

THE FAIR PLAY.

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Pictures speak a universal language.

He who does not realize the value of exercise need have no hope of development.

A system of sewerage would be a great benefit to the salubrity of the city of Ste. Genevieve.

The present generation will hardly live to see the annexation of Canada to the United States.

The clamors for Judge Fox's resignation have again overtopped the mark with envenomed arrows.

Every enterprising town has a Building Association. Why shouldn't Ste. Genevieve have one?

One Christmas present in a child's stocking is better than ten glasses of beer or whiskey in its father's stomach.

There ought to be a well regulated public library in every city or town that has any pretensions to educational progress.

It is a good sign of the commercial progress of our sister republic, Mexico, that it is developing two new trunk railroads.

Read the advertisement of the Globe-Democrat, the greatest Republican newspaper published outside of New York City.

One of the most singular political phenomena of the present age is the heavily mortgaged State of Illinois voting for high tariff taxation.

To President elect Harrison: Please don't turn all the rascals out, or Chanancy I. Filley will feel lonesome when he enters your Cabinet.

At last, the impossible has been accomplished—a nearly perfect ship has been constructed and worked in the air as easily as a boat in the water.

Our nineteenth century is an age of innovations, and the latest is operative whistling by a lady, named Miss Alice J. Shaw, given at a concert in St. Louis on Thursday of last week.

To our brethren of the Press:—What's the difference between truth and veracity? If there is none, what's the use of such expressions as:—Mr. Blank is a man of truth and veracity?

This is the day of the winter solstice, when Old Sol has reached his most southern point in the heavens, and stands still for a moment preparatory to revisiting our northern hemisphere.

This week we open a nice new subscription book, one of Challen's celebrated patent, on which we intend to enter only the names of subscribers who have paid in advance for the FAIR PLAY.

We have a decided distaste to the title of knights as applied to associations of American citizens. It savors strongly of the aristocratic pretensions that flourish under monarchial governments.

The degeneracy of selecting Presidential candidates for their availability to election, instead of their pre-eminent merits, is one great cause of the gross corruption in modern American politics.

From the frothy nature of his long article in ridicule of Democracy, published in the Perryville Sun, we judge that Mr. Whitedge, of St. Mary, is in the habit of forgetting to blow the foam off his beer.

Prof. N. C. Frederickson, of Chicago, spoke very wisely when he said before the Southern Interstate Immigration convention at Montgomery, Ala., that the attack on European immigration is a mistake, and clinched his opinion with the argument that poor immigrants were turned into prosperous farmers who reclaimed the Northwest.

Mr. John Shaw has taken charge of the Gayoso Democrat, as editor and publisher, and like a sensible man commences his duties by dropping the name of every subscriber in arrears from his books.

It is matter for congratulation to residents along the banks of the Mississippi river that both houses of Congress are seriously considering the question of improving the channel of that most important highway.

We advise Andrew Jackson Gordon, alias "Jim Snooks" of Avon, to quit scribbling for the Herald about "that fellow Flynn," and couch himself to exercising his long shanks and big feet in "fandango hor-downs."

It seems that the Ohio White Cappers are not quite so bad as they are painted, as they only whip habitual drunkards, liars, perjurers and adulterers, and therefore find their chief practice among the bad Republicans of that State.

Our presidents should bear in mind that the power to distribute offices is not granted to Congress by the Constitution of the United States, and that the Constitution was not intended for a door mat to either the Capitol or the White House.

What Ste. Genevieve needs very much is a permanent organization of its business men, a Board of Trade in fact, to meet once a month or oftener, and propose feasible plans for the promotion of its industrial and commercial enterprise.

The American Federation of Labor decided wisely at its convention in St. Louis, last week, that it is proper for it to affiliate with foreign trades unions. The federation's sympathy with foreign labor will increase popular respect for its own worthy cause.

The office of the Perryville Sun possesses the greatest political curiosity to be found in Southeast Missouri—an editorial frog that is equally happy when hopping on Democratic pastures or paddling in Republican ponds. It doesn't mend his ways the Chronicle duck will gobble him up.

Probably it will be looked upon as a proof of their lack of civilization that the Chickasaw Indians impose a fine of \$40 on any one who introduces or sells spirituous liquors in their territory, and a fine of \$5 on any one who is caught carrying a flask of whiskey, whether he intends to sell it or not.

We regret that the FAIR PLAY's limited space will not allow us to republish a very clever editorial contained in the St. Louis Republic, of the 14th inst., on the duty of Congress to appropriate a sufficient sum for the maintenance of a ten-foot low-water channel along the Mississippi from St. Louis to Cairo.

A good deal is said about the evil of the drink habit, but comparatively little about the tobacco habit, which, if not so openly offensive and injurious, is equally fatal to intellectual progress. Homer could never have been produced in a tobacco age, or if he could, he would have Achilles with a pipe in his mouth and Hector smoking a cigar.

It is said that there are five Republican aspirants for the office of Postmaster of Ste. Genevieve. If our citizens are to lose the valuable services of Mr. Cox, the FAIR PLAY recommends that the office be given to George Mayse, but we do not expect that our suggestion will be adopted, as Republicans seldom have any use for a colored man after the election is over.

Despite the Jackson Cash-Book's vigorous criticism of our paragraph objecting to a popular vote for the election of a president, we still hold to our opinion. To introduce the plebiscite, or popular vote, into the United States would not only do away with pivotal states but would be the beginning of the end of all state autonomy, than which no greater evil could befall this glorious Republic.

The Wayne County Journal seconds the FAIR PLAY's motion to organize an editorial association in Southeast Missouri. Any remarks?

Granted, for the sake of argument, that the Republican party freed the negro, is it consonant with the abolition of slavery that the Republican party should hold a chattel mortgage on the negro vote?

As several exchanges have copied our paragraph on the popular vote and the Jackson Cash-Book's reply, perhaps it would be well to have a more extended discussion of the subject. Which of our exchanges will set the ball rolling?

Before The Charleston Democrat stated that Mr. Shaw, of Ste. Genevieve, is the railroads' candidate for speaker, it should have made an effort to gather proof to substantiate its statement. Mere dicta, or even inferences, cannot be accepted as proofs of such a serious charge.

"Engineer" writes authoritatively to the Jackson Cash-Book, "You may be assured that Cape Girardeau County is on the eve of a great railroad boom that will result in a large manufacturing city within its limits." We sincerely hope so, in the expectation that the boom may benefit Ste. Genevieve.

With this week's FAIR PLAY we present our readers a handsome "Holiday Supplement," beautifully prepared by our enterprising publishers, the A. W. Kellogg Newspaper Co., of St. Louis, and, at the same time, tender our worthy patrons the compliments of the season, wishing them a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

From time to time we receive offers of "Washington Correspondence" as pay for a patent solicitor's advertising card in the FAIR PLAY for a year but, as the correspondence seems to be turned out by machinery instead of being brain-made, we decline it without thanks. Besides, we are waiting to hear from Amos J. Cummings, to whom we have offered an inch ad. for a year in return for his becoming a regular weekly correspondent for the FAIR PLAY.

General Items.

John Bright has had a relapse. A speculator in copper, at Paris, France, has defaulted to the tune of \$2,400,000.

Two new altars have been put into the Catholic Church at Silver Lake, Perry county.

The Methodist Church of Poplar Bluff, Mo., was burned to ashes on December 4th.

The brother of Senator Ingalls is a Democratic justice of the peace in Woodruff county, Ark.

State Senator J. Perry Johnson, of Madison county, is a candidate for temporary President of the Senate.

The Williamsville, Mo., Transcript boasts of a radish that weighs 11 1/2 pounds and has a girth of 30 inches.

Henry Meyers' 13 year-old boy shot and killed a very large eagle recently, at ninety steps' distance.—Hillsboro Democrat.

John Bauman, while intoxicated with whiskey, fell from a stable loft in St. Louis on Saturday last and broke his neck.

As we partly expected, Judge Fox's resignation has been rejected by Gov. Morehouse, having been repudiated by the Judge.

Congressman Frank Lawler has a bill before the House to grant pensions to all soldiers and sailors of the late war over 50 years of age.

The wife of Col. Chas. H. Jones, the brilliant editor and principal proprietor of the St. Louis Republic, died in New York City on December 9th.

Joseph B. Mayer, a diamond expert of Buffalo, N. Y., received on Saturday last a 95-carat diamond that was bought for \$20,000 in Amsterdam, Holland.

Mr. Jesse M. Elvins, the able and popular Superintendent of the Doe Run Lead Mines, was married on Saturday, December 8th, to Miss Lizzie Mehring.

Three Ste. Genevieve boys, Rudolph Seyster, Barbeau Roy and Frank Schmahl are foremen of printing offices in Poplar Bluff and Williamsville, Mo. They are all in the state of single blessedness, but they are working hard to get into the state of double blessedness.

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In the whole State of Illinois there are 34,694,172 acres of land. Of these 8,075,582 acres (nearly one-fourth of the whole) are mortgaged for \$142,400,300.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Lake Superior Copper Co., held in London on Monday last, it was decided to voluntarily wind up the affairs of the concern.

An unquenchable appetite for strong drink, ill-health and want of employment drove C. W. Partridge, of Kansas City, Mo., to commit suicide on Saturday last.

E. L. Harper, the notorious defaulting President of the Fidelity National Bank, of Cincinnati, has become insane after exactly one year's incarceration in the Ohio penitentiary.

Frank Schmahl, the young Ste. Genevieve artist in drawing and fine painting, is now foreman printer of The Transcript, a weekly Democratic paper published at Williamsville, Mo.

The big strike among the coal miners at Bevier, Mo., still continues, with an occasional battle royal between the strikers and the newly employed Swedes. A company of 42 militia is now on duty there.

David Fotheringham's case against the Adams Express Company, in which he was originally allowed \$20,000 damages, which were subsequently reduced to \$12,000, has been finally compromised with the company for \$8,300.

Pedro D'Alcantara Maria de Guadalupe Teresa Isabella Francis D'Ossid Gabriel Sebastian Christine de Bourbon, Duke de Dural, Grandee of Spain, has arrived in New York, and is going to sell his pictures and those of his father.

The Evans, Col., Journal states that Mrs. J. M. Sackett, of Boulder, Col., has been awarded by the publishers of The Housekeeper, Minneapolis, \$300 for the largest onion raised in the United States. It weighed three pounds and was 17 1/2 inches long.

The building in St. Louis, occupied by the Spectator Publishing Co., and several printing and bookbinding companies was destroyed by fire on Saturday night last. The damage was \$250,000, and about 500 men and women will be thrown out of work.

Count Herbert Bismarck, the son of Prince Bismarck, the great German statesman, made his maiden speech before the Reichstag in Berlin, on the 13th inst. His address lasted over thirty minutes and his patriotic oration was greeted with storms of applause.

John Bright, Cardinal Newman and Lord Tennyson, three celebrated old Englishmen who were supposed to be dying, are, to the surprise of everybody, reviving and on the road to recovery. The insular climate of England is more favorable to recuperation from disease than the continental one of the United States.

On Saturday, the 15th inst., the much-talked-of air ship invented by Peter Carmont Campbell, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was put to a practical test on the beach of Coney Island. By means of an oblong balloon, paddles, a rudder and steering apparatus, the boat rose 500 feet in the air, and was moved easily in every direction.

The Chickasaw Indians are sold in their opposition to negroes, and will grant them no political rights, but will give \$100 to any head of a negro family who takes himself and family out of their Nation, providing the negro so leaving was a resident of the Nation when emancipated from slavery, or the child of an ex-slave of a Chickasaw.

Representative Shaw of Ste. Genevieve county has donned a silk tie and is getting himself in shape for the speakership contest. His most formidable competitors are Mr. Russell of Mississippi county and Mr. Young of Buchanan. They have a little start of Harry, but he thinks they'll know he is in the race before it is over.—Farmington Times.

In a diamond broker's window on Fifth street, St. Louis, is displayed a watch, nine ounces in weight, of 18-karat gold, and containing 64 blue-white diamonds. The largest diamond is in the stem, and is worth \$250. The total weight of the diamonds is 50 karats, and the intrinsic value of the watch is \$3,500, the movement alone costing \$140.—Republic.

John L. Sullivan's backers have deposited \$5,000 with the New York Clipper for a fight in the ring with Jake Kilrain. Kilrain's backers covered this with \$5,000 on Saturday last, but as he insisted on a receipt the money was returned. The fight will be arranged, however, and will probably take place next April. Mitchell also agrees to fight Dempsey.

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