TO CORRESPONDENTS.

WE DO NOT desire any contributions whatever of a literary or poetical character; and we will not undertake to preserve, on to return he same, in any case whatever. Our Staff is sufficiently large to more than supply our limited space in that direction. REAL NAME OF WRITER, in full, must in each

and every case accompany any communicafaction and as proof of good faith. OUR COUNTRY FRIENDS we will always be

pleased to hear from, on all matters connected sith crops, country politics, and on any subpect whatever of general interest to the people of our State. Any information connected with the election, and relating to floods, accidents, etc., will be gladly received. All such communications, however, must be brief as possible; and they must, in all cases, be written upon one side of the sheet only.

ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS of candidates for office -whether made by self or friends, and whether as notices or communications to the simply personal, and will be charged as ad-

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by Mr. Edwin Davis, to whose order all subextiptions not paid at the office will be payable.

E. ROSEWATER. Publisher

not remain the baby State of the Spoon Lake. Union much longer. The bill for the

its support. spair by the ugly and fatal disclosures made by one brother-in-law, Mr. Edward Johnston has placed witness stand to impeach the char-Johnston did not dare to doubt. and deliver their passengers in the Comment upon such a spectacle is Omaha depot.

entirely superfluous. GREAT preparations are in progress in astronomical circles all over the world for observing the transit of Venus in September. Two parties will start from San Francisco about the middle of August for China and U. S. Courts will be very much fa-Japan. Professor Davidson, of the cilitated. United States Crast Survey, will be in charge of the party going to Japan, while Professor Watson, of Ann Arbor, Mich., University, will

Any man or paper that says that Edward Johnson has admitted, in his testimony or otherwise, the truth of Vandergift's charge against him, willfully and deliberately states a falsehood .- Herald. This kind of bluff might be ap-

command the party going to Pekin,

propriate in a keno room or in a poker club, but it will not answer the purpose in an intelligent, unbiased community. Did not Edward Johnson swear that he believed Vandergift would not testify falsely?

The Herald may denounce the BEE and its editor as liars, but that will not, and cannot wipe out the fact that Johnson did not dare to deny Vandergift's statements when he had an opportunity to do so on

THE DUTY OF COUNCILMEN.

THE question is. Who received a majority of the votes for City Treasurer at the late election? That's the question, and the only question before the City Council, and we have not the slightest doubt about how it will answer it.—Herald.

Yes that is precisely the question. The judges and clerks of election sworn to deal impartially with all candidates have returned a majority for John Baumer. In accordance with these returns

John Baumer was declared duly elected by the board of canvassers, and although the City Council sought to evade their duty, a judicial tribunal decreed that the City Clerk must issue a certificate of election to him. And now the question is who received a majority of the votes? The prima facia evidence says that John Baumer. The burden of the proof to dislodge Baumer devolves upon Johnson. It is not only necessary for John-

ston to prove that a majority of the the time of the recount were in his favor, but he must prove beyond a were identical with those counted by the Judges of election. Every doubt about this identity must necessarily go in favor of Baumer.

In order to arrive at a just and honest conclusion, the City Council must consider first, whether there was any possibility of tampering with the ballots between the time that they left the hands of the judges, and the time they were recounted.

Second. Whether the contestant Johnson was disposed to use corrupt or dishonorable means, in order to secure a verdict in his own favor. If the evidence in this case shows conclusively, that there was any possibility of tampering with the ballots, the doubt must go in favor of Baumer.

in evidence that Johnson had sought to employ corrupt means for the purpose of counting himself in, there could be no possible excuse for reversing the verdict of the can-vassers. Now, we do not propose By this time the boat had touched to bandy personal epithets, but the bridge, and the busy rattling of the wheels drowned the conversawe intend to appeal to reason, honor and conscience.

The Herald claims to know just what the Council or rather the Democratic majority will do in this case. Councilmen have determined to override the law, ignore the testimony and defy common decency, by making up their minds in advanced to the editor of the Central Register and dazzled his eyes with two pennyweights of gold, panned out from a pound of ore that showed no free gold. Our mathematician makes this to be at the rate of over \$4,000 the solution of the Central Register W. P. Mixsell, of Central. About \$1,000 has been subscribed, and work will commence this week. The line will ultimately be extended to Caribou, with a private wire from the Mining Company Nederland's office to the mines. Does the Herald claim that these

the Herita autocrat ready to de his bidding in violation of their sacred oaths of office? Are we to understand that they are a packed jury ready to trample under foot the rights of a fellow man, at the mere beek of an outsider?

We are aware that the Herald fernal regions to serve a selfish pur-pose, but they ought to remember that the resposibility rests upon tion of what nature scover. This is not in-them and not upon the reckless tended for publication, but for our own stip journalist who has so often driven his partizans on the stage coach to perdition. If these Democratic Conneilmen have any self-respect; mined. Queer name for a mine; if they value their reputations as but then, what's in a name? citizens and public servants, they will heed our warning before they exercise the brute force of majorities in obedience to the party lash.

A SPECIAL dispatch to the BEE from Washington announces the amicable settlement of the Omaha bridge controversy. According to our correspondent the compromise involves no surrender on the part of as pottery, which were scattered the Union Pacific of the control of over the floor. In one corner was the bridge, nor does it propose to On and after October twenty-first, 1872, the management. Omaha will concity circulation of the Daily BEE is assumed | tique as the recognized terminus of and by whom all receipts for subscriptions will main the transfer point for all pas-

inauguerate radical changes in its the road, and will as heretofore resengers. The transfer of freights is, however, to be hereafter conducted on the Iowa side. This will confer It nowlooks as if Nebraska would no substantial advantages upon

Half a dozen switchmen and a admission of New Mexico as a State | dozen laborers will probably be able has been agreed upon by the House to handle all the freight that is to Committee on Territories, and all be re-loaded over there. A great the members representing the Trans- portion of the through freight will Missouri Territory, are pledged to always pass over the bridge withoutchange of cars, and nothing will prevent the Iowa and Missouri

DRIVEN to desperation and de- roads from delivering Omaha freights, as they are now doing. If the transfer of passengers at Omaha becomes a fixed fact it can another brother-in-law upon the hardly be long before the Iowa roads will come to the sane conclusion acter of the man whose veracity that it will pay them best to receive

> ment of short-hand reporters by U. S. Circuit and District Judges is to be reported by the House Judiciary Committee in a few days, If this bill becomes a law, business in the 4-11-44.

A bill authorizing the employ-

A Policy Dealer's Ideas of Gam-

The following interesting extract is taken from the report of a conversation between a notorious policy man of Brooklyn and a reporter of the Union of that city: "Have you seen the order issued by Police Commissioner Gardner of

New York?" inquired the policy The reporter replied that he had not, but inferring as a matter of course that it related to policy, in-

quired what effect it had. "Well," said the policy dealer, laughing, "it's like all other orders. We have to keep a little close, you know. But then we have to run chances in our business.

"See here now," asked the reporter, "does it really pay you to run such risks? Could you not invest the same time, energy and money in a more honest business and reap larger profits?"

The policy man shrugged his shoulders. "Well I might, and again I mightn't." "But," queried the reporter, "setting aside gain, do you never feel

any compunctions in obtaining money in this way?"
"No," was the frank reply. "It is just this way; men will squander their money anyhow; and they might do it just as well one way as

another. Why, policy dealing is no worse than liquor selling. I hold that it isn't so bad, for a man that drinks will often do dreadful acts while drunk." "But that is no excuse for your doing wrong."

"That's true; but then policy is a regular business, and we've got to make money to get along in this world. Now, I'm a temperance man; I never drink. So you see policy men are not quite as bad as some people think."
"If it is true as is charged," in-

quired the reporter, "that policy depends for support solely upon the poorest classes, can you call it honorable or respectable?"
"As to that," was the reply, "if

we depended on the poor, policy ballots found in the ballot boxes at | would not last long; no, sir, it is not the poor who patronize policy. You would be surprised if I should give you the names of some men reasonable doubt that these ballots | right here in Williamsburgh who play policy. Why there are men who invest a thousand dollars at a time, and think nothing at all of

> "Such men must be infatuated." dryly observed the reporter.
> "Not all of them. Many of them play because they know that they can win," remarked the policy deal-

"Oh, that's all very well for you to say," added the reporter, laughing, "but I know from personal observation that many poor people deal in policy, some of them spend-ing the last ten cents they have. I can recall a dozen just such persons being arrested at the same time with policy dealers. You know it too." "Well, of course poor people play as well as rich people," replied the man. "I can say for myself that I

never took the last cent from a poor person, and I've often sent just such persons away because I did not wish them to run any risks. But then, again, I've helped many a poor man "Then you consider the invest-

ment a very uncertain one?"
"No, I don't either," he replied. All investments are risky. Why, I could have made lots of money if

Geo. Briggs, superintendent of the Briggs mine, on the celebrated Gregory lode, recently astonished the editor of the Central Register

OCCIDENTAL JOTTINGS.

NEVADA.

The Nevada State Prison contains 125 convicts. Congressman Kendall of Nevada,

will be a candidate for re-election. Work has been resumed on the would lead these men to the in- well near Pioche, and at a depth

> Senator McBeth's "Humbug" mine, says Measure for Measure, is proving itself to be the very opposite of a humbog, as is evident by the amount of rich ore constantly being

The number of feet of lumber manufactured in 1873 in the Lake Tahoe Bason is estimated at 300,-000,000. Nearly all of this was shipped to Virginia City and Gold Hill. A considerable portion of it was mining timber.

Isaac Lennox recently discovered large cave in White Pine county, Nevada. In it were numerous relies of a by-gone age, in the shape of curiously-fashioned earthenware found a large pile of crucibiles of the same shape of those now in use by alchemists and assayers, but of much larger size. Some rude implements made from stone, resembling in shape the old-fashioned grubbing hoe, were also discovered.

The Ontario, McHenry and Flagstaff mines, a distance of about three and a half miles from the proposed line of railroad, are all in a out large quantities of ore.

flourishing condition, and turning At Hailstone, some seven miles north of Heber City, some parties are erecting new smelting works, and have let contracts for about 100,000 bricks and large quantities

of lumber, to be delivered in three In Cedar City, of the seventy-five heads of families, forty have gone into, and thirty-five have stayed out of the United Order. The "out-

siders" and the "Enochers" are be-

ginning to scoff at each other.

During the past winter the people of Wasatch county have been very fortunate with their stock, not having lost a single head through scarcity of feed, etc., but lately some of the settlers on Deer Creek, near Charleston, have been pestered with the raiding of grizzly bear, who have already succeeded in making away with five head of cattle and wounding and mangling a number of others. A number of persons have organized to hunt Mr. Bruin, and we expect soon to see some bear meat in the market.

CALAFORNIA. Los Angeles county has over 500,-000 sheep.

The price of potatoes in Eureka at the present time, according to the Sentinel, is eight cents per

The Petaluma cheese factory, which started four weeks since, has already shipped five tons of cheese

The grade of the first ten miles of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, out from San Diego, is completed, and the road is ready for ties and rails. A consignment of young fig trees of the white variety, seeds of a peculiar kind of locust tree, and Egyptian wheat, was received at Stockton a few days since, direct from

Ealmatia, Austria. Twenty thousand fruit and almond trees are to be planted on a tract of land recently purchased for the purpose in the foothills near Saratoga, ten miles from San Jose.

The party who left Los Angeles in quest of Vasquez and his gang, have all returned, excepting a small squad, who started out prepared for a protracted hunt.

The road between Murphy's and the Big Tree grove of Calaveras has been opened to travel. The road has been shoveled out so that carriages can reach the hotel, and the numerous snow banks now visible will not detract in the least from the novelty

In regard to the growing crops, the Stockton Independent says that the aspect of the entire country on the west side of the San Joaquin river, is cheering to the farmers and to the country.

Much of the present borax excitement in Inyo county has died out, but some of the early prospectors who remain calculate shipping about six tons per day for the San Francisco market. A salt mine has been discovered in the Panamint district, Inyo county.

Citizens of Calaveras, El Dorado, Amador, and other places in the foot hills, claim they have growing among them, and in abundance, wild coffee, which is said by experts to be in appearance of leaf and texture of limb, the true coffee shruband so believing, many of them have begun to cultivate it and experiment thereon.

On Sherman Island, which embraces 14,000 acres, mostly under cultivation, there will be raised this facts as may be required by the head year not less than 200,000 sacks of of such bureau, under the authority cultivation, there will be raised this grain; or nearly 30 bushels to the of law. Some \$500,000 have been expended in the way of levees and embankments. The island, it is thought, is now securely protected against inundation. Sixty families have made their homes on the

The mines of Gold Hill, Boulder county, are reported as yielding

Tracklaying on the Golden and Julesburg road will commence in a few weeks

A silver ledge four feet wide was discovered last week in Mosca Pass in the Sangre Christo range. The blossom rock assays \$10 to the ton.

The Fort Collins Standard reports that Mr. W. N. Batchelder recently sold a Merino ram for \$250, and thirty Merino ewes for \$35 each.

The Greeley Tribune again urges farmers to raise sugar beets. The editor of that paper will never be happy, never feel that his destiny in this world is fully accomplished until he shall be able to sweeten his coffee with sugar made from beets raised in Colorado.

A Company has been organized at Central and at Nederland, to build a telegraph line from that city to Nederland. The principal stock-holders are J. H. Pickel, M. Anker, Richard Crow, of Nederland, and W. P. Mixsell, of Central. About

ing on the Ute reservation in the San Juan country, saying that they The First National Bank DEWEY will be ejected by force and pun-ished too. He says nothing about the Indians that may create a demand for wigs.

The shipments of silver by the mining company, Nederland, dur-ing the month of March, amounted to \$28,000. Splendid ore is now coming out of the company's mine, and it is expected that the yield of bullion for the present month will amount to about double that of last

TRANSPORTATION.

Report of the Senate Select Committee.

The Conclusions Arrived at.

[Washington Chronicle, April 25th.] Yesterday in the Senate Mr. Windom, in accordance with previous notice, submitted the report of the Select Committee on Transportation. The document is a voluminious one, though the committee do not pretend to have treated the subject exhaustively. Careful attention was given by the Senate during the reading of the report. After a brief resume of the principal subjects which have espe-cially commanded the attention of the committee, and which, with others, are embraced in their report, THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND

for present action the following: 1. That all railway companies, freight lines, and other common carriers engaged in transporting passengers or freights from one State into or through another be required under proper penalties, to make publication at every point of shipment from one State to another of their rates and fares, embracing all the particulars regarding distance, classifications, rates, special specifi-cations, rates, special tariffs, draw-backs, etc., and that they be prohibited from increasing such rates above the limit named in the publi-

cation without reasonable notice to

the public, to be prescribed by law. 2. That the combinations and consolidations with parallel or competing lines are evils of such magnitude as to demand prompt and vigorous measures for their prevention. 3. That all railway companies, freight lines, and other common carriers employed in transporting grain from one State into or through another should be required, under proper regulations and penalties, to be provided by law, to receipt for quantity, and to account for the same at its destination.

4. That all railway companies and freight organizations receiving freights in one State to be delivered in another, and whose lines touch at any river or lake port, be prohibited from charging more to or from such port, than for any greater distance on the same line.*

known as "stock-waterings," are wholly indefensible; but the remedy for this evil seems to fall peculiarly within the province of the States who have created the corporations from which such practices proceed. The evil is believed to be of such magnitude as to require prompt and efficient State action for its prevention, and to justify any measures that may be proper, and within the range of national authority.

6. It is believed by the committee that great good would result from the passage of State laws prohibiting officers of railway companies from owning or holding directly or indirectly, any interest in any "nono-operative freight line" or car company operated upon the railroad with which they are connected in such official capacity.

7. For the purpose of procuring and laying before Congress and the sountry such complete and reliable information concerning the business of transportation, and the wants of commerce as will enable Congress to legislate intelligently upon the subject, it is recommended that a bureau of commerce in one of the Executive Departments of the Government be charged with the duty of collecting and reporting to Congress information concerning our internal trade and commerce, and be clothed with authority of law, under regulations to be pre-scribed by the head of such Department, to require each and every railway and other transportation company engaged in Inter-State transportation to make a report, under oath of the proper officer of such company, at least once each year, which report should embrace, among other facts, the following, namely: 1. The rates and fares charged from all points of shipment on its line in one State to all points of destination in another State, including classifications and distances, and all drawbacks, deductions, and discriminations; 2. A full and de-tailed statement of receipts and expenditures, including the compensation of officers, agents, and employees of the company; 3. The amount of stock and bonds issued, the price at which they were sold, and the disposition made of the funds received from such sale; 4. The amount and value of commodities transported during the year, as nearly as the same can be ascertained, together with such other

THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS are so located as to distribute their benefits with great equality among all of the States East of the Rocky Mountains. Twenty-one of those States are situated directly on one or more of said routes; two States, Kansas and Nebraska, are so situated as to enjoy the full benefits of reduced cost of transportation from the Mississippi river by all of the proposed lines. Eleven States, viz: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Islan J, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina, Florida, and Texas, nearly all of which consume largely the food of the West, and most o which are to a great extent dependent upon the West for a market for their manufactures and other products, are directly connected by the waters of the ocean with their several termini. The proposed im-It is said that the cattle in Estes'
Park have not come through the winter in very good condition, though the actual losses are not rethough the actual losses are not re
The proposed in providing the providing the cheapest known means of transport every one of the cheapest known means of transport every one of the cheapest and in advance of other providing with less than the changes and in advance of other lines. ers, and but one State in the Union will be without water connection with the whole world. The accomplishment of so great a result, by an expenditure of money comparatively so small, illustrates the wonderful provisions of nature for cheap commercial facilities on this conti-

> *This provision, it is believed, will prevent the discriminations now practiced against such ports, and will enable States which are separated from water lines by intervening States to reach such lines at reason-able cost. Congress has no power to regulate commerce wholly with-in a State, and hence States bordering upon such water lines will reg-ulate the rates to ports within their

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CARPENTER AND BUILDER, COAL OIL AND HEAD-LIGHT OIL

AT WHOLESALE OR RETAIL.