

SENATOR VANCE, of North Carolina, has been unanimously renominated by the democrats.

It appears that Dakota's capital is to be located at Ordway, Brown county, instead of Pierre, Hughes county.

NEBRASKA ought to be thankful to Leslie and Harper's Weekly for cuts of Nebraska's exhibits at the World's Fair.

NEBRASKA, it is claimed, lacks only \$56,451 of having enough money in her treasury to pay off all her indebtedness.

HAINES has been elected permanent speaker in the Illinois House. Thus ends the long speakership fight, and probably settles the question that Logan won't be elected senator.

The woman's relief corps of the G. A. R. of Nebraska, held a session last week at Beatrice. Mrs. D. G. King, of Lincoln, was elected vice-president at large to attend the national encampment at Portland, Me., next summer.

"The duty of a people suffering under any despotism, native or foreign, is to better their condition." The foregoing, from the last Democrat, may be a good sentiment, if we are to suppose that the proof reader meant despotism.

Mrs. SAMUEL O'BRIAN, living a mile and a half east of Fremont, Neb., destroyed her own life the other night by taking strychnine. She reported after taking the poison and informed her husband, but a doctor failed to get there in time to save her life. She gave no reason for the deed.

A FEIGHTFUL explosion occurred at Sioux City, Ia., on the morning of the 20th ult. in the pork packing establishment of Jas. O. Broge & Co. One of the four large lard tanks exploded with terrific force, tearing away a four story addition to the main building scattering death among the employes. Three persons killed and six dangerously injured.

A FIRE was discovered the other morning in a lot of books and records stored under the roof of the house of representatives at Washington. The firemen cut away the wood and soon extinguished the fire. It was confined to a space less than twenty feet square. The damage is slight. The fire is supposed to have started by electric wires used in lighting the hall of the house.

THE superintendent of Nance county is calling the attention of school boards to the fact that the schools should be provided with a good dictionary, outline maps, twelve-inch globe, a good black-board, set of reading charts for beginners, and a numerical frame. The suggestion is applicable to nearly every country school in Nebraska.

A TERRIBLE accident occurred near Crete on Thursday. Chas. Ogden, was chasing a wolf on horseback, when coming to a gate he set his gun down by a wire fence, got off, opened the gate, re-mounted and then took hold of the gun and drew it up, the hammer catching in a wire, discharging the gun. His upper and lower jaws were completely torn off and death will undoubtedly result from the wound.—Gazette Journal.

THE very latest news from J. Robert Williams, the notorious David City Sunday School Superintendent, temperance speaker, lawyer and embezzler, is that he was in durance vile at St. Thomas, Ontario, pending his examination on an extradition requisition. The offense upon which his extradition is sought is forgery, which Williams claims he was not fool enough to commit, as he knew that this was an offense from the consequences of which a residence in Canada would offer him no security. If the prosecution succeeds in making out a case of forgery against Williams he may again have the pleasure of meeting many of his old friends at David City.

THE Society of the Army and Navy of the Confederate States at Baltimore elected Jeff. Davis an honorary member of that body on the 13th ult. Davis acknowledges the honor of membership conferred upon him, gives the Marylanders no small amount of flattery for their chivalry and gallantry in the revolution, the war of 1812 and the men of Maryland who in 1861 bore a distinguished part in the defense of those principles for which their fathers successfully fought. Says the certificate of membership shall be left as an heirloom to his children and his children's children, that they may never forget what is due their father's friends, the old soldiers of Maryland.

THE encampment of the G. A. R. in session last week unanimously voted Beatrice, Neb., as the place for holding the next re-union, September 5 to 12. The following officers were elected: A. V. Cole, department commander; J. H. Culver, senior vice commander; J. B. Davis, junior vice commander; Dr. Stone, medical director; C. O'Neil, chaplain; J. S. Clarkson, delegate at large to the national convention. Red Cloud was selected as the place of the next encampment, in February. The re-union committee is J. E. Hill, T. Yule, N. Heron, G. M. Homes, E. P. Roggen, A. Holman and W. C. Henry. Commander Cole has appointed the following staff assistants: Adjutant general, R. Shively; quartermaster general, Harry Hotchkiss; inspector general, J. C. Lewis; chief muster officer, J. W. Leveringhouse; Judge advocate, J. Q. Voss.

FARMERS' ALLIANCE.

The State Farmers' Alliance held their meetings in Lincoln last week. The following officers were elected: President, J. Burrows; Vice-Presidents, Allen Root, first district; L. D. Willard, second district; A. A. Steadwell, third district; Secretary, L. Darling.

Root, Burrows, Poynter, Hansen and Darling were appointed a committee to confer on railroad and tax legislation, and to appear before the railroad committee of the legislature. The alliance indulged in a long discussion of railroad rates &c., in which Burrows, Root, H. H. Wood, Poynter and Stickle took part.

The following resolutions, presented by Mr. Burrows, were adopted: Resolved, That the passage of the Reagan bill through the United States House of Representatives on the 8th of January, 1885, by a vote of more than two to one was a signal triumph of the people over railroad monopolies, that gives an earnest of better days coming.

Resolved, That if said Reagan bill should be defeated by railroad attorneys and moneyed monopolists of the United States Senate, and thus postpone the regulation of our inter-state commerce for which the people of the United States have been so long and anxiously waiting, an indignant people will know where to place the responsibility.

Resolved, That this state alliance hereby and unreservedly approves the course of Hon. C. H. Van Wyck, senior senator from Nebraska, and regards him as an able and fearless champion of the rights of the people.

Resolved, That the creation of a commission by law for the regulation of railroads in Nebraska, if not in violation of the constitution of our state, would not remedy the evils complained of by our citizens.

After adopting the resolutions the alliance adjourned.

News received at London says that General Stewart's force is entrenched south of Metemeh. The dispatch states that Stewart is in communication with Gen. Gordon. Stewart's force had several fights with the Arab rebels before it reached Metemeh. Stewart was badly wounded. Several persons killed in the fights. Stewart's wound, while not fatal, is so severe as to disable him for the remainder of the campaign.

On the Nebraska side and about half a mile down the river from Bigley's ravine is an immense bluff, 200 feet high. The bank near Ponca has been washed by the river and exposed to view, rock and in it two layers of coal, each about ten inches thick and two feet apart. Between the layers is a slaty formation interspersed with thin deposits of coal. The coal is of an inferior quality, yet it makes a good fire.

An inquest was held the other day over the remains of Mr. Lay, the victim of the vengeance of Louis Bachus, whose daughter Lay had deceived with promises and ruined. Bachus, her father, who sought redress and satisfaction, met with defiance and insult, and in his maddened frenzy shot and killed Lay. Bachus made a full confession and was held for trial.

NELLIE C. BAILEY was acquitted the other day in the United States district court at Wichita, Kansas, of the charge of the murder of a wealthy Englishman named Bothamley, with whom she was traveling in the Indian Territory about a year ago. She still maintained that he shot himself.

MR. PELEKKA, a Bohemian, living near Wilber, Neb., took a load of grain to town one day last week, and after selling his grain started for home in a state of intoxication and it is believed fell from his wagon fracturing his skull, which ended in the loss of his life.

RECENT news from Rome says the snow fall on the Italian Alps is the heaviest within the memory of man. A terrible account arrives from the villages destroyed. It is calculated that three hundred lives were lost. Troops displayed much heroism in effecting rescues.

REV. J. W. LOWRIE, a Presbyterian missionary to China, has the only four-wheeled vehicle in Pekin, an ungraceful but useful covered depot wagon, built in Ohio. The natives are amazed at its wheels, so light and yet strong.

A MAN named Dennis Wyne, was knocked down the other night near the B. & M. depot at Hastings, Neb., and robbed of \$75 by two men named Davis and Underwood. Both were arrested and are under \$2,000 bonds each.

A SHORT time ago a cable message was sent from Melbourne, Australia, to London, and delivered in twenty-three minutes. The distance by land and sea is 13,398 miles, and the message was "repeated" eleven times.

It is reported that the police of London have arrested a woman in the act of entering the Royal Exchange building with a quantity of dynamite concealed on her person. Also three men, probably her accomplices.

MISS MATTIE WORLEY, a teacher in Greenwood county, Kansas, has earned enough money by teaching to buy 100 acres of land. She is not yet twenty years old, and receives only \$40 per month.

W. T. McBRIDE, one of the first settlers of Webster county, recently succeeded. He cultivated a homestead and a habit for whiskey, and died in full possession of both.

NEWS from London reports a special from Rome which says Italy is prepared to send 25,000 soldiers to Egypt to assist in supporting British authority.

SIXTY-ONE of the 249 judges of election indicted the other day at Chicago have appeared and been recognized with their sureties in \$300 each.

LEGISLATIVE.

Synopsis of Proceedings of the Nineteenth Session of the Nebraska Legislature.

SENATE. Jan. 26.—Petitions, reports, referents, resolutions and motions were the order of the forenoon business.

Among the bills introduced and read the first time, was one by McAllister, to compel railroad companies to hang up bulletin boards in depots showing time of arrival and departure of trains.

Jan. 28.—In the early part of the session petitions and motions were heard.

The following bills were introduced and read the first time: Melklohn, amending section 1, of article 6 of the constitution.

Sherwin, to establish an asylum for the incurable insane at Fremont.

H. R. 145 was read a second time, and on motion of Brown it was referred to the committee of the whole and made the special order for Monday next at 5 o'clock.

Bills from 155 to 165 were read a second time and referred to appropriate committees.

S. F. Nos. 1, 27 and 10 were read a third time and passed.

Senate adjourned until Feb. 24, at 6 o'clock.

HOUSE. Jan. 26.—A number of Senate bills were read the first time in the house.

A large number of petitions were presented and referred, for the purpose of making a general law for the suppression of houses of ill-fame.

The private secretary of the Governor announced that the Governor had signed H. R. 84, which provides for the payment of members and employes of the present legislature.

Jan. 28.—The House had under consideration in committee of the whole the bill regulating passenger tariff on railroads, which was discussed at considerable length, but no conclusion arrived at and the committee asked leave to sit again.

The House was informed that the Senate had passed Senate bills 1, 27 and 10, and asked concurrence of the House.

House adjourned until 5 o'clock p. m., February 2d.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Summary of the Most Important Doings of the Body.

SENATE. Jan. 26.—Ingaile laid before the Senate a memorial from the legislature of Kansas remonstrating against the establishment of a cattle trail across or through the state.

Plumb reported a substitute for the House bill for forfeiting a part of the land granted to Iowa in aid of railroad construction.

Bayard's resolution, after a sharp debate, Riddleberger only taking the opposite view, was adopted—61 to 1. It is as follows: Resolved, That the Senate of the United States has heard with indignation and profound sorrow of the attempt to destroy the house of parliament and other public buildings in London, and to imperil the lives of innocent and unsuspecting persons and hereby expresses its horror and detestation of such monstrous crimes against civilization.

Adjourned.

Jan. 28.—Several messages from the President were laid before the Senate transmitting information heretofore called for regarding the landing of foreign cables in the United States, the awards of the Venezuela mixed commission and the status of the Oklahoma lands, which the President maintains cannot, under the existing treaties, be opened up for settlement.

Jan. 29.—The Senate refuses to ratify the Nicaragua treaty by a vote of 32 to 23.

Adjourned.

HOUSE. Jan. 26.—Several resolutions and bills introduced.

The army appropriation bill was referred to the committee of the whole. It provides for an appropriation of \$24,429.53.

The bill appropriating \$6,000 to enable the commissioners of the District of Columbia to maintain public order during the ceremonies attending the inauguration of the President was passed.

Adjourned.

Jan. 28.—Slocumb, from the committee on military affairs, reported back the resolution requesting the President to transmit to the House a copy of the recent appeal of Fitz John Porter, together with the accompanying papers.

The resolution passed, 179 to 77.

The House considered land grant bills on the calendar.

The House was worn out with motions and roll calls and took no final action.

Adjourned.

Jan. 29.—The river and harbor appropriation bill was considered in committee of the whole. Pending debate, the committee rose and the House adjourned.

A BILL enfranchising women was introduced the other day in the Indiana legislature. A measure was also presented for congressional apportionment, which, if passed, will give the Democrats ten districts in the state.

The wealthiest man in the world is the Chinese banker, Han-Qua, of Canton. He pays taxes upon an estate of \$90,000,000, and is estimated to be worth 1,000,000,000 taels, which in our money would be about \$240,000,000.

It was recently reported at London that France had decided to officially declare war against China, in consequence of England enforcing the foreign enlistment act.

The formal transfer of Liberty bell occurred at New Orleans on Jan. 28, in Music Hall, in the presence of 20,000 people.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Summarized Report of Proceedings.

Board selected sixty names from legal voters of the county from which to draw the regular panel of grand and petit jurors for the next regular term of the district court.

Petition of H. J. Neilus and others for public road commencing at the S. W. corner Sec. 23, T. 19, R. 1, east, running due north on section line and terminating at N. W. corner S. W. 1/4 Sec. 14, T. 19, R. 1, east, to be known as the "Doorsack road" was granted and road declared opened, and clerk instructed to publish due notice of same.

Petition of J. E. Fisher and others for public road commencing at the S. E. corner of Sec. 29, T. 19, R. 3, west, running due north on section line three miles and terminating at the N. E. corner Sec. 17, T. 19, R. 3, west, to be known as the "Fisher road" was declared opened and clerk instructed to publish due notice of same.

Action on motion to strike E. 1/2 N. W. 1/4, Sec. 22, T. 19, R. 1, west, from the tax list of '84, the same being a homestead taken only three years ago, and illegally assessed, was deferred.

By resolution, the attention of the county treasurer was unanimously called to the law in regard to the collection of delinquent taxes and urged to act diligently in the matter.

One of the doors of safe in clerk's office reported defective and on motion clerk was instructed to correspond with Detroit Safe Co. and request them to replace said door free of charge to the county.

Action on the "Hohlen road" was deferred.

Petition of John Dinneen and others asking for vacation of that part of a public road known as the "River road" commencing at N. W. corner of N. W. 1/4, Sec. 11, T. 17, R. 2, west, sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17 and 18 road district No. 2; sections 19, 20, 21, 22, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33 road district No. 4; sections 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35 and 36 road district No. 47.

On motion the two resolutions presented by town board of Sherman township were reconsidered and the same withdrawn from file.

The county clerk and treasurer were on motion instructed to check up the several town treasurers tax lists with the original tax list.

Motion to reconsider action taken with reference to county physician was laid on file.

In matter of account of A. Henry for lumber furnished for Burrows township, the committee reported recommending the allowing of same and that amount be charged to account of Burrows township, as per Newman resolution adopted July 8th, '84.

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A resolution was introduced by the county poor fund, county prison fund, county Court House fund and advertising fund to the county general fund, as the payment of all indebtedness for which they were credited has been paid in full; also, for consolidating the county special bridge fund and Loup Fork bridge fund, the same to be known as the Loup Fork bridge fund, and whereas the land general fund and the county poor fund are all for one purpose, that the same be known and designated as the general road fund and that the county treasurer be instructed to make the several transfers embodied in the foregoing, was committed unanimously.

Committee appointed to make settlement with county treasurer reported as follows: To the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors of Platte County, Neb. GENTLEMEN:—Your committee appointed to make settlement with the county treasurer of this county from Jan. 3d, '84, to Jan. 1st, '85, respectfully reports that they have performed the duty assigned them and find the following viz:

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4th. That we find upon careful investigation that the cash books of the county treasurer do not correspond to the county tax, principal and interest to the amount of \$111,172.43.

5th. That upon careful investigation we find that the county treasurer has paid out for county warrants, interest, school orders, vouchers, compound interest, coupons, exchange, school bonds, &c., the sum of \$73,470.83, and that we have received and cancelled the warrants, orders, coupons, &c., amounting to the above amount.

6th. That we have carefully examined, checked and footed up the treasurer's books and find that the report of county treasurer presented to this board of the several different funds is correct as we verily believe.

7th. That the county clerk charge the county treasurer with the balance in the different state funds and give the county treasurer credit when he presents a receipt from the treasurer of the state of Nebraska.

8th. That we recommend the transfer of the several different funds that are at the present time extinct.

9th. That the county treasurer's fees, as shown by report, is \$2,081.39 and is correct and according to law as we verily believe.

WM. J. NEWMAN, Chairman. J. R. KIERMAN, Committee.

The committee also reported that they found the funds in hands of county treasurer as reported by him, and on motion report was accepted and committee discharged.

(To be continued.)

STATEMENT OF THE INDEBTEDNESS OF PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, ON JANUARY 1st, 1885.

LIABILITIES.

COUNTY BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

July 1, 1870, To general bridge bonds redeemable 20 years from date with interest at 10 per cent per annum. \$ 25,000.00

July 1, 1870, To county funding bonds redeemable 10 years from date with interest at 10 per cent per annum. 45,000.00

Jan. 1, 1880, To L. S. bonds redeemable 20 years from date with interest at 8 per cent per annum. 100,000.00

To balance. 167,000.00

Jan. 1, 1885, To amount of bonds outstanding. \$170,000.00

PERFECT BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

July 1, 1874, To Butler Precinct bridge bonds redeemable 20 years from date with interest at 10 per cent per annum. 16,000.00

July 1, 1881, To Columbus Precinct bonds issued to G. N. & H. R. B. Co. redeemable 20 years from date with interest at 7 per cent per annum. 25,000.00

FLOATING INDEBTEDNESS.

Jan. 1, 1885, To general fund warrants outstanding and un-redeemed. 18,845.56

To interest accrued on same. 873.41

Jan. 1, 1885, To road fund warrants outstanding and un-redeemed. 3,842.85

To interest accrued on same. 41.16

Jan. 1, 1885, To road fund general fund overpaid. 44.56

To interest accrued on same. 3.07

Jan. 1, 1885, To county bridge fund, overpaid. 62.11

To interest accrued on same. 80.96

RESOURCES.

Jan. 1, 1885, By taxes due and delinquent for years 1870 to 1885 inclusive (less State, school and city funds). 40,610.38

Jan. 1, 1885, By 1884 taxes due but uncollected (less State, school, township, city and village funds). 50,419.17

Jan. 1, 1885, By net cash in treasury (less State, school, township and city funds). 50,130.23

To balance. 94,108.82

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I certify that the above statement exhibits the whole amount of county and delinquent taxes, of county warrants outstanding and un-redeemed, also all indebtedness and uncollected taxes on the 1st day of January, A. D. 1885, and that the amounts above enumerated are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that the foregoing statement does not include the State, district, school, township, city or village funds.

JOHN STAUFFER, County Clerk.

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