

STATE JOTTINGS.

Franklin has a 60 pound turnip. "Chuck-neck" flourishes in Wayne on Sundays. A grand army post has been organized at Plum Creek. The assessed valuation of Beatrice is over \$3,000,000. A Grand Army post will be organized at Brownville on the 10th. The Nonpareil says carpenters are badly needed at Central City. Humboldt has a new paper, The Standard, by Geo. P. Sutton, received \$1,200 of back pension money on the 23d. The Bart & O'Keefe republican convention will be held at Tekamah on August 14th. The Washington county republican convention will be held at Blair on September 5th. The Boone county republican convention will be held at Albion on August 20th. The Kearney county republican convention will be held at Minden on September 2d. The Stella Tribune, by Girl brothers, was born on the 31. It is a neat looking paper. MacMurphy, after ten years of good work, has sold his Plattsmouth Herald to a stock company. An anti-monopoly mass convention for Madison county will be held at Battle Creek on August 26th. The new town laid out in the western part of Dawson county has been named Gethenburgh. A flock of 16,000 sheep is on route to Plum Creek from Fort Dodge, Kas., and will arrive about the 1st. A bug penetrated the ear of a 7-year-old daughter of R. Barrett, Oesha, last week, and was removed with difficulty. An effort is being made to secure a Lutheran minister for a circuit composed of a number of small towns in Clay county. The Lawrence Banner, by W. W. Knickerbocker, is a late addition to Nebraska journalism. Knickerbocker knows how to get up a paper. A piece of Dawson county wheat, threshed for an experiment last week, yielded twenty-nine bushels to the acre. Richard O'Keefe, one of the early settlers of Dawson county, died at Plum Creek on the 1st. He had been prostrate and county superintendent. The Union Pacific has obliged all coal dealers on its line to lay in at least 100 tons of the bituminous necessity before September 1st. The republican convention for the Eleventh senatorial district (Cedar, Dakota, Dixon and Wayne) will be held at St. Helena on September 10th. Grandmother Howe, aged eighty-one, of New Castle, Cedar county, has broken a leg last week. On account of her age it is feared she will not recover. A late decision of the supreme court makes it a little unpleasant to the holders of old county warrants. The court holds that the levy of one year, or three-fourths of the same, cannot be used to liquidate indebtedness of previous years. This prevents the payment of warrants issued prior to 1881 in the order of their issue or register until a sufficient sum has accumulated in the treasury for that purpose or by appropriating a sufficient sum from each year's levy to the payment of each year's current expenses. As the east wind express was coming along at a rattling pace on Thursday morning last, it ran into a lot of cattle just this side of Benkennan. The engineer stopped and in getting down to examine if any damage had been done to the engine, he found the remains of a man mixed up with those of the cattle just killed. He was evidently a tramp and had got on the front of the engine, and a rail. The name of the unfortunate victim could not be ascertained. At the next station the section men were notified and they went out buried the remains.—Indianapolis Courier.

Prohibitory Laws, Chicago Tribune. The fact is that there is more practical prohibition in Illinois, under the local option law, than there ever can be under any form of general prohibition law. No law can be enforced of that character which has not the moral support of the community where it is to be applied. In small towns and villages, where public sentiment is universal, and where a majority of the people decidedly object to a saloon—large towns or a city being convenient enough for all necessary purposes—such a law is executed by common consent. Under the force of local option each town so disposed may prohibit liquor traffic therein effectually. This is the case within many of the suburban towns in this country, which are largely populated by persons doing business in Chicago. But the possibility of enforcing prohibition in every city and town, and where the population does not favor such legislation, is something wholly different, as all experience has proven, and notably in Massachusetts, where a strict license law has been found to be the best legal restriction upon the traffic. With regard to the recent contest on this question in Iowa there was an issue between the rural and the urban population of the state. The farmers, possibly 90 per cent of them, voted for prohibition, and the cities and towns voted 70 to 80 per cent against the amendment. It was really an issue by the farmers against the town and city people. In round numbers 150,000 of the rural population declared that nothing stronger than water or opium should be sold to 120,000 town voters. It remains still a question to be answered. How are the 150,000 farmers to stop the 120,000 other people from drinking liquor? Voting a prohibitory "no" will not stop one man from drinking who otherwise would. In all those parts of Iowa, as well as in all parts of Kansas where the whole people are voluntarily teetotalers, no liquor, or but very little, will be drunk, just as would be the case if no prohibitory enactment had been passed; but in all those parts of the state, especially of Iowa, where the people largely or generally drink, they will continue to obtain and consume alcoholic beverages in the same quantities as before. This has already become the case in the towns of Kansas. The enforcement of a prohibitory law is and always will be an impossibility wherever the community is opposed to it. The modes of evasion are legion, while the machinery of enforcement is clumsy, corrupt, inefficient and odious. The result is that, instead of the promotion of temperance and abstemious habits, there is a perpetual continuation of hypocrisy, secret and excessive drinking, and a general contempt for the law. Its evasion is practiced and encouraged by public opinion wherever the law is itself offensive to that public opinion. In this way the law becomes coercive, and, as has been the case in all other states, it is apt to become a dead letter, as it is now in many parts of Maine, and as it had become so generally in Massachusetts that the law had to be repealed. It is, however, hardly possible to

convince the fanatical classes except by trial and failure. The coercive rural teetotalers of Iowa are just now enjoying a wild dream, and they do not want to be awakened up to any stubborn and disagreeable reality. In all ages of the world the policy of the church has been to make men good according to the religious standard by political coercion, hence the bloody, protracted, and abominable conformity persecutions and wars which have disgraced the churches, Protestant as well as Papal. There is really no remedial legal agency for the evils of intemperance equal to the earnest and rigorous license system, and time will demonstrate to the satisfaction of all classes its wisdom, and especially its efficacy. Nil Desperandum. When your girl gives you the mitten, and you don't give way to black despair, but treat it as a joke. Get your health in first-class order, a bottle of Serravallo's Tonic will do it. And really join a singing class, and for another sweatshirt try. Price 50 cents, trial bottles 10 cents. aug7-d1w

On Bolting. Bolting is an operation of political surgery. The skillful surgeon does not deem it his duty always to cut off diseased members, nor does he fail to choose the time when the knife will do its work with the best prospects for the recovery of the patient. If he were to begin at the first appearance of bad symptoms and repeat the process whenever there was a recurrence of them, he would be merely a butcher. But he would be no more the brutal enemy of his patient than would be he who made it a point never to inflict a wound in order to avert a worse result. So it is in politics. He who bolts wisely, also wisely determines on many an occasion that the circumstances require that although to bolt is a duty, his higher duty is to refrain. The man who always bolts, and he who never bolts, are equally irrational and equally useless for political reform.

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A Western Candidate. The report is circulated that Mr. McDonald, of Indiana, expects the next democratic candidate for president to be a western man; and the expectation is not unreasonable, as no western man has been nominated by that party since Mr. Douglas in 1860. It is certain, however, that a western man would have been nominated in 1880, in the person of Mr. McDonald himself, but for the opposition of Mr. Hendricks. If McDonald had been nominated at that time, it is also pretty certain that he would have been elected, for he was then strong in every part of the country.

Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure. "A Pennine High-Flyer." "Any accidents herabouts" inquired the shaly young stranger from up the country. "Well" replied the flagman, meditating and kicking his heels against the rails, "not so many as you might expect. They're not much more to be depended upon than the seasons. In fact, expectashuns generally goes ahead of realities, as my mother said when her triple-millionaire uncle died in Frisco, and left her his canary bird and half a grain of seed to feed it on." "And did he eat it?" said the youth, with his sad sympathetic smile. "No, youngster, he didn't, he just sat on his perch and looked at it. But speaking of my mother reminds me that there was an uncommon fire-looking one killed here last week. You see the down train came snorting and brandishing round the curve yonder, and the poor, innocent critter was a standing on the track, looking so peaceful like over into the fields, where her young off-spring was a-running and a-playing." "I tell you air, my blood kinder runs from when that train her over here. We was all fond of her, and she'd been a tender and loving mother. She was buried the same day right here by the track, she was a cow!" "Yes," resumed the flagman thoughtfully, "but we had our most enterprising accident when the model engine No. 8, got on a tear, wore her patience out, air, and grow thundering and, got her steam up to that pitch air, that she danced out into the middle of that road and telled the very cherry tree that the oldest inhabitant used to atal cherries from. Then she shot through the fences and tore up a whole flourishing corn field till you couldn't have hired a crow to come near the spot." "And then all of a sudden, when she switched up all the barns she could and a couple of houses, and when you were reekin' the end of the world was here, she seemed to kinder come to her senses; she just jerked herself around and marched back to that track, and swampe me, if she didn't smooth herself on their rails and go on her way rejoicing as if nuthin had happened." "And the p-p-poor p-p-passengers, e-conductor, and b-brakeman in the e-car behind," stammered the rustic, pale with horror, "w-what b-b-became of them?" "Look here, my spring chicken," said the flagman wittingly, "when you're a country or two older you'll know better than to drag a man's thoughts down from the contemplation of the miraculous in an engine to ask about folks. Folks, mostly, have got some reason in 'em, and an idea of taking care of themselves. When a man lives on the road he sees the mischievous young man, and when his thoughts fly higher, don't try to drag 'em down." "Oha."

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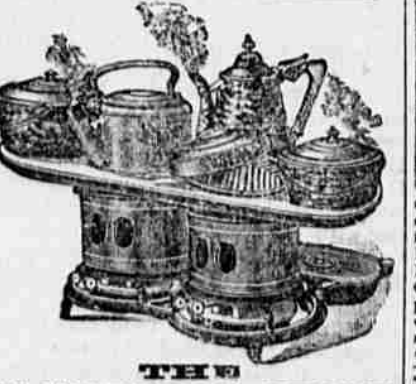
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