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Bellevue—Its Advantages and Prospects.

When, what is now known as the Territory of Nebraska was described on our maps as "unexplored regions," the American Fur Company despatched a corps of men, with Gen. Peter A. Sarpy at its head, for the purpose of examining the country and locating a "trading post" on the most eligible point on the Missouri river. After examining this then wild region in its length and breadth, Gen. Sarpy selected this point as altogether the most eligible, and here he established the "post" for trafficking with the natives for their furs, peltry, &c. He found the Missouri river of easy navigation to this point. He found plenty of timber and stone, and the most beautiful site for a future town that his eye looked upon in the course of his lengthened travels. He found also lying back of it the most fertile and lovely valley—the valley of the Papillion creek and Platte river—that nature, with her munificent hand, ever formed. It was, moreover, the favorite resort and camping ground of the red man. All things concurring in recommending the spot. The wise presence of Gen. S., for which he has ever been distinguished, told him that one day a great thoroughfare from the Atlantic to the Pacific must be established, and he seized upon this spot as the key to that great valley along which his sagacity suggested that that great highway must run. Topographical and geographical surveys have since fully sanctioned the prescient wisdom which prompted him to the selection. Subsequently, the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, after extended examinations, resolved to establish a Mission at Bellevue, as the most inviting place, and here, for many years before the country was open to settlement by the whites, the "trading post" and the "mission" were in active operation. The place was named "BELLEVUE," because of its exceeding beauty as compared with any other place to be found in the Territory. No one who has ever seen it, will deny the appropriateness of the designation. And now, we ask, is there nothing in these circumstances indicative of future prosperity to Bellevue? Let us "judge of the future by the past." Let us enquire into the history of other places in the west, and see how far their origin is in analogy to the origin of Bellevue. St. Louis was once only a "trading post" and "missionary station." Chicago was once only a "trading post" and "missionary station." Detroit was once only a "trading post" and "missionary station." The same may be said of Pittsburg, and of every western city that has grown into importance. And why is it? It is because these pioneers sent out by the Fur Companies have the whole country to choose from, and their travel and experience have enabled them to select the best locations. It was emphatically so in the case of Bellevue. Not another point equal in beauty and natural advantages can be found in the whole Territory of Nebraska—not one. Speculators may plat towns, and commence to build them; but the laws of nature alone, can uphold and ensure their progress. Thus has it ever been, and unless the laws of nature become subverted, thus it ever will be. We are not envious of other towns springing up under the hot-house cultivation of speculators. We know they must have their day, and live until the speculators have disposed of their "original shares" and town lots to the green and greedy who rush in from the East and suffer themselves to be blindfolded by the persuasions and arts of the land sharks who stand ready at every corner to fleece them of their money. Not so with Bellevue. Her proprietors do not go "kiting" with shares, and stock and lots, to mislead and take in the unwary. Property in Bellevue has a substantial value, and is sold to settlers instead of speculators. The city is growing by means of industry and honest enterprise. In no city in the Territory is property so low in proportion to its intrinsic value, and in no city is the prospect so good of a rapid, substantial increase of price, based upon the business of the place and the farming population back of it, and seeking a market for its productions there. From its position on the Missouri river, near the junction of the Platte with that stream, it inevitably becomes the key to the whole Territory inland, West and North. When

the Pacific Railroad shall be built, it will be built up the Platte valley, and the starting and ending of the iron horse will first be heard at Bellevue, ere it leaps forward to quench its thirst in the waters of the Pacific. The law of nature has so ordained it, and we apprehend the power of town speculators will hardly be able to avert its course. Already two powerful Railroad Companies are pushing their works across Iowa, and their roads converge towards this point as they approach the Missouri river. These roads are soon to be built, and it is almost certain that both of them will establish their Western terminus directly opposite Bellevue, and that they will unite in the construction of the Pacific Road from Bellevue westward along the north side of the Platte valley. Why? Because it is by far the cheapest and most economical route. Because it is the most convenient route for the two roads to unite upon. Because it is the only natural route. Because at Bellevue the Missouri has a narrow, unchangeable channel, with mostly a rock bottom and a rock-bound shore. Because there is plenty of rock and timber for all the purposes of foundation and superstructure that might be wanted to build the road. No other route possesses the half of these advantages. Bellevue being opposite the western terminus of the two Railroads across Iowa, and being the eastern terminus of the great Pacific Railroad along the Platte valley, it would be impossible to calculate her future. She would outstrip most cities, and rival Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco in rapidity of growth. The fuel for thousands of fires can be supplied from coal mines already discovered in the immediate neighborhood. Sagacious and discreet capitalists are anxious to invest their money here, and the public are beginning to perceive the advantages of the location. Large numbers have made their arrangements to settle here in the spring. Building will be carried on extensively with stone and brick, as well as wood. The busy note of preparation is going on. We have already two of the largest and best Hotels in all the West, and yet the want is such, that another large brick hotel is to be built as soon as spring opens. Two or three churches are to be built. A bank building, stores and private dwellings will be erected, and every indication shows that this year Bellevue will arise like a "giant from his slumbers." Being the county seat of SARPY county, decidedly the best county in the Territory, a Court House will be built worthy of the place; and here let us say, that it was a meet and worthy compliment to the veteran pioneer, Gen. P. A. SARPY, that this county, in which he has spent over thirty years of his life, should take his name, and thus bear down to posterity a memorial of his enterprise and honorable character. Long may he live, until the prosperity of teeming thousands in our city, shall vindicate the wisdom of his selection when he pitched his tent on the banks of the Missouri and called the place BELLEVUE.

The Doings of the Legislature the last Week.

On account of stormy weather, we have had no mail communication from Omaha for the last week up to Saturday night. We learn by one of our citizens, who just returned from there, that much business was done last week in both branches of the Legislature. Speaker Gibbs, of the Lower House, has been very ill for the last week, so much so, that he has been unable to attend the session of the House, and on Tuesday S. A. Strickland, of this place, was chosen Speaker, *pro tem.* Among the most important bills passed both Houses, is the one for the erection of a new country from the Southern Election District of Douglas county. This is a measure the people of this District have struggled hard for for the last three years, and thanks to the unflinching, uncompromising and urgent steady pursuit of this result by the Delegation from this District, we have at last secured in this what the great majority of our people so long, so much and earnestly wished. Whatever may be said of this Legislature, or the majority party that have acted together for the common good of the Territory, this is due them, to say, that in regard to this particular measure, they have shown a degree of equal and even-handed justice which will not be easily forgotten by the citizens of the new county of SARPY. But, says the reader, you write too fast; has the Gov. signed the Bill? It is not our purpose to enquire whether he has or will. It is enough for us to know that, by a large and emphatic majority, the Legislature have had the patriotism and the wisdom to pass the Bill, believing, as they did, it was in and of itself a principle of justice and right. SARPY county is destined, from the many

natural advantages it has, so well and prominently known, to rank, notwithstanding it comprises but a small portion of Territory, as first among the best counties of Nebraska. She has a thousand things of which she might boast—her three natural boundaries, lined with excellent timber of various qualities and kinds for miles, her Missouri front, with two splendid landings, the one at La Platte, and a more beautiful town site than the city of La Platte, back from the river, can not be found west of the Big Muddy. La Platte has her superior steam saw mill, second to none in the Territory, under the management of its enterprising proprietors, Gen. Larimer and Armstrong. Surrounded as they are by an extra abundance of timber, they have furnished the last year much of the material to build up Omaha and Bellevue. Bellevue, the next river landing up the Missouri, has a rock landing, and as far as location is concerned, is too well known to need any praise. Omaha village, in the interior of this county, on the Papillion creek, is a place for natural scenery, splendid groves of hard-wood timber and water privileges (one mill in operation and another building), and is destined to be of incalculable importance in the new county.

A. R. Gilmore.

The gentleman whose name stands at the head of this article, is one of the pioneers of Nebraska. It is now over two years since he became a resident of our Territory, and during that time he has maintained the character of an honorable gentleman, making friends and winning confidence wherever he became known. Courteous in his manners, and scrupulously exact in his business habits, he seems peculiarly fitted for the duties of the office to which he was appointed by President Pierce—that of Receiver of the Land Office. We think no better appointment could have been made. The late attack upon his character was as unjust as it certainly was unexpected; and it seems to meet with the fate which it deserved. It is discontinued by every fair-minded man, and the charges could be disproved by hundreds of his fellow-citizens. Col. GILMORE's character can not suffer, though his feelings may have been wounded by the unfounded aspersions of those who seek to injure his fair fame. It has shown him that, while he has a few enemies residing out of the Territory, he is surrounded by "troops of friends" at home who can appreciate his business qualifications and integrity, as well as his agreeable social qualities.

With great pride and satisfaction, we inform the people of Nebraska of the upright and intellectual deportment of the delegates for Cass county, Messrs. Slaughter and Cardwell. These gentlemen have done their duty faithfully, and are worthy of the confidence and respect of their constituents.—[Glenwood Times.]

You can add Hon. Mr. Cole and Judge Wolf, of Cass. Four Representatives truer than these, never entered the halls of Legislature. They have nobly redeemed the reputation of Cass county this winter. Like Caesar's wife, they are ALL high above suspicion, and the citizens of Cass may well and justly be proud of their able, capable and faithful Representatives in the Lower House. As to Kirkpatrick, in the Council, he is too well known throughout the length and breadth of this Territory to need a remark.

It is denied by the "Nebraskan," that Cuming wished to move the Capital, and further states that the high official denies the charge. Mr. "Nebraskan" ask your Attorney-General and your Major-General of the Territory, or Gen. P. A. Sarpy and fifty good men of Bellevue, if that high official denies it.

AN EXTRAORDINARY OPERATION.—We clip the following from the Valley (Md.) Register: "An extraordinary operation was performed on Mrs. Sarah Siffer, who has been dropsical for several years. The quantity of water drawn from the patient amounted to 11 gallons. The water weighed 10 lbs. to the gallon; amounting in all to 110 pounds. The operation was performed without the least possible pain to the patient. There is some slight hope entertained of her recovery."

THE SKATE TRADE.—Some idea of the extent of the trade in skates may be formed from the fact that one house in Market street, Philadelphia, has sold up to the present time this season upwards of \$8,000 worth. The greater portion of the cheap skates is imported from Germany.

A GOOD MOVE.—A movement is on foot in the "up-town" or fashionable section of New York city, to number all the private dwellings, in large gilt figures, upon the glass plates over the front doors, rendering them visible at night as well as by day.

GEN. SIMON CAMERON, Republican, was elected a United States Senator to succeed Richard Broadhead.

News Items.

On Tuesday, the 13th of Jan., both wires of the Home Telegraph Line of New York were broken at the same time between New York and Providence, yet the line worked well, and their business was transmitted without interruption. The lower wire broke first, and one end crossed the upper wire. Shortly after the upper wire was broken, and the end crossed the lower wire—thus making a circuit, though both wires were broken. Such a combination seldom occurs, and is worthy of note as a curiosity in telegraphing.

At the adjourned meeting of the Stockholders of the Lancaster Bank, held on Saturday, it was reported that the actual subscription to the new stock of the Bank reached \$200,000, with various promises of further subscriptions. The President of the Bank stated that some of the debts, previously reported as worthless, were in course of being collected, and that the outstanding circulation had been reduced to the sum of \$438,372.—[Reading (Pa.) Journal.]

The Norfolk (Virginia) Herald says that a farmer in Princess Anne county has had twenty men employed killing ducks, and up to the 20th ult., they had consumed 23 kegs of gunpowder. The gentleman ships, on an average, 15 barrels of ducks to New York every week, and some weeks as high as 31 barrels. They consist of canvas-back, mallard, black, sprig-tail, half-faces, shovellers and a good proportion of wild geese.

An aged woman, afflicted with an incurable disease, recently arrived in Rochester, New York, a stranger in the city, moneyless, and friendless. She said that her son, having become tired of supporting her, had placed her and her poor baggage on the cars, and left her helpless as she was, to take care of herself. She was taken in charge by the overseer of the poor, and the base ingratitude of the son is left unpunished.

We see by the Reading (Pa.) Journal, that a connection between the Lebanon Valley and Reading Railroads was made a day or two ago, at the A opposite the Freight Depot, in that city. The first Locomotive passed up the road as far as the Schuylkill viaduct, on the 31 of Jan. The Bridge, though nearly completed, is not quite ready for the passage of the cars. The main portion of the track between Reading and Womelsdorf is now laid.

The new Capitol building at Columbus, Ohio, is the largest of any State in the Union. The appropriations already made amount to \$1,104,700 35. The architect estimates the additional cost of completing the building at \$369,589 64, and of enclosing, grading, and ornamenting the grounds at \$150,000 more, making the grand total of the whole cost of the new State house to be \$1,624,289 50.

The Davenport (Iowa) Gazette says: "A sail sleigh—not a sleigh for sale—made its appearance on the river ice yesterday. The motive power was the wind which gathered in a big sail, sent the sleigh flying like a bird across the ice.—The sailor navigating it tacked about as though the craft were in the water, instead of on it. It was a popular institution during the day."

The "Reading Advertiser" published in Reading, Pa., closed its sixteenth year with the last number. It was commenced in 1797, and has been published uninterruptedly ever since. It is one of the most lucrative German establishments in the United States, and strange to say notwithstanding the German language is gradually going out of use, its list of subscribers is still on the increase.

The total valuation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for all the counties, as shown by the auditor general's report, is \$531,731,304—on which there is a tax assessment of \$1,649,967 76. The number of taxable inhabitants is 752,185. The amount of stocks held by incorporated companies is \$1,723,496.—Value of railroads and canals, \$33,365,616.

Col. REAR FRAZER, of Lancaster city, Pa., for many years a prominent politician of the State, died in the Insane Asylum, at Harrisburg, on Tuesday last. The Colonel, it will be recollected, became insane a month or two ago, owing to financial difficulties connected with the Lancaster Bank, and was taken to the Asylum in consequence.

The Steam Frigate Niagara was taken out of the dry-dock at the navy-yard N. Y., on Saturday the 10th of Jan. They are expecting to have her under steam in a few days. We are informed that she will not, probably, make her trial-trip until spring.

A Screw Steam-ship (according to the New Bedford Mercury) is being fitted out at Providence for the northern whale fishery. Capt. Sowle, formerly of the ship Sea, of Warren, R. I., is to command her.

On the 9th of Jan., the legislature of Rhode Island, in joint convention, elected Hon. James F. Simmons, Republican, to the Senate of the United States, in the place of Senator James, whose term of service expires on the 4th of March next.

By the operation of a general law of the State of Maine, the charters of all the banks in that State will expire during the year 1857, and all have to wind up their affairs, unless rechartered by the legislature now in session.

A SKATING MATCH is said to have come off in the vicinity of Buffalo, between a Philadelphian and a New York merchant, for \$300 a side.

OMAHA ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE LARGEST Drug & Chemical House IN THE WEST.
OMAHA CITY, NEBRASKA TERRITORY
JONES & WOOD,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN
Drugs,
Chemicals,
Paints,
Oils,
Dye Stuffs,
Window Glass,
Wines,
Liquors,
Cigars,
Tobacco, &c. &c. &c.

Having purchased the entire stock of DRUGS and FANCY GOODS formerly belonging to C. A. Henry & Co., together with our own full purchases, we are now enabled to offer the public as complete an assortment of DRUGS and FANCY GOODS as can be found west of the Mississippi river. Our stock is of magnitude enough to supply the whole Nebraska trade, and having been purchased under the most favorable circumstances, we feel assured in our statement, that if Fine Goods, as regards quantity, quality and price, are any object to those dealing in DRUGS and MEDICINES, we can offer these inducements to a greater extent than any other house in the West. Country Merchants and Physicians are requested to examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere.
no 13-14
JONES & WOOD.

NEW Boot and Shoe Store,
On FARNHAM Street, Opposite the Exchange Bank.

W. H. STARK & CO.,
Would respectfully inform the ladies and gentlemen of Omaha and vicinity, that they have on hand and are manufacturing a complete stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES,
Of the best quality, and warranted, comprising the following, viz:
Ladies' Fine Lace and Congress Gaiters.
" " Kid Boots and Congress Gaiter.
" " Slippers and Parrot Ties.
" " Heavy Morocco and Calf Boots.
Children's Sewed Kip and Calf Boots.
" " Pegged "
" " Fine French or Pump Boots.
" " Water Proof and Quilted-Bottom Boots.
" " Patent Calf Boots.
" " Oxford Ties and Gaiters.
" " Kip and Calf Shoes.
Boys' and Youths' Kip Boots and Brogans.

All of which are made of the best material the market affords. Our facilities for selecting are unsurpassed in Eastern cities, and we wish it distinctly understood that we

Warrant Every Article We Sell.
We have the best of workmen in our employ. Every style of Boot or Shoe made to order, and warranted an easy and fashionable fit. Respectfully,
no 13-14
W. H. STARK & CO.

ANOTHER GRAND ENTERPRISE!
1000 PAIRS Eastern Boots & Shoes
SELLING AT COST
AT THE OMAHA CITY
Boot and Shoe Store,

To make room for my own manufacture. Also, a good assortment of Ladies' and Gents' Rubber, Overs and Sandals of A. No. 1 quality, at a very small advance, together with a complete assortment of work of my own manufacture, including Ladies' and Gents' Buffalo Overs.
Also, a well selected Stock of

Leather and Findings.
P. S.—Every style of Boot or Shoe made to order, as usual, and warranted easy, fashionable and durable.
no 13-14
W. HENRY STARK.

NEW GOODS! NEW STORE!!
THE undersigned have opened, at their new store on Douglas street, opposite the bank, a new and splendid assortment of

DRY GOODS,
CLOTHING,
BOOTS and SHOES,
BOOKS, STATIONERY, &c.
Our stock of Dry Goods comprises all kinds of LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S and CHILDREN'S DRESS GOODS.
ALL KINDS OF DOMESTICS
and everything that is requisite to make up a complete assortment of Dry Goods.

CLOTHING.
We have a large lot of Clothing that is well and fashionably made, and out of the best material. Our stock consists of all kinds of Gents' Furnishing Goods.
BOOTS and SHOES.
Our stock of Boots and Shoes is the largest ever offered to the citizens of Nebraska. They are purchased directly from the manufacturers, and are of the very best quality.

Our goods are all new, and recently purchased in the Eastern cities, and we intend selling them at astonishing low prices. All the citizens of Omaha and vicinity are requested to call and examine our stock, as they will find it to their interest to do so.
We study to please.
no 10-12
PATRICK & CO.

FRANK L. KEMP, WILLIAM FRODSHAM.
New York GUN AND JEWELRY STORE.
KEMP & FRODSHAM,
DEALERS in Clocks, Watches, Jewelry, Musical Instruments, Rifles, Shot Guns, and Pistols.

CLOCKS.
Thirty hour and eight day clocks of the two best manufactures in the Union; steamboat and office spring clocks.
GUNS.
Single and double shot Guns, from five to fifty dollars; Rifles, of our own make; also, Eastern make; Pistols of all kinds; pistol flasks, shot bags, wadding and wad cutters; common and water-proof caps; coil's caps, and numerous other articles suitable for the Western trade, which neither time nor space will allow to enumerate.

All of the above articles sold on the most reasonable terms. Repairing done to order at short notice.
no 9-11
OMAHA CITY, N. T.

GLENWOOD ADVERTISEMENTS.

LATE ARRIVAL!!
AT GLENWOOD, IOWA.
TOOTLE & GREENE
ARE NOW IN RECEIPT OF A FRESH SUPPLY OF
NEW VARIETY GOODS,
Which, when complete, will compose the LARGEST and BEST SELECTED STOCK IN MILLS COUNTY.

OUR STOCK OF GROCERIES
Are bought at the lowest terms for cash, consist of

COFFEE,
SUGAR,
TEAS,
FISH,
RICE,
CURRANTS,
RAISINS,
CANDIES,
MOLASSES,
SYRUP,
FRUIT,
NETS, &c., &c., &c.

DRY GOODS.
Ladies and Gents, call and see them, and prices for yourselves. They have not been summered and wintered in St. Louis, but bought and shipped direct from the Eastern cities. Late styles and a full assortment of DRESS GOODS, from a ten cent Lawn to a Two Dollar Silk. Also, a few fine SILK SHAWLS, BONNETS and PARASOLS.

CLOTHING.
A fine stock—old and young, fogies and 'fast' men, call soon if you want a nice coat vest or pants, on reasonable terms!
HATS! HATS!!
New styles, cheap and durable.
HARDWARE.
A very large assortment, consisting in part of Smith's Tools, Spades, Shovels, Forks, Rakes, Hoes, Bells, Mill, Crosscut, and Hand Saws, Files, Augers, Axes, Broadaxes, Adzes, Chisels, &c., &c., to the end of the chapter.

BUILDING MATERIALS.
A large lot, consisting of Pine Doors, Sash, Shutter Blinds, Paints, Oils, Nails, Locks, Latches, Glass, Putty, &c.

FURNITURE.
Bureaus, Bedsteads, Tables, Chairs, Tin Safes, Cubbards, Stands, &c.
We will sell cheaper for cash than any house in Western Iowa.
no 14-15
TOOTLE & GREENE.

HUFFMAN'S STAGE LINE.
BELLEVUE, ST. MARYS AND GLENWOOD STAGE LINE.

HUFFMAN'S LINE will leave Glenwood, via St. Marys for Bellevue, on Monday's, Wednesday's and Saturday's, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and will leave the Benton House, Bellevue, via St. Marys for Glenwood, on the same days at 1 o'clock, P. M. This Line connects at St. Marys, with the Council Bluffs and St. Joseph Stages, and at Glenwood with the various lines from the Missouri to the Missouri Rivers. Travelers on this Line will find every convenience and accommodation, to make their trips pleasant and speedy. Comfortable Coaches, Careful Drivers and well-fed Horses.
no 5-11
ROBERT HUFFMAN.

NEW GOODS AND CHEAP GOODS.
JUST RECEIVED BY
NUCKOLLS & CO.,
GLENWOOD, IOWA.

A Large and Well Selected Stock (Expressed for THIS MARKET) of
Dry Goods,
Clothing,
Castings,
Groceries,
Queensware,
Hats & Caps,
Boots & Shoes,
Pine Doors,
Iron,
Nails,
Sash,
Hardware,
Cutlery,
Locks,
Lathes, &c., &c.
Window Shutters, &c., &c.

HAVING been bought and shipped at low figures, we flatter ourselves we are able to offer such inducements to **CASH BUYERS** as have not heretofore been offered. We ask an examination of our Goods and prices, before purchasing elsewhere. The Ladies will find at our Store a large stock of

DRESS GOODS,
CHALLI,
BERAGE,
DELAINS,
POPLINS,
GINGHAMS,
VICTORIA LAWNS,
EMBROIDERED ROBES,
PLAID SILKS, &c., &c.,
All of which will be sold very LOW.
NUCKOLLS & CO.
GLENWOOD, Mills Co., Iowa. no 4-11.

NEW STORE!
NEW GOODS!! NEW PRICES!!!
New Everything, at the Old Stand of

SARPY & ENGLISH.
EDWARD C. BOSBYSHILL

HAS the honor to inform the people of the Southern District of Douglas and the adjoining counties, Nebraska, that he is now opening one of the largest Stocks of GOODS ever brought to Glenwood, Mills county, Iowa, consisting of

DRY GOODS,
HARDWARE,
HATS & CAPS,
NAILS,
CORDAGE,
OILS, PAINTS,
WOOD AND WILLOW WARE,
READY-MADE CLOTHING,
CARPENTERS' TOOLS,
YANKEE NOTIONS, &c.

And everything that may be found generally in city stores, all of which will sell **VERY CHEAP FOR CASH.**
ALL KINDS OF COUNTRY PRODUCE taken in exchange for Goods. Buyers from town or country wishing good and cheap Goods, either at wholesale or retail, will save money by calling and examining his stock before purchasing elsewhere, as they will find good bargains and fair dealing.
GLENWOOD, Iowa. no 4-11