

The St. Louis court of appeals has rendered a decision to the effect that the statute of limitations does not apply to back taxes.

During the session of Congress just terminated, 727 bills and 46 joint resolutions were introduced in the Senate, and 2,395 bills and 119 joint resolutions in the House.

John A. Hunter, of Missouri, was appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Utah, by the President on Tuesday last, and confirmed the same day by the Senate. Now who is John A. Hunter?

The spinners at Fall River, Mass. are on a strike for higher wages. The result is, the mills are closed and destitution will be the next cry. Let the strikers all come west and grow up with the country.

The neighborhood of Wathena, Kansas, was visited by a water spout on Tuesday last. No person was drowned as far as heard from, but great damage was done the growing crop of corn and the wheat in the fields.

CONGRESS adjourned on Tuesday evening last. It provides for all branches of the government except U. S. Marshals, who will have to work without pay until the deadlock is broken between Congress and the President.

The United States Treasurer has \$352,000,000 locked up out of circulation, yet he let the debt increase during the month of June \$24,788. Some of this large amount of money should be put in circulation.

Whoop! The duty on Quinine has been removed, and hereafter Powers & Weightman's monopoly will not control the price, but it will be sold in the market for what it is worth. This is a substantial victory for the West and South where the drug is largely used.

A Jefferson City correspondent of the Sedalia Democrat says an effort is being made to build a railroad from Columbia through Fayette to connect with the Burlington and Southwestern railroad at Laclede. If this is done the latter road will be built from Laclede to Kansas City up through this section. So look out for its location. Richmond should be made a point on the road by all means.

Chas. L. Hart, who was a clerk at Bullene, Moore & Emery's store, in Kansas City, with his wife were accidentally poisoned last week, from the effects of which they both died. They had been in the habit of using bone-set tea, for breakfast, gathering the green leaves at night for that purpose. The night before the poisoning, Mrs. Hart went out as usual to get the bone-set to make tea for breakfast, but by mistake gathered juniper leaves, which are poisonous. These leaves she prepared in the usual way, and the tea was liberally partaken of by both at breakfast, next morning. The poison began to show its effects immediately, and the best medical talent of the city tried all day to counteract its effects, but without success.

The Platte City Landmark gives a long account of the killing of Dr. Spencer, a dentist of that place, by a young farmer named Willey Stallard. The main facts were mentioned in a paragraph in this paper last week, and they do not differ from the account in the Landmark. Spencer was killed because he attempted to drug and outrage Stallard's wife while she was in his office getting some teeth filled. If these facts are fully established on a judicial investigation, the sentiment of the public will be that Spencer ought to have been killed, and a jury will decide the same way. A man who will attempt to take such an advantage of a virtuous female, is a dangerous element in any community, and should be summary removed regardless of the teachings of Puritanic Philanthropy which has found a lodging with some of our people.

St. Joseph Gazette: One of the guns of the Ohio greenbackers was spiked in one of the central counties last week. Their platform emits a wall over the lack of employment and the number of unemployed in that region, while a no railroad there could secure but twenty men for its work within ten days after advertising for two hundred laborers. As President Garfield, of the Little Kille Club would say, "Does like dar's a great moral lesson lyin' around loose head some whar."

Turner, of the Carrollton Record is the slipperiest eel in the Radical slough. His main fort is in making charges and assertions of what Democrats have done, regardless of the truth, and in traducing the very people who have supported him for years. Just now, his principle hobby is the late Missouri Legislature, which he is pleased to term the "Late Lamented" and which he charges was a failure, yet he has no evidence of the fact because the revision of the statutes and the acts passed by that Legislature have not been published, and he cannot be posted as to how much or how little they accomplished, but it must be recollected that as a general rule the republican editors rather avoid telling the truth but endeavor to make capital by wild statements and assertions in regard to matters not fully developed. Deceit would suggest to a fair minded man to wait until the revision accomplished by the late Legislature was published to the world before he criticized the work. That the late Legislature failed to repeal some laws now in existence, that in our judgement should be repealed, and that they failed to pass some laws that we thought should have been passed we admit, but that is no reason why they did not do honest, good work, and men who want to act fair and do right will wait until the acts are published before they condemn this Legislature as a failure. Of course it don't suit the partisan purposes of radical editors to wait, and we expect them to fire at random all summer.

We want to say to our brother of the Richmond Democrat, that we abhor the late lamented Legislature from any willful design to do the State any harm or any power or willingness to do it any good. It wasn't knavery that afflicted the late lamented, it was imbecility.—Carrollton Record.

Last fall the editor of the Record was strong in his advocacy of a man by the name of Ballew to represent Carroll county. He represented Ballew to be a man of brains, (so to speak,) but if Ballew said anything, or did anything, after he got to Jefferson City, but vote and draw his pay, we are not aware of it. The editor of the Record should not go back on his pet, while he is "absolving the late lamented Legislature."

There is a curious old custom kept up in the United States Senate chamber. On each side of the Vice-President's seat are fastened two old snuff boxes, which are kept filled by the attendants. They are the result of a custom inaugurated almost at the foundation of the government, when snuff-taking was a universal habit. Thorman is the only Senator who makes a habit of using snuff, but sometimes a Senator will stop and take an occasional pinch, while the many visitors to the chamber take a little out of curiosity. At first the box was kept on the Vice-President's desk, but in those days so many of the Senators used the article, and so frequently forgot to bring their boxes with them, that it was resolved to place two public receptacles for it, and in the annual expenses of the Senate is always found the item of snuff.

Macou County Home Press: Senator Vest had a tilt with Blaine, Conkling, Ingalls and Windom, in the Senate and did himself and Missouri credit. He developed the fact that he possessed the faculty of ready off-hand debate, which is attempted by only a few men of the U. S. Senate. We are satisfied that Missouri will never regret the election of Geo. G. Vest to the Senate.

THE best antidote to socialism, communism and other tear-downisms is the returning prosperity all over the country.—Theories springing from discontent must become obsolete when the causes of dissatisfaction are removed.

K. C. Times: Gloomy reports reach us from Wyandotte county Kansas, concerning the injury to the wheat crop from the recent rains. The wheat has sprouted and is still too wet for harvesting, the water standing eight inches, or more, along the lowlands. Farmers estimate a loss of 25 per cent. The corn, on the other hand, looks magnificent, and an unprecedented crop is expected in Wyandotte and the adjoining counties.

SENATOR VEST'S resolution relative to the reorganization of silver has been referred to the finance committee. The vote upon the motion to refer it stood 23 to 22, Bayard, Kernan, Eaton and Whyte voting with the Republicans.

THE foolish man trusteth all to chance and provideth not against contingencies; but the wise man taketh his own sugar and lemon to the temperance picnic.

BLAIN was born in Pennsylvania, and is 49 years old. He used to teach school in Kentucky. He did not get his manners or his politics there, however.

Mr. W. Woolfolk, residing south of this place, is in possession of a remarkable curiosity in the way of a chicken. The chick is about six weeks old, and is possessed of four perfect legs, two on each side, the extra legs being capable of motion the same as the natural legs. In order to accommodate the extra pair of legs the body of the fowl is much longer than usual. It has the full use of both pair of legs, and uses them either together or two at a time, at will. Should it grow up, its scratching capacity will be equal to a double harrow.—Centralia Guard.

Mr. R. M. Paleifer, of the Boston Herald, quotes the statement that the people of the United States pay \$700,000,000 a year for spirituous and fermented liquors, and only \$95,000,000, for education, and \$48,000,000 for religion. "I had no idea we were such a thirsty people," he says "but I have heard a good deal of virtuous indignation expressed because church property is exempted from taxation, and some of the States have come very near ruining themselves with expensive public schools. Supposing we should all swear off for three years and wipe out the public debt."—Exchange.

The efficacy of co-operation is well illustrated in the following incident: "In 1818 thirteen men gathered together, thirteen prayers were said, and \$13 subscribed for the establishment of a place of learning for Baptists. To-day Madison University, at Clinton, N. Y., owns all its buildings and 160 acres of land in a beautiful part of the country. It has a fine library, no debts and more than \$400,000 drawing interest."

K. C. Times: Three thousand European immigrants arrived in New York last week, mainly from England, Ireland and Germany. The industrial distress in England, tenantry oppression in Ireland and political disturbances in Germany, have lately stimulated the movement toward free and prosperous America, and there is no estimating the extent of the foreign exodus during the present season.

St. Joseph Gazette: Eugene Field takes a malicious delight in prodding some of the stalwarts of Northwest Missouri. This is his last: Henry S. Kelly, Gov. Bob Wilson's clerk in the late State Senate, is considered a pretty good Republican. He got \$500 for his services as clerk of Governor Bob's committee. We presume he continued to draw his pay as judge of the Twenty-ninth circuit. He will help boost Bob into the gubernatorial chair in 1880. Bob is exceedingly liberal when it comes down to politics.

ONE of the bills the Republicans in the house are "fillibustering" against is the bill to prevent federal officials, claimants and contractors from contributing money for political purposes. The Republicans do not like it, although it is in the direction of that reform of the civil service which Mr. Hayes so pretentiously avowed at the beginning of his administration. It makes it unlawful for any officer, clerk or employee of the government, to pay money to any committee for political purposes under heavy penalties. The secret of Republican opposition to the measure is that it would cut off the source from which they have long been accustomed to draw their supplies of electioneering money—assessments on the 85,000 federal office holders and the army of claimants and contractors who depend on the favor of the department heads. The Republicans have been so long accustomed to use money as a factor in elections, that they would be at a loss without it. They need it in Ohio and California this fall, and they will need it still more in more important elections of next year. The Democrats in Congress are in favor of the bill and the public would gladly see it passed, as a means of purifying our politics, but the Republicans are resolved it shall not be passed if filibustering and roll-calls can prevent it.—Republican.

In 1871, General Frank Blair was insulted by Conkling accusing him of supporting a bill through corrupt motives. On hearing the charge, Blair half rose from his seat, nodded his head to Conkling and sat down again without speaking, but immediately indited a note to the New York Senator in which he demanded a full and complete retraction of the offensive observations both orally in public and in writing. The note Blair dispatched by Senator Bayard, who was sitting near him. Conkling at once responded, wrote out the required disavowal, and following up the letter of Blair's demand, immediately afterwards formally apologized for both his language and the charge in the presence of several Senators.—St. Joseph Gazette.

Mrs. Lavanche Vanbeber, the wife of Burel Vanbeber, living seven miles west of Maysville, committed suicide Wednesday morning by shooting herself through the heart. The deceased was but 18 years of age, and had been married less than a year. From the evidence taken before the Coroner's jury, it would seem that the rash act was committed because her husband would not buy her a pair of shoes just on the day she wanted them.

Orrick Items. From Norborne Independent. In giving the report of Orrick this week, we have no hesitancy in saying that the business prospect is flattering for this year. The farmers are nearly all in the harvest field, with a hope of a better market for their wheat than they will be apt to realize. Owing to the late rains, some fields are too muddy to run a reaper; hence some have to undergo the trial of their muscles, with a cudgel on the foggy principle—with a gradie. We are afraid that if the Astronomer's theory be true about the four principal planets coming in conjunction during the next four or five years, the heat wave will be so great that the next harvest or two will be slim. It would be bad if the planet Jupiter should come so close as to spoil our attraction and let us go; however, it would be a quickly way of paying the national debt. The Temperance cause here is prospering. Chas. Hughes, Esq., of Richmond, was here on the 22d and delivered an excellent lecture. There is going to be a grand temperance picnic in the grove near Richmond on the 4th of July. There will be quite a crowd of people expected. There was another felonious attempt made here on Sunday last, the horse owned by Mr. Smith, (the R. R. Agent) came near being taken out of the stable, when he heard them break open the door. Mr. S. rushed out in time to rouse the burglars. It is expected that Orrick will be improved this fall, by a fine new building; the kind of which we did not learn. We are told that Mr. H. walked a long way Sunday evening last, for a little business; but he thinks it very pretty. The merchants here think business matters a little dull at present, so it is any where we presume.

THE Twenty-ninth General assembly passed a law forbidding the sale of illuminating oils under 150 degrees fire test, but as there was no penalty attached for a violation of the law it has so far been a dead letter, and many merchants have persisted in violating the provisions of the law. The last legislature perfected the law, first, in specifying the exact manner of inspection, so that it shall be uniform through out the State, and next by prescribing a penalty for its violation. As some of our merchants are receiving circulars from merchants in St. Louis stating that they may purchase and sell low grade oils providing the packages are marked "For export," we present the following extracts from the law that they may judge for themselves: "Section 4. None of the oils or fluids specified in section 1, or other substances, which under the test prescribed under section 2, ignite and burn at any temperature less than one hundred and fifty degrees Fahrenheit, shall be offered for sale, sold or used for illuminating purposes within this State. "Sec. 6. If any person sell to any other person whatever, any of said oils or fluids for consumption for illuminating purposes in this State, before having the same inspected as aforesaid, or shall sell any of said oils or fluids for consumption for illuminating purposes within this State, after they have been inspected as aforesaid, and which by said test, will ignite and burn at a less temperature than 150 degrees Fahrenheit, contrary to the provisions of this act, or shall, with intent to deceive or defraud, alter or erase any portion of the inspector's brand or shall use any package having an inspector's brand thereon without having the contents thereof actually inspected, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding \$500, and by imprisonment in the county jail for thirty days." This seems to fully cover the case, and none should now err from ignorance of the law. The sale of low grade oils to families, thereby endangering life and property, is wrong, and should be summarily stopped.—Lexington Intelligencer.

Early Wednesday morning, after the storm had subsided, Mr. Jacob Minch hearing a cry of distress proceeded to the place from whence it came, below his garden fence, and there discovered Mr. Renzleman struggling in the water and almost exhausted, and assisted him out. How he got there no one knows, but left the house where he was stopping in town, during the night and had not returned.—Norborne Independent.

The Precise Position. It is we, we, the Democrats, who have caught you, you, the Republicans, in a trap. We have you committed to Grant and Grantism, a year before your time. We have you committed to the rule of the bayonet. We have you committed to jury test oaths by which your own judges and your own prosecuting attorneys cannot sit upon the juries they instruct and plead. We shall take you on your own issue, and we shall see whether you can consolidate the North upon the ruin of the South, and a scheme to make our Government a military despotism.—Courier Journal.

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Notice of Final Settlement. Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of James Clark, deceased, that we, the undersigned, administrators of said estate, intend to make a final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate Court of Ray county, Missouri, to be holden at the Court House in the city of Richmond, on the second Monday of next July, 1879. A. W. RAINSWAY, CATHARINE CLARK, Administrators.

WEEKLY STOCK SALES. Auction Sales at the well known and popular Livery Stable of McCullion & Quirk, at 1 o'clock on Saturday of each week. Farmers and others are invited to bring in their stock and such other property as they may desire to sell. Rates for services most reasonable. Come right along, gentlemen, we will make you feel happy. McCUSTION & QUIRK.

WASSON & FOWLER, WASSON AND FOWLER DESIRE TO ANNOUNCE THE ARRIVAL OF THEIR SPRING AND SUMMER STOCK (OF) Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Dress Goods, Cassimeres, Cuffs & Coilers, Ladies' Hosiery, Jeans, Duck, Neckties, Cloves, Shawls, Corsets, Bed Ticking, Handkerchiefs, Shirting, Overalls, Oil Cloths, Silk Scarfs, HAMBURG EDGING, INSERTING, ZEPHYRS, NOTIONS. CLOTHING, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, And, in fact, everything usually found in a First-Class Dry Goods House can be found in endless variety, and at prices that cannot fail to please all. We have an unusually large stock of Spring and Summer Clothing, Dry Goods, Notions, Etc., and invite all our old customers, and the public generally, to call and see us. One Door West of Hughes' Bank. Richmond, Missouri.

Missouri has a Democratic majority of 60,000. That is why Missouri is the banner temperance State.

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the RAY CO. SAVINGS BANK.

AT RICHMOND, STATE OF MISSOURI, At the close of business on the 20th day of June, 1879.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Resources include Loans, Deposits, and Real Estate. Liabilities include Capital Stock, Undivided Profits, and Deposits.

STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF RAY, ss. WE, A. W. DONIPHAN, President, and H. C. GARNER, Cashier of said Bank, and each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of our knowledge and belief. A. W. DONIPHAN, President. H. C. GARNER, Cashier.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal hereto affixed, at office in Richmond, Ray Co., Mo., the date last aforesaid. (Commissioned and qualified for a term expiring on the 1st day of Dec., 1880.) D. P. WHITMER, Notary Public.

STRAY NOTICE. Taken up by Richard Harrison, and posted before the undersigned Justice of the Peace, on the 21st day of May, 1879, one Brown Mare, ten years old, 15 hands high, with star in the forehead, with white hairs running down the nose, collar and harness marks, blind in the right eye, rear on left jaw, also scar on right fore leg. Appraised at \$25 by B. J. Harrison and T. J. Harrison, this 10th day of June, 1879. W. J. GENTRY, J. P.

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FARRIS & SON, Don't Fail to Call on FARRIS & SON, Dealers in FAMILY GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, AND Country Produce. WE HAVE MOVED OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF Dry Goods and Groceries! To the Store Room one Door West of the M. E. Church. HOLT & HUGHES, Richmond, June 19th.

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'Superior' 'STANDARD' I. X. L. of national fame, which stands in the front rank of Cook Stoves, is among the large and complete stock he has now on hand, besides many other brands not necessary to mention here. CALL AND SEE FOR YOURSELVES. He is selling at REDUCED PRICES. Will keep constantly on hand a well selected stock of everything in his line. 11-4f GEO. N. M'GEE.

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Grist Grinding of TEN BUSHELS and upwards, on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, for One-Sixth Toll. Thanking the people of Ray county generally for their liberal patronage in the past, we solicit a renewal and continuation of the same, thinking we can give satisfaction to all. JNO. R. HAMACHER & BRO. 7-9-79

NEW DINING HALL AND RESTAURANT. I wish to inform the citizens of Ray county that I have opened out a first-class Restaurant, and would be thankful for a liberal share of the public patronage. HOT MEALS AND LUNCHEONS at all hours of the day or night, for Only 25 Cents. Room UP STAIRS, second floor west of Kiger & Wertz's store, on the fourth side of the Public Square. JNO. A. ZIMMERSCHIED, 15-4f Proprietor.

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