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"How to the Line, Let the Chips Fall Where They May."

The mail changed time, so that now it departs from here both ways, south and north, at 6 o'clock a. m.; and arrives at 6 p. m. from the north; and from the south at 9 o'clock p. m.

We are in receipt of a paper styled the Rising Sun, edited by G. R. South. The sheet is very small but teems with good sense, wit and humor, published at Monroe, Wis.

Zephyr worsted, all colors; at Keller's city Drug store.

The News takes as much pleasure in the election of A. P. Dixon, as though he had been on the straight ticket. Linn says "Mr. Dixon will make a good officer."

Mrs. C. B. Ingham, who has been on a visit to Carroll county, Iowa, is in town waiting till the roads are broken, so that she can go on home to Firesteel, on the Jim river.

BENEDICT is selling goods cheaper than ever, for CASH OR WHEAT.

Judge Leeper slaughtered ten dogs on Friday. An epicurean mathematician estimates 500 pounds of sausages out of this lot of cauldrons.—P. & D.

Messrs. Forest and Ed. Rowley are the gentlemen managers of F. M. Rowley's branch store at Lincoln Center.

The best hand picked GREEN APPLES, at Fred Barrow's, Lower Canton.

Linn did not support the straight ticket; he had not time for he has a run of business that the outside world knows nothing of. Don't enquire.

Haraldson & Behlmer, had a lively day on Saturday last. Business good and a good place for business; as they want it understood that they sell at bedrock prices.

Isn't that "Goddess of Liberty" Lamp a perfect beauty. Call and see them at Coulter's Drug Store.

We call attention to the Prairie fire laws in the News. We misread them for a few numbers last fall but they look real natural again.

Dedicated to the News Editor: Twenty times or more I have tried to reform, and as often pledged have I given, I would be the most disappointed mortal yet alive. If it should ever get to heaven.

Notice.—Parties knowing themselves indebted to R. Johnston on account, will please call and settle. My accounts must be settled within ten days as I am going away.

The News says, "Sheriff South will retire to his summer residence near Edon." So? Would not the News editor be happy to have a summer residence to retire to? Wonder how he found so much.

Jas. Stimpson and family started the first of the week for Indiana where he has gone to live. He will stop a short time at Chicago, in the philosophical rooms of S. S. Jones, to investigate spiritualism a little.

FRED BARROW'S is the place where you can get COATS, SUITERS, and BUILDING PAPER, for the LOWEST CASH PRICES.

JOE A. INGHAM, who has been stopping over at LaVerne for some time past, has returned to Lower Canton. His smiling "phiz" looks as natural as ever as knocks around the Dixon House, whistling the same old tune. Wonder if he will have occasion to go up to Niobrara this winter?

J. S. BENEDICT announces to the people, that for the next 30 days he will sell goods at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

FRANK JOHNSON, who has been away several weeks visiting friends in Minnesota and Iowa, returned home on Friday evening last just in time to join the party at the Johnson House the same evening.—Frank looks as though he had been well kept.

Jake Williams' house caught fire on Tuesday, while they eating dinner and their notice were called to the fact by passers by, the alarm soon spread throughout town but to no purpose. All done their best but nothing was saved of value. This leaves Jake in bad shape for winter.

"It is said that the Canton News has died of starvation. Another and example for newspaper men, as well as the creditors of the said m. The Canton Advocate is also very weak, but there is hope of its becoming convalescent, with tender care.

The above we clip from the Sioux Falls Postgraph. As to the News, but little loss is felt, and none mourn its departure here will ever remain an enigma.

As to the ADVOCATE, it still moves on in the even tenor of its way; and when the Pantagraph has been subjected to one half of the annoyances brought about by party men, who were bound to have it suppressed, first, by breaking into the office at night, then trying to foreclose on a liquidated mortgage and other devices, it will be buried beyond the possibility of resurrection.

Last Sunday afternoon, Mr. Tillman Muesbach and wife went away on a short visit to their neighbors and of course left a fire in the stove; but it was a sorry visit for them, for when they came home about 10 o'clock in the evening, they found their home and everything that was in it, all in ashes. Not a thing was saved, and they are left almost destitute, without a home, and nothing to wear except what they had on. It is a sad fate for Mr. Muesbach; he came here about five years ago with comparatively nothing, located himself on a

nomestead, and has made a noble effort to live and get something together; and now to have this great drawback befall him, just at this time of the year, at the beginning of winter, and in especially in such hard times, certainly is very discouraging.

Guilty of murder.—That is the plea of the Younger brothers, made when arraigned in Court at Fairbank.

Judge Lord, in passing the sentence, addressed the prisoners as follows.

It becomes my duty to pass sentence upon you. I have no words of comfort for you or desire to reproach or deride you.—While the law leaves you life, all its pleasures, all its hopes, all its joys are gone out from you, and all that is left is the empty shell. I sentence you, Thomas Coleman Younger, to be confined in the State prison at hard labor to the end of your natural life; and you, James Younger, that you be confined in the State prison at hard labor to the end of your natural life; and you, Robert Younger, that you be confined in the State prison to the end of your natural life.

Notice. All persons knowing themselves indebted to Dr. M. M. Clark are requested to call at his office in Beloit, Ia. and settle without further delay. Friends let us know how we stand. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Notice to School Officers. The proper officers of the several school districts in this county are respectfully requested to make report of the tax levied in their respective districts before Dec. 10th next. (See Chapter 40, Sec. 30, Laws of 1874-5. Also, please give a complete list of all parties living in or obliged to pay taxes on personal property to said districts so as to enable me to enter it correctly on the tax list.

County Clerk's Office. Canton D. T. Nov. 29th, 1876. Respectfully, THOMAS J. THONSTAD.

What Requires to make a Town Prosperous. The prosperity of any town or city depends directly upon its business men; by their energy, enterprise, industry and perseverance to make their location more desirable than others. Look, if you please, at Chicago, when the town plat was laid out, it was located in one of the most miserable, sickly sloughs in the Northwest; a more unfavorable place could not have been selected. To-day it out-rides in wealth its more naturally situated neighbors.

This was brought about because they were not afraid to invest their money in an enterprise that had any prospect of future profit, no difference how remote, they contributed freely; and in less time than they expected, they have realized more than could have anticipated. It holds good in every particular; but how will it be on the other hand if all set still and say, "I don't think this or that enterprise will ever do me any good; everybody knows we have got a town here; everybody knows I sell goods as cheap as anybody, and they will come; and buy anyway." But is a mistaken idea; the more life and competition you have in your town, just in proportion to the earnestness you exercise, just so much you will infuse in your surroundings; and men on the business outlook will judge you from the amount of interest you feel in yourselves. And if you have a live, energetic town, you will invite competition and other enterprises and you will attract to your country and town men of means to engage in agricultural and other pursuits. But on the other hand if you wait for the advancing footsteps of time to force you along, you will always be behind, and other towns will spring up beside you and take from you what you would not reach for in time.

You soon advertise your own want of faith to assist any and every enterprise that in future may be beneficial to you, and by so doing, you drive a desirable immigration to more unfavorable places, but they have the required element for future prosperity.

Notwithstanding the infamous frauds perpetrated, terrorism exercised, and the unparalleled efforts of the rebels of the south, it now seems clear that Rutherford B. Hayes has been legally elected President of the United States. Whether he will receive the electoral vote is yet to be determined; but that he has been elected and is entitled to the vote, or majority of the vote the electoral college is unquestionably the fact. It is a remarkable coincidence that after the lapse of thirty years, Louisiana is once more the theatre of operations to which all eyes turn for the answer as to who is elected. Thirty years ago Henry Clay was literally robbed of the Presidency through the combination of the very elements now at work in a similar conspiracy in New York and Louisiana. God grant no similar result will occur in the present instance, for to one who is jealous of the institution of freedom, of speech, of thought and action; and who holds these as cardinal tenets of their political faith the present apparent result is more than glorious, for the election of Tilden would be anything but for the good of the nation.—It would have placed in power and as a ruling element those States which had been in rebellion and whose leaders were spared by the generosity of the Republicans. The country would have been added with a man whose sympathies have always been with the disloyal people of the south and north. That one whose political life was ignominious, whose associations were evil, and whose footsteps were always traced in company with men whose reputations were

covered with obloquy, and who resisted every measure of freedom—every measure that would have been for the public's good. Should he be placed at the head of this great and powerful nation, was really a fearful picture. But thanks to the party of freedom, of honor, of justice and of intelligence, it has pronounced with no uncertain sound against such a man, and the party that has long been the great stumbling block to the country's advancement has received its death blow, has been stink into oblivion so deep that the bubbles will not rise above it. We can but rejoice at the death of a party that was the rampant apostle of slavery, reeking upon the vitals of the country, seeking to recover the control of a country it once sought to destroy, sectional in its claims; reckless in its ways, blind to the benign influence of freedom that this fair land inherited from the Fathers. A party that sought in its dying effort to virtually establish cruel brutality and eternal slavery upon all who would not bend the knee to the faded imbecile, impoverished aristocracy of a by-gone day.—Yes! we rejoice at its defeat not to a spirit of revenge, although we have snuffed their powder and been forced to eat their prison fare but we are glad that this triumph will give us national advancement, will give us peace, will give us property, will modify all discordant elements, and unite the best men in a course of action that will restore our well nigh lost position as the greatest nation of the civilized world.

How the Great Reform Party bring about Reform. Of which we have a forcible example in the 6th district of Georgia. This district comprises 10 counties and when the State was divided into districts, it was conceded by the democrats that that district was and always would be sure of a republican member to Congress. And how this has been prevented at the recent election, has been pretty thoroughly ventilated by some of the leading journals. In this district there is 100,000 blacks and 30,000 whites; in 1872 Grant received 21,000 and Greeley 3,900 votes; and in the late election the democrats return a democratic majority.

Now let us examine for a moment the two aspirants for office in the district mentioned and see whether this change could be brought about by the popularity of democratic nominee. Mr. Lynch, the republican nominee, is a colored gentleman and man of great ability and is looked upon as such in his own State as the exponent of the colored men's rights, and is a great favorite with his people. While his democratic opponent, Mr. Chalmers, of Fort Pillow massacre notoriety and was one of Forrest's principal officers. All who have read the report of the investigating committee have been appalled at its terrible recital, that such a deed should be committed on American soil by Americans claiming intelligence of a high order; and influential leaders of the Southern cause. The report of the committee, and there is no authority better than this, for this committee was composed of both political parties; and their report has passed into history and become a part of it, and will ever stand uncontradicted, a disgrace to its pages, a disgrace to its perpetrators, and a disgrace to the party that had the power to punish the perpetrators of such a crime against civilization, and is enough to drive every honest man from a party that is composed of one half of such inhuman despoilers. The history of this tragedy under consideration, is simply this: Four hundred Union soldiers were shot down after their surrender, without any arms in their hands. Over 300 of these were blacks; soldiers, citizens, women and young children suffered the same fate. Children were made to stand up and face their mothers while these democrats shot them down. Wounded men that were not able to stand up, were held up and shot to death; and women suffered the like fate. The hospitals were set on fire and those who were not able to drag themselves out were burned to death; and those who escaped the flames only to meet the saber or the musket. One man was nailed down to the hospital floor and the tent set on fire; his charred remains bore witness of his tragic death. While other parties were nailed up to the outside of the buildings and the buildings fired; six human beings perished in this way at the hands of democrats, and these facts are matters of history and no electioneering sensations. And these men are leading members of the democratic party; the great reformers that are willing to sacrifice every black man in the South, that reform may be brought about. God save this country from the hands of murderers and assassins, the recitals of which is enough to make us deny our own nationality; deny that we are Americans, and have no interest in the inheritance bequeathed to us by our martyred ancestors.

Be it remembered that Mr. Chalmers one of the actors in this slaughter, was one of Forrest's principal officers; and now claims he has received a majority of the votes of the colored people; a man who has been proven the murderer of their fathers, mothers, husbands, wives, sons and daughters; and this over one of the most popular colored men in the South. It is too monstrous absurd to be thrust into the face of an intelligent people. No, sir! there is nothing fraud upon its face; and upon these returns you want to run the machine that ten years ago you said could not be run; but since you found that it could be run without your assistance, you insist on doing the work alone. Who knows better how to run a machine, than the ones who made it.

CHATTEL MORTGAGE SALES. BY VIRTUE of a Chattel Mortgage made and executed by O. H. Durkin to J. L. Johnson and filed on Pages 24, 25, 26, on the 26th day of Feb., 1876 in Book D of Mortgages; and duly assigned by J. L. Johnson and Melissa Johnson his wife to Madison Ford of the city of Yankton, Yankton county for a valuable consideration on the 6th day of May, 1876 and assigned to J. L. Johnson for a valuable consideration and whereas said mortgage was executed to secure the payment of a certain note, dated Feb. 6th, 1876, due 3 months from date, for \$100.00 and whereas default has been made in the conditions of said mortgage, I have taken into my possession one One light Huddle cow 4 years old which I will offer for sale to the highest cash bidder, on the 30th day of December, 1876, at one o'clock p. m. at the Johnson House barn in the village of Canton, Lincoln county D. T. Dated November 28th, 1876. J. L. JOHNSON, Mortgagee.

BY VIRTUE of a chattel Mortgage made and executed by M. C. Zink, to James Henselbohm and filed for record Jan. 31, A. D. 1876, and whereas default has been made in the condition of said mortgage, I have taken possession of the following described property to-wit: One brown mare, supposed to be about twelve years old; one wagon, Cooper box; one pair separate trunks; one cow, three years old, color brown.—Which I will offer for sale to the highest cash bidder on the 30th day of December, 1876, at one o'clock p. m. of said day at the front door of the "Wigwam," in Canton, Lincoln Co., D. T. to satisfy the demands of the said James Henselbohm, amounting to One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars, and interest thereon. Dated Nov. 28th, 1876. JAMES HENSELBOHM, Mortgagee. By J. A. CARPENTER, Agent.

YOUNG MEN. Bayler Great Mercantile College, Keokuk, Iowa, on the Mississippi, Nineteenth year. About sixty dollars pay all expenses, for Membership, Board and Stationery. Book keepers, Penmen, Reporters, Operators, Architects, Surveyors and Teachers thoroughly fitted. Railroad fare returned. Good Situations, No vacations. Don't fail to address Prof. Miller Keokuk, Iowa.

2000 Bushels of the best wheat wanted for which cash will be paid by F. Barrow, Lower Canton.

Post-Office Store. BEN. KENNEDY. Wishes to inform the public that he has opened up a new stock in the Post-office building, consisting of

Books, STATIONERY, STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES.

In the Book line can be found a full line of the best books in Lincoln Co., D. T., and Lyon Co., Iowa. Also BLANK BOOKS.

PASS BOOKS, DIARIES, PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS, POCKET LEDGER, &c.

In the grocery line will be found a large stock of everything kept in a first-class grocery store. Fresh fruit, choice meats, and all the delicacies of the season at reasonable prices. Being confident that I can make it to the interest of the people and gain for myself a share of the public patronage.

Great Reduction in Prices. Having bought my full stock of lumber at lower prices than ever before, I am now offering the same prices that defy competition. Have also greatly reduced prices on Doors, Windows, Blinds, Building Paper, &c.

M. W. SHEAPE, Jr. Elk Point, August, 1876.

The Centennial 4th Has Passed, But T. W. HOOD. Has a large stock of Dry Goods and Groceries, which he must get rid of some way.

Dry Goods. Consists of CALICOS, DRESS GOODS, GRASS CLOTH, LINENS, SHEETINGS, &c.

Groceries. Consists of SUGARS, TEAS, SYRUP, COFFEE, DRIED FRUIT, Spices of all kinds.

MILLINERY GOODS. To sell cheap. Please Call and Examine Goods and Prices.

T. W. HOOD. Adee & Laning's old stand, Lower Canton. Cash or Trade Paid for Grain.

O. A. RUDOLPH, Shelf and Heavy HARDWARE.

Tinware, STOVES & NAILS, Iron, Farming Hand Tools, PUMPS, GLASS AND PUTTY.

Guns, Revolvers, Etc. Gunsmithing. REPAIRING NEATLY DONE.

HARALDSON & BEHLMER. Dry Goods, GROCERIES.

Ladies' Dress Goods, HATS AND CAPS.

Boots and Shoes, TABLE CUTLERY.

BEATTY'S Piano and Parlor Organ. Containing the elements of music, with easy and progressive exercises to perfect the player in the art of music.

BEATTY'S PARLOR ORGANS. The best and most lasting parlor organ now in use. No other parlor organ has ever attained the same popularity.

ONE PROFIT TO THE CUSTOMERS. And at the same time give better grades than ever before.

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ADVERTISING RATES.

Table with 3 columns: Duration (1 week, 1 month, 3 months, 6 months, 1 year), Rate per line, and Total cost.

Legal advertisements inserted at legal rates. All advertising accounts settled monthly.

Correspondence. Correspondence selected from all parts of the country, on any matters pertaining to local news.

JOB PRINTING. Orders for all kinds of Job Printing promptly attended to, quickly filled, and satisfaction guaranteed.

Business Cards. MARK W. BAILEY, O. S. GIFFORD, BAILEY & GIFFORD, Attorneys & Counselors at Law, CANTON, D. T.

J. W. CARTER, Attorney and Counselor at Law, CANTON, D. T.

F. J. MURRAY, F. A. KEPP, MURRAY & KEPP, ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW, AND COLLECTING AGENTS, Beloit, Lyon County, Iowa.

H. SOUTMARD, M. D., Physician & Surgeon, Canton, Lincoln Co., D. T. CONSULTATION FREE.

NEW LUMBER YARD, PORTLANDVILLE, IOWA. Will keep constantly on hand a complete stock of pine lumber, which I will sell at Sioux City prices.

PLYMOUTH HOTEL, PORTLANDVILLE, IOWA. The best of accommodations for men and families.

WM. M. CUPPET, Real Estate and Abstract Office. Will pay taxes for non-residents. Office at the Court House, Canton, D. T.

H. B. DONALDSON, County Treasurer, CANTON, D. T. Real Estate and tax paying business promptly attended to. Office at Court House.

M. M. CLARK, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, —AND— U. S. Examining Surgeon for Pensions, BELOIT, IOWA.

JOHNSON HOUSE, CANTON, D. T. Passengers on Howard's Stage Line between Sioux Falls and Portlandville give much can get breakfast, and those going north can get supper at this House.

THORE J. THONSTAD, Ex-Officio County Clerk, and REGISTER OF DEEDS, CANTON, LINCOLN CO., D. T. Will pay taxes for non-residents, and furnish abstracts of title at reasonable rates.

RICHARD JOHNSTON'S Meat Market. All kinds of fresh and salt meats and everything in the butcher's line always in stock. Shop of Main St., Canton, D. T.

BAKERY AND RESTAURANT W. H. ROBINSON. Keeps on hand and for sale for cash a large stock of bread, pies, cakes, crackers, corn oysters, canned peaches, &c.; also a full line of confectionery, ice cream, cigars, oranges, lemons, &c. Warm meals at all hours. In connection with the above he has a First-Class Barber Shop.

NEW BILLIARD HALL, Restaurant & Refreshment Room, BRIDGE STREET, LOWER CANTON, where a good luncheon with the best Dubuque ale and St. Paul beer may be had at all hours, at the lowest prices.

M. L. SYVERUD, WATCHMAKER & JEWELER, and Dealer in Clocks, Jewelry, &c., at Gilbert's Store, Canton, D. T.

PHOENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. All kinds of work in my line attended to promptly, and on short notice.

PHOENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. CAPITAL \$500,000.00. CASH SURPLUS \$1,202,806.83.

JOHN FALDE, Agent. Canton, D. T.

Illinois Central R. R. Shortest Route to Chicago.

Without Change of Car. Commencing Dec. 6th, 1876.

A daily express passenger train will leave Sioux City, Sunday excepted, on arrival of train from Yankton. Leave for Chicago at 3:40 p. m.

Passengers leaving Chicago, bound west, at 9:20 p. m. via the Illinois Central railroad, will arrive at Sioux City the next day at 4:30 a. m.

An accommodation train will leave Sioux City daily except Saturdays at 8:30 p. m., commencing with through passenger train at Fort Dodge. Passengers leaving Chicago at 9:20 p. m., arrive at Sioux City at 7:00 a. m.

Trains going east connect at Chicago with all trains for Detroit, Cleveland, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, New York, Boston and all parts of the East.

This train connects at Waterloo with trains on the Cedar Falls and Minnesota Branch, leaving Waterloo at 12:20 a. m., and arriving at Iowa at 8:30 a. m., connecting with the Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad train, and arriving at 1:40 p. m. at St. Paul and Minneapolis at 8:30 p. m.

Connections are made at Freeport with trains on the Illinois Central road, leaving Freeport at 9:41 p. m., arriving at Galena at 4:44 p. m., Freeport, 8:00 p. m., Burlington at 7:50 p. m., Rock Island at 9:30 p. m., Quincy at 9:30 p. m., St. Louis at 7:15 a. m., and Cairo at 4:15 a. m. Connecting at Cairo with trains for Memphis, Nashville, Vicksburg, Mobile, New Orleans and all parts of the South.

Connections are made at Freeport with trains on the Union train, leaving Freeport at 1:20 p. m. and arriving at Hesse at 4:25 p. m., and Milwaukee at 7:25 p. m.

Connections are also made at Dubuque to St. Louis, Cairo and all points south. Baggage Checked Through. To all important points. For through tickets and information apply at the Illinois Central depot. Trains run by Dubuque time, which is twenty minutes faster than Sioux City.