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PLACERVILLE, Saturday, January 7, 1890.

CONFIDENCE.—The House of Confidence Engine Co. No. 1, was most appropriately and elegantly decorated and fitted up for the reception of visitors on Monday last. A table was spread, loaded with every delicacy of the season, sparkling champagne not having been forgotten. The company received calls from a very large number of the ladies and gentlemen of the city and vicinity, all of whom were cordially welcomed, and hospitably regaled with the good things so profusely provided for the occasion.

SPEAKER.—It affords us pleasure to chronicle the election of Hon. Phil. Moore, of Nevada, as Speaker of the Assembly. Mr. Moore has had much experience as a presiding officer, is just, impartial and popular. We predict that the business of the session will rapidly progress, and that at its close the members will have reason to congratulate themselves on their choice of Speaker.

GOOD IDEA.—We learn that the Board of Supervisors have it in contemplation to partition off a portion of the Court room for offices for the Sheriff and Clerk. This will be a move in the direction of retrenchment, as the rooms now occupied by those officers cost the county four dollars per month. The Court room is large enough to spare the required space without disadvantage. We hope the Supervisors will put their good intention into effect.

KEROSENE.—L. A. Upson & Co., agents for the "Improved Kerosene Lamps," have just received a large invoice of that article, of various patterns, which they offer at Sacramento prices. It is said that these lamps give a much more brilliant light than gas, and are very much cheaper.

NEPTUNES.—We accepted an invitation to a supper given by Neptune Engine Co., No. 2, at their house, on Monday evening last, and found assembled a large company of ladies and gentlemen, there, like ourselves, to enjoy the hospitality of the gallant "Twos." Two long tables, the entire length of the house, groined (our devil heard 'em) beneath the weight of a most tempting array of good things, to which the company paid their respects, amidst the flow of champagne and sentiment. It was a pleasant re-union and highly creditable to the Company.

THE LEGISLATURE.—The eleventh session of our Legislature commenced on Monday last, with a large Democratic majority in each branch. Should the session prove long and unprofitable the Democratic members will be to blame, and will be held to a strict accountability by their constituency. But we expect a short and active session; that many good laws will be passed, and had ones repealed or amended, and that, after having performed their whole duty to the State and their respective constituencies, the members will return to their homes as popular and deserving as when elected. The officers chosen by the Senate are J. N. Quinn, Temporary President; J. R. Beard, Secretary; J. M. Williamson, Assistant Secretary; W. H. Bell, Sergeant-at-Arms; Jno. McClenchy, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms; C. Hawkins, Enrolling Clerk; Wm. Letcher, Engrossing Clerk.

The Assembly elected the following officers: Phil. Moore, Speaker; J. M. Anderson, Clerk; Assistant Clerk, R. K. Weston; Sergeant-at-Arms, C. W. Tozer; Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Wm. Newton; Enrolling Clerk, H. C. Kibbe; Engrossing Clerk, E. W. Casey.

WANTED.—A woman to do the house-work of a small family. Inquire at this office.

T. FOSTER, Esq., of the Duroc Turkey, will please accept our thanks for a fat turkey sent us last Saturday.

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BOARD OF DELEGATES.—At a recent meeting of the Board of Delegates of the Placerville Fire Department, the following gentlemen were elected as officers for the ensuing year: M. E. Shearer, President; Pat. Lynch, Vice President; A. A. Van Voorhis, Treasurer; Thos. B. Wade, Secretary. John McF. Pearson and A. Haas, were elected as Trustees of the Firemen's Charitable Fund. The former for three years and the latter for one, *vice* A. D. Ellis and Theo. F. Tracy.

ACCIDENT.—In Noah & Co.'s tunnel at Negro Flat, on Wednesday, the bank caved upon Messrs. Frank Murphy, P. H. Kelley, and E. A. Sprague, killing the former, and severely injuring the latter two.

MAIL LETTERS.—In another column will be found an advertisement from the Postoffice Department for proposals to carry the mails between this place and Salt Lake City.

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As we are now in the midst of the holidays, everything, everything, even the river and provisions, are high. Eggs are a dollar per dozen, whisky the same. Times, and some of the people are tight. A great many chickens are being eaten, and Eaton is selling a great many chickens. The people in this vicinity are in excellent health. Dr. McCowden has but few cases and I didn't get the Democrat last week. The weather is extremely cold, and there's a donkey braying outside so that I can hardly hear myself think. Perhaps you'll say there was a donkey writing inside! But I don't care!—Prof. Rogers, formerly of Coloma, examined my "bumps," last week, and said I had a perfect "Douglas head." (Whether he meant Stephen A. or Fred, I couldn't get through my "wool.")

I'll put somebody's form with a sheep's foot, if you don't attend to my case and send my paper along by express, for I've got proof that it didn't come to the office; and Frank Garishe says he don't know what the devil it means, but somebody must be stirred up with a long stick.

Yours until New Year's Day, DOESKINS.

[We've tried "Doeskins" cookery. His biscuits are "hard to beat," and we learn that his buckwheat cakes are better than—sole leather, for shoe bottoms. We'll take a gross or two of his "Cook Book" when it's published.]

YOUNG VS. BROWN.—To-night, at the Upper Placerville Lyceum, the following resolution will be debated:

Resolved, That Brigham Young and his associates have been guilty of greater crimes than were Ossawatimie Brown and his coadjutors.

VOTE OF THANKS.—At a regular meeting of Confidence Engine Co. No. 1, held in their Hall on Thursday evening last, the thanks of the Company were voted to Mr. W. L. Marple, for a beautiful Rooster, presented by him to the Company.

MATRIMONIAL STOCK IN RHODE ISLAND.—The divorce docket of the Supreme Court, now in session in Providence, R. I., contains eighty-three petitions of release from matrimony. The Court appears determined to keep up with the business, and in a single hour removed the yoke from the neck of twelve discontented couples.

POISON ANTIDOTE.—A teaspoonful of salt and a teaspoonful of mustard stirred quickly in a teacupful of water, and swallowed after any poison taken into the stomach by accident will instantly act as an emetic. As soon as the stomach is quiet, drink a cup of coffee, clear and strong, or swallow the white of an egg.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.—A caucus of the Democratic members of the Legislature was held on Thursday evening for the nomination of a United States Senator, with the following result: Weller, 38; Denver, 32; Washington, 11; Baldwin, 8; McDougald, 6. No choice.

LETTER FROM DOESKINS.

MIDDLE FORK OF THE AMERICAN RIVER, December 27th, 1889.

EDITORIAL: You will perceive by the place at which this letter is dated, that "Our Correspondent" is no longer a resident of that delightful saline locality immortalized by the Democrat as the "Home of the Departed," but has returned to the scenes of his former labors and triumphs, where he is at present busily engaged, aided by a copious supply of the aqueous fluid, in separating from the gold, which abounds in this vicinity, the particles of earth interposed therein, the removal of which is necessary to insure a ready sale for the "precious metal." In addition to my mineralogical researches I am engaged upon an extensive literary work, entitled "The Miners and Emigrants' Own Cook Book," which will contain an elaborate treatise on everything pertaining to the primitive culinary art, from the most artistic mode of flipping a slapjack to the baking of hockes, corn-dodgers and other and higher branches of the art. The book, when finished, will be dedicated to "Nonsensical Nellie," with the l-o—respects of the Author. My partner (who, by the by, is a Shakespearean cuss), being somewhat skeptical in regard to my culinary proficiency, sometimes attempts to ridicule my pretensions to excellence in the divine art, by making ill-natured quotations from his favorite author. For instance—the other day, when I had compounded a magnificent stew of bacon, onions, and other savory ingredients, which I had triumphantly placed upon the table, he assumed a tragic attitude—a la McKean Buchanan—and exclaimed, in a deep, sepulchral voice, "Angels and ministers of grace, defend us." But opposition and contumacious have always been the fate of genius, and why should "Doeskins" expect an exception in his case? He will go on regardless of the sneers and malice of the jealous and envious, confident that his philanthropic efforts will eventually be crowned with success, and the name of "Doeskins" be handed down to a grateful posterity as the great benefactor and revolutionizer of the domestic economy of the "Honest Miner." In the language of the lamented "Dow, Jr.," "So mote it be!"

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