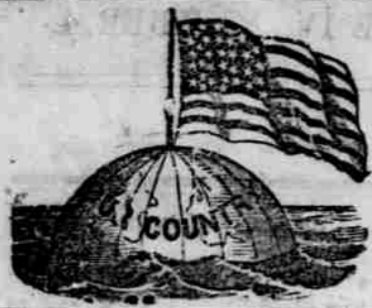


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“FLAG of the free heart's hope and home,
By angel hands to valor given;
Thy stars have lit the welkin dome,
And all thy hues were born of heaven.
FOREVER FLOAT THAT STANDARD SURE!
Where breathes the foe but falls before us
With Freedom's soil beneath our feet,
And Freedom's banner streaming o'er us.”

Farewell!

This is the last copy of the BIG BLUE UNION that will ever be issued. This place will not support two papers. Owing to our frequent suspension and lack of good material the Enterprise has got the start of us. We are going to start a new paper in Manhattan if nothing happens to us that we now know of. Manhattan is a thriving promising place, and the people there have promised a liberal support to us if we would come there with a new paper. We shall try it. Our heart is with Marysville and its people. We are loth to leave.

Our new paper will be continued to all our subscribers that have paid us in advance. Our accounts will be left with an agent for collection. Farewell!

Another Outrage on Northern Kansas! The Governor's Private Secretary Appoints an Irresponsible Man to the Important Position of Judge of the 2d Judicial District.

Ever since we have been a State the Judge of the Second Judicial District has been located in Atchison. While we have been satisfied with Judge Horton as a Judge, yet his location is such that it is calculated to be unfavorable to our local interests. There are five counties in the Northern Tier that are attached to Atchison county in a Judicial District. Upon Judge Horton's resignation it was well understood that his successor should come from the Northern Tier. In fact Judge Horton united with the lawyers of this section in recommending Mr. C. C. Camp, of Troy, for the position. Mr. Camp is a lawyer of acknowledged ability and long experience. This arrangement was likely to prove eminently satisfactory to a large majority of the District. Inasmuch as important local matters come under the supervision of the District Judge, our people manifested considerable interest in the matter. But they were defeated by the dirty dodges of Atchison lawyers with the co-operation of the Governor's private Secretary. The day following Judge Horton's resignation one Bob Graham of Atchison appeared at Topeka with letters of recommendation for the position; and Mr. McAfee was just the tool to do their bidding, he not being actuated by the best feeling in the world towards Northern Kansas.

The members of the bar of the various counties of the Northern Tier are greatly incensed at the action of the private Secretary and will pass resolutions denouncing the appointment. It is to be hoped that upon the return of Gov. Crawford he will revoke the commission, and substitute a private Secretary that will not take such liberties in his absence. Mr. McAfee the private Secretary pretends to be a conscientious man, and has been heard to say he would always oppose the appointment of an intemperate man to an important position; yet this same man whom he has appointed to the important office of Judge is understood to be a confirmed drunkard. We are told that last fall in a fit of delirium tremens he took poison and his life was only saved by the most severe medical appliances. How long is Northern Kansas to be the suffering victim of prejudice and the play-thing of venal politicians? Let this outrage be repudiated along the whole line from the Missouri river to the frontier settlements.

Jeff. Davis is soon to be brought to trial. A true bill of indictment has been found against him for treason by the Grand Jury of the United States Circuit Court sitting at Norfolk Virginia.

MARSHALL COUNTY FOR THE BONDS.

One Hundred Thousand More!!

Washington County for the Bonds!

Seventy-Five Thousand More!!

COME ON WITH THE RAILROAD!!!

Last Tuesday Marshall county voted to subscribe \$100,000 to the capital stock of the Northern Tier Railroad. The friends of the proposition made an active canvass and victory crowned their efforts. The largest vote ever polled in the county was cast at that election. The people will never regret their favorable action. A desperate opposition came from our opponents but the sensible men of this county outnumbered them. This encouragement is due from us to an enterprise that will benefit us all.

Washington county has done nobly. It is a young and thinly settled county, but rich in natural resources. The majority in favor of issuing bonds in that county was very light, only 14.

Come on with the railroad now. This section has a standing offer of \$175,000, and if that is not enough we will double it rather than fail of a road.

Below we give the vote of the various precincts of this county:

Marysville precinct, "for issuing bonds" 204 votes, "against," none; Blue Rapids precinct, "for issuing bonds" 22—"against," 28; Irving precinct, none for, and 69 "against;" Barretts precinct, "for issuing bonds" 1, "against," 99; Foster's precinct, none "for," and 38 "against;" Life's precinct, 13 "for issuing bonds" and none "against;" Guittard's precinct, 18 "for issuing bonds," and 6 "against;" Shookley's precinct, 26 "for issuing bonds" and none "against;" Oketo precinct, 9 "for" none "against;" Total "for issuing bonds" 258, "against" 24,—majority for, 58.

Meeting of the Lawyers of Marshall County.

At a meeting of the members of the bar of this place on the 17th inst., James S. Magill was called to the chair and Jno. W. Bollinger chosen Secretary, to take into consideration the appointment of Robt. St. Clair Graham Judge of this District. The following resolutions were passed:

WHEREAS, We have learned with regret the appointment of Robt. St. Clair Graham Judge of the Second Judicial District vice A. H. Horton, resigned. Therefore be it Resolved, That we consider the appointment one that should never have been made; that we regard the appointee as unqualified for the position.

Resolved, That the appointment of Judge Graham so soon after the resignation of Judge Horton, and against the wishes of a large majority of the members of the Bar of this District meets with our unqualified opposition.

Resolved, That no man should hold the position of Judge against the wishes of a large majority of the members of the Bar and the voters of the District.

J. S. MAGILL, Chairman.

Jno. W. BOLLINGER, Sec'y.

The Fenians.

As we supposed, the Fenians are tumbling to pieces. O'Mahony has been compelled to resign the position of Head Center; Killian has been removed as Treasurer. This is done for frauds perpetrated, money squandered, and futile expeditions. Stephens is now preparing to patch up the thing preparatory to another swindle. After O'Mahony's exhibition and exposure one would think that it would be hard to get Irishmen to advance more money to these humbug leaders.

THE CONSERVATIVE.—The Bulletin, the latest Leavenworth paper we have, says that Judge Sears has retired from the position of editor of the Conservative. Judge Sears is an able writer and an independent thinker, and we are sorry to part with him. It is stated that Ward Burlingame is to succeed him. Now the vouchers are all right. This is a gay country.

AT CHAMBERS.—The excuse urged for the immediate appointment of Bob Graham to the position of Judge of the 2d Judicial District was that there was important business at Chambers to be attended to. It would have been a good thing for Northern Kansas if the chambers had been broken over the head of the private Secretary.

The Northern Kansas Railroad Company.

The stock-holders of the Northern Kansas Railroad Company met pursuant to notice, at Hiawatha last Saturday to choose directors and elect officers. The requisite amount of stock was subscribed and paid in. The following gentlemen were chosen directors: F. H. Drenning and T. A. Osborn, of Doniphan Co.; W. B. Barnett, E. N. Morrill and S. Speer of Brown Co.; Geo. Graham, J. E. Smith and S. Lappin, of Nemaha Co.; J. D. Brumbaugh and E. C. Manning of Marshall Co., and D. E. Ballard of Washington Co. The following are the officers chosen: S. Lappin, President; F. Drenning, Secretary, and W. B. Barrett, Treasurer.

The company have accepted of the lands granted to the road by the State, and D. E. Ballard was chosen as the commissioner to represent the Northern Kansas railroad company in the allotment of the lands. The directors passed a resolution requesting the President to proceed to Washington to look after the interests of the road. The President and Treasurer were appointed a committee to consult with the St. Joseph and Denver city R. R. Company on the matter of consolidation. The directors meet in Seneca on the third Monday of June next.

Merritt for Buchanan County! 1,371 Majority for the Bonds. 400,000 More.

The county of Buchanan in Missouri, in which St. Joseph is located, voted on Tuesday last, week in favor of issuing \$400,000 in bonds to aid in the construction of our Northern Tier Railroad. In speaking of the matter the St. Joseph Herald says:

Our people will never regret their action on Tuesday. We verily believe it secures us the Great Western Railroad, and in less than four months, if the directors of the enterprise use reasonable energy, the cars will be running to Troy.

"What's in a Name."

There has been several names suggested for Kansas, among them "Jayhawker," "Stock State," and "Spartan". Because of our history we would prefer the latter, but in fact, we like neither. We propose "Free State."—Ozage Chronicle.

Wait until our State is out of its swaddling clothes before it is christened. It is a question with us whether the State is fairly born yet, at least the prevailing opinion is that it is not able to run alone, for it always has had some one to "run" it. Wait until after the fall elections and see if it is able to run itself. It certainly is not a "free" State until our Constitution is amended. "Jayhawking" is played out, "Stock State" would do. If we may judge of the future by present appearances, "dead duck State" would be quite appropriate; for in our opinion there is not another State in the Union containing as many "dead ducks."

WENT BACK ON IT.—While the post office appropriation bill was under consideration in the Senate a few days ago, Senator Trumbull of Ill., offered an amendment which was adopted providing for the withholding of all salaries from post office appointees of the President until such appointments had been confirmed by the Senate. This was a pretty heavy blow at "my policy." We see by a recent telegram from Washington that the Senate has "gone back" on their own proposition by reconsidering the vote by which the amendment was adopted, and then refusing to again adopt it.

DON'T KNOW.—McAfee, the Governor's private Secretary, don't know whether he is Governor of S. J. Crawford, but rather thinks that he is. If we are not mistaken in the mental of Governor Crawford, when he returns from New York, McAfee will rather think that he ain't.

The State Capitol lands, ten sections in amount that were advertised for sale at auction by the State Auditor were not sold on the day designated for want of bidders. They are now offered at private sale for one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre.

The Indians are on the rampage in Arizona Territory. They recently captured Ft. Goodwin and butchered the whole garrison, consisting of 121 men. Other disturbances are reported in that section.

Head Center Stephens who escaped from the British Government some time ago, has arrived in America. He made a short speech in New York and counselled moderation and unity among the Fenian factions there.

Railroad News.

There are some items of interest in the following, which we take from the Manhattan Independent:

"We learn that contracts are being let to lay out and grade the Pacific R. R. E. D. from Ft. Riley up the Smoky Hill valley. This settles the question of route for this division of the road. The Atchison and Pike's Peak R. R. now in course of construction will connect with the Kansas Valley road at Manhattan. We speak of this thus confidently, having been so advised by leading authorities of the last named railroad."

Messrs. Stebbins & Porter, of this City, recently purchased upwards of twenty-five thousand acres of land near the Atchison and Pike's Peak Railroad line, situated in Marshall and Nemaha counties. It is choice land which had been selected previously to the location of the railroad.—Free Press.

There is a snake in that woodpile that we would love to see exposed. If reports are true about a part of the transfer made to the above gentlemen, we doubt if "everything is lovely and the Goose hangs high." The future will tell.

PRIMITIVE.—The Times mentions the case of a man, "literally stark naked," who was picked up by a policeman on Fifth street, near Kickapoo, on Saturday morning. Some soldiers, whose resentment he had aroused, were charged with having turned him out of doors in a state of nudity. He was taken to the police office.—Bulletin.

He should have gone in to Chivers.

A man named Herman, who had long exhibited as a "lion-tamer," was proceeding with his performance a few weeks since, at a town in Lower Austria. He entered the cage with a serpent on his back, and according to custom placed his head within the open jaws of a lion. It was his last exhibition, for the animal suddenly resumed his native ferocity, and before the head could be withdrawn, it was a shapeless mass, the lion having literally crushed it. To prevent other mishaps the king of the forest was despatched by fire.

Richard Rousseau, the nephew of Hon. Lovel H. Rousseau, member of Congress from Kentucky, was arrested and held to bail recently for flourishing a pistol in the street and threatening to kill "Yankees." He was finally pacified by an unarmed individual of the latter class, who seized him from behind and by gently pressing his wind-pipe persuaded him to surrender the dangerous weapon, but not until he had snuffed it several times.

Connecticut Senator.

The action of the Republican caucus of the Legislature, on Wednesday night, resulted in the nomination of Gen. Orris S. Ferry, who has beaten Mr. Foster, the President of the Senate and acting Vice President. Gen. Ferry is one of the ablest men in the State, about forty-five years of age. He is a fine orator, a learned lawyer and a fair soldier; and more than this, an energetic, uncompromising Republican. He represented his district in Congress four years ago with distinguished ability and fidelity. His location in the State undoubtedly contributed much toward his success. For more than a quarter of a century the Senators have been elected from Hartford, New Haven, and the eastern portion of the State. Gen. Ferry resides in the western part at Norwalk.

FROM THE PLAINS.—From recent arrivals, we learn that the Indians on the Smoky Hill route are still disposed to be troublesome. The red skins are not at all satisfied with the amount of travel by the Smoky Hill, which they think should be reserved for their use, the frequent passage of the coaches frightening away the buffalo and other game. All the leading tribes insist that the route shall be abandoned by the Government, but they are willing to give up the Arkansas and Platte to uninterrupted travel. A trader connected with the house of Duff & Co., of this city, was robbed some days since below Fort Zarah, almost his entire stock being taken. It is plain that the Smoky Hill route will not be altogether safe this summer.—Conservative.

A singular incident recently occurred at Neuchâtel, Switzerland. At the death of a merchant in that city, on the credit side of his books the name of "God" was found to be inscribed for a considerable sum. No one knew of such a creditor, and on investigation evidence was obtained that deceased, who was a man of great piety, had opened an account to the Father, A. I., and entered to it each year a share of his profits. The clergy have claimed the sum on the ground that they represent God upon earth, while their demand is opposed by the authorities of the canton.

A recently published report of deaths in San Francisco, according to the Bulletin of that city, exhibits a smaller ratio of mortality than can be shown by any other city in the United States.

A Distressing Case—A Clergyman Rescues His Daughter From a Den of Infamy.

[From the Chicago Times, 4th.]

It has recently come to light, in spite of the strong efforts made to conceal the fact, that a young and beautiful girl, the daughter of a clergyman of good standing in a neighboring city, came to Chicago about three months ago and entered a low den of infamy on Wells street, where she remained until last Saturday night.

The girl had been enticed away from her home by a villain, who sought her ruin under a promise of marriage. She was promised the ceremony would take place as soon as they reached this city, but the wedding was postponed from time to time, and in the interim, she surrendered her virtue. Left at the hotel, deserted and alone, she was compelled to enter a house of prostitution, and has since been gradually settling into the confirmed habits of an abandoned woman.

On Saturday, a respectable clergyman arrived here in search of his lost daughter, who had left his house about the time the two reached this city. A gentleman who had heard the melancholy story of the transaction from the lips of the young lady herself, suspecting she was the object of the minister's search, acquainted the distressed father with the facts, as he had heard and seen them, and also gave a description of the house in which she was living.

Accompanied by a friend, on Saturday evening, the father passed along the filthy environs of Wells street, with its dens of infamy stretched on either side, and at last came to the very house where his daughter was leading a life of crime. His heart almost failed with excess of shame and grief, but entering the building at last, he found the object of his search in the embrace of a licentious paramour. The daughter fainted away at first, but recovering, protested penitence and grief that shook the frame of the gray haired, kind old father, with a sorrow whose effects will follow him to the grave. She had been reared among the tenderest and holiest influences, but being human and cursed with the frailty of humanity, she was strongly tempted and surrendered to the enticement.

Having had a pretty thorough conviction of the fact that there is no happiness in a life of crime, the girl was glad to return to her once happy home with her heart broken father, who, however glad he may be that his daughter is recovered from sin and under the sway of his own guidance again, cannot but remember, with ever recurring shame and agony, the irretrievable transgression. Late on Saturday night they left the city together for their humble home, over which, however, hallowed with the sweet memories of the past, a dark and gloowering shadow has fallen, never to be removed. What but the severest punishment is adequate to such a crime?

It is generally supposed that a large proportion of sudden deaths arise from disease of the heart. The following experiment to ascertain the real origin of sudden deaths has recently been made in Europe, and reported to a scientific congress at Strasburg. Sixty-six cases of sudden death were made the subject of a thorough post-mortem examination; in these cases only two were found who died from disease of the heart. Nine out of the sixty-six had died of apoplexy, while there were forty-six cases of congestion of the lungs—that is, the lungs were so full of blood they could not work, there not being room enough for a sufficient quantity of air to enter to support life. The causes that produce congestion of the lungs are cold feet, tight clothing, constive bowels, sitting still until chilled after being warmed with labor or a rapid walk, going too suddenly from a close, heated room into the cold air, especially after speaking, and sudden depressing news operating on the blood. These causes of sudden death being known, an avoidance of them may serve to lengthen many valuable lives, which would otherwise be lost under the verdict of heart complaint.

American Colonization Scheme in Mexico.

It is stated that a negotiation of considerable magnitude has just been concluded with the Mexican Minister at Washington, which involves the cession to certain leading American capitalists of nearly the entire peninsula of Lower California for colonization purposes, and to secure the development of the mineral wealth of that territory. The Mexican Government retains an interest in the proceeds of the enterprise. It is understood that the sum advanced by the parties who have secured the grant, is upward of a million of dollars, which, at this time, will be of important service to the Federal cause. The names of the following gentlemen appear in the conveyance as holding the property in trust for the parties: Jacob P. Lease, R. F. Butler, John Anderson, George Wilkes, Wm. G. Fargo, Wm. B. Travers, S. L. M. Barlow, Francis Morris and Edward S. Sandford.—Times.

In the window of a shop in an obscure part of London is this announcement: "Goods removed, messages taken, carpets beaten, and poetry composed on any subject."