Nebraska Herald.

PLATTSMOUTH NEBRAKSA.,

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7. 1871.

"UNSHAKEN."

The Omaha *Republican* says that Judge Mason was unable to "shake the position taken" by John I. Redick at the meeting in that city Wednesday evening, at which the new constitution was discussed. We agree with the *Republican* that his "position" could not be "shaken;" but his "*position*" was one of the most abject *humiliation* we ever saw. He cringed under the powerful arguments and withering sarcasm of the Chief Justice, and his "position" was unchanged during the entire speech of the Chief Justice.

NOTHING MORE TO SAY.

We were in Omaha Wednesday evening, and heard the constitution discussed. The opponents chose John I. Redick as their champion, and he made the strongest possible showing for that side of the question; but everybody seemed to feel that he had the weak side. We heard a prominent citizen of Omaha and a prominent opposer of the constitution say, after the close of the speaking, that if that was the best showing their side could make he should have nothing more to say.

Gov. James and the Salt Land Steal.

We are satisfied that injustice has been done Governor James by the Plattsmouth *Herald* and Lincoln *Journal* in the Salt Land affair, and the following correspondence speaks for itself and exculpates Governor James from any blame in the premises:

STATE OF NEBRASKA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 28, 1871.

Register and Receiver Land Office, Lincoln, Nebraska:

GENTLEMEN:—I notice that certain reports in regard to the Saline interests of this State are attracting the attention of the respectable portion of the press. Be kind enough to inform me whether any inquiry has been had at your office in relation to the matter since my administration, and if so, please inform me as to the time and nature thereof.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant, WILLIAM H. JAMES,
Acting Governor.

LAND OFFICE, LINCOLN, NEB., August 29, 1871.

His Excellency, Wm. H. James, Acting Governor of Nebraska:

SIR:—Referring to yours of this date, we have the honor to state that no particular inquiry about, or investigation of the Saline interests of this State, has been made since November, 1870, except by Gen Gilmore, ex-member of the law firm of Chipman, Hosmer & Co., at Washington, D. C.; he, during the last sixty days has been making a thorough investigation of the matter, and in doing so represented that he was working in the interest of the State and under your direction

Very respectfully,
H. W. SOMMERLAD, Register.
W. F. CHAPIN, Receiver.

Plattsmouth *Herald* please copy.—*Neb. City Chronicle*

The Plattsmouth HERALD copies very willingly; comments candidly and fearlessly and expresses great pleasure in knowing that its efforts at stirring up this steal has caused his Acting Excellency to do something in the way of repairing the wrong already accomplished, by securing the services of Gen. Gilmour, although Messrs. Chapin and Sommerlad give Gov. James too much credit, perhaps, in the matter of securing him, for we chance to know something about that part of the programme. The letter does *not* "exculpate Gov. James from any blame in the premises," as asserted above, but substantiates, fully, the facts we have complained of, vis: That "*no inquiry*" had been made relative to this matter by Gov. James, when he certainly should have taken some action and thus secured the interests of the State. It is precisely this that we have censured him for, that he did nothing—made "no inquiry"—when he should have acted. But we have no disposition to find fault with his Acting Excellency, and it was with regret that we did so at all; and we are disposed to be as lenient as possible, now that we have accomplished our purpose and secured some action on his part; and we are confident these lands will yet be saved to the State, if Gov. James followes it up closely. Swear Capt. Donovan.

What I Know About Editing a Newspaper.

It is strange how closely men read the papers. We never say anything that anybody don't like, but we soon hear of it, and everybody tells us about it. If, however, once in a while we happen to say a good thing, we never hear of that—nobody seems to notice that. We may pay some man a hundred compliments and give him a dozen puffs, and he takes it as a tribute to his greatness, and never thinks of it—never thinks it does him any good. But if we happen to say anything this very man don't like, or something that he imagines is a reflection on him or his character, see how quick he flares up and gets mad about it. All our evil is duly charged to us, but we never, apparently, get any credit for what good we do.—[Horace Greeley.

An English preacher, we are told, declares as one having authority, that there are twelve times as many women in Heaven as men, and, by a parity of reasoning, there must be twelve times as many men as women in the other place not to be mentioned to ears polite. How the reverend Briton got his information, or why he fixed upon the proportion of twelve to one, instead of twenty to one, we are not informed, but it adds a new horror to the lower hot settlements to know that when pain and anguish wring the brow there, the ministering angels will be scarce. We don't like to joke on serious subjects, and we promise not to, when addle-pated conjectures will let them alone.

Sleeping With the Mouth Closed.

This will prevent the dryness and bad taste so commonly experienced on awaking in the morning. These unpleasant sensations ordinarily come of sleeping with it open; the habit of keeping it closed may be formed by a careful clearing of the nasal passages on lying down, and by going to sleep with a determination to keep the lips closed.—*Selected.*

HOLD!

If any man is inclined to oppose the adoption of the proposed constitution, we say to him, hold! Wait until you have stated your objections, and some one who has considered the document in all its bearings has had an opportunity to reason with you on the subject. The document in full has been placed before every reader of the HERALD, and they can readily see that no man can fully understand it in all its bearings from a single reading. We have talked with a large number of men during the past few days, and have carefully noted every objection urged, and find, after careful examination, that almost every man who objects to it does so from a misapprehension of the facts. We shall, during the time intervening before the day set for the election, take occasion to answer, as best we can, some of the principal objections We are well aware that the document is not free from faults—as what one is—but we are well satisfied that many of the apparent faults only exist in the minds of those who have not carefully considered the document in all its parts, and have not contrasted it with the present constitution, As an instance, a terrible hue and cry was raised in Omaha because it was alleged the new Constitution taxed all church property in excess of $5,000 to each church; and religious men advised that it be voted down, and the Catholic Bishop, we are told, issued circulars calling on all members of his church to put the seal of their condemnation upon it. During the height of their holy horror they were still further horrified to learn that the present Constitution *does not exempt a single dollar of Church property from taxation*, neither does it permit it to be exempted. This changed the whole aspect of affairs, and to day every churchman in Omaha favors the new constitutional provisions relative to church taxation as compared with the provisions of the present Constitution Therefore we say, condemn not hastily, but wait and see.

Marks of Difference of Sex in Eggs

It is stated that the eggs of the common hen, as well as those of many other birds, present certain external characteristics by means of which it is possible to determine beforehand the sex to be hatched from them. Thus the "male" egg has, at its pointed end, small folds and wrinkles, while the "female" egg is entirely smooth and well rounded off at both ends.

Blackberries and Diarrhea.

A Philadelphia physician writes to the *Post* to correct an impression that blackberries are useful or harmless in cases where children are convalescing from diarrhea or cholera infantum. He says that from close observation during several years, meantime enjoying a large practice, he is forced to believe that there is no other cause so fatal to life in these complaints as eating blackberries.

Meeting of the Republican State Central Committee.

Official Report of the Meeting.

[From the Tribune and Republican.]

The State Republican Central Committee assembled at the parlor of the Wyoming House, in this city, at 4 p. m. yesterday.

Present—H. D. Hathaway, of Cass; G. Williams, W. F. Clarke, and G. W. Ambrose, of Douglas; E. C. Cunningham, of Richardson; C. W. Seymour and H. A Newman, of Otoe; B. S. Hilton of Washington; A. Hays, of Fremont; T. J. Majors, of Nemaha; W. B. Hoxie, of Colfax.

G. W. Ambrose, of Douglas, then offered his resignation as Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee which on motion of Mr. Williams, of Douglas, was accepted.

Mr. Clark of Douglas, offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the State Republican Central Committee be tendered to Mr. G. W. Ambrose for the very able and efficient manner in which he performed his duties as Chairman of the same during his incumbency.

The committee then proceeded to the election of a Chairman to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Ambrose. The vote was by ballot, which resulted in the election of C. W. Seymour, of Otoe.

Mr. Hoxie, of Colfax, then offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the basis of representation in the next Republican State Convention shall be the vote of Hon. John Taffe, our Representative in Congress, at the last State election. Each organized county to have one delegate, and, in addition, one additional delegate for each and every 100 votes, or fractional part of 100 votes, in excess of 50 votes.

On motion of Mr. Hathaway, of Cass, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in the event of the adoption of the new consitution on the 19th of September next, the chairman of this committee is hereby authorized to call a State Republican Convention to nominate State officers under the new constitution as soon thereafter as possible.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned.

C. W. SEYMOUR, Ch'n.
W. T. CLARKE, Sec'y.

A Maryland paper improves upon the usual style of death notices by recording that an infant was "born into the supernatural sphere of redeeming grace, April 27, 1870, and into the kingdom of life everlasting, July 5, 1871."

A Brooklyn mother advised her daughter to oil her hair, and fainted flat away when that candid damsel replied, "Oh, no, ma; it spoils the gentlemen's vests."

The Stockton (Cal.) *Independen* tells of a watermelon, from near the mouth of the Merced River, in Stanislaus Co., and sent to Stockton, which weighed seventy-three pounds nine and one-half ounces.

Having been offered $1,000 in gold, by sub-marine cable, to write a "Life of Christ," Spurgeon, the great English preacher, has telegraphed back that as good a "Life of Christ" as could be written would be found in the New Testament.

A lady impelled by the demands of fashion to seek recreation (?) in the country during the summer months, writes back dispairingly: "Did you ever rev l in the gayeties of a half-grown torpid village, where a walk to the graveyard was the only recreation, and where, if you indignantly refuse to walk you are shudderingly reminded, 'Ah, poor child, you may *have* to go there soon!'"

OUR ASHLAND LETTER.

ASHLAND, Aug. 30th, 1871.

Dear Herald—How swiftly have glided the summer months by. It hardly seems that winter is so near at hand, yet the cool chilling breath of autumn, the fading of flowers and leaves, and the ripening of corn, together with numerous other "weather signes," testify the fact. Six months ago I left this city quite suddenly (but legally), for "fair Bingen on the Rhine,"—Plattsmouth on the Missouri). "Time went well with me then" during the time I stayed in Plattsmouth. Yesterday afternoon a young man, with fading cheeks and "prospecting" looks; with valise in one hand and the other taking care of an overcoat, and with one of Brom's well-made cigars in his mouth, and "dead broke" (save a copper cent he found at the foot of Main street, just before leaving), might have been seen wending his way down a narrow path on the bluffs, back of the depot, bound for the western train. And whom did I first meet on the depot platform to recognise? It was ye editor of the Plattsmouth HERALD. I thought, then thought I, and then I thought again: ain't you lost—I did not expect to see you here! I did not ask him "whither goest thou," but rather he interrogated words to me to the same effect. I answered him, in substance, as follows:—Far out (pointing westward) beneath the blue of yonder sky do I intend to seek my fortune. I am "stampless," and "stamps" I must have—"you know how it is yourself," remembering the tale of Hathaway and a brother typo crossing the continent, in 1853, from Council Bluffs, Iowa, to San Frascisco California, afoot and alone, subsisting on fifty cents worth of dried beef and crackers from Salt Lake City to the Pacific coast. The cars whistle, our conversation is broken, and on the train I get: a tear and a sigh, and then good bye.

The train moves slowly onward at first, and then gradually increases its pace. I look back on Plattsmouth and her fair hills, reflecting on the past and dreaming of the future, till the locomotive, far in the distance beyond (I mean the train was awful long) propells me from the scene.

The trip from Plattsmouth to this city was pleasant, made more so by the delectable weather, fine scenery along the route—the Platte river to the right, and the craggy bluffs, with their gurgling springs and sparkling streams, to the left—the presence of acquaintances: Elder Miller (Baptist) and lady of Ashland; Councilman Cushing and John Ross, "mine host" of the Platte Valley House, of your city.

The B. & M. Co. are pushing things ahead with a vim. At every station are cars loaded with stone, ties, and other material for the furtherance and completion of the road. Ashland! what is to hinder Ashland from becoming the best inland town in the State. It is located in a very wealthy section of country, and is far enough away from Lincoln, Fremont, Omaha, Plattsmouth and Nebraska City to not be injured by them. It is about the centre of all these places. It has made wonderful improvements since last winter. Several new buildings have been erected, and several more are in course of construction, among the most noteworthy of which are the Seminary building—which is a splendid two story brick building, and which will be an ornament and a credit to Ashland—a large two story brick building opposite the Snell House, into which, when completed, will be removed a store or two the bank, the printing office, and several other offices; and a large two story brick four lots west of this building.

The grain market is good; competition lively, and wheat sold to day at 85c per bushel. Corn, however, will be "dirt cheap"—12c per bushel for new corn is now being offered.

Stockton is doing a good business with the *Times*. The enlargement "takes." He issues his weekly "rations" of news to his patrons in a satisfectory manner, and is no "slouch" of a writer. May he live a thousand years!

An agricultural paper is soon to be started here. Charley Walker is to be "Big Chief," well as Big Chief of the Bachelors' Association.

After "where is good old Eli" was sung by the Bachelors' Association of Plattsmouth, the members of the Bachelors' Association of this place caught the strain and sung it also. Great gloom and dissatisfaction has come over the "phizes" of all the members of the association here in consequence of the "bad conduct" of Eli—the last member they suspicioned of doing what he has "gone and did" (got married.) "Is it true that Eli Plummer is married, and whom did he marry?" If this question is asked once in a day in Ashland, it is asked a hundred times. The Club has just "struck up," and I must close and join in the chorus:

Where is good old Eli,
Where is good old Eli,
Where is good old Eli,
Safe in the happy land.

W. D. FERREE,

Mrs. Stanton says she never knew what it was to be perfectly happy until she found herself in the Yosemite Valley in a big straw hat and bloomer costume, astride of a mule.

It cost the Prussian Government 2,000,000f. to get up their military map of France, which surpassed even that in the possession of the general staff of the French army.

In a disagreement between a superintendent and a teacher of a Sunday school in Indiana, the lady came out with victory and a shattered parasol. The scholars enjoyed it better than the catechism.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton writes of California thus: "California is indeed the garden of our country. No winter here—fruits and flowers the year round. The geraniums that we nurse in little pots grow here eight feet high in the open air in all seasons. The half has never been told of this beautiful land, its genial climate, its hospitable people, its thriving metropolis, with its magnificent bay and gravel drives on the Pacific beach."

Are Sunday Weddings Void?

[From American Society.]

There is, we heard an eminent lawyer allege a few days since, no marriage legal which is celebrated on the Sabbath day. There are, no doubt, twenty thousand couples in this State alone for whom the marriage ceremony was performed on the Sabbath—many of them in the evening of that day. A note drawn and signed on the Sabbath is illegal, or any other legal agreement between parties.

MARRIAGE IS A LEGAL CONTRACT,

which if performed out of the legal time, necessarily must be void; and claiming this the sons and daughters of a recently deceased millionaire mean to contest his will, because in that a large portion of his estate was willed to the children of their step-mother who was wedded to their father on the Sabbath, in a church in the city of Rochester, in this State. If the question is to be decided that such marriages are illegal, another long catalogue of vexatious suits will be brought into our courts by parties similarly related to the one above mentioned. The decision lately rendered by a learned Judge of our courts, that marriages of minors are illegal, and a divorce for such not necessary in order that they can separate and re-marry legally, since it was carried into immediate practice by the parties for whom the decision was rendered, is proving baneful to society. The harm that this decision does to our social system is temporary only, and, if the entire marrying population but learn of this decision, the future will witness less elopements of young couples and a less number of cases where guileful and designing men entice young ladies from home in order to wed them. That the ceremony of marriage performed for minors on any and all days of the week, or for a couple where one is a minor and the other an adult, should be pronounced illegal and non-effective, is not strange. But in the face of long-practiced customs, that Sabbath day weddings are illegal, will strike thousands with feelings akin to consternation. With all our laws and codes it is, indeed, strange that these legal enactments which most concern our personal welfare and happiness are least known and least understood by the general public, including our most intelligent people.

On Monday a jackass, four legged, born in Colorado, four years of age, and bearing a good character, besides letters of reference, was shipped *by express* from here to Chicago, consigned to S. W. Austin, a wealthy gentleman who has spent some weeks in our Territory, and who wished his boy to have a present from the mountains out west. The boy in the express office put the braying passenger into a monstor box and labelled it thus: "To agents along the road:—See that oats are furnished your brother inclosed!"—*Denver News.*

The curative and relieving powers of ice are found more valuable year after year. Small lumps of ice swallowed will often check acute stomache inflamations, and will prevent nausea if heat is applied outside at the same time.—Pounded ice applied to the spine is said to be a cure for sea sickness. A bit of ice will help diptheria and all throat complaints. To become delightfully cool in summer, apply ice wrapped in paper to the back of the head for one moment.

Eli Davis, of Lewisville, Ind., was dying. He was unconscious, with fifteen minutes of life before him, when a decree of divorce was granted him, so separating him from his second wife for the entire remainder of his existence. He did not awake to receive the congratulations of his friends, but expired with the expiration of the fifteen minutes, knowing nothing whatever of the event. It seems that Mr. Davis was quite an old man, and that he was worth $100,000. His wife was young and handsome, with at least forty years before her, and she could claim, as his wife, one third of this money. It was therefore argued by the sons of Mr. Davis that the old gentleman was not competent to manage his affairs, and a guardian was appointed for him. The guardian brought suit for divorce without the knowledge of Mr. Davis. The wife was induced, by the promise of $8,000 alimony, not to oppose the suit, and it resulted as stated. And a great State is Indiana.

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