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NEWS SUMMARY

The Seditioners are still talking of the Capitol removal from Jefferson City, and say it will be only a question of a few years.

The Democrat says the Board of Directors of the Missouri county A. & M. Association met on Monday, the 12th inst., and revised the Premium List, and appointed necessary committees.

The bell-panch bill was defeated in the Senate by one vote. Should it have become a law it would have increased the revenue of this State wonderfully. But its defeat was necessary to increase the mark of this legislature.

Another fool heard from. A young man in Pittsburg supposed he had hold of an unloaded gun and snapped it at and the contents killed his best friend.

Monticau county court appropriated \$60 for the benefit and use of the A. & M. Association of Monticau county.

John L. West was hanged at Booneville last Friday for murdering his tramp companion.

A bill has passed both houses of the Legislature authorizing the county to buy lands sold for back taxes intending to give counties a security for their claims which they do not now possess. At sales of real estate for back taxes the governor is authorized, when the property does not sell for enough to satisfy the debt against it, to bid it in and hold it for future sale. The new bill gives to county courts the same privilege, for the purpose of securing the county claims for taxes.

The sportsmen of Chester county, Pa., are letting 10,000 quails loose in that State.

There are in the primary, intermediate and grammar schools of Providence, R. I., 252 teachers, only nine of whom are men.

A whale 60 feet long was recently killed at Morehead City, N. C., and yielded oil and bone amounting to \$2,481.

The taking of the census next year will cost about \$4,000,000.

The Legislature of Michigan has appropriated \$12,000 to establish an agricultural school for young women, where they are to be taught the principles of agriculture and cookery.

The Illinois Legislature, having been in session for over one hundred days, have cost the State the nice little sum of \$300,000,000. And yet they cry hard times.

An honest Hibernian in recommending a cow, said she would give milk year after year without having calves. "Because," said he, "it runs in the blood for she came of a cow that never had a calf."

Ripeness in sweet potatoes may generally be determined by cutting several and allowing the cut surface to dry. If they dry evenly white, without dark spots, the crop is considered mature and ready for digging.

Chief Mason addressed the president, at a recent reception, in the Indian tongue, and the first work of his speech was Coganunquattakallumvuvuttspeittokmettallumquah. Secretary Evans retired in an agony of grief and mortification.

Accurate statistical authorities are of the opinion that the next census will show a population of 50,000,000 in the United States.

The United States Supreme Court has affirmed the constitutionality of the Pacific Railroad Sinking-fund act passed by the Forty-fifth Congress. This decision puts at once into the Treasury \$4,000,000, which would otherwise have been divided among the stockholders of the Pacific Railroad.

A lady living in the southern part of Florida has succeeded in an experiment with coffee trees, which has been so gratifying that there can remain but little doubt of the practicality of raising coffee in many parts of southern Florida.

A Barnettsville correspondent to the Versailles Gazette says the farmers in that vicinity have organized a self-protective and mutual aid association as a safe and economical insurance for the farmers of Morgan county.

A nameless pestilence is ravaging Russian villages in the Caucasus. It is supposed to be the plague. At Hurdwar, in Upper India, the cholera is raging in a most malignant form. The old world seems to be under the scourge this year.

Mrs. Harrison living four miles Southwest of High Point, was bitten by a rattlesnake last Friday night. A pet dog in the habit of sleeping in an adjoining room to that occupied by the family, went to its bed as usual about 9 o'clock, but came running back howling with pain. Mrs. H. tried in vain to pacify the dog and induce it to return. She finally went and began stirring the straw with her hand to see what the trouble was when the snake bit her on the middle finger. The family at once procured a light and killed the snake, which proved to be of the species of germs crocatus, having two rattles and one button. Mrs. H. is doing well and is considered out of danger.

Mr. R. A. Sears living in the same neighborhood killed a large rattlesnake in his hog pen the other night.

It is supposed that the dry weather is forcing snakes to go to the houses for water. It is well for persons to be on the look out for snakes.

One hundred and thirty-two Kansas emigrants returned South on the steamer James Howard from St. Louis. They told the reporters that they had suffered greatly during their brief stay in the North, and were anxious to get back to their old homes again. Their transportation was provided for partially by their old employers.

The Journal says "the Democratic Congress will now proceed in order to a re-enactment of the fugitive slave law. Should our contemporary's prediction prove true, we would advise him to take advantage of the first favorable opportunity and light out - Eclipse."

A citizen went home from the caucus one night and asked his wife, "Did you commit an error or do any thing out of character before we were married?" Why, no! What makes you ask such a question?" "Oh, I didn't think you had, but I was nominated for a town office to-night, and I knew if you had it would all be out to-morrow."

A young lady of Galveston, Miss Ame's McCracken, has received a most unique jewel case from a friend at Leadville. It is made entirely of mineral specimens and embraces 32 varieties - gold and silver ore, agate, opalized wood, lead and copper ore, moss agate, petrified cedar and palm, calcite, gypsum, fossil shell, etc.

PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS OF RELIGION.

EDITOR RURAL WORLD:-Now and again, the past two years, the columns of the daily press have been resorted to by some of our best known ministers and priests to attack or defend certain creeds, belief or orders of church government, in language that oft has drifted from the manly, open-hearted expression of belief, that always commands respect, into an invective and use of billingsgate, that would not be excusable in the police court lawyer, much less in those high calling commands a greater dignity and respect. The subjects that have come under the criticism of these gentlemen and that have been dissected almost at the expense of the patience of the subscribers to these papers, have been of a very wide range, and bitter has been the fight along the whole line. The fallibility or infallibility of the pope was the question that brought the discussion on, from which it drifted into questioning the existence of a purgatory or hell, or both; and, after touching the minor subjects, at last takes up the question of the laws of marriage as held by the different churches.

Now, as each subject requires a hard study of the subject, and as the discussion of one could form an individual opinion as to the correctness of the views expressed, did these gladiators in the debating arena ever ask themselves the questions, how many of the readers of the various arguments were able to wade through so much as to be able to form a judgment? And still further to ask, that if a decision had been arrived at from hard study, would it not be biased by the early education and bent of the mind? Hence not to be waged by a public argument, but rather strengthened in their preconceived opinions by the arguments of the one who holds their side of the question.

It is safe to say that not a convert has been added to either side through all these public discussions, and that each participant or interested reader has more closely held at the end of each discussion that the truth was on their side.

Truly these so-called guardians of the public morals have rushed where angels fear to tread; for, had they reasoned with themselves but for a moment before they penned their first attack, history would have told them that they were not too deaf to hear—that when religious discussions raged the fiercest, toleration slept the soundest that when the public mind was troubled most on points theological, the believers in the right to hold individual opinions swell the list of martyrs to its highest point. Hence, to join in these public discussions of sacred subjects, is to join in a retrograde movement that is not in keeping with the spirit of the nineteenth century civilization.

Never, since the origin of creeds, has there been such charity displayed by the believers in one faith to their neighbors of an opposite faith, as now; the general tendency in matters of belief being to do to others as you would have them do to you—a tendency that allows men to dwell together in unity, thereby practically living nearer to Christ, who was heralded by the the angels as the Prince of Peace.

He, therefore, that would seek to throw the spark of discord in the midst of this growing contentment, does not do service to the cause of true religion; neither is he in accord with the firmly rooted sentiment of the age: Liberty to all, persecution to none.

JOSH BILLINGS ON LAGER BEER.
I have come two the conclusion that lager beer as a beverage is not intoxicating. I have bin told so by a German who has said he had drunk it all nite long just to try the experiment, and was obliged to go home entirely sober in the morning. I have seen this same man drink sixteen glasses, and if he was drunk he was drunk in German, and nobody could understand it. It is proper enuff to state that this man kept a lager beer saloon, and could have no objection in stating what was not strictly true. I believed him to the full extent of my ability. I never drunk but three glasses of lager in my life, and that made my head outwist as tho it was hung on the end of a string, but I was told that it wuz owing to mi bile bin out of place; and I guess it was so, for i never bin out wuz than i did when i got him that nite. Mi wife tho i was going to die, and i was afraid that i should, for it did seem as tho the everything i had ever eaten in mi life wuz cumint tow the surface; and i durstly believe that of mi wife hadn't pulled off mi butas jest as she did, they wud hav cum thundring up tu.

Oh how sick i wuz! It was 14 years ago, and i can taste it now. I never had so much experience in so short a time. If enny man shud tell me that i wasn't drunk that nite, but that my stomach wuz out of order, i shud ask him tu state over a few words jest how a man felt and acted when he wuz well set up. If i wuzn't drunk that nite, i had some of the most nateral simptoms that a man ever had and kept sober.

In the 3rd place it wuz about 80 rods from where i drunk the lager beer to mi house, and i wuz then over 2 hours on the road, and had a hole busted through each one of mi pantsun bees, and didn't hav enny hat, and tried to open the door bi the bell-pull, and hiccupped awfully, and saw everything in the room trying to get round back of me; and, in sitting down in a chair, i didn't wait long enough for it to git exactly under me, when it was going round, and i set down a little tu soon and missed the chair about 12 inches, and couldn't get up soon enuff to take the next one that cum along; and that ain't aw; mi wife sed i wuz as drunk as a beest, and, as i sed before, i began to spile up things free'y.

If lager beer is not intoxicating it used me mighty mean, that i know. Still, i hardly think lager beer is intoxicating, for i hav bin told so; and i am probably the only man living who ever drunk enny when his liver wuz plumb. I don't want to say ennything agin a harmless temperance beverage, but, if ever i drink enny more, it will be with mi hands held behind me and mi mouth pressed open. I don't think lager beer is intoxicating, but, if i remember rite, i think it tastes like a glass of soupuds that a pickle had been put to soak tu.

Salt on Strawberries.
A reliable horticulturist about the use of salt on strawberries says: "About the time the blossom buds appear, sow broadcast common salt over the bed at the rate of ten bushels to the acre. I find that a bed that has been salted i has fewer insects, less weeds, and an increase of moisture, a very essential point in successful strawberry culture."

CROP AND MARKET REPORTS.

Everything, so far, indicates that the peach crop on the Maryland and Delaware peninsulas will be unprecedented this year both as to quantity. In all parts of the peach-growing district the most flattering prospects exist, and information from every point is favorable. The railroads are making preparations to carry to market at least one-third more baskets than ever before. The crop in Western New York will be less than last year, it is expected, and so also will be that of Michigan and Ohio.

In view of the prospect of another large wheat crop this year, it is well to look at the probable foreign demand for our surplus. The summary of stocks in the English grain ports, April 15th, shows a considerable reduction, according to the London Miller, "from the total held on the first of January, while the bulk of wheat in six ports, only 663,700 qrs., is but a little more than half the quantity in hand a year ago at this date. This reduction was expected, as necessary harvests have lately much complained of their empty floors. It is also explained by the last eight months' wheat imports (large as they have appeared) being about 500,000 qrs. below the receipts in the same period last season. As a set-off, English deliveries at market have been 1,000,000 qrs. in excess, and these home supplies have in reality ruled the market." There is probably no doubt that Great Britain will need 100,000,000 bushels more than she raises during the year, nearly half of which will be American-grown wheat. France will, during the year ending July 31st, have imported over 75,000,000 bushels, and in addition there is a prospect of a light crop this year. A Paris journal—La France—reports the substance of recent advices of all the agricultural societies in the north of France, and comes to a very discouraging conclusion. It says that Russia and North America have so developed the production of cereal that France cannot compete with them, even in home markets, and that America, which already clothes the old world with its cotton, and lights it with petroleum, is going to furnish it also with its grain, as it seeks to supply it with its meats. From the immense automatic granaries or elevators of Chicago and Milwaukee—each one having storage room for nearly 2,000,000 bushels; and capable of receiving and discharging 50,000 bushels in ten hours—the grain of North America is poured out upon the entire world. Liverpool, Glasgow, London, Antwerp, Amsterdam, Hamburg, Havre, Bordeaux, Nantes, Dunkirk, and Rouen receive and appreciate the American cereals. Marseilles herself, which until recently has bought only the wheat of the Mediterranean and Black Seas, now admits that of Wisconsin and California; and the grades of Milwaukee and San Francisco are there quoted as among the best." The paper then advises French farmers to turn their attention to increase the production of sugar and tobacco, as "they an import duty on foreign breadstuffs would advance the price of bread," an evil greater than the present one of low prices for home-grown wheat. If that the feeling in France among farmers is that they had better buy American wheat than to raise their own, the effect will be to increase the demand for foreign breadstuffs as long as prices and freights are as low as they are at present.

The United States, from present appearances, can continue to supply Europe with all the breadstuffs she may need. For the calendar year 1878 our exports of wheat amounted to 109,780,616 bushels, valued at \$155,574,557. The exports exceed the total wheat crop of the country in 1849, which according to the census of 1850 amounted to only 100,455,944 bushels. For the six months ending December 31, 1878, the foreign exports of and whole previous year in the history of the country, and were more than double those for the corresponding six months in 1877. The exports for January, February, March and April this year were about 27,000,000 bushels, and they will probably be 13,000,000 bushels during May and June, which will make the total for the fiscal year ending June 30, 115,000,000 bushels. If to this we add the exports will amount to only 140,000,000 bushels of wheat, which is only 33,000,000 bushels less than our total production of wheat in 1859 as reported by the census returns of 1860. More than half these exports went to the Continent of Europe, for the first time in our history.

GONE WEST.
The Execution at Booneville to-day... The Rope Breaks and He is Re-hanged. ---3,000 People Present.

[Special to Daily Re-lipse.]
BOONVILLE, MAY 13, 1879 P. M.
John I. West was hanged to-day, on the old fair ground near this city, for the murder of a fellow-tramp named Shin some time last October. Some eight thousand persons were present.

The prisoner addressed the assemblage for about thirty minutes and denied the statement made on his trial by one of the principal witnesses for the State. He then bade farewell to the crowd, the black cap was placed upon his head, his arms and feet secured, and the trap sprung, but the rope and the body fell, straightened out, and turned over. The body was then seized by four or five men and held up, the rope re-adjusted, and at a signal given by the sheriff, again swung off. The scene is described as being one of the most heart-rending ever witnessed.

West died game. He was cool and collected and walked to the scaffold with a firm, steady step. His father, from Chapin, Ill., witnessed the execution. West died at just 13 o'clock.

The report of the Agricultural Bureau for April shows that the crop prospect will compare most favorably with that of previous years. The wheat crop is far more promising than usual. The acreage of tobacco will be considerably increased. The acreage of corn will be increased 15 per cent. above that of last year; the crop, however, does not look promising. Indications are that the cotton crop will be largely increased. It is in fine condition. Winter oats were killed out by the severe winter. An average crop of spring oats planted. Grasses are backward owing to the unfavorable season. An increased acreage will be sown. Sheep prospects good. Cattle in fair condition.