

PRESIDENT GARFIELD SHOT.

At noon, last Saturday, this community was startled by the sad news that reached this office, and which was soon placed before the public in a "COURANT EXTRA," that President James A. Garfield had been shot by a would-be assassin. The shooting was done at 9:30 o'clock, that morning, at the Baltimore & Potomac depot, soon after the President had alighted from his carriage, and while he was walking across the floor of the ladies' room, arm in arm with Secretary Blaine, on his way to the limited express which was about to leave. Two shots were fired, one taking effect in the right arm, and the other just above the right hip and near the kidneys, entering just above the third rib, and passing on to the liver, in which it is supposed to have lodged. The shooting was done by Charles J. Guiteau, of Chicago, a French Canadian, about five feet five inches high, weighing 125 pounds, sandy complexioned, with a moustache and light chin whiskers, and who is a lawyer, theologian and disappointed politician, who had been in Washington for some time seeking an appointment as Consul at Marseilles, France. While hailing from Chicago, he has lived in several of the large cities of this country, in all of which he had the name of having a very unevenly balanced brain, and though the plea of insanity has been put forward, it is asserted by some that the attempted assassination was the result of a deep laid plot, and that there is a woman in it. The weapon he used is a revolver, seven inches long, of large calibre, and is what is known as a California pistol, or rather a "bulldozer." After being arrested, Guiteau said: "I did it, and I will go to jail for it. I am a stalwart, and Arthur will be President." At the same time he gave the policemen a letter in which it was claimed that he had no ill will against the President, but that his death was a political necessity; that the President was a Christian and would be happier in Paradise than here; that it was no worse for Mrs. Garfield to give up her husband in this way than by a natural death, and in which he again asserted the fact that he is a stalwart, and told them to hand said letter to Gen. Sherman, saying: "It will explain everything."

On hearing the shots Secretary Blaine rushed towards the would-be assassin to arrest him, but before reaching the man, he returned to the President, who lay prostrated. The President was then carried upstairs, where medical attention was given him. He complained of pain in his feet, and as soon as his shoes were removed he told Secretary Windom to telegraph to his sick wife, at Long Branch, whom he had started to see; and to tell her he felt better, and if she felt well enough, to come to Washington immediately. A special train was sent for her, and she was soon conveyed to the bedside of her husband, to whom she is now giving all the attention and words of encouragement that a loving wife can; and the attending physicians say that her heroism has much to do with the hope of the President's recovery, though he now lies in a very critical condition, at the White House, to which he was conveyed an hour after being shot. While there is much hope of the President's getting well, the chances are against him, and we may, at any moment, have the sad intelligence reach us that President Garfield has breathed his last, and that the Republic mourns the loss of her Chief Magistrate. God grant that such a dire calamity may not befall this people.

This attempted assassination of the President sent a thrill of horror and regret throughout the country—a feeling that was participated in by every one, regardless of creed, sect, nationality, and political affiliation. The very fact that the Chief Magistrate of this nation had been stricken down by the hand of an assassin was sufficient to awaken sympathy in every loyal, patriotic

and humane breast. When Gen. Garfield was elected President by the suffrages of the majority, he became as much the President of the minority as of those who were successful at the ballot box. He became, in fact, our President, and it is, therefore, that we deplore the event which may deprive us of him. The COURANT, although it opposed the election of Gen. Garfield, does now, in common with all our countrymen, hope that President Garfield may be spared to direct the destinies of our country for good during his term of office. His career as the Chief Executive has been characterized by a spirit of conservatism, moderation and firmness that promised much for the nation's good.

THIS IS NOT AS IT SHOULD BE.

In looking over our subscription book, we find that the following amounts are due us on subscription alone at the different postoffices in Chase county, to say nothing of what is due us on subscription at postoffices outside of the county and State:

Cottonwood Falls, \$352 Strong City, \$358
Bazaar, 40 Matfield Green, 40
Birley, 8 Eldendale, 30
Woodhill, 12 Silver Creek, 22
Cedar Point, 28 Safford, 12
Elmor, 10 Toledo, 12
Homestead, 2 Fox Creek, 5
Total amount, \$561

Now, this is a nice little sum of money; and if our delinquent subscribers would only make up their minds to pay it, and come in and do so, it would help us out a great deal, and make us feel really kind towards them; if they can not pay the money, we will take their notes, because we would like to square these accounts in some way. When newspaper men put a little item in the paper, asking delinquent subscribers to come in and pay the printer what they justly owe him, the reader takes it as a cute joke, and the delinquent pays very little attention to it, calling it "a newspaper dun." Now, if the most wealthy man in this county had \$561 owing to him, he would "dun" a great deal more than the newspaper man does, for the same amount. Our subscribers and advertisers must not think because we are doing the county printing for nothing that we can do everything else for nothing, however much we might wish to do so, because we are not a millionaire, and because, further, the more we would do at that same rate the more we would lose.

The other day, there was a drummer for an Eastern house trying to sell us a fire-proof safe in which to keep our money; but we thought our delinquent subscribers are keeping it about as well as the safe would, and, therefore, declined to make a purchase; but if we had had this \$561, we would have bought a safe for the protection of our books and papers.

Mr. W. F. White, Passenger Agent of the Santa Fe road has devised a scheme and perfected arrangements by which through tickets are now sold at most stations on the line of the A., T. & S. F. railroad, to nearly all the minor stations of the east. By the old coupon system, tickets were sold only to important places, and the traveler had to pay local fare from such point or buy a through ticket to some large station beyond his destination, and stop off at an intermediate station, thus paying for more than he received. All this trouble, annoyance and loss is obviated by the new system. Passengers are ticketed clear through to their destination. The form of ticket is extremely simple and easily understood, and the most careless traveler will be less liable to be diverted from his route than by the attempted study of the complicated forms heretofore in use.

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On account of the shooting of the President, the Fourth of July was more a day of sorrow than of gladness, and many places throughout the country did not celebrate it at all; especially was this the case at and near Washington.

Three Canadian newspapers, the St. Catherine News, Quebec Mercury and St. John Globe, have come out in favor of "annexation or independence."

Mr. Geo. Y. Johnson, Secretary of the Kansas State Fair to be held at Topeka, Sept. 12 to 17, inclusive, has our thanks for compliments.

Remember that a strong government makes a weak people, and that a strong people makes a weak government, but a strong republic.

Quarterly Report of the County Superintendent of Chase County, Kansas, for the Quarter Beginning March 29, 1881, and Ending June 27, 1881.

I. School Visitation:
1. District schools visited this quarter, giving number of each district. 2, 7, 9, 11, 12, 19, 25; 30, 33, 34, 37, 38, 40.
2. Total number of visits, 15.
3. Average length of time spent in actual school inspection, 2 hours and 38 minutes.
4. Suggestions were made to each teacher as to methods of improving the school work.
5. A written report of each visit has been promptly made to the District Board.

II. No. of consultations with District Boards:
1. At the time the district was visited, 3.
2. In my office, 1.
3. In my office, 1.
III. No. of days office has been kept open at county seat, 51.
1. By myself, 35.
2. By deputy, 16.
3. Name of deputy, H. L. Hunt.
4. No. of days deputy was employed, 16; and on what account, sickness.
IV. No. of examinations of District Clerks' records, 13.
1. No. found kept as required by law, 11.
2. No. found incorrectly kept, 2
V. No. of examinations of District Treasurers' records, 6.
All found kept as required by law.

To the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Topeka, Kansas:
I hereby certify the above to be a correct statement of the work of this office in the matters herein reported, for the quarter ending this day.
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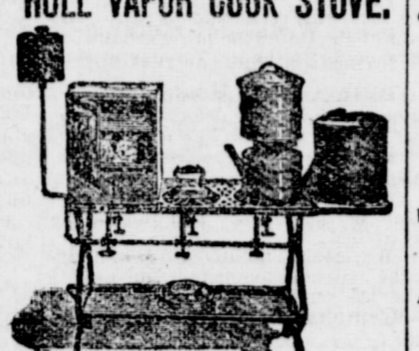
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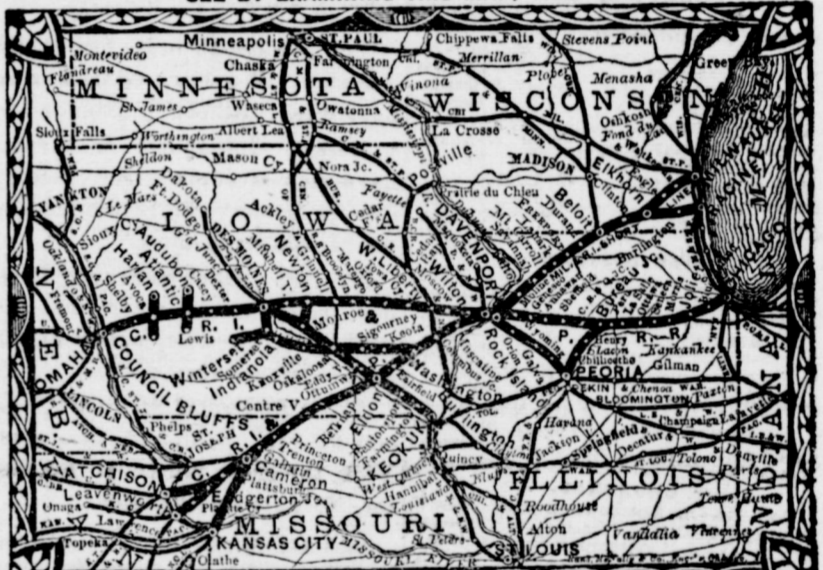
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