

ENCOURAGING.

A Wichita business man in Chicago, and who is in no way connected with Kansas politicians, wrote the editor of this paper yesterday that he had put in a whole day moving about from headquarters to headquarters in order to be able to make up an estimate satisfactory to himself. He says: As a crowd, the Blaine fellows beat the Arthur fellows for hurrah and enthusiasm, but that the Arthur people are working quietly and earnestly in every conceivable direction like bees, and that a large per cent. of Arthur workers are business men and not politicians. But in the event if they both fail, then it is my opinion that the man you so long ago named will come successfully to the front. General Sherman's name whenever and wherever mentioned as the dark horse is the signal for warm and earnest commendation that cannot be misunderstood. Personal favorites once out of the way, nothing could shut off the "march from Atlanta to the sea," Mr. Sherman's march from Chicago to the White House."

A DANGEROUS PARTY.

The old greenback party is rapidly drifting into centralization, and in favor of government monopoly. The man Jones who is not in favor of Butler as a candidate, thinks that while congress shall issue full legal tender notes, they shall be used in payment of government debts, contracts, public improvements, to reduce transportation charges, completing public buildings, building a navy, and for such other purposes as congress now is asked to appropriate money, until the surplus labor of the country is employed, a profitable home market for products of American farms and workshops created, and business done on a cash basis.

In 1852 the National Democratic convention met in Baltimore and nominated Franklin Pierce, of New Hampshire, for the presidency and William K. King, of Alabama, for the vice presidency. The Whigs met in the same city and nominated, after a long and tempestuous session, General Winfield Scott, on the fifty-eighth ballot. This is the only instance where the national convention of the two great parties have been held in the same city during the same year, with the exception of the present.

General J. B. Gordon, who is taking an active interest in the raising of funds to establish a home for disabled Confederate soldiers at Richmond, Va., received a communication on Tuesday last from Dr. Talmage, the preacher, enclosing a certified check for \$200, which, the latter said, had been sent by a miner in Denver, Colorado.

SETS DOWN ON THEM.

The Atchison Champion, in the absence of Editor Martin, proceeds to set down on the Leavenworth Times and Emporia Republican in this solid fashion:

The Emporia Republican devotes a precious column to saying over again in a dozen different ways that the Champion does not reflect the sentiments of Colonel John A. Martin, its publisher, proprietor and editor, and with singular and unprecedented gall, it offers its own columns for an expression from Colonel Martin. This generous offer has probably not reached him as yet, but it is safe enough to say that if he needs any additional means of reaching the public, he will not select either the Leavenworth Times, which has from the first supported his opponent, and is still doing so; nor will he select the Times' malicious echo, the Emporia Republican.

Among recent Mexican enterprises is the establishment of a line of steamers for service on the Pacific coasts of Mexico and Central America and for the Chinese and Japanese trade. The port of Topolobampo, in Sinaloa, Mexico, is two and a half days nearer in time to China than is San Francisco, and Topolobampo is the terminus of the railroad which runs through Mexico from Eagle Pass, Texas. The steamship company is to use fine, large steamers and accomplish twelve trips a year, for which a subsidy of \$19,000 a trip is paid. It is said that the Mexican government offers a premium for Chinese laborers brought on this line, so that when operations commence it will be difficult to keep Chinamen from coming over the border into our country. It is difficult to see what Mexico wants with more laborers, when she has a population of seven or eight millions of the laboring class whose labor is sold very cheaply. The population of Sinaloa, Chihuahua and Coahuila is smaller than that of the other Mexican states, being about 4-1-2 per cent. of the total. The introduction of Chinamen, however, will be sure to engender race antagonisms.

The Pennsylvania Medical Society recently discussed the subject of vivisection as a means of physical research, and passed resolutions declaring that experimentation on living animals is a most useful source of knowledge in medical science and the means by which the most important discoveries have been accomplished. Dr. S. Weir Mitchell said that the English law against such experiments had put an end to physical research. The investigations of snake poisons have ceased, although that is a very important matter for the people of India, twenty-five or thirty thousand of whom are killed by snake bites. The majority of physicians favor the cruel practice, because it is ancillary to science. From the purely scientific standpoint vivisection is really essential to progress. M. Paul Bert doubtless thinks it not only a duty but a pleasure.

OSAWATOMIE BROWN.

The great painting of John Brown, which has occupied Mr. Thomas Howden for the greater part of the last two or three years, is completed, and will be placed on exhibition in New York next week. It represents old Osawatimie pausing to kiss a negro child as he descended from the steps of the jail on his way to the gallows. Unfortunately this pretty story is a mere myth, but that doesn't hurt it, we suppose, for artistic purposes. Brown would undoubtedly have kissed a negro child if there had been one present and he had thought of utilizing it in that tender and significant way.—Globe-Democrat.

The kissing incident was reported by a newspaper correspondent at the time and published; it has been reprinted in the biographies. If it is not true the journalist who invented it did a great work in softening the hearts of Americans toward their black brothers. But why is an artist painting still another picture of John Brown? Hasn't he heard the latest news from Kansas? Don't he know that two or three persons have utterly destroyed the old captain's title to fame and heroism? It seems not. His soul goes marching on.—Hiawatha World.

We have received the initial of Marsh Murdock's new Daily Eagle. The new bird bears a strong resemblance to the old Eagle which we have known and liked so long. We will not say that the Eagle is the best daily or even the best looking daily in the state, for we do not propose to lie for Col. Murdock or anybody else, but we will say that the daily is a beauty and we hope will be a success financially. Col. Murdock will please put the Cresset on his regular subscription list. We will settle with him as soon as we gather our crop of bread root and wild onions.—Medicine Lodge Cresset.

Amid the wreck of presidential honors and clash of candidates at Chicago it must not be forgotten that if the bill to divide the United States court district of Kansas into two districts becomes a law, Henry C. Stuss, of Wichita, will be a candidate for the bench in the southern district.—Emporia News.

It is understood that Hon. Geo. R. Peck has been booked for that nest.

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