Variety of Items

Knoxville, Tenn., boasts of a woman with a beard fourteen inches long.

Six feet and nine inches is the height of R. M. Stephenson of Fairfield, S. C.

A Connecticut woman has given her son a large comforter made from hair cut from her own head during ten years.

An Owensboro (Ky.) dog drinks beer daily, and has been on so many drunks that he quit keeping a record of them.

A brand-new baby in North Carolina rejoices in the devoted supervision of three great-grandfathers and two great-grandmothers.

At Fort Yuma the thermometer registers 125 degrees. A man requires five gallons of water per day to quench his thirst.

A farmer near Bellefontaine, O., has a pig 10 months old, weighing 150 pounds, that was born with but two legs, and it walks around on them.

On a ranch in Goose Lake Valley, Modoc County, Cal., there is a steer, 3 years old, which is 7 feet and 1 inch in height and weighs 1,800 pounds.

On the Colorado desert a species of Tortoise grows to the weight of 25 pounds, and the meat of this is considered a great delicacy among the Indians.

A bird came through the Post Office window at Phoenix, A. T., the other day, flew into a mail pouch unseen, and was locked in and sent to Maricopo, where it arrived in safety.

The Bowling Green (Ky.) Democrat tells a story of a Bowling Green dog that fell into a well and was gotten out by a rope being thrown to him, which he grasped in his teeth and held on to until drawn to the top.

John Miller, a noted hunter on the Klamath and Humbug Rivers, killed the largest bear on Old Craggy, above Humbug Forks, Siskiyou County, last Friday, that has ever been killed in that section, weighing about 500 pounds.

The biggest white perch ever caught in the Ohio river was taken out at Cincinnati one day last week. It weighed thirty-one pounds, and the "lucky stones" over the eyes were about the size of a silver twenty-five cent piece, pearl-like in appearance and distinctly marked with a "2."

J. W. Higgins of San Diego has on his premises two rhubarb plants, the seeds of which he received from the east and planted on the 20th of last April. The largest leaf of one of the plants now measures seventeen feet in circumference.

At Point Robarts, W. T., last Sunday, the proverbial fisherman's luck took a turn for the better. On that day 10,000 fish were taken in three Indian nets in six hours. These fish were all sold to a Fraser cannery at three cents each.

Alexander Outlaw, residing in Dale Co. Alabama, and now over 80 years of age, is developing new strength and preparing to enter upon a new life. He lost all of his teeth years ago, and now, out of the order of nature, he is being favored with another supply. Two new jaw teeth have appeared each week during the past four weeks.

Says the Santa Barbara (Cal.) Press: "The most fabulous stories of oil-springs and creeks cannot equal the actual truth as witnessed in Ventura County. There are deep, sluggish streams of oil, which pour out of the mountain sides day after day, covering acres of land. Mixed with the soil and hardened by the elements, the crude petroleum soon becomes hardened into black asphaltum. Oil springs in the Sissa Canyon, on the head waters of the Santa Paula, are the rule and not the exception. Thousands of barrels of crude oil run to waste every day along these two mountain streams.'

The Hen vs. Science.

Dear reader, did you ever wrestle with a hen that had a wild, uncontrollable desire to incubate? Did you ever struggle on, day after day, trying to convince her that her mission was to furnish eggs for your table instead of hovering all day on a door knob, trying to hatch out a litter of front doors?

William H. Root, of this place, who has made the hen a study, both in her home life and while lying in the embrace of death, has struck upon an argument which the average hen will pay more attention to than any others he has discovered in his researches.

He says the modern hen ignores almost everything when she once gets the notion that she has received a call to incubate. You can deluge her with the garden hose, or throw old umbrellas at her, or change her nest, but that don't count with the firm and stubborn hen. You can take the eggs out of the nest and put a blooded bull-dog or a nest of new-laid bumble bees in place of them, and she will hover over them as assiduously as she did before.

William H. Root's hen had shown some signs of this mania, so he took out the eggs and let her try her incubator on a horse rake awhile, just so she could kind of taper off gradual and not have her mind shattered. Then he tried her at hatching out four-tined forks, and at last her taste got so vitiated that she took the contract to furnish the country with bustles by hatching out an old hoop-skirt that had gone to seed.

Mr. Root then made an experiment. We were one of a board of scientists who assisted in the consultation. The owner of the hen got a strip of red flannel and tied it around her tail.

The hen seemed annoyed as soon as she discovered it. No hen cares to have a sash hung on her system that doesn't match her complexion. A seal brown hen with a red flannel polonaise don't seem to harmonize and she is aware of it just as much as any one is.

That hen seemed to have thought of something all at once that had escaped her mind before and so she went away.

She stepped about nine feet at a lick on the start, and gained time as she proceeded. When she bumped her nose against the corner of the stable she changed her mind about her direction. She altered her course a little, but continued her rapid style of movement.

Her eye began to look wild. She seemed to be losing her reason. She got so pretty soon that she didn't recognise the faces of friends. She passed Mr. Root without being able to distinguish him from a total stranger.

These peculiar movements were kept up during the entire afternoon, till the hen got so fatigued that she crawled into a length of old stovepipe, and the committee retired to prepare a report. It is the opinion of the press that this is a triumph of genius in the line of hen culture. It is not severe, though firm, in its treatment, and while it of course annoys and unmans the hen temporarily, it is salutary in its results, and at the same time it furnishes a pleasant little matinee for the spectators. We say to those upon whose hands time hangs heavily these long days, that there is nothing that soothes the ruffled mind and fills the soul with a glad thrill of pleasure like the erratic movements of a decorated hen. It may not be a high order of enjoyment but it affords a great deal of laugh to the superficial foot to those who are not very accomplished, and who laugh at things and then consider its propriety afterward.

Half-Fat Cattle.

Drovers' Journal.

We are now half way through the grazing season for this year, and as is usually the case at this season of the year there begins to appear in the market a large number of half-fat native steers, many of them, in fact, not half-fat. This kind of cattle weigh anywhere from 1,000 to 1,200 pounds; for the most part they are coarse boned and ill-shaped; have failed to get fat on grass; are not at all desirable for feeders or stockers; won't pay to put on distillery feed; the butchers don't want them, as consumers don't want their meat after they are slaughtered. Large pens full of such cattle are now to be seen in the stock yards, and a leading commission man told us, this morning, that it was almost impossible to get an offer on cattle of this kind, as nobody wants them or can find any place for them; but it is likely that cattle to this kind will continue to crowd the market during the remainder of the present year, as this condition has been a general rule through the corresponding portion of every year. While fat, well-turned cattle, averaging 1,500 to 1,550 pounds, sell readily at $6 30@6 50, it is a hard matter to sell these half fat, pony steers at $4 25 @4 62½. To show the difference in the value of these two kinds of cattle we will take an average half-fat steer and call his weight 1,100 and the price at which he sells $4 60, which is high, and we have $50 60 as the price realized for such an animal; while for the best quality we will take a lot that has just been sold at $6 90 per 100, average weight 1,550 pounds, making $97 28 per head the average sum realized for the lot, or very nearly double, while there would be no material difference in the age of the two kinds of cattle that would make this result. The half-fat cattle, as to results, give no kind of satisfaction, from first to last, any parties that may have an interest in handling them.

The Iowa Farmers' Alliance.

To Secretaries of Farmers' Alliances and all other Iowa farmers:

BROTHER FARMERS:—In compliance with the constitution of the Iowa department of the National Farmers' Alliance, we hereby inform you that the regular annual meeting of the above state alliance will convene at the Iowa Homestead tent, on the state fair grounds, Des Moines, on Wednesday, September 7th, 1881, at 1 p. m. Each alliance, grange, or other farmers' society, is requested to send a representative, and a contribution of ten cents for each member to pay the expense of the state alliance for the year. Secretaries will please furnish delegates with credentials and send their own names and addresses, and the names of the delegates to the undersigned secretary.

By our invitation the officers of the State Alliance, organized at Des Moines, have called a meeting of that alliance at the same time and place, and united with us in calling a state convention of farmers at the above time and place, "For the purpose of consultation on questions of vital interest to the farmers of the state." We suggest that the basis of representation in the convention be the same as in the alliance, with the addition of two from each county not otherwise represented. But the convention will decide the matter, and all farmers will be welcome to speak. "Come, let us reason together. In the multitude of counselors there is wisdom."

We have delayed the issuing of this call to receive the reply of the other alliance. As the notice is so short we respectfully ask all papers circulating in Iowa to publish it. Your friends and brethren, D. M. CLARK, President.

L. E. WILLIAMS, Sec'y. Iowa, Dept. N. F. A.

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Registration Notice.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, } ss.
DOUGLAS COUNTY.

I will sit for registration of voters Monday, September 5th and 6th, 1881, on the Southeast corner of Twelfth and Cass, for registration of voters of the Fifth ward.

SCHUYLER WAKEFIELD,
Registrar of the Fifth Ward.

Aug 25 to S6

Registration Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I will sit at Lorenzen's Cigar Store, 514 S. Tenth street on Monday, September 5th, 1881, for the purpose of registering additional voters of the First ward and correcting the old list.

In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand this, 25th day of August, 1881. E. M. STENBERG,
Registrar First Ward.

CARTER'S—Having just returned from the East, I will devote this week to the display of Shoping Bags and Purses in all colors. An elegant line. Mrs. A. E. Keith at CARTER'S. aug29-2t

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WANTED—A girl for general house work. Call at the store of W. M. Bushman, S. E. corner 15th & Douglas. Aug30tf

No. 22 was the lucky winner of the rocking horse which was raffled for at the Turner Hall last Saturday.

P. PENNER.

NOTICE.

Piano tuning and repairing. F. Lessentin has removed his office from Hospe's to Rose's Art Emporium, 1516 Dodge street. Aug30-3t*.

For nice fresh meat go to GUILD, Meat Market on Tenth street, near the U. P. depot tf

Third Ward Voters.

I will sit for registration of voters Monday, the 5th day of September, 1881, for registration of voters of the Third Ward, and said book will be open at my office, 1324 Douglas street northeast corner of Fourteenth.

WILL. H. RILEY,
aug24tos5 Register Third Ward.

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Postoffice Changes in Nebraska

During the week ending August 27, 1881. Furnished for the Omaha BEE by Wm. VanVleck, of the postoffice department.

Established—Rush, Franklin county, Zenas K. Dean, postmaster; Wayne, Wayne county, James Britton postmaster.

Name and site changed—Inman's Grove, Holt county, to Inman and Clayton Troth appointed P. M.

Postmasters appointed — Crounse, Lancaster county, J. W. Terry; Momence, Filmore county, Phebe Tepier; Red Willow, Red Willow county, Geo. Leeland; Tuckerville, Custer county, Ferdinand Zimmerer.

Smythe & Stull, attorneys, removed No. 12 Creighton block.

Sixth Ward Voters.

OMAHA, Neb., August 25, '81.

Notice is hereby given that I will sit at my store, No. 1022 Cuming street, between 20th and 21st, north side, on Monday, September the 5th, 1881, for the purpose of registering legal voters of said ward.

C. C. FIELD,
Registrar Sixth Ward,
aug25-s5th

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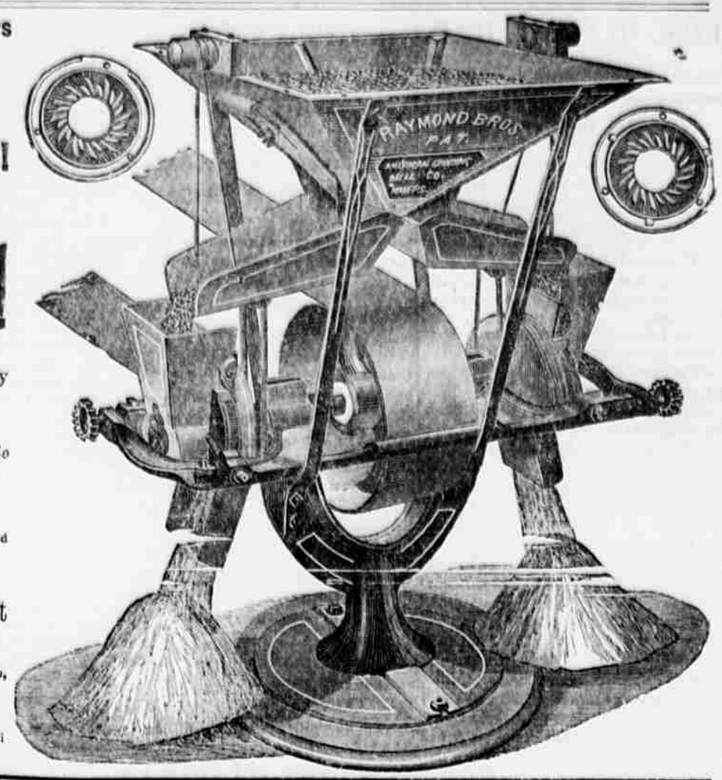

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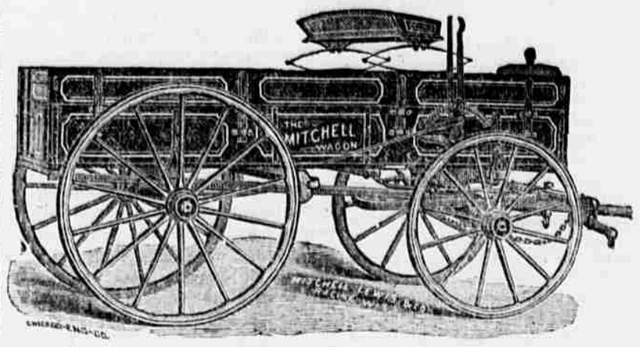

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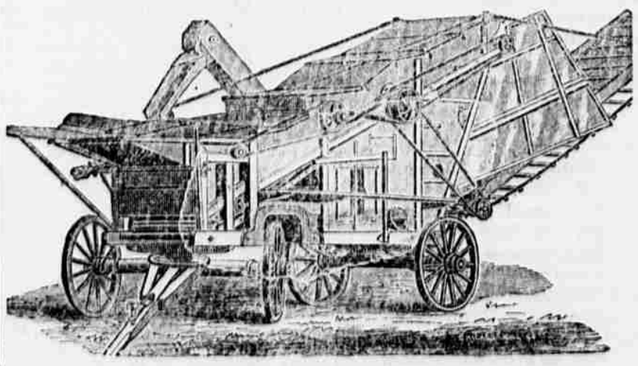

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