

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13, 1884.

At Grinnell, Iowa, a steam whistle is used as a fire alarm.

Cook skins pass current in Calhoun, Ky., at 50 cents apiece.

Almond trees at Shasta, Cal., were last week in full bloom.

Worcester, Mass., has a tariff club with 2,500 members.

A man living in Vicksburg has 2,500 tame rabbits for sale.

It is said that a boy in Washington was arrested for laughing at a policeman.

There are twenty-seven lawyers and twenty-five farmers in the Ohio legislature.

C. C. CARPENTER was found dead in the road the other day near Lawrence, Kansas.

The 125th birthday of Robert Burns was duly celebrated by the Burns club at Omaha.

CARPENTER, indicted for the murder of Zora Burns, has applied for a change of venue.

A man supposed to be crazy, shot himself on the Pan Handle road near Pittsburg one day last week.

It is reported that the Presbyterian and Catholic missions at Canton have been destroyed by the natives.

Mrs. MARY A. PARNELL, one of Omaha's early settlers, was found dead in her bed the other morning.

SNYDER and Anderson, two young men, were hanged last week at Mt. Vernon, Ind., for the murder of Van Meyer.

DELEGATIONS of lobbyists from Dakota intend visiting Washington to work for the opening of the Sioux reservation.

Iowa people are petitioning the legislature against the teaching of Latin, German and French in the public schools.

The Denver & Rio Grande round house, at Leadville, Col., with six locomotives was destroyed by fire the other morning. Loss, \$80,000.

Mr. WILLIAMS, traveling agent for the Omaha Bee, fell while skating at the rink at Kearney last week and broke both bones of the right leg.

A NEW YORK burglar left a card in the house he had entered, wishing the people a happy new year and begging pardon for not calling earlier.

GEN. DANIEL McCauley, ex-mayor of Indianapolis, was taken to the police court in New York the other day on a charge of violating the lottery laws.

REPRESENTATIVE ROBISON, says, in regard to his resolution for a reduction of the tax on cotton, that a tax of one cent will yield a revenue of \$13,000,000.

A HOUSE near Norwich, N. Y., occupied by an old couple named Clinton, burned the other night. The bodies of the occupants were found in the ruins.

AN epidemic of typhoid fever rages at Hyacinthe, and the convents are closed. Many members of the religious communities are very ill and five nurses have died.

JESSE McCARTY, the man who killed William Bradford a short time ago near Papillion, has given bond in the sum of \$4,000 for his appearance, and has been released.

A FIRE the other morning at Peoria, Ill., burned a block on Adams street. The occupants of the block are heavy losers, and, including buildings, the loss will reach \$150,000.

THE President has nominated Richard S. Tuthill, of Chicago, United States attorney for the northern district of Illinois and James A. Connelley, of Illinois, for the southern district.

DELEGATE CAINE, of Utah, in replying to Governor Murray's message, asserts that polygamous marriages are simply religious obligations and never claimed to have been legal.

A FIRE at Ord, Neb., the other evening destroyed the building occupied by Mr. Gillespie as a furniture store owned by J. E. Hall. It was worth about \$500 and the stock in it about \$3,000.

I. M. KEITH, agent in Hillsboro, Ill., of the Adams Express Company, has been missing for several days. His business affairs are in good shape. He has a wife and two children at that place.

CAPT. WM. A. KIRKLAND, commander of the receiving ship Colorado, at New York, has volunteered to command the proposed Greeley relief expedition, and will be assigned to that duty.

The river at Pittsburg, Pa., reached its highest stage on the morning of the 1st, when the marks registered 21 feet. Portions of the low lands in Allegheny City and on the south side are under water.

Mrs. LOUISE LYMAN, of Cabot, Mass., made a clothes-line from the combings of her hair. She began the industry in 1829, and made 100 feet of the cord, which the family used for years as clothes lines.

HENRY B. HOLMES, a dairyman at Bloomington, Neb., was burned to death the other morning in his barn. Thirty cattle and all the contents of the building destroyed. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

REPRESENTATIVE BELMONT has prepared a resolution questioning the constitutionality of government inspection of American pork and holding that, if necessary, the work should be done by the several states.

SOPHIE MENTER, the celebrated pianist, has been elected honorary member of the Philharmonic Society of London, in place of Wagner "the first time," the *Citoyenne* says "this honor has been accorded a woman."

YOUNG NUTT was just insane enough, and not too much. The despoilers of homes will please take note of public opinion, that their killing is regarded much in the light as the killing of a mad-dog.—*Inter Ocean*.

MISS ELIZABETH RICHARDS, who recently died at Wilmington, Del., had taught school for nearly eighty years, and in several instances had had among her pupils successively members of three generations of the same families.

A LADY aged forty years, who lives in Worth county, Ga., has had an eventful life. She recently married her fifth husband. Her first was killed in the war, her second in a difficulty, her third was divorced, and the fourth died a natural death.

A TERRIBLE tragedy occurred four miles west of Elgin, Ill., one day last week. Wm. Combs, a farmer, 40 years old, cut his wife's throat, and in her dying agonies she wrenched the weapon from him and fatally stabbed him. The woman was alive at last accounts.

JOSEPH N. HOLBROOK, a member of the Iowa legislature, died at Des Moines on the 31st ult. of pneumonia. He was a captain in the 27th Iowa infantry during the war, and lost an arm in the service. He had held the office of county treasurer of Delaware county for eighteen years.

OSCAR WILDE is telling the people of England that American prairies are shockingly devoid of artistic finish. And our own Lincoln Journal suggests that the matter be brought to the attention of the next legislature and an appropriation made to encourage the culture of sunflowers.

A REPORT comes from Southton, Mo., that small-pox has broken out there and the anxiety is so great about its spreading that the public schools have been closed. The number of deaths is not stated. The same disease prevails in the little town of St. Peters, where a dozen or more deaths have occurred.

THOS. COLLIER and his wife have been poisoned at Long Island City, L. I. The brother and sister of Mrs. Collier have been arrested for the crime, the motive of which is alleged to be the possession of \$15,000 left by their father, who died mysteriously some time ago, and whose body will now be exhumed.

SENATOR VAN WYCK keeps up a steady fire at the railroads. Here is another shot from him:

Resolved, That the secretary of the interior inform the senate whether the Union Pacific company has issued any new stock or made any mortgage, pledge, lease, running arrangement or other traffic contract since March 3, 1873. Agreed to.

The dwelling of William Morrison, of Pocahontas county, West Va., was burned the other night at a late hour. Morrison and wife escaped with four children who were sleeping in the room with their parents, but two girls, aged 7 and 11, sleeping in an other room were roasted alive before their parents eyes.

RECENT news from Cairo to London says the Khedive had a telegram from Baker Pasha, regarding his defeat near Tokan. His losses were 2,000 men, four Krupp cannon and two Gatling guns. The Turks and Europeans fought well. Baker Pasha will return at once to Sakim with the remainder of his troops.

A PETITION was presented the other day in the senate signed by 6,000 citizens of the District of Columbia, and other petitions signed by a large number of citizens of the territories of Washington, Dakota and Idaho, all praying for the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors in the District and territories.

STATE SENATOR TERRELL, of Austin, Texas, received the other day an anonymous letter threatening that, if free grass is interfered with by the legislature, all waters in the state of Texas inclosed by pastures will be poisoned. The letter has created a sensation, in view of the mysterious sweeping off of a number of cattle in certain sections of the state.

REPORT comes from Reading, Pa., that a sleighing party containing twenty-seven ladies upset the other day on a crooked hill. Some of the women were thrown down the mountain side and others trampled by the horses. Mrs. Hummel had her nose broken and face badly cut. Three others were seriously injured about the head and others badly bruised.

THE house committee on public lands has decided to report a bill declaring the forfeiture of the entire land grants of the Oregon Central railroad, a line proposed between Astoria and Portland. The forfeitures will be declared on the ground that the main line of the road, for which the grant was made, was never constructed. There were 1,480,000 acres in the grant.

A RECENT statement comes from Cairo that Baker Pasha with 1,000 troops landed at Trinkitat and an additional body of \$2,000 had landed since completing the force for the relief of Tokan. It is stated that there are nearly 20,000 rebels in Trinkitat and Tokan. The rebels were massing seven miles distant. Small bodies of the enemy approached within 4,000 yards of camp and were shelled by the British gunboats.

AFTER talking with quite a number of prominent and representative republicans in the Third congressional district, respecting the manner of selecting delegates to the National republican convention, we are satisfied that the dominant sentiment is in favor of an independent district convention at a convenient and suitable place in the district. The idea of a state convention for this purpose does not seem to meet with much favor outside of Omaha.—*Grand Island Times*.

The same sentiment prevails pretty unanimously in these parts, Mr. Times.—*Neligh Advocate*.

A FRIGHTFUL gasoline explosion occurred in F. M. Orr's store and tin store, at Alliance, Ohio, the other afternoon, leveling to the ground two brick blocks, one on each side, succumbed to the shock, while others further on were badly injured, and burying in the ruins an unknown number of people. It is rumored that the accident occurred by a child turning the spigot of the gasoline tank, and the gas escaping was ignited by the fire in the stove.

A TRAIN on the Indianapolis and Chicago air line met with a terrible accident at Broad Ripple, Ind., the other day. The trestle bridge at that point is perhaps 150 feet in height, and the train while crossing crushed the bridge, the baggage car, smoking car and one coach dropping through and piling up in a mass at the foot of the pier; the portion above water took fire and six persons were either killed or burned to death and a number of others badly injured.

THE presidential canvass in Nebraska is beginning. The *Alma Tribune* speaks out for Logan, and the *Beatrice Express* making comment, says: "To all appearances Logan stands an even chance with any other candidate who may throw down the gauntlet for the Nebraska delegation. The *Express*, however, is not prepared just now to say that Mr. Logan, or Mr. Blair, or Mr. Arthur is the best or most available candidate for Nebraska republicans to unite upon. Good feeling, and a disposition to agree upon the best man, every way considered, is the proper thing to present."

FARMER SPRAGUE of Hunter's Point, L. I., was murdered the other morning by an unknown mulatto, in his barn, where he went for the purpose of feeding his stock and milking the cows. He then went to the house and struck Mrs. Sprague one blow and demanded money. She told him to get it out of the drawer and then ran screaming out of the house and gave the alarm. The murderer became alarmed and fled, but was subsequently caught and jailed by the farmers. Physicians give no hope of Mrs. Sprague's recovery.

THE President gave a reception to the public on the evening of the 5th. Mrs. McElroy on his right and next to her members of the cabinet. The public entered in large numbers, and while the crowd was passing in a delegation of Flat Head Indians were conducted to the parlor, and after shaking hands with the "Great Father" formed in line opposite the president and his lady friends where they stood for half an hour looking with great curiosity at the presidential party, but saying not a word. The number in attendance was fully as great as ever appeared at any presidential reception.

VAN WYCK is one of the most conspicuous men in the United States Senate to-day. He never lets an important measure pass without having something to say favorable or unfavorable. While we differ with him on some questions, we are not foolish enough to question the honest impulses that make him see some things in a different light. The anti-Van Wyck papers may say what they please against him, but Nebraska has never had a man in the senate that was worth half as much to the state as he has been. Until he does wrong in the sight of a majority of the republican electors, we shall say "Go in Van Wyck."—*Auburn Republican*.

Gov. MURRAY, of Utah, has got before an investigating committee of the house of representatives on charges brought by Representative White, of Kentucky. The evidence before the committee showed that while Gov. Murray was U. S. marshal of Kentucky the government had been wronged out of thousands of dollars through unnecessary, frivolous and fictitious prosecutions of citizens, some of whom were taken from remote parts of the state all the way to Louisville before post commissioners, who heard their cases on preliminary examination apparently for no other reason than to make costs, thus embittering the citizens against the government.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Mr. Van Wyck introduced a resolution, which was agreed to, providing that no dividends shall hereafter be made by the Union Pacific railroad company but from the actual net earnings thereof, and no new stock shall be issued or mortgages or pledges be made on the property or net earnings of the company without leave of congress except for the purpose of funding or securing debts now existing or the renewal thereof, and any director or officer who shall pay or declare, or aid in paying or declaring any dividend or creating any mortgage or pledge prohibited by this act, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding two years and a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

THE committee appointed at the recent convention of colored voters of Illinois and known as the "colored men's state central committee of the state of Illinois," has issued a call to the colored voters in the states of Kansas, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut and the District of Columbia for a conference at Pittsburg April 29, 1884, to unite in an appeal to the loyal and patriotic sentiment of the country to speedily and effectually determine whether, in time of peace, the questions of public concern are to be settled by ballot or by bullet—in other words, whether the "shot-gun policy" now in vogue in the south is to be recognized and sanctioned as a legitimate mode of political warfare. The address declares that the conference will also consider a line of policy for the colored voters to pursue in the next national canvass.

A NEW JERSEY editor, after giving Roscoe Conkling a very flattering puff, wrote to that gentleman suggesting that it only needed the influence of Mr. Conkling to secure the nomination of Arthur. Mr. Conkling replied: "When the Persian embassy was about to take leave of the Grecian court, once in olden time, they asked and received some message from each of the personages present. When the turn of Zeno came he said: 'Tell your master that you saw a gray-haired old man in Athens who knew enough to hold his tongue.' Please ascribe to my admiration for Zeno and his teachings my silence touching your forecast of my action in the politics of the future."

THE Secretary of State has submitted a communication to the President relating to the exclusion of American hog products from foreign countries, which gives a detailed history of the exclusion of American meats from France, Germany and other European countries. The communication conclusively shows the entire healthfulness of the pork product of America and that the exclusion from foreign countries was the work of prejudice or personal interest. The whole subject is being investigated by the executive of this nation, and some people may find out before the investigation closes that the American hog is about the largest and best porker in the world, and made so by the attention given him in youth, with an abundance of healthful food before put into market.

THE River Convention.

The Mississippi delegate convention met in Washington on the 5th inst., and organized by the election of the following officers:

President, E. O. Stannard, St. Louis.

Vice presidents from seventeen states, including Hon. Frank Ransom of Nebraska.

Secretary, George L. Wright, St. Louis.

Assistant Secretaries, John W. Bryant, New Orleans.

D. F. Wilcox, Illinois.

S. L. McHenry, Pennsylvania.

C. A. Lounsbury, Dakota.

Stannard addressed the convention. He said the delegates were neither republicans or democrats, but both, when the objects of this convention were in view.

They were not here to button hole congressmen, but to express favor for cheap transportation and to see that these great national waterways were made the means of transportation for the products of the country.

Some other business was transacted among which was a motion adopted thanking the president for his two special messages to congress, embodying his broad and statesmanlike view on the improvement of the Mississippi river. Adjourned.

When the convention reassembled on the 6th the delegates poured in resolutions on the chair, which were referred to the committee on resolutions.

A large American flag was brought into the hall and saluted with boisterous applause. It was unfurled and placed behind the president's chair.

Lowry, of Missouri, took the floor and made a lengthy speech on cheap transportation. He said this convention did not come to Washington to petition congress, but to instruct the young democracy and the young republicans of the Mississippi valley. The speaker declared: "I will not follow any party that will not advocate the policy of cheap transportation." The party, he said that offers the most substantial proof of its adherence to these principles would surely win the next national campaign.

Mr. Turner, of Tennessee, made a strong speech in denunciation of the spirit of intolerance formerly shown towards projects for national improvements in the south. His speech was filled with quaint and humorous remarks and created shouts of laughter and applause.

Board of Supervisors.

February 5, 1884.

Board met at 1 p. m. Full board present.

On motion of Sup. Irwin, the petition to appoint Thos. Lynch, Jr., treasurer of Shell Creek twp., was referred back to town board.

On motion of Sup. Swartley: the petition of P. H. Kelley and others to open a county road in Lost Creek twp. was referred to committee on roads and bridges.

On motion of Sup. Gerrard Martin Burns was appointed justice of the peace to fill vacancy in Lost Creek twp.

The county attorney presented the following opinions:

1st. That the bonds of deputies appointed by the county clerk, treasurer, or other county officers authorized by law to have deputies, shall be executed in the same manner, and in the same sum as required of the principals.

2d. I give as my view of the law that your honorable body has no authority to appoint a justice or justices of the peace for the town of Columbus.

3d. The treasurer of Platte county is entitled to retain from fees collected as follows:

1st. The sum of \$2,000.

2d. Such further sum for the payment of such assistants or deputy or deputies, as may have been allowed him by the board of county commissioners or supervisors at a salary or salaries not exceeding \$700 per year for each of such assistants.

J. M. Anderson was allowed \$2.70 for road work, to be credited on his tax.

On motion of Sup. Noonan the receipt of ex-treasurer Early from the state treasurer for \$8,421.34 was approved.

Motion before the board to refund

to Dr. Wm. Edwards \$3.00 illegally assessed labor tax for 1882. Vote as follows: Ayes—Blomquist, Braun, Ernst, Lehnert, Magg, Noonan, Newman, Rivet, Webster and Wiley, 10. Nays—Blaser, Burke, Gerrard, Hoffelman, Irwin, Olson, Swartley, 7. Carried.

Supr Swartley presented a resolution to the effect that the county treasurer be directed to keep a list of tax receipts presented for taxes, which appear upon the books as unpaid. Carried.

Supr Noonan moved that the sheriff, county treasurer and county clerk be notified that their deputies are required to give bonds to the county for the faithful performance of their duties. Vote as follows: Ayes—Blaser, Braun, Burke, Hoffelman, Irwin, Lehnert, Noonan, Olson, Webster and Wiley, 10. Nays—Blomquist, Burke, Gerrard, Magg, Newman Rivet, Swartley, 7. Carried.

Supr Gerrard moved that A. D. Walker be appointed justice of the peace for the town of Columbus. Rejected.

On motion of Supr Ernst the county clerk was instructed to furnish overcoat Lumber 500 feet of plank.

The following official bonds were presented and approved: Martin Postel J. P. Humphrey; T. J. Sherwood J. P. Humphrey; H. J. Hogan J. P. Shell Creek; W. C. White constable Creston.

Peter Galligan's bill of \$500.75 for grading was referred to committee on roads and bridges.

The bill of Jaeggi & Schupbach for \$162.29, lumber for bridges, was allowed and the clerk instructed to issue warrant for \$70.00 balance on hand in general road fund.

Sundry bills referred to committee on roads and bridges.

Bill of ex-treasurer Early for salary paid deputy, \$840.00 was reported back by committee on claims with recommendation that the same be rejected. Vote as follows: Ayes—Blaser, Braun, Burke, Gerrard, Hoffelman, Lehnert, Magg, Noonan, Newman, Olson, Rivet and Wiley, 12. Nays—Blomquist, Ernst, Irwin, Swartley and Webster, 5. Motion sustained and bill rejected.

The following bills were taken from the general file and allowed on general fund of levy of 1881:

J. H. Watts, repairing court house \$ 41.50

John Burke, services as Supr 34.80

Columbus Cemetery Ass'n's grave for John Egger 3.00

J. E. Moncrief, Co. Supr, salary 83.32

E. B. Plummer, stationery, 18.50

St. Journal Co., blank books 19.50

J. Rasmussen, undisch. papers 252.30

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Lars Anderson, Homestead No. 10333, for the E. 1/2 S. W. 1/4, Section 18, Township 19 north, Range 3 west, 1/2 East. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Geo. W. McCormick, John Moriarty, of Fortville, Platte Co., Neb. C. H. HOSTETTER, Register.

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John McNamara, Homestead entry No. 8366, for the North 1/2, of South-west 1/4, Section 30, Township 19, Range 3 west, 1/2 East. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Michael Keegan, David Murphy, Henry Wassberg, and Frank Paproski, all of Platte Centre P. O., Platte County, Nebraska. C. H. HOSTETTER, Register.

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Joseph Schmidt, Homestead No. 8371, for the E. 1/2 S. E. 1/4, Section 26, Township 20 north, Range 2 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Mathias Fisher, M. P. Fisher, Bernard Wilde, Henry Keresh and Bernard Miller, all of Nebraska, Neb. C. H. HOSTETTER, Register.

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John Miller, Homestead No. 8392, for the N. 1/2 S. W. 1/4, Section 22, Township 19, Range 3 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: John Walker, Henry Keresh and Bernard Miller, all of Nebraska, Neb. C. H. HOSTETTER, Register.

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Thomas Mastloun, Homestead Entry No. 10633, for the S. 1/2 S. E. 1/4, Section 18, Township 19 north, Range 3 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: William Herman, Andrew Debusy, Adam Worsal, John Kaputala, all of Platte Center, Neb. C. H. HOSTETTER, Register.

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