

ACCORDING to Aleck Stephens we are a nation pro tem.

JEFF. DAVIS, after all, only gets \$25,000 from Mrs. Dorsey's bequest.

A TEMPORARY structure—the temple of American liberty.—A. J. Stephens.

The Coaster battle-field on the Little Horn has been made a national cemetery.

OUT of seventy-five deaths from yellow fever at Hayti, only eleven were Americans.

Alex. Hesse, the French historical and portrait painter, died at Paris Aug. 8th, 79, aged 75 years.

THE B. & M. last week sold to a party of German Russians, Memorial, 10,000 acres of land in Boone county.

THE suicidal mania, judging from reported cases in our exchanges for the past month is decidedly on the increase.

It is expected that a proposition from the E. V. R. R. will be submitted to Antelope Co. in three or four weeks.

TWENTY-SEVEN cases of yellow fever were reported in the last twenty-four hours on the 7th, at Memphis.

The blind pacer, Sleepy Tom, made at Chicago on the 25th of July, 1879, the best time on record, pacing his mile in 2:12 1/2.

It is denied in New York that Stewart's body was recovered and deposited at night in the crypt at Memorial cathedral.

An exchange says that a man in Cincinnati has eloped with two women, and remarks that Cincinnati is a great place for hogs.

J. B. FERGUSON of North Platte recently forged J. T. Clark's name to two checks. He will probably land in the penitentiary.

CARL SCHUEZ will open the campaign in Ohio, at Cincinnati, August 30th, and speak the night at Columbus, and the 22d at Toledo.

The best time on record was beaten by Edwin Forrest on last Saturday, at Tarrytown, N. Y., where he made his mile in 2:11 1/2.

SEVENTEEN new cases of yellow fever reported in Memphis on the 6th. The fever appears to be approaching the heart of the city.

BUSH fires were raging last week in several townships near Kingston, Ont. Many farmers have lost sadly, and are homeless for the present.

PRESIDENT ELDER H. C. DAVIS, of the Neb. City district has been given charge of the Omaha district of the M. E. church, for the present.

TOM CLARK shot and killed Mrs. Brown at New Orleans on the 8th. She was his paramour, and both were reported drunk at the time.

A. F. OGDEN, of Iowa, while at Boulder, Col., for his health, last week committed suicide. He was at the time very low with consumption.

CHALMERS and Banks, two noted confederates are managing that part of the Ohio Democratic campaign, which is conducted from Washington.

The rail works in Omaha are doing a good business, but are not able to supply the demands of the trade in Omaha, Council Bluffs and the surrounding country.

MICHAEL DOLAN has brought suit against the Union Pacific railroad, in which he demands \$20,000 for injuries received by the passenger train at Overton.

Considerable excitement just now exists in the Council Bluffs among the citizens of Omaha regarding the establishment of water works in that village.

THE sole cause of the slaveholder's rebellion, according to the Democrat, was the Republican party. With what strange eyes does the Democrat read events!

THE campaign against the Indians in the northwest may be considered at an end for this season, unless the government should desire to give them another sound flogging.

THE St. Paul & Pacific R. R. Co. expect to push their line through to the Black Hills. The Sioux have agreed to give the right of way from Ft. Pierre to the Hills.

THOS. BEEVES, a son of Sir Thos. Beves, Baronet, of Norfolk, England, committed suicide last week at Denver. He left a letter saying that his had been a mis-spent life.

GEORGE ZIGLER, wife and two daughters were poisoned at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., on the 7th, by drinking coffee, poisoned by some unknown person. They are in a precarious condition.

EX-SENATOR SPRAGUE gave Senator Conkling five minutes to leave his premises last Friday. Mrs. Sprague, nee Kate Chase, has been an ardent admirer of Senator Conkling.

THE election for State officers was held in Kentucky last week, and, as usual, resulted largely in favor of the Democrats. Blackburn's majority for governor will reach 20,000 to 30,000.

SUIT has been brought by John Taylor, trustee of the Mormon church, against the estate of Brigham Young for \$1,000,000. The executors of Young's estate are still in the penitentiary.

THE Omaha Bee, doubts the ability of the hotel-keepers to accommodate the visitors to the State Republican convention to be held in that city, and suggests the propriety of building a large wigwam for that purpose.

The magistrates of the county of Westmeath, Ireland, call upon the government to increase the constabulary force and give the executive additional powers, in consequence of the increase of crime.

ONE hundred and thirty Sheffield cutlers and families arrived at New York on the 6th. Five hundred German and English cutlers are expected later. The Sheffield men say there are 50,000 men there to do the work and 20,000 can do it.

A BREAK in the canal at Manchester, N. H., caused the mills to stop, and throws out of employment about 10,000 operatives.

TWENTY-NINE new cases of yellow fever and five deaths reported at Memphis last Sunday. The fever is rapidly spreading in the suburbs. It is stated that the greatest destitution prevails.

It is stated by an expert that counterfeiting has reached a very nice state of perfection. One of the latest counterfeiters is said to be a most excellent imitator of a five dollar United States note.

A REPORT from Gen. Miles up to the 8th inst., states that the Indians have been driven beyond the line and unlawful traders captured, and that the command under Gen. Miles, has returned to Fort Peck.

W. R. MILLER, of Harrisburg, was shot dead on the 7th at Newport, Pa., by Saml. E. Albright, of Montgomery's Ferry. Both were paying attention to the same young woman and met at her house.

WILL the Democrat tell its readers its opinion of the Yazoo Co. (Miss.) method of carrying elections, and whether it approves of that sort of Democracy which seeks to conquer in elections by bull-dozing?

The city Council of Omaha the other day allowed a bill of \$5,000 in favor of the Union Pacific for rapping. The bill was unanimously approved by the committee to whom it had been referred and was allowed without a recorded vote.

ISAAC P. JONES, a lunatic in the Lincoln asylum, made his escape last week, and committed suicide by throwing himself under a passing train of the B. & M. railroad, which passed over him, severing the body at the hip joints.

GEN. BANNING testified the other day before the Congressional investigation committee that his campaigns cost twenty-five hundred each. He employed men of both parties, spent money treating, paying expenses of election, and buying tickets to concerts and pic-nics.

REPORTS from reliable sources in Europe show that wages in the United States are double those of Belgium, Denmark, France and England, three times those of Germany, Italy and Spain; and four times those of the Netherlands, and that prices of the necessities of life are lower in the United States than in Europe.

RECENT revelations indicate that the Louisiana Savings Bank, which failed not long ago, was a frightful swindle. It is now claimed that Jumboville relieved that institution of half a million dollars, and that he owns stock in the Crescent City R. R. to the amount of \$27,700, besides other valuable property.

BULLION in the Bank of England is said to have decreased in the past week not less than £295,000. It is believed in financial circles that the withdrawal of gold from the Bank of England is probably the precursor of larger shipments in payment for American shipments of produce arriving here and in France.

THE conflagration at Serageva, Austria, on the 9th, left twenty thousand people homeless. It has been ascertained that the fire was caused by the explosion of some spirits and not the work of an incendiary, as at first supposed. The Emperor of Austria has forwarded 10,000 florins in aid of the sufferers.

SITTING BULL has been heard from again. He is now near Swan Lake with about eight thousand people, where he is determined to stay, it being on Canadian soil, and where our troops have no jurisdiction. He promises to abstain from all hostile movements on this side, return to his property, and refrain from hunting American buffalo unless permitted to do so.

AN unusually severe storm of wind, rain and hail occurred last week in England. Hail stones fell measuring five inches in circumference. The damage to glass in London and vicinity will amount to thousands of pounds sterling. The damage to crops and farms in the valley of the Thames is immense and irreparable this season.

A Swede living near Wahoo has invented a contrivance to keep cattle from jumping over a single strand wire fence. It is made of iron, and resembles the comb of a rooster, with a ball attached. It is simple, and works like a charm. Mr. Hedges of the foundry, is casting five or six hundred for the inventor.—Lincoln Journal.

SENATOR CORBIN of South Carolina was most dreadfully sold the other day at Denver by a confidence man, who represented that he had bricks of gold ("the pure stuff"), which he dare not sell openly—owing to the manner in which he had acquired them, but the gold could be tested, he said, and there was a fortune in the purchase of them to the man who had the ready cash. Corbin sent cash, borrowed \$10,000, and got the bricks in exchange. About \$50 worth of gold had been used in "doctoring" the bricks, and Senator Corbin is a somewhat wiser man.

The business men of Omaha have no common interest with Jay Gould in his infamous efforts to destroy old established towns like Columbus because they refuse to stand and deliver to him. And how are the business men of Omaha to be benefited by the building of feeders for the Kansas Pacific, the St. Joe and Denver, and is trying to build up through Nebraska trace.—Omaha Bee.

PRESIDENT Hayes has expressed a determined opposition to the political reorganization of clerks of the several departments into State Associations, and says he could have no objection to the Clerks when their departments were closed to mingle as they pleased as individuals in politics, but the interests of the Government should not be permitted to suffer by their acting as organized bodies under the penalty of dismissal.

MINISTER WELSH cannot live in a "becoming" manner on his salary of \$17,500—not less than \$40,000 would answer the purpose. And people are inquiring still more loudly than they have ever done, What is the use of a minister to England or any other place, at any cost? If foreign countries are anxious to see a Republican citizen let them come to America and look at him on his native heath. Certainly our government can have its work done in a much better way by employing specialists than by keeping a resident minister.

L. & N. Ed. How of the Atchison Globe has this to say of our new railroad: "The tents of the graders dot the prairies in a northwesterly direction from Lincoln, and we were informed that five hundred men and teams were at work between that point and Milford, on the Blue. Twenty-three miles of grading has been finished up to Saturday night, and between the 10th and 15th track laying will commence. The entire line will be made ready for the iron this year, and the road put in operation to the Platte River. This winter the contractors will be engaged in bridging that rambling and historic stream."

"It was the denial of their rights that made the south attempt secession, and the only cause of the civil war, for which the republican party alone is responsible."—Columbus Democrat. What right denied it that made the south "attempt" secession? The parties that didn't attempt secession are "the only cause of the civil war," forsooth! And the Republican party, which didn't attempt secession, is "alone" responsible! Wonderful, admirable logic! Jefferson Davis, late president of the late Confederacy, ought to have this precious paragraph of profound political philosophy for his forthcoming book, in which, it is said, he devotes a great deal of space to the vindication of the secessionists. What better vindication could they have than this from a Nebraska Bourbon newspaper?

Is the United States a Nation? Hon. Alex. H. Stephens has always been regarded as among the temperate, moderate men of the south; as of the number who very reluctantly went into rebellion, and who would gladly have turned the tide of secession (had it been in his power), and preserved the unity of the government. Within the last week, a radical unionist declared to us his great respect for Stephens, and admiration for his conduct during the first of the rebellion movements, and named him as one among a dozen men that he could support for President. All such will be a little surprised when they read a letter which Mr. Stephens lately wrote to the editor of the Louisville Democrat in which he says, among other things: "I never did espouse or advocate the policy of State secession from the Union. The right of secession I never questioned, and have defended with all the power I could command, but my judgment was very decidedly against the policy." Can any one, after such utterance, doubt concerning Stephens's place in the lists? He was opposed, at that time, to the States going out of the Union, but conceded the right to go at any time. It was not the time to secede. Of course, believing in the right of secession, he would have subscribed to President Buchanan's pusillanimous utterance that there was no power in the federal government to coerce a seceding State. Will our friend of the Democrat inform his readers as to his particular stand on this proposition? There is a good deal of loose talk about State rights, let it be reduced to particulars. What are "State rights" anyhow, and is the right of secession one of them? Is the Democrat man a secessionist like Stephens, does he believe there is no power in the federal government to coerce a seceding State or does he hold to the Union of the States under the constitution of the United States? Are we a nation or a conglomeration of States severally claiming to exercise the functions of a nation? Every intelligent, ardent patriot, conscious of the supreme sentiment which binds him to his country, has an utter loathing for the doctrines of disunion, secession and nullification.

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR. At Lincoln, Sept. 8th, to 12th, 1879.

Every preparation is being made by the management to secure the success of this year's exhibition. Arrangements have been completed with the various lines centering at Lincoln, and by writing to Daniel H. Wheeler, Sec'y, Plattsmouth, you can obtain premium-list and any desired information. The railroads will carry fruits for exhibition at the fair, free of charge, if you will inform the Sec'y of the fact. We append the rates of the U. P. and B. & M.:

Passengers, one fare for round trip from all points in the State, during the whole of Fair week. Excursion trains will be run on three days of the Fair, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, between Omaha, Plattsmouth and Lincoln, round trip \$2.00, including admission to the Fair. Leaving Omaha at 8 a. m., Plattsmouth 8:30 a. m., reaching Lincoln at 11:30. Returning, leave Lincoln at 6 p. m., and Fair grounds at 6:10. Passengers will be charged \$1.50 from Fremont and Wahoo to Omaha and return, \$2.75 from Columbus and David City, \$3.50 from Clark's, \$4.25 from Grand Island, \$5.00 from Kearney, \$6.75 from Plum Creek, \$9.75 from North Platte, \$17.35 from Sidney. Proportionate rates from other stations. This includes ticket to the Fair. Live stock, goods, machinery, &c., will be charged regular rates going to the Fair. If shipped from Lincoln without one week from the close of the Fair by the same party and to the same point, they will be returned free of charge to such point, if in the State of Nebraska on certificate of Secretary that they have been on exhibition.

They Take an Interest in Us. We are gratified to know that our neighbors are taking considerable interest in our prospective welfare. Isn't there an old proverb somewhere which makes a quiet suggestion not to count your chickens before they are hatched? But here is what the last Schuyler Sun has to say of the situation: "By a reference to the communication of our correspondent, Spades, it will be seen that our sister village is at last to secure the long promised depot. While we congratulate our Lincoln friends on this long looked for improvement we are inclined to indulge in a prophecy as to some of its results. It is no longer a matter of speculation whether or not the U. P. road will construct a northern line extending from Jackson to Norfolk. The intention of the managers to do this is confirmed by good authority and without doubt the road will be under course of construction. With a road extending through Platte county and but a few miles distant from Columbus the grain market and trading points will of necessity be in some degree changed. Thus if the Union Pacific should offer better rates from Jackson and other points on the extension than would be given Columbus the trade would naturally gravitate toward those points and away from the so-called future Capital. With the trade to a large extent on that side drawn away the next move would be to make the rates low enough from Richard and Schuyler to draw what remained on this side and thus place a damper on Columbus' business until such time as she regained a southern outlet."

Now, take it for granted that the U. P. will construct a line from Jackson to Madison and beyond, will that fact help Richard or Schuyler? It might, if they should be graciously vouchsafed much lower rates than Columbus. Those two places on the east of us and Jackson on the west will have only the U. P. to give them rates, while Columbus will have the U. P. and the A. & N. certainly, and the B. & M., and a Sioux City road probably. We have no fears, in such a contest, for the future of Columbus. If we understand the temper of the great body of the people of Columbus and Platte county it is that they seek no war with any corporation nor will they "tie up" with any. Fair play and reasonable rates, in what this people desire, and we undertake to say that they will get both. If the U. P. R. Co. desires to start a town or two near the center of the county, and foster the spirit of jealousy and local pride to the end of removal of the county-seat, there is no law forbidding it, that we know of. If they are anxious to "squeeze" Columbus, because she would consent to "marry" the U. P. Co. and discard the A. & N., and will build up Jackson on the west, "Kinney" and "Loveland" on the extension, and Richard on the east, each only six to nine miles distant from Columbus, they have an undoubted right to begin that work at once, and even before the A. & N. reaches us. We know that not one single straw will be put in the way of the U. P. to prevent the construction of their proposed road from Jackson to Madison,—all these things belong to themselves; it is their business and theirs alone, and they are responsible for the spirit which actuates them. Columbus and Platte county have talked railroad once, talked it loud and strong, talked it straight and square, talked it from the heart, and doubtless in due time will have something more to say. In short, it is the business of Platte county and Columbus to attend strictly to their own knitting, and leave the whole wide world (which of course includes the U. P. and the numerous villages above named) to the exclusive care of their own. The JOURNAL entertains no atom of doubt or misgiving as to the result.

U. P. Combinations. The eastern terminus of Jay Gould's scheme of roads is at Toledo. Freight from points west of Cheyenne are shipped by the Kansas Pacific, Kansas Northern & Wabash.

The N. Y. Public, an acknowledged authority in railway matters, in commenting upon the recent combination and affiliations of the U. P. Company, says of its proposed connection with the Pennsylvania Co.: "it would enable the Union Pacific to unite with itself another strong corporation in any leases or guarantees that might be desirable. Last, but not least, it would make a very important difference in the political and judicial influence of the alliance in contingencies which may not be very remote."

The last is a very significant suggestion. This sort of influence has been a concern in preserving their just rights from encroachment. This would be not only proper but commendable, but to assume to themselves all the functions of government through "tools" of their own nomination and election is the vaulting ambition which will overleap itself, and fall on "other side."

Supreme Court of Neb. Aug. 7. The following from the Lincoln Journal will be of interest to parties concerned, and to the legal fraternity:

Blaco vs. Hallen, from Washington County. Decided last term of court. Opinion now filed by Lake, Judge.

1. The complaint under the statute for the forcible entry and detention of property merely charged that the defendant entered on the premises in controversy, "with force and violence," and that he had "with force detained the same." Held, That it was fatally defective in omitting to charge that such entry and detention were unlawful, and conferred no jurisdiction upon the courts to issue the writ.

2. County courts have jurisdiction of actions for the forcible entry and detention of real property.

Dale vs. Doddridge. Error from Platte county. Reversed and remanded. Opinion by Maxwell, Ch. J.

1. Where an act is to be performed in a certain time, as within three days after the service of a notice, the party notified has the whole three days in which to perform the act, and an action instituted on the third day is premature.

2. Judgment of a Justice of the Peace, or of the District Court in proceedings for forcible entry and detention is conclusive in that proceedings on the matter in issue at the time of rendition, unless such judgment is reversed or modified by proceedings in error. But the judgment is no bar to another action in relation to the title of the premises.

Schuyler. [From the Democrat.] A friend from the west part of the county informs us that the family of Mr. Wm. Stevens has been increased by the birth of another daughter.

Some parties from Columbus watched the depot and the Platte bridge about a week ago, expecting that perhaps the parties who broke jail here on last Thursday would come this way.

There was an advent sermon preached in the grocery store of J. B. Tarrott Wednesday, or we supposed so from what we could hear through open doors. The man was earnestly calling on the few around him to prepare for the last days that were soon to come.

Mr. Patrick Chaplin, of Colfax precinct, called last Tuesday, and brought us in a stalk of corn taken from his farm, that measured nearly twelve feet. He tells us that is a specimen of the corn crop now in what is called the Irish settlement. Is there a settlement that can beat it?

She's Coming. Work has commenced on the bridge across Salt creek on the L. & N. W. When this is completed, ties and rails will be put down between Lincoln and Milford as fast as capital will push it.—Globe.

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