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All communications, to secure attention, must be accompanied by the full name of the writer. We reserve the right to reject any manuscript, and cannot agree to return the same.—We desire a correspondent in every school-district of Platte county, one of good judgment, and reliable in every way.—Write plainly, each item separately. Give us facts.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1892.

THE influenza is on the increase in Paris. Hotels are empty, and the depression is apparent everywhere.

BOSTON reported 12 inches of snow Thursday. Wires were down and by an order of the mayor no electric lights were used, that official fearing fatal results from broken wires.

SIXTY-FOUR cases of typhoid fever were discovered in New York city Friday. The victims are nearly all Jews, both Russian and Polish, and are those who have only recently arrived in this country.

NEAR Monterey, Ala., Friday, Tom. Traweek, sixteen years old, a white boy, shot and killed Bill Thomas and J. N. Jackson, two negro men, in self defense. One of the men had knocked Traweek's four-year-old brother down with a shovel.

CARLISLE W. HARRIS, of New York city, who was convicted of wife murder was sentenced to die Monday, after a motion for a new trial had been denied. He will be executed at Sing Sing, by electricity, within the week beginning March 1.

SAMUEL KELLEY, a crazy railroad engineer at Marshalltown, Iowa, shot Julia Long twice in the head Thursday night, and then committed suicide. Miss Long is not fatally injured, but Kelley died instantly. A love affair caused the tragedy.

BY prompt action of the officers at Dallas, Texas, last Saturday, four would-be train robbers were arrested and one killed. They were in a gun store and were purchasing arms and confessed it was their intention to hold up a train on the Texas Pacific that night.

JOSEPH PALACK, a Bohemian, while suffering from a delirious fever, jumped from the second story window of his house in Chicago, and landed squarely upon an iron fence picket and was instantly killed. The iron run entirely through him. His wife took him off and carried him in the house.

THE fifteen-year-old daughter of a miner named Gardner, living at Ferrell Station, Pa., was frightened to death by two men who chased her after night. She ran into the house and fell on the floor and died with convulsions. Two brothers named Skidmore are under arrest and charged with manslaughter.

J. W. YATMAN, of Sidonia, Ala., who testified against the moonshiners recently was warned that he must die. Last week his son was shot from ambush while standing in the door; his mother ran to his assistance when she saw him fall and she also was shot. Only a month ago Fayette Anderson, another government witness, was also waylaid and murdered.

ACCORDING to the democratic code, of which Governor Boyd may be considered a fair exponent, it may be magnanimous to humiliate a foe, but men of high moral dignity have not so recorded. A. J. Froude says: "No trait of character is rarer, none more admirable, than thoughtful independence of the opinions of others, combined with a sensitive regard to the feelings of others."

THE Schuyler Sun names Majors for governor, and concludes by saying that he is the man who could give us an administration with whom no man could find fault. Brother Turrill, if you have a man with whom "no man could find fault," for heaven's sake nominate him, and elect him, without regard to party, age, race or previous condition of servitude. He is a man in ten thousand.

BERNARD J. SCHMITZ a wealthy farmer of Kansas, who visited his old home in Germany last November, was promptly arrested for deserting from the army over thirty years ago. All efforts of the U. S. minister seemed to be of no avail, but Schmitz's little daughter eleven years of age wrote a personal letter to the emperor, pleading for her father's release, which so touched his highness that Schmitz was at once released.

THE trouble in Kentucky between the miners and the state militia is by no means at an end, and it is feared that much blood will be shed before it is reached. Saturday night the miners fired upon the pickets at the militia camp and the fire was quickly returned with a Gattling gun, and several of the men were wounded. Unless some prompt and decisive measures are at once adopted, much trouble is feared.

BOYD partially got even with Thayer when he refused to shake hands with the senile usurper.—[Telegram.

"Senile usurper," judging from the frequency of its use in the Telegram's editorials of late, in fact, it had become the stock in trade of that sheet. It has haunted its editor like a horrid nightmare, but its venality cropped out when it exulted over Boyd's littleness and grovelling ambition by refusing the proffered hand of John M. Thayer. "Boyd partially got even with Thayer when he refused to shake hands with the senile usurper," exults the Telegram. But then the Telegram's editor kept up a vigorous shaking of the gubernatorial tree till he caught a nice plum. He has received his reward.

THE Omaha Bee that has championed Boyd's claim to the governorship with unremitting persistency all through the contest, has nothing but kind words to say of John M. Thayer. Speaking of his action in surrendering the governor's office to Boyd, says: "It was the manly and honorable thing to do under the circumstances without waiting for an official copy of the mandate of the supreme court." And yet James E. Boyd, with undignified resentment and insult, in the presence of ladies that he had brought to Lincoln "to see that everything is right," forgetting that "There is nothing so kingly as kindness, and nothing so royal as truth."

JOHN COOK was released from the penitentiary Thursday. Nine years ago Cook perpetrated a most dastardly and cold-blooded murder in Webster county. He was run down and placed in jail. The people of the county were so worked up over the magnitude of his crime that a mob was organized and Cook was taken from the jail and hung to a tree. Three shots were fired into his body and he was left swinging in the breeze, supposing him dead. The sheriff cut the body down and was surprised to see signs of returning life. Cook recovered, and in view of the violence he had suffered the judge gave him a life sentence. This was commuted some months ago by Thayer to ten years. He received three years' good time and was released last week. A roar is expected from Webster county as soon as he appears.

THE papers all tell us the supreme court of the United States declared Boyd a citizen. That it may justly be held that children of an alien who had declared his intentions to become a citizen, coming of age after such declaration, were of right, citizens, we have thought. But that the United States could pass a law making citizens of all the people in a certain district, without any act of the individual, is contrary to the American theory of citizenship, in our judgment. Let the supreme court decide as it may. That such a law could confer all the privileges and protection on an alien enjoyed by the citizens is true, but such an act, as we said, is contrary to the American theory of citizenship, and opens the gates to a universal controversy between nations. The true theory is that the man is the sole custodian of his citizenship to bestow it where he pleases.—[Monroe Looking Glass.

World's Fair Notes.

New South Wales has asked for 300,000 square feet of space.

It is announced that the Imperial band of Emperor William of Germany will attend the exposition, having already obtained permission so to do.

The province of Ontario, Canada, will make an extensive mineral exhibit. Canada has asked for a total of 100,000 square feet of space in the various buildings.

The Hon. W. C. P. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, according to present plans, will deliver the oration dedicatory of the exposition building on October 12, 1892.

Herr Wermuth, the Imperial German World's fair commissioner, has already received nearly 2,000 applications for space from the intending exhibitors of his country.

Georgia, like Texas and South Dakota is trying to raise a large portion of its needed World's fair fund through the instrumentality of the school pupils and teachers.

On the three evenings during the exercises dedicatory of the exposition buildings, October 11-13, fireworks to the value of $25,000 will be displayed. The contract for this amount has already been let.

In Colorado's exhibit will appear a complete showing of the flora of the state. Miss Alida P. Lansing, who has been in charge of the matter, has gathered more than 1,000 varieties during the past summer, including fifteen or more which had never been clasified.

NEBRASKA NOTES.

Kearney's oat meal mill was started on Monday.

The Evening Record is a new daily paper at Blair.

A small blaze at Fremont Thursday night. Loss $300.

Henry Jackson marketed an 800 pound porker at Utica.

Bill Thompson, while under the influence of whiskey, fell off a train at Ashland and was instantly killed.

E. D. Stewart, principal of the Ulysses schools, was arrested on the charge of unmercifully beating his pupils.

A gasoline stove exploded at Grand Island while being filled. Dan Fishburn had one hand severely burned and F. W. Vass was slightly burned.

A female swindler is working the country near Superior selling common salt as a chemical that will prevent kerosene from exploding in lamps.

Frank Jelinek who was recently hurt by a corn-sheller tipping over on him while driving along the road with it, died last Friday from his injuries.

A Clearwater landlord chased two men who left without paying their bills. He overtook them at Norfolk. One paid and he had the other arrested for fraud.

Warren Clough of Seward, has brought suit against the bondsmen of ex-Sheriff Neihardt of Seward county for $430, and ten per cent interest from 1876. Clough has been in confinement ever since and unable to press his wants.

A farmer near David City, went to town, bought a new set of harness, took them out and placed them in somebody's wagon, mistaking it for his own. He does not know whose wagon it was, and is now advertising for the harness. He better go to Blair and take a few shots.

The residence of W. Fanning a prosperous farmer living near Colon, was destroyed by fire Thursday. The building was totally destroyed with the greater portion of the contents. The origin of the fire is unknown. It was partially insured.

The clock on the First National bank safe at Harvard remained stationary after winding Saturday night until the cashier tried to open the safe Monday morning. Then it began running, and the bank had to wait a day before they could get at their cash.

N. J. Gale, living 5 miles northwest of Rising was relieved of a clothes-line full of clothes one night last week, and other parties in the same neighborhood have met with like thefts; dressed hogs, four at one place and four at another, corn and oats, from various places have been stolen in the past few weeks; so there must be first-class thief or a gang of them, getting in their work in that neighborhood.

FROM THE SUNNY SOUTH.

A Letter from Mr. J. W. Smith, a former Resident of Columbus.

VELASCO, Texas, Jan. 31, 1892.

DEAR FRIEND AND COMRADE, M. K. TURNER:—As I promised you and a number of readers of THE JOURNAL a letter from this land, I shall now try, not being a skilled writer. I shall only give you a plain, unvarnished account of the much talked of place or the great Texan Future, rendered so by a syndicate which has come here and expended $2,000,000 before receiving a cent in return.

The place is located near the mouth of the Brazos river, three miles above, on a beautiful level plain as far as the eye can reach. On either side of the river are groves of live oak densely hung with Spanish moss and mistletoe, with many specimens of fine birds.

On the 28th day of March, 1889, the Brazos River and Dock company commenced operations at the mouth of the river to obtain deep water where there was only 3½ feet at that time. They now have 18¾ feet, so that more than the average draught vessels come into this place and lay quietly in the river three miles from the sea.

The 18th of last July the first little 10x14 was erected in this place. Now there are over 600 buildings that have cost from $60,000 down to $150, with 200 more buildings under way. Electric light motor to the beach, an artesian well that runs 1,000,000 gallons in 24 hours. A new railroad has just been completed which gives us through railroad outlet to the north. The port here and five miles below, at Quintana, are continually full of shipping, which gives us hope that this is fast getting into note. A large Revenue cutter steamed in the other day that attracted much attention and also proved that Uncle Sam has his eye on us here.

The sea breeze and surf are just splendid; everybody works with coat and vest off and they perspire even then. 2,400 people are here now and every conveyance brings new comers. Lots run from $200 to $1,400 and seem to be selling every day. Kansas and Nebraska are furnishing a great portion of the population. Hotels, brick builders—in truth all classes of mechanical industries are paying well. The Hotel Velasco cost $60,000 without the furnishings. All those points which I have mentioned are approved and to my liking. Now there are some things I do not like which I will here mention. Prices of everything is high, any sort of a room rents for $10 per month; board is too expensive. From the time you arrive until you decide emphatically to leave the place or buy real estate you are beset on every side by a swarm of real estate agents who are more difficult to get rid of than the Jews of the Bowery or Chatham street, N. Y. The nights are cool, with heavy dews; in a few weeks more the mosquitoes will be here. If they will get away with the real estate men all right, but at all events either of them will stick their bills into everybody's business, irrespective of color, shape or financial standing. Next is the mud; the streets, of course, are new and not graded but have good drainage and shells enough near by to make miles of shell tops. Saloons are plentiful—no city organization as yet. I believe that is a blessing; so far no shooting, cutting, fighting or gambling—all governed under state laws. One select school, two churches—M. E. South and the Baptist. The Odd Fellows will organize in a few days.

Give the boys in the post the benefit of the Times I send you. Would like to see some of the Columbus people here to take the advantage of what I deem the great future of the south. Many Nebraskans and more Kansas people are here and plenty of room for more. More anon.

FEBRUARY 7, 1892.

The readers of THE JOURNAL can no doubt afford to read my sketches from this place when I spare the time to take the observations and then write them up.

Since my last I have looked over the situation and learned still more about the place, especially business. There are 5 brick yards in full blast, turning out 175,000 brick daily; there are now 6 large lumber yards doing an immense business; 1 large planing mill running at full capacity and way behind on orders. From 1 to 3 new buildings being started daily.

The John W. Mason, a large three-mast schooner, came in over the bar last Sunday drawing 16½ ft. of water, loaded with 1,200 tons of coal, landed in the city at the wharf which everybody cheered. It begins to look like a well defined seaport town; six months old, 2,400 inhabitants, with its fine buildings and all the modern conveniences of the east and north already established. The only thing now needed is the tapping of two or three of the trunk railroads in the interior to convey the enormous crops of cotton and other products to the only deep water port on this coast, but this is coming about. One road is now finished all but the ballast, and others talked of. The people who are here are all with one voice in the progress of Velasco.

The climate is good; here now the fields are green, the trees are full leafed. The orange crop is short on account of a heavy frost three weeks ago; the banana crop will be a failure, but garden vegetables are now plentiful in the markets. Fish! I have never been where fish were so abundant and so cheap—three to five cents per pound; oysters are also very cheap and plentiful.

Quite an emigration from Nebraska and Kansas here. Lands in this county range in prices, owing to quality and improvements, from $4 to $50 per acre. The large planters here are commencing to cut up their large farms which is a grand move toward settling up the country. One man, Mr. Bryan, six miles up the river, has a sugar and cotton plantation of 10,000 acres; his home is fine and as beautifully laid out as can be met with in the west. The old man stated a few days ago the product of his farm in '80 was $30,000 in sugar alone. He has quite a large orange grove, and claims that last year one tree alone yielded four bbls. of fine merchantable oranges; this tree is fourteen years old. He has fig trees that bear four bbls. Orange culture is not a success here as yet. This same Mr. Bryan says he will have 500 bbls. this year and meets ready sale at $6 per bbl. The old man says he will not sell any of his land, but he has a son who has a large tract about four miles from here; he is cutting up his land into ten-acre lots and selling it off at $50 per acre. These lands are all near the Brazos river. All products can be marketed by water at little cost. The opportunities for men who understand gardening and fruit culture certainly, in my judgment, could find no better opening than here. With small capital in such enterprises it surely will excel the same capital expended in the cold climate.

As for healthfulness I judge from the appearance of the people; they look heartier and old people seem younger than in the northern states. I speak more particularly of the people near the coast.

We are having warm showers of rain today, the first since my arrival, which make the fields look green and refreshed.

JOHN W. SMITH.

Washington Letter.

[From our regular correspondent.]

Postmaster-General Wanamaker has issued an order that will be hailed with pleasure by thousands of people in every section of the country. It makes every postoffice where the postmaster's salary exceeds $200 per annum a money order office. This will within the next eighteen months more than double the number of money order offices in the country, and while giving so many people this convenient and absolutely safe way of sending money through the mails it will add very little to the current expenses of the postal service, and in the end it will probably add quite largely to its earnings. This is the republican idea of a business-like administration of the affairs of the government.

There are more democrats from the north, (including in that term all of the states except those in the south) than from the south, in the house, but it is now very evident that the southern men have outgeneraled the other fellows and captured everything that will count in the legislation of the house, and the expression, "the south is again in the saddle," is literally true at this time, so far as the house of representatives is concerned. The south has the speaker, and the south has all three of the democratic members of the committee on rules, which under the new code of rules has a greater control over the business of the house than any similar committee ever had before, in fact it is absolutely impossible for any of the other committees to either get business before the house or to get it disposed of after it is taken up, without the assistance of that committee, except in the rare cases where there is no active opposition on the floor. The full significance of the situation is just beginning to dawn upon the out-witted members, since the new rules have gone into operation. They can do nothing now but "grin and bear it."

The representatives of the Canadian government will always find this government ready to listen courteously to any proposition they may decide to make concerning commercial reciprocity between the two countries, but as long as the republican party is in power the Canadians need hope for no treaty which fully opens our market to them, while their's are only half open to us. The president and Secretary Blaine will be pleased to see the Canadian commissioners, but it is only upon one basis that they will open negotiation with them.

Representative Mills' dagger is no longer concealed; it is openly held aloft in his strong right hand while he has served notice upon the ways and means committee that he intends to use it on the first tariff bill it reports, that does not please him. Turn down the lights and let the band play slow music.

The resolution introduced in the house by Representative Fithian, of Illinois, instructing the ways and means committee to report a bill putting all agricultural implements on the free list is a bluff, pure and simple, and nobody knows it any better than its author. To put agricultural implements on the free list without first putting all classes of lumber and metal on the free list would close every manufactory of any class of agricultural implements in the United States, and the democratic party would not dare to do that even if it had both branches of congress and the presidency.

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Henry and Akes Plumb did not get home when they were expected. Grip.

Michael Colmars was drawing his corn to Richland last week.

In viewing the Platte river we notice it to be quite forward. There is a channel open and fast washing and melting the ice away on either side.

Quite an enjoyable evening was had at Brimblecoms Thursday by the invited guests.

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