THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1874.

HALP SHEET. We are enabled this week only to issue a half sheet. Two holidays in lous pomp and ceremony. one week of six working days is more than our force could make up for in four days, so we have concluded to throw off a half sheet this week and next week.

The Spanish army numbers con alderable over 300,000 men.

It is said that November, 1873, was

A Base Ball club at Baltimore, has sail. suspended with liabilities amounting to \$7,000.

independence.

gressman Vinton, of old whig times, bas written a manual of etiquette which is to be recognized at Washington. The first code was written by Catholic Church condemned the John Quincy Adams, when he was Secretary of State, and, slightly first of January, because of the heathamendded, is still in force.

The Chicago Times expresses opinion of the Democratic party as follows: "With John Morrissey for standard bearer in New York, and Fernando Wood for the standard bearer in the nation, the rotten remainder of the putrid reminiscence is certainly well and appropriately offipered."

sewing machine patent, which will Popes, the practice of celebrating the have the effect of continuing the sew- day continued through the middle ing machine monopoly, for years. It ages. Henry the Third, we are told, ought to be apparent to the average extorted from his subjects, on New Congressman, that extending monop- Year's day, many great and valuable poly patents will find even less favor gifts, while Queen Elizabeth's wardwith the people than salary grabs.

now Representative from Oregon, was toal wishes of a "Happy New Year" nominated by Andy Johnson as Min- were exchanged amongst all classes later to Austria, but Judge Williams, and conditions of society, and were then a Senator from Oregon, prevent- accompanied by gifts of oranges stuck ed the confirmation. Mr. Nesmith is with clover or gilt nutmegs. The lanow quietly chuckling over the ob- dies received gifts of gloves and pins, stacles which he has adroitly put in or, in lieu thereof, money, hence the the way of his old opponent.

The New York Evening Post says custom to usher in the New Year the propensity of selecting Yankees with great demonstrations of rejoic- 21) had a very pleasant Christmas for office-holding is illustrated by the ing. Loud and clashing peals of fact that there are about twenty thou- church and cathedral bells rang out The exercises consisted of a song sand persons in Canada who have em- the old year and in the new. The igrated from the United States, and somber Puritan prayed, with many Hawley; song; dialogue, David and this class have some half dozen repre- doctrinal quotations, the dying year Goliath; singing; description of Sansentatives in the Dominion parlia- to its grave and the new one to its ta Claus, by a little girl. Just as the ment, who are among the most influ- dawn. ential men in that body.

The youth O'Connor, who, some sime ago, tried to frighten Queen Victoria into signing a pardon for the Fenian convicts, is now in Australia. The Queen interested herself in him, shortened his term of imprisonment, and, when he was released, had him fitted out and sent away from Eng- through the various vicissitudes of land. He consumes his time with attention to some clerical duties and and composing letters in verse expressing his gratitude to the queen.

"Old men for counsel and young men for war" 'finds little support in doubt not will be properly arranged the cases of Alex. H. Stephens and for you by the Manager of the Exhiparson Brownlow. One of them is shrivelled away to eighty pounds of a the light will fatigue the eyes, that so weak that his voice is no louder than the whisper of a school-boy in session, yet both are eager for war with Spain, and the annexation of Cubs as they were when the news of the Virginlus massacre first reached

The St. Louis Democrat and Globe are having an animated discussion growing out of the latter being detected in surreptitiously receiving dispatches the property of the former and other members of the associated press. The Globe attempts to ward off the odium by charging that the associated press is a bloated monopoly. True, but the proprietors of the Globe, while owners of the Democrat. were a part of said monopoly, and aided in making it unyielding and unbending to outsiders. We speak evident his soul has reached the powhereof we know in thus alluding to etry of life. All nature, to him, is a weekly, we made application for the and scenes of spiritual beauty appear same, and through the influence of before the mind of the charmed readthe above named gentlemen our peti- er, for no one but he who is dead in tion was rejected, except on terms in- the darkness and prose of materialvolving as much money for one ism can help feeling the magnatism night's dispatches as the members of of a beautiful mind expressed in sto- ter of the earth, according to the disthe association paid for the dispatches ry. of seven days and nights. Through of theft.

NEBRASKA FRUIT PREMIUM.

Under the above heading the Lincoln State Journal of Saturday says: Our Kansas neighbors and others have denied that Nebraska carried off the first premium at Richmond in We have just been shown by Gov.

Furnas a silver, medal, with this inclety; best collection of fruits, 13.h

session, 1871; American Pomological Society-founded 1848-Marshall Pinckney Wilder, President." Also another silver medal, inscrib-

Society; best State collection apples; stroyed or defaced. A large amount quarter centennial session, 1873" by the same society. This is authority none will deny,

that we now have the "documents." Highest cash price paid for hides,

pelte and furs, at W. T. Den's.

and we take pleasure in announcing

NEW YEAR'S DAY.

For many centuries before the birth of Christ, New Year's day was cele-Scial Paper of City, County, and the brated amongst the Eastern nations. both as a religious and social festival. With the post-biblical Jews the New Year commenced with the autumnal month Tisri, being composed of a part of September and October, and by them was ushered in by great relig-

The Romans made the first of January-named after their God Janusa special holiday. This day was the principal festival of the God, and as make up for the deficit by publishing the day was thought to be ominous of a number plethoric with good things the whole year they took great care what they did and said on that festival. They appeared on the streets clad in festive garments, exchanging gifts or presents, which, for the mos part, consisted of gilt dates, figs, and the coldest November, for thirty-six copper coins, having on the one side a double face of the God Janus, and on the other side a ship under full

The Roman Emperors made the festival one of great pecuniary advantage, and the custom of gifts of much It is said that there is a growing profit to themselves. Place, power feeling among Congressmen, irre- and the lives of criminals were, upon spective of party, in favor of Cuban that day, often purchased by donations of slaves, gold, or lands. But this practice was finally prohibited Mrs. Goddard, a daughter of Con- by a decree in the reign of the Emperor Claudius.

After the introduction of Christian

ity the first four great councils of the practice of celebrating the Calends or enish practices and hwd idolatries with which it was mingled. The bestowal of gifts was rot confined to the Romans. The Drueds of England distributed branches of the sacred mistletoe, cut with peculiar cer emony, among the people, while the Saxons of the North observed the festival with great jolity and festivity, and by sending gifts to one another. In spite of the interdicts of the great Congress will be asked to extend a councils and fulminations of the robe and jewelry was almost wholly supplied from these annual donations. Mr. Nesmith, once Sanator, but Under the Tudors and Stewards muterms "glove" and "pin money." After the Crusades it became the

The Dutch of New York inaugurated the pleasant practice of calling "But now-a days folks build their chimneys from house to house, exchanging greetings and partaking of good cheer, which was freely set forth in every household, and hence the custom of keeping "open house" on that day.

And now to all kind patrons of the ADVERTISER, who have been with us a pleasant seat through the performances of the new that is now commenced, and hope that you may see as many repetitions of the same as is good for you to witness, which we bition. It may be that after a while body, racked with pain, and the other they will grow dim, the ear become eyes danced with glee. After the dull to the music, and life itself somewhat weary, for we know that some of the seats are hard and uncushioned, and there will be aching and tired souls. But we are told that there is another exhibition in which the scenery will be lovlier and the music more beautiful. Dear reader, we venture to hope that both you and the writer will be admitted to that better entertainment, and that we may be seated which occasioned some merriment. not far from each other.

> We wish you all a happy and, prosperous New Year; thank you for the past and say finis.

THAT CHRISTMAS STORY. I acknowledge the honor offered in dedicating to me that enchanting "Christmas Story," written by a "gentleman in Brownville." It is

It is evident, too, that the "gentlethe Associated Press McKee & Hous- man" knows whereof he speaks, and er made their money, and it is barely may the clarivoyant powers of " John possible that through the same agen- Asch." like the "beloved disciple cy they may loose it. But this cry of John, on the Isle of Patmos," have "monopoly" will not avail to cover rapturous visions of the "new heaup an established and proven charge vens, and the new earth, coming down out of beaven, like a bride adorned for her husband." And may he "hear and see of things which are to shortly come to pass."

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WASHINGTON, The President has appoint's Cushing minister to Madrid. accepted the resignation of Sickles. Mr. Cushing has had a terview with the President and ac-

cepted the appointment.

with such effect as to nearly take away the breath. Caleb Cushing, the Republican appointee as Minister to Spain! A man who never was I Republican-a man who in 1861 was not recognized even as a War Democrat. Why was he nominated for that important mission? What claims has be on the party in power? True, he is a man of culture. But the Republican party is in the majority, and surely it will not be claimed that the majority has to go to the minority for a man fitted by culture or statesmanship to fill the position of Minister to Spain. The Republican party has thousands of adherents fully as well fitted for the position of Minister to Madrid as is Caleb Cushing, and the giving of the position to him is, in our judgment, an insult to the party which vested President Grant with the power to insult it Cushing has hung himself upon the keel of every administration during the past forty years, has sailed along with each, pocketing handsome sums as in the Geneva Arbitration-from

up to his transcendent talent. It is said that Cushing has accepted the mission. Of course he has accepted it, and if the Senate but ratifles the appointment he will adhere to it with the tenacity exhibited by Parson Brownlow and Alexander H. Stephens to life.

all on every available occasion, and

the public has been told to charge it

If a New England scholar were required for the position, why not have offered it to Emerson or other of the hundreds of Massachusetts scholars whose heads are filled with cultivated brains, hearts full of sympathy with their government, and pockets as empty as those of Caleb Cushing are full of money.

We sicken as we contemplate this appointment, as we confess, from a partisan standpoint, for we believe with Marcey that "to the victors belong the spoils." As well might a 3 copies I club. nation go out of its boundaries to select counselors and agents, as for a party to go out of its own circle and into that of the enemy to find occupants for the lucrative and honorable positions at its bestowal. We hope the Senate will refuse to confirm the appointment, though we apprehend it will hastily endorse it.

Christmas at Linden.

The people of Linden (Dist. No Tree gathering at their school houses "Good Evening," prayer by Wm. description was finished with the following lines:

That Santa Claus cannot get through them And so he must come through the door I

Which will be a great saving I'm sure to his clothes,"

the door opened and old Santa came in, dressed in his well-worn suit of fur, and bending under the weight of years and Christmas toys. He was greeted with tumultuous laughter and cheering by the closely packed audience, who found it difficult to make room for him to pass. The tree was soon lit up when the curtain was withdrawn and the children of Linden school gathered near it and sang a beautiful Christmas carol. Happy young voices rang out and bright song Santa Clause came forward an distributed presents to the value of over two hund ed dollars. There were red cheeked apples and sugar fruit, and every variety of candy for the little folks, ready made clothing. fancy dress goods, and almost every kind of dry goods, plain and fancy jewelry in abundance, and a few comic gifts to old bachelors and others. "Good Night" was then sung and all dispersed. The people of the district wish to express their thanks to Misses O. and J. Good and Miss Hattie Good of Glen Rock, and Miss Mollie Snyder, of Peru, for aid in singing.

> LINDEN. Philosophical.

To the Philosophical readers of the

bodies attract each other according to lows: the amount of matter contained, and that the weight of a body decreases in passing from the surface to the centance passed over, and at the center would have no weight, and that the quantity of matter weighs more at the poles than at the equator. It seems to me that the laws are

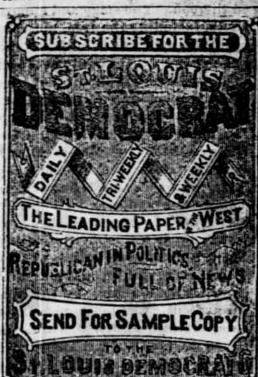
either false or the assertion that the weight is more at the poles than at the equator is false, for if all bodies attract each other according to the amount of matter contained, it is surely a stubborn fact that the earth contains the same amount of matter, relative to the body in question, at the poles that it does at the equator, and if it is nearer the center, (which it would be on account of the depression at the poles.) but as weight decreases as we approach the center on account of particles of matter left behind, it seems that the weight would be less; as the surface is nearly flat the horizontal attraction would surely lessen the downward tendency. If a second Newton will arise from the wilderness and enlighten me on this subject he will confer a favor. Sub-

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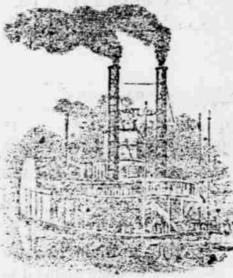
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Saturday, the 17th day of January, 1876, for the purpose of submitting to the le-gal and qualified voters of said Peru precinct, the following proposition, to-wit:1st, Shall the Board of Commissioners of Nemaha County, Nebraska, issue the bonds ancil all said bonds are paid. And shall the said Board of County Com-

missioners levy a tax annually for the pay-ment of the principal and interest of said bonds in addition to the usual tax, and sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds and said levy to continue from year to year until said bonds and interest are paid; said bonds to be issued, and dated July 1st., 1874, and one-half the amount to July 1st., 1874, and one-half the amount to be delivered to the said Midiand Pacific Rail Road Company, or order, when the said Rail Road Company shall have graded the truck of said Rail Road from Nebraska City, in Otoe County, in a south-easterly direction to the corporation limits of the town of Piru, in Nemaha County, Nebraska, and the halance of said bonds when the said Midland Pacific Rail Road Company shall have tied and frome Said Rail Road from Nebraska City, in Otoe County, to the corporate limits of the in Otoe County, to the corporate limits of the town of Peru, in Nemaha County, Nebraska, and shall have permanently located a Sta-tion or Depot within the corporate limits of said town of Pern, and have regular trains running on said frack; Provided, the said Midland Pacific Rail Road Company shall so regular trains running thereon on or before the first day of January, 1875; and Provided further, that said Rail Road Company shall not be entitled to any interest accruing on said bonds prior to the delivery thereof to The ballots to be voted at the election or

FOR BONDS AND TAX-YES. Those opposed to the proposition-AGAINST BONDS AND TAX-NO. The polls of said election shall be opened and governed as provided by law for govern-By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Nemaha County, Nebraska, December 2, 1873.

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