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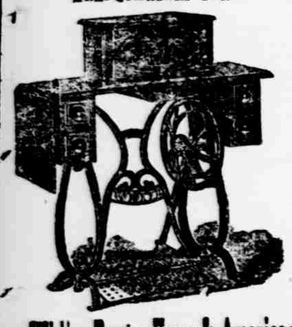

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LAST week St. Louis enjoyed the luxury of a $125,000 fire.

GEN. GARFIELD celebrated his 49th birthday at Cleaveland on the 19th of the present month.

MARK Twain, lecturing on the Sandwich Islands, offered to show how the Cannibals ate their food if any lady would lend him a baby.

THE insane assylum of Minnesota was burned to the ground last week. Twenty of the poor unfortunates confined therein lost their lives in a horrible manner.

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

STATE OF NEBRASKA.

Again, as a people, we have cause to be thankful for the many blessings shown us by an indulgent Providence. In harmony with the proclamation of the President of the United States, I would recommend that Thursday, the 25th day of November, be observed by the citizens of this state as a day of thanksgiving and prayer.

Let us give grateful thanks for the blessings of the past, and beseech a continuance of the Divine favor to us, as a state and as individuals. While all have reason to be thankful, let us not forget the children of sorrow and want, and out of abundance remember them.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seat of the State of Nebraska to be affixed. Done at Lincoln, the 10th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and eighty, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and fifth, and of the state the fourteenth.

By the Governor, ALBINUS NANCE.
S. J. ALEXANDER,
[SEAL.] Secretary of State.

A STRANGE MALFORMATION.

Death of a Person who was Phypically of Both Sexes.

A strange story comes to us from a reliable source, and it is so full of interest, especially to the medical profession, that we give it place. A few weeks ago, there died a young man near Riverton, Franklin county, this state, at the age of eighteen years. He was singularly handsome, with gentle blue eyes and soft hair, and had the kindest disposition and manner, and was of course a universal favorite. The immediate cause of his death was a tumor in the groin, which had greatly annoyed him for years, and was repeatedly opened by physicians. Each incision would result in considerable flow of blood, and the temporary relief of the patient. But he gradually sank under the pain and the effect of the surgical operations till death ended his sufferings.

A post mortem revealed the strange fact that he was a double being—the upper half of his body being that of a perfect woman, and the lower half that of a perfect man. The bosom, womb, ovaries and glands were those of a female, while the organs of manhood were completely developed.

The cause of the tumor that caused his death was the suppressed menstruation, which it was physically impossible could escape in the natural way. Strange and unnatural as this story sounds, it is strictly true, and may be verified by inquiry of the members of the medical profession at Riverton.—*Journal.*

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 19, 1880.

EDITOR CHIEF:—Among the throng, these bright autumnal days, promenading our beautiful avenues, are distinguished personages from the Celestial, Empire, with their strange dresses, long cues and little feet. Sixteen of the highest dignitaries from that wonderful land, sent here in the interest of a new treaty, have leased for their winter residence the elegant mansion known as Boss Shepherd's Home.

In Virginia as well as other southern states there is a marked disposition to abandon the old bourbon ideas, and to adopt the progressive policy of the Republican party. With the exception of Florida, every southern state has fallen below in its majorities, the vote cast for Tilden in 1876. For the past two years reports show that the south has enjoyed unprecedented prosperity, and their crops have exceeded those of ante bellum days. With this improving tendency, it is natural that the people of the south should be thinking more of money making than President making. It will be a happy condition of affairs when self interest becomes stronger than party ties. Let us hope that the dawn of a better day is appearing, when the common sense of the people will rebel against the domination of the bourbon leaders.

Great interest is being manifested in the next Presidential count. The citizens of the Capital have not forgotten the weary months of 1876, when the peace of this great Nation was disturbed over this same question. The wonderful bulletin posted by order of the lamented Senator Chandler. "Hayes has 185 votes and is elected" is framed and still hangs in the rooms of the National Congressional Committee. There will be no 8 to 7 business this year. The presidential electors will meet at their respective state capitals the first Wednesday in December for the purpose of casting and certifying their votes. The votes so cast and certified will be opened by Vice President Wheeler in the presence of both houses of congress on the second Wednesday of February. The votes will be canvassed and the result then declared. The new president will be inaugurated on March 4, 1881. Arrangements are already being made that will make it by far the most imposing inauguration that has ever taken place. Millitary organizations, state delegations, legistative bodies, excursions and visitors to the number of 100,000 are expected to be present on this grand occasion.

Kelley, Barnum and Hewitt will do well to go slow in their attempt to throw out the votes of the great state of New York. There are bristling bayonets and brave men to use them in numbers like the leaves of the forest, who will tolerate no such outrage. It is a cool piece of impudence to cry fraud in New York to call off public attention from their fool hardy perfidy in countenancing the writing and issuing of the forged Morey letter. It is hoped that the iniquity of this wicked transaction will yet be fastened upon the guilty parties and that they will hereafter exercise their Democratic genius inside the grates at Sing Sing. This crime can never be adequately punished. It has been one of the most disgraceful affairs ever known in the history of American politics, and, if there is no other fate in store for them, its originators, aiders abettors will be consigned to everlasting infamy.

Maryland is emphatically a bourbon State, but Surrattsville—the home of Mrs. Surratt, hung for her participation in the assassination of Lincoln—gave a majority for Garfield and Arther. The good seed it is hoped may spread until the whole State itself is redeemed.

Many of our notable citizens were attracted to Fortress Monroe to witness the great naval review. The President, members of the Cabinet, officers of the Army and Navy, and government officials, were among the distinguished guests. Great preparations had been made. A score of naval ships with flags flying, bands playing and cannons thundering, made it a scene long to be remembered. The ball in the evening, at the Hygeia Hotel, was a grand affair. The next day the training ships were visited by the presidential party, and a four-mile boat race was rowed, in which all the vassels were interested—after which the entire fleet formed an escort to the President down the bay, on his return to this city.

Senator Ben Hill would like to see another political party formed. We think any reasonable man might make a choice out of the five which contended for mastery at the late election. He says he wants a national union party. If he is sincere he should at once join the party which elected Garfield. That is a good enough national party to last Hill his natural life.

PHAKS.

News Items from all over the State.

Falls City ladies are engaged in raiding liquor saloons.

Johnson county cast 1647 votes at the November election.

Wild geese at Grand Island sell for twenty-five cents a piece.

Wahoo has laid the corner stone of a new Methodist church.

A large number of sheep are being brought into Harlan county.

The Hebron Library association will soon build a library and reading room.

Grading on the Republican Valley road is completed to Blue Springs and Beatrice.

A young man named Patterson, was last week killed near Hastings by a runaway team.

The Nebraska City distillery is once more in operation. The improvements have cost about $30,000.

Four hundred and seventy-two grists were ground in the West Point mills during the month of October.

Dakota county is enjoying a genuine building boom, which is confined to no one section of the county.

St. Mark's Episcopal church, at Hastings, now approaching completion, is one of the largest in the diocese.

The corps of B. & M. surveyors have located a line from Indianola to Denver. Several other trial lines will be run.

A farmer named Koeberg, living near Madison, accidentally shot his son Willie last week while out deer hunting.

Nebraska City is to have a new morning paper which will be published early in March. Its politics will be republican.

Two-thirds of the grading on the line of the Elkhorn Valley road between Neligh and O'Neil City is already completed.

The round house, built at Norfolk for the Sioux City and Pacific road will be 80x126 in size and will contain five stalls.

J. A. Dillon, of Tecumseh, will erect an ice house on the Blue at Beatrice this winter to accommodate 200,000 tons of ice.

Three wagon loads of turkeys, 235 in all, passed through Indianola Wednesday morning of last week, on their way to Denver.

Thus far there has been sixty-eight applications for seed wheat in Red Willow county requiring 814 bushels to fill the orders.

The demand for mechanics at St. Paul is so great that it is almost an impossibility for one-half of those desiring to build to secure builders.

A proposition to vote bonds in Pawnee county was voted upon on election day and carried nearly four to one. The bonds are for the B. & M.

The banner republicsn precinct of Nebraska is Olive Branch, in Lancaster county. It cast 105 votes, every one of them for Garfield and Arthur.

A rattlesnake mine was discovered at Willow Springs, Valley county, from which ten large snakes were dug one day last week with more to follow.

It is said the B. & M. folks have secured the transportation of about 3,000 head of stock directly from territory which was supposed to be controlled by the Union Pacific folks.

The boiler of a Sioux City & Pacific engine exploded at Blair last week, blowing the engineer and fireman some fifty feet distant. Both escaped with a few bruises.

Two young men of Boone county, named A. D. and Lewis Ralph, while out hunting became lost, and, with their team of horses, were frozen to death near Swan Lake. Their bodies were recovered.

Pierce county went democratic by nearly fifty majority, Cedar by one hundred, Holt by about the same, and Dakota by fifty. These are the only democratic counties in the Sixth district.

Unoccupied houses and farms to rent are hard to be found in Washington county, but new houses, barns and other outbuildings meet the eye in every direction.

Dr. Matthews, of Brownville, while going home last Thursday with a load of lumber, was thrown under the wagon and his head and breast severely crushed in. His injuries may prove fatal.

A Bohemian namad Martin Hanza, living near Schuyler, was thrown from his team last Monday, the loaded wagon passing over his body and inflicting injuries from which he afterwards died.

The Witwer coal mines, south of Humboldt, are shipping coal at the rate of 40 bushels a day. The coal is about 24 inches thick on an average. The mining beneath the coal is soft, requiring but little labor to take it out.

The State Reform school at Kearney is being rapidly put up. The walls of the building are completed, also the frame work, and the roof is laid. When completed according to plans, it will accommodate about 50 boys. The building is three stories in height and stands 46x53 feet on the ground.

On Saturday last a farmer named Hayward, who lives on the bottom north of Blair, was on the river with a companion hunting geese, and in attempting to pull his gun from the bottom of the boat, muzzle foremost, the hammer caught on something, causing the gun to discharge the contents striking Mr. Hayward in the thhigh. The gun was loaded with buck-shot, and the consequence was that the bone was badly shattered and broken, and the flesh was badly torn.

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