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Have recently been repaired and placed in thorough
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100,000 Bushels of Wheat
Wanted immediately, for which the highest market
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Will take risks at reasonable rates in the most reliable
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BY MISS A. M. DEWANE, a MRS. E. L. KANSAS.
Opposite the City Bakery.
We would respectfully announce to the Ladies
of Plattsmouth and vicinity, that we have just
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Trimmings, &c., &c. We will sell the cheapest goods
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**HEALTH, COMFORT, AND
ECONOMY.**
3 REASONS FOR BOARDING
—with—
GEO. W. COLVIN, PLATTSMOUTH
OAK STREET, near Stock north-west of Block School House.

HE has a BATH HOUSE, free to patients; his
rooms are well ventilated and his prices are
reasonable. [July 23—1617.]

Capt. D. LABOO & CO.,
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in
Wines and Liquors,
Also a very choice selection of
Tobacco and Cigars,
Main street, second door east of Seymour House,
Nebraska City, Nebraska.
Are just receiving a new stock of Genuine Old
Whisky, direct from Bourbon county, Ky. Bottlers
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STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

January 26, 1869.

Senate opened in usual form.
Reavis of committee on Judiciary,
reported back bill to provide for the
appointment of Notaries public and to
define their duties, without amendment
and recommended its passage.
Clerk of the House reported that the
House had passed Joint Resolution and
memorial of the Senate, to Gen. U. S.
Grant, President elect of the United
States.

Stevenson of Special Committee of
Otoe county, reported bill to vacate
Alley, &c., in Nebraska City; with recom-
mendation that it pass. Rules sus-
pended and bill passed.

Gere of committee on Enrolled bills,
reported S. R. 18, correctly engrossed.
Chapin of committee of Conference,
reported substitute for House amend-
ment to S. B. No. 1.

Reavis introduced S. B. No. 30,
for an act to create a Board of Incorpora-
tion.
Porter introduced Senate Bill No.
31, "An Act to amend Section 39, of
Chapter 25 Revised Statutes, entitled
"Incorporation." Rules suspended; bill
read second time by its title and re-
ferred to standing committee on Incorpora-
tion.

Taylor, by leave, introduced Senate
Bill No. 32, An Act to provide for the
sale of unsold lots and blocks on the
town site of Lincoln, and for the loca-
tion and erection of a State Lunatic
Asylum, State University and Agricul-
tural College.
On motion of Majors, rules were
suspended, bill read second time by its
title and referred to standing committee
on Public Buildings.

Majors gave notice of bill for an act
to amend Section 1, of an Act to re-
strain Swine from running at large in
the State; also, of a bill to provide for
the Registrar of voters.

Gere of the committee on Enrolled
bills, reported H. R. No. 29,
presented to the Governor for his
approval.
Chapin, by leave, introduced S. R.
7, Joint Resolution relating to certain
claims of the State of Nebraska,
against the General Government.—
Read 1st and 2d time.

House Roll 7, An act to amend sec-
tions 1, 3, 20, 21, 22 and 28 of an act
to incorporate Nebraska City, read 2d
time by its title and referred to special
committee from Otoe County.

Were taken up as follows: Senate
No. 1, read 2d time; Senate 28, read
second time and referred to Judiciary
committee. Senate 26, read second
time and referred to Judiciary com-
mittee; Senate 24, read second time
and referred to committee on Counties;
Senate 13 reported back from com-
mittee on Agriculture with amend-
ment with a recommendation that it pass.

Taylor of select committee of Doug
las county reported back Senate 21,
and recommended its passage without
amendment—ordered engrossed for 3d
reading to-morrow.

Taylor reported also Senate No. 22
and recommended its passage; it was
ordered engrossed for third reading to-
morrow.

Majors of committee on Military
Affairs reported back Senate 29 an
act making appropriation to pay militia
claims with a recommendation that it
pass without amendment.
On motion of Gere the bill was or-
dered engrossed for third reading to-
morrow.

Hathaway by leave introduced a peti-
tion of J. T. Hoover and 49 others, in
Class county, asking for a Herd Law;
referred to the committee on Agricul-
tural.

Mr. President read a communication
from the Secretary of State trans-
mitting the annual report of the Auditor,
which, on motion, was laid upon the
Table.

On motion of Chapin the Senate
went into committee of the whole upon
bills on 3d reading.

Bills on 3d reading were taken up,
and Senate No. 18, an act to provide
for refunding to the tax payers of Filli-
city, in Richardson county, a special
Bridge tax heretofore levied and col-
lected therein, was passed.

House Roll 30, an act to vacate the
alley in Block No. 1, as designated upon
the original plat of South Nebraska
City, read 3d time and passed.

Senate Bill No. 1, an act to transfer
sinking and Military Fund to General
fund, read 3d time and passed.
Adjourned.

HOUSE.

January 26, 1869.

Rhodes presented a petition from
22 citizens of Johnson county for a
herd law.
H. good presented a remonstrance
against a herd law from twenty four
constituents.

Parish presented two petitions from
constituents for a general herd law.
Fitchie presented a remonstrance of
—Walter and others against a herd
law in Otoe precinct, Otoe county.
Stewart from the committee on En-
rolled bills reported bill for mileage

and per diem of the members, properly
enrolled.

Fitchie offered the following:
Resolved, That a box with a lock be
furnished each desk, in which to keep
the mail of absent members. Some
discussion arose in which Griffin, Mc-
Cartney, Zimmerman, and Fitchie took
part, after which on motion, the further
consideration of the resolution was
definitely postponed.

Tullis gave notice of a bill for sale
and disposition of the saline lands of
the State.

Parish of a bill to amend chapter
forty of the revised statutes, entitled
"roads."

Shook offered a bill entitled "an act
to license and regulate the sale of li-
quors."

Stout introduced H. R. 50, an act to
regulate the passenger fare and car-
riage of freight on all railroads in the
State of Nebraska.

Read a second time and referred to
a select committee consisting of Furay,
Stout and Tisdell.

Frewater introduced H. R. 51, an
act to authorize G. W. Bridges and H.
H. Shields to erect a mill dam across
Blue river.

BILLS ON 2d READING.
House Roll No. 4, an act authori-
zing County Commissioners to pay
back pay and fees to officers in crimi-
nal cases.

In the absence of Parmele the con-
sideration of this bill was postponed
until to-morrow.

House Roll 28, an act to amend
chapter 53 Revised Statutes, entitled
"Towns."
Referred to a special committee of
five for revision.

H. R. No. 40, an act to amend sec-
tion 592, title 16 of the code of civil pro-
cedure. Indefinitely postponed.

H. R. 41 an act to amend section
60, chapter second, title 16 of the code
of civil procedure. Indefinitely post-
poned.

H. R. 43, an act for the relief of
John Doe. Ordered engrossed.

H. R. 43 joint memorial and reso-
lution to Congress asking for the
removal of the Pawnee Indians from
their present reservations. Read 2d
and 3d time and passed.

BILLS ON 3d READING.
House Roll 44, an act for a herd
law for Oak Creek precinct, Saunders
county. Re committed to the commit-
tee on Agriculture.

House Roll 17, an act to repeal sec-
tion 9 on page 272 of revised statutes.
H. R. 19, an act to prohibit the sale
of intoxicating liquors on days of elec-
tion. Passed.

Spiece voted "no," but explained his
vote.
Seybolt reported back the memorial
and joint resolution to Congress ask-
ing for the Otoe and Missouri Indian
reservations, without amendment, and
recommends its passage. Passed.
On motion the House adjourned.

SENATE.

January 27.

Sanate opened in usual form.
Goodwill presented petition of Sam-
uel S. Spott and 36 others, asking for
a herd law in Burd county. Referred
to committee on Agriculture.

Chapin presented petition of A.
Towner and forty others, asking for a
State Road from Lincoln to Oak
Groves thence via Ulysses, Peppersville
across the Platte, opposite Columbus,
and the appointment of three Commis-
sioners to run and locate the same.

Majors presented petition of Wm B.
Phillips and fifty others, asking for a
law to prevent Swine from running at
large in Nemaha county. Referred
to Committee on Agriculture.

Cunningham presented petition of
James R. Cain and 20 others remon-
strating against the removal of Hon.
O. P. Mason from the first Judicial
District.

Reavis of Standing Committee on
Judiciary to whom was referred House
Roll No. 1, A bill for an act for hold-
ing term of Supreme Court, reported it
back with recommendations that it do
pass. Also, Senate No. 33 for an act
to amend Sec. 10, Chapter 16 of Re-
vised Statutes and moved suspension of
rules, that bill be read second time and
referred to committee of whole, which
was agreed to.

Frost of committee on Federal Re-
lations, reported back Memorial and
Joint Resolution Praying Congress for
a grant of land to aid in the construc-
tion of a railroad from Yankton to Col-
umbus, recommending its passage.

Hathaway introduced Senate Roll
No. 8, Joint Resolution appropriating
\$300 to assist in the organization of a
colony to settle upon the Republican
River, and moved suspension of rules,
and bill read second time and referred
to special committee from Cas county.

Frost moved an indefinite postpone-
ment, which was agreed to.
Stevenson of committee on Incorpora-
tions reported back bill for an act to
incorporate cities of 1st class, and re-
commended its passage with amend-
ment.

Resolution relative to a treaty for the
purchase of Reservations of Otoe and
Missouri Indians.

Reavis of Judiciary committee reported
back Senate No. 26 to fix the time
of holding Courts in Lincoln county,
recommending its passage without
amendment.

Taylor moved that rules be sus-
pended and Senate No. 30, an act to cre-
ate a board of Emigration, be read 2d
time by its title and referred to Com-
mittee of the whole. Carried.

On motion of Hathaway, Senate
went into committee of the whole on
bills on second reading.

The bill for the abolition of the
death penalty was taken up and dis-
cussed by Messrs. Reavis, Harroun and
Gere in favor of, and Frost against
the bill.

Committee rose and asked leave to
sit again.

Senate took a recess until 2:30 p. m.
AFTERNOON SESSION.—Senate met
and went into committee of the whole
upon Bill on 2d reading and resumed
the discussion of the bill to abolish the
Death Penalty. Messrs. Cunningham,
Barroun and Reavis speaking in fa-
vor, and Messrs. Stevenson, Majors
and Frost against it.

Committee rose and reported the
bill back to the Senate with a recom-
mendation that it do not pass.

The report of the Committee was
adopted by the following vote:
Yea—Messrs. Ashton, Chapin, Frost,
Goodwill, Hathaway, Majors, Porter,
Stevenson and Mr. President.

Nay—Barroun, Cunningham, Gere
and Reavis.
The bill was indefinitely postponed.

The President signed the bill to va-
cate the precinct of Nebraska City.

Gere of committee on Enrolled
bills reported Senate No.
1, Senate No. 4, Senate No. 29, and
Senate No. 24, correctly engrossed.
Adjourned.

HOUSE.

Jan. 27.

Rhodes of Johnson county presented
petition of George DeLons and 221
other citizens of Johnson county pray-
ing for a herd law for that county. Re-
ferred to committee on Agriculture.

Blakely presented a remonstrance
against a herd law in Gage county.
McKennon presented a petition from
Mr. Hopkins and 78 others for a State
road from Ashland to Nebraska City.
Also, W. P. Spill and 50 others for
the same.

Furay presented a petition of W. P.
St. Clair and 79 other citizens of
Platte county, praying for the forma-
tion of a new county to be called Col-
fax county.

Seybolt presented petition of W. H.
Fuller and 200 others of Seward county,
for an act allowing the people to
vote on the relocation of the county
seat of said county.

Rathmann presented a petition for a
general herd law.
Spiece presented a remonstrance of
Charles H. Wheeler and others against
detaching any portion of Platte county
to form a new county.

Crow from the committee on accounts
and expenditures, reports Senate 19
and recommends its passage.

Fitchie offered the following:
Resolved, That the Secretary of
State be instructed to furnish each
member of the House with a pen knife
to be accounted for as stationery and
postage.

Seybolt gave notice of a bill, supple-
mentary to an "Act entitled an Act for
the revision of the School Law"

Also, a bill to create the office of State
Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Also, a bill creating the office of Coun-
ty Superintendent of Schools, and define
duties of same.

Spiece offered a bill for a State road
from Columbus, Platte county, to St. He-
lena, in Cedar county.

Fitchie offered a bill to amend the Re-
gister Law of Nebraska.

Zimmerer offered a bill regarding the
protection of all kinds of wild birds in
Nebraska.

BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.
Stewart offered H. R. 52, "An Act to
dispose of the State Lands granted to
Nebraska for works of internal improve-
ments."
Rules suspended, read a second time
by its title and referred to a special com-
mittee of five, consisting of Messrs. Sey-
bolt, Stewart, Loveland, McCartney and
Parish.

House reassembled at two o'clock and
immediately went into a committee of
the whole on bills on the 2d reading—
Griffin in the chair.

The whole afternoon was taken up in
discussing the general herd law, and
every section was amended and re-
commended and finally reported back
to the House with a recommendation that it
pass.

The House ordered it engrossed for a
3d reading to-morrow.

On motion House adjourned at 4:30.

RESEARCHES AT JERUSALEM.

A correspondent of the New York
Times writes from Jerusalem as fol-
lows:

The discoveries made hitherto may
be summed up briefly. The south wall
of the desecrated area, Haram el Sherief,
which within stood the temple, has
been explored to the very foundations.
It is found that in one place the wall
was not less than one hundred and
eight feet high. At the lowest point of
the wall, which is now determined to
be also the lowest point of the Tyropean
valley, he discovered a small
passage, which he explored for some
hundred feet, of very ancient con-
struction, and evidently intended to
carry off the superfluous water. Pre-
vious to this discovery it had been sup-
posed that the lowest point was the
southwest angle of the wall where was
the great arch, known as the Robinson
Arch. Visitors to Jerusalem will re-
member the spring at the old arch at
this point. They will be gratified to
learn that all the conjectures with re-
ference to what formerly stood there
have been abundantly verified. Not
only was there a splendid arch cross-
ing the Tyropean valley at this point
—the span of which was forty feet
across—and the voussoirs and ruins of
which now lie buried in the debris; but
beneath the old arch, covered with a
pavement, built presumably to cover
these ruins, lie the stones of an arch
older still, perhaps the arch built by
Solomon himself. The complete in-
vestigation of this arch has been a long
and costly undertaking but its impor-
tance is very great.

On the east side of the Haram wall
lies the valley of the Kedron. Lieut.
Warren, by a series of shafts and
borings, has ascertained that the pres-
ent bed of the stream is not less than
forty feet higher than the old bed—the
bed having been raised by the onerous
masses of debris and ruins that
have been hurled over into it the valley.
By the last letter from Jerusalem we
received a plan of the system of cham-
bers discovered at Wilson's Arch high
er up on the western wall, near the
"Wailing Place" of the Jews. Lieut.
Warren has discovered, at a depth of
some fifty feet below the surface of the
ground, a vast system of chamber and
passages. These chambers, whose use
has not yet been decided, are mostly
about twelve feet square, vaulted and
filled up with rubbish or water. About
eighteen have been opened, of which
it is conjectured that two or three are
of Saracenic origin, and the rest of
Jewish. They branch off right and
left along a great passage. This
has been followed up to a distance of
two hundred and fifty feet, its destina-
tion being yet uncertain, and its use
problematical. Perhaps however, it
was a secret passage for troops. The
discovery is intensely interesting, and
may lead to singular and most impor-
tant results.

NEBRASKA.

We publish the following extract
from a letter signed by numerous citi-
zens of Otoe county to Rev. R. Wake,
of Wilmington, Ill. This gentleman
was the leader of a large colony of
English immigrants that settled in
Palmyra precinct, Otoe county, about
three years since. This testimonial
to him for his services in locating them
in so favored a section of our free
country, shows their appreciation of
Nebraska:
"Whilst we express our acknowl-
edgment of their valuable services,
gratuitously rendered, we must not
omit the opportunity of expressing our
appreciation of the magnanimous poli-
cy of the United States government, in
opening up the public domain alike to
the foreign, as well as the native born
citizen."
"To place an alien on perfect equal-
ity with a native, is an act of noble leg-
islation unparalleled in history."
"The State government of Nebraska
has also passed laws in the same gen-
erous spirit giving to the foreigners
equal privileges with a native born
citizen, after a residence of only six
months whilst most of the States re-
quire a residence of five years."
"We cordially recommend this State
as a desirable field of emigration to
such of our countrymen of industrious
habits as may have sufficient means to
commence farming."

There was once an independent old
lady who speaking of Adam's naming
all the animals, said she didn't think
he deserved any credit for naming the
pig—any person would know what to
call him.

THE FAR WEST.

A correspondent of Pomeroy's Dem-
ocrat, published at New York City,
contains the following interesting items
in relation to our city and surrounding
country; it also speaks very highly of
Capt. Murphy's Colony scheme.

PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA,
Dec. 22, 1868.

After roving around the mountains
in the Bear river country, at the termi-
nus of the Union Pacific Railway, and
traveling thence eastward south of that
line of road, through the Indian coun-
try, and on through unsurveyed West-
ern Nebraska, along down the Republi-
can river, the finest valley of land we
have ever seen, to the western terminus
of the Atchison Railroad; diverg-
ing at this point, and wandering along
in a northwesterly direction till at last
we "brought up" at this beautiful little
town of Plattsmouth, situated on the
west bank of the "Big Muddy," four
miles south of the junction of the
Platte and Missouri rivers. Nestled
down among the hills, with a command-
ing view of the Missouri river and
many miles of the valley lands of the
Missouri slope, on the Iowa side, a
varied and picturesque scenery on all
sides makes this really an attractive
place. Two thousand souls call it
home; and a representation of fifty
business houses in all branches, two
grist and two saw mills, four churches,
substantial structures, all of them, a
fine brick court house, school houses in
abundance; a county newspaper, which
is as black as the heart of even a Thad
Seybert's Radical could wish; and last,
but not least, the cosiest, most home-
like hotel we have found in the West.

Altogether, you have a sketch of a live-
ly, go ahead little "burgh," which will
soon boast of a railroad both East and
West.
A vast amount of agricultural lands,
among the best in the State, are tribu-
tary to this point, making it an advan-
taged one for capital seeking to invest
their surplus cash in it. Time—and not
far in the future, either—will develop
his into a busy, humming town, full of
life, energy, and wealth, or else we
are mistaken.

BUILDING RAILROADS.

We have seen many things of interest
—have seen men lay seven and three
quarters miles of railroad track in
twelve hours—have seen a railroad
under construction during the moon-
light hours—have seen unceasing hercu-
lean labor performed hour after
hour, night and day, for weeks; and
that too, in a country full of danger,
novelty and newness. Thousands of
miles in the interior of this vast contin-
ent are hundreds of miles from the
home and surety of the land accom-
plishing the grandest work of the age
—the building of an intercontinental rail-
way of such proportions as to dazzle
the mind.

SIGHTS TOWARDS SUNDOWN.

We have seen various tribes of the
poor "Lo" family, and discovered no
romance about them; nothing but bruti-
lity, degradation and murder in their
appearance. We have seen immense
forests, gigantic trees, snowy peaked
mountains, beautiful valleys, great and
small rivers, mountain springs, cold
and sparkling, filled with speckled
trout, some of which weigh six pounds;
have seen and sported among the buf-
falo, the antelope, the black tailed
deer, the elk, and many coyotes and
numerous amounts of the feathery
tribe. It is a great, glowing, beauti-
ful country! We have visited the
mining districts, and have seen the
bright shining gold separated from its
rocky tomb to gladden the heart of
man; we have seen men hung by the
one, two, and three at a time; have seen
one man shoot another across a dining
table, while partaking of a repast—
And we have seen, in a crowded room,
many derringers in sight, and heard
the sharp burr of the bullets passing
freely around, strong men drop dead
in their tracks without a moan or a
groan, some with many curses about
ing as they staggered away with the
arms of death about them, others with
a death wound, wildly flinging their
arms in the air, vainly clutching for
life, and breathing out blood with ev-
ery blasphemous word uttered, fall
away and pass to their long home,
unheeded and uncared for. Many
very many things have seen that we
have not time to note or space to spare,
but which some day we will give to your
hundreds of thousands of readers.

WESTWARD HO.

As the minds of a vast majority of
people East of the Mississippi River,
even down to the Atlantic Coast, those
of whom are readers of the Zen
ocrat, are tending Westward, and are
gathering all the information possible
from this section, we will give them a
bit of information that will interest
many and may benefit some.
We refer to the organization of col-
onies in this section for the purpose of
moving on still farther Westward. In
order to give the reader a general idea
we will refer to a case in point; and as
we receive direct and from the best
authority, our information can be
strictly relied upon. Capt. E. B. Mur-

phy, of this place, a gentleman who
has spent a number of years in the far
West, an old pioneer, a man well
known hereafter, of strict integrity
and upright character, gives us the fol-
lowing information:
He will start on or about the first of
April next, from Plattsmouth, with
from one hundred to two hundred men,
fully equipped and provisioned for a
year, for a section of country lying in
Southwest Nebraska, on the Republi-
can river—an unsurveyed range of
country, but the most beautiful in all
respects in the new Northwest. The
section chosen lies seventy five miles
south of Plattsmouth, the nearest sta-
tion on the U. P. R. R., 325 miles east
of Denver, 300 miles west of the Mis-
souri river, and about an equal dis-
tance from Omaha, Plattsmouth, and
Atchison. From the latter point a
railway, in full operation, reaches 120
miles up the Republican river, and will
run directly through the section we
refer to in about one year or eighteen
months from the present time.

The soil is of the best known, the
climate mild and steady; the health
perfect, as it is in all that region of
country; the water pure and sweet, no
alkali lands or water existing there-
way; one of the best grazing coun-
tries in the West; heavy timber, the pre-
dominant varieties being oak, walnut,
ash, hickory, and cottonwood; coal is
found in abundance; mill privileges
and water power excellent. In fact it
is as complete in all its bearings, as
any section of the country we have
seen, and we have traveled hundreds
of miles in this great West.

The colony will be systematically
organized before leaving the rendez-
vous; and each man will pay into the
treasury of the company two hundred
dollars. This fund will be used in the
purchase of a general outfit for the
colony: The State furnishes artillery,
and such other arms and ammunition
as may be necessary for protection in
case of trouble with the Indians; but as
there are no Indians in that section, no
danger is anticipated. Each man is
to provide himself with a good rifle,
revolver, and ammunition for a year.
The Indians have been removed to
reservations hundreds of miles away,
and will be kept there. All the pre-
cautions will be taken and all the pre-
parations made, that many years of
experience are able to suggest, and it
rests with the colony whether or not
success shall attend their venture and
efforts. We thus particularize in order
"that your many readers can form a
general idea of the plans of colonization
in the West."