

BUSINESS.—Persons addressing this office upon any business requiring immediate action, should, to secure attention in the absence of Mr. Church, direct to ANTHONY, Brownville, Nebraska.

\$7,000,000 is the amount of reduction in the National debt during October.

St. Joseph is said to be holding meetings in favor of the building of the Nemaha Valley Railroad.

We noticed on Tuesday of this week the Hon. A. W. Gray, one of the first settlers and a sterling farmer of Johnson county in town.

Three hundred head of young cattle were crossed at this point last Tuesday for Atchison county, Mo., to be fattened and sold.

Gov. Chamberlain has appointed Hon. L. M. Morrell United States Senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Senator Fessenden.

The Plattsburgh Daily Herald announces that the B. & M. R. R. have decided to immediately commence the bridging of the Missouri river at that point.

The bulk of the potato crop of this county has been frozen in the ground. One farmer told us that he dug on last Monday forty bushel, out of which he got five bushels not frozen.

We issued in pamphlet form this week the minutes of the Annual Session of the Blue River Association of United Baptists, held with the Mt. Zion Church in this county, in September last.

Judge Mason returned to his home, Nebraska City, last Monday, from holding court in the western counties. The Fall term of the District Court for this county commences in this city on the 10th inst.

An Omaha Republican special of the 1st inst., reports the scouts at Plum Creek, Neb., driven in by Indians. Two scouts are missing. Three mules were stolen the same night. Troops have started after them.

Elders Stenhouse, Godbe, Kelsey and Harrison have been excommunicated by Brigham Young from the Mormon church for utterances repugnant to the Mormon creed. They incline to the Smith theory and rule.

D. Y. Culbertson, from Glen Rock informs us that there is much enquiry from the East concerning Western lands. He has orders to buy farms for men in Crawford county, Pennsylvania. Mr. Culbertson lives in a fertile and rich part of the county, and is well posted as to the best farms for sale.

The "Republican" reports that Capt. J. M. Hannum, in charge of the steamer Elkhorn, which he had hired from the U. P. R. R. Co., decamped from Omaha on Tuesday morning with about \$3000 of other people's money, \$1800 of which was money he owed the crew. The Elkhorn has been attached.

We see in the Nebraska City News an account of a destructive prairie fire near Nursery Hill in Otoe county, in which one farmer lost fifty tons of hay, and many others were severely losers. We chronicle this as a warning to our friends to be cautious in setting out fire, and to protect in every way against them.

Two horses were stolen from the stable of Mr. Neff in Nebraska City Monday morning just before day light, says the Chronicle, but were seen by some neighbors, and after pursuit of about a mile the thieves left the horses and escaped by the brush.

From the same paper we learn that a couple of sharpers succeeded in trading off notes forged on farmers for horses in Nebraska City, and got as far as Plattsmouth when the telegraph overtook them, and they were arrested and will be brought to Otoe county for trial.

Prof. Lee, presented at Guyot's Elementary, Intermediate and Common School. Geographies from the publishing house of Hurdell, Hill & Co., of Chicago. These are the ones recommended for use in the schools of the State by Prof. Lee. We are not prepared to speak of their comparative worth as text books over others in use in our schools, but from a slight examination we believe them superior to many, and well adapted to the wants of our common school system.

Prof. Hadley, of the Publishing House of Hurdell, Hill & Co., of Chicago, left at this office, one of a series of School Library Books, entitled "The Intelligence of Animals," with illustrative anecdotes from the French of Ernest Mercant. This work is adapted to children, and while it will prove exceedingly interesting to them, it is also instructive and entertaining, and the children must await its perusal by the parents before they can get control of the book. We will at some future time print extracts from its pages for our young readers.

We refer our readers to the extracts from P. T. Barnum's new book on the first page of this paper. This book is one which every member of the family will read. It will delight and instruct even the boys and girls, who will read every word of it before they stop so soon as they get hold of it. The lecture which Mr. Barnum delivered throughout Europe and America upon the subject of "money getting," is in the book, and is worth the cost of the book to any young man who will read it with care. The book is a large, well bound volume, full of instruction, wit and humor, and will sell. Send for the agency.

Gen. J. M. Thayer, of Omaha, made a short visit to this place on last Monday on his return home from Washington. We were pleased to meet him and renew our acquaintance for even a few moments. In the evening he was serenaded at the residence of Dr. McPherson, by the Silver Comet Band and the citizens of Brownville, who afterwards called him out for a speech. He came forward, escorted by Senator Tipton, and thanked the citizens for the compliment thus paid him. Spoke of the stir and bustle of the town, of its growth and prosperity, and of public matters relating thereto. His remarks were well received, and he closed amid much cheering. The General's military and civil record does honor both to himself and the State. As a worker he is indefatigable and untiring, knowing no let up or rest until he secures what he thinks is right and just in the premises. He never feels more satisfaction than when he has executed the will of the humblest of his constituency. His labors in the recent canvass in Pennsylvania, and his speeches in California were such as to draw out the highest encomiums from the leading papers of those States, and flattering to the State pride of every citizen of Nebraska. There are few men whose public acts and sayings more universally command our assent and coincide with our views, than do those of our Senator. He is no trimmer, but what he conscientiously believes to be right he unreservedly proclaims upon every rostrum. He is no fanatic, nor controlled by no false philanthropy. He believes in dealing with rebels and their sympathizers as human beings and not as angels; as men who have done wrong and not yet fully persuaded to do right. The Senator leaves us with many well wishes for his success as a public man.

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BROWNVILLE, Nov. 1, 1899.
Editor Advertiser: Intelligence from Omaha announces the death of Col. W. Baumer, of the 1st Nebraska Volunteers.

Colonel Baumer was a German, and like most Germans had a military education. Though young at the time, he took an active part in the Republican movement in his native land in 1848. At the suppression of that movement he emigrated to this country, and for several years followed the profession of architect and builder. At the outbreak of the Rebellion in 1861, he organized a company of Germans at Omaha, which company was mustered into the United States service as company B, of the 1st Nebraska Volunteers, with Baumer as Captain.

He served with distinction all through the war. Was promoted to Major in April '62, and to Lieut. Colonel in April of the same year. Was in command at Cape Girardeau, when Marmaduke threatened it in 1863, and was the virtual commander when Marmaduke attacked the place. Gen. McNeil, who assumed command a few days before the battle, being so well pleased with Baumer's plans, that he did not alter them in any particular.

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When the Regiment came to Nebraska in the summer of 1864, Baumer came also, and commanded in various places, from Omaha to Fort Laramie. It was while in command at the latter place that he hung some Indians that had murdered settlers on the Little Blue, and took a woman into captivity, whom they treated in a horrible manner.

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EDUCATIONAL.

The District Teachers' Association.

FULL PROCEEDINGS.

An Interesting Meeting.

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And in compliance with the special request of Mr. Beals, Mr. Nickell took these steps as he deemed necessary to render the Institute a success. He freely consulted with the teachers of Brownville as to the best course to be pursued under existing circumstances. A programme for the first two days of the Institute was made out and published, and a lecture on the subject of "The Teacher's Work," was given by Mr. Beals, who was present in person, and who was most ably assisted by Mr. Nickell.

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W. D. Blackburn retires from the Falls City Journal. He succeeded in making a very good local paper, establishing the same on a firm foundation and has sold the same at quite an advance on the first cost. W. S. Stretch assumes the entire control of the paper in the future.

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Prof. Booth then proceeded to discuss the principles of Education, and to discuss the best method of conducting reading exercises in the school room, after which the Institute took a recess of ten minutes.

The Institute having resumed its business, the next special order was announced, exercises in Arithmetic conducted by Mr. J. W. Putnam, of Leavenworth, Kansas.

Mr. Putnam then proceeded to address the Institute on the subject of Arithmetic, and exemplifying his method of teaching that science in the school room. Quite an animated discussion followed in reference to some of the ideas advanced by the instructor.

The discussion was participated in by Messrs. Hadley of Chicago, McKenzie of Peru, Moore of Brownville, Church of the Advertiser and Prof. Booth of Chicago. Remarks were also made by Mr. Beals on the science of numbers.

Mr. Booth then called on to explain his method of teaching Grammar. The subject was also discussed by Messrs. Hadley, McKenzie and Beals, all of whom made some remarks on the subject of Grammar, as usually taught; it is not attended with satisfactory results.

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LATEST NEWS.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

From Dispatches of November 24.

The Italian Government reserves the right to reject the decisions of the Eumenalopoli to the laws of the country, and the spirit of the age.

Dispatches say all is quiet in Paris. Circumstances still point to the Duke of Genoa, as the future king of Spain.

Gold closed at 123. The river is being dredged for the bodies of those who lost their lives in the recent Monmouth disaster, and up to yesterday at 2 o'clock, over sixty bodies had been recovered, and were identified by their friends. Two or three charred bodies were found on the wreck.

The registered vote of Chicago is nearly 400,000. The New York Central and Hudson river railroad have been consolidated. The Commissioner of Indian Affairs has received information of the National Council of the Kiowa and leader of the Indians in the desperate Wichita river fight, with the forces under General Custer about a year ago.

It is rumored that the Secretary of the Treasury contemplates a resumption of specie payment at no distant date. The consignment of the National Treasury is now \$114,000, which is to go into the sinking fund, and ultimately applied to the payment of the national debt.

The sale of gold by the Government is to continue for the present month. Gen. Butler was robbed in a sleeping car at Philadelphia, on Saturday night of his overcoat, valued at \$700 in money and the other four thousand dollars in checks and drafts.

News has been received from Fort Fetterman reporting that three soldiers, while hunting two miles from Fort Fetterman, were surprised by about thirty Indians, and two or three of them killed. Their bodies have since been recovered.

Gen. Delaney was sworn in as Secretary yesterday. The Allen and McCool prize fight comes off near Cincinnati on the 10th. The last deposit was made at McCool's saloon, in St. Louis, last night.

From Dispatches of November 24. A special cable dispatch states that the earthquake at Woodstock, Michigan, and Morongo, with surrounding country, in each case, were visited with shocks of earthquakes during the night of the 21st and 22nd inst.

The canal cutting 20 feet of water in the shallowest place. The Empress Eugenie intends to be the first to sail through.

Gold closed at 127. The Board of Education has excluded the Bible and other religious books and prohibited the singing of sacred songs in the public schools of Cincinnati.

A railroad accident occurred twenty-six miles west of Fort Jervis, N. Y., yesterday morning by which one man was burned to death, and the cars loaded with oil, tobacco and cotton, were wrecked.

Reports in the New York Merchants Exchange, show that twenty-eight vessels were lost in October, valued at nearly \$1,000,000.

Dispatched from St. Paul, says that Hon. N. P. Langford has arrived from Helena, Montana, to confer with Gen. Hancock in regard to the protection of the people of Montana, from outrages by hostile Indians, who are preparing to drive the whites from the country.

The people demand a speedy increase of mounted troops, and also authority to raise volunteers to protect themselves against the anticipated depredations.

Judge Bodie, editor of the Corridor (Utah) Reporter, while attending court at Bingham city, was set upon and beaten nearly to death. He had been denouncing polygamy in his paper, and the Saints would not stand it.

Twenty-seven States are represented in the Baptist National Sunday School Convention, at St. Louis.

There were 100 arrests for illegal voting in New York yesterday.

Major Shepherd, U. S. Collector, while prostrate with paralysis, and unable to lift his hand, was shot through the heart by his own son, a young Shepherd, in a fit of rage. Whiskey, it is supposed, incited him to do the terrible crime.

Items from the Rockport Journal.

FIRE AT SONORA.—A fire occurred at the village of Sonora on Monday night last, consuming the store rooms belonging to James Odell and Henry Moore, and greatly endangering the Masonic Hall building. We have no particulars as to the loss sustained by either of the parties.

ANOTHER LANDMARK GONE.—Arehobald, one of the oldest and most valuable landmarks, departed this life on Monday night last at his plantation in the Sonora bottom.

Our county is still receiving scores of new settlers, who are rapidly breaking up and fencing the rich prairie lands, and the country is rapidly increasing in population and importance.

The Nebraska Advertiser, published at Brownville, by Church, Colpitt & Co., is for sale at the rate of one cent per copy, and is always on hand. The Advertiser presents a fine typographical appearance, and is an excellent medium for advertising. Its columns are ready to receive choice matter.—Nebraska Valley Journal.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DISSOLUTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership of A. J. McCall and H. H. McCall, known as McCall & Co., has been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to or by the firm, shall be paid or received by the undersigned, who will be responsible for the same. A. J. McCall, H. H. McCall, and J. W. McCall, all of Brownville, Nebraska.

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They also sell cheap at their store, in Hillsdale all staple Dry Goods and Groceries, and such articles as are in general use. Remember the business, the men, and the place.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In the Matter of John A. Gregory, Bankrupt.

Bankruptcy Court, District of Nebraska, at Omaha, October 10, 1899.

TAKE notice hereby that a petition has been filed, on the 10th day of October, in the District Court of the District of Nebraska, in and for the County of Douglas, to have the said John A. Gregory declared bankrupt, and to have his estate administered as such.

Notice of Assignees Appointment. District of Nebraska, at: At the City of Brownville, the 4th day of September, A. D. 1899.

THE undersigned hereby gives notice that he has been appointed assignee of the estate of John A. Gregory, bankrupt, and that he will hold office at his residence, at Brownville, Nebraska, on the 10th day of September, A. D. 1899.

WILLIAM H. HOOVER, Assignee.

ESTRAYS.

TAKEN UP, on my farm near Nebraska City, the following described property:

One Iron Grey Mare, about two years old, high manded, white and tan, with a white blaze on her face, and a white star on her forehead. Also, one white and tan horse, about two years old, high manded, white and tan, with a white blaze on her face, and a white star on her forehead.

\$20.00 REWARD!

I will give the above reward for the return of the following animals stolen from my farm near Nebraska City, the 10th day of September, A. D. 1899.

ESTRAY NOTICE.—Taken up by the undersigned, living in the City of Brownville, the 10th day of September, A. D. 1899, one Bay Horse, 2 years old, high manded, white and tan, with a white blaze on her face, and a white star on her forehead.

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GEO. B. MOORE, STATE AGENT, Brownville, Neb.

Annual Statement OF THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR 1898.

CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING NOTICEABLE FEATURES:

NEW BUSINESS FOR THE YEAR: Number of Policies Issued, 19,334; Amount Insured thereon, \$53,443,353.

CASH RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR: Amount to, \$13,190,331.91; Of which the interest on investments was, 1,701,493.73.

AMOUNT PAID FOR CLAIMS BY DEATH: \$1,435,337.47.

INTEREST RECEIVED: Was more than \$