

The editor of this mental light house on the rocky shores of time is again forced to ask all those subscription is due to pay it.

Cleveland's bumped head will be nothing compared to the bump that the Democratic administration will receive four years from now. They will be completely bumped out of the carriage then.

The little baby who puts its toes in its mouth is the only person who can make both ends meet these hard times. Come in and pay your subscription. If you can live on wind, unfortunately we can't. We have printers and paper bills to pay.

A Co-operative store is not entitled to the patronage of the general public that only asks the trade of the Alliance people. We have noticed that Co-operative stores advertise only in Alliance papers and it is therefore evident that they only want Alliance trade.

Every citizen of Hiawatha must feel the need of a new hotel building that will be a credit to the town. Feeling this need it is but proper that each one become interested in the project. 'Why is the matter delayed?' Are we to become more noted for the lack of enterprise than for it.

The World's new press has come and the Memorial day issue will be something extra in a newspaper way. Advertisers who want space in the issue will please let us know at once. The Memorial number will be filed at THE WORLD'S fair newspaper headquarters and will be seen in the Kansas exhibit.

A KANSAS CAMPAIGN.

New York Sun.

IN Kansas, as in New York, candidates for elective office are obliged by law to file sworn statements of their campaign disbursements, though what practical benefit has been secured by establishing such a provision, no one seems to know. The electoral reforms adopted it because it was English; sundry legislators incorporated it in their electoral law. Candidates comply with it because compliance with law is an American citizen's first duty; but in operation it is a farce, and is popularly so regarded. At the municipal elections of a month ago Mrs. Anna Potter was a candidate for mayor of Kansas City. She received twenty-five votes. Mrs. Potter has filed her statement of expenses with the county clerk as follows:

"Juvenile colored band, \$25; band wagon, \$5; another band wagon, \$5; band, \$4; tickets, \$18.00; four banners, \$2. Total, \$79.00."

Mrs. Potter disbursed \$79.50 in securing twenty-five votes, an abnormal, extravagant, and unproductive outlay such as may be expected from a political tyro. She was partial to music, a lovely trait of the feminine character but one of little value for campaign purposes; and she displayed a keen sense of her duty to her followers by having the principles she favored displayed upon banners. Hers was what might be truthfully called a spectacular and resounding campaign. There was plenty of music, and as one of the bands was of the African variety, the element of color was not lacking. She seems to have believed in a campaign of music instead of one of education, and the result of this miscalculation, if we may so describe it, was that she received only twenty-five votes at a cost of \$3.18 cents each.

Nowadays, political banners do not count for much. The principles which a candidate stands for, are not of as much importance as the man and organization which by their beneficent activity accomplish his election. The ticket issue of Mrs. Potter's is indefin-

able. The only tickets a candidate needs are election tickets bearing the right name; and the only receptacle for them is the ballot box. The prominent purchase of tickets for chowders, picnics, balls and benefits has kept many a local statesman poor, and has not improved his political prospects either. At the same time, it must be admitted that Mrs. Potter made an aggressive though unavailing fight. She did not hide her political light under a bushel. She let every one know, with flutes, clarionets, tom-tom, bass drum, life and symbols, that she was in the field for votes. She woke the echoes of the town. She expended \$79.50 and was defeated. Perhaps the most judicious items of her disbursements were those for band wagons. But she mistook in having two. One band wagon in politics is enough for any one, man, woman, or Mugwump; and the aspirant should get on board early and stay late. That's politics.

FROM THE SENTINEL.

Some Items of Long Ago Are Here Reprinted.

IN the UNION SENTINEL for September, 1864, we call these items: Captain Lacoek, Orderly Sergeant; James A. Pope, captain commanding 60 men in company. John Walters, first lieutenant. Public speaking held. Distinguished speakers advocate the election of Abraham Lincoln and Andrew Johnson. W. W. Guthrie addresses the people. A basket of peaches were grown on E. A. Spooner's farm.

October 14, 1864.—Albert H. Horton nominated for district judge. The editor regrets that all the ministers have gone to the war and for that reason there will be no services on Sunday.

Mr. Livermore starts the Hamlin mills.

The militia marches to Atchison. N. Spier is captain of one company. Among the distinguished privates in the 22d regiment Kansas State militia are Hon. I. J. Lacoek, Judge S. A. Kingman, Hon. W. W. Guthrie, Hon. W. B. Harrett and G. J. Englehart.

November 13, 1864.—The editor apologizes for his poor paper. He has no fire and no money.

The wind mill prospect is discussed. Elder Price conducts quarterly meeting.

November 18, 1864.—The Robinson people raise \$1000 to bore for coal. A church building is talked of. It was afterwards built.—It was the stone building torn down to give room for the new brick M. E. church. Judge Kingman sells his 80-acre farm and leaves Brown county.

Atchison Daily Globe: General Rice who was a Populist two years ago, has flopped since removing to Texas, and in an interview with a La Porte newspaper man the other day he called Governor Lewelling a weak-minded socialist; Doster, an imitation of Aaron Burr; Simpson, a political adventurer; Clemens, a social outcast; and Semple, an anarchist. Rice is the man whom the Republicans charged with writing a rebel geography. He used to be a Republican, but left the party because John J. Ingalls would not have him appointed collector of internal revenue.

Leavenworth Times: Kansas, so the United States census says, has a school for every 182 persons, a Sunday school for every 430, only 1 criminal for every 2700, and an increase in wealth during the decade of 40 per cent per capita; Massachusetts has a school for every 600 persons, a Sunday school for every 250, a criminal for every 400 persons and a per capita increase of wealth of 5 per cent.

Said Secretary Greenham to the Governor of Oregon: "The President wants you to do this and so in regard to the Chinese." Said the Governor of Oregon to Secretary Greenham: "Full President Cleveland to send to his business and I will tend to mine."

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