

THE people of Nebraska EXPECT to have the opportunity of passing upon the prohibition question. Must it become a demand?

THE president has signed the Mexican pension bill. Every soldier who served sixty days in the Mexican war and is now sixty-two years of age is entitled to a pension of \$8 per month.

KANSAS is peculiarly a state of liberal and progressive ideas. Her people, of all western people, have ever been in the van of the experimenters.

MARK the prediction! This road (the B. & M. Oberlin branch) will be extended thirteen and one-half miles northwest, to form a junction with the Beaver branch.

THERE is to be a good deal of railroad building in Nebraska the coming season, says the Chicago Times. An indication of this is found in the fact that one firm has taken contracts for 2,000,000 ties to be delivered this year.

It does not require an acute, philosophic mind to foresee the approach of the not distant day, perhaps, when some radical anti-monopoly legislation will be enacted in Nebraska, after the similitude of Illinois and Iowa.

THE McCOOK TRIBUNE suggests the name of Hon. J. E. Cochran of that place, for the position of judge for a new district that a bill now pending in the Nebraska Legislature, if passed, will form.

THE curse of the newspaper business consists in the fact that a certain class of advertisers are so anxious to advertise hard times by pinching up or withdrawing their ads. It is the habit of mankind to stand in with the prosperous; a town that puts on the appearance of prosperity will draw trade; but this fluctuating business—up to-day and down to-morrow—showing very little stringency of hard times, is bad policy.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND's action in ruthlessly destroying the invalid soldier's hope of governmental assistance, by his recent vetoing of the invalid pension bill, will properly and justly call down upon his head the anathemas of an outraged veteran soldiery, as well as the contempt of every civilian who loves his country and its brave defenders, many of whom, through disability, wounds, sickness, and the ill result of a soldier's life, are now in the poor houses of the land, or objects of public charity.

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

ELMER HELM, EDITOR.

Another examination occurred, on Friday last. "Oh, me!"

The temperance drama, "Saved," will be rendered with the other exercises, Friday, February 18th.

The Youths Companion has, this week, a story of George Washington. Every scholar should read about this great and good man, whom it is said, "never told a lie."

Harvard College will soon celebrate its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary. It is not the oldest American university, as that of Mexico is fifty years older.

Mr. Blaine has been making speeches in Pennsylvania, and has been greeted with enthusiasm. The plumed knight has not yet lost his hold on the minds of the masses.

Elihu Yale, the founder of Yale College, at New Haven, lies buried in a little church at Wrenham, Wales.

A message was sent from Cedar Vale, Kansas, to London, England, and an answer received, in four hours.

Miss Katie Simpson, one of our most estimable young ladies, will leave for her Kansas home, this week. Kind, pleasant, attentive to duties, she has, during her sojourn in our midst, won the respect and esteem of both teacher and schoolmate.

We have in our room the pictures of the great and good men: James A. Garfield, Henry W. Longfellow and Ulysses S. Grant.

At the late election, Miss Alice J. Sanborn, daughter of Luther Sanborn, of Freeport, Ill., was chosen superintendent of schools in Brule county, Dakota. Of the 1,600 votes polled she received about 1,000.

From 3,000 to 4,000 of the 31,325 teachers employed by the state of Pennsylvania, drop out every year, and betake themselves to some other employment. As the average salary paid is about \$500 a year, this result is not to be wondered at.

The new congressional library building will cost \$4,000,000; its erection will take five years.

At the recent Dartmouth alumni dinner in New York, Gen. Sherman said the college gave him a degree of LL. D. in 1876, and that the president read his name in Latin, but they had some trouble in translating "Tecumseh" into the dead language.

The Teachers' Association which convened in Indianola on the 11th inst., was attended by the corps of teachers from McCook. These meetings are held quarterly and at different points in the county.

We are glad to see so many of the ninth grade coming to the front (?) within the past week. Southward the course of empire takes its way.

Ex-State Superintendent Jones has just published his biennial report to the governor. He takes occasion to speak of our banking system in commendable terms, and reports the McCook schools as the only one to adopt the system in the state.

THE MEMBERS OF THE W. C. T. U.

Feeling that the licensed saloon in our town is corrupting the morals of the young and destroying the peace of many homes, we feel it to be our duty to do what we can to counteract its influence and if possible to banish it entirely from our fair city, and to help us in this worthy undertaking we call on all the good citizens, both men and women, to use their utmost endeavors to create a healthy public sentiment.

Remember that God will call you to account for the right use of your weapon. He could banish this evil at once, but He has graciously granted you the privilege of being a co-worker with Him and is now calling upon you to do your part in this battle for the protection of our homes.

Irish National League of America.

LINCOLN, NEB., Feb. 5th, 1887. BROTHER IRISHMEN OF NEBRASKA: In view of the present all important crisis in the affairs of Ireland, it is incumbent upon all our race to rally promptly and vigorously to the aid of our Brothers in the old land, in their splendid fight for life and liberty.

A State Convention of the members of the Irish National League in Nebraska, will be held in Funke's Opera House, Lincoln, Neb., on Thursday, the 31st of March, and all branches and all Associations of Irishmen throughout the state, affiliated with the Irish National League, will be entitled to representation.

A State Convention will do a great good, not alone in creating an organized body within the state to aid and encourage our Motherland, but in encouraging a stronger bond of unity and friendship amongst those of Irish blood who have settled here, many of whom are amongst our most enterprising and distinguished citizens.

Very faithfully yours, PATRICK EGAN, State Delegate of the League of Neb. Among those whom we expect to have present at our Convention are, Rev. Geo. W. Pepper, M. E. Church, Ohio, and Hon. John F. Finerty, Chicago.

To Soldiers and Soldiers' Heirs.

From my experience in prosecuting Soldiers' Claims against the Government, from 1862 to the present time, I know that there are many soldiers who contracted some sickness or received some injury or wound while in the service, and many mothers and fathers of soldiers who died in the service or died after discharge, of disease contracted or injuries or wounds, received while in the service, and many widows and minor children of soldiers who died after discharge, of disease contracted or wounds or injuries received while in the service, are not aware that they are entitled to pension under our Pension Laws.

Purify Your Blood.

If your tongue is coated, If your skin is yellow and dry, If you have boils, If you have fever, If you are thin and nervous, If you are bilious, If you are constipated, If your bones ache, If your head aches, If you have no appetite, If you have no ambition, one bottle of BIGGS' BLOOD PURIFIER AND BLOOD MAKER will relieve any and all of the above complaints. Sold and warranted by McMillen & Weeks.

SECRETARY MANNING of the treasury department has finally handed his formal resignation to the president. His successor has not yet been appointed.

LAST CALL!

All accounts not paid before March 1st, will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. M. A. SPALDING.

ENTERTAINMENT.

There will be an oyster supper at the residence of J. B. Piper, 2 miles north of Box Elder, on Tuesday evening, February, 22d. The proceeds for the benefit of Rev. A. B. Chapin. The Indianola brass band will be in attendance and discourse music for the occasion.

Chas. Rogers, a leading dry goods merchant of McCook, was visible in the Queen City, last night. Asa Hart, late of Fryer & Wing's establishment, has located at McCook and has accepted a position with J. C. Allen & Co., general merchants.—Hastings Gazette-Journal of Wednesday.

Miss Lillie Arnold left on the noon train, Wednesday last, for McCook, where she will visit a few days, and then go on to Stratton to look after her claim near that place.—Sutton Democrat.

DELL G. MORGAN & Co., prominent druggists, Council Bluffs, Iowa, say they regard Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as the best preparation in the market, and recommend it always, where prompt and efficient treatment is required; it always gives satisfaction and is an excellent medicine for cramps, diarrhoea and bowel complaint in either young or old persons. Sold by McMillen & Weeks.

The tavern bell, I fear, does more harm than the church bell does good.—Watson, 1862.

NOTICE.

The Spring Creek Cattle Company, by a vote of all its stockholders, have this day closed business. Any unsettled accounts should be presented at once to George Hocknell, McCook, Neb., on Friday, January 24th, 1887. GEO. HOCKNELL, B. M. FRES, Sec'y.

FINAL PROOF NOTICES.

LAND OFFICE AT McCOOK, NEB., February 9th, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Monday, April 11th, 1887, viz: Charles Wentz, on Homestead Entry 277, for the southeast quarter of section 12, town 2, range 29 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Charles Ebert, Henry Voges, Herman Bey and Hermann Schumaker, all of McCook, Neb. S. P. HART, Register.

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LAND OFFICE AT McCOOK, NEB., January 29th, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Monday, March 14th, 1887, viz: William S. Hamilton, on Homestead 2497, for the northeast 1/4 section 28, town 3, range 29, west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: W. S. Hamilton, William Doyle, Richard Johnston and Silas H. Colvin, all of McCook, Neb. S. P. HART, Register.

LAND OFFICE AT McCOOK, NEB., January 28th, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Friday, March 11th, 1887, viz: Fred. Benjamin, on Homestead Entry 3943, for the north 1/2 northeast 1/4 section 31, west 1/2 northwest 1/4 section 32, town 2, range 29 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: E. J. Henderson, Stephen Hopkins, W. A. DeMay and George Reed, all of McCook, Neb. S. P. HART, Register.

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LAND OFFICE AT McCOOK, NEB., January 11th, 1887. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Saturday, February 19th, 1887, viz: Lloyd Hieman on Pre-emption D. S. 3700, for the southeast 1/4 section 14, town 2, range 29, west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: George J. Frederick, John Frederick, John Whittaker, James M. Boatman, all of McCook, Neb. S. P. HART, Register.

R. DRYSDALE, Merchant Tailor,

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