

The Bancroft Advertiser, in an article from the Scientific American, copied and approved, denounces Chinese Immigration. We think that doctrine un-American. The fact is it is the system that has been in operation that deserves condemnation. Free immigration by the Chinese would not bring a 100 a year to our shores. Go for the six companies that are practically establishing Chinese slavery, but let the poor Chinaman alone is our idea of both principle and policy.

A Justice of the Peace on Long Island, N. Y., concluded a recent marriage ceremony as follows: "Them as this Court has joined together let no man put assunder, but suffer little children to come unto them, so help you God." For explicit directness this is about equal to the ceremony performed by a Greenback Justice of the Peace at one of the fashionable watering places on the coast of Maine, who being called at a late hour in the evening to the Hotel to unite in marriage a couple, proceeded as follows: "John you take this woman to be your wife; Sarah you take this man to be your husband," and having received affirmative answers from both proceeded, "now go to bed you are all right, Amen and Amen."

The contest for the Detroit collectorship now lies between James H. Stone, late manager of the Post and Tribune, and Gen. Trowbridge, who has held the office for the past eight years. Mr. Stone's skill as a careful, energetic and thoughtful business man is fully demonstrated by the fact that he assumed the financial management of the Post and Tribune, when its affairs were in sadly mixed condition, and placed it upon a paying basis. If he is not appointed, his defeat will be through the influence of Detroit politicians, for he is certainly entitled to it.

The above from The Holly Advertiser is just and true. The present success of the Post and Tribune is largely due to the efficient management of Mr. James H. Stone. And it is also, true that the Republican party cannot afford to sacrifice such men as Mr. Stone, because forsooth some foggy wants to keep an office he has held so long that he thinks he owns it.

Will Strikes Advance the Workingmen's Interests?

For some time past meetings of artisans and workmen in the various departments of industry have been held, regularly, in many of the larger manufacturing centers, with a view to secure an increase of wages. Especially important have been these gatherings in Lawrence, Massachusetts, and some other of the large manufacturing cities in New England, and in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago. There is a good reason why the attention of all, who have incomes which are measured by their daily labor in any field of effort, should be called to the matter. It is a fact that the increase in cost of all the articles has been 16 per cent. during the past year, and as the cost of food constitutes about 70 per cent. of the expenditures of families having an income so limited that they cannot indulge in luxuries, this is an important matter, since the days wages will now purchase but a little more than five-sixths as much as it would a year ago, or even the past summer. But this change is in no sense the result of any action of the employer or of the capitalists, as with the workingman they have this increase to pay. By this advance the manufacturer has gained nothing, since he is confined entirely to articles of food. The price he receives for his goods have not advanced to any considerable amount while in some instances the raw material is considerably higher. It is, also, pertinent to state that an excellent authority solemnly declares that during the most prosperous year since the present business revival began, the dividends of regularly established manufacturing enterprises did not average over 5 per cent. while many of them did not earn more than 3 or 4 percent. And now, with higher cotton, wool and other raw materials, and no increase in prices, the returns from capital invested in manufactur-

ing must be smaller than during the period referred to. What then, can be done? Is there any ground to hope that the relief sought can be obtained? We think not in the direction pointed out by these meetings. But we should remember that the advance in the prices of food is due almost entirely to short crops and speculations—that there is no reason to believe that these conditions, or either of these, will continue through another season. It is possibly too early to make predictions as to the crops of the coming season with much certainty, but the conditions of the winter wheat crop are such as promise an abundant harvest. When this is assured there will be a fall in the price of bread, and an average corn crop, and preparations all over the west are being made for an extraordinarily large one, will result in lower priced meats, while such a short crop of vegetables and fruits as those of 1881 cannot reasonably be expected. If the prospect, now so flattering, of good crops shall hold good until mid-summer, the prices of most kinds of food must drop with great rapidity, but they will carry with them no reduction in the prices paid for labor, and this fact workingmen ought to remember.

In some of the cities these meetings have suggested and inaugurated strikes with a view to compel the payment of higher wages, but nothing has been gained by any recent strikes, nor is there likely to be. In fact, labor would suffer most by a strike at the present time, because the condition of the markets is such that manufacturers, in almost every department, can better afford to stop business than to increase their expenses in any way. The great danger, in all these matters, lies in the checking of business enterprises and consumption. So long as all classes of the people have the means to be active consumers, all can find employment, at fair wages. But, when, from any cause, any considerable number of the working class is deprived of the means of purchasing and consuming, there will be dullness in the market, and, in time over-production, which is but another name for a general lack on the part of the mass of the people to purchase and consume. Just now any derangement that would force large bodies of people to be idle, and which would check material development and enterprise, would be unfortunate in the extreme, as it would surely put an end to the general prosperity which the country has enjoyed for the past three years, and this would be fatal to the best interests of the working men.

Industrial Notes.

The United States consumes per capita twice as much iron and steel as England.

In Chicago there are 13,128 industrial institutions in which are employed 131,419 persons.

The development and importance of our wool and woolen industry dates from the passage of the tariff of 1824.

The Texas Live Stock Journal estimates the beef crop of that State for the year 1882 larger and better than ever before.

The North Carolina farmers are reported to have devoted 40 per cent more of land to grain this season than they did last year.

President Jefferson urged that our domestic manufactures "under protective duties and prohibitions" would become permanent.

The policy of free traders is to have this country produce raw material and have the rest of the world do all the manufacturing for us.

Ten million feet of lumber is a large lot, but that is the amount a Boston lumber firm sold to one New York house, one day last week.

"It is our glory that the American laborer is more intelligent and better paid than his foreign competitor"—Garfield. The protective tariff does it.

The total exports from the Sandwich Islands in 1783 were \$6,714,726, and the total imports \$4,547,978, of which \$3,396,310, was American products.

The balance of cash in the state treasury, April 15, was \$2,245,388.95; receipts for the week ending April 22 were \$25,017.44; payments for the same time, \$59,025.56; leaving a balance April 22, 1882, of \$2,211,380.83;

Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

A call was issued April 12, 1882, for a special meeting of the Shiawassee County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, the 25 inst. Said board convened at the Court House in the city of Corunna, and transacted the following business.

Called to order by the Clerk, and the following Supervisors answered to the roll call:

Antrim, J. L. Jarrad; Burns, Jabez Close; Bennington, L. C. Cooper; Caledonia, J. W. Sanders; Corunna City, First Ward, C. J. Gale; Second Ward, L. H. Wilcox; Third Ward, W. R. Chapel; Fairfield, E. W. Washburn; Hazleton, John Fitch; Middlebury, J. L. Kinney; New Haven, G. E. Hurd, Owosso, E. W. Mason; Owosso City, First District, T. J. Horsman; Second District, C. A. Baldwin; At large, S. F. Smith; Perry, J. A. Morrice; Rush, A. B. Crane; Shiawassee, F. H. Potter; Sciota, Charles Frain; Vernon, F. A. Smith; Venice, M. M. Beyington; Woodhull, B. F. Kay.—Total, 22.

Jabez Close was elected chairman of the Board for the year upon the first ballot, as follows:

Jabez Close, 13; A. B. Crane, 7; E. W. Mason, 2.—Total 22. Whereupon the Board adjourned until one o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Roll called, all present. The chair appointed the following standing Committees.

Committee on Rules—F. A. Smith, A. B. Crane.

Committee on Rolls—C. J. Gale, E. W. Washburn, J. A. Morrice.

Committee on Apportionment—L. H. Wilcox, R. F. Kay, E. W. Washburn.

Committee on Roads and Bridges—M. W. Byington, G. Hurd, J. L. Jarrad.

Committee on Settlement with Treasurer—Thos. Horsman, W. R. Chapel, F. H. Potter.

Committee on Finance—S. F. Smith, F. A. Smith, J. M. Fitch.

Committee on Claims and Accounts—C. H. Frain, C. J. Gale, L. H. Wilcox.

Committee on Printing—J. L. Jarrad, C. J. Gale, L. H. Wilcox.

Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds—W. R. Chapel, L. H. Wilcox, J. W. Sanders.

Committee on Rejected Taxes—A. B. Crane, J. L. Hurd, L. J. Kinney.

Committee on Drains and Ditches—J. M. Fitch, E. W. Washburn, F. H. Potter.

Committee on Officer's Salaries—J. A. Morrice, A. B. Crane, Thos. Horsman.

Committee on Abstracts—F. H. Potter, L. C. Cooper, E. W. Mason.

Committee on Justice's Constable's and Coroner's accounts—C. A. Baldwin, J. M. Fitch, J. L. Jarrad.

Committee to examine Clerk's Records—F. A. Smith, M. Byington, E. W. Mason.

Committee on Equalization—R. F. Kay, C. A. Baldwin, C. J. Dole, L. J. Kinney, M. Byington.

Committee on Clerk's Certificates—L. J. Kinney, C. H. Frain, L. C. Cooper.

Supervisor Gale of Corunna, presented a communication from the Common Council of the City of Corunna, to the Hon. Board of Supervisors in substance; that the City of Corunna propose to the said board to build a County Jail and Sheriff's residence upon the county grounds in said city, within one year, at a cost of ten thousand dollars, without cost to said county.

After reading the communication Supervisor Gale offered a resolution that the said board accept the said proposition. Supervisor Kay moved that the resolution be accepted and adopted.

After considerable struggle the yeas and nays were taken, which resulted in its adoption as follows:

Yeas, Byington, Close, Chapel, Fitch, Gale, Jarrad, Kay, Morrice, Potter, Sanders, Fitch, Wilcox.—12.

Nays, Baldwin, Cooper, Crane, Frain, Horsman, Hurd, Kinney, Mason, S. F. Smith, Washburn.—10.

Whereupon Supervisor Smith offered a resolution to the board to submit the question of removing the County Seat from the City of Corunna to the City of Owosso, to the electors of the county at the spring election of 1883. Which was lost by the following yeas and nays vote.

Yeas, Baldwin, Cooper, Crane, Frain, Horsman, Hurd, Kinney, Mason, S. F. Smith, Washburn.—10.

Nays, Byington, Close, Chapel, Fitch, Gale, Jarrad, Kay, Morrice, Potter, Sanders, F. A. Smith, Wilcox.—12.

The chairman appointed the following as the special committee on building the proposed jail, &c. Morrice, Frain, Potter. Where upon the board adjourned.

Spring Work on the Farm, in the Garden, in and about the House, will be materially facilitated by the many and varied suggestions of the American Agriculturist for May, with its hundred or more of articles, illustrated with a large number of engravings. Besides the editorial staff, this number has contributions by Prof. W. H. Jordan, of Pennsylvania Agricultural College, on Experiments on the best time of Cutting Hay; Hon. J. S. Newman, of Georgia, on Use of Cotton Seed; Experiments with Fertilizers by several farmers, systematized and presented by Prof. W. O. Atwater; Dr. I. H. Mayer, on Experiments with Durra; Testing Milk, by Col. M. C. Weld; Raising Turkeys and Poultry for Profit, by D. Z. Evans, Jr., etc. A Prize House Plan for the country, with engraved plans and specifications; a multitude of labor-saving devices and contrivances, with illustrations; Peach Culture; many Garden Articles; Spring Birds; Exposures of Sundry Humbugs; full Household and Children's Departments, etc., etc. make this a most valuable number. \$1.50 a year; 15 cts. a number.—Orange Judd Co., New York, Publishers.

County Correspondence.

BENNINGTON, APRIL 25th 1882.

Cleaning up yards and burning rubbish is the rule and not the exception in these parts.

Some improvements are being made. Mr. John Walsh our enterprising merchant is still enlarging his new store building and outside cellar.

Mr. O'Neil has just added to the attraction of his new house by putting another coat of paint on it. Quite important changes have recently been made on the Methodist Parsonage premises, which conserve both to beauty and health.

On Sabbath morning memorial services were held at the Methodist church in remembrance of the late Clark Beebe whose death was noticed by your correspondent in a former issue. In the evening a very interesting Sunday School service was held in the same church under the direction of the Pastor, Rev. C. W. Austin. The review of the lesson for April was the central thought of the evening.

Scholars, teachers, officers and Pastor all bore a part and held the best of attention from the large congregation from the beginning until the last word was uttered. The singing of the school assisted by the Bennington Orchestral Band, contributed largely to the interest of the service.

The school in the Salisbury neighborhood has been suspended for a few days owing to the illness of the teacher, Willie Alexander. Under the skillful treatment of Dr. A. Hume he is rapidly improving and expects soon to resume his school duties.

Salisbury & Co., are doing a lively business in the selling of plows and other farming implements. Some interest centered last Thursday at the farm of Mr. Powers a mile and a half west of Bennington station, to witness the trial of plows between Salisbury & Co., representing the Lansing Bement No. 22 and Mr. W. Drury, representing the Wired plow. The decision was in favor of the Lansing Bement, resulting in its immediate sale.

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Ballou's Monthly Illustrated Magazine. —The May number of Ballou's Magazine is issued, and a mighty good number it is. The illustrations are all good, the fashions fresh and pretty, the comic pictures intensely funny, and the stories the best that can be found in any magazine in the country, while the poetry is far superior to most of the kind published as such in other serials. Take it all in all one can't help being satisfied with this magazine, it is so good and cheap, and a glance at the table of contents will satisfy every one that it is worthy of a place in every family. Published by Thomas & Talbot, 23 Hawley Street, Boston, Mass., at only \$1.50 per annum, post paid, and for sale at all the news depots in the country at 15 cents a copy. Speak to your neighbors about it, and get up some clubs this spring. We will send Ballou and THE TIMES one year for \$2.75.

Peterson's Magazine, for May, is received: as bright and welcome as May itself. The principal steel engraving, "Comin' Thro' The Rye," is especially beautiful, and illustrates a capital story by Frank Lee Benedict. The article on "Scandinavia," with its numerous engravings and its account of the Vikings, is one of the very noticeable papers for which this magazine is becoming famous. Then there is a charming love story, "Barbara," by a new contributor, from whom we hope often to hear. Mrs. Stephens' powerful novel of Washington society depicts interest with the chapters in this number.

The illustrations for fashions, embroideries, and fancy work generally, are as numerous and new in style as ever. There are two colored patterns, a specialty with "Peterson," no other giving these patterns. We do not see how any lady, or even family, can do without this invaluable monthly. The price is but two dollars a year, with great deductions to clubs, and a free copy, or a photograph album, or large engraving, for getting up the club. It is still in time to subscribe for 1882. Specimens are sent, gratis, to get up clubs. Address, Peterson's Magazine, 306 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

American Ladies.

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Death of Jesse James.

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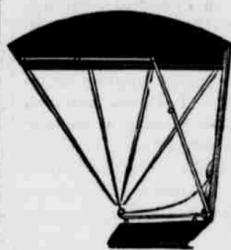
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