

**BUTLER WEEKLY TIMES**

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**BUTLER MISSOURI.**

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The jury in the Cora Lee case, at Springfield, last week, were unable to agree. They stood eight for conviction and five for acquittal.

The Illinois legislature has passed a law prohibiting the sale of tobacco to boys under the age of 16 without the consent of their parents. What next?

The board of managers of the Nevada asylum met in Clinton Monday for the purpose of selecting officials to manage the above institution.

Senator Sherman finds a few people who indorse his notion that the general government should take entire charge of the congressional elections.

Two acres of buildings was destroyed by fire in Louisville, Ky., Saturday. It was the most destructive fire the city has had in many years.

In Kansas City Saturday last, a saloon keeper by the name of Bernard Joachim, fired two shots at his 16-year-old wife and then sent a bullet through his own brain, and died instantly.

The legislature seems to be in a regular muddle in regard to railroad legislation and the prospects are extremely favorable for an adjournment this week without having accomplished anything.

A Washington dispatch states that President Cleveland has consummated his plans for his western trip and will visit St. Louis and Kansas City during the month of September.

Tammany Hall is preparing a great Fourth of July celebration for New York. Among the speakers expected are Gov. Lee of Virginia, Secretary Lamar, Speaker Carlisle and Senators Vance and Blackburn.

Col. Joshua La Due who was in the city yesterday attending court informed us that the surveying corps of the St. Louis & Colorado railroad were within a few miles of Clinton, surveying and locating the line of the above road. After leaving Clinton they will continue the line to Butler and our people can look for them in about a week.

Too much praise cannot be heaped upon Judge DeArmond by our people for the promptness with which he has dispatched business at the present term of court and for the arrangement of his docket. The machinery of court has glided along so evenly that the most scrupulous could not find room for complaint.

Warden Marmaduke has revoked an old order to the effect that prisoners were not allowed to read newspapers. This is a sensible and humane decision. We do not see how any harm can result from allowing convicts to read newspapers and it will certainly not interfere with the discipline of the prison. The old order forbidding newspapers in the prison was promulgated in February 1884.—Jefferson City Tribune.

The St. Louis & Colorado railroad is surveying its Kansas City branch through Sedalia and the citizens of that city are jubilant over the bright prospects of getting the road. There has been one other survey made which passes through Warrensburg, and one of the two routes will be accepted by the company. The main line, however, of this important trunk railroad, has been settled upon by the company and it is given out that the road after passing Versailles will come to Clinton and on to Butler and thence on west to Colorado.

**WATER WORKS.**

Thursday night last the city council met at their hall with closed doors to consider the propositions offered by Mr. Tierman, of Ft. Scott and Mr. J. R. Williams, representing the American Water works and Guarantee Co. Both propositions were carefully examined and considered of the council and after due deliberation and making some important changes in the interests of the city, decided unanimously to accept the proposition offered by the American Water works and Guarantee Co., and submit the same to a vote by the people at the earliest possible moment.

The ordinance which we publish in full in another place in this paper is quite lengthy and covers the whole ground and by reading it you will find that it is as fair a proposition as the people of this city could ask. The company agree to put in six miles of main within the city limits and ninety hydrants. The water will be drawn from the Miama, and for private use will be thoroughly filtered. On a test and for fire protection they agree to throw at the same time six streams of water one hundred feet high, with a capacity of 1,200 gallons per minute. They further agree that the cost of water for family use in four rooms shall not exceed \$6 per year. A water tower of steel plate 15 feet in diameter and 150 feet high will be placed in the city. The city is to have four public hydrants on the square and free water for the public buildings, churches, &c.

Upon the whole we think the council has done well for the city, and should the people accept the ordinance (and we have every reason to believe they will) will have a system far superior to any of our sister towns around us. Read the ordinance carefully and when the time for action arrives let us march to the polls and carry the same by acclamation.

**One Republican, One Democrat.**

Kansas City Times. Baldwin, Kan., June 22.—We have read and here make public our emphatic endorsement of Comrade Whitehead's letter to Tuttle in the Times of the 19th.

We are sick and tired of this abominable attempt to make the G. A. R. do such degraded service. It has been done too often in the past by partisan cranks who sit on the G. A. R. like big fat flies on the head of an empty sugar cask, feeding on what sugar is left—since the war. Our hope now is that this last exhibition of folly unutterable, will end all this forever in the United States.

The puerile anathemas of "Grand Commanders" Fairchild, Tuttle, et al., calling upon God to pulverize, paralyze and jam somebody up generally, awakens a disgust inexpressible throughout the country. All who are not laughing are holding their noses. These "grand commanders" seem to go further than sent in a dangerous direction, even proud of the odious distinction of being accessory to assassination before the fact.

The unpatriotic, disgraceful, disreputable utterances of these men against the brave, true man who is president marks them as unworthy of their time and country. Under the blessed ministry of peace, harmony and democracy, the people of this great republic are coming together daily into "a more perfect union."

In this good hour so full of hope and promise it is sad to see John Sherman bidding for the nomination for the presidency of this great republic in language which incites cranks to murder and treason, saying at Springfield to this country and the world that "the chief magistrate of this nation is in his place as such through murder and perjury." Then follow these little men with big titles, yelling like pirates, to the onset. Then comes the usual post resolution: "To go to St. Louis or not to go," and all this tuncology. We protest against it all as citizens, ex-soldiers, democrat and republican members of the G. A. R. post No. 40, Baldwin, Kansas.

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**MUCH PORK GONE.**

Many Millions of Pounds of Hog Products Ruined.

The Loss Considerably Over a Million Dollars.

Chicago, Ill., June 26.—Early this morning one of the employes of the Chicago packing and provision company at the Union stock-yards, discovered fire in the tank room, and in a few moments one of the tanks exploded, scattering burning lard over the adjacent buildings, and a dozen separate fires were soon competing with each other in the destruction of the immense establishment. Though the fire was struck out this evening—fourteen and one quarter hours after it started—the smoldering embers continued to laden the air with the fumes of roast pork, and a five-acre oven will remain on the premises red-hot for at least a couple of days.

The Chicago packing and provision company's works occupy six acres of ground, but the fire was kept within the district bounded by Fortieth street, Central avenue, Forty-second street and the railroad tracks, a block west of Central Ave. This territory contains four large buildings.

The main building was 300x475 feet. In it a portion of the killing was done and the hanging, cutting, curing and other work incidental to a slaughtering establishment, except curing, in a room in which were about 19,000,000 pounds of short ribs. The main building and its contents are a total loss.

The curing room, 100x150 feet, and four stories high, lost its roof, but stone fire walls saved its contents, a portion of them in a roasted condition.

On the east side of the main building was a warehouse, 120x100 feet, four stories and a basement. The two upper floors at the south end were used for killing purposes. In the warehouse were 17,000 barrels of mess pork belonging to Armour & Co. The building and much of the pork was wholly destroyed.

About 3,000 live hogs were in the building when the fire started but the company's employes succeeded in getting most of them out. Between 600 and 700 hogs were burned alive in the building.

Back of the main building was a fertilizing factory 100 feet square and the engine house 50 by 65 feet. Both structures were burned completely.

The fact that no wind was blowing when the fire started was probably the only circumstance that saved the entire stock yards from destruction.

**Jeff Davis Heard From.**

Danville, Ill. June 23.—The following was received to-day:

Colonel Phocion Howard, Danville, Ill. Beauvoir, Miss., June 20.—Dear Sir: In answer to your letter of request by the Danville farmers' and mechanics' institute that I should deliver an address at its fair I reply as I did last year: Some years ago I delivered an address at the Winnebago county fair, and was received with great courtesy. There I was among friends, for my memory went back to the months of June, July and August, 1831, when as a lieutenant upon the staff of Colonel Zachary Taylor I was stationed at Prairie Du Chené—Fort Crawford as it was then known—and during the memorable and historic Black Hawk war, it was my good fortune to help in protecting the pioneer settlers of that country whose descendants I spoke to at Rockford. I cannot come to Illinois this year. Thanking the association through you, I have only to say, as I said last September in an open letter to Colonel J. T. Sharr of Baltimore, that I deny the charges made against me by General W. T. Sherman, in which he says I was foremost in encouraging the late war. I say to you, my dear colonel, that I did all in my power to prevent the late war and that I never looked for nor aspired to the post of the chief or executive of the confederate states.

I may say, that the order of the war department to return the captured flags to the late confederate states

was a violation to all known military precedents. You will find in my history of the late war that there were but twenty-six regiments of regular troops in the army of the north and of the total of 560 confederate flags captured it is questionable if those twenty-six regiments captured fifty. The flags were captured by the volunteer army of the several states and have no right in the national capital.

Respectfully yours, JEFFERSON DAVIS.

**Escape of a Murderer.**

Nebraska City, Neb., June 24.—The notorious murderer Quinn Bohannon who has been under sentence of death but awaiting the decision of the United States supreme court, escaped from the county jail sometime last night and has not been captured yet. He was put into his cell last night and the doors were all securely fastened, and everything was in the same condition this morning, but the prisoner was gone.

Several years ago Bohannon tried to bribe a former jailor but was unsuccessful. He is one of the most accomplished criminals in the west. He was formerly a member of the noted M. C. Waters gang of noted outlaws which terrorized Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri and was leader of the gang during the celebrated penitentiary revolt a number of years ago at which time M. C. Walters lost his life.

Bohannon is credited with the commission of nearly every crime imaginable. He has killed a number of men—the last one for which he was under the death sentence, because his victim differed with him about spelling the word "peddler."

A reward of \$500 has been offered for the fugitive's capture, but it is doubtful if he will be taken alive.

Dick Gloche, guard at the jail, was arrested to night for assisting Bohannon to escape, all the other prisoners asserting that Gloche opened the door and they saw Bohannon walk out about 9 o'clock last night.

**All for Cleveland.**

New York, June 24.—Gen. A. B. Upshaw, assistant commissioner of Indian Affairs, is at the Fifth avenue hotel. "I have been through the northern part of New York State," said the General, "and I am convinced that Cleveland will not only be re-nominated, but will be re-elected. I found a number of Republicans who declared their intention of voting for the present incumbent if they are given an opportunity." The General astonished a group of his friends by giving the names of some well known Republicans who were ready to go over to Cleveland. "Oh, there is no other man to nominate," said the General, "and the second place is of no consequence. Carlisle would not accept the vice-presidential nomination, and it look now as though Assistant Postmaster General Stevenson would get the second place, although Gen. Black would make a strong run. Out through Kansas, where I have been recently, there is a wonderfully growing sentiment in favor of a second term for the present well equipped occupant of the presidential chair."



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