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For President-Elect in 1888,
General John A. Logan,
OF ILLINOIS.

DIGHTON hasn't a hitching post.
DISTRICT COURT at Hays City this week and next also, unless business gives out.

FIFTY-TWO feet in the ground at Dighton, Lane county, develops eight feet of water, the *Herald* tells.

WM. CHEEK is opening a hardware store at Long Island. Cheek has more relatives than Smith has.

THE Lane County *Herald* of the 19th declares that "the weather has been simply fine for the past week. Up here, it has been compound fine longer than that."

MR. CUL has changed the name of his paper from *Long Island Argus* to *Long Island Leader*. In noting this change, he winds up his article by declaring that he is after glory, and not money. It's a strange route to take to get glory!

THE settlers in the western part of Thomas county, mews the *Tom Cat*, are complaining bitterly of the deprivations of range cattle which have drifted in from the northwest. We'll bet a wooden nutmeg that those are Jim Gresson's cattle from Atwood!

IN milking, the whole hand should be used, pressing slightly upward against the udder. Too many, declares a writer on the subject, perform most clumsily the operation of milking, pinching and jerking the teat until the whole cow is shaken. Nothing could be worse. A poor milker will occasion the loss of his wages in the shrinkage.

NEARLY all our prominent citizens are in Wa-Keeneey this week, attending to land office business. (Lane County *Herald*, 29.) Wa-Keeneey is the greatest place in the wild-and-woolly West for prominent people. In fact, only about one man whom we ever saw here wasn't prominent before coming to this place. Don't call on us for his name!

THE wife of Congressman Anderson died at Manhattan about noon last Sunday, after a lingering illness. Private funeral services were held at Manhattan. The body was taken to Junction City for interment. A public funeral was had at that place. Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are living. One of them is grown; another is four years old.

THE attention of our readers is directed to the beautiful poem from the *Ness City Times* on the death of Miss Mary Barnard. It was a graceful act in Mr. Wood to publish this poem relating to the departed child of a brother journalist. If the doing of kindnesses of this nature filled a larger place in our hearts, the spirit of hatred which rankles between many members of this calling would be dissipated forever. Life on this earth is too short to be worse than wasted in personal warfare, which, when the victor is crowned, places him oftentimes beneath the envy of the peasant who has led a proper life!

"NIGGER-SHOOTERS," remarks the *Great Bend (Kan.) Island Tribune*, "is the name of a most destructive little beetle shooter used by reckless kids in town, and which is doing a large amount of damage to persons and property. Several large glasses in town have been broken lately, two in the court house. Chickens are killed, horses have their eyes shot out, and children, even, are hourly at the mercy of these little scamps." Better come up to Wa-Keeneey, Judge, where such articles of injury don't flourish, and where the city government is run on the plan of compelling everybody to be good. But, isn't it a fact, friend Townsley, that the dogged gravel is waded so thick and fast by your gentle breezes down in that Arkansas valley as to lead you to charge to the nigger-shooting kids more than their actual share of general cursedness?

IT is a story which might be told truthfully of some ruff-scuffs in almost every town. John Musser and Hal Karstetter, two young fellows in Jewell City, have been arrested on the charge of blowing open the safe at the railway depot. The *Republican* thinks them guiltless of this act, "but," that paper adds, "they were also charged with stealing a cask of wine from the depot some time last summer. The boys hardly deserve any sympathy. Their department has been such that whenever any meanness is done the suspicion points at them. They imitated relatives and outraged kings of parents who would do any reason for them if they would air reckless ways. If they now stand the blame of others' misdeeds they can have whatever satisfaction is in knowing that they brought it themselves."

PROHIBITION AND REPUBLICANISM.

THE WORLD never has wavered in the opinion that the principle of liquor prohibition is entitled to a place in the platform of any political party which is friendly with the measure. We have insisted that the Republican party, as parties are constituted these times, is the natural sponsor of the prohibition principle.

THE WORLD is now re-enforced in this position by a class of men at whose party blindness it has been surprised all along. It has appeared plain to us that he who favors the free flow of rum or persists in working for its entire prohibition as a popular drink is a retrogressionist. A retrogressionist is one who is either content for civilization to move forward with out any assistance from him or who assists in giving impetus to the worse elements of our social and business life.

NOW, however, Colonel Anthony, in his *Leavenworth Times*, has raised the sword of justice over the heads of the saloon keepers in Leavenworth, and declares, among other things, that he sees "a fixed determination on the part of the majority of the saloon element to ostracize every man, no matter how true and tried he may be, unless he deserts the Republican party and joins the Democracy; rum and Democracy on the one side, temperance and Republicanism on the other side; the proposition made to sensible, fair-minded men admits of no discussion; it is self-evident that the respectable element will accept the latter; the question caused no debate with us; the *Times* will not pander to the sewer element of life; we had no personal interest in the late election; we did in our humble way what we thought was best; we therefore have no personal disappointment as to the result. We have found that the whisky saloon element don't want our help; we don't like to intrude longer upon them; we don't care to stay; we have not changed our views on prohibition; we are for resubmission and a constitutional convention; we shall continue to work for, and vote the Republican ticket."

Colonel Anthony feigns surprise. He would mislead the public to some extent, we fear. No good soldier is ever surprised. The *Times* has known the rottenness of liquor selling as a business, and, consequently, of liquor sellers as a class. The colonel's motives in so long standing by the crowd, we will not discuss. The reason of his leaving them has been well told by himself.

The *Troy Chief*, which is a sort of planet among the Kansas newspaper stars, for the two reasons that it is the oldest paper in the state and tries to be the most vulgar, supported Robinson for governor in 1882, because its editor, although an undoubted Republican on national questions, could not swallow St. John. The *Chief* now comes out with the declaration that it will stop monkeying, and support Republican candidates all the way from those in counties to the nominee for the presidency. The *Chief*, in other words, has become disgusted with the retrogressionist crowd, and has joined the forces of progress.

It is time now for Deacon Martin, of the *Junction Union*, to haul down his retrogressive signal, and come back to the party for which he in times past did such effective service.

Republicanism in Kansas has meant sobriety; it means the same thing yet with no uncertain emphasis. There may be room for differing as to methods. In the matter of principle, as far as Kansas are concerned, there will henceforth be greatly-increased unanimity among Republicans in upholding the prohibition laws. Those who prefer Democracy to this principle will join that party. The line will be drawn here, and it can not be drawn a moment too early!

DRAGON CASE OF DITCH.
Lane County *Herald*, 19.
The cannon ball stage started for Wa-Keeneey Tuesday morning with a heavy load of passengers, and while attempting to cross the Walnut, 3 miles north of town, it became badly disabled. The passengers were unloaded, and the engineer returned to town after another vehicle.

Gone to See About It.
Lane County *Herald*, 19.
H. C. Smeltzer, proprietor of the *Herald*, has gone to see about it to find out whether he has, or has not, a right to the land on which he has been living for over six months. This case has attracted considerable attention, but by this time it has probably been decided to the satisfaction of one of the parties, at least.

Robbery at High Noon.
Ellis, Kansas, Gets a Grist of It.
Headlight, 24.
Griffin & Holman had their safe robbed of about \$800 at noon to-day. About one-half of it was currency. The balance was railroad pay checks, and checks on Kansas City banks. The theft was committed by some one who stepped behind the counter and opened the safe door, it not being locked. No positive clue has been obtained up to this writing.

Downing on the Rise.
Ellis Headlight, 24.
His Honor W. H. Pratt appointed J. H. Downing clerk of the district court yesterday morning. "Jack" qualified and took charge of the office at once. The petition asking Judge Pratt to appoint Bro. Downing was signed by a large number of the business men of Hays City. And notwithstanding there were several other applications for the office, the appointment of Bro. Downing seems to give general satisfaction. No better appointment could have been made, and we congratulate Bro. Downing upon his appointment.

Waifs from Wallace.
WALLACE, KAN., Nov. 24.
Mrs. N. J. Webb, wife of our new restaurant proprietor, has been dangerously ill for some days past, but through the professional skill of Alex. S. Hatch she will soon be able to resume her duties in her new place of residence.

Dr. Hatch has lately come to Wallace, where he is now having a building erected for a drug store. We wish him success in the business he intends engaging in, and would certainly recommend him to persons needing medical aid.

After the Registrars.
Mr. W. P. Morrison, of this city, at present clerking for Hodgo & Evans, is an applicant for registrar of the United States land office at Wa-Keeneey, Kansas. Mr. Morrison is a good business man and thoroughly posted in the land business, and especially the class of business that comes before a government land office. He is very highly recommended for the appointment by those who know him. If a Democrat is to be appointed to that office, we hope he will be the man. (St. Louis *Kan.* Bulletin.)

THE WORLD claims no influence with the Dem. powers that be. It never worked for any such influence.

Supposing, as a matter of course, however, that a Democrat will be appointed registrar of this land office at an early day, we will say that Dr. Morrison's appointment would suit us. He came to Wa-Keeneey when there was only one house in the town. His oldest daughter, Edith Grace, was the first child born in Wa-Keeneey.

The doctor was recommended by the recent Democratic judicial convention in the 20th district for the position to which he aspires. We endorse what the *Bulletin* says of him, and, without saying a word against any one else who may be a candidate for the same position—it isn't our fight—we would gladly welcome Dr. Morrison and his family back to Wa-Keeneey as neighbors.

CASTLE ROCK RIPPES.
CASTLE ROCK, Nov. 24.
The county superintendent made his annual visit to this district on Friday last.

Mr. Asa Purinton, of Lincoln, Vermont, is visiting his son, A. W. Purinton.

Look out for fires! The ounce of prevention in this case is better than a ton of cure.

Close Bros., who own, or have the agency for, the railroad land in six townships in the southwestern part of Trego county, are offering the same for rental at \$20 per section. Stock men are rapidly taking it, the lease being subject to cancellation whenever the land is sold.

Friday afternoon, while Mr. Cal. Young was burning a guard around his place, at the mouth of the Hackberry, the fire passed his control, and driven by a brisk southeast wind, came up the east bank of the creek. All hands turned out to fight it, and succeeded in checking it for a time, but it jumped the east Hackberry, and as the wind was increasing, it soon became impossible to make any impression on the head fire. It divided, and one fire swept on northwest until it reached Big creek, while another ran along the north side of the main Hackberry. A third crossed the creek, and was not extinguished till the rain of Saturday morning. A considerable amount of valuable occupied range was burned over. The losers are Messrs. Young, Quinn, McAdams, Harlin, Courtney, Purinton, Hawkes and several others.

Parties in the Forty-Ninth Congress.
Topka Capital.
If there is any good in having all parties represented in congress, and in having power divided among them, we will have that good thing in the congress which will convene the first Monday of next month. The president is a Democrat, but it is debatable whether he has knowledge of any distinctively Democratic measure that will be introduced by the administration to be pushed. The Republicans will have a majority of eight in the senate, counting for them the senator from Oregon who is yet to be chosen, and for whose election the governor has summoned an extra session of the legislature.

The Democrats will have a majority of four in the house of representatives, including Weaver, the Unionist from Iowa. No legislation upon which the two houses radically differ can be passed without a compromise. Nor can any veto of the president having political significance be overruled by congress.

The New York *Sun* recently arranged the senators and representatives, as to party differences, from which it appears that the Democrats have nineteen, or exactly one-half the number of states in the house of representatives, by decided majorities: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia.

The Republicans have sixteen states: California, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin.

Three states are equally divided in representation, as follows: Connecticut, Illinois, New York.

In the senate the situation is almost reversed. The Republicans have nineteen states, if we include the new senator from Oregon: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin.

The Democrats have fifteen states: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia.

Four states are divided: Indiana, Nevada, New Jersey, Ohio.

Turning to the popular vote, Mr. Cleveland's majority over Mr. Blaine last year, is an aggregate of 9,756,351 for the two candidates, was only 62,683. Counting St. John, Butler, and scattering votes, Cleveland was in a minority of 234,315, but he had twenty of the thirty-eight states.

Rich Men.
One day a group of millionaires who were sitting on the piazza of the United States Hotel at Saratoga began to chaff Emory A. Storrs in a solemn fashion. He had just confessed to them that he was not worth any money, and that he had spent everything that he had made as fast as he got it. Suddenly he turned upon one of his would-be tormentors and began: "You rich fellows appear to think that money making is an intellectual process, and that the wealth acquired by you is more than you are a very superior kind of men. You are very much mistaken. There is nothing intellectual about acquisitiveness. It is merely an animal trait. It is less highly developed in you than it is in the chipmunk. The beaver is very much your superior in this regard. Where are the rich men in history? There are only two who live in the legends of literature—Dives, who survives on account of his fortunate connection with a pauper, and Croesus because his name has been used by poets merely as a synonym. Gentlemen, where are the stockholders who built the Parthenon? Doubtless in their day they sat around in Athens and spoke of the fine work that Phidias was doing for them. But, gentlemen, where are the stockholders to-day, and where is Phidias? He went on this quaint way for fully half an hour, and when he had finished even the millionaires did not seem to think that they had the best of it."

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