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CARRIER nowadays means "cash here."

The shot gun still bangs away in Mississippi.

Railroad tariffs have for their object the greatest amount of extortion for the smallest amount of efficient service.

The Merchants and Manufacturers' Union have decided not to publicly endorse the candidates of either party in the coming election.

When the Herald gets ready to discuss that little legislative printing steal it will doubtless throw open its columns to Mr. Doane.

The first step towards an improvement of the Missouri river will be an improvement of the representatives of the Missouri valley in congress.

JOHN RUSH knows the county treasurer's office and the people of Douglas know him. For these reasons he will be elected by a handsome majority.

CHILDS is a good citizen, but he poses better at the gates of the state fair than he will be afforded an opportunity to do in the county court house.

MR. TILDEN has purchased a red necktie. The reports of the old gentleman's continued feebleness are evidently exaggerated. He is feeblest in off political years.

JOHN BAUMER is the candidate of the republican party for county clerk, and will receive his party's support because he is the best candidate for the position in the field.

The anticipations of heavy failures following the Newark bank defalcation have not been realized. Nothing better indicates the healthy financial condition of the country.

JUDGE CHADWICK is no temperance fanatic, but he has wisely refused to make his canvass on an anti-Slouch law basis. Mr. O'Connor will discover that this sort of a campaign won't win.

New York is relieved from her fears of a water famine. During the past week copious rains have swollen the Croton river and the water in the storage reservoirs has risen ten inches. This will be a great relief to New York millmen.

EVERY voter in Douglas county is interested in the maintenance of our present efficient system of country schools, and that is the reason why Professor Points will be re-elected to the county superintendency by a handsome majority.

MR. TIMM'S claim for the county commissionership rests on the fact that he is a democrat and was once a member of the Cook county (Ill.) board of commissioners. Neither of these grounds is sufficient to draw to him the support of republicans.

JOHN JACOBS has been coroner for the last two years and has fulfilled the duties of that office to the satisfaction of Douglas county. Doc Conkling should stick to his greenback theories, blue pills, bills and prescriptions and leave the duties of the coronership to others and more experienced hands.

Secretary Blaine retires from the cabinet on January 1st, as he thinks probable, he will have completed a continuous term of public service extending over twenty-two years. As a congressman, senator and cabinet officer James G. Blaine has played well his part, and the general verdict is "well done, good and faithful servant."

The silver certificate experiment of Secretary Sherman has proved a great success. By this means the \$2,000,000 of money coined monthly by the government has been kept in active circulation, while the silver dollars have been stored in the treasury as a guarantee of the certificates which represented their value. At the present time less than \$240,000 of our silver coinage is out of general circulation.

OUR LOCAL TRAGEDY.

The city is slowly recovering from the shock of the dreadful tragedy of Saturday last. No event in Omaha within our recollection has so greatly moved every element in our community. The high social and moral standing of the victim, the cold blooded atrocity of his taking off, and the pitiful consequences of a widowed wife in ill health and five orphaned children—all have added to increase the horrors of the bloody deed. Aside from the feeling of personal bereavement which is experienced by the friends of the deceased, and the indignation felt by every law-abiding resident of Omaha at the dastardly crime which has robbed her of one of her manliest and most fearless citizens, the assassination of Watson B. Smith is a menace to every man or woman in Omaha who may arouse personal hatred or awaken feelings of revenge in the breasts of lawless and desperate men. Such a tragedy is a blot on the fair name of our city, a disgrace to its reputation as a law abiding community and a dreadful warning against future possibilities. When assassination lurks in the midnight air honest men may well tremble. When the murderer's bow falls upon such a man what citizen of Omaha is safe from its assaults?

The one thing that now remains to be done after burying the dead is to leave no means untried to unearth his cowardly murderer. This is the sentiment of our city, and because it is the sentiment we believe that the criminal will be unable to escape from the toils which an aroused community has set for his ensnarement. The crowded mass meeting on Saturday, the liberal contributions from our most prominent citizens and the eagerness displayed on every hand to assist in the search for the murderer give every hope that assassination cannot go unpunished in this city. Meantime let our citizens lay aside all prejudice all passion. Let all unite, regardless of differences of opinion, in hunting down the assassin. This is no time for unsubstantial charges against individuals or organizations in whose discussion attention will be turned aside from the one great subject which should fill every mind. If there are accomplices they will be brought to justice, if the deed was the result of a conspiracy let it be proved. But until such assertions are clearly proven no one has the legal or moral right to give them utterance, all the more so because by such expression passion is aroused which will hinder a cordial union of public effort. Thousands of eyes are now eagerly following every trace; thousands of ears are open to hear the faintest murmur which may give a clue to lurking guilt. Liberal rewards have stimulated lagging energy. Unwise counsels and misdirected suspicion may block the wheels of progress in the search. THE BEE appeals to every good citizen of Omaha not to intensify the present excited feeling in our community. There is need of cool and dispassionate judgment, of earnest and sustained work, and of a united sentiment, which will support every effort, from whatever source, to blot out the bloody stain which has cast disgrace upon our city.

The New York political campaign has been marked by energetic work by both parties. One of the most encouraging features in the canvass has been the work of the independent element, composed largely of intelligent and educated young business men, who have thrown their influence in the scale for the best candidates. The sulking of some of the discredited stalwart chiefs has received no encouragement from President Arthur, who has given as strong intimations as possible to his former friends that any falling off in the usual republican majority will be far from grateful to the chief executive. Indications point to the election of the republican state ticket by from 15,000 to 20,000 majority. The democratic press is boasting loudly of a probable majority of the legislature. The claim is not based on any reliable grounds. The present senate of New York is composed of twenty-five republicans and eight democrats. In each of the nineteen districts the republican majority was over 2,000 in excess of the entire democratic vote. It will be seen that the chances of a democratic majority in this branch of the legislature are exceedingly small. In the assembly the present republican majority is thirty-four. The democrats, therefore, to secure control of the lower house of the New York legislature must make a net gain of eighteen. In but nineteen districts carried by the republicans in 1880 the plurality of the successful candidate fell below five hundred, while at the same election fifteen democrats obtained their seats by a margin equally small. The democrats must then carry all but one of the nineteen of the close districts now represented by republicans, and lose none of the fifteen in which their own candidates narrowly escaped defeat, if the next legislature of New York is to be democratic. When it is remembered that but four of the nineteen debatable districts represented by republicans were democratic the year before,

WITH track laying, bursting water pipes, gas trenches and piles of brick on every block, Farnam street is the poorest apology for a thoroughfare of any street in the city.

RUSH has it that "Mr. Conkling is disappointed in President Arthur. So is the country, and very agreeably disappointed."

DENVER may now congratulate herself that she is only twenty-four hours distant from the metropolis of the far West.

HARD work on the part of republicans will elect the entire ticket by handsome majorities.

"MURDER will out"—but as a rule its disclosure is the result of industrious work.

STATE JOTTINGS.

WYOMING has two reporters. A new elevator is going up at Stromsburg.

The canine tax in Adams county amounts to \$73.58. Corn will average 30 bushels in Johnson county.

The Fremont creamery is opened for business. Schuyler claims the handsome depot west of Omaha.

Dorsey Rook's bank building at Wahoo is nearly completed.

The rising generation are multiplying amazingly in Schuyler.

Wakefield, the new railroad town in Dixon county, is booming.

Prairie fires are multiplying and haystacks and barns disappearing.

An Omaha man has purchased ground for a livery house at Wynome.

The Union Pacific has commenced work on a \$10,000 round-house at Columbus.

Red Cloud's new public school will cost \$8,780. The contract has been let for that sum.

The name of the new town at the crossing of the B. & M. and the M. P. will be Carson.

The stations on the line of the Union Pacific are being ornamented with trees and shrubbery.

Martin Place is living four miles north of Neligh and has purchased ground for a livery house at Wynome.

Harvard has raised \$2,700 for a Congregational church. The foundation is already completed.

The business men of Lincoln have formed a protective society against swindlers and delinquents.

The Nebraska Signal, published at Fairmont, is the latest beacon in the anti-monopoly pathway.

Dawson county claims a population of 24,000 sheep, with a prospective increase of 6,000 this winter.

A Grand Island young man named Lynn was fearfully mutilated while carefully handling a shotgun.

Patrick Bates, a traveler from St. Joe, was killed by two river watches and \$4 won in cash in a hotel in Lincoln.

Columbus is the "hoss" town for potatoes. Twenty thousand dollars worth have already been shipped from there.

A kidnapper named Hawkins is confined in the penitentiary. He was captured six miles out of town with the nephew of J. T. Davis.

The government freight house has been removed from Nebraska to Long Pine, the present terminus of the Sioux City & Pacific railroad.

A hard citizen confined in the jail at Tecumseh knocked down the turnkey as he opened the door of his cell, and disappeared in the darkness.

W. H. DeWitt, surveyor of Saunders county, fell from the top of a new three story hotel in Wahoo last week, and the injuries he received it is feared will prove fatal.

North Bendlers teach the young idea how to "shave their hoofs" as a preliminary to the cultivation of the upper stories. The new school house will be opened with a dinner on the 15th inst.

J. M. Paulin, of Appinwall, died very suddenly in Nemaha City last week, immediately after the amputation of a finger, from "embolism" or blood clot in the heart.

Twitelson, a horse thief awaiting trial at North Platte, was shackled and given the liberty of the yard for exercise. He is now lumbering up by killing space on the prairie.

It costs something to run a really first class city. The New York city board of estimate and apportionment has completed its estimate of city expenses for 1882 and places them at \$29,212,623. As the city has a revenue independent of taxation amounting to \$1,700,000, the amount to be raised from the latter source is \$27,512,623. Over one-third of the expenses of New York consist of fixed charges in the state tax and interest on the city debt, so that the reduction made by the board is about 11 per cent on the expenditures within their reach and falls principally on the police, parks and board of education, which furnish two-thirds of the onerousness. The budget of New York city is, with one exception, Paris, the largest in the world, and there are eighteen independent nations with whom the United States has diplomatic relations which spend less yearly.

The debt paying party in Minnesota are happy over the passage of the bill by the legislature to adjust the old bonded railroad debt, which has so long been the basis of a charge of repudiation against the state. According to the compromise with the creditors the entire debt is to be settled at fifty cents on the dollar, principal and interest. New bonds are to be issued, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent. At the election to-morrow the people of the state vote on a proposition setting aside the proceeds of public lands to establish a sinking fund for the payment of the bonds issued.

NINETY-THREE millions reduction in the national debt has taken place since the beginning of President Garfield's administration. It is about time to think about reducing taxation.

If the Second ward fails of its usual republican majority the party in Omaha can lay the failure at the door of Isaac S. Hascall.

PAWNEE CITY ITEMS.

Hon. W. J. Haldeman, the next county treasurer of Pawnee, was a few years ago

THE IOWA GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The following is the record of the next Iowa legislature as at present reported:

THE SENATE. Republicans in roman, democrats in italics, greenbacks in small caps. Hold-overs marked by *.

First District—H. W. Rother, Keokuk.

Second District—Alex. Brown, Keosauqua.

Third District—*J. J. WALL, Centerville.

Fourth District—*DAVID M. CLARK, New York.

Fifth District—*William M. Wilson, Osceola.

Sixth District—*I. W. Keller, Mt. Pleasant.

Seventh District—Fulton E. Clark, Clarinda.

Eighth District—*Alfred Hebard, Red Oak.

Ninth District—*B. J. Hall, Burlington.

Tenth District—*Lot Abraham, Mt. Pleasant.

Eleventh District—*Sanford M. Huling, Fairfield.

Twelfth District—C. M. Brown, Sigourney.

Thirteenth District—*J. G. Hatchison, Ottumwa.

Fourteenth District—*John W. Prizer, Brighton.

Fifteenth District—*J. Kelly Johnson, Okaloosa.

Sixteenth District—*J. F. Greenlee, Knoxville.

Seventeenth District—*Mark A. Dashiell, Hartford.

Eighteenth District—G. B. Hunt, Greenfield.

Nineteenth District—*G. F. Wright, Council Bluffs.

Twentieth District—*Pliny Nichols, West Liberty.

Twenty-first District—*J. C. Bills, Davenport.

Twenty-second District—*W. A. Cotton, De Witt.

Twenty-third District—*John Russell, Onawa.

Twenty-fourth District—*Pierce Mitchell, Maquoketa.

Twenty-fifth District—*John C. Shrader, Iowa City.

Twenty-sixth District—*W. A. Patrick, Victor.

Twenty-seventh District—*John W. Henderson, Cedar Rapids.

Twenty-eighth District—*John D. Nichols, Vinton.

Twenty-ninth District—*E. S. Sudlow, Monroe.

Thirtieth District—*H. Y. Smith, Des Moines.

Thirty-first District—*Samuel D. Nichols, Panora.

Thirty-second District—*Delos Arnold, Marshalltown.

Thirty-third District—*John D. Gillett, Ogden.

Thirty-fourth District—*T. M. C. Logan, Logan, Harrison county.

Thirty-fifth District—*J. K. Graves, Dubuque.

Thirty-sixth District—*Rodney W. Tirrell, Manchester.

Thirty-seventh District—*J. L. Kamrar, Webster City.

Thirty-eighth District—*H. C. Heinenway, Cedar Falls.

Thirty-ninth District—*M. W. Harmon, Independence.

Fortieth District—*Martin Garber, Elkhart.

Forty-first District—*Henry Nielsen, Lansing.

Forty-second District—*H. A. Baker, Ossian.

Forty-third District—*William Larabee, Clorumont.

Forty-fourth District—*Edward Marshall, Nashua.

LIQUID GOLD.

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BEFORE TAKING, follow as a

Delaware—W. H. Merton, Earlville.

Iowa—Elvin Tilton, Millerburg.

Jackson—Two democrats.

Jasper—J. M. Toole, Monroe; E. E. Dotson, Colfax.

Jefferson—John Williamson, Libertyville.

Johnson—H. S. Lucas, — Wolfe, Oxford.

Jones—Dr. M. H. Galkins, Wyoming.

Keokuk—Thomas E. Johns, Sigourney.

Lee—J. N. Irwin, Keokuk; Wm. Snook.

Linn—Frank W. Hart, Mt. Vernon; L. B. Rowditch, Cedar Rapids.