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**H. D. HATHAWAY,**  
Plattsouth, Dec. 27th, 1865.

**ORGANIZATION OF STATE LEGISLATURE.**  
We have nothing authentic from Omaha, farther than that the Legislature had organized with Union majorities of four in the House, and two in the Senate, on the morning of the 5th. The following are the officers elected:

**SENATE.**—President, Frank Welch, of Burr county; Chief Clerk, C. E. Vost, of Douglas; Ass't Clerk, E. K. Valentine, of Douglas; Sergeant-at-Arms, W. E. Majors, of Nemaha; Doorkeeper, P. J. Janson, of Douglas; Chaplain, W. A. Presson, of Johnson.

**HOUSE.**—Speaker, W. A. Pollock, of Nemaha county; Chief Clerk, J. H. Brown, of Cass; Ass't Clerk, J. T. Davis, of Washington; Sergeant-at-Arms, F. M. Dorington, of Cass; Doorkeeper, E. A. Graves, of Cass; Chaplain, W. A. Presson, of Johnson.

It is reported that owing to a legal mistake the Cass county contest cannot be brought up in the House. The testimony taken before Messrs. Moore and Chapman, at this place, applying only to the Senators and not to the Representatives.

It is reported that the Democracy have fanned the dying embers of Secession once more, and that, in the event of their not obtaining seats for their defeated candidates from this county, they intend to "secede." This does not surprise us one particle—their proclivities have been that way all along. We wonder who the puny imitators of Jefferson Davis, Floyd and others of that ilk are? Poor fellows, they'll find it hard to immortalize themselves that way.

**ANOTHER "POICK."**  
The following, from the Columbus Golden Age, is from the pen of Dr. Adams. Nebraska must certainly feel proud of the poetic influences of the "Valley where the Cottonwood grows." Another genius is being lifted from this miserable mundane sphere—although his confession that he got pretty near hell would lead us to imagine he was what the chivalry on the other side of Mason and Dixon's line call "low down." We are proud to learn that the Valley where the Cottonwood grows has elevated him so near paradise. Listen, and don't faint:

"And the rivers of blood that crimson the part,  
And the spots of the light like stars,  
As I stand and shudder with death in my soul,  
Of the souls and the women they carried to hell,  
As I stand and shudder with death in my soul,  
Of the souls and the women they carried to hell,  
As I stand and shudder with death in my soul,  
Of the souls and the women they carried to hell,

Those ill-bred demons must be kin to our own, for he, too, laughed, and when we turned our indignant eyes upon him we heard him mutter something about Columbus Lager.

"Then stalks the arch fiend, from the furnace came  
And said, 'Stranger, Oh stranger, why will you  
As I stand and shudder with death in my soul,  
Of the souls and the women they carried to hell,  
As I stand and shudder with death in my soul,  
Of the souls and the women they carried to hell,  
As I stand and shudder with death in my soul,  
Of the souls and the women they carried to hell,

Old Nick seems to have been on remarkably intimate terms with this "orthodox Poick." We advise the gifted genius to cut his acquaintance, or he may find that he dreamed a dream which may prove not all a dream.

Fortunately, however, the Poick receives an invitation from a kind-hearted angel, couched in the following, touching words:

"Oh, child of the God! Oh, child of the spirit,  
Who dost not see? Who dost not see?  
Who dost not see? Who dost not see?

Whether the company of His Majesty of the Inferno, or that of the polite angel was accepted, the author does not inform us, and we are consequently left in that tragic state of uneasiness, which all great geniuses delight in placing their readers.

Truly, the nectar of the Gods is nowhere, now a-days, alongside of inspiring Cottonwood.

**BERTHOUD PARS.**  
The Gazette and News of Denver, C. T., are having a dog in the manger quarrel over the prospects of the Pacific R. R. passing thereabouts. Each paper claiming the result as an achievement of its peculiar party. They had better shake hands over their good luck and let quarrelling alone, or old "master of the situation" will crawl in and run off with the bone of contention before it gets within four hundred miles of them. See if he don't.

Mr. E. Gaffney has shown us a specimen of what appears to be a fine quality of marble. It is found in large quantities some fifty miles from here, and if it proves to be what it is thought to be, it is a good thing.—Denver News.

**THE IMMACULATE PARTY.**  
The convolutions of the genus copperhead having surpassed anything of the kind heretofore known to naturalists, on the occasion of the Omaha Republican using his snake weed switch upon the specimen of that order at Omaha, called the Herald, lately, that very unfortunate reptile hissed out the following piece of philosophic, grandiloquent and superlative nonsense:

"It is said a large number of votes in Cass were proved to be illegal—Convenient witnesses may have sworn to this. The parties to such an infamy may be glad to have them at hand. We do not envy them their ignoble occupation."

How very funny, to be sure. No honest man anywhere except copperheads. Every man in Cass who didn't swear to suit the reptile family is a convenient witness and a party to an infamy. We shouldn't wonder if Enoch and Elisha should lose their traditional laurels and the editors of the Omaha Herald and Nebraska City News should be translated for their spotless purity. There are some citizens in Nebraska who think that if they had their deserts they would at least imitate Mahomed, and be somewhere between here and there.

**MORE ABOUT ROCK BLUFFS.**  
The Omaha Herald is out again about what it calls, for the "seventeenth time," "this high handed outrage." The pernicious clinging of the defunct Democracy to the fraudulent practices of their party, in this instance, reminds us a good deal of the manner in which they hang on to Andy Johnson's coat tails in hopes—Micawber-like—that something may turn up—

Hear him:  
"This investigation is not ended. We ask honorable men of all parties to second our demand for a full, fair and complete investigation of these wrongs. The investigation will yet be had, and we promise that the proof will be clear to the minds of all candid men that democrats from Cass county are the fairly elected representatives of the people."

Wait till Sambo votes, friend Herald; perhaps, as you have labored long to prove he is not intelligent, you may be able to bam-bozzle him, but you can't ring any buzzy-whacker votes on Cass.

The minutes of the Nebraska Annual Conference show that there are in the Territory twenty-three Methodist ministers, occupying the towns and settlements along the Missouri river from the Kansas line to Decatur, and westward to Wood river. The memberships gathered by these apostolic laborers now number 1429, besides 567 probationers. Six churches and eight parsonages have been built, the total value of which is \$53,395. Thirty-one Sunday-Schools are reported, having 226 officers and teachers and 1388 scholars.

**Hos. P. W. Hitchcock.**—Perhaps we have never had a delegate in Congress that labored less to make a political reputation for himself at home or more for the good of the people he represents, than Hon. P. W. Hitchcock. From persons who have recently returned from Washington, we hear that he is actively engaged in urging through measures for our benefit, and like a prudent man, has abstained from partyism as much as possible, and preserved the best of feeling with all the members of Congress with whom he has come in contact. This gives him more the character of a business man than a politician, and he is consequently free from the antipathies that operate so strongly against a political delegate, and secures him the respect and confidence of all parties. With this much in his favor he wields an enviable influence in Congressional circles, which influence he uses judiciously in favor of his constituents. The benefits and favors already secured by Mr. Hitchcock have been considerable, and reflect credit upon him at home, and he has a number of other measures now under way that will work greatly to the advantage of Nebraska. He is active and industrious and free from sectionalism, so far.—Nebraska City Press

The above well merited compliment has his hearty endorsement. Mr. Hitchcock has been indefatigable in his efforts to secure permanent and valuable aid from Congress for our Territory, and has, in truth, accomplished more for us than all the delegates ever had in Washington, together. It is said that Republics are ungrateful; but we hope the hold Mr. Hitchcock has secured upon the hearts of the people

of Nebraska may wax stronger and deeper until he meets that reward at their hands which he so richly merits. Unobtrusive, honest, and energetic, his steady, go-ahead, business habits have won for him golden opinions among the representative men of the nation, as well as among his neighbors and fellow citizens of Nebraska.

**PENSIONS.**—The additional pension act passed by Congress, approved on the 6th inst., makes some important changes in the laws. The more marked of these is embodied in the following from the first section:

"That from and after the passage of this act, all persons by law entitled to a less pension than hereinafter specified, who while in the military or naval service, and in the line of duty, shall have lost sight of both eyes, or who shall have lost both hands, or been permanently and totally disabled in the same, or otherwise so permanently and totally disabled as to render them utterly helpless, or so nearly so as to require the constant personal aid and attendance of another person, shall be entitled to a pension of twenty five dollars per month; and all persons who, under like circumstances, shall have lost both feet or one hand and one foot, or been totally and permanently disabled in the same, or otherwise so disabled as to be incapacitated for performing any manual labor, but not so much as to require personal aid or attention, shall be entitled to a pension of twenty dollars per month; and all persons who, under like circumstances, shall have lost one hand or one foot, or been totally and permanently disabled in the same, or otherwise so disabled as to render their inability to perform manual labor equivalent to a hand or foot, shall be entitled to a pension of fifteen dollars per month.

Section 15 provides that invalid applicants may apply any time within three years after the discharge or decease of the party on whose account the claim is made, and if allowed, shall draw pay from the date of discharge; if filed after three years, then from the date of filing the last paper in case of the party prosecuting the same.

**Suicide of Hon. James H. Lane.**  
Our dispatches of yesterday announce the startling fact that Senator Lane of Kansas shot himself through the head on Sunday last, and that he died yesterday. It will be remembered that it was announced a few days since that Mr. Lane was sick at St. Louis, and his physicians did not think that he would be able to resume his seat in the Senate during the present session. It seems, however, that he recovered sufficiently to visit his State and put an end to his life in this sad manner.—

We are not sure of Mr. Lane's nativity, but he resided a long time in Southern Indiana; was a prominent politician and did himself credit as an officer in the Mexican war. Whatever weaknesses or faults he may have had, he was not a coward. He was elected Lieutenant-Governor of Indiana on the Democratic ticket in 1852, by an overwhelming majority—between 20,000 and 30,000, as we now remember.

He was an earnest advocate of the "Nebraska Bill," which claimed to extend to the people of the Territories the privilege of regulating their "domestic institutions" in their "own way, subject only to the Constitution of the United States." General Lane went to Kansas in an early day to make his home there, and to assist in carrying out the provisions of this Act. But he was for "free State," which was sufficient to have him excluded from the Democratic communion of that day, as it would be now. From that time forth Mr. Lane was found battling against Border Ruffianism, and in favor of the freedom of Kansas, until the fact was accomplished. Since that time his career is rather familiar to the people of the West. His life was as eventful as his end has been melancholy. He seemed rather erratic and violent at times, and as a consequence had bitter enemies as well as many warm friends.—Omaha Republican, 3rd inst.

Under the amendment affecting representation, the number of Southern representatives will decline from 75 to 50, reckoning from the census of 1850. The number of colored males over 21 years of age, to be excluded from the basis of representation is more than 600,000. The voting population of the South in 1850 was something more than one million and a third. In two States, Mississippi and South Carolina, the blacks of proper age outnumber the white voters by about 15,000.

The following is the amount of land entered in the Land Office of the Nebraska Land District in Brownville for the month of May:

Homesteads,	12,364 54 acres.
Ag. Col. Warrants,	9,836 13 "
Land Grants,	1,599 42 "
Cash,	411 09 "
Total,	24,211 15

**PERSONAL.**—The Omaha Republican says, "We learn that Hon. John W. Chapman, of this city, has contracted a partnership with one of the largest mercantile establishments in Council Bluffs, and will remove to that city this week to enter upon his duties. Mr. C. has made a distinguished mark in our Territory as a man of ability and sound views, and as a citizen and gentleman. He is one among the men whom we can ill afford to spare, and his departure will be deeply regretted among us. As a man for whom we entertain deep esteem and more than usually warm personal attachment, we feel his departure most keenly, and shall ever regret that in pursuance of his own best interests he has deemed it advisable to leave us. And while we shall regret his absence as that of a much esteemed friend, we shall be glad in the assurance that our loss is his gain; and wish him the utmost prosperity in his new sphere of usefulness."

Mr. C. has an enviable reputation, worthily earned, as an excellent business man, and we commend him to the citizens of Council Bluffs as an honorable tradesman, a gentleman whom they will learn to esteem and be proud of.

To all the above we say, Amen.

**JAIL DELIVERY.**—A startling evidence of the total inefficiency of our jail for the safe keeping of prisoners was given last Tuesday night in the escape of eight of them who were confined in the cell on the west side of the building. It was discovered between 9 and 10 o'clock that night this cell was empty of all its inmates. A close inspection revealed the fact that they had removed a short plank in the flooring, and from this had "tunnelled" under the foundation of the centre walls of the building out into the hall which the doors of the prisoners' cells open, and which, having only a few loose boards laid down for the outer world was easy enough.

The names of the prisoners who thus escaped from this cell are Joe. Dougherty, (who shot policeman Welch,) Kellogg, Ward, Dolson, Perkins, Barton, Sullivan and Flynn.

We could see no traces of the dirt which has been taken from the tunnel, and it seemed to us rather strange that this was so. They must have found it a very easy matter to dispose of all this dirt so that no traces of it is left.

As soon as the escape of these parties was discovered, Sheriff Delone started in pursuit, and as we write, (Thursday morning,) is still absent on the hunt. No intelligence has yet been received from him, and nothing is known of his prospects of capturing the runaways, or any of them.

**LYNCHING AT GOLDEN CITY.**—We are informed by Hon. W. A. H. Loveland, that on Monday evening last, while Mrs. Kenney and a lady friend were going to their home from a meeting of the Good Templars at Golden City, they were brutally assaulted by a Mexican, knocked down, and otherwise maltreated. It is supposed that falling in his hellish design he intended to commit murder to cover his crime.—

Mrs. Kenney struck him several blows with a heavy glass tumbler, and finally drove him off and escaped to her home, which is about a quarter of a mile from town. The Mexican was shortly after arrested by the Sheriff and placed in the custody of Mr. Williams for safe keeping until morning. During the night some parties came to the room where he was confined, took Mr. Williams away by force, and in the morning the Mexican was found hanging to an unbragging cottonwood on the banks of Clear Creek. From the indications it is supposed that he was first killed at some distance from the tree, and afterwards dragged there and hung up. Both Mrs. Kenney and her friend, Miss Ward were considerably injured but not dangerously.—Denver News, 27th.

**A CLUSTER OF BEAUTIFUL WORDS.**  
—The following beautiful reflection is going the rounds of the press: "It can not be that earth is cast up by the ocean of eternity to float a moment upon its waves and sink to nothingness. Else why is it that the high and glorious aspirations which leap from the temples of our hearts are forever wandering about unsatisfied? Why is it that the rainbow and cloud come over us with a beauty not of earth, and then pass off and leave us to muse upon their faded loveliness? Why is it that the stars, who hold their festival around the midnight throne, are set above the grasp of our limited faculties, forever mocking us with their unapproachable glory? And, finally, why is it that brighter forms of human beauty are presented to our view, then taken from us—leaving the thousand streams of our affections to flow back in Alpine torrents upon our hearts? We are born for a higher destiny than that of earth; there is a realm where the rainbow never fades, where the star will be spread out before us like islands that slumber on the ocean, and where the beautiful which begins here, and passes before us like shadows, will stay in our possession forever."

**Suicide of Senator Lane.**  
The telegraph gives the following additional particulars of Senator Lane's suicide, on the 2d inst.:

Senator James Lane, of Kansas, shot himself last evening with a revolver, inflicting a severe wound which resulted in his death at 9 o'clock this morning. The ball entered his mouth and came out through the top of his skull. He was stopping with his brother-in-law, Mr. McCall, at the Government farm, near Fort Leavenworth.—

Gen. Lane had been ill for some time, and was confined to his bed at the Lindell hotel in St. Louis for some time, while on his way to this place. He arrived in this place on Friday last, accompanied by a physician from St. Louis. He had been acting strangely for several days, so much so that careful watch was kept over him. Last evening he started for a ride accompanied by his brother-in-law and Captain Adams, a brother of his son-in-law, Colonel Adams. Coming to a gate which opens to the farm, Mr. McCall got out to open it and Gen. Lane also got out on some pretence, and stepping to the rear of the wagon, drew a small pistol from his coat pocket and exclaiming: "Good-bye, Mac," instantly shot himself as before described. He was at once removed to the house, where every attention was paid him.

This fatal act was undoubtedly the result of a temporary mental aberration. It is understood that he is the third member of his family who has destroyed himself.

Sam C. was always unfortunate with the girls. He had received a number of "mittens," but still he was not bashful. One evening he was at a party, and the ladies began to don their bonnets and cloaks, he was around quite lively. He had asked three or four girls for the pleasure of acting as his escort, and been refused, when he saw one descending the steps alone, darting up to her side, he exclaimed: "I'm going home with you, Lizzie; for I'm bound to go home with somebody, if it's a nigger!"

The remark must have been particularly cutting, as the lady was a brunette.

Col. E. B. Taylor reached home last night in good health and spirits after his arduous labors in treating with the large number of Indians assembled at Fort Laramie. We understand that the Commission of which Mr. Taylor was President, succeeded in making satisfactory treaties with the various Indians whom it met at Fort Laramie, and that a much better understanding now exists between them and the Government than has prevailed at any time heretofore.

The remaining members of the Commission and the party which accompanied it to Fort Laramie will reach our city in a day or two more.—Omaha Republican, 6th.

**ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING.**—The Kearney Herald says, that on the 2d inst., at Plum Creek, as a Mr. Bradford, a wagon master, was in the act of taking apart a pistol for the purpose of cleaning it, a load he had failed to observe was in some way discharged, the ball entering his foot. He was immediately brought to this city and Doctor Beshor called to his relief. On examination it was discovered that the ball had divided, one portion lodging in the instep, and the remainder passing forward under the toe, fracturing several small bones in its course. The former was so firmly impacted in the bone that it was not until the sufferer was quiesced by chloroform that the surgeon succeeded in extracting it. As it would have required a difficult operation to get at the other, and its presence would not necessarily give the man any uneasiness, it was allowed to remain.

Hon. Barnwell Rhet, a distinguished citizen of South Carolina, was shot on the 3d inst., while going to his plantation near Charleston. He received two loads from a double barrel shot gun. In about 20 minutes after receiving the wound he fell from his horse and expired. It is not known definitely who the murderer was, but it is supposed to be a negro who had expressed strong animosity against the family.

**BAD ACCIDENT.**—At the residence of Mr. Madison, near Labor, the young folks, thinking they would have a bit of July explosion, bored a large hole in a log in which a quantity of powder was placed, followed by a quantity of sand. A young man by the name of W. W. Madison, who was a soldier in the 15th Iowa, then took a small auger and commenced boring a small hole through which the powder was to be ignited. From some reason—supposed to be the heated metal, or the striking of fire from contact with sand, there was an explosion. A portion of the tool struck Mr. Madison in the eye, putting it entirely out. The log burst in pieces, but there were no other injuries.—Glenwood Opinion.

A lady in Pike county, Mo., has called her last baby "Veto," in compliment to the President.

**OREGON.**  
A dispatch from San Francisco in this morning's paper removes all doubt as to the election of the Union ticket in Oregon. Official returns from all counties, except Coose, Grant and Umatilla, give Wood, the Union candidate for Governor, 205 majority. Of the three counties yet to be heard from, Coose and Umatilla gave in 1864, together, a Democratic majority of 49, and Grant is a new county. The rest of the Union ticket is elected by a majority of from 350 to 500. The Unionists also elect a majority of the Legislature.—N. Y. Tribune.

A newspaper moralist thinks it a shame that French women of low caste should set the fashion in dress for American women. Scarcely—French fashions as worn by French ladies, are commonly both decent and tasteful; but as exaggerated by American and English women, they are sometimes neither the one or the other. The "shams," therefore, does not belong to France.

We recently saw the following written notice posted:

"Lost or strayed from the subscriber, a sheep all over white, one leg was black and half his body. All persons shall receive five dol's to bring him. He was a goat."

**THE BREAST-PLATE REVIVED.**—A letter from Italy to an English paper says that breast-plates are being revived as in the glorious times of the Knights of the Round Table and the Plantagenets. M. Muratori, the director of the Genoa Penitentiary, has succeeded in devising a breast-plate for soldiers, which scarcely weighs three English pounds. After repeated experiments, practiced on it with heavy cavalry pistols at five paces, and lances, bayonets and swords, it has been discovered to be utterly impervious both to bullets and thrusts. The most striking peculiarity of this breast-plate, which can in no way impede the movements of a soldier, is that not the slightest atom of metallic matter enters into its composition. The Minister for War, and several superior officers, being present during the experiments, were highly satisfied with its practical usefulness.

New York, June 29.—The Herald's Rio Janeiro correspondent gives details of the battle of Estanabio, between the Paraguayans and the allied army. It appears that the Paraguayans, instead of falling back as the allies expected, awaited the approach of the latter and by a bold and sudden dash gave them a severe blow, but reinforcements arriving the Brazilians gained the day, not however without receiving a terrible punishment. More than a thousand wounded Brazilians had arrived at Corrento. The Paraguayans still resolutely hold their fort, and a severe battle was anticipated.

WASHINGTON, July 3.—The Senate debated the Indian appropriation bill, and rejected the amendment placing the Indian Bureau under the War Department.

The Freedmen's Bureau Bill passed both Houses, and is now in the hands of the President.

New York, July 3.—Transactions in Wall street are very limited and without important changes in gold, stocks, &c.

Bagdad was abandoned by the Imperialists on the night of the 18th.

The city of Matamoros capitulated on the 23d, Gen. Mejia, with the Imperial troops, embarking between the hours of three and four o'clock in the afternoon, under the protection of the United States flag.

Escobedo, with forces said to number 3,000, entered Matamoros about one o'clock, on the 24th ult.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—The House debated the bill explanatory of the Pacific Railroad act, and adopted an amendment that the act should in no way interfere with the Central Pacific road of California.

Portland, July 5.—A fire originated in J. B. Brown & Son's sugar-house, on Commercial street, and swept in a northerly direction along that street, destroying every thing in its path a distance of a mile and a half.

Half the city is burned down, and that half comprises nearly all of the business part of the city.

Every bank, printing office, jewelry and wholesale dry goods store, telegraph office, and nearly all the business places in the city are destroyed. Many buildings, perhaps fifty, were blown up to arrest the progress of the flames, but was of no effect.

The persons living in that part of the city were unable to save much of their furniture, and household goods, so rapid was the progress of flames.

The splendid building belong to the county, and supposed to be fire-proof, was completely filled with furniture, but it was, with all its contents, swept away.

The fire is still raging on Cumberland street, and is working back to the westward, the wind having changed. Capt. Henry Inman has telegraphed for 1,500 tents to accommodate the homeless of the city.