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THE CAMPAIGN "TIMES."

This is campaign year in the Nation, State and County, from President to Coroner. The interests involved will be of vital importance to the people, and they should keep thoroughly posted. To that end THE BUTLER WEEKLY TIMES will be reduced as follows:

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THE FAILURE.

Since the discharge of Frank James the enemies of Governor Crittenden have turned themselves loose again. As long as the Governor complied with every demand made upon him by the prosecution, there was no complaint, but the moment he refused to pardon a worse criminal than Frank James that his testimony might be worth more in convicting the latter, then the prosecution is enraged and turns the act into a subterfuge to escape the responsibility of the prisoners discharge.

If the State had no better testimony upon which to convict Frank James than that given by Dick Liddill, then it should never have begun the prosecution in the first place. Frank James is no doubt guilty of at least some of the crimes alleged against him, but to prove it has been the question. However, the Governor might have removed Liddill's disabilities since it would have given no possible room then for any abuse of him as the representative of the State in the effort to convict the noted train robber.

The prosecution has, perhaps, been well enough managed, but failed to convict the outlaw for want of competent testimony, and for the Prosecuting Attorney to throw the responsibility of the discharge on Governor Crittenden is going a long way out of reason to find a plausible excuse.

THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Bates County Horticultural Society organized in this city some time since, was at first a very diminutive organization as to numbers, but the lapse of a very brief period comparatively has wrought a satisfactory and encouraging change. The Society now holds regular meetings, and they are always well attended and interesting. The proceedings while not very extensive, are none the less important, and the papers read on various subjects pertaining to fruit culture are always worthy. Impressed with this idea the TIMES publishes full reports of each session of the Society, including the papers read, discussions, and the details of business transacted.

There is no industry more important to the Bates county farmer, and certainly none requiring a more careful study of all its details, than the most proper and successful method of raising fruit of whatever kind or quality. This is essentially a fruit growing country, and the more care taken in its culture, the more study given the subject the greater will be the profits of its production.

Everywhere Fay Templeton is not applauded, it seems, either from want of ability to appreciate on the part of the critic, or else a grievance

exists. When at Rich Hill the bewitching Fay charmed, not only the press but the entire public. At Lamar the contrary impression was made on the press if not the public. Craycroft of the *Missourian* is a West Pointer, and his education and advantages ought to make him a fair critic if he expresses his judgement. The following is his way of commenting on a recent engagement of Fay, in Lamar:

"The Fay Templeton" troupe, who performed Giroffe-Giroffa last night, is an arrant fraud from Fay herself to the weakest sister of the leg brigade. The entire play was a dreary waste, through which the audience was carried over two hours, with not more than half a dozen choruses and funny episodes to relieve the monotony. It was an imposition upon the public to be victimized in such a manner, when Fay's alleged repertory embraces "Billee Taylor," "Olivette," "Pirates of Penzance" and other equally attractive operas; but it is our opinion that she sought refuge in Giroffe, because it is the only one she can even butcher decently."

The Nevada *Democrat* thinks the Vernon county delegation in the State Convention will give Hon. F. C. Nesbit a hearty support for Secretary of State. Mr. Nesbit is a very competent man and a worthy gentleman, but he will have a strong competitor in the person of Capt. Lesueur of the *Lexington Intelligencer*, who came so near being nominated four years ago, and will make the race again this time. The interests of state will be well protected should either of these gentlemen be selected.

Among the candidates for Supreme Judge there is none more worthy or competent than Judge G. D. Burgess of Linn county. He has occupied the chair as Circuit Judge in his district nine years, and has given a uniform satisfaction. He is an able man physically and mentally, and his nomination would be received with gratification by friends in this county.

The TIMES Washington correspondent, in addition to a very interesting letter, sends a true likeness of the late Wendell Phillips together with a brief sketch of his somewhat eccentric life. The TIMES is the only country paper in the State that furnishes its readers weekly with the portraits, accompanied with brief biographies, of the leading public men of the Union.

As the hour seems propitious for the "suggesting" of candidates for Congressional honors, why not include the name of one of Bates county's most faithful and distinguished legislators—Hon. J. N. Ballard. There are none more worthy, and not one who would secure a heartier support from the Democratic party. Why not name him.

Daniel T. Beaty, the great organ man of Washington New Jersey, has gone under. No doubt many thousands of people have money in Mr. Beaty's hands now which will never be returned, nor its equivalent. This should be a warning to people who are prone to patronize irresponsible institutions.

The season is now at hand when the average political newspaper rushes to the front with the oft repeated declaration, "We have no preference among the numerous worthy candidates for the office." The TIMES has thus far withheld any propensity it may have in this direction.

"The Butler TIMES copies our account of the attempted robbery of J. W. Spencer, a few days ago and credits it to the *Advocate*. Credit to whom credit is due, Bro. TIMES."—Clinton *Messenger*.

Please pardon us, sir. It was purely an error, wholly unintentional, and you do right in calling our attention to it.

For Attorney General, Owen T. Rouse of Moberly is mentioned. Missouri has no better man. As Senator in the Legislature he had few equals. Always ready, always honest and true, is his reputation as a legislator, and it is equally so of him as a man. His nomination would be no mistake.

The *Chronicle* has suspended publication at Rich Hill, and will be moved to Sedalia, where its publishers, Messrs. Fleenor & Root, assisted by Mr. McDemuth, will commence an evening daily paper. Republicanism in southern Bates must be dwindling.

The official notice of the special election to be held April 29th to vote \$10,000 to build a jail at Butler, appears elsewhere in the TIMES. The subject should be earnestly and carefully considered.

The Cass County *Democrat* has hoisted the gubernatorial banner, and inscribed thereon is the name of Gen. John S. Marmaduke. Indeed are the forces beginning to move.

Col. Robert Ingersoll will lecture in Kansas City Friday night. The noted infidel must have run a little short in his cash and has come west to replenish his pocket-book.

One Stephen R. Smith, a portable temperance lecturer, is being thoroughly ventilated by the Cass County *Democrat* as a huge fraud.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Appleton Journal: The first marriage in Vernon county after its organization was that of Henry Gibson to Miss Lats Overstreet, April 5th, 1855.

Lamar Missourian: Twenty-eight convicts will be dismissed from the Missouri penitentiary during February, under the three-fourth's rule.

Carthage Patriot: There is a lawyer in Jasper county whose pedal continuations are so small that it is proposed to have him arrested under the vagrant act for having no visible means of support.

Clinton Advocate: The dog tax of Cole county for this year amounts to \$2,165, of which \$1,565 has already been collected. This money is used as an indemnity to pay parties who have had sheep killed by dogs, and if any remains, it goes into the school fund.

Appleton Journal: A Journal man interviewed several leading fruit growers from different parts of the country last Saturday regarding the condition of fruit trees, and they all expressed serious doubts on the subject. Many claim that a large proportion of the peach trees are killed, and that the crop of early apples will also be cut very short.

Nevada Mail: County Clerk Cummins returned from Butler Thursday. After talking with a number of well-posted citizens of Bates he thinks it very doubtful whether John T. Leabo will be convicted for the murder of his wife. Many of those most intimately acquainted with the particulars of the case believe him innocent.

Appleton Journal: According to previous announcement the new, elegant and beautiful M. E. Church building in this city was, on last Sunday dedicated to the service of Him who rules supreme over all the world.

Over \$1,000 was donated to be used in paying off the indebtedness on the church and other expenses. Indeed Appleton City and the country surrounding is populated with a generous-hearted, christian people.

Osceola Sun: This is hard times on the stage lines, the roads for the past week or two being so muddy that it was almost impossible to make the trip from Osceola to Appleton or to Clinton. Yesterday ice was floating down Osage so that the terry would not run in the forenoon and the stage from here did not go. The day before the Clinton stage did not come.

LaPlata Home Press: Houston Crittenden, son of the Governor, is a clerk in one of the Wabash offices in St. Louis. He is a quiet, unassuming young gentleman who is banking on his own energy and intelligence rather than upon the distinguished position occupied by his father. There is a promising future for such young men.

Holden Enterprise: The total assessment of Johnson county, just completed, except the railroads, is: Real estate \$6,823,905, personal property, \$2,918,100. Making a

grand total of \$9,742,005. When the railroad assessment is added to this it will make it more than ten millions of dollars. Real estate in the town of Holden, \$435,870.

Exchange: Some one has taken the trouble to find out how far a man must walk to put in and tend 40 acres of corn. To plow the ground with a 16 inch, 3 horse plow, he travels 350 miles; to harrow the ground thoroughly before planting, he will have to travel 100 miles; to mark out the same he travels 50 miles; to cultivate it afterwards he will have to travel 300 miles; making a grand total of 800 miles, besides the gathering.

Brownsville Herald: Newspaper publishers who chance to read the following from the Independence Sentinel, one of the liveliest in the northwest, will have many unpleasant memories awakened within them: "A wealthy and highly respected citizen of Smabar township, named W. M. Brockman, not only refuses to take the Sentinel addressed to him out of the office, but also refuses to pay two years back subscription due. May the Lord have mercy on his soul. He is \$3 ahead now, but how will it be when we come to write his obituary?"

Nevada Mail: Mr. Shively is one of the most enthusiastic fruit growers in Vernon County. He is now experimenting with a number of new varieties of different fruits, and has sent to California for cuttings of the fine grapes which have heretofore been principally confined to that state. Mr. Shively believes they can be grown successfully here, and if he is correct, it will be a source of revenue to Southwest Missouri which will rival corn, cattle and hogs. As a fruit producing section he believes this part of the state ranks next to California.

Nevada Democrat: John Smith called at our office Thursday morning and related a most shocking story. He says as he was riding across the prairie six miles south of town on his way to this city, he saw a large fine steer standing on the bank of a small stream bleeding at every pore, and on further investigation found he had been skinned alive. Who the heartless wretch can be that would do such a dastardly deed may never be known, but it is gravely suspected that a certain hide and tur house of this city is responsible for the outrage. The friends of the gentlemen here in Nevada, however, are slow to believe they would be guilty of such meanness.

Appleton Journal: Squire Coffin tells a very good one on Hon. Frank Nesbit, and with the hope that it will have the effect of strengthening Frank's chances for Secretary of State, we will give it to our readers: A few nights ago a resident of our county, living down in the hills near the river, was traveling in Monegaw township, and night overtook him at Coffin's. During the evening the stranger, through curiosity, began to inquire the names of those living in the neighborhood. When the Squire mentioned Nesbit's name his guest straightened up, and with great astonishment, exclaimed: "N-a-s-b-y!" Well I'll be darned, is that the fellow that writes all them funny pieces in the newspapers about Democracy? "Shake, Nasby" *aw*

Pleasant Hill Review: Much excitement was created in this city Thursday morning by the report that a man was lying dead on the common, in the eastern part of the city, near Travis College. A coroner's jury was summoned, and on proceeding to the spot all were shocked to recognize the dead body as that of Mr. Thomas Carson, a gentleman well known here and in the western part of the county. He was removed to the undertaking rooms of Mr. Whitsitt. A post mortem examination was held by Drs. Smith and Warden, when it was ascertained that he was shot in the back of the head, the ball ranging downward. It is supposed that death ensued immediately, but from all the circumstances attending it, and from the testimony developed at the inquest, it was evidently perpetrated for the purpose of robbery.

THE FAR WEST.

W. J. Stafford Writes an Interesting Letter from Washington Territory

NORTH COVE, PACIFIC COUNTY, W. T. JAN. 28, '83.

EDITOR TIMES:—Wishing to renew for the TIMES I thought I would write a few lines for your paper which you can give to the many readers if you have space and choose to do so.

It may appear strange that here one thousand miles north of Bates county Mo., that the weather should be so mild and pleasant. Last winter we had about two inches of ice. For this winter the ice has not been over half an inch in thickness. Horses, cattle and sheep live on the range the year round without feed or any special care, and I think when stock raising is once carried on in a practical manner it can be made a very profitable business.

At present lumber and fish is the leading business west of the Cascade Range, although stock raising, and what is called farming, is carried on to a considerable extent. As to good beef, mutton, fish and good vegetables, they don't make them any better than they are here. Cherries, plums and prunes do splendid. Apples grow large and fine but don't have the good flavor of the Missouri apples.

As for game we have the black bear, elk, deer, conger. One of my neighbors killed a large conger today. They are very voracious animals, they sometimes kill the full grown Indian pony, but rarely ever attempt to harm a person.

It one expects to talk to every one he meets he must be master of all languages from Norway to China, for they are all here but Sambo, too much rain in winter and not hot enough in summer for him. While this is a very healthy country it is not a smooth, level, open country like Missouri and never can be thickly settled, as the Chinaman says "too muchie rough"

W. J. STAFFORD.
P. S. I have not received the TIMES since the 2nd of Jan. Please forward back numbers, as I have read the TIMES since the earliest dawn of existence to the present date and can't think of doing without it. For President give us the old ticket Tilden and Hendricks. W. J. S.

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Flax! Flax!! Flax!!!

Messrs. Carnes & Hall are preparing to make the largest flax loan ever put out in Bates county. They have about three thousand bushels of fine seed selected from last year's crop; those desiring to sow seed this season will save money by calling to see them before making other arrangements. They can furnish either native or Russian seed on the most liberal terms. Having the ONLY flax cleaner in southwest Missouri, outside of Kansas City, thereby insuring their customer's flax seed free from chaff and of the purest kind. This with their liberal dealings and unsurpassed facilities for handling the product, will insure the greatest returns to the farmers for their crops.

From the Marathon Independent.

"How is this, Minnie?" asked one Marathon girl of another. "You have asked all these folks to your party that you scarcely speak to and left out some of your most intimate friends."



The Late Wendell Phillips.

The Great Agitator and Reformer. A Brief Review of Life and Characteristics.

With the death of Wendell Phillips, the last of the great pioneers and original apostles of Abolitionism in the United States is gathered to his reward. He was born in Boston on the 29th of November, 1811. At the age of nineteen he graduated from Harvard College, began at once the study of law, and was admitted to the bar in 1834.

His sympathies were strongly aroused by the persecution of the early Abolitionists, more particularly during the Boston mob in October, 1835, when Garrison, the leader of the Abolitionists narrowly escaped with his life. The following year Phillips gave up the practice of law because he was unwilling to act under an oath of allegiance to the Constitution of the United States, and publicly joined the Abolitionists. In 1865 he succeeded William Lloyd Garrison as President of the anti-Slavery Society, which position he held until dissolution of the organization in 1870.

In his time Wendell Phillips espoused many causes, such as prohibition, abolition of interest on money, Communism, agrarianism, green-back fiat money, the election of Gen. Butler to the Presidency, woman's rights, the abolition of government and all penal laws, the restriction of ruffians and criminals by the power of love only, the abolition of slavery and of the American Constitution as "a covenant with death and a league with hell." He opposed bitterly the formation of the anti-Slavery political party. He was a candidate for Governor of Massachusetts at one time but he received only a small vote. During the war he dropped all his views of no government and non-political action against slavery, and became an advocate of the most extreme measures for its suppression. Thus twenty-five of the best years of his life devoted to the agitation of an anti-slavery sentiment, culminated in success with the issue of the Emancipation proclamation and amidst a mighty shock of arms.

With the extinguishment of slavery the activities of Mr. Phillips' mind sought new directions, and whatever subject he discussed, the magnetic eloquence, the never-failing courage, the splendid intellectual powers, the fierce defiance of public sentiment, if against him, are fresh in the country's recollection. His sympathies with humanity were unbounded, his hatred of oppression in all its forms, and of shams in all their phases, intense, his grasp of the future possibilities of American civilization far-reaching, and the world, in spite of any mistakes that he may have made was the better for his living.

In personal appearance Mr. Phillips was a man of fine and commanding presence. He was no doubt the most complete and polished orator on the American platform although the associate of the cultured and aristocratic, he was a man of the simplest habits and the least ostentation. He lived for forty years in a modest two story brick house built by himself in Boston and which he vacated most unwillingly in 1882, the property having been "condemned" for street improvement. In the death of Mr. Phillips the little band of surviving original Abolitionists loses its most heroic and striking figure. Doctor Furness and Robert Purves, of Washington and the veteran poet Whittier of Massachusetts, and a few others of less note still survive to mourn the death of their silver-tongued leader.

The American Bazar for February, just received, is a beautiful number, and fully justifies the claims of the publisher, that they are making "The Best and Cheapest Fashion Journal of the Day." In addition to its fashion departments, its literary features are of the highest order. Its subscription price, only \$1.00 per annum, places it within the reach of all, and we also notice that in its premium list every subscriber is offered a choice from a catalogue of standard works by the best authors, free. Send to cents for a sample copy to the American Bazar Co., 202 Broadway, N. Y.