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but it will do. DAROTA is bound to get a hearing if

sac doesn't get anything else. CHEAPER rents and cheaper food for workingmen are what Omaha must have

before she can become a great manufacturing city. JERRY THOMAS died in New York the other day, but his great invention,

a monument to his memory. Mr. Spanks is suggested as a valuable man for a foreign mission. Every landgrabber in the country will rise to secand the nomination.

If the white house stationery doesn't give out Present Cleveland will have a few more hundred nominations for the consideration of the senate about the time that congress reconvenes.

Mr. Mourison, of Illinois, is hailed as the leader of the democratic house by his enthusiastic followers. When Sam Randall starts in to dispute the colonel's supremacy the fur will fly in swads in the neighborhood of the capitol.

Paving, viaducts, boulevards and public buildings form the programme which Omaha has laid out for herself for the coming year. It is an attractive one and possesses the certain advantage of being a paying one in the bargain.

BEATRICE and Fremont want federal buildings. Nebraska is filling up with beautiful and prosperous inland cities whose just claims for such accommodations, if granted, would save the government a good many thousand dollars for rent in the years to come.

ADAM BADEAU is writing in the New York press on "Precedence in English Aristocracy." General Robert Schenek is the best authority extant on that subject. The general taught the budding scions of the British peerage the precedence of a royal flush over four aces and enforced his lesson so that it will never be for-

At the risk of being called a Mormon stock jobbers have prevalled upon Secresympathizer by the Salt Lake Tribune. | tary Lamar to prohibit the general publi- afforded ample opportunity for defense, fast and brought home a me old goobler, and the BEE suggests that the manifesto of cation of the reports sent in. Yielding to and if the final sentence of the court is from that day to this it has been the custom the ministers in Zion warning the public against the wicked stories which the Mor- | tary of the interior has issued orders that mons are about to set affeat about them is, to say the least, premature. However, "wicked stories" about ministers are by no means scarce in Gentile states fust about the present time.

THE New York and Council Bluffs railway is not dead by any means. Its voice has made itself heard in the halls of congress, through Representative Lyman, of lowa, who has introduced bills author-1zing the company to bridge the Illinois. Mississippi, Des Moines and Missouri We take it that the bridging of the Missouri by this company means that it proposes to invade Nebraska by the way of Omaha. This is the road that Omaha ought to swear by. It may be a long time in coming, but it will probably materialize as soon as some of the many other railroads that are being built on paper and operated by wind in this part of the wild west.

DEMOCRATIC senators object very much to the publication of presidential nominations in the Congressional Record, and they voted solidly against it. They are afraid that the compilations that can be made from the Record will show too many violations of the civil service law, and thus furnish campaign ammunition. The publication of twenty-five pages of nominations has startled them. It ought to convince them of one thing at least, and that is that the president is doing quite well. It also goes to show that the good old democratic doctrine, "to the victors belong the spoils," is asserting itself in a very foreible manner.

TOPERA is evidently not a good place for laborers. According to a partial canwass of the city by the Knights of Labor, out of 1,032 laborers and skilled workmen interviewed, 221 were reported to be entirely idle, 233 had worked only a part of the time; 588 were fully employed. Of 372 laborers 182 have steady employment; 77 have work part of the time, and 112 are idle. Of the other trades, generally requiring skilled labor, there are 206 fully employed, 156 who have work part of the time, and 108 who are 4 entirely idle. Some of the enumerators have not yet reported. It is probable that there are 2,300 laborers in the city, and that from 300 to 400 men are idle.

DR. PASTEUR, of Paris, is overwhelmed with hydrophobia patients. He has cured four American children from Newark, N. J., and intimates that if the American people wish to give him a testimonial, they can do so by raising money with which to build a hospital in Paris for the accommodation of hydrophobia patients. But why should there be so much hydrophobia is a question which is being asked by a great many persons. If there were no does there would be an end to that horrible disease. We would suggest that every dog in the world be killed, and that the slaughter be begun at once and kept up until the canine race is annihilated. All the dogs in the world are not worth one human life, yet we suppose the owner of some worthless mongrel cur would object to this proceeding, and would fight almost unto death rather than have his dog killed. We would like | poses to the Omaha & Northern. In re- six years ago, and being unable to secure to know what ninety nine dogs out of a turn for this subsidy the company would any financial assistance, he remained in hundred are good for anyway?

Exposing Their Secrets. A heavy howl is going up from the land grant roads against the enforcement of the rules hid down by Railroad Commissioner Johnston for special and annual | capitalists who were appealed to for reports of the condition and administration of the railroads. Complaint is made that compliance with these stringent rules would expose the business secrets of the subsidized roads to their competitors and work great lajury to the stockholders. What it will develop in the near fature This is refreshing. For the first time in must be judged from the utterances of the Herald. Dr. Miller has returned from the history of these gigantle corporations New York where he has been in conferthe stockholder seems to have received. consideration at the hands of the stockence with Jay Gould. He is doubtless in position to speak by the eard with regard jobbers. Up to the time when General to Gould's designs, which as usual, are Johnston's rules were published, the purely benevolent. Omaha, as we have principal business of the management at said once or twice before, wants a rail each annual meeting was to prosent, for road up the Elkhorn valley with incithe benefit of investors, reports so caredental branches through the tier of fully doctored as to conceal the "business secrets" of the men who worked the northeastern counties south of the Dakota line. We do not care who builds the wires on Wall street for their own private benefit. For nearly twenty road, specially if the owners build it with years the public no less than their own money. Such a road, when built, will receive very liberal patronge the government has found it This is not orthodox Christmas weather, impossible to secure any reliable informaat the hands of Omaha. But when it comes to the question of giving away tion regarding the operation, revenues and management of these subsidy eaters. Jefferson square and voting a big mortgage upon the county that is another For the same length of time, secret manipulation, stock watering, false matter. It will bear a good deal of canvassing. If the Missouri Pacific simply balances and lying statements have been wishes to extend its main line to the freely used to swell the futures of the men who have abused a corporate trust north a few miles back of Omaha, it will to advance personal ends. The Ames, hardly be prudent to accept it as the much needed substitute for a direct railthe Goulds, the Dillons and Stanfords road up the Elkhorn valley. have piled up their ill-gotten fortunes by the exclusive use of "business secrets, "Themas and Jeremiah," will forever be No wonder they protest against a publicity which would forever render it Hope will illume the dull prison life of impossible for them or their successors Quin Bohannon when he receives the news that Justice Miller of the United States su to repeat the performances of the past preme court has granted a writ of error in two decades. Mr. Gould's neat deal in the celebrated case. It is safe to say a large Kansas Pacific when that road was majority of the Nebraska public will share absorbed by the Union Pacific and Bohannon's hope that this stay of proceed-\$10,000,000 were cleared by the great ings, coming as it does only a few days be operator was a "business secret" which fore the date set for his legal assassination. would have been very disastrous for the may mean a final postponement of that terpossessor's pocket book if it had been rible event.—Herald. Quin Bohannon has good reason to divulged in time to prevent the consummation of the nefarious transaction. The congratuiate himself upon the extension of his life lease by the supreme court of publication of the itemized "legal expenses" and "expense account" about the the United States, but we see no reason for public rejoicing over the event. Botime of the adjournment of congress and the various legislatures would also expose hannon is a noted desperado who mur-

several "business secrets," which would dered a man in a quarrel of his own seekwork great injury to the corruptionists. A report, as required, of the freight rebates given to railroad favorites and political cappers, would certainly be an exposure of another "business secret," but the damage done would be less to the stockholders than to the managements. Mr. Charles Francis Adams, the president of the Union Pacific railroad, not long ago urged as the first step toward a solution of the railroad problem, the widest publicity of the details of rallroad management. Commissioner Johnston has taken him at his word. The rules which he proposes to enforce, if given to the public, will secure under oath the fullest ex posure of every projected move in railroad management. Under their operation such disgraceful swindles as have filled the records of the land grant roads in the past would be impossible. The fact that every reader of the reports would have the same knowledge as that possessed by the managers would prevent "ground floor" investment and inside ring profits. And this is the reason why the railroad dicitation of the ringsters the secre the replies of the subsidized roads to the questions of the railroad commissioners shall be the private property of the president, secretary of the interior, railroad commissioner and the clerks who will necessarily have to handle the manuscripts and collate the figures. Mr. Lamar's decision is ill advised and lends to defeat the object of the rules. The people of the United states through congress have furnished three-quarters of all the capital stock of the land grant roads. They are entitled to know how their loan has been handled and why the corporations cannot repay it at the time agreed. Hundreds of thousands of our people are suffering from the extortions and discriminations practiced upon them by the managers of the nation's bounty. There is every reason why they should be kept informed of the methods which have bankrapted the

roads has brought them to their present The Omaha & Northern.

the roads and forced the levying of these

outrageous tributes. "Business secrets"

such as these need exposure. Their ven-

tilation will be at once advantageous to

swindling stockholders and the non-in-

vesting public. In refusing to secure

this publicity, Mr. Lamar is only playing

into the hands of the stock jobbers whose

villainous management of the land grant

The Omaha & Northern railroad, as originally projected, was designed as a paper railroad to head off John A. Horbach's scheme for a direct Omaha road into the Elkhorn valley. The incorporators were Union Pacific officers acting in the interests of that company. At the time this road was organized, Jay Gould had full control of the Union Pacific. The immediate effect of It stands alone as a city which has more the project was to block Horbach's efforts for procuring a subsidy from the upper counties and with that the Omaha & Northern went into winter quarters. Its revival at this time has been engineered with a good deal of caution. The Union Pacific had passed into new hands at least for the time being, and Mr. Gould's Italian hand had to be worked through the Belt line which was detached from the Union Pacific for the rence of a corner every 264 feet benefit of the Missouri Pacific. Taking advantage of the general demand for a direct road from Omaha up the Elkhorn valley, a feeler was thrown out by agitation in favor of a home road that could compete with the Chicago & Northwestern and which would made one of the most beautiful of inland not sell out. This project was cities. But to do this she must call to her hailed with satisfaction by all classes. The only point which seemed to creare suspicion as to the design of the leaders was the mystery in which the home capitalists shrouded their identity and the persistence with which the Omaha Herald kept dinging the value of the Omaha & Northern as the proper source of relief from discriminations against Omaha up the Elkhorn valley. Finally the home capitalists, through the Herald, gently broached the subject of their solieitation. They proposed to bond Doughas county for \$150,000 and have Jefferson square dedicated for depot pur- | for \$90,000, was imprisoned in this way,

hundred miles out of Omaha The pre-Wiman, a wealthy man, to whom he apvailing impression that this was simply pealed for aid, seemed his lease by coman extension of the Missouri Pacific north promising the debt for him, Mr. Wiman also secured employment for the unforward had a dampening effect upon Omaha tunate man. The law under which Ross means. At any rate, Mr. McShane's has been imprisoned is a disgrace to New scheme for a purely Omaha raffrond has York state, and should be wiped from its failed to materialize so far. This is statute books. the true history of the Omaha GEORGE W. PECE is said to have realized Northern scheme up to date.

Quin Bonannon's Case.

ing. He has had three trials at the pub-

he expense and has been adjudged guilty

of murder in the first degree. The court in

carrying out the mandate of the law sen-

tenced him to be hanged. This judicial

execution is the penalty which the state

imposes as a protection for society. To

martyr out of a murderer. Humanity

receives no benefit from such maudlin

may be brutal, but it is the only safe

guard against assassination. If impris-

onment for life would serve the same

purpose it would perhaps be preferable.

But under our system of reprieves and

pardons the average murderer who is

sentenced for life is given an opportunity

to commit several other murders before

he gets to the end of his rope. The pas-

sion for killing is in most cases an inher-

ent vice. We shoot down mad dogs not

so much to panish vicious animals as to

prevent the terrible consequences of

hydrophobia. We hang murderers not

only to punish crime already committed.

but to prevent its recurrence. In the case

of Quinn Bohannon the courts have

carried out there will be no injustice done

The senate is likely to spend a large

portion of its time for some months to

come in executive session. No such flood

of nominations as now demands its atten-

tion has ever before overwhelmed the

confirming body. The removals and dis-

placements during the eight months

the last session and the beginning of the

present is wholly without precedent.

Even the great originator of the spoils

system would stand aghast at its propor-

tions. The duty of the senate to weigh

every case presented is imperative.

Against the large proportion of nominees

few objections will probably be urged,

but hundreds will be bitterly opposed

within their own partylines. Advices

from Washington note that in many

states the democratic senators will op-

pose a large part of the entire list of new

appointees, while republican objectors

executive to make new nominations in

the place of the jail birds, and disreputable

characters whose names have found their

way to the blue books of the government.

This is to be expected. No republican

president has ever succeeded in securing

senatorial confirmation for all his ap-

pointments. Mr. Hayes experienced

very forcibly the power of the senate in

this direction. So did Mr. Arthur. En-

tirely aside from any partisanship Mr.

Cleveland will discover that appointing

to office is one thing and securing con-

firmation of the appointment is quite a

THE width of the streets in Omaha, the

shortness of the blocks and the frequent

intersections of twenty-foot alleys

make it unique among American cities.

of its area devoted to streets and alleys

than to lot surface. There are advant-

breaks in the lot lines require better ar-

chitecture than if the streets were nar-

rower, to produce the same effect of solid

construction and satisfactory perspective.

affords opportunity for the erection of

handsome structures to break the mono-

tony of the line of brick rows, which de-

tract from the character of the streets

as ordinarily laid out in other towns.

Omaha in her business portion can be

cities. But to do this she must call to her

assistance the best of architectural talent.

In addition, the owners of valuable

corners must be willing to invest in tall

and handsome structures, with features

more distinguishing than red brick fronts

IMPRISONMENT for debt still prevails in

New York, and a debtor once imprisoned

stands a possible show of remaining in for life, if his creditors pay his board.

Imprisonment for debt, however, can

only be imposed in cases where fraud is

and galvanized cornices.

At the same time the

different matter.

assist in forcing the

either to the murderer or to society.

sentimentalism. Capital punishment

often that a bad boy turns out so well. themselves in fixing up gubernatorial slates for 1886. This is altogether too

Some of the state papers are amusing early in the season for slate-making.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

\$100,000 from his "Bad Bay." It is not

Cincinnati has a paper called The Earth Jay Gould wants it. Never let an opportunity fly in at the door and out of the window. Stop it on the dy. "I'll make a good point of this," as the editor said when he sharpened his peneil.

George W. Peck has cleared \$109,000 on his 'Bad Boy" book. He was a cavalry officer in the union army and is now about 45 years old While a New Brunswick editor was out of own recently he was hanged in effigy. This was much better than being hanged in New Brunswick.

A Chicago morehant is going to have his ram stamped on 50, 0 000 too thpicks. He seems quite desirous of having his name It everybody's mouth.

An Atlanta man is dying from the bite of a nuile. When a mule becomes dangerous at both ends it is time to propound the political conundrum, "Winther are we drifting?"

SMILES.

"This is enough to takes one's breath away," said the congressman, as he chewed a clove just after swallowing a cup of "cold

Connectical's elder brandy crop is unusualy large this year and already reports from the back towns of that state announce the appearance of wild cats of enormous size in the woods.

A California man has a defect in his eyes which causes him to see every object multiplied nineteen times. Imagine the poss bil ties of those optics under the influence of the Jersey fluid. A bronze statue of Bacchus, the god of

wine, was recently unearthed in the Tiber

river, near Rome. There was some difficulty at first in deciding whether it was a real bronze statue or a book-agent from Ch cago The latest researches in science reveal the startling fact that a Kentuckian's nose will exactly fit the bung hole of a barrel. plain facts reveal the more significant fact that his mouth is the feature most likely to

call it legal assassination is making a do it. CHRISTMAS STORIES.

THE SPOKE PROMEXPERIENCE. "Christmas is the happiest season of the year," said the pretty Sumlay school teacher to Johnny, and Johnny stood on one foo and put his finger in his mouth and answered: "Yes'm." "And do you know why Christmas is the happiest season of the year?" she continued, when she turned up the hymn, "When Shepherds Watched Their Flocks," and smiled sweetly upon him. "Yes'm. I guess it's because there aint any base ball, and no boys gets hurt." The teacher closed her book and sighed.

CIDHSTMAS IN EDEN. "Merry Christmas!" That's what Adam said to Mrs. Adam when they awoke the first Christmas morning after they were married, And then she said, "Adam, I wish you'd take your gun and go out and kill a turkey for dinner." Adam went out after break to have turkey for dinner on Christmas day

USEFUL TO TURKEY CARVEUS. Among the "aseful Christmas presents" dvertised by a Chigago dealer are grindstones. Perhaps the reader who has never been within rifty miles of Chicago has never heard a mince pie designated by such a term

TIMELY SUGGESTIONS. What to give the baby-A spanking if he

howls. which intervened between the close of What to give little sister-Leave to go out

when you go to see the big one. What to give little brother-A drum if the old man is nervous. What to give big sister-A promise to pay her board bills.

What to give big brother-Your best eigar while you are spacking his sister and the cold shoulder afterwants. What to give mother-Ali the work and wor ry so that the young people can have a

'good time." What to give father-All your bills to pay the first of the year.

What to give grandmother-A blowing up for "spoiling the children." What to give grand ather-A hint to leave you something in his will.

NO WONDER HE SIGHS. New York Journal. "I know how it must feel to be kicked by

a mule," sighed a sad-cyed married man. "What's the matter." asked a friend. "Nothing; I only told my wife that she could have a scalskin sacque for Christmas if her mother paid for it." A SCHEME TO SECURE THE SIZE OF SLIPPERS. Hartford Post, The holiday agony is for a young lady to accidentally spill a little face powder on the

parlor carpet, and when Augustus comes in and carelessly steps in it to carefully guard the impression until he bids her good night, when she takes the measure of that sole and builds a pair of Christmas slippers around it. The real significance of this is that Augustus has to tie the slippers on his feet with whipcord in order to keep them on. First impres sions are apt to be largely erroneous.

SOMETHING THAT WOULD FIT. New York Journal. "What would you suggest for a Christmas ages and disadvantages in this condition gift to put in my girl's stocking?" said a Chlcago man to a St. Louis friend. "Does she of affairs. One disadvantage is that the live in Chicago," "Why, certainly," "Well, width of the streets and the frequent you'd better go to New York and have the obelisk sent to her."

> A Christmas tree in the house is worth two in the woods. Pointer for Christmas. It may be taken for granted that nine-

Very True.

tenths of the gentlemen smoke. Where Are the Smiths? N. Y. Journal.
For the first time in the history of the United States there is not a single Smith in

Great in Spots.

congress.

Philadelphia Record, Unconditionally Mr. Randall is a great man, but he is not great all over the country alike. He is great in spots.

charged. A man named Ross, who failed guarantee the building of a road one | prison until the other day, when Erastus the profaulty attached to it. - Chicago Journal. This might be elever-that is, for a Chi cago paragraphist-if true. But Dakota has not proposed to adopt any such motto, What the people have adopted is: "Under God the people rule."

He Stopped at Sheria Miller's Hotel.

A Lincoln commercial traveller, who was glaneing over a paper. In, the Omaha train yesterday, threw it down impatiently with the remark, "That's nothing; I don't see why any tuss is made about it."

"What is it?" asked a man near him. "Oh, I see a statement that Prof. Riley has donated 22,000 bugs to the government mu seum. The hotel I stopped at in O aala last night can double that and never miss a bug."

What Omaha Must Do.

Caster County Len Omaha is projecting railroads to every point of the compass-on paper. That city is waking up to the fact that her blg bridge and the Union Pacific headquarters are not all there is of Nebraska, and if she would not lose prestige as the metropolis she must work up the business which is naturally tributary The Leader hopes that ere long all of North Nebraska may come into direct railroad communication with its port of entry, and there are no reasons why it should not if the proper efforts are put forth.

The Case of Dakota.

New York Commercial Advertiser, There is no law which forbids any company of gentlemen to go through the motions of electing United States senators, but whether or not the arrangements made by the prople of South Dakota for the election of senators by a legislature there before secur ing admission to the union will result in good to anybody depends upon the will of congress. Tuat body may admit South Dakota as a state, recognizing these proceedings; I may admit the state without recognizing the proceedings, or it may refuse to admit the proposed state at all for the present. Dakota may be said to be in the lands of its friends or its enemies, as the case may be; that is to say, its ambition is in the bands of congress

Still Hammering Away.

Caster County Leader.
The corporations' "numble" editors of the state are still ham aering away at Old Man Van Wyck, who minds it about as much as a duck does a shower. Each and every one o those far-seeing editors has a stereotyped editorial note on Van, communicing with, "It is reported that Van Wyck has determined to do something or other, or is opposed to somehody or some measure, as the case may be. If those organs would only bring forth something tangible against the senator, py which they could prove that he is as great a rascal as they are railroad pimps, it might have some effect in changing public sentiment, but until such charges are made and proven the people will simply consider the source from which the slurs emanate and govern themselves accordingly.

Classical Scholars of the Omaha Press

Kannes City Times. The political classical scholars of the Omaha press are engaged in a pleasant control versy. Dr. Mitler, of the Herald, took occa sion to say "In Status Quo," and is promptly taken to task by the gifted Mr. Nye of the republican, who observes breezily that the ablative always follows the use of the preposition in, which incautions statement is supplemented by the truism that "a good educa tion is a great thing in this world," We do not know what arbitrary power is vouchsafed the Latin ablative in Omaha, but down in this common wealth of careful schooling the accusative divides the spoils of the propodrion in. We coincide heartily with Mr. Nye's approvation of a good education, and trust it may hereafter teach him the advisability of stopping at the right point.

Van Wyck vs. Land Grabbers.

Senator Van Wyek, the indefaligable foe of the railroad land grabbers, proposes to make them pay the government at the least the cosof surveying their lands. His bill, Introduced on Wednesday, provides simply that the rail road companies shall pay the cost of survey ing and locating within sixty days from the passage of the act, or in default the land shall be subject to the homestead and pre-emption laws and liable to taxation. Heretofore the land grant companies neglected to take steps for surveying and locating their lands in order to escape payment of taxes. Exemption from taxes and from payment of costs of survey and location were claimed as privileges as companying the donation of the lands, and the claims have been allowed by the government. This bill will put upon the land grabbing monopolles some obligation of ownership of the public domain.

STATE AND TERRITORY.

Nebraska Jottings. An Emerson saloon collapsed in a recent inamenal drouth. Osceola's new flouring mill is a success,

be him patronage and product. A brakeman was thrown twenty-five teet and anded in a creek at Firth, the other day, by a sudden bumping of his frain. The house of John Burgess, in Hamilton procinct, Filimore county, was desired by are last week, causing a loss of \$1,000. Grand Island is slowly recovering from Monday's mad dog scare. An officer dis-patched the frothing camine before barm was

A German named Kreigel diving near Chadron, was uned \$25 for shooting his neighbor's ponies that were tresspassing on

Ben Hogan is walloping sinners by the score in Grand Island. The field is an uncommonly large and inscious one, but Ben is broad-shouldered and wicked for salvation's

Democratic editors throughout the state e commusioned to bung up their best socia nd prepare for postonic and order surprises, none language of the box-tood raithin, These be sunny democratic days, "Justice" holds forth at Bloomington, and

came out last week as a triple sweet, well printed on one paper, and investmed with scenes of town and country and public buildings in Lincoln. It was an enterprising and ereditable work.

Five thousand dollars of the Ounha and

Winnesago Indians minuity for tors year has been appropriated for the purpose of building bridges and otherwise bettering the condition of the tosus on the reserval: Twenty-tour bridges are to be built, The Geneva Record gives it out strong that the proposed Burlington & Missouri branch south of that town, on which work is now being done, is slimply a scheme to secure the decical of the proposition to bond the county in aid of the St. Joe road.

the county in and of the St. Joe read.

Miss Lony Martin, residing at Greenwood, Cass county, was tataffy injured Saturday by being tarown from her horse. Her foot can into the stirrup and sine was dragged some distance over fourth ground. Which assistance arrived it was discovered that her stuff was broken and her face disagured and heerated beyond recognition. Her injuries wat prove faint, although she was shift give Thesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Holmes of Platismouth, settiers of the town, having unigrated to find point when the reston was a winder assa. The celebration of their twent-nifth anni-versary drew together hearly tures hundred friends and well-wishers, who left in all nerat le evidence of their esterni in the shape of silverware and other articles of "eschilless." Need of Missionaries at Home.

Full Ricer Herald.

We have always thought it a waste of money to send missionaries out among the benighted heathen and cruei savages abroad while there were so many dudes and wife beaters to reform at home.

Where the Wit was Wasted.

Store Falls Leader,

Dakota proposes to adopt as a motto of statehood: "By God the people rule." The statement would be just as binding without

have been filed with the sceretary of state and a large force of graders, teams and tools have been landed at Grand Island ready for active operations. Grade stakes have been set and the boss grader has received instructions to cut his way to Broken Bow. Custer county. before the prairie blessoms sprout. The beauty and ullity of th 1 is that no bends or bonuses are asked of the people.

Iowa Ttems.

Harrison county is the hot bed of horse A Des Moines family fried the "falth cure" on a child that was seriously ill, and the child

A Polk county feacher was bounced for ogging a troublesome pupil. Turn the ras-The average pay of school teachers in Wap-

dio county per month is \$ (2.19 for males and 28.55 for females. The wife of Lindley Harris was choked to

leath by a piece of meat in Dubuque Friday. She was 33 years old. The giddy girls of Gate City in-nige in eigarettes and spuil. Keokuk so-

ciety is progressive or nothing. Rockwell City has organized a coasting club and will build a track 5,000 feet long so in-clined as to run a tobogan at a speed of half mile a minute.

a mile a minute.

Dubuque claims to be "the" city on the Mississippi between St. Louis and St. Paul. Five railroads, with a total unleage of 11,735, tap the town and pour wealth into her commercial coffers. Mrs. Alvina Flamboe, of Davenport, has

sued a saloon keeper named Claus Behrens for \$5,000 damages for keeping her husband in a beastly state of drungenness for days, vecks and frequently months. A new fangled prohibition dodge is being orked on the drug stores in the Interior owns. It is a sure cure for ringumatism, onsisting of maple sugar dissolved in whis

ky, and the number of theumatics who are An Ottomwa lad named Porter George was

killed winte coasting one day last week. Some one in a spirit of tun threw a timber across the track and the boy was struck just above the eyes, cutting a bad gash and in-flecting injuries from which be died two days A Cedar Rapids health officer found a German family in that city Friday that was liv-

ing in the same room with eighty chickens. The head of the family said they kept the fowls in the house occause they laid more eggs than in the cold, but he was ordered to nove either his family or the hous at once. A six foot coon, as black and lean as they nake 'en, waltzed into the office of the clerk of the court in Davenport, with a white of the court in Davenport, with a white woman tripping in the rear of the procession, "See here," said he to the ciers, "me and this woman want a divorce—want you to be one up, boss—she's widin." The cark informed him that divorces weren't "axed up" that way, and that he had before consult an afterney. "I told you so—told you didn't know nothing about it—come along now and we'll nothing about it—come along now and we'll see a lawyer." said the white wife as she marched her binek giant out the door.

The annual review of the business and building growth of Sloux City for the past year, published by the Tribune, proves that the rown is about of a lawyer of the state went out of the union, ie fown is ahead of all competitors for the iffe of the increase of northwestern Towa. The statistics show that 500 houses were creeted. This total includes business blocks nanufacturing plants \$00,000. In the way of public works there were \$140,000 ladd out in water works, \$55,000 in street rajlway, \$10,000 in telegraph and telephone lines, and \$130,000 in railroad yards, side tracks, etc., making a total of \$1.55,000 expended in improvements during the year.

Dakota.

Buffalo Gap sports are in cahoots with the undertaker, and the profits of ready-made funerals are divided. A man in McLean county recently killed two large bucks that were locked forether by the boons so that they could not be sep**a**rated without breaking the borns.

William Denuis, of Sully county, raised 469 ushers of well matured over this season on ve acres, which is pretty fair evidence that he corn but exhauls that far north. The oldest number of the Dakota state leg-slature is D. C. Terner, of Turner county, who is a little over 70, and has been a resient of the territory for afteen years. The editors of the Deadwood Pioneer, who

were hauled into court recently for publish-ing theorem articles on the newly supported judge, crawled out of the scape, by shifting the responsibility on a subordinate. The Pacific Coast.

Out of 1,540 ranches in Santa Craz county 356 are worked by their owners. Two old Constockers have discovered a almole mica mine in Santa Fe county. New

Mexico.

It is said that extensive works for the reduction of the 16 ractory ores of White Pine and tio border counties of 1 adh are to be erected at Deep Creek near the Nevada line. The waters of Tulare lake are said to be rising, and many squatters' cubins that were built on dry land are now a mile or more rom shore. It is not at all improbable this the lake will assume its old, or even larger

There are 250 school districts in Idaho teritory, with 200 school houses and 215 schools The total number of children of schoolage is 15,580; number entolised in schools, 17,657; total amount of money paid out for school purposes, \$115,667,64,

er to Portland and eastern Oregon and Washington.

A CARD FROM CULBERTSON. Character of Its Citizens in General.

and Lawyer Banks in Particular. Culburison, Nob., Dec. 22,-To whom t may concern: We, the undersigned, citizens of Hitchcock county, Nebraska, having learned that a report has been published in numerous papers throughout the United States to the effect that "a vigilance committee waited upon one of our good citizens and gave him notice to quit the town in a few hours, or he would receive a visit from Judge Lynch," to our great discredit as a peaceable and lawabiding community, do take this course to refute the slander heaped upon the people. We do therefore, hereby publish o the world, that to our knowledge there is no vigilance committee and never has been one in the southwest part of Nebraska, and that our citizens are peaceable, law nonline and church-going penple, and that every man is scenie in his person and property, except he be de-crived of the same by due process of law, And we furthermore state that Banks, the afterney mentioned in said re-port, since he has resided in our midst, which a about a year and a half, has de-ported timed; as a gentleman, and from our personal dealings with bine we find him to be a icin of honor and imaginty. And that we believe that the notice and eport was the work of an individual for rsonal spite and to injure him in his haracter and business, and also to reflect

attiavry upon us as a people.

H. B. Straut, county judge and United tates commissioner, G. V. Hanter, States commissioner, G. V. Hunter, commediar at law, J. W. Wrny, deputy shoriff, R. L. Perry, county clerk, A. D. Kang, costner Huckenock County Back, A. B. Loung quanty treasurer, C. G. Crews deputy of rat: F. Bort Bisley, published chant, S. F. Solomon, publisher Sun; T. H. Bostock, M. D.; C. A. Parrish, city marshni; H. W. Bayenport & Co., general merchants; J. B. Honter, hardware mer-chant L.-J. Carrington county surveyor, E. E. Capps, drugget, Strant & Dyer, real estate agents; B. M. Vostine, coren r. H. W. Davenear, chairman county commissioners; Ed. Ryan, city trustee: John Poughs, stock dealer; Lorenzo Marr, farmer; N. Atwood, M. D.; Frank Ellesige, blacks with and school director; F. D. Pitney, superintendent schools (elect); G. W. Daniels, general merchant; W. H. Tritos, mercha Delay, cattle business W. Z. Taxior, representative Futy-sixth district, W. C. Bullard, lumber and coal, Treates and Culbertson, Warner & Chapman, livery

STATE OF NEBBASKA, ! Hitchcock County, ! I, R. L. Perry, county clerk of said

county, hereby certify that I am well who have signed the above and foregoing and know from personal knowledge !! ach is engaged in the office, profescalling or business as set opposite the

Tannes respectively.
Witness my hand and the seal of s
[1.8.] county, flus 22d day of December, 1885.
R. L. Penny, County Clerk.

THE WOOD RIVER VALLEY, A Rich Agricultural Region and Prosperous People.

Lopt, Custer Co., Neb., Dec. 21-10 respondence of the BEE, |- It may not well known that this locality, I me Wood River Valley, in the above counis one of the finest sections of the sta-It is very thickly settled up with a it class of eastern people, mostly from Illinois, Ohio, and in fact all parts of the east. There is very little vacant land left. Most of the country is in a fine state of cultivation. The people are all in good shape financially, plenty of everything, the very best modern machinery, fully as good as is used in any of the eastern states. We need very much a market. We are tributary to the Union Pacific railroad, and they take just one half of all we ship to get it to Omaha. Every day I can look from any part of my farm and see from ten to twenty heavy lader wagons, pulling out freight. go thirty-five miles to market, go to either Plam Creek or Cozad, yet we have some line supply stores in the country. Postolices and mails are matters very promptly looked after, we get from two to four mails per week. We get your very worthy paper each week I mean the Weekly Bea. I want to say to you that In the last issue of the BEE the 16th met, you spoke of Sonator Van Wyck being returned to the senate. I am a full grown democrat of full age and can assure you that Van Wyck is the man, irrespective of party!

Very respectfully, MeD. FirzgeralD.

Under Two Flags.

Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution: The civil war was such a big thing, it lasted so long, and covered such a vast expanse of territory, that it was an easy matter for a man to light, in both armies, and escape letection and punishment as a deserter. A few months before Georgia secoded a bright young New Englander settled in one of our country towns. His northern stances. The state went out of the union the trouble commenced in carnest, and and go to the front. Our New England friend felt that the pressure of opinion was too strong to be withstood. It was hard to light his own people, but if he did not become a confederate sol-dier, the people were liable in some hour of mad excitement to lynch him. So he donned a suit of gray and trudged off to Virginia with a musket on his shoulder. The unwilling volunteer stood camp life very well. He bore his part manfully in many a skirmish and battle, and in the course of time was made a lieutenant. He came very near going through the war without a spot on his record, but in a fatal moment he yielded to temptation and disgraced himself and his uniform.

It was a cold wet day in April, 1865. The lieutenant had become separated from his command on the murch. ced his way and throw himself on the wet ground completely worn out, physical weakness depressed his mind and he gave himself up to a fit of despondency. A flood of bitter thoughts rushed over him. Why should he, an alien, risk his life in defence of a people who hated him. Why should be struggle on, he knew not how many years longer, Following an impulse which seemed irresistible, he rose to his feet and set his face in the direction of the Federal lines. Before nightfall he was in the camp of

the enemy.

The poor fellow told his story afterward with mouraful pathos. He said that the federals wanted to treat him as a spy. When they refused to believe his tale of descrition he offered to volunteer as a proof of his good fath. The offer was accepted. He got into a blue uniform, and found himself once more in active service. Two days Inter General Lee surrendered at Appointation. In another month the deserter was mustered out.

The man was in a quandry. He dared not go back to his New England home. The people there all knew he had purposes \$115,000,000 pant out for sensol

A Washington territory gaper says that there are now manufacturing in Lewis county, no less than twelve sawmills; of these, olgain are steam and four water power. The aggregate capacity of these mills is more than 102,000 fact or lumber daily. Eight of these mills ship a large percentage of their brouber to Portland and eastern the country of their brouber to Portland and eastern the country of their brouble. He remarked to a lady at his brouble to provide the country of their brouble. boarding house that he would rather lie in an honored confederate grave down in Dixie than own half of Boston. lady was furious. She reported the conversation to the provost marshal, and that officer sent a file of men to march the deserter to his office. The unfortunate man unbosomed himself to the muchal, concealing nothing. He admitted using the language reported, and said that it reflected his state of mind. If he had held out against temptation two days longer, he could have returned to Geor gia with a proud record as a tried and true confederate. As it was he felt himself an outcast, with no country, no flag, no comrades, nothing but a basted charnoter. The provost marshal was a sensible man. He listened in silence, gaye his prisoner a eigar, and said: You may go, bu don't talk that way

my more. Sometimes this follower of the two flags passes through Georgia on a busi-ness trip. He never hunts up any of his old ex-Confederate comrades. Occasionally he finds himself in a crowd where they are all felling war reminiscences As soon as he can be quietly retires. He has no war stories to tall. During recent years this man has done fairly well. B a business way. But prosperty does not satisfy him. He seems to be under the shadow of that disgraceful April day in '65. He is almost a immonistrate on this subject, and to day he would give up his tile, his family, and everything if he could be resting in one of the graves in our centily under the studow of the confederate monument. What an intolerable torture such au existence must

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