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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1874.

Important Announcement.

We have completed an arrangement with the Publishers of the ST. PAUL PRESS, the leading paper of the Northwest, whereby we are enabled to furnish the WORTHINGTON ADVANCE, and the PRESS, postpaid, after January 1, 1875, for the low price of THREE Dollars per year.—This will enable our readers to secure two papers at but little more than the price of one.

EVERYBODY should at once avail themselves of this very liberal offer. Come forward all and subscribe.

On the first day of the session of Congress, Mr. Hitchcock introduced a bill in the Senate appropriating \$100,000 for the relief of the grasshopper sufferers on the western frontier. The bill also directs the issue of disused army clothing to supply the extreme wants of sufferers. This is well enough, as far as it goes, but it is not half enough. It will take much more than that amount to relieve the Minnesota sufferers alone, and we are well off compared with poor Kansas and Nebraska.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

We give, on our first page, the President's Message, read to Congress on Monday. The President reaffirms the position taken in his veto of the currency bill and desires a speedy return to specie payment. He is tired of using the power of the General Government to keep the rebels of the South in order, and also of endeavoring to enforce civil service reform.—But we sincerely hope he will fight it out on this line if it takes all the rest of his term. It is always unpleasant to do an unpleasant duty, but it is sure to yield the peaceable fruits of a good conscience and ultimately of an approving public sentiment.

ANOTHER MASSACRE.

Accounts come of another massacre of colored men in the South. The whole affair seems to have been admirably planned so as to get the negroes out and make them appear to be the aggressors. Then they were fallen upon and some sixty were massacred, while but one Ku Klux devil bit the dust. It is almost enough to make one lose faith in the justice of Heaven to see how the poor negro is given over to the knife and the pistol of the bloody Ku Klux assassins.—The South is furnishing one of the bloodiest pictures in the book of Time.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

A correspondent of the Minneapolis Tribune, writing from Hastings, says: If our early settlers and town proprietors had taken as much interest in an early day in securing the location of educational institutions as they now express for the location of some kind of manufacturing establishments, our city would have been far more advanced in population and wealth than it now is.

This is sensible talk. They should have done manufactures and not have left educational institutions undone. And this is just what the founders of the National Colony have aimed at from the first. We must have good educational institutions at all hazards, and have them as a means of promoting our material interests, if for no higher reason. But there are infinitely higher considerations which have been the main inducement in all the efforts of this people to secure good educational facilities. Worthington may be made the educational centre for a number of counties in this garden spot of the west, and the Worthington Seminary, as the initial institution of learning, ought to have the prayers and the best efforts of the community for its speedy revival and its establishment upon a permanent basis.

OUR NARROW GAUGE RAILROAD.

The Estherville Vindicator says: The Worthington Advance is working up a narrow-gauge railroad from Worthington to the coal fields at Ft. Dodge. No use, Mr. man, you will probably get your coal, as at present, or via of Window and the Valley of the Des Moines.

We have no objection whatever to a narrow-gauge railroad up the Des Moines Valley connecting with the Sioux City & St. Paul road at Window or any other convenient point. Nor do we see that, if built, it need interfere with a narrow-gauge road from Worthington to Fort Dodge.—Both roads are undoubtedly needed, and would be paying investments.—If the people along the proposed lines can do their share toward the construction, we have no doubt that capital can be enlisted to iron and stock the roads.

The Window Reporter, alluding to the subject, says:

One of the best routes for a narrow-gauge railroad in the West is from Fort Dodge, Iowa, via Jackson, Window and Lake Shetek to the Winona & St. Peter railroad. The object of such a route is very manifest. The whole of Southwestern Minnesota is a vast treeless prairie, now rapidly

settling up, and is dependent on the Big Woods for fuel, which in a few years must exhaust its supply. At Fort Dodge we reach the nearest coal mines in Iowa, and a railroad extending from there over the route suggested, would prove of inestimable benefit to the country. Cheap fuel is essential to the rapid development of this country, and the cheapness with which a narrow-gauge railroad can be built, equipped and operated, render the construction of such roads an immediate necessity in the West, as not only a means for cheapening transportation, but supplying communities with rapid communication where a broad gauge road could not be profitably built. We see no reason why a narrow-gauge road over the proposed route could not become a paying investment soon after its completion, in the moving of fuel alone, to which would necessarily be added a large transfer of merchandise.

All the Reporter says of the proposed Des Moines Valley road, of course, applies with equal force to our proposed narrow-gauge. The feasibility of these roads is beyond question, and there can be no doubt of the immense benefit which regions like our own will derive from their construction.

We are glad to see such a ready response from our exchanges. And the columns of the ADVANCE are open to suggestions upon this subject, and we hope that practical men will avail themselves of the opportunity and give their views.

THE NATIONAL COLONY.

Mr. A. M. Gibbons, who has been traveling over the West the past season, and who visited this section last Summer, writes us from Peoria, Illinois, under date of November 16th, that there is no portion of the West so inviting as this. He says:

I desire to say, after visiting most of the new country of the West, that there is none so inviting, taking all things into consideration, as your section of the State of Minnesota. Its fertility cannot be surpassed. Then its healthful and invigorating climate is another attraction. There is no doubt, but that it will settle up at once. The grasshopper, about which so much complaint is now made, is only a temporary objection, and their presence and influence will soon pass away and be forgotten.

SUFFERING IN NEBRASKA.

A correspondent of the Toledo Commercial writes as follows from Lincoln, Nebraska, concerning the suffering in that State:

During my journey I met Professor J. M. McKenzie, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who was on his return from a visit to the Republican Valley. His story of the condition of the settlers was most pitiful. In one instance a man had come 20 miles to get food and clothing for his wife and children from the supplies shipped there from Omaha. It was a long journey for the hungry, naked man and for his half-starved brutes; but when he arrived and found nothing left, he sat down in despair and cried like a child. Professor McKenzie met there Colonel Dudley, who was in search of facts; they visited the homes of the destitute together, when facts sad enough told them that already there had been death from starvation; that mothers and children in many instances had not sufficient clothing to hide their nakedness; that their horses and mules are too weak to carry them away, had they sufficient clothing to protect them from the severe winter weather already set in; and that, unless food and clothing shall soon go to them, starvation will count its victims by the thousands.

Whatever is to be done, should be quickly done. Chicago, a great city, with wealth enough to take care of its poor in the hour of trial, speedily and grandly succored. That was good. Nebraska, unable to help itself—Shall it perish?

CONTRIBUTIONS EXPRESSED FREE.

Chas. M. Fargo, Superintendent of the American Express Company, sends the following to the Chicago Evening Journal:

Referring to the appeal in behalf of the grasshopper sufferers in Nobles county, Minn., in your last evening's edition, the American Express Company will transport free of charge, contributions of bedding, clothing and food, delivered at their office, 72, 74 and 76 Monroe street addressed to I. P. Durfee, Chairman Board of County Commissioners, Worthington, Nobles county, Minn.

We are shocked to learn that Dr. H. H. Kimball has been considerably ruined by the Hennepin County Medical Society for permitting his name to be mentioned in a complimentary manner by the Minneapolis newspapers. He has been very skillful in surgery and those omnipresent and omni-tattling newspapers said so, whereas the members of the Medical Society who were not complimented flew into a passion and reprimanded him. We hope the Doctor has manliness enough to hurl the reprimand back into their teeth and stand upon his own merits. It is high time that in this age of newspapers and progress this old-fogy, dark-age "professional" foolishness were abandoned. The Hennepin County Medical Society would probably be a more appropriate name for this organization.

The beautiful weather continues.

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August 15, 1874.—493m.

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