THE DAILY BEE.

E. ROSEWATER, EDITOR

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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

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POLITICAL

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E. ROSEWATER, Editor.

CALL FOR REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

The republican electors of the State of Nebraska are hereby called to send delegates from the several counties to meet in state convention at Columbus, on Wednesday, the 19th day of May, 1880, at 60 clock p. m., for the purpose of electing six delegates to the republican national convention to be held at Chicago, on the 3d day of June next, to nominate candidates for president and vice president of the United States; and to transact such other business as may properly come before it.

The several counties are entitled to representation in state convention as follows, based upon the vote cast in each county for Hon. Amasa Cobb for Judge of the Supreme Court, in 1879, giving one delegate to each 150 votes, and one for the fraction of 75 votes, also one delegate at large for each organized county:

Counties.	D's	Counties.	D's
Adams	11	Kearney	5
Antelope	8	Keith	3
Boone	4	Knox	4
Buffalo	8	Lancaster	19
Burt	5	Lincoln	2
Butler	6	Madison	4
Cass	10	Merrick	6
Cedar	2	Nance	1
Cheyenne	3	Nemaha	9
Clay	19	Nuckolls	4
Colfax	5	Otoe	11
Cuming	2	Pawnee	8
Custer	2	Phelps	3
Dakota	3	Pierce	1
Dawson	3	Platte	6
Dixon	4	Polk	7
Dodge	8	Red Willow	2
Douglas	17	Richardson	12
Filmore	10	Saline	11
Franklin	5	Sarpy	4
Frontier	1	Saunders	10
Furnas	4	Seward	7
Gage	10	Sherman	3
Greeley	2	Stanton	2
Gosper	2	Thayer	6
Hall	7	Valley	3
Hamilton	6	Washington	9
Harlan	6	Wayne	2
Hitchcock	2	Webster	9
Howard	4	York	9
Holt	8		
Jefferson	7	Total	373
Johnson	7		

It is recommended first, that no proxies be admitted to the convention, except such as are held by persons residing in the counties from which the proxies are given.

Second, That no delegate shall represent an absent member of his delegation, unless he be clothed with authority from the county convention, or is in possession of proxies from regularly elected delegates.

By order of the republican state central committee. JAMES W. DAWES Chairman.

JAMES DONNELLY, Secretary.

LINCOLN, April 8, 1880.

The Chicago *Times* propounds the pertinent query whether anybody remembers that there is to be a national convention at Cincinnati next month

WE challenge the *Republican* to name the three delegates from Douglas county whom that paper persistently credits to Grant. If you can't name the three name two, and if you can't name the two give us the name of one.

OUR colored policeman, Bellamy, gets praise on all sides, and we are glad of it. If he is as acceptable and popular as was Mr. Clark, the former colored policeman appointed by Mayor Chase, he will have no superior on the force.

CHURCH HOWE and all the other political fence men and trimmers are invited to cross over into the Grant camp by the organ of the boom in these parts. We hope these double enders will all go. We prefer to see them on the other side of the fence.

IT is a good deal easier to precipitate a riot than to quell one. Mayor Chase has so far acted very cautiously and prudently in dealing with the Smelting works strikers, and it is decidedly unkind, to say the least, to charge him with encouraging violence and riotous conduct.

WE are gratified to learn that the workingmen who were lately employed in the smelting works are disposed to act upon our suggestion to settle the differences between them and their late employers by arbitration. If the proprietors of the smelting works will accept this method of settling the trouble there is no doubt but that the strike will be over by the end of the week.

SOME people hanker after newspaper notoriety at any cost. Major Pearman, of Otoe county, belongs to that very numerous class. His anxiety to keep his name before the people is only exceeded by his want of common sense. His latest effort in the race for notoriety is a dispatch to the *Republican*, in which he charges the editor of this paper with suppressing a telegram concerning the result of the Otoe county convention, which he claims was forwarded by him from Syracuse Monday. The truth is that the dispatch was suppressed because it never reached this office. We presume that explanation will satisfy the rambunctious major.

MORAL courage and personal independence are the great needs of Colorado politicians. They have much more of both now than they used to have, but there is still plenty of room for improvement.—[Denver Tribune.

This is equally true of Nebraska politicians; but in this state, as in Colorado, the time is near at hand when cowardly straddlers and double-dealing trimmers will be at a discount. Those sneaks, who haven't the courage to assert their honest convictions on any question, who are always waiting to flop with the majority, will soon become objects of contempt, and the men who dare avow their political faith, the men who have the backbone to express their sentiments at all times without hedging, will be awarded positions of honor and trust by the party.

IMPUDENT LYING.

So far as the county conventions of Nebraska (and primary meetings that absolutely determine the outcome of prospective conventions) have been heard from, the result is as follows:

	Grant.	Blaine
Adams	11	..
Antelope	..	8
Buffalo	..	8
Burt	2	3
Cass	..	10
Dodge	2	6
Douglas	3	14
Fillmore	..	10
Gage	10	..
Hall	7	..
Johnson	7	..
Keith	..	3
Lancaster	19	..
Lincoln	..	2
Nance	..	1
Nemaha	9	..
Otoe	1	10
Pierce	..	1
Pawnee	1	7
Polk	7	..
Saline	4	8
Seward	7	..
York	9	..
Total	102	83

The above tabular statement has been carefully prepared. It is an honest, impartial statement, and, we believe can be depended upon. The votes at Columbus, we candidly believe, will be cast as above. Our information is from authentic and reliable sources. Many of the counties above will not be disputed by either side.—*Republican.*

For impudent, downright lying and bulldozing, the *Republican* excels even the champion lying and bulldozing organ of the Grant boomers, the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*, which prints tabular exhibits that every schoolboy knows to be baseless and unreliable. Even the face of the above tabular exhibit convicts its author of ignorance and inexcusable falsification. For instance, Buffalo county is credited with eight votes, when she is only entitled to seven. Dodge county, which elected a solid Blaine delegation, instructed to vote as a unit for Blaine delegates, is put down as divided between Grant and Blaine.

The Douglas county delegation, elected on a straight Blaine ticket by a convention that passed a resolution instructing the delegates in favor of Blaine, is credited with three votes for Grant when the *Republican*, in its issue of May 2d, conceded that the delegation was solid for Blaine. Lincoln county is entitled to three delegates, and they are instructed for Blaine, and yet the *Republican* persists in crediting only two delegates to that county. Antelope county hasn't voted yet and the mere guess what their primaries might do are all the *Republican* has for its basis of figures.

Saline county is put down as four for Grant although the delegation was picked for Blaine.

Phelps county, which elected delegates Tuesday, Richardson county, which elected delegates Wednesday, are entirely ignored, while half a dozen Blaine counties that have held primaries are omitted from that guessing table.

The following table shows correctly the counties that have so far elected delegates:

	Grant.	Blaine
Burt	2	3
Buffalo	..	7
Cass	..	10
Cheyenne	..	3
Dodge	..	8
Douglas	..	17
Hall	7	..
Keith	..	3
Lincoln	..	3
Nance	..	1
Otoe	1	10
Pawnee	..	8
Phelps	..	3
Richardson	..	11
Saline	..	12
York	9	..
Total	19	99

Of the counties that elect delegates this week we concede Grant will get: Adams, 11; Gage, 10; Johnson, 7; Nemaha, 9; Seward, 7; Lancaster, 19; Elkhorn valley counties, 10; Republican valley, 10; north of Burt county, 10; southwestern counties, 15—a total for Grant, including delegates already elected, of 134 votes. The total number of delegates in the convention is 373, which would give Blaine 239 and Grant 134. This estimate, we are confident, will not vary ten votes either way. If the Grant boomers can take any comfort from these figures, they are welcome.

The sons of the lamented Lincoln and the patriotic Douglas are making commodious asses of themselves by acting as cat's paws for the third term syndicate. The sons of great men seldom attain to the eminence of their progenitors, and this is strikingly illustrated by the conduct of Bob Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas.

The following circular, gotten up by the boomers—who insist that the demand for the ex-president is a spontaneous outburst of the people, explains itself:

ILLINOIS GRANT HEADQUARTERS,
PALMER HOUSE, ROOM 30,
CHICAGO, April 28.

Chas. Platt, Esq., Roscoe, Ill:

DEAR SIR: Several states having instructed their delegates to the national convention to support Gen. Grant for the presidency, it is due him in view of his eminent services for the country, for which the whole world has honored him, that he should receive the unanimous support of the delegation from his own state. Less than this would be a lasting disgrace to the republicans of this state. Will you please aid in immediate effort to select a delegation from your county which will favor Gen. Grant's nomination, as his name will be presented to the convention? His friends are organizing, and in this they invite your cordial co-operation. Please inform us regarding the situation in your county and report all movements of his friends or opponents. Yours truly,

ROB'T T. LINCOLN, Pres't.
STEPHEN A. DOUGLASS, Cor. Sec.

WHEN the Blaine men of Nebraska want the advice of the Omaha third-term organ as to their choice of delegates to Chicago, or the propriety of instructing that delegation as to their preference, they will ask for it. Until then Paddock and Valentine's Grant boomer had better mind its own business.

Kelly will be There.

N. Y. cor. Philadelphia Ledger.

Comptroller Kelly is getting ready with his Tammany forces to move on Cincinnati. This morning he addressed an official communication to the mayor, informing him that, as he intended to be absent from the city for some time, he has designated Mr. Richard A. Storrs, his deputy, to act in his place. The mayor, of course, can have no objections, as Mr. Storrs is practically the comptroller, and has the whole business of his office at his finger ends. A Tammany sachem says: "Mr. Kelly will be accompanied to Cincinnati by at least 250 tried and true democrats, prepared to demonstrate that they are the only genuine representatives of the party in New York."

Gen. Grant and a Third Term.

New York Tribune.

Months ago it was said by the friends of President Grant that his name would never be presented to the Chicago convention unless there should be a practically unanimous desire for his nomination. It is certain that no such desire exists. There have been many proofs of this, but none stronger than General Grant's decisive defeat on Saturday in the election of delegates in Chicago, the metropolis of his own state. Later it was said, by those who appeared to have the best right to speak for the ex-president, that his name would never be presented unless it should be certain that he could be nominated on the first ballot—in other words, unless he should prove to be the first choice of a clear majority of the delegates. It is now certain that this contingency will not arise. General Grant is not the first choice of a large part of the delegates from Pennsylvania, nor of their constituents, as has been abundantly proved; nor is he the first choice of a portion of the delegates from New York. But if he could secure all the delegates from these states, and all those yet to be elected from the South, and a portion of the delegates from Illinois fully representing the share of republicans who desire his nomination, as shown in the primary meetings, still he would fall short of a majority. There are no other delegates from the North that he can expect to secure, and it is not believed by well-informed persons that all the delegates yet to be elected from the South will be in his favor. Moreover, it is certain that he will not have the united delegations from Pennsylvania and New York. Hence it is not possible that there should be a majority of the convention in favor of his nomination on the first ballot, and of those who may vote for him on that ballot he is not the choice of some.

It does no good to remind his leading supporters of their promises. For they now assert that the name of the ex-president will be presented, and will not be withdrawn, but that he will remain a candidate like any other. Under these circumstances, it is becoming to bring the matter to the attention of General Grant himself. It is right to ask him whether, after having been twice elected by the people, he is willing to be defeated in a scramble for a third nomination, when a majority of his party has declared that in its judgment such a nomination would be undesirable and dangerous. It is right to ask whether he will permit his name to be thus used by prominent supporters for their advantage and to his discredit.

The people have not supposed that General Grant is thrust upon the party in this way at his own desire. On the contrary, they have supposed that he was sincere in his repeated declarations that he did not desire another term of office, and would not accept a nomination unless an emergency should render the party practically unanimous in desiring it. It has been thought, too, that he had learned to regret his too easy compliance with the wishes of some who have been his friends, and that he would hereafter consult the wishes and represent the feelings of the whole body of republicans, rather than those of a particular set of managers. But public opinion on these matters would undergo a very great change, if the ex-president should now permit these managers to demand his nomination at Chicago for a third term, in spite of the fact that a majority of the convention will have been chosen to oppose such a nomination. Public opinion will then conclude that his former declarations were not sincere, and that his own ambition to eclipse the honors and the rewards of Washington has been the moving spring of the third term machinery. In that event, a defeat would put him at a lower level in public estimation and in the judgment of history than if he had never been elected president at all.

It rests with Gen. Grant himself to say whether his name shall be thus used. All loyal citizens wish to remember his past services with honor and gratitude, but it would be very painful to see him used as a cat's-paw by the rebel democracy to compass the defeat of the republican party. Gen. Grant himself is not the man that he is supposed to be by most of the republicans, if he can knowingly expose the republican party to danger of defeat, and the country to the danger of democratic rule, for the sake of any advantage to himself or his friends. No doubt it has been represented to him, by persons who have had his confidence, that the republicans would be nearly unanimous in their desire and judgment in respect to his nomination, before the convention met. But he can now see for himself that this cannot be. He can see that there is nothing like unanimity of feeling or opinion in favor of a third term among the republicans in a single one of the northern states. In New York and Pennsylvania the delegations misrepresent the people, and yet are not unanimous; not another northern state has declared for the third term, and even in his own state there is a bitter struggle against him. Seeing these things, and realizing that his name is being used by manipulators as if he were a persistent, unblushing and wearisome office-seeker. President Grant can quickly judge whether it is consistent with his dignity or his wishes to have the third term business pushed to a final verdict in convention. He has it in his power, by a few plain words, for the information and guidance of the Illinois convention, to save himself and his party from the possibility of defeat, his country from the danger of democratic mastery, and his reputation from a stain that time cannot efface.

Will there be a Stampede?

Norristown Herald (Rep.)

It is the thunder of the rising tide for Blaine that gives significance to the mutterings of revolt in the Grant delegations from Pennsylvania and New York. No one who understands republican sentiment in those two states believes that the solid delegations represent the sentiment of the delegates themselves, much less of the people. The Blaine delegates will not revolt if there is a risk of failure, but if Blaine is obviously the winning man, the pressure of constituents behind and the enticement of promised victory before will strain terribly the bands of the unit rule. Not only does the third term run this danger, but much of its support in the South is of an unsubstantial sort, which will be enthusiastic for the winning side. If Blaine shows the power to take and hold the lead in the convention, there will be a stampede from Grant which no power of discipline can prevent.

Prince Frederick William of Germany will be fifty next October. He is five feet ten inches in height and well proportioned. His full beard and hair are light in color, but very thick, and his eyes are small and blue, while his complexion is bronzed. His eldest son physically resembles the mother, is studious, and is an excellent officer.

BLACK HILLS NUGGETS.

Arrangements are being made for sluicing on Gold Run, Lead City.

Work has again been resumed on the Castle creek tunnel, Rapid City.

It is expected that the Sunday 20 stamp mill at Strawberry gulch will start up by June 1.

A sack of dirt from some of the ravines north of Boulder Park gave very fine pan prospects.

The Tepee ditch and flume has at last been completed, and now furnishes water to the miners on the Rockerville gulch.

Nothing has yet been heard of a man named English, who, naked, took to the woods near Pennington about a month ago.

Several trappers who came into Deadwood recently with 100 beaver skins say that is the best beaver country in the world.

There are now three mills, one of 60-stamp capacity, running in the Rochford district. A month ago there wasn't a stamp pounding in that section.

The official figures of the Custer county assessor prove that the increase in taxable property in the county exceeds last year's assessment by more than one-third.

The Custer Chronicle contentedly exclaims of the city and prospects of the people: "Wood, water, gold and silver in abundance, health assured and wealth probable."

An old gentleman of Custer City recently picked a nugget that weighed 34 pennyweights and 10 grains, valued at $30.35. During one week he cleaned up over $50, working alone.

Much of the dirt taken out at Rockerville last winter is now being washed, giving good returns, and in some instances "away up." It is the fashion with many miners to sell their gold to street peddlers.

It has been ordered that no more tolls shall be collected on the wagon road from Florence to Rockford, and the toll gate has also been removed at the junction of the Florence road and the Cheyenne road.

The signal service officers have not reported the passage of stages through Rapid City and Meade since the 20th of April, although ordered to do so by the department at Washington, consequently the Deadwood postmaster is as much at sea as ever over the arrival of mails.

There are Indians all around in the Hills in small bands. They have been raiding the valleys of the Belle Fourch and Redwater for the last month, and, meeting with no opposition, have become emboldened, and it is stated that there can be no doubt but what there will be Indian troubles.

Two new stations will be established on the Sidney route, one half way between Red Cloud and Jenks', the other between the Platte and the South Water Hole, which will make all runs ten miles in length. A cut-off of eight miles will soon be opened between the Platte and South Water Hole.

A party of eight went out in search of the murderers of John Deffenbach, the stock man who was butchered while on his way to Deadwood. They brought the body back to the city after securing several of the 150 ponies stolen. They were satisfied that it was Indians and not whites, as supposed, who did the deed.

Work has been commenced on the Bear Butte and Boulder Canyon road. Work will be hurried on through Boulder canyon to Red Rock, and from there to Sturgis via the Bear Butte canyon. This is a great improvement, as by this route Sturgis will be reached in ten and a half miles on very light grades.

One of the men connected with the Whitewood flume company, who has had a careful survey made of the grounds along the line of the proposed improvement, says they will, according to the best estimates, yield at least 25 cents to the cubic yard. This estimate is low, which in the aggregate will amount to over $16,000,000.

Magnetic iron ore has been found in Strawberry gulch, and is about 90 per cent. pure metal. It is from a solid foundation, and it is stated that there are immense deposits of this ore in the vicinity of Strawberry and Galena, and when it is developed there will be another important industry for the Hills country.

The Deadwood Times issued the following invitation: "The kind of girls in demand here are good girls. Loud and gaudy girls needn't apply. The woods are full of that stripe now. For the benefit of all good girls who desire to come to the Hills to work in private families, we would say come at once."

North of the Hills and near the line of the road to Montana, is a wonderful sight in the burning coal fields. They have been on fire for years, but how the fire originated is a mystery. The vein of coal is about five feet thick and as it is being gradually consumed by the fire, the earth above settles down and fills up the space. At this time there is a large portion of territory that has been undermined, and still the destruction goes quietly and slowly on.

RAILWAY NOTES.

There are now 8,022 miles of railway in operation in Canada, representing a capital of $362,000,000.

It is said that as soon as the Atlantic and Great Western, now the New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania road, narrow their gauge, which will be June 23, through coaches will be put on between St. Louis and New York, via Indianapolis.

General Manager Duval, of the Erie and Pacific Dispatch, states that, so great is the demand for refrigerator cars, in which to transport perishable property from the west to eastern markets, for six months to come they could use steadily 1000 cars.

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe has just organized an extensive system of agencies throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and established a central office at Manchester, in charge of Hon. Charles H. Branscome, late U. S. consul at Manchester, one of the early pioneers of Kansas and founder of the city of Lawrence.

A locomotive, the cylinders of which are only six inchis in diameter, and which will run on a track twenty inches wide, has just been turned out of the works of H. K. Porter & Co., Pittsburg, for Freudenthaw & Co., of Arizona. The miniature engine will pull 150 tons on a level, and is intended to haul gold and other ores from the mines to the melting furnace of its owners, a distance of four miles.

The fast trains between New York and Boston, on Monday, their first day, made good time. That from New York reached Hartford in three hours and three minutes; that from Boston reached Hartford in three hours and twelve minutes. The Courant says: "The train from New York, consisting of six cars, including two drawing-rooms, was brought from New Haven by the engine Atlanta, in charge of Master Mechanic Henney, and between Newington and this city ran four measured miles at exactly 55 seconds at each mile, or at the rate of 65 miles an hour."

Daily travelers over the Pennsylvania railroad from Pittsburg notice that one of the tracks of that road is covered with a carpet of luxuriant grass. Inquiry develops the fact that this track is the east-bound freight track, and that grain cars in being transported over it drop corn, oats, wheat, etc., and in the course of time the grass springs up, while the west-bound track is free and barren-looking, no grain ever being shipped west. That track will certainly be free from dust. A short time ago a car which was loaded with wheat, in going from Cincinnati to Columbus, "sprung a leak," and in consequence the section men have been trying in vain to suppress a fine crop of wheat.

The American double iron rope system has been adopted by the constructors of the railway up Mount Vesuvius. There are two lines of rails, each provided with a carriage divided into two compartments, and capable of holding six persons. While one carriage goes up the other comes down, thus establishing a counterpoise which considerably economizes the steam of the stationary traction engine. The incline is extremely steep, commencing at '40, increasing to '63, and continuing at '50 to the summit. Every possible precaution has been taken against accident, and the railway itself is protected against possible flows of lava by an enormous wall. The ascent will be made in eight or ten minutes. To obtain the necessary supply of water, large covered cisterns have been constructed, which in the winter will be filled with the snow that often falls heavily, on Vesuvius. This snow will be quickly melted by the internal heat, and, besides the water thus obtained, the frequent rain fall will also be conducted into the cisterns. An elegant cafe restaurant, capable of accommodating 100 persons, will be attached to the station. Above the entrance to the latter is an ample terrace supported on columns, whence an enchanting view is obtained not only of the Gulf of Naples, but also of those of Baie and Gaeta, each dotted with its islands.

PERSONALITIES.

Kalloch is a Baptist, but got immersed in politics.

While Ralph Waldo Emerson is milking his two cows, Carlyle contentedly smokes his old clay pipe.

Schumann is the name of a Philadelphia shoe man, and he is patronized by people who want music in their sole.

Gambetta, recently, in a speech in the chamber of deputies, got so excited that he broke his hardwood ruler on the desk.

Joe Goss and Paddy Ryan are preparing to see which can put the biggest head on the other in a twenty-four foot ring.

Upward of 4,000 empty mineral-water bottles were removed from Beaconsfield's official residence when it was being cleared for Gladstone.

In London there is a cab-driver who has earned the nickname of "Silent Sam" by his steadfast refusal to answer questions. He'd make his fortune as a barber.

The Countess of Derby recently drove through Southport endeavoring to enlist popular favor for the liberal candidates, and the conservatives, "being too gallant to groan the lady," turned their coats inside out and followed her carriage.

Mrs. Sneathen, of Kent county, Mich., wants a divorce from Mr. Sneathen. She doesn't set up in her complaint the usual charges of ill treatment, drunkenness, failure to provide or incompatibility of disposition, but simply that the marriage was a purely business contract, and that Mr. Sneathen had failed to comply with his part of it, he having agreed to give her forty acres of land as a return for her becoming Mrs. Sneathen and then failed to do so.

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