

**Sundries.**  
LORNE CITY, Platte Co., Neb.,  
April 16, 1879.

**ED. JOURNAL, Dear Sir:** For the information of yourself as well as your readers, I would state that the above named city is a seaport situated near the head of "tide water" on the famous Looking-glass, and has trade, commercial and otherwise, equal in extent to many other places of greater notoriety. Thinking it about time that our light should shine, we wish to shine to a purpose. We wish to be hit, or struck, if you please, by what? Well, do think a moment; can't you surmise? Well, if you can't, we can. We wish to throw ourselves right in the pathway of the great outstretching arm of the magnificent and continental opener, the Union Pacific; and why not? Haven't we one of the richest and most beautiful localities to be found west of the "Muddy"? We think so, and we think a great sight of home judgment, especially when there is a little home interest in the matter, and as to the moral tone of our settlement the reader can readily form an estimate from the phraseology of our propositions. But the sum and substance of the whole matter is simply this: we want a few, or if things suit the parties who are looking for rich lands and a good neighborhood, and light taxes, (comparatively), we have abundant room for a goodly number. We presume that a little information in regard to practical results would not only be interesting to those who are looking up locations, but also to the general reader. Being somewhat acquainted with the assessor of this, Monroe precinct, I took the privilege of interviewing that functionary with the following result: population 430; births during 1878, 19, eleven of whom were males. 34,850 bushels of wheat were produced from 2,725 acres; 25,120 bushels corn from 720 acres, 12,047 bushels oats from 363 acres. A very fair average is obtained when the unusual unfavorableness of last season is considered. We had very respectable productions of rye, barley, potatoes, etc., but of less acreage. In the way of fruits a few who have persevered and waited have been rewarded or at least satisfied that the thing can be done, namely, fruit raised in this part of Nebraska. Jonas Headman of Keatskotoos had three bushels of choice cherries, as well as quite a quantity (all things considered) of apples. Wm. Truelove and Hollis Buker had each half a bushel of peaches, while Charles D. Tyler proved himself to be the heaviest peach grower of the precinct, his orchard of thirty young trees yielding six bushels of rich, luscious peaches. Mrs. Truelove preserved most of them and in her exercise of genuine English hospitality I had the pleasure of realizing that she had not forgotten the art of preserving peaches. S. A. Dickinson's orchard yielded him one apple last season, just one; but what encouragement, it is, full "evidence of things to come." Many others had like tokens in the way of raspberries, strawberries, grapes, etc., showing that this branch of industry properly handled will in the years to come prove not only a source of gratification to the grower but a sure source of revenue to all who apply themselves patiently and perseveringly to the business. But I must stop. I may call again.

Yours truly,  
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The following, handed up by one of our Highland subscribers, is clipped from a late Scotch paper. We commend it to our exchange—the *Northwest Taran*:

"One hundred and ninety convicts have been pardoned by the Governor of Texas within two years. Of the number 45 were murderers and 33 horse thieves. Such a country ought to recommend itself to an enterprising criminal population. Cannot some of our population who are too well known to the police go?"

**Woman!**

"He little knows  
A woman's heart, who, when the cold  
wind blows,  
Dreams it will change. No!—storms may  
rise,  
And grief may dim, and sorrow cloud  
her skies,  
And hopeless hours, and sunless days  
come on,  
And years when all that speak of bliss  
is gone,  
And dark despair the gloomy future  
fill—  
But loving care—she loves through good  
and ill."  
Disasters which break down the  
spirit of man, call forth the energies  
of woman and give intrepidity and  
elevation to her character. Though  
she may be dependent itself, while  
all is prosperous, yet "she will rise  
in mental force to be the comforter  
and supporter of her husband in  
misfortune, and will endure with  
unshrinking firmness the bitterest  
blasts of adversity," even though  
her husband may have been in a  
greater or less degree, the cause of  
it, and has often been cross, cold  
hearted, and "as sour as though he  
had been brought up in the shade  
under the north side of a crab apple  
tree."

And not only as wife is woman  
loving and faithful, but as mother  
also. Even though her son may  
have committed such crimes that all  
other friends stand aloof, she will  
not forsake him, but will encourage  
him to rise above all the ills of the  
past, and to more firmly resist  
temptation in the future. And how-  
ever unkind and unloving her sons  
and daughters may have been to  
her, often causing her heart to be  
filled with sadness, and her eyes  
with tears, yet she ever loves them,  
and mourns when disaster or trouble  
of any kind overtakes them. There-  
fore, "wait not till the hands of the  
tired, patient mother are folded  
over the heart that has so often  
thrilled with joy, or beaten wildly  
with pain on your account, to do  
her honor. By the memory of all  
the loving offices which she has per-  
formed for you from infancy all the  
way up to manhood or womanhood,  
keep your love for her deep and  
ardent, dutifully respect and rever-  
ence her, repay with interest the  
tender love and care that she has  
lavished upon you, and strive to  
make her last days restful, happy  
and peaceful." N. D. Howe.

**How Women Vote in Kansas.**

A Hoosier sees in Kansas many  
new and unfamiliar sights, but none  
more interesting than that of the  
ladies voting. They have the priv-  
ilege of voting in all matters per-  
taining to schools. As far as my  
observation goes, the ladies here  
have minds of their own. They  
neither vote for the handsomest man  
nor the ones their husbands tell  
them to vote for, unless the candi-  
date is, in their own opinion, the  
proper one. Their votes can not be  
bought.

They are universally on the side  
of morality and temperance; hence  
the workers in the temperance  
cause are warm advocates of equal  
suffrage. Election days pass quiet-  
ly. If there is any drinking or  
fighting done, it is not at the polls.  
Everything is orderly there, not-  
withstanding contrary reports cir-  
culated by anti-suffragists in the  
Eastern States.

Candidates keep carriages running  
for the accommodation of the ladies,  
but a great many walk up and de-  
posit their votes. As the result, so  
far, has been very satisfactory, even  
to the men (the brutes) it will prob-  
ably be but a short time until equal  
suffrage is granted.

The gentlemen show their gal-  
lantry and faith in the ability of the  
ladies by appointing them to office.  
The Enrolling Clerks of the Legis-  
lature are ladies, also a large pro-  
portion of County Superintendents,  
who, in every instance, discharge  
their duties in a manner that gives  
universal satisfaction.—*Cor. Indi-  
anapolis Herald.*

"There is an important school,"  
says the Duke of Argyll, "ably rep-  
resented in the Press, who regard  
with nothing short of loathing, the  
very mention of morality as affect-  
ing politics." Our readers, we think  
agree with us that sound morality  
and sound politics are absolutely  
inseparable; that a policy which is  
immoral is practically certain to  
prove, in respect of material success,  
ruinous; and that, if it were crown-  
ed with material success until it  
paved the streets of London with  
gold, it would all the same be dis-  
graceful and detestable. Those ha-  
tars of morality in politics "dislike,"  
the Duke goes on to say, "if possible  
still more vehemently, the smallest  
tinge of sympathy with the Chris-  
tian races in the East, or the slightest  
symptom of the belief that the  
decay of Turkey has any connection  
whatever with the teachings and  
the example of the Arabian Prophe-  
et." Such views are diametrically  
opposed to those of the supporters  
of Mr. Gladstone, and it is only by  
strong words that those who hold  
that morality and Christianity are  
highly important in politics can ex-  
press their sense of the error and  
the sin of those who exclude them  
altogether from the political do-  
main.—*English Independent.*

The hand is mind's own perfect  
vessel, and when, through age or  
illness, the connection between  
them is interrupted, there are few  
more affecting tokens of human de-  
cay.

**Gardens—Where Does This  
Hit, and Hit?**

A correspondent, whose name  
and locality we omit by request,  
writes:—"I have been looking about  
and figuring up, with this result:  
Around me there are twenty farms,  
averaging over 100 cultivated acres  
each, and not bad farms either. Ex-  
cluding the patches of early corn  
and potatoes, the total amount of  
space devoted to house gardening is  
less than one acre on the whole  
twenty farms—not one acre in  
2,000!... On two farms there are  
good gardens; on some hardly an  
apology for one... I have for the  
first time succeeded in getting up a  
small club of subscribers for the  
*American Agriculturist*. Can't you  
stir them up on this garden ques-  
tion?... This is a pretty hard  
report, but it partly applies in far  
too many localities. Still, we can  
see that, though it goes on slowly,  
the past ten years have shown an  
improvement, and we trust to see it  
more marked in the future. At all  
events we shall work to this end.  
We have something to say on the  
subject in another article.—*From  
Agriculturist for April.*

Almost the whole of Nebraska is  
prairie country of unsurpassed fer-  
tility. Along the streams, which  
are plentiful, the country is mostly  
level, and the black bottom-lands  
yield generous crops of wheat, corn,  
and other cereals. The soil is from  
three to ten feet deep. A few miles  
back from the streams the surface is  
gently rolling, the soil almost  
equally good, and, in wet seasons,  
even more desirable, the drainage  
being excellent. The whole region  
is intended by nature for the pro-  
duction of breadstuffs. They can be  
raised with less labor here than in  
most of the old settled States. Fre-  
quent instances were met among the  
new settlers where the crops of two  
years had more than paid the cost  
of the land.—*American Agri-  
culturist.*

The truly great consider first how  
they are to gain the approbation of  
God, and secondly that of their own  
consciences; having done this, they  
would then willingly conciliate the  
good opinion of their fellow men.

The New Orleans mint, which  
has been idle since 1860, has resumed  
operations.

The excess of United States ex-  
ports over imports for 1878 amounted  
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