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TO OUR PATRONS.

As was seen by Mr. Walker's "Good Bye" in last week's paper, THE REGISTER has changed hands. In taking charge of the paper the new firm ask of its former patrons a continuation of their support.

THE REGISTER—VOLUME IX.

With the year, 1875 THE REGISTER enters upon its ninth volume. It has undergone many changes, both in name and proprietors, during the eight years it has been published.

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"A smile for those who love And a tear for those who hate." bidding adieu to Iola and the paper he had established.

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Louis Walker & Co. took charge of the REGISTER the first of January, 1872. For the past three years, with Mr. Walker as editor, the paper has been published by the above firm. With the close of the year 1874, comes another change, Mr. Walker retiring, and Messrs. Allison & Perkins taking charge of the paper.

The new firm take charge of the paper at a time when everything is rather discouraging; business is dull throughout the country—even where the crops were good—and here where they were so near a failure it is doubly so; everybody is economizing, and newspapers usually feel its effects most, being looked upon as a luxury rather than a necessity; but by hard work and close attention to business they expect to get their paper through the hard times all right and then reap the benefits of the "good time" that is coming.

Without making many promises as to what they will do,—simply promising to do their best,—and wishing their patrons all a "Happy New Year," the new firm enter upon their duties as publishers, hoping that the year 1875 may be one of plenty, peace, prosperity and happiness.

The condition of affairs in Louisiana continues to be one of the leading topics in official circles at Washington.

The Legislature of Virginia took a recess of three days during the holidays, and resolved on a suspension of pay during the time. The Reformers undoubtedly have a majority in that Legislature.

In urging a return to specie payment one of our exchanges says, "the only way to effect redemption is to resume." If that's all, it had as well be done one time as another.

THE Salt Lake Tribune thus comments upon Brigham Young's poor health: "Age and disease, aggravated by the reflections of an ill-spent life, have notified this old bad man that his hands have run their course of wickedness."

LIEUT. GEN. SHERIDAN has been assigned to duty at New Orleans. If there is to be any fighting done, he is the right man to send; but if the situation calls for a statesman as well as a general, we think he is not the man.

THE bill for the relief of homestead and pre-emption settlers whose crops were destroyed by grasshoppers has passed both Houses of Congress and been signed by the President. It makes it lawful for the settlers on these lands to be absent until July 1875.

An emigrant ship was burned at sea on the 17th of last November, off the Cape of Good Hope. An English ship picked up three of the crew, the Second mate and two seamen, who had been ten days in an open boat. It is feared the remainder of those on the vessel, four hundred and sixty-five in number, have all perished.

GEORGE SMITH died on the 23rd of December at New York, where he had gone to spend the holidays with his friends. He was one of the good and noble of the earth,—a true philanthropist. Among his last acts was a gift of \$1,000 to the sufferers from the grasshoppers in Kansas and Nebraska.

THE report of John Francis as State Treasurer is favorably commented upon by the press throughout the State as being full and satisfactory, furnishing information never before given to the people. During the time Mr. Francis has had charge of this office it is said that no orders on the State Treasurer have ever been endorsed "not paid for want of funds."

THE recent decision of the Supreme Court of Indiana excluding negroes from the common schools is severely criticized by the Republican papers throughout the country. It is to be hoped that the question will be early passed upon by the Supreme Court of the United States, as it is one of national interest. As the negroes are exercising the right of suffrage their education is a necessity.

A RECENT census of the Delaware Indians now in the Nation shows that the tribe, all told, numbers 758. When they moved to the Nation five years ago they numbered 985. At this rate of decrease this tribe will soon be among the things that were. If it could be shown that the "peace policy" is the cause of this decrease it would be more popular than it is with the people on the frontier.

"Ox to Galveston" is the cry up the Missouri valley. Omaha, Council Bluffs, Nebraska City and other places have appointed prominent business men as delegates to visit Galveston with the view of making the Gulf the market for the great West. May the time soon come when Galveston and Houston will not only be our chief market, but our port of entry and export.

THE "coming man" for State Printer is not yet known. The only charges that we know of having been substantiated against George Martin, (the present State Printer), is his having given State patronage to Democrats. The cost to the State for printing during the past two years has been larger than it should be in hard times, but this is doubtless the fault of the Legislature and not the State Printer.

AT the close of his recent lecture in Buffalo N. Y., Senator Schurz was honored with a banquet, and in a brief speech he said that "one of the disadvantages he labored under in public life was the habit of telling the truth, but he should continue in the habit whether in or out of office." The Legislature of Missouri would do an honor to themselves and their State by ignoring parties and re-electing Carl Schurz to the U. S. Senate.

KANSAS is ahead in the business of materialized spirits. Since Katie King of Philadelphia is no more a Father King from the land of Spirits puts in his appearance at a farm house near LaCygne. In answer to the question "Who are you?" Father King replied, "I am a man who once lived on this earth about 21,000 years ago." He said he had no name, but in the spirit land they sometimes called him Father King. England has a Katie and a John King, but they are mere infants in the world of spirits when compared with Father King of our State.

THE Parsons Sun is of the opinion that the bill for the relief of settlers in the western part of our State, which allows them absence from their claims until July 1875 will be of little if any benefit to them and quite an injury to the State. It says that the great majority of those who leave their claims will never return, and that others who would take this land and help develop the State will be kept from doing so until the expiration of the time of this leave of absence. "We believe there is a good deal of truth in this. Special legislation, either State or National, for the relief of temporary embarrassment will in the end do more harm than good. It gets the people in the habit of looking to the Legislature and Congress for relief in all financial troubles instead of depending on their own industry, thrift and economy.

MATERIALIZED SPIRITS.

At the scenes held by Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, at Philadelphia, a most notable feature has been the appearance of the materialized spirit of Katie King.

Such eminent men as Dr. Child and Robert Dale Owen were led to believe that these manifestations were genuine, and gave their testimony to that effect. It was claimed by spiritualists that the fact had been proven that it is possible for spirits to materialize themselves. But recent investigations have shown that Katie King was "material" beyond a doubt, and her pretending to be a materialized spirit was all a humbug.

Hence Robert Dale Owen has the following card to the public: "Circumstantial evidence, which I have just obtained, induces me to withdraw the assurance which I have heretofore given of my confidence in the genuine character of certain manifestations presented last summer, in my presence, through Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Holmes. ROBERT DALE OWEN. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 6, 1874."

THE NEW FINANCE BILL.

We publish below the finance bill which has recently passed the Senate and is now before the House of Representatives. If this bill will in any way restore confidence between our business men and capitalists, by all means let us have it. There is money enough in the country if it can only be got in circulation.

Be it enacted, &c., that the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and required, as rapidly as practicable, to cause to be coined at the mints of the United States, silver coins at the denomination of ten, twenty-five and fifty cents, of standard value, and to issue them in redemption of an equal number and amount of fractional currency of similar denomination; or at his discretion, he may issue such coins through the mints, sub-treasuries, public depositories, and postoffices of the United States, and upon such issue he is hereby authorized and required to redeem an equal amount of such fractional currency until the whole amount of currency outstanding shall be redeemed.

SEC. 2. That so much of section 3, 524 of the Revised Statutes of the United States as provided for a charge of one-fifth of one percentum for converting standard gold bullion into coin is hereby repealed, and hereafter no charge shall be made for that service.

SEC. 3. That section 5,777 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, limiting the aggregate amount of the circulating notes of the national banking associations, be and is hereby repealed, and each existing banking association may increase its circulating notes in accordance with the existing law, without respect to said aggregate limit, and new banking associations may be organized in accordance with the existing law, without respect to such aggregate limit, and the provisions of the law for the withdrawing and redistribution of national currency among the several States and territories, be and is hereby repealed, and whenever and so often as circulating notes shall be issued to any banking association, so increasing its capital or circulating notes, or so newly organized as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to redeem the legal tender United States notes in excess of \$300,000,000 to the amount of eighty per centum of the sum of national bank notes so issued, and to continue such redemption as such circulating notes are issued until there shall be outstanding the sum of \$300,000,000 of such legal tender United States and no more. And on and after the 1st day of January A. D. 1875, the Secretary of the Treasury shall redeem in coin the United States legal tender notes then outstanding on their presentation for redemption at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States, in the City of New York, in sums of not less than \$50. And to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to prepare and provide for the redemption in this act, authorized or required, he is authorized to use any surplus revenues from time to time in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and to issue and dispose of at not less than par in coin either of the description of bonds of the United States described in the act of Congress approved July 14, 1870, entitled "An act to authorize the refunding of the national debt," with like qualities, privileges, and exemptions to the extent necessary to carry this act into effect, and to use the proceeds thereof for the purpose aforesaid.

And all provisions of law inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

STATE NEWS.

The land office, at Hiays City, will be open about the 1st.

Atchison has had an incendiary fire. \$2,500 is the loss.

The Paola Spirit says Miami county needs no aid.

The Coffey county taxes are coming in faster this year than last.

The Kansas colony of Mennonites number about 3,000 people.

The city of Wichita is urged to buy a steam fire engine costing \$15,000.

Boston sends \$5,500 to the destitute in the Western counties of Kansas.

The prisoners at the State penitentiary were given a grand Christmas dinner.

The Plaindealer says no one is authorized to solicit aid for Anderson county.

The stages have been taken off the route between Wichita and Winfield.

Beavers are at work near the mouth of the Walnut, trying to make a dam.

It is claimed that silver has been discovered in large quantities in Cowley county.

Fort Scott had a fire last Monday. Loss, \$25,000; insurance for about one-half that amount.

Trask, of Oswego, has been an editor for two weeks and they have begun stealing coal from him.

Mr. Chapman, a soldier of the war of 1812, died on Monday night at his residence north of Paola.

The treasurer of the Kansas Central Relief fund has received over \$11,000 from various sources.

The Miami Republican says the Falls River railroad company is in danger of becoming bankrupt.

Reno, Rice, McPherson, Barton and Stafford counties are said to contain 1,667 destitute people.

There are 29,850 grangers in the State.

Twenty-five thousand cattle are being wintered in Sedgewick and adjoining counties.

The N. Y. Tribune has received \$4,155.90 for the sufferers of Kansas and Nebraska.

Southbridge, Mass. had a furious fire last Sunday. Loss \$45,000, mostly insured.

Strontium has been discovered on the line of the Narrow Gauge, near Grasshopper Falls.

An establishment for the manufacture of gride-tones is about to be started in Butler county.

It is estimated that 3,000 Mennonites reside in Harvey, McPherson and Marion counties.

The Chicago Zinc Works, on the Neutral Lands, turn out four tons of that metal per day.

An Emporia committee has raised \$270 and invested it in coal for Harvey and Reno counties.

Louis Melius, formerly of the Lawrence Tribune, is now on the editorial corps of the St. Louis Dispatch.

The Mennonites paid out the other day \$11,000 to parties who have been building houses for them.

About \$70,000 has been expended in improvement at the State Penitentiary during the past year.

Two more car loads of Mennonites arrived at Newton, last week. No more are expected this winter.

A milk-man, named Brown, fell through a trap-door, in Lawrence a few days ago. He is now as weak as his milk.

The Grasshopper says that a twenty-two inch vein of coal has been found, six miles from Grasshopper Falls, on the farm of Dr. Bailey.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad company, after a few alterations, expects to make a fair depot out of the Chicago Exposition buildings.

The convicts in the Massachusetts State prison are allowed to attend school if they desire so to do. The teachers are also convicts.

Two young fools recently fought a duel with shot guns in Woodson county. Both were so badly frightened that neither were hit.

Frank Root, of the Holton Express, Wilkinson, of the Seneca Courier, and Marsh, Murdock, of the Wichita Eagle, have been recently made postmasters of their respective towns.

The Grand Master of the Kansas Odd Fellows has issued a circular to all the lodges of the State, requesting subscription for the relief of families of destitute Odd Fellows on the frontier.

The finding of the jury in the libel case of Anthony, of the Leavenworth Times, vs. Judge Le Compte, is severely criticized by the press of the State. The defendant was found guilty and a judgment to pay a fine of \$500; he appealed to the Supreme Court.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

A new sect has sprung up in Ohio calling themselves "Eternalists."

A man who can neither read nor write is in jail at Troy, charged with forgery.

Generals Sherman and Sheridan want the army increased from 25,000 to 40,000 men.

The debt of Chicago is \$80 to the inhabitant; that of New York City \$156—of Paris \$200.

The shipment of bullion from Utah during the past year is estimated at \$7,000,000.

According to the annual report of the Librarian of Congress, the number of copyright entries during the last year were 16,253.

The Oregon Legislature has passed a law which provides that a person losing money at gaming shall have the right to recover twice the amount of his loss.

The Chicago Post and Mail is publishing a series of articles from Prof. Van Vleet exposing the fallacies of Spiritualism. The Professor is doing away with the ghosts of Chicago.

Capt. General Concha has issued orders to the officers commanding the Spanish troops, to act leniently toward captured or surrendered insurgents, but to execute all incendiaries and filibusters that may be taken.

Senator Morton has given notice that he will call up his resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States on the first day after the holiday season. There ought to be a full attendance at that time, and speedy concurrence in the resolution. The amendment provides, it will be remembered, for a change in the manner of selecting President and Vice-President.

The Commissioner on Indian Affairs received an urgent petition from Red Cloud to be allowed to go to Washington with forty Sioux adherents and settle up troubles about the Black Hills reservation, and hunting on the Platte river, etc., but Commissioner Smith replied that on account of the want of funds to pay the expenses, there would be no negotiations, and their proposition must therefore be declined.

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SOMETHING ABOUT GOING EAST.

The shortest possible route between the Great West and the East, North and South, is over the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern Short Line. This route has gained surprising importance by reason of immense expenditures in the last two years, of over two millions dollars, besides earnings, in improvements of roadway, in relaying their line with best quality of new steel and iron rails, on broad new ties, and by substituting for ordinary cars, new reclining chair coaches, elegantly equipped and fitted, with dressing rooms with toilet conveniences for ladies, gentlemen and families traveling with children, without any extra charge. This line runs six fast Express trains between St. Louis, Mo., and Kansas City, Mo., two more than any other road, and connects with the great through lines East, West, North and South. It is remarkably free from accidents by reason of adopting every modern appliance for day watches, who inspect the road before and after the passage of each train to see that everything is secure. We recommend these coaches for a trip East to take the St. Louis, Kansas City & Northern Short Line, either through St. Louis, the great metropolis of over 400,000 inhabitants, or through Chicago, via the Chicago & Alton Short Line, over the Louisiana Bridge, now open for the passage of through trains. Ticket Agents of connecting roads selling through tickets to the East, North or South, will furnish tickets by this excellent line. For maps, circulars, time cards and information relative to rates, &c., apply to or address Lymon McCarty, Kansas City, Mo., or F. B. Great, St. Louis, Mo.

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF KANSAS, COUNTY OF ALLEN. In the District Court 7th Judicial District sitting in and for Allen county, Kansas. C. H. Pratt, plaintiff, vs. The Humboldt, Fort Scott and Western Railroad Company, defendant.

BY VIRTUE of an execution to me directed, and issued out of the 7th Judicial District Court, in and for Allen county, State of Kansas, in the above entitled case, for the sum of \$100.00, I have caused the following described tract of land, to wit: Twenty acres belonging to C. H. Pratt in the north-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section 36, town 26, range 18, Allen county, Kansas, to be sold and the proceeds to be applied to and to be sold to satisfy said execution.

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