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EDITORIAL NOTES.

It has been very cold all over the North and West during the greater part of this week.

Patrick Rourke and family of five children, residing at Cohos, N. Y., were all burned to death in their house, Dec. 18.

A telegram dated Galata, Dec. 19, reports that the steamer Byzantine, from Marseilles for Constantinople, sunk in a collision. On hundred and fifty lives were lost.

Thirteen carloads—over 2,200 barrels, of apples recently passed through Pittsburg on their way to Liverpool, England. They were shipped at Grand Rapids, Michigan.

At Zanesville, Ohio, Dec. 20, Judge Marsh sentenced Dr. Heyl the grave robber, to one year's imprisonment, and to pay a fine of \$1,000. Eaton, his accomplice, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment and \$100 fine.

A dispatch to the Louisville (Ky.) Courier Journal, Dec. 20, says Judge Randall, of Breathitt, has resolved to call a special session of Court, as suggested by Gov. McCreery, in the hope of being able to cause a cessation of hostilities in his section.

The Secretary of the Treasury has authorized the payment of the coupon interest on the public debt falling due on January 1st, 1879, without rebate, and in coin or currency as the claimant may prefer. Registered interest will be paid in a like manner as soon as the schedule can be prepared.

The Secretary of the Treasury has issued a circular to the collectors of the several ports that they are authorized to cause an inspection to be made of all cattle proposed to be shipped to Great Britain, and to give to shippers a certificate that the cattle shipped are free from disease.

The Grand Jury of the United States Circuit Court, at Richmond, Va., has indicted R. W. Arnold, Henry Britson and J. S. Ellis, for the violation of the election laws, in the election of Peter W. Robinson, United States Supervisor of elections, from the voting precinct at Waverly station, Sussex county, Virginia.

Congressman Willis of Kentucky has presented a petition from the Common Council of Louisville, asking that the Howgate Expedition be directed to investigate the truth of Symmes' theory. If the North Pole explorers can discover Symmes' Hole-Kentucky will be prouder of it than of the Mammoth Cave.

Mrs. Myra Clark Gaines, the irrepressible claimant, has renewed her grip on Louisiana. She was before the House committee on private lands the other day, pressing her claim to the ownership of some seventy thousand acres of land in Louisiana. The committee decided that she had a right to 5,470 arpents, or about 4,600 acres, and rejected the balance of the claim.

A Free Press special from Kalamazoo says a passenger train on the Grand Rapids and Indianapolis railroad struck a cutter containing John McCordrey, his wife and three children, at Hunt's crossing, near Planewell, Michigan, December 19. McCordrey was instantly killed, and his wife and one child fatally injured. The train was stopped, and the dead and dying taken to Planewell, where medical aid was summoned.

DEATH OF BAYARD TAYLOR.

The Hon. Bayard Taylor, or Minister to the German Empire, died very suddenly at 4:30 o'clock, p. m., December 19, at Berlin, of d. p. y. This intelligence is as sad as it was unexpected.

Mr. Taylor was a Pennsylvanian by birth, the son of a farmer in moderate circumstances, and a self-made man. He was in the fifty-third year of his age at the time of his death. He entered a printing office in West Chester, at an early age, as an apprentice. After learning the trade he worked a two

cases for a time, and then started on a tour through Europe. His means were limited, and he made most of his journeyings on foot; but he was a born traveler. He saw everything, and had the faculty of describing in a graphic and interesting style all that he saw. Returning home, he published an account of his travels, which had a deserved popularity. Mr. Taylor and Horace Greeley were devoted personal friends, and at an early day Mr. Greeley gave him employment on the Tribune. He has ever since been identified with that journal, and more or less actively employed as a contributor to its columns. He occupied a prominent place among the literary men of this country. His last production of moment was an ode read at the Centennial of the Declaration of Independence, in Philadelphia, July 4, 1876.

Mr. Taylor was a traveler, a journalist, a poet and a novelist. His books of travel are among the most interesting in the English language. He has written some of the finest poems of modern times, and his "Song of the Camp," founded on an incident in the Crimean war, has been as extensively published as any other poem in the language. Some of his novels have had a remarkable popularity and sale, and rank deservedly high among works of fiction.

In the early summer of 1877, Mr. Taylor was appointed Minister to Germany by President Hayes. His appointment was generally and warmly commended by the people of this country, and as cordially received by the people of Germany. He had spent many years in that country, spoke the German language fluently, and was thoroughly acquainted with its institutions and its literature. He married in Germany, we believe, some years ago, but leaves no children. His sister, Mrs. Lamorne, and children are living in Kansas City.

His death will be profoundly mourned, not only in this country, but throughout Europe.

CHATEL MORTGAGES.

The following which we clip from the Hutchinson News states the case very well for all parts of Kansas; therefore, we give it in full: "The giving of chattel mortgages as surety for the payment of money borrowed, at the present ruinous rates of interest in this county, is a growing evil. A glance at the records of this county shows that this kind of surety is given very extensively. This we believe to be wrong, and the sales of valuable property at public sale on our streets almost daily, confirms our belief. Chattel mortgages are given to secure payment for agricultural implements, and sometimes out of ten the machine purchased, together with a good team, are mortgaged to secure the purchase money of the machine only. Under the laws of this State there is no equity of redemption, and nearly all chattel mortgages contain a clause allowing the holder of such security to take possession of such property upon condition broken, and sell at public or private sale to satisfy the mortgage. It seldom happens in a sale of this kind that the property brings half its value, and thus for the pleasure of owning some improved machinery or the use of a little money at two or three per cent. per month, the farmer sees his team or cow go to satisfy what, if he had been willing in the first place he might have done without. Whenever chattel mortgages are foreclosed, if the property goes cheap it is purchased by the holders of the mortgage, and cases are numerous where men have purchased horses and given a mortgage on two or three head of stock and the whole has been sold to secure the purchase money of one, and the whole failed to bring that amount; the property bought in by the holders of the mortgage and sold again in a few weeks time on nearly as good terms as at first. This is a good business for those who have a little money with which to carry on such business, but its effects are telling on the debtor class. It is better not to enter into a transaction of this kind until the way out is plainly seen. Low prices for grain, a hail storm,

rust, drouth, grasshoppers, or any other excuse, will not satisfy a debt secured in this way, and until it is satisfied there is no peace of mind. Whenever it happens that disappointment of some kind has prevented the receipt of money that was confidently expected, something has to be sacrificed, and as is nearly always the case the loss is greater than the value of the article purchased or the convenience secured by the debt incurred. We think it better to put up with a little inconvenience than to put property in jeopardy. It too often happens that the worst is realized."

COUNTY PRINTING.

BAZAAR, KAS., Dec. 22, 1878.

To the Editor of the Courant:

In my judgment, an article that appeared in the COURANT, of the 13th instant, in regard to county printing is very pertinent at the present time. It is safe to say that the State, county and municipal public printing costs \$100,000 per year. It is equally safe to say that, so far as any actual benefit is derived in the way of information, one half of that amount would be ample; yet, when we point with honest pride to the talent and enterprise displayed by our local papers, in gathering local and State information, which is weekly sent broadcast over the Union, we cannot question the wisdom of the Legislature in thus stimulating the public press, which has done more to advance our prosperity than all other causes combined. While this is true, it is not right that a discrimination should be made giving one paper prestige over another. Take, for instance, our own county papers: their circulation is nearly equal; they vie with each other in enterprise and usefulness. The taxes paid for public printing in the county, is taken from the pockets of the friends and patrons of each paper. Such being the case, it is but justice that each paper should receive a portion of the patronage of the county, either by alternate years or, if practical, a division of the printing; at least a fair unbiased competition should be allowed.

JUSTICE.

TREES FOR KANSAS PLANTING.

Prof. Gale, in the Prairie Farmer, says: "On the list which should be discarded without further trial, we are forced to place the following: Arbor-vitae (all varieties), balsam fir, beech, birch, eucalyptus, European larch, English walnut, and most varieties of the weeping willow. On the list for further trial and to be planted only for experiment, we should place the following: Butternut, chestnut, Irish juniper, Scotch juniper, trailing juniper, pinon pine, sugar maple, sweet gum, Norway spruce, Scotch pine, and white pine. On the list of those which have been so far as a question of success, we place the following: though in some cases our experience has been too limited to encourage non-discriminate extended culture: Abutilon glandulosus (for high, dry localities alone), white ash, Green ash, basswood, catalpa, cottonwood, deciduous cypress, white elm, red elm, English elm, soft or silver maple, box elder, Osage orange, oaks, black walnut, white or gray willow, Kansas willow (S. fragilis?), osier willow (S. viminalis), red cedar, white spruce, Table Mt. pine, (P. pungens), Austrian pine, pitch pine, Dwarf Mt. pine."

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF KANSAS, ss.
Chase County, ss.
In the District Court of the Ninth Judicial District, in and for Chase County, Kansas.

The Moline Plow Company, plainiff, vs. Jefferson A. Perkey and Sarah A. Perkey, defendants.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of the Ninth Judicial District in and for Chase County, State of Kansas, in the above entitled cause, and to me directed, I will, on

THE 27TH DAY OF JANUARY, A. D., 1879, at 11 o'clock, A. M., of said day, at the front door of the court-house in the city of Cottonwood Falls, Chase county, Kansas, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, the following described real estate situated in Chase county, Kansas, to-wit: The northwest quarter (1/4) of section twenty (20), township 20, range six (6) east, in Chase county, Kansas, being 160 acres more or less.

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While the lessons of the past should be constantly kept before the people, the SUN does not propose to make itself in 1879 a magazine of ancient history. It is printed for the men and women of to-day, whose concern is chiefly with the affairs of to-day. It has both the disposition and the ability to afford its readers the promptest, fullest, and most accurate intelligence of whatever in the wide world is worth attention. To this end the resources belonging to well-established prosperity will be employed.

The present disjunct condition of politics in this country, and the uncertainty of the future, need an extraordinary vigilance to the events of the coming year. The discussion of the press, the debates and acts of Congress, and the movements of the leaders, every section of the Republic will have a direct bearing on the Presidential election of 1880—an event that must be regarded with the most anxious interest by every patriotic American, whatever his political ideas or allegiance. To these elements of interest may be added the probability that the Democrats will control both houses of Congress, the increasing feebleness of the fraudulent Administration, and the spread and strengthening every where of the allowance of fraud in any form. To present with accuracy and clearness the exact situation in each of its varying phases, and to expound, according to its well-known method, the principles that should guide us through the labyrinth, will be an important part of the SUN's work for 1879.

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COTTONWOOD FALLS: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1878.

An exchange says: "Kentucky is the only State we know of that can't build a public building for less money than the estimated cost."

The President has publicly declared that he will veto any action Congress may take looking to the transfer of the Indian to the War Department.

The total production of crude petroleum for the first three quarters of 1878 was 11,126,037 barrels, against 8,436,867 barrels for the same time in 1877, showing an increase over 1877 of 1,689,170 barrels.

There is much distress throughout England and Scotland, occasioned by the present hard times; but it is thought that the ordinary means of relief in the large cities will be sufficient to meet all necessities.

The Senate confirmed John T. Well, of Boston, as U. S. Judge of the First Judicial Circuit, Dec. 18; Harry S. Foote, Superintendent of the mint at New Orleans; Jacob S. Stotler, postmaster at Emporia, Kansas.

Mr. Phillips has submitted a resolution in the House, reciting the Indian raids in Kansas and Nebraska, and the capture of marauders, and calling on the Secretary of the Interior for information, as to why he had not surrendered the guilty and responsible parties of such Indian bands to the authorities of Kansas and Nebraska, which was adopted.

Mardi Gras in New Orleans, February 23, is to be signified by a chicken main, when, according to the Atlanta Constitution, all the Southern States will be represented. A great many persons, that paper further asserts, are coming from Mexico, Atlanta and Columbus to witness the memorable event, which will be the largest chicken tournament ever held in the United States.

We are in receipt of Messrs. John P. Morton & Co.'s Western Farmers' Almanac for 1879, which is the fifty-second year of the publication of an almanac by this well-known firm. The almanacs published by this house are most valuable to farmers, in that they contain well-written articles by experienced persons, on such subjects as farmers should know, and their price (10 cents) is a mere trifle. Be sure to send to John P. Morton & Co., at Louisville, Ky., and get their almanac for 1879.

Mr. Geo. H. Muter, Superintendent of the Kansas Institute for the Blind has our thanks for his first biennial report of that institution, which shows that 51 pupils were enrolled since the last report, 42 average attendance during the year ending June 7, 1878, and 41 during the year ending June 7, 1878. Two graduated last year, and one this year. The expenses of the institution; from Dec. 1, 1876, to July 1, 1878, were \$17,313.62. The estimates for 1880 and 1881 are \$27,416.00.

Computation founded on the recent vote shows that the States which are increasing fastest in population are Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, California and Colorado. At the late election the vote of Kansas almost equaled that of the State of Texas in 1876. From indications the States that will make the greatest gains in members of Congress and Electoral votes in the apportionment after the next census will be Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota and California. New England will barely hold her own.

The Lebanon (Ky.) Times and Kentuckian copies the communication and poem recently published in the COURANT under the head "Fredericksburg," and says: "The letter on our third page, describing the beautiful and romantic scenery about Frederickburg, Washington county, Ky., as seen from the summit of the hill beyond Beech Fork, together with the admirable poem on the same subject, that comprises it, is taken from the columns of the COURANT, a most excellent paper published at Cottonwood Falls, Chase county, Kansas."

The bill for the payment of in valid and other pensions for the

next fiscal year, as it has passed the House, appropriates \$29,366,000, being \$250,000 less than the amount estimated, and \$25,000 less than was appropriated for the present fiscal year. The bill contains a proviso that any unexpended balance from former appropriations may be expended for similar objects under the present bill. The bill, as first reported, was in exact accordance with the estimate, but it having been found that there was an unexpended balance, the Committee on Appropriations accordingly prepared a substitute for the bill, making an apparent reduction, as above noted.

Mr. Henry Hopkins, Warden of the Kansas Penitentiary, has our thanks for his first biennial report of that institution, from which we learn there were confined there during the nineteen months ending June 30, 1878, 780 prisoners, whose nativity is as follows: United States, 675; Austria, 2; British Columbia, 1; Canada, 10; Denmark, 3; East India Islands, 1; England, 15; France, 2; Germany, 33; Ireland, 23; Mexico, New Brunswick, Ocean, Prague, Pussia, Russia, 1, each; Scotland, 3, and Switzerland and Wales, 2, each. There were 594 of them white and 186 colored; 288 married and 492 single. Their religion was as follows: Catholic, 28; Methodist, 34; Baptist, 13; Presbyterian, 7; Cumberland Presbyterian, 1; Christian, 8; United Brethren, 6; Lutheran, 13; Episcopal, 4; Congregational, 2; and the rest belonged to no church. There are now 500 prisoners confined there.

ADVANTAGES OF POVERTY. Much is said of the "independence of poverty." That riches no place, eloquence nor power, titles nor glory, bring happiness is proved in the experience of all countries, a dull people. While this is true on one hand, it is equally true on the other that poverty has its advantages and adversity, its uses. If they are not as sweet as Shakespeare paints them, they are not as sour as many imagine. Punch illustrates the common blessing of common men in the following truisms: You wear out your old clothes. You are exonerated from making any calls. You are not troubled with many visitors. Bored do not bore you. Spongers do not haunt your table. Itinerant bands do not play opposite your window. You are not persecuted to stand god-father. No one thinks of presenting you a testimonial. No tradesman irritates you by asking: "Is there any little article to-day, sir?" Begging letter-writers let you alone. Impostors seem to know it's no use bleeding you. You swallow infinitely less poison than others. Plasterers do not shoot rubbish into your ears. You are saved many a debt, and many a headache. And lastly, if you have a friend in the world, you are sure, in a very short time, to learn it.

USE OF A RECEIPT. In a city not a thousand miles from this locality, there lives a lawyer, crafty, subtle, and cute as a fox. An Indian of the Choctaw tribe, Kiser by name, owed him some money. The lawyer had waited long for the tin. His patience at last gave out, and he threatened the Indian with law-suits, processes and executions. The poor Choctaw got scared and finally brought the money to his creditor. He waited for the lawyer to give him a receipt. "What are you waiting for?" said the lawyer. "Receipt," said the Indian. "A receipt," said the lawyer, "a receipt! what do you know about a receipt? Can you understand the nature of a receipt? Tell me the use of one and I will give it to you." The Indian looked at him a moment and then said: "S'pose me be me dies; me go to heben and me find de gate locked; me see the apostle Peter; he says, 'Kiser, what you want?' me say, 'want to get in;' he say, 'you good man?' me say 'yes;' he say, 'you pay M. A. that money?' What me do? I hab no receipt; hab to hunt all ber hell to find you." He got his receipt.

A ROMANTIC OLD BACHELOR. The Vanceburg (Ky.) Courier says there is a rich old bachelor by the name of Show, who lives on a 500-acre farm in Lewis county, dressed like a monk of the thirteenth century, and devotes his

whole time, talent and fortune to flowers and tropical fruits. His farm is surrounded by a high fence, without gate or bars for egress. His house is completely covered with rare vines; he has fig trees twenty years old and flowers by the acre. He never derived a cent from his outlay of money and labor, but delights in "multiplying curious growths and combining nature and art in wonderful forms. He calls his large colony of bees his children, and the birds that feed from his table his little angels. The birds follow him through the walks and take the berries from his hand.

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As good land as man ever tilled can be had here for almost nothing. Healthier country can not be found. Winter wheat is an almost sure crop; corn yields largely; other grain as well as anywhere else. To give an idea of the way wheat and corn yields in Chase county, we give the following showing for 1878: Wheat, acreage, 6,613; yield, 132,102 bushels; value of product, \$128,641 58; Corn, acreage, 37,070; yield, 1,138,940 bushels; value of product, \$227,388.

Irish potatoes yield 80 bushels to the acre; sweet potatoes, 163 bushels; broom corn, 870 pounds; rye, 22 bushels; barley, 22 bushels; oats, 35 bushels; tobacco, 650 pounds. Thus, it will be seen, that farming pays in Chase county.

Farm laborers are paid, per month, with board, from \$12 to \$26. Vacant lands sell at from \$1.50 to \$9 per acre. Persons that have any knowledge of stock raising will see, by the far e corn product, that this is the place for them to make money. Cattle do well; horses and hogs could not do better. Hogs are hardly ever troubled with the diseases so common in the East. Cattle winter well; in summer our unlimited range furnishes ample feed. It is conceded that Chase county is the best location for sheep-growers in Kansas; and we honestly believe it to be a fact. Men of competency and practical experience in sheep-raising give it as their opinion, that wool of the Merino and other fine varieties can be profitably raised here, at a cost of ten cents a pound. It is believed that the fiber wool will pay the best, as a great deal of expense is saved by being able to run them in large flocks. There is generally a fair competition for the purchase of wool. Our grasses are good and nutritious, and herbs and shrubs plentiful. Our upland is rolling. The business of sheep-growing is bound to be an important one in this county, and the time will soon come when our hills and valleys will be dotted over with sheep, as well as cattle. Dairy farming is a branch of industry that will pay in this county. It costs very little to feed milk cows. Butter and cheese have a ready sale. Chase county has thirty-six good school-uses, in which school is held, at least, eight months in the year, thus affording better educational facilities than can be found in the older States.

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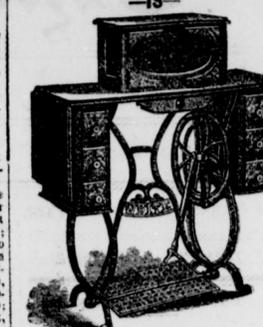
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MORGAN'S LITTLE LAMB.

Written for the Courant by X. O. DUS. Dedicated to the Board of County Commissioners. Morgan had a little lamb, Public crib was its name; And every where that Morgan went The lamb it did the same.

How to proceed not being plain, County Attorney Sook Wrote and procured an opinion, Which to that end did look.

Attorney General Davis To Mister Sook thus states: "There a-e no n-o-r and's about it, The Board must give full rates."

This opinion was a clincher And lambly wagged his tail, And straightway to his master said: "You'll get it without fail."

And after this the Board did meet, And, as the lamb did say, Printer Morgan was counted in, And now he gets full pay.

But now the lamb is getting scarce, And to his master speaks: "There will be 'music in the air' During the next few weeks."

"The people begin to grumble; And when the masses rise, Their servants had better look out, Or they will lose the prize."

"Yes, my dear master, I do feel, And now begin to fear, That you'll surely be counted out During the coming year."

"You see there's another paper, And folks begin to say, In justice to themselves and it, It, too, should have its day."

"They desire no monopoly In the newspaper way, And surely mean to stay this thing, As the will and way have they."

"Sure, 'vox populi, vox Dei'; You know is true and true; And there's no way to evade it, So bid your 'crib' good night."

"But then there are the Sheriff's sales— Very good things, I think,— And that Representative chair, For which you'll get the chink."

"Proposed Constitutional changes Will never pass you by; And these three things are very good, So, don't begin to cry."

"Yes, on these three things you can live, And do it right well, too; Hence, fix to say to county printing: 'My good old friend, adieu!'"

DESCRIPTION OF CHRIST.

This was found in an ancient manuscript, sent by Publius Lentulus, President of Judaea, to the Senate of Rome: "There lives at this time in Judaea a man of singular character, whose name is Jesus Christ. The barbarians esteem him as a prophet, but his followers adore him as the immediate offspring of the living God. He is endowed with such unparalleled virtue as to call back the dead from their graves, and to heal every sort of disease with a word or touch. His person is tall and elegantly shaped, his aspect amiable and reverend. His hair flows in those beautiful shades which no united colors can match, falling in graceful curls below the ears, agreeably curving on his shoulders, and parting on the crown of his head, like the head dress of the sect of the Nazarites. His forehead is smooth, and his cheeks without a spot save that of a lovely red. His nose and mouth are formed with an exquisite symmetry, his beard is thick and suitable to the hair of his head, reaching a little below his chin and parted in the middle like a fork. His eyes are bright, clear and serene. He rebukes with majesty, counsels with persuasive tongue; his whole address, whether in word or deed, being elegant, grave, and strictly characteristic of so exalted a being. No man has ever seen him laugh, but the whole world has beheld him weep, and so persuasive are his tears, that the multitude can not withhold their joining with him. He is very modest, temperate and wise. In short, whatever this phenomenon may be in the end, he seems to present a man of excellent beauty and divine perfection, every way surpassing the children of men."

A COLORED WOMAN GRADUALLY TURNING WHITE.

A physiological phenomenon that is puzzling the doctors, has recently been discovered in Cincinnati, by one of the district physicians. It is nothing less than a colored woman turning white. Luella Smith, aged 30 years, who is living at 60 Gano alley, is not a mulatto. She is as black as your hat in the face, but her body is gradually beginning to turn as white as any Caucasian. This changing process began about five years ago, and now her body is fully two-fifths white; on her breast there is a white spot about eight inches long and six inches wide. Her limbs, too, present the same singular appearance, and if the change keeps on she will in a few years be as white as any body. At present she is being treated for consumption. The only white spots about her face are directly behind either ear and inside the ears. The doctors call this transformation "absorption of pigment," but whatever it is, it is extraordinary, and will merit a good deal of attention from the medical profession.

Mr. A. W. Gifford, well known in Kansas as "Giff," is now sole proprietor of the Houston (Texas) Sun, having bought on his partner, Mr. W. L. Winter, who assumes editorial control of the Fort Scott (Kansas) Daily Monitor. Both of these gentlemen are puny writers, and they will make their respective papers quite lively.

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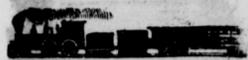
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Great bargains in boots and shoes at Tuttle's. We want wheat, corn, potatoes, etc., on subscription. Whenever you want to get bargains go to Caldwell & Co's. The Russell Record, a very lively paper, has entered its fifth volume. Mr. A. Z. Scribner has our thanks for a large piece of venison. Prices reduced on gloves and mittens and gents underwear at Tuttle's. Caldwell & Co. keep the best of goods, and are selling them at bottom prices. Ralph Denn has found hog prices and put them on his stock of goods throughout. We want money, and with our subscribers would call and settle their little bills. How would the COURANT do as a New Year's present to your friend back East? Mr. William Flood, lately from Indiana, died at Elm Lake, Dec. 23, 1878, of lung fever. Mr. Geholt Balm, the tailor, has moved from this building into the bakery building, on Main street. The President of the Bazaar Murphy Club is getting blind. There is a white spot growing in his eye. It has snowed nearly every morning for the past week, there being quite a storm last Saturday morning. Mr. B. F. Talkington had a fine mare killed by a railroad train Wednesday; the mare was valued at \$100. The weather has been exceedingly cold all this week, the thermometer going down below zero nearly every night. The dedication of the Catholic church at Florence did not take place last Sunday; it will, however, take place next Sunday. All parties indebted to the undersigned will please to call and settle their accounts, and avoid further costs. H. B. WEED. Married, by Nathan Stout, Esquire, December 14, 1878, near the residence of the bride's father, David A. Stout to Miss Flora Bond. Mr. Hazleton, of Youngstown, Ohio, now stopping with O. O. Pratt, killed a large buck, on South Fork, last week. He will locate in this county and enter the stock business. We will club the American Agriculturist, price \$1.50 per annum, with the COURANT for \$3.00 a year. This is a good opportunity to get two good papers for a little more than the cost of one. Messrs. A. Z. Scribner and E. A. Maynard started up two wolves, last Saturday, near Mr. Maynard's, and, after a long chase, the hounds caught one of them, which was larger than any of the hounds. We will take pigs, potatoes or other farm products, or even calves in payment of subscription. This will give some of our subscribers, who are anxious to pay up, a chance to square their accounts. I you see a cross (X) on your paper, don't get cross, but take it for granted your subscription is out or about out, and call at the Captain's quarters and ask him how it is, and if he needs any money. All parties having trail hounds are invited to meet in this city, at 9 o'clock, next Monday morning, to go to Mr. Maynard's, on Spring creek, to take a hunt for the two large wolves that prowl around in that neighborhood. Let, from the premises of A. J. Crutchfield, on Buck creek, one grey hound dog pup and one black shepherd dog pup, each about six months old. Any information leading to their recovery will be thankfully received and liberally rewarded. Mr. H. Harris' house, at Cottonwood, came very near being destroyed by fire, Monday. A bedstead upstairs caught fire, and was destroyed, but before any further damage was done it was covered, and that piece of furniture was trown out of the window. Last Tuesday, Messrs. A. Z. Scribner, Geo. W. Hays and Wm. Nickey went deer hunting up on South Fork. While in the woods between South Fork and Sharp's creek, a buck, weighing about one hundred pounds, ran almost against Mr. Hays, who leveled his gun and shot it through the heart. As this is the first deer Mr. Hays has ever killed he feels somewhat proud over it. Before another issue of the COURANT will have greeted our readers the year 1878, with its sad memories and pleasant recollections, will have been numbered among the things that were, and the new born year 1879 will have been enthroned ruler of the day; therefore, it is but fitting that we should wish each and every one of our readers "A Happy New Year," which we do from the bottom of our heart. The Rev. S. D. Storres, General Superintendent of the Congregational Missionary Society of the State of Kansas, will preach in Cottonwood Falls, on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 28, at 2:30 o'clock; also, on Sunday morning, the 29th, at 11 o'clock; after which the sacrament will be administered. All members of the church are requested to be present. E. COOLEY. The A., T. & S. F. railroad having assumed control of the Denver and Rio Grande railway, as we have before stated, is now prepared to do business to and from Denver, Colorado Springs, Canon City, Alamosa, El Moro, and other Colorado points on that line. For Southern Colorado and New Mexico traffic, this road has from the East an unbroken line of standard gauge, as well as a narrow-gauge line from Denver and Northern point. There was a Christmas tree at the Methodist church in this city, on Christmas eve night. The church was beautifully decorated with emblems, mottoes, etc., in evergreens. In front of the pulpit was an arch made of evergreens, at the top of which was a transparency containing the letters I. H. S., which stand for Jesus (Jesus) Hominum Salvator—Jesus the Savior of Men. The exercises consisted of singing and select reading and the distribution of gifts. Owing to a misunderstanding, there was not a general turn out of the people, they thinking it was only for the Sunday-school, when in reality no one was to be excluded from it. My success is owing to liberality in advertising.—Bonner. The road to fortune is through printer's ink.—P. T. Barnum. Success depends upon a liberal patronage of printing offices.—John Jacob Astor. Frequent and constant advertising brought me all I have.—A. T. Stewart. My son, deal with a man who advertises. You will never lose by it.—Ben. Franklin. How can the world know a man has a good thing unless he advertises the possession of it?—Vanderbilt. It is to be hoped that our merchants will turn over a new leaf for next year, with advertise written at the top of it, so that the farmers of the county may know they are truly interested in the growth and prosperity of the county seat, so that the farmers, instead of going elsewhere to deal, will come to this place for that purpose, and thus help them in building up the town. There are so many locals in the Chase county papers just exact alike that we are set wondering whether both have the same local editor, or do they steal from each other? how is it gentlemen? but that one about neutralizing Chinamen we think is original.—Emporia Greenbacker. The Leader is out on Thursday, and it all hands are in working condition, a refresh of the Leader locals appears in our Democratic contemporary the next day. If the full force is not on, they appear the week after. The "neutralizing Chinamen" was the Democratic original while waiting for the Leader.—Chase County Leader, Dec 19. We have been informed by Judge

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S. P. Young that Mr. Wm. Rockwood's homestead claim has been re-established at Washington.—COURANT, Nov. 22. S. P. Young has notice that the Commissioner of the General Land Office has decided in favor of Wm. Rockwood in his homestead contest with the Santa Fe R. R. Co.—Leader, Dec. 19. Any paper that will wait for a month to cough the same item of news in different language and then dish it up to its readers as "live matter," ought not to twit another paper for being a day, or even a week, behind in giving the news. That "neutralizing Chinamen" was clipped from a R.-publican daily, and set up, the error not being noticed in the proof.

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