

A Chicago paper suggests in a sarcastic way that gold cannot be found in the Black Hills unless you go by the way of Sioux City.

There will be a grand re-union of the soldiers of the rebellion at St. Louis, May 12th, 13th and 14th, under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The Republican Central Committee of Douglas county has called a convention to nominate Republican candidates for the constitutional convention.

What the editor of the Granger writes appears as editorials; he never skulks behind an assumed name—Granger.

Ah, indeed, and how are we to know that all that is so when we have only your word for it, Mr. Moore?

The matter of the massacre of the Americans of the Virginias by the Spaniards has finally been settled by Spain agreeing to pay the U. S. \$30,000 in gold, which is \$2,500 a head for the slain, to be distributed amongst their families and relatives.

Speaking of the civil rights law, the Chicago Journal says:

The negro is no longer an element of political discord. Legislation has now done its work. Henceforth the elevation of the negro must be sought outside of politics.

A telegram of the 15th inst. says the government has determined to secure to the Sioux Indians all the treaty rights in the Black Hills to which they are entitled.

The g. h. clerk has not time to notice the ADVERTISER, he says, yet he takes time to devote all his editorials to the ADVERTISER on his chief editorial page, last week.

Extensive preparations are being made at Sioux City and other places in the west for visiting the Black Hills country in the spring.

The people of Yankton recently passed and are circulating the following resolution:

Resolved, That all the cities, towns and public men of the Northwestern States be invited to co-operate with our people in soliciting the President of the United States to take such immediate action as is in his power looking to the immediate opening...

Whites are bound to occupy that and all other territory of this vast country. The wheels of progress and civilization will crowd and crush out all opposition, and to the poor Indian, must get out of the way.

Wherever the writer of the short note dated at London may be, we venture to say he is no Republican, never was an admirer of the ADVERTISER, will not investigate any matter that may conflict with his pre-judgments for fear he will see the truth, and therefore we do not care a snap for his love or opinion.

And, by the way, "Reader" utters a glaring falsehood when he says, "I see in every week's paper of the ADVERTISER their dirty and cowardly flings against Church Howe and C. M. Hayden."

honorable and fine old gentleman. But in saying this we do not wish to be understood as retracting our former statement...

THE TURN RAILROAD. THE SALINE LAND DONATION.

Intelligent practical business men, not only in the State, but elsewhere, are not a little surprised at the tone of the interior press of Nebraska in relation to the remaining fraction of Saline Lands donated by the last Legislature...

Now, as to other facts. The best railroad men who have operated and invested in our State, long since ascertained that the first railroad improvement the State should have made ought to have been the construction of a line of road through the river counties from the north to the south line of the State...

The late legislature amended the game law, and now it is unlawful to kill any deer, elk, buffalo, &c., between the 1st day of January and the 1st day of October, or to kill or entrap grouse between January 1st and August 1st...

Dr. Talmage, N. Y., recently preached a sermon against spiritualism, during which he said: "I wish I could gather all the raps that were ever heard from the blest or damned, and bring them together in one thunderous rap on the head of spiritualism. I would try to crush it out forever."

Political tricksters and buncombe wire pullers may talk of specie basis for currency until the crack of doom, the facts are, the best basis is Uncle Sam's credit!

Gen. Custar in his report of the Black Hills regions says: "Men going to the Black Hills to engage in agricultural or stock-raising pursuits need not fear disappointment. The country possesses every characteristic and quality calculated to fit it for the home of a dense population."

Senator Paddock is a member of the committee on Public Lands and also of the committee on Public Buildings.

LET US WAKE UP.

There was never a time in the history of the State when those directly interested in the further development of the river counties could labor to so great an advantage as at present. We need more population, and particularly more capital invested.

Here we can depend upon a greater diversity of crops, and are subject to less ill than elsewhere in the State. Lands for general purposes are more productive, and consequently more valuable.

We are not fully decided yet as to which is the greater rake—Tilton or Beecher according to the evidence, leaving out Beecher's letters.

One of the reasons is our people have ceased making the efforts they used to and those west, with fresh zeal, have been more active. With a proper and well directed effort, the river counties that have scarcely held their own, some of them, of late years, can double their population in a very short time.

The same paper says the Nebraska Relief and Aid Society a few days since received a remittance of \$700 from Whiteley Reid, an installment of the New York Tribune dollar subscription.

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Mr. Oliver Johnson, one of Beecher's witnesses testified that he is managing editor of the Christian Union, "damned fool of a spiritualist," that he had received communications from dead friends, that he had reproved Mr. Tilton in time gone by for being too familiar with certain women, believes that the whole human family will be saved, that Mr. Beecher always examines the articles for the paper.

The Hiawatha Dispatch is unable to account for the mysterious disappearance of H. R. Stevens, a young man who taught school in that vicinity this winter.

The Grand Island Independent says it is reported that the Pawnee Indians, who left their reservation last fall to select a new home in the Indian Territory, have failed to make a choice, and are now on their return back laden with buffalo meat and hides.

When the first Republican Senatorial caucus was held, Senator Paddock was there. A good beginning of his Senatorial record.

The Seward Reporter gives an account of some curious freaks of lightning during a snow storm in that part of the country a week or two ago. While it was snowing rapidly the house of Henry Meisberg was struck by lightning and nearly shattered to pieces, and killed a little child of the family.

A correspondent in the Brownville Advertiser of last week, writing from Lincoln, copies the Chief's correspondence of two weeks ago respecting the Hon. Church Howe, and credits it to the Chicago Tribune.

In last week's Beatrice Express appears the announcement of Mr. Theo. Coleman that he has severed his connection with the Express, and that he will soon take up his residence in Washington City.

The recent New Hampshire election resulted in no election for Governor as no candidate received a majority of all the votes cast. Cheney, the Republican candidate, had more votes than any other candidate.

The State Journal says the grasshopper sufferer must have under one hundred bushels of wheat on hand before he can receive sustenance from the Aid Society.

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After the close of Senator Conkling's Louisiana speech Senator Howe is said to have observed: "I may change my mind upon further consideration; but as it strikes me now this speech of Mr. Conkling's is, without any exception whatever, the greatest oratorical effort of which we have any record in English literature."

One of the best evidences as to the future of our State is the faith that the business world has in us. The first bonds of Nebraska, the \$50,000 issued in aid of the destitute in the western portion of the State, were sold in New York at one dollar and four cents—four per cent. premium.

The Albany, N. Y., Evening Post believes that Roscoe Conkling will be the Republican nominee for President and Gen. Logan for Vice-President.

The Treasurer of McPherson county, Kansas, was recently robbed of \$3,000 school money. He had no safe to keep the funds in.

It is said that Maj. St. A. D. Balcomb is about to retire from the management of the Republican.

THE BLACK HILLS.

We clip the following extract from Gen. Custar's report made to the government after his visit to those regions last fall. We do not wish to unduly excite people, but everybody should have the best possible evidence regarding all matters, and we deem Custar's report the best kind, and his suggestions as worthy the attention of the General Government.

At the same time in view of the widespread attention already directed to the Black Hills for prospective mining companies, I deem it not improper to introduce in this report a word of caution to those who contemplate seeking their fortunes in the gold regions of the Black Hills before a more thorough examination of the country has been made.

While I regard the gold discoveries as very important and of promising richness, I do not think they have been prosecuted to the extent, or that sufficient information has been obtained concerning them, to warrant an immense influx of gold hunters into that region in advance of a more thorough and deliberate examination.

The country possesses every characteristic calculated to fit it for the home of a dense population. The title of the Indians should be extinguished as soon as practicable.

The Black Hills country is convenient and healthy for the Indian, as well as for the white man. It is along the northern and southern bases of the hills that the routes of communication lie, between the hostile camps located in the Powder and Yellowstone River valleys, and the large agencies of semi-hostile, semi-peaceable Indians on the Missouri River.

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When the Black Hills country was thrown open to settlement, as they ought to be, or if simply occupied by the military, as they must be at an early day, this illicit traffic in arms and ammunition would be broken up, the barrier would be imposed between the hostile camps and the agencies, and the well-disposed Indians of the latter would be separated from the evil influences and warlike tendencies of the hostiles, and the control of the government over the Indian agencies on the Missouri River greatly increased.

After Gen. Sherman made his march to the sea, in all the wide track of waste and desolation that he made with the tramp of his footmen and the iron feet of his cavalry, there sprang up like a toad from the grass from the soil, which the farmers called "Sherman's clover."

The Chicago Tribune writes hopefully of the financial future, and thinks it sees indications that we are on the eve of a general revival of business and prosperity.

Black Hill fever is not raging here yet to any serious extent. But we have heard of some parties who swear they are bound to go.

Beatrice has a new steam flouring mill in operation.

FROM GRAND ISLAND.

Seeing in the Grand Island Times, and again in the ADVERTISER, an article relative to Mr. Cresson's letter, I consider it a rolling ball, just suited to gather a few timely items.

Had it not been for the usual proportion of "dead-heads" begging for aid, the supplies would have been sufficient to have reached the remotest cases of distress.

And now, owing to the total unfitness of the office the misrepresentations are still going on in the distributions of seed and feed.

I tell you there never was a greater swindle perpetrated upon a distressed people, than the farce of distribution of seed, just enacted by our Government.

"Have you been receiving public aid all winter?" was the "open question" to the applicant for seed. They asked nothing of your self-denials or privations, your present means of living, numbers in your family, quantity of stock, or your chance of existing till harvest.

Better that Congress had made no appropriation at all. But I suppose the old grab-bag is rather empty, and this mammoth steal will help to fill it up again.

Other day remarked to a neighbor: "I wish I really knew if the Grange and Government are going to furnish us our seed? If not, I will be out buying mine, for I've got the cash to do it."

Yes, he did have the cash, and he raised over two hundred bushels of small grain, but when the time came his name was enrolled for seed and feed, in both instances.

Forewarned is forearmed. If you would that the agricultural interest of our State shall not depreciate, then sound aloud the notes of warning that justice shall be granted.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Nebraska: That the officers of any county in this State, issuing bonds, shall make registration in a book kept for that purpose.

What he the Omaha Herald and Lincoln Spy to say about Senator Paddock's conversion? The following extract from Washington dispatches of the 7th show how the Senator stands.

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