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The Northwest will after this be published in St. Paul. It has done much toward building up this country and we welcome its advent to a point closer to its field of operations. The last issue contains a handsome cut of the mammoth hot springs in Yellowstone Park.

The Chicago Tribune gives an anxious public the weighty views of Eli Perkins on the question of who is to be the nominee of the Republican party for president. Eli is for Blaine. Now if The Tribune will only consult Geo. Francis Train and Private Dalsell and J. N. Free and the ghost of Emperor Norton, the matter may be settled in advance of the convention.

Some years ago when Gen. Schenck, then a member of the house of representatives of a bill before the house, it was amended till he was compelled to vote against it himself, and in his last speech on it he said the epitaph on its tombstone would be "Nibbled to death by plagues." Mr. Morrison, of Illinois, may say of his short-lived bantling, "Beheaded by the congressional guillotine."

The case at Miles City against Black Wolf and followers for burning Zook and Alderson's ranch has ended in the acquittal of Black Wolf and the conviction of four of his followers, who pleaded guilty and were sentenced to five years each. It will be remembered that all this trouble arose from the foolishness of a man named Telford, who plowed a furrow in Black Wolf's scalp while shooting through his hat. It seems too bad that the only guilty one has not been found and that the Indians are the only ones to suffer.

"Little Red Riding Hood," the Allard correspondent of The Glendive Times, needs to brush up his (?) zoology a little. Three Mrs. Partingtons in one sentence is a little too bad. He (?) speaks of the "invertebrate" order and family insecta. Insecta are a class, not a family, and all insecta are articulated, not invertebrates as is doubtless meant by "invertebrate." If L. R. H. means "family insectivora" she-beg pardon—he is again wrong as all insectivora are mammals and hence vertebrates and not "invertebrates." Future zoological lessons will be charged full rates.

Twenty years ago a person who advocated cremation was almost considered a criminal. Ten years ago he was considered a crank or monomaniac of the first water. Within the last five years, however, there has been a great change in opinion concerning cremation. Thinking men everywhere are joining the ranks of cremationists and in the very near future we look for legislation on the subject, requiring the incineration at least of persons dying from contagious diseases. Experience has amply demonstrated that the most fruitful source of contagion, especially in the south, is directly owing to the germs arising from infected bodies. How long shall the living suffer because of the foolish prejudice against cremation? It is time the law stepped in and protected its living citizens. In this part of the country where we are not crowded for room and where there are no contagious diseases to speak of cremation is not so much of a necessity. In the crowded cities, however, the living are constantly surrounding and overriding the homes of the dead. That this leads to the spread of any contagious disease whose victim may be buried there is now beyond all doubt. Here, then, is where the reform should begin and where it doubtless will very soon. Every country in Europe now has legalized cremation and any legislation passed in this country can find plenty of foreign precedents. We are heartily in favor of the movement which has lately received a fresh impetus and our columns will be always open to communications on the subject.

As an illustration of downright ignorance Dickinson justice carries the banner. As a display of legal learning it is a pitiable farce. That any man or set of men must be governed by the law as interpreted by Dickinson methods is a burning shame. To an outsider it might seem better in a case of this kind to particularize, but we will save that till some future time, merely stating the fact of which every one having legal dealings at Dickinson is cognizant, that the most of the expounders of the law there are so ignorant of the rules, that even if they erred wilfully they do not know enough to cover up their tracks. We might be satisfied to let the dead bury its dead in Stark county, but that Billings county should be under the judicial jurisdiction of such a mass of ignorance is more than we can bear with equanimity. It is time we roused from our lethargy and demanded a county organization so that we can decide our own cases here. We cannot possibly be in a worse condition and any change will be for the better. We are much stronger and wealthier and better able in every way to support a county organization than is Stark county. The time is coming, and we hope very soon, when we will have an efficient county organization in Billings county. As long as The Cow Boy is published we can promise our readers that no such ignorance can gain power in Billings as now holds the reins in Stark. Dakota has again and again been disgraced by a corrupt county organization and as far as Billings county is concerned this will cease. We are bound to have a county organization and to have a good one.

STOCK NOTES.
Stock trains continue to pass over the N. P. in rapid succession. Large numbers for the Bad Lands have been unloaded at Keith.

Towers & Guggell of the OX ranch, will soon drive in 5,000 head of cattle. They were all taken from their home ranch in Nebraska and will be fattened in the Bad Lands.

Reports from Southern Utah say that over half the cattle on the ranges are dead from starvation and exposure because of such deep snows during the winter. [Pioneer-Press.]

A branding machine has been invented by which the work has been considerably lightened. The animal is driven into a machine and suspended in such a way as to render struggling impossible. It is thought that it will come into general use.

Gregor Lang returned from St. Paul Tuesday evening. To-day or to-morrow about six hundred cattle will arrive for him and as many more will soon follow. These will be added to his present herd on the Neimmiela ranch, situated about fifty miles up the river.

That any of our stock men should put in scrub bulls on the score of economy is past all understanding. A moment's thought should convince any one that a graded bull pays for itself every year in the increased value of his progeny. In four or five years the herd will be twice as valuable as it would be if scrub stock were used.

The increase of the cattle family of Colorado from the calf crop and from importations from abroad, will be quite half a million the present year. Twenty years ago big fat oxen sold in the streets of Denver for forty and fifty dollars a pair. To-day the beef brutes that would have gone fifty dollars in those early times, would bring hard on to a hundred and fifty. [Denver Journal of Commerce.]

M. Wadsworth is in town awaiting the arrival of a thousand head of cattle, coming from Minnesota. L. B. Wadsworth, who owns the reversed L herd, is with them. These cattle will be added to the herd at present on the home ranch. Mr. Wadsworth reports that out of the herd of sixteen hundred head only twenty-five have died, hardly enough for natural loss. Not an animal died on account of the cold although a number of them were pilgrims.

If competition gives life to any enterprise it certainly does to breeding and raising horses, says The National Stockman. The man who is afraid to go into this business simply because there are others at it in his community, certainly does not look at the matter in the right light. The greater the number in any community the better it will be for each one thus engaged and the best thing a man can do who is breeding any kind of horses is to persuade his neighbors, if he can, to join him in his work.

On the 17th inst., the committee appointed by the Wyoming Stock Growers' association to go to Washington to advocate the passage of the pleuro-pneumonia bill, invited the stock men and commission merchants of Chicago to meet them at the Grand Pacific Hotel. The committee men then argued to convince them that the bill was essential for the absolute protection of the immense stock interests of the west, pointed out to them that every stock association had passed resolutions urging its passage, and appealed to the commission men to withdraw their opposition. According to favorable reports of the conference, no favorable progress was made and the committee went on to Washington. [New Mexico Stock Grower.]

The cattle men of the Shonkin range sent a force of eight or ten men a few days ago to drive the cattle out of Arrow creek country this way, where the grass is better, and they have just completed the task. Tom Martin, who superintended the work, reports that a great majority of the cattle are in fine condition, and a large number of young calves are already to be seen, with every prospect of an unusually prolific crop of calves. They have ridden all over the country frequented by the cattle during the winter and found only twenty-five dead animals, which is less than one per cent of the whole. This is scarcely the loss expected in summer by casualties, etc., so that the loss on the Shonkin range this winter on account of the severe weather has hardly been anything. [Benton River Press.]

The enormous cattle possibilities of New Mexico have been known for a long time throughout the west, and Colorado capital has taken hold of an immense stock enterprise in that section of the country. Grant and Socorro counties contain within their limits some fine ranges which are unoccupied, part of these lands lying in the Black Range and the Mogollon mountains and running across the border into Old Mexico. For the last several months a representative of a Denver syndicate, whose name need not at present be mentioned, has been down in this country buying land and taking it up under the desert land act, until the company has obtained 85,000 acres of range in Old Mexico and 180,000 in Socorro and Grant counties. These ranges are said to be well watered and grassed. The company, which has been waiting for the report of its agent, has not yet formally organized, but will do so shortly as the White Oaks Cattle Co., and the capital stock will probably be placed at \$8,000,000. The present intention is to place 25,000 head of Texas cattle on the ranges as soon after the organization as they can be driven in. [Tex.]

A company has been formed for the purpose of stocking a ranch in Dakota with pure bred cattle and good mares. The latter will be mated with Percheron stallions. All the cattle on the ranch will be purebred. The profits from such a venture will no doubt be very large, as the company will be able to sell the increase of its herds for \$150 to \$500 each, as soon as the calves can be taken from their dams, or at least at a very early age, where they would have to wait three years for a market for ordinary heaves at \$30 to \$45 each. The cost of raising the pure bred stock will be but little more than that of scrubs and, even if this should be made double the cost of the scrub, the profit would be enormous, says a contemporary. [Kansas City L. S. Indicator.]

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SPORTING NOTES.

The Illinois and Indiana duck hunters are in clover.

Girofle has become blind in one eye since going to England.

Several English bicyclists will visit the United States this season to engage in contests.

Bicyclists all over the United States will test the legality of different laws prohibiting the use of highways to them.

The weather is always so poor in Chicago during April that hereafter the preliminary base-ball practice will be done further south.

The six-days go-as-you-please match at New York ended with two scores, the best on record. Fitzgerald made 610 miles and Rowell 602. Poor Ed was badly left.

Sloosan and Schaefer are said to be making higher averages in their preliminary play for their coming billiard contest than have ever been made before. Betting is slightly in favor of Schaefer.

The base-ball season is now in full blast. Championship games between the nine of all the leagues and associations are taking place daily. It is impossible, as yet, to name with any certainty the positions of the nine, but we will keep our readers posted.

Harriman, the man who passed through here on his walk from Duluth to San Francisco, has made a blooming set of chumps of the reporters who have interviewed him. Among other things, he claims to be the champion six-days pedestrian and also the only man who has defeated O'Leary. We don't know whether or wonder more at Harriman's nerve or the gullibility of the reporters. Harriman has no best on record of any kind for any distance. He is a fair walker, but knew he stood no show in the recent Madison square six-days' contest and showed his good sense by keeping out. The further density of the reporters is shown by the fact or their not knowing that in a contest like the one alluded to, every man who stays out cannot style himself champion until he defeats the victor. The worst statement, though, is that Harriman is the only man who has defeated Dan O'Leary. Will some of these aforementioned reporters rise up and name a single race in which O'Leary has been successful the last five years? In all Dan's numerous contests for this time he has found none so poor but they have done him up to the queen's taste. We can't blame Harriman much, however, for taking advantage of the tenderfoot reporter's gullibility.

DICKINSON NOTES.

DICKINSON, Dak., May 7, 1884.
Harriman, the walkist, upon his yarn for the boys Monday evening. Coming so close upon the heels of Fitzgerald's wonderful work, it elicited more interest than was perhaps justified. Although a fair heel-and-toe walker, Harriman is off color as a pedestrian, having no record that we remember.

Six car-loads of young stock were unloaded here last week. They belong to Mr. Crosby, a LaCrosse lawyer, who is going to make an experiment on the Killdeer ranges.

Quite a little breeze was caused in some circles here by the report that Mr. Messersmith had brought in a specimen of quarts from the Killdeer mountains which shows good color as gold-bearing rock. It is said that parties have already departed for the neighborhood with a design to see what there is in the country of that nature. Meantime Mr. Messersmith continues the even tenor of his way and is not excited by his find.

Mrs. Messersmith and her daughters left for St. Paul last week where the young ladies are to remain in school for some time.

Considerable interest was manifested in the trials here Monday and Tuesday. Little Missouri indulges in more litigation than many larger places.

There remains little or no seedling to be done in this vicinity and the early sowing is up and looking finely.

We notice that a few parties are setting out trees. This is a practice that should be much commended. In ground deeply cultivated young trees will do well, provided there is some other crop sown with them that will closely shade the ground. Parties living in town ought to plant trees on their lots, as they can counteract the drought by a liberal use of the force pump.

Quite a large lot of freight has been sent to the Hills during the past week. Messrs. Seaman & Davis will start in a day or two with another outfit.

ANTHROPOL.