Nebraska Herald.

PLATTSMOUTH NEBRASKA.,

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2 1871.

AFTER THEM.

New York dispatches say that the preliminary movement on the ring, commenced by action in equity, will be prosecuted by the Attorney General, acting through Chas. O'Connor, against Tweed, Ingersoll and Garvey. Their arrest will immediately follow, and they are to be held in bail of two millions, to answer any judgment. The papers are lengthy, and it is alleged, are accompanied by accounts tracing large sums into Tweed's possession. Counsel O'Gorman has associated Geo. Tickner Curtis with him in the actions in behalf of the city to recover monies alleged fraudulently obtained. The necessary papers have been served on Ingersoll, Keyser, Tweed, Connolly and others.

"NEVER WILL GET IT."

A correspondent of the Omaha *Republican*, writing from Lincoln says the Land case of J. Sterling Morton, Green and the State of Nebraska, will be up for trial during this term of Court, and adds: "*The State never will get it;* who ever heard of a sovereign State beating an individual in a common law suit when *much money* was at stake?" This is equivalent to saying that some one whose duty it is to look after the interests of the State in this matter will be influenced by the "much money" that is at stake, and consequently the State "never will get" what belongs to it. Now, the question which the *people*—the parties interested on behalf of the State—wish answered is, who is this man, or the men, who will be influenced by this "much money," and who will cause the State to "never get" the land which the correspondent very reasonably asserts is worth $200,000. We call upon every right minded man to watch this little game which the HERALD has heretofore called attention to, and let the guilty be exposed. We expect to be able to give our readers a very complete history of the transaction at no distant day.

RIOT AT LOS ANGELOS.

The telegrams of the 24th contained news of a merciless riot at Los Angelos, California, in which a number of Chinamen were hanged, the excuse for it being that they had shot an officer while in the discharge of his duty. The telegrams of the 25th contain the following additional:

The riot at Los Angeles is more disgraceful than at first reported. The mob was composed mainly of native Californians and the dregs of society. All the Chinese hanged were frightfully beaten and maltreated before hanging.—One was a child only 8 or 9 years old.—Additional to the sixteen thus hanged, two men and one hundred women were found shot dead. Another is in jail in a critical condition. Only one of those hanged was engaged in the shooting of the officer. The others are all supposed to be innocent, the guilty having escaped before the mob assaulted their houses. The old vigilance committee is reorganized to prevent a repetition of the rioting.

AT LAST.

Our readers have heard much said, during the last year or two about the notorious Indian criminals, Yellow Sun *et. al.* The case has been in court for a long time, has cost the State a few dollars, and has finally been disposed of as follows, which we find recorded in the Lincoln *Journal:*

The case of the People of the State of Nebraska vs. Yellow Sun, *et al.*, pending for trial on an indictment for murder, was called up by the Hon. C. S. Chase, of counsel for the defendant, who asked that because of the peculiarly protracted and tedious character which the prosecution had heretofore assumed, and the improbability of the defendants' ever being brought to trial upon the merits, a *nolle prosequi* be entered by the District Attorney.

Mr. Cowin, the District Attorney, however objected to this course, but stated that he would consent that the cause be stricken from the calendar for this term, and that the defendants be released witout recognizances, but leaving the indictment standing—which was the disposition made of the case by the Court.

From the Fremont Tribune.

Firing Prairies.

As many persons are ignorant of the law on this subject, and daily run risks of being liable for heavy damages, we publish the section of our statutes relating to the matter, and advise all to read it carefully:

SEC. 162. If any person or persons shall, at any time hereafter, willfully and intentionally, or negligently and carelessly, set on fire, or cause to be set on fire, any woods, prairies or other grounds whatsoever in the inhabited parts of this territory, every person so offending shall, on conviction, be fined in any sum not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Provided, That this section shall not extend to any person who shall set on fire, or cause to be set on fire, any woods or prairies adjoining his or her farm, plantation or enclosure, for the necessary preservation thereof from accident by fire, between the first day of March and the last day of November, by giving to his or her neighbors two days notice of such intention: *Provided, also*, That this section shall not be construed to take away any civil remedy which any person may be entitled to for any injury which may be done or received in consequence of such firing.

N. D. Rundell, of Aurora, Wis., is said to have harvested this season from forty acres of marsh 1,000 barrels of cranberries, which he sold for $10,000, leaving him a clear profit of $6,000.

Mr. Julius Reuter, head of the Reuter Telegram Company, and originator of the European system of gathering and distributing news, has been made a baronet by the Duke of Saxe Coburg.

Rev. J. M. Cook, of the Yankton Agency, Dakota, has placed two Indian boys—Philip Deloria, son of Chief Deloria, and Charles Cook, a half-breed in Nebraska College at Nebraska City. The boys are Yankton Sioux, and give much promise.

The official returns show that the vote just cast in California was the largest ever polled in the State. It is very nearly 120,000. The largest vote before this was for President in 1860, when 118,840 were polled.

Political.

From the Brownville Advertiser.

In to-day's paper we publish extracts from other journals touching the late election in Nemaha, from which it will be seen that the full credit (?) attaching to the defeat of our party in that struggle is affixed to Col. T. J. Majors. We regret the necessity imposed upon us of adding our evidence to the volume of testimony already in.

Col. Majors was chairman of the Republican County Central Committee and, as such, called the mass meeting of the party, by and through which the Primary Election system was adopted. More than this, he was active in writing letters to the leading Republicans of the county to present themselves at said meeting, and in a speech made in this city on the question of the adoption of the primary system, he said that he recognized the importance attaching to unity and harmony in the party, and that he stood ready to accept it in good faith, and, as a Republican, was prepared to balance all old accounts by destroying and ignoring the past, and recognizing all as peers who with him presented a firm front toward the enemy.

Primary Election day came. Col. M. struggled as he had the undisputed right to do, to defeat the nomination of Mr. Daily. He was not successful. He then bent his energies to defeat his election, in which he was but too successful, for in weakening a portion of the ticket he destroyed the whole, and the Sheriff and Probate Judge fell with the Treasurer.

It is easier to tear down than to build up. A man bearing in his own individuality, the trust, confidence and honors of his party, as Col M. did, can much more easily destroy than build up. He that demolished the Temple of Diana in a night could not have erected it in a life time.

With his Republican peers, exercising the sense or less effort he could have carried over every candidate across the Rubicon to the goal of victory. But a personal pique toward Mr. Daily made cold his partisan zeal while it warmed his individual grievances and controlled his powers.

We write these lines more in sorrow than in anger. Our relations with the Col. have, since acquaintance, been close, and as we supposed, confidential. But he deceived the confidence reposed in him, and leaving us went into battle with and for the Democracy. To him and his efforts is ascribed the defeat of the Republican candidates, and to such effort we are indebted in a large balance on the wrong side of our ledger. The *Advertiser* can live without official patronage, but it could live much better and easier with it. On this account we have no tears to shed, but we cannot smile upon those who struck down our party and turned it over to the jibes and ridicule of rebels and copperheads. Before election Col. M. agreed with and proposed to associate efforts with us to secure the triumph of our party, but with Ovid mentally said

"I see the right, and I approve it too,
Condemn the wrong, and yet the wrong pursue"

John Byer, a half breed, at Cheyenne, just hung for murder, made this dying speech: It is certainly a model of brevity: "Me no squaw; me brave. You feel my leg; he no shake; my hand he no tremble needer, me God datun good man."

Russia has no system of capital punishment, and banishes its criminals to the labor mines of Siberia. Only convicts guilty of high crimes as treason, murder, &c., are thus banished.

The heliotype, of which pictures may be made independent of light, is taken on a sheet of gelatine, which when wet swells in relief, according to the density of shades. This is pressed into soft metal, and may be printed from.

The depth of Lake Tahoe, in the Sierras, is 1,716 feet at its centre. This is the most beautiful lake on this continent, if not in the whole world. Its waters are wonderfully clear, and so rare that swimming in it is almost an impossibility, while if a person is drowned there, the body never rises.

A Danbury father was recently complaining of the late hours kept by his son, when a neighbor suggested what he thought would be a proper way to keep him from his haunts. "Oh!" exclaimed the afflicted father, "it is not his aunts, but another woman!"

An occasional preacher, after his sermon at one of the Cape Elizabeth churches, requested all who wished him to preach in the afternoon to rise. No one rose. "Well," said the preacher, who was bent on the propagation of his peculiar calling, "Silence gives consent, so I'll preach in the afternoon."

A young wife in Troy cured her husband of a disposition to absent himself from home at night, by providing him with an excellent dinner, and saying to him afterwards: "George, if you find a sweeter spot than our home, describe it to me, and I will rival it if I die in the attempt." A kiss and a few tears completed the victory

The solution to the fact that the male plant of hemp dies sooner than the female, is this, according to Mechan's theory of sex in plants. He insists that there is less vitality or hold on life in one case than in the other; and it is the amount of nutrition which determines the male sex. Not only in hemp, but in every plant, male flowers or the male parts of flowers, die first.

A correspondent says, that Pio Nono expresses his gratitude to the various persons who offer him a home in different parts of the world, but declares he intends to die in Rome, and that his successors for thousands of years, will also breathe their last in the Eternal City. He thinks, and all the Cardinals agree with him in opinion, that the Cathoic Church cannot survive the permanent absence from Rome, of him who is its pontificial head and Christ's only Vicegerent on earth.

Chief Justice Chase wears a gold dollar attached as a charm to his watch-guard. He says: "I put that on my watch-guard when I issued the first greenback, intending to keep it there till the greenback was as good as it was. I wore it for a long time, and things looked so bad that I began to despair of ever realizing my expectation. So I put it away—locked it up out of sight. After a while a change came for the better, and I took it out once more; but I begin to be afraid that I'll have to lock it up again."

A Hagerstown paper reports a terrible case of glanders in a human being. A man named Martin, living near Weverton, in Washington County, Md., accidentally got some of the virus from the nose or mouth of a glanderous horse into a cut upon one of his thumbs, and a short time thereafter was taken with frightful spasms, succeeded by fearful sickness and prostration. Medical assistance was obtained, and, although every reasonable attention was given the man, he died in a horrible manner, some six or seven days afterward. His body became a mass of ulcers, and all the time of dissolution, the flesh litterally fell to pieces from the bones.

"Make way, here," said a member of a deputation, "we are the representatives of the people." "Make way yourself," shouted a sturdy fellow from the throng, "we are the people themselves."

The Noble Words.

If any man can read without tears the noble words of American journalism—interpretive, as they have been, of the noblier deeds of sister cities and kindred populations—his must be a heart of stone God bless the men that wrote them; God be praised for the blessed charity which inspired them and which 'translated them into action' in nobler charities than the world ever saw before, or had like occasion for.—*Chicago Railway Review.*

Actors.

It is no easy task to write the life of an actor; for unlike other artists, he leaves behind him no memorial of his powers except contemporary opinion, often biased by favor or by envy, or tradition growing fainter with lapse of time. It is indeed the "hard condition twin-born with greatness," on the stage to become, when the actor quits it, "indistinct as water is in water." Off the stage, with rare exceptions, players are very average people; some of them are taking thought for the morrow, others think the good or evil of the day sufficient for it; in neither case do they leave much of anything worth recording. *Magni nominis umbra* alike are they from Burbage to the Kembles. The recollections of Edmund Kean are with every year becoming more indistinct; and soon Macready's Virginius and Lear will be as a tale that is told.

Hints to Home Builders.

Avoid such lots as will require the house to face north. Always have your sitting room face the south, if possible. Put your hall on the north side of the house. Don't spoil your sunny windows by stretching a piazza out side which will keep the sun away. Live in your pleasantest room. Build no parlors to shut up; what is good enough for you is good enough for visitors. Have a bow window in your living room. Make your windows large and enough of them. Have plenty of closets. A goodly pantry and a closet should be connected with the kitchen. Build a fire place in your living room. The height of your room should be one-third the sum of the width and length of your living room.

Henry Ward Beecher's Return

Henry Ward Beecher, after a three months' holiday, has returned to his home and his duties in Plymouth Church. He appears improved in health, and has grown almost rotund; his face swarthy and sunburnt. Last night he addressed his old congregation, which welcomed him back with an affectionate greeting. After giving a brief story of his rambles, he said that contrary to the experience of former years, he had come home strong and well, and ready for any amount of work. Formerly he used to be tormented when in the country with "hay fever," but this time he had been free from it.

Mr. Beecher reminded his hearers, however, that he was no longer young, and said that he sometimes felt as if his work were done, and that what he had to do further must be done quickly.—He used to think there was no end to his work—but that dream was over.—He might be called hence at any time.

His sudden reversion from what he had just previously said about his good health and strength surprised his hearers, and caused much sincere sorrow—melting many present to tears, which they could not control. This sign affected Mr. Beecher deeply. His voice trembled and his eyes overflowed. To mitigate the pain he had produced, he said that he had no premonitions, but he simply felt that he could not last for ever, although he might continue many years or he might be taken away, in a few weeks.—*N. Y. Evening Post, September 30th.*

"Was Mr. Chisolem a very popular man when he lived in your town?' inquired a busybody of a friend. 'I should think he was,' replied the gentleman, 'as many persons endeavored to prevent his leaving, and many of them, including the sheriff's officer, followed him some distance.'"

A laughable incident took place in the parlor of the Union Hotel, Saratoga, a day or two ago. Two countrymen were gaping around the room, when a lady approached wearing a fashionable trail. One of the party dodged it, but the other walked straight across it, and finding out his error apologized with, "I beg your pardon, madam; I thought you had passed sometime ago."

A mamma in the rural districts lately gave her five year-old hopeful an outfit of fishing tackle. Soon she heard a shout from Harry, and running out found one of her best hens fast winding up the line in her crop, whither the hook had already presented it. Harry, observing the troubled look of his mother, quietly remarked: "Don't worry, mother; I guess she'll stop when she gets to the pole."

The Spiritualists of St. Joseph are organizing a society, to call themselves "Progressive Spiritualists." There is plenty of material there to form such a society; but as the rules of the association require its members to "live a good, moral, temperate, truthful, and virtuous life," under pain of expulsion, its success is not yet assured.

At a recent sale of pictures at a public sales room, two amateurs obstinately disputed the possession of a beautiful picture by a celebrated painter. Each made biddings against the other. The picture represented an ass. At last one of the gentlemen said, "It is of no use; I will not yield. This picture once belonged to my uncle, and I will give anything for it." "In that case," said his adversary, "I will not go on. You shall have it, as a family picture."

The Editor of *Once a week*, Charlotte, S. C., is the perpetrator of the following jaw breaker:

Watermelons are about as plentiful now as blackberries were two weeks ago. One cannot go amiss for them. Wagons full under every shade tree, piles of them in every little grocery, negroes hurrying to and fro with one under each arm, looking for some convenient place to "bust 'em," the very air redolent with their (the melons') scent, and "still they come!" In anticipation of the annual autumnal shivering, shaking, creeping, yawning, gaping, broken-bone, dispiriting, debilitating, constitution-killing, doggoned, confounded chills, the druggists have each ordered fifty tons of quinine for their fall trade!

The author of that sentimental ditty known as "Woodman, Spare that Tree," is appreciated at last; for he has been enjoying that sincerity of flattery which consists in imitation. This is it: "Policeman, spare that dog, touch not a single hair; he worries many a hog from out his muddy lair. Oh! when he was a pup, so frisky and so plump, he lapped milk from a cup when hungry—at a jump. And then his funny tricks, so funny in their place, so full of canine licks upon your hands and face. You'll surely let him live? Oh! do not kill him dead; he wags his narrative, and prays for life—not lead. Go, get the muzzle now, and put it on his mouth, and stop that bow, wow, wow! and tendency to drouth. He is our children's pet—companion of their joy; you will not kill him yet, and thus our hopes destroy. No, Peeler, spare that pup, touch not a single hair; oh! put your pistol up, and go away from there!"

A Tableaux.

"Take off your bonnet and spend the afternoon, my dear Mrs. Slow. We are going to have tableaux to-night, and I am sure you will enjoy them."

"Law sakes, I thought I smelt something good a-cooking, and guess I will stop until after supper."

Great is the power of example.—Since slavery was abolished in this country by the act of God, the proclamation of Abraham Lincoln, and the patriotic firmness of the American Congress, Russia, Brazil and Spain followed our example. And now Siam (a semi-barbarous country, with an enlightened monarch), strikes off the shackles of her bondsmen. Very soon, in all the world, "the sun will not rise upon a master nor set upon a slave."—*Albany Evening Journal.*

Caleb Cushing, in the *Independent*, shows that England was only conquered by the United States: "It is notable that no true English army ever surrendered itself to a foreign enemy except in the United States; but that twice in the second war, an English general capitulated on the field of battle, and surrendered to the arms of the United States. There is no parallel to this series of events in all the numerous military operations of England, in Europe, Asia, and Africa, from the time of William the Norman, to that of Victoria.

A Frenchman who had bravely filled a place in the ranks during the war with Prussia recently sought employment from a well-known general of his own nationality. The private soldier had been unfortunate enough to have his nose carried away in action by a bullet, and his appearance was so singular that his superior officer shouted with laughter upon beholding him. "Where the deuce, my good fellow, did you lose your nose?" said the elder. "I lost it, general," replied the private, "in the same battle where you lost your head."

The people living in the neighborhood of Woolwich, England, the site of the royal arsenal have been lately gravely disturbed by the discovery that the ground beneath their feet was liable at any moment to give way and let them down into a cavern or subterraneous reservoir containing thirty feet of water.—Excavations and probings at different points have proved that a considerable area is thus undermined, and the consequence has been a general removal of all who could afford to take other and safer habitations. For the security of such as remain, government surveys of the ground are to be made immediately, and such safeguards adopted against accident as the necessity of the case shall demand.

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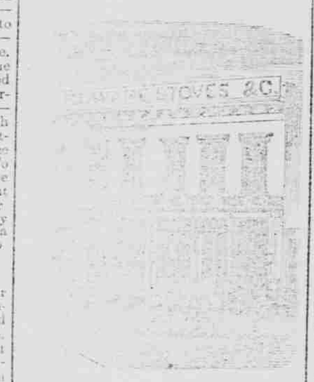

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