General Assembly, and in accordance with their rules; and if, after having received that sanction, they were duly presented to the Executive and returned with his approval; or failing to receive his approval, "he return it with his objections to the House in which it originated," after which it be passed by a two-third vote; or if not returned within three days, then in the language of the Organic Act, "the same shall become a law"—valid and binding to all intents and purposes, and that too, no matter at what place in the Territory they were enacted.

The facts relative to the laws passed at Florence are, briefly: they were passed through both Houses in regular form—there being a constitutional quorum present—and presented to the Executive by the proper Committee. He received them; endorsed upon each bill, separately, "I NEITHER APPROVE NOR DISAPPROVE THIS BILL," and signed each one officially, and returned them by the hands of his private secretary.

After a careful examination of all the facts, precedents and law touching the case in point, we can come to no other conclusion than that the laws passed at Florence will be enforced. We have given the reader our reasons for arriving at these conclusions, and leaving them, like ourselves, to form their individual opinions, we wait patiently the decision of the proper authority.

The Nebraskaian. This sheet still persists in its personal abuse of the Editor of the Advertiser. Where we are both known we entertain no fears as to the effect or result of this continued effort to injure our character and reputation.

Gov. Richardson. His Excellency Gov. RICHARDSON, paid our city a flying visit on Tuesday last, remained over night, and left next morning for Quincy, Ill., where he was going for his family, with whom he will return early in the spring.

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From Oregon. Official returns of the election of 1857, show the following: For the Constitution, 7,020; against Slavery, 4,502; against Free Groves, 7,020.

The Territorial Legislature assembled at Salem on the 7th December, and Polk was elected Speaker, and Charles Hand, Chief Secretary of the Territory.

Severe rains had prevailed in Oregon and on the 6th of December the first of the season fell.

The Markets. CORRECTED WEEKLY. FLOUR, 3 sack... BUTTER, 100 lbs...

Married. On Thursday, Feb. 4, by Rev. J. B. Thompson and Miss Lizzie Thompson...

Order No. 1. To the Officers and Members of the Nemaha Mounted Volunteers...

TEAMSTER. MICHAEL CAVERNE. I inform the public that he is prepared to do all kinds of work...

Brownville Ho. FOR RENT OR SALE. The finished brick hotel now being built by first day of April...

Terrible Conflagration. We are indebted to the Marysville Express, California, for the following particulars of the fire at Downieville, in that State:

From Kansas. The news from Kansas is most unsatisfactory. Both parties claim the triumph in the recent election.

From California. The San Francisco Herald says: "The Mormon war fever is progressing very rapidly throughout the State."