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BROWNVILLE, NEB.,

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 5, 1871.

The great Eclipse of the Sun took place on Thursday last. It was not visible in any part of the United States.

Hon. W. W. Abbey, one of the State Penitentiary Commissioners, and Hon. J. J. Gosper, of Lincoln, reached our city last evening, and honored us with a call.

On the Senate standing Committees, Senator Tipton stands on the committees of Public Lands and Agriculture; Senator Thayer on Indian Affairs and Enrolled Bills.

The Coal mines at Carbon station, U. P. R. R., have taken fire, and the town was necessarily evacuated.—Houses are reported as sinking, and the railroad track has been laid around the scene of the fire.

The farmers who were too busy plowing in Cass county, last week to come to town, and the musquitoes that were buzzing around at Brownville, about the first of this month, have not been heard from, in that respect the past three days.

Senator Drake, of Missouri has probably made this trade with the Democracy of that State—giving them a U. S. Senator—as likely as any other way, Frank Blair—for a life position for himself. Good enough for Drake; but not very honorable to his party.

Judge Gaylord J. Clark of whom we spoke a few weeks ago, formerly of Plattsmouth, late Judge of the 25th Judicial District, Texas, was murdered at El Paso in that State recently by a desperado named Williams. This will be sad intelligence to his many old friends in this State.

For the benefit of those of our readers who may desire to visit Washington, and of course, call on the members of our Delegation, we will state that Representative Tafie is at his old quarters, the National Hotel. Senator Thayer this season, is stopping at the same House. Senator Tipton has a suite of rooms at 913 O street.

The Legislature of Nebraska meets on "the first Thursday after the first Monday in January" being the coming year on the 5th day of that month. On the second Tuesday after the meeting the body will proceed to the election of a United States Senator—the 17th. But little if any business of importance will be transacted until after that time.

The Pawnee *Tribune* having cut loose from any and all political affiliations is afloat, and floundering around in the dark. The editor is now calling aloud for partizan journals to tell him where he is, or who he belongs to He says: "We respectfully invite all—Republicans and Democrats—to define their positions on the questions which are now of vital interest to the people." The *Tribune* has gotten into a very awkward condition; thinks the Republican party is dead—expired by limitation, finished its course—deserts it, and has not the nerve to go over to the enemy. Bad job you have made of it Bro. Edwards.

INQUIRY.

Mr. Editor.—There is an old and much valued saying "never remain in ignorance for want of asking." We have heard much about the Word Method now used in teaching young scholars to read. If there is in this method anything superior to the old way of teaching, we would like to know something about it. We are heartily in favor of all improvements, and wish to see this method taught throughout the county if it be so far superior to the usual way of teaching. Will some friend please give to the public some knowledge of this method?

Yours,
A Teacher.

Hon. J. T. Hoile, U. S. Marshal, and Hon. J. B. Furay, Special Agent for the Post Office Department, were in the city yesterday and called on us.

Marshal Hoile informs us that he will have that portion of the census of this county relating to Agricultural matters taken over, and will also endeavor to correct any errors that may have occurred in the County in any respect. Those who know of imperfections will now have an opportunity to have them corrected by giving Mr. Daily, the census taker, the proper information. We are particularly indebted to Marshal Hoile for his efforts to do this, as well as other counties justice, where it has not been done heretofore.

Post Office Agent Furay is a thorough going and efficient officer. He has made especial mail arrangements to accommodate this city and other points with mail facilities, particularly from the West and North-East, but owing to the late hour of the trains in the evening they have been of no benefit to this point. The effort however, is entitled to as much credit, so far as the agent is concerned, as though we had been accommodated as designed.

Tobacco, of all kinds at Swan & Bro's.

DEATH OF MRS. LUSHBAUGH.

On Saturday evening last Capt. Carson of this city received a telegram containing the startling announcement of the death of Mrs. Lushbaugh, widow of the late and lamented Maj. B. F. Lushbaugh, who died in Omaha on that day. Just one month from the day she followed the remains of her husband to the tomb, she, too, is called from the cares of earth, leaving four children, "mourners, refusing to comforted."

Having a personal knowledge of the unusually strong family attachments and affections in this instance, we know and fully understand the exceedingly crushing and heart-felt afflictions. How excruciatingly lonely these little ones; especially the youngest, who has been an invalid for a number of years; the constant recipient of those kind and untiring attentions that can only be bestowed by an affectionate mother. What a heavy stroke! Yet, there is consolation in the Faith that He who guides all things for good, "will temper the winds to the shorn Lamb." Among the hosts of warm personal friends of the departed heads of this family, thousands of sympathetic tears are dropped for their orphans, who are so suddenly and sadly bereft. While, as it were, left alone, "strangers in a strange land"—no relatives near; kind hands and hearts are near and ready to do all, next to the efforts of doating parents.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

The State Normal School located by an act of the Legislature at Peru, in this county, has issued its first annual catalogue and makes such a showing of complete success, as to more than satisfy its most sanguine friends. Its location in a community where education is appreciated, and where untiring efforts are made for its advancement, together with the character of those into whose hands management it has fortunately fallen has produced this result. The house, given to the State, now proves entirely inadequate to the wants and actual necessities of the Educational interests of the State. It cannot be made to serve the purposes, or meet the actual demands another year. The Board of Directors and friends of the Institution will, in due time, make the proper showing, and ask an appropriation at the hands of the next Legislature for the purpose of constructing suitable buildings for this school. We hope it will meet with that attention and consideration its merits demands. We are not posted as to the probable amount that will be asked for, or even what will be thought sufficient to meet the emergency. There will be no demand involving a tax on the people of the State; but an appropriation of public lands for that purpose.

LETTER FROM LINCOLN.

Mr. Editor.—Lincoln, at present, is rather dull, but lively times are expected after the holidays.

There is to be a meeting of the Board of Regents of the University on the 22nd inst. The ostensible business is to accept the University building and release the contractor from urther responsibility.

It is understood by some that a Chancellor will be elected, but who the lucky man will be is not known or even hinted at. If the right man can be found, it will undoubtedly be the best to elect him, and let him look the ground over, and arrange his work—select his Faculty—that the Institution may be opened for the reception of students, at least by September next.

To make the institution successful there must be a preparatory department organized in connection with it, and without this we can hardly see how students are to be fitted to enter the course. It may seem to some like degrading the institution—lowering the standard—and all this; but it is well to remember all the time that we are in Nebraska, not Michigan. If it were wisdom to erect a magnificent building, it certainly would be folly to lock it up now, because we cannot furnish sufficient material to start a first-class College immediately. No, we say open its doors to those who will come with the promise of completing a good course of study, even if they need two years preparation to enter the regular course.

There is one thing, however, that will seriously impede the progress of the institution just now, and that is the lack of proper facilities for boarding. True, in time, this will in a great measure regulate itself, but at present it will undoubtedly be a serious drawback.

At present students will be obliged to pay from $6 to $7 per week for board and rooms, and but few could find accommodations even at these rates. Most of the young men and women in the State that really desire the advantages of such an institution cannot afford to pay half these rates; and yet these are the very ones the State should educate. The sons and daughters of our wealthy men are not receiving education for practical life, they educate more for appearance. It is from the middle class that we find our intensely earnest workers in all departments of life. Then what we need here are facilities for boarding that will bring board down to $3 per week at most, and lower if possible.

If Lincoln will erect a building capable of affording rooms for 100 students and give the students board at cost, as they are doing now in many of our first-class institutions in the east, then we will soon see a flourishing school established here; but until that is done we cannot expect to see our beautiful edifice of much use te the State. We will, perhaps, know about this after the meeting of the Regents. Observer.

LETTER FROM CLIFTON.

The following extracts are made from a letter from a highly, intelligent and prominent citizen, residing in the extreme western portion of this county. It was not written for publication, but as it contains valuable points, suggestions and information, we take the liberty of giving it publication:

Clifton, Neb., Dec. 16, 1870.

Col. R. W. Furnas: Dear Sir—I hope you will excuse me if I take a little of your time in a *private* way. Editors I know like better to have letters for publication, but to-night I am too busy to put things in shape.

I see by your paper that an effort is being made to add half a township on our western boundary to Johnson County. This is news to us here where we ought to be first consulted I think, and so far as I am able to learn is not desired by any one. It seems to to me when propositions have been submitted and more about to be submitted to the people to aid the construction of Rail Roads and other important measures, that we need our present strength. Besides, the western portion of Nemaha has never been properly represented. We have no voice in conventions to speak of and will not for a long time if we are to lose half a township. We are glad you are using your influence against it.

We want a general herd law, and the western part of the county desire it and their voice in the matter will have its weight. With their help it would carry by vote. Schools and school districts would all be changed or nearly so, causing expense and strife.

Before this reaches you, you will probably have received the sad news of the death of Judge D. C. Sanders, Representative elect. This causes a "vacancy" to be filled, I suppose by a special election. Now that I am on this subject let me say that we here in the west half of the county, claim the man to fill that place.

The Wisconsin and Illinois settlements are but a trifle north-west of the center of the county, have never had an important office filled by one of her citizens; have always supported the Republican ticket *en mass*; have voted Rail Road; maintained a herd law from the beginning; in short have done all in their power to develope the vast resources of this portion of the county. I venture the assertion that more improvement in the way of planting fruit trees, timber, hedges, &c., has not been made by any settlement of the same age and size in the State, and we want to be represented.

Before closing let me state that the prospect for a fruit crop next season is very flattering; fruit buds well developed before frost; wood well hardened. I hope to have 17 kinds of peaches to exhibit next fair. Winter grain looks finely. The snow falling will help to moisten the dry ground and protect its growth.

Yours truly, —

[For the Nebraska Advertiser.]

CHRISTMAS.

Perhaps amid the festivities and feastings of Christmas, the real design of celebrating the day may be forgotten. It was introduced into the early christian church as a religious service—or Christ Mass—mass done in honor and memory of the nativity of Christ. It is a beautiful service; and it would be well if men would observe the day in a religious manner. It would throw off some of the cumberous care which weighs down the spirit. It would direct the mind heavenward. If angels came and sang praises with the Shepherds as they were watching their flocks at night, among the hills of Judea, when the Christ-child was born; if all along the ages since, praises have been sung, and men "drawn" toward Heaven by it. So it is as good to render praise now in memory of him who brought "glad tidings of great joy" to the earth, as well as on the plains of Bethlehem.

Christmas, however celebrated, whether in religious devotions or social enjoyments, is ever associated with pleasant memories, gifts and rejoicings. It is then Santa Claus, the Patron Saint of children comes with his gifts to the good little folks, and after many years of toil in the warfare of life, the mind will revert back with happy recollections, to the time when the well filled stocking or heaped up plate on Christmas morning was happiness complete. And it may well cause a sigh of regret to reflect that we may not be as true philosophers, as genuine christians now as then. It was a beautiful story told for many years in France, that the Christ-child once a year went round at midnight with gifts to the little ones. And the children looked up with love and reverence to this friend in the heavens. How sad to think that the follies and errors of men and women, as the years come and go, to blind and corrupt them, that they lose confidence in their friends, who dwell in the beautiful land of light and love. And they may well strive and pray to become, as the Master told them, "like little children, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Many beautiful thoughts cluster around the infancy and childhood of Jesus. Although for most of his life on earth, he was "a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief," yet he may have had a happy childhood—so many a one whose life is a continuous sorrow, look back with pleasant memories to the time he was a happy child.

Now as we stand on the brink of the old year; in honor or dishonor, as we have been faithful or unfaithful with the talents given us, in cultivating our own powers and faculties of mind and in assisting others, and as we are about to step off into the new year, and try the life of experience hid in the future, and as many who began this year with us, have passed up into higher life, so long before the days of the new-year may have been numbered, we too may be with the thousands who will have passed "up higher." As every advancement to more elevated positions on earth, requires preparation, so as to perform the duties of the place, and enjoy its honors, so it requires a spiritual preparation, for a reception into the splendors and glories of the "mansions" in the house of the Heavenly Father, when men shall go to dwell in their house not made with hands eternal in the heavens. Then as we stand on the brink of this old year, it may be well to consider if we are prepared for an introduction into the courts of paradise; fitted for the society of bright, pure angels who are cultured and educated in the lore of heaven. Maybe it will not be a fitting time, when the death-change comes, to begin to learn the ways and speeches of the skies.

The Christ is a messenger sent from the upper worlds and has a school in which men and women may fit themselves for the court of Heaven. Let us learn our lesson well of this Teacher; speaking the court language, and wearing the royal dress of spiritual beauty, so that by-and-by we may be swift-winged, bright footed messengers fitted for the Masters' use in higher, brighter worlds.

Now reader mine—you who I please, and you who I displease, all alike, I wish you all a "merry and happy Christmas." You and I may differ in faith and opinions. Your education and life experiences, may cause you to differ from me; my education and life experiences cause me to differ with you. You have a right to your view of things, and the expression of them—so have I; but let us put aside these lesser matters, of "tithing mint and cummin" and attend to the weightier matters of the law, and unite in giving praise to God in the highest, for sending Christ into the world to bring "peace on earth, good-will to men."

Jennette Harding.

London, Neb.

SCHOOL FUND APPORTIONMENT.

State of Nebraska,
Office State Sup't Pub. Inst'n.

To the Honorable John Gillespie, State Auditor:

As appears from the certificate of the Honorable James Sweet, State Treasurer, made on the 15th day of *May, 1870, there is now in his hands and subject to apportionment School moneys which were derived as follows:

Interest on Territorial and State bonds	$ 1,726 30
Interest on United states bonds	5,225 68
Interest on State securities	580 00
Interest on unpaid principal, School Lands	17,560 21
Rents of School Land	3,147 75
Fines and Licenses	250 00
Two-mill Tax	38,112 57
Other sources (fractional remainder)	7 88
Total	$66,849 52

In compliance with the provision of Section 73 of the School Law, I have apportioned the same to the several counties as follows:

Whole number of children, 32,762; amount apportioned, $60,849,52; fractional remainder. $——:

Names of Counties.	Scholars.	Amt's Due.
Burt	899	$1,199 73
Butler	946	1,262 86
Cass	2,516	3,357 67
Cedar	299	405 76
Cuming	501	669 05
Dakota	1,062	1,416 41
Dixon	715	1,021 10
Dodge	934	1,249 29
Douglas	1,793	2,393 16
Gage	3,542	5,068 63
Greene	936	1,249 03
Hall	531	709 01
Hamilton	534	712 74
Johnson	1,794	2,392 25
Kearney	97	129 49
Lancaster	1,562	2,084 73
Lake-and-Court	95	134 44
Lincoln	128	227 74
Madison	594	793 02
Merrick	1,768	2,358 88
Nemaha	2,846	3,796 56
Otoe	6,066	6,810 64
Pawnee	1,456	2,742 62
Platte	1,459	1,945 69
Richardson	4,688	6,311 18
Saline	953	1,262 95
Sarpy	1,866	2,612 43
Saunders	841	1,349 01
Seward	982	1,352 28
Stanton	160	214 03
Washington	1,314	2,086 24
York	159	211 17

*December.
†Enumeration of January, 1870.

Done at Lincoln this seventeenth day of December, 1870.

S. D. Beals,
State Sup't Public Instruction.

Board of Regents.

We are sorry to hear that Gov. Butler did not notify Col. R. W. Furnas and Rev. J. B. Maxfield, members of the Board of Regents of the late special meeting of said Board, and, in consequence thereof, the Board was obliged to adjourn without doing any business of any consequence.

Such manifestations of personal animosity in an official towards other officials of his own creation are unpardonable under any circumstances whatever, and will result in great detriment to the public interests if persisted in.

It is about time such actions on the part of our public servants were rebuked by the people and press of this State, as they are extraordinary and damaging to every interest.—*Omaha Republican.*

The Regents of the University,

Met at Lincoln yesterday to transact official business and prepare for the report they are required to make to the Legislature. A vacancy occasioned by the removal of Mr. Dale will be filled by the Board, as provided by law. The names of Mr. Bruner and Judge Crounse have been mentioned in that connection. —*Omaha Republican,* (Dec. 23d.)

SENATOR TIPTON ON THE CIVIL SERVICE RELIEF FUND.

In the United States Senate, Dec. 14, the question being to establish the "Civil Service Relief Fund" Senator Tipton of Nebraska said:

Mr. President, until Congress shall by proper legislation manfully meet the wants of the employees of this Government, I trust that they may be harassed with visions such as have floated before the imagination—and they are no imaginary visions either—of destitution and of want. I wish to see this question met and settled, I wish to see this question so met and settled that there shall be permanency in the officers of the Government, and then these necessities will not arise. If the clerks of the Government had been sufficiently remunerated for their services, and if those services had been such as that they should have performed without political and outside interferences, there would not be this danger of want, and there would not be this necessity of temporizing legislation.

I therefore protest against acting in behalf of them, or as their representative, until such time as I know that they demand my services in this chamber. I have been one of them in other days; I understand their wants; I understand the contemptible slavery under which they labor in departments; a slavery from which they cannot be emancipated until their tenures are made permanent. I would make their position so permanent as that they could not be touched except for cause, for delinquency; and when occasionally one would die I would bury him in a vault under the building, in order that the outside anxious, greedy world should not know that a vacancy had occurred inside. [Laughter.]

I say, therefore, that we should take hold of this subject in a radical manner; and certainly it ought to be radically done when the chief justice, the honorable Senator from Missouri, [Mr. Drake,] works at it all; but I fear there is too much of conservatism in this operation of his. I trust that he, receiving additional honors and high responsibilities, will not desert his radicalism; but I should like to see him lay the ax at the root of this question, and then I will labor side by side with him for the purpose of erecting a superstructure on his excavation that I trust will stand, and not only stand, but be a monument of the wisdom of the legislation of Congress.

Santa Anna, ex-President of the Mexican Republic, has published an energetic protest against being included in the late general amnesty for all political offenders.

Senator Schurz objected, in executive session, to the confirmation of all appointees made by the President in the interest of the Drake party in Missouri. This will probably lead to a discussion of the holter movement in executive session, and may possibly again extend to the Senate.

Tichnor's gift concert has strong appearances of a huge swindle. The owner of the property has taken advantage of the bankrupt act. If citizens are robbed by this swindle our State officials have the credit of playing "stool pigeon" for a swindler. Had it not been for their published endorsement of this swindle no tickets could have been sold; but we find when the game is played out that they never endorsed the scheme and that their names "were used without authority." Strange they couldn't have told the people this six weeks ago.—*Fremont Tribune.*

The Vote on Morton's San Domingo Resolution.

The following is the vote on the passage of Morton's resolution for a commission to visit San Domingo:

Ayes—Abbott, Ames, Brownlow, Carpenter, Chandler, Cole, Conkling, Corbett, Cragin, Edmonds, Flanagan, Hamilton, of Texas, Hamlin, Howe, Howell, Morton, Nye, Osborn, Pomeroy, Pool, Ramsay, Revels, Ross, Sawyer, Scott, Sherman, Stewart, Thayer, Warner, Willey, Williams,—31.

Nays—Casserly, McCreery, Morrell, of Vermont, Patterson, Sharz, Stockton, Sumner, Thurman, Tipton—9

Howard and Lewis, who would have voted in the affirmative, and Bayard and Johnson, in the negative, were absent.

Such has been the demand for grafts of the Russian apples lately sent to the Department of Agriculture from the Imperial Botanical Garden at St. Petersburg, Russia, that they are now wholly exhausted. It is useless, therefore, to make further applications for them this season.

Two shoplifters, named Sarah Clark and Matilda Berger, only twenty-four hours from New York, were arrested in Boston to-day. They had in their possession about five hundred dollars worth of furs, dry goods, &c., which they had obtained since their arrival.

Trunk Railroad.

The White Cloud (Kansas) *Chief* says the Atchison Railroad is completed to a point within ten miles of the Nebraska line, and the work of laying iron is progressing at the rate of half a mile per day.

Notice.—Visitors will be received at the Lunatic Asylum from 2 to 4 p. m., each day except Sunday.

N. B. Larsh,
Sup't.

Work is going forward rapidly on the temporary bridge being constructed by the Transfer Company. Two pile drivers being at work. The ice bridge is now very firm, and passengers are making use of it, says the Omaha *Republican.*

Speaking of some of the political utterances of Senator Yates, a Chicago paper says: "We appeal from Yates drunk to Yates sober." This is an appeal to a tribunal that was abolished twenty years ago.—*Louisville Courier-Journal.*

The Hon. S. Christie, of Canada, has purchased 33,000 acres of land in Kansas for the purpose of carrying out the system so universally pursued in Canada, in the breeding of short horn cattle. Mr. Christie has imported more real Bates' short horn cattle into Canada and the States, than any other person, and it argues well for this district that he should come and settle in Kansas.—*Denver News.*

How Senators Are Chosen Under a Law of Congress.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE TIMES AND MANNER OF HOLDING ELECTIONS FOR SENATORS IN CONGRESS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States