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From the Dublin Freeman. Smith O'Brien on the War With England.

The following extract of a letter from William Smith O'Brien to Secretary Seward, will be read with interest, as containing some truly patriotic and humanely American sentiments :

By the recent seizure of the Confederate Commissioners on board of a British mail steamer, the Government of Mr. Lincoln has incurred a fearful responsibility. I take for granted that this act will not be disavowed. I take for granted to the English nation. I take for granted that it was designed as a bold and defiant answer to the insolence which has been directed against the American nation by every organ of British opinion United States. However this may be, it is assuredly an act which is fraught with consequences that may hereafter become most disastrous to both parties who are now contending with each other. Unless England consent to forego all claims to manhood or national honor, she must resent this seizure, and if the South be disposed to accept her cooperation, the successors of Washington must be prepared to encounter hazards more dangerous than ever menaced the Western Republic. United, the States of America might defy the world; but while they are divided, the interposition of a powerful arbitrer must rule their destinies. The navy of England, issuing from the ports of Halifax, St. John, Bermuda, and of the West Indies, and cooperating with a land force which appears to be little short of half a million of men, will not only raise the blockade of every Southern port, but will sweep the American coast from New Brunswick to the Potomac, burning every town and city which lies within reach of the formidable projectiles of modern artillery, and capturing every commercial vessel that may venture to quit the protection of a Federal fortress. As for Canada, the modern statesmen of England care little whether it calls itself British or American; but if an attempt be made by the Federal States to force the Canadians into an incorporation with the Northern section of the Republic, they will simply bring upon themselves an additional foe. They will be attacked

on their Northern as well as on their Southern frontier, and, thus overmatched, they will be compelled to yield to the dictates of necessity and submit to an ignominious peace.

British opinion now anticipates. Scarce- uppermost, hadn't it ma? and this is the ly a single Englishman or Irish West Briton is to be found who did not rejoice when the civil war broke out in America, because the English people have been made to feel that the United States were becoming a power with whose ascendancy they would soon be unable to cope. For the same reason I am convinced that they would now rejoice to obtain an opportunity of destroying the Northern section of the Republie by forming an alliance with the Southern. They would thus acquire, without impediment, the cotton and other raw materials with which the Southern States have been accustomed to supply them, whilst they would ex-

they were driven from their homes by English misgovernment, and. when their death, proscription and exile were hailed by England with a shout of exultation which was not confined to the prejudiced masses for whom were written the memorable words : "The Celts are gone. Thank God ! the Celts are gone-gone with a vengeance." They are even still reminded that this exultation was shared, and is shared, by the leading statesmen of England-by ministers and viceroys who are still in the habit of finding in every decrease of the population of Ireland a subject of congratulation. If you make peace with the South there will be that was intended as a deliberate affront no war with England. Some convenient and plausible pretext will be discovered for forbearing to resent the affront which has been offered to the British flag. England would not hesitate to assail you, as she assailed the Chinese, if ever since the civil war broke out in the you were unable to defend yourselves; and when she shall find that the shores of America are to be protected by a million of armed men, who have profited by the experience of at least one campaign; when she shall find that every harbor and every river, from the frontier of Maine to the extremity of Texas, is about to send out privateers, which will intercept, even in Australia, the gold-laden vessels of England-when she recollects that if she places a regiment on the borders of Canada, a large portion of that regiment will desert to the United States; when she reflects that if she goes to war with united America she will be met by two hundred thousand Irish soldiers, who pant for an opportunity of avenging the wrongs of their race-when she is conscious that five millions of Irishmen, inhabiting an island which lies by her side, will sympathize with America rather than with England in such a struggle-when she forebodes, with gloomy forceast, that the glory of England will forever pass away, and become matter of history, if ever France and America shall unite in hostility to her-when she knows that the ruler of France is watch-

ing, like an eagle, to pounce upon his prey, and that France will be supported by the sympathy of Spain, and the gratitude of Italy, she will be slow to en-counter these hazards, even in defense of the flag that "has braved a thousand years the battle and the breeze."

Smart Butter.

"Why is it, my son," asked a mother of a ten year old, one day, "why is it that when you let your bread and butter drop that it is always with the butter side down ?"

"I don't know; it hadn't oughter, This is the course of events which had it? The strongest side ought to be

One Thing at a Time.

We see men now and then who appear to astonish those about them with the multiplicity of business which they are able to attend to, when one would naturally suppose they could not do half as much as they do. Cn the principle, probably, that the more one does the more he can do, they seem to accomplish uncounted labors. The famous De Witt, one of the greatest statesmen of the age in which he lived, being asked by a friend how he was able to dispatch that multitude of affairs in which he was engaged, replied that his whole art consisted in "doing one thing at once." "If," says he, "I have any necessary dispatches to make, I think of nothing else until those are finished; if any domestic affairs require my attention, I give myself up whally to them until they are set in order."

The secret is a small one, and it is just there. It is often the case that persons whom one would call stupid and dull, certainly not "smart" and energetic, come at length into possession of large estates, simply by taking up each part and division of their business in their regular order and at the right time; even when this bump of regularity and perseverance is wanting, the most promising men make but triffing headway, and in due time find that all their affairs are behind, and themselves swamped beyond the hope of redemption.

Thus considered, there is no valid rea son why persons who set out for that single prize, and despise every other, should fail to become rich. The difficulty is not so much in the competition that exists for making money, as it is in a dissipation of the mentrl forces upon other than this one object. To be sure we do not choose to commend such an object as the most worthy; we are only bringing it up by way of illustration and ex-ample. It shows the truth respecting a habit, if that habit is well followed out, and nothing is permitted to come in the way of its free operatioh.

It requires considerable will to discipline one's self to the habit-never broken in upon-of always doing what re-quires to be done, and doing it at the right time. There are so many temptations in the way; now it is the prospect of a brief chance to fold the hands and go off in a reverie, and now it is the confusion of brain begotten of a variety of calls upon one at the same moment. He sometimes thinks he can do more than one thing at a time, and then fails of a certainty to do anything at all. There are many and secret ways by which the fatal habits overtakes one.

There are cases of success around us where men accomplished all they set out to, and did it after only this same simple Our editor did not neglect method. There is the case of Rev. Dr. Barnes, of Philadelphia, to begin with. He has been in the habit of writing and compiling his "Notes" on the different books of the Bible at an early hour in the morning, when other men were asleep, thus stealing from the day what the yonng day is ever ready to give to the diligent hand that opens to receive it. He has written all those little works when others were asleep, and then begun his day even with the rest of them. So that his numerous volumes, with the pile of copyright money he has made out of them, are but a monument of his morning hour, before breakfast industry. Many are the lessons this simple precept conveys to the mind. The ancients employed the terse motto, "divide and conquer," which means the same thing. The world can be at length overcome by dividing up the work and the hours, and then applying each to the other with regularity and unflinching perseverance. Remember that the coral reefs, on which whole islands are anchored. are raised by the persistent labors of a tiny sea-insect. "Something every day" is an excellent motto for a worker; and, as an addendum to it-" nothing else while that is going forward."

The Price of Politeness.

A Paris paper is responsible for the following story, which if not true, might

A young editor of a theological jour-nal called lately en an actress living in a third story on the Rue Richelieu. Leaving her room, he descended the stairway. At the first floor landing, a black coated gentleman, coming hastily out of a room, ran against the young man. Begging pardon he passed on, but turning, after a step or two, he abruptly asked :

"Monsieur, have you half an hour to lose ?"

" For what, sir ?"

"To render me a service which will bring you a trifle—say a hundred francs. "Do you call that losing half an hour? What is it you wish?"

"To serve as a witness to a will. One witness has failed to come; the sick man is dying. Will you serve?"

The journalist consented, and, following the notary, found himself in a sumptuous chamber, near the bed of the mor-ibund, and seated himself with the other witnesses. The old man had no relatives and made short work with his will. It was ready for him to sign.

They opened the curtains to give him light. A ray fell across the journalist's face. The sick man saw him and motioned him to approach.

"Sir," he said, in a feeble manner, do you know me?"

"I have not the honor, sir."

"Do you not recall seeing me at the Theater Francais?" "No."

"I can refresh your memory. Did you not attend the first representation of 'Fire in Canovant?""

"I was there, certainly."

"And I, too. You had a good orchestra stall; I a miserable stool right in the doorway. The draught made me ill. You gave me your comfortable seat and took my poor one."

"I did but my duty, sir, toward an old man and an invalid."

"Ah! They are rare—these people who do their duty. Allow me to give an evidence of my acknowledgments.'

And turning toward the ear of the notary, the old man added a codicil to his will. The witness signed, the notary countersigned; and the former, each noted for a hundred francs of legacy, retired. The next day the journalist revisited the actress. Coming away, he raag at the old man's door and asked after him. He had died during the night. In due time the young man at-tended his funeral. After it, the notary said to him :

"To-morrow we open the will. Be

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tinguish the agricultural and commercial greatness of a formidable rival.

In view of these contingencies, do I ask you to lower the "Stars and Stripes, and to humble yourself to England? By no means; but I earnestly entreat you to renew relations of amity, if not of affection with those who are your natural friends, who ought to be your brothers in affection as they are your brothers by the relations of kindred. Answer the British demands in the language of diplomacy. Quote authorities and precedents to show that you are justified by the law of nations, and specially by the example of England, in the seizure of those Commissioners. Such discussions will give you time for deliberation and for preparation; but lose not an hour in liberating the Commissioners. Send them to the Confederate headquarters, and tell them to return to Washington as plenipotentiaries duly authorized to treat respecting the terms of an immediate suspension of arms, and respecting an early adjustment of the questions at issue between the Northern and Southern States.

If this be the language of common sense, do not despise it because it comes from an island which has for ages been the victim of misgovernment. I believe that the language which I now hold bespeaks the sentiments of a large majority of my fellow countrymen; and there is not among the nations of the earth a people who entertain toward the United

strongest butter I ever seed in my life." "Hush up! It's some of your aunt's churning."

"Did she churn it? Why the great lazy thing."

"What, what, your aunt?

"No, this 'ere butter. To make that poor woman churn it; it's strong and rank enough to churn itself."

"Be still, Ziba; it only wants working over."

"Well, marm, if I was you, when I did it I'd put in lots of 'lasses.'

"You good for nothing fellow, I've seen a great deal worse in the most aristocratic boarding houses."

"Well, all great people of rank ought to eat it."

" Why ?"

"'Cause it's rank butter."

"You varmint, you. What makes you talk so smart?"

"The butter is taking the skin off my tongue, mother."

"Ziba, don't lie. I can't throw the butter away. It don't signify."

"I'll tell you what I'll do with it; I'll keep it to draw blisters. You ought to see the flies keel over and die as soon as they touch it."

"Ziba, don't exaggerate; go to the store and buy a pound of fresh.' Exit Ziba.

HOW ADAM GOT OUT OF EDEN .- "Julius, can you tell me how Adam got out ob Eden ?"

"Well, I'spose he climbed ober de fence."

"No, dat ain't it."

"Well, den, he borrowed a wheelbarrow and walked out."

" No."

"I gubs it up, den."

"He got snaked out. Yah !"

"COME here you mischievous fellow." "Won't you whip me, father ?"

" No."

"Will you swear you won't?" "Yes."

"Then I wont come, father; for our minister says 'he that swears will lie."

"JENNY," said a Scotch minister, States of America so much affection as is felt by the Irish. They have not for-gotten that they were received and fos-tered by the Americans at a time when

A LOVER has received the following note, accompanied by a bouquet of flowers:

" Deer --, i send bi the boy a bukett of flours. They is like mi luv for u. The nite shaide menes kepe dark. the dorg fennil menes i am ur slaive. rosis red and posis pail; mi luv for u shal not fale."

THERE is much goodness in the world, although at a superficial glance one is disposed to doubt it. What is bad is noised abroad—is echoed back from side to side, and newspapers and social circles find much to say about it-while what is good goes, at best, like sunshine, quietly through the world.

"WHEN I goes shopping," said an old lady, "I allers asks for what I wants, and if they have it, and it's suitable, and I feel inclined to buy it, and it's cheap, and it can't be got any place for less, I most allers take it, without chappering about it all day, as most people does."

Our editor did not neglect the invitation. He attended the reading of the will.

The old man had bequeathed him a hundred thousand francs.

An orchestra seat well paid for.

MEN's feelings are always purest and most glowing at the hour of meeting and farewell; like the glaciers which are transparent and rosy-hued only at sunrise and sunset, but throughout the day are gray and cold.

A JOLLY doctor said that people who were prompt in their payments always recovered in their sickness, as they were good customers, and physicians could not afford to lose them. A good hint, and a sensible doctor.

A SOLDIER was once wounded in battle and set up a terrible howling. An Irishman who lay near with both legs shot off, immediately sung out : "Bad luck to the likes of ye-do yer think that nobody is kilt but yourself?"

A SUICIDE wrote to his wife thus: "Dear Mary, if I am not home to-night, inquire of Abraham where I am ; if not found in his bosom, he'll know where I have gone."

An incurable old bachelor-one who seemingly rejoices in his infirmity-describes marriage as "a female despotism tempered by puddings."

"BoB, how is your swetheart getting along ?"

"Pretty well, I guess ; she says I need not call any more.

THE following sentence contains every letter of the alphabet : John P. Brady gave me a black walnut-box of quite a small size.

IF you would increase the size and prominence of your eyes, just keep an account of the money you spend foolishly and add it up at the end of the quarter.

THE man always backing his word by many oaths is not to be trusted.

PREJUDICE squints when it looks, and lies when it talks.

CARELESSNESS has been called a halfway house between accident and design.

Knight's Landing News. OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1862.

Declaration of Homestead.

Persons wishing to procure a correct legal form for making out a Declaration of Homestead, as required by the Act of the last Legislrture, with the acknowledgement attached thereto, will find printed blanks, on application to the KNIGHT'S LANDING NEWS Office. By filling out these blanks themselves, parties fact that all the water cannot be con- shall be permitted to herd or graze sheep will be subject to no other expense than the fees for acknowledgement and record.

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Blank Affidavits, Undertakings, Writ of Attachmsnt and Subpœnas, under the NEW LAW, for Sale at this Office.

A Neat Speculation.

We understand (but have not as yet seen the documents) that a majority of our county officials have got up, circulated and signed a petition to the Legislature to pass an Act authorizing them to get the county printing of Yolo county done in any county in the State these officials may designate. Verily, these officials are a wise crowd. The paper published in the county is not of magnificent importance sufficient to parade their honorable names before the world; they therefore, probably in their vanity, want to see themselves officially noticed in the San Francisco Bulletin or Los Angeles Star. Wonder if they would time; his plan is first to open a drain to ifest injustice of the case, it does appear not like to take the printing out of the the Bay as low as the bed of the swamp, strange that any member of a legislative State altogether, and parade their names and thus dry it early in the season; this body should make himself so ridiculous in the New York Tribune or Bangor would prevent the growth of tule, and as to urge to the final passage a measure Sentinel, that their doting parents and fine grass would take its place. The like this. We take it, from our imperfriends might see the names of these pre- engineers could then determine where fect knowledge of constitutional law, cocious hombres, with the insignia of and how a drain should be made. Take, that the State Legislature has no conoffice paraded before the "world and the for instance, one half a mile wide, or a trol over the public domain of the United rest of mankind ?" At the same time, mile if necessary, from the bend below States, and consequently has no right to these worthies might make a nice speck Knight's Landing to the Bay, through say what stock shall or shall not feed on on the transaction, by going into the the lower tule lands-dig a ditch and these lands. It has, we admit, control market and giving the printing to the throw up a levee on each side of those over lands belonging to the State-but firm who would give the largest bonus. parallel lines; open the bank of the river where are they? Not the school lands, The effect on the people of the county is at the upper end of the drain, say five for they have been all sold. And cernot taken into consideration. Never feet below the Sacramento banks; when tainly not the swamp lands, for, in the mind whether its citizens know their the river rises to that point the surplus first place, they have never been segreproperty is to be sold for taxes or under execution or not. If they don't know, the only excuse they can offer is, they don't take all the papers in the State. But that would be no excuse with these pends upon scientific calculation. As a title when these lands are set apart. wiseacres. Verily, we are a progressive soon as the river would fall below the But is a promise of a title a valid title in people in Yolo. Wonder if every county head of the drain, the whole of Yolo law? We think not; and take the in the State won't hanker to be admitted county would become dry, and the drain ground that the title to all this class of into the same privileges here asked by itself would be the most superior meadow land in the State is vested in the Genthe Yolo officers? When we receive a copy of this noted petition, we will publish it in full, and District No. 18, including the tule in If we are right in the premises, and this let the people see what is going on among Yolo county. He may, with the con- is the opinion of all we have conversed their fresh elected servants.

Reclaiming Overflowed Lands.

Our views as to a drain through Yolo county having attracted so much attention from other papers in the State, we in the Legislature, by the introduction have concluded to follow up an investi- of a bill by T. M. Ames, of Mendoeino, gation of the subject. We had learned that A. M. Winn, the President of the Board of Swamp Land Commissioners, entertained opinions similar to our own, even as far back as 1852; that he advanced the idea when first elected as a change the phraseology of the bill, do only met with ridicule at the time.

of the surplus water-the best method science and experience must eventally determine. We had the pleasure of conversing with Mr. Winn upon the sub-Landing to the Bay is less than forty miles, while by the river it is one hungiven by Mr. Scott, Railroad Engineer, mile, along the river. In a direct line-

water would run off He concludes that such a stream would discharge at least ten times as much as they had been, the State has no title to the Sacramento river; but this, too, de- them. We admit she has a promise of sent of the Board of Commissioners, have with on the subject, is it not a species of any amount of assistance which may be child's play to pass Acts which are infound desirable. The District has about operative. But aside from the constituforty thousand dollars in the State tional question involved, a disposition is Treasury-and we sincerely hope the shown by this bill to annoy the sheep Board will order a survey and examina- raiser; and although this law might be tion of the route, The Alla says the unconstitutional, and so proved by the distance is sixty miles. We judged at Courts, yet who wants to expend the the distance from recollection only, in time and money necessary to take a case the first article ; since that time, how- to the Supreme Court, when a little justhe whole section of country by D. B. ests of the State needs encouraging Scott, engineer of the San Francisco and rather than retarding, and a relief from however, over thirty, but under forty of adding to their burdens. We trust miles. The whole length of the railroad the united wisdom of our State will not survey from Vallejo to Marysville, is allow this sheep bill to become a law. eighty-five nineteen-hundredth miles. Now, where the drain would be taken out is a mile below Knight's Landingnine miles, if the drain followed all round the circuit which the railroad takes; but it is, on the contrary, contemplated at least five miles above Vallejo. Taking this into consideration, we think we came nearer the right distance than the Alta the county and district.

The Legislature on Sheep.

In our last number we drew attention to the unjust attack which was attempted to prevent sheep grazing on the public lands of this State. Since that time, we see the bill was referred to a Committee and reported to the House with some alterations, which, however they may member of the Board, which, however, not, in substance, as we can see, alter its objectionable features; for the first The late flood has demonstrated the clause of the bill reads : "No person tained within any reasonable levees on on any other than his own lands or posthe Sacramento river ; therefore, we must sessory claims, and any person injured look to some other mode of getting rid by such herding shall be allowed damages," etc. In all former bills of this kind, the last clause always read about as follows : "Nothing shall herein be so construed as to prevent the herding of ject since our last issue. From him we sheep on any of the public lands of this learn that a direct line from Knight's State or the United States." But in the present bill, as now before the Legislathre, this clause is left out, or else the dred miles-an estimate by steamboat Reporters have omitted to give it. We captains. The fall in that distance, as take it for granted that it is purposely stricken out-thus leaving the case to is sixty-two feet; this would give a fall work something in this manner : The of sixty two hundredths of one foot per owners of cattle, horses, swine, or any other kind of stock, except sheep, have say forty miles-the fall would be one a perfect right by law to graze on all the foot and six-tenths per mile; therefore, public lands of the State and United the fall in a direct line would be two States; but if an unlucky sheep man and a half times of the fall by the river. should attempt to feed his flocks on these The gain by a straight, unobstructed lands, the owners of this other species of stream, increase of fall and shortening of stock would say: "Here, this is our distance, is a scientific calculation re- feed; the Legislature gave it to us, and quiring time; but we suppose that such if you graze off this fodder we want for a stream of equal size with the Sacra- our cattle or swine, we will sue you for mento, would discharge at least five damages ;" and they draw out this Act times as much as the river in any given for authority. Now, aside from the mangated, and no one knows what is and what is not swamp lands; and again, if

eral Government, and will remain there Amos Mathews is the Engineer of until she makes a deed of it to the State. far wrong in our estimate. It may be, more than other species of stock, instead

[Communicated.]

MR. EDITOR :- In your issue of Saturday last, I find a communication from Cacheville, over the signature of "Center," in reference to the proposed removal of the county seat from Washington. I like the spirit in which your correspondent writes, and I approve of much that he says. The location of the county seat of Yolo county is truly a "vexed" question, and has been for many years. And there is, perhaps, no question pertaining to the organization of a county so difficult to settle to the satisfaction of a majority of its citizens as the one fixing permanently the seat of justice, and the reasons why this is so is obvious.

The people usually, as in this case, have to choose from a number of places, and all have their active partisans; and among the latter there are generally a large number of persons not to be materially affected by the result-but yet their efforts are felt, and often to such an extent as to neutralize the efforts of those most deeply interested.

But, sir, a central position, geographically, is not all that we should look for when we set out to find a suitable location for our county town; nor should the "newness" of the place have more weight than it is entitled to. I hold that every citizen of the county is immediately or remotely interested in every brick made or laid in the county, in every fence-post set or board nailed-in a word, in every species of improvements, though it may be in the opposite corner of the county. All are alike more or erty increases, so does our rate of taxation decrease; hence, we are all materi. FOR WINE AND TABLE USE IN THE ally concerned in whatever tends to advance the interest and prosperity of the whole. Then, if my position is correct, and there is one place in the county possessing great natural advantages, in a commercial point of view, over all others, accessible at all times-though it be in one corner, or on one edge of the county--it is the most suitable location for a county seat; because the assistance the county seat is supposed to carry with it in building up a town, combined with the commercial advantages referred to, will so accelerate its growth in commercial and manufacturing interests as to etc. Persons ordering particular varieties of afford a market for the surplus products Fruit Trees, will please mention whether they will allow us to substitute, in case we have of the county, and thus increase the material wealth and lessen the taxation of all in the same ratio.

Your correspondent, " Center," in his communication, propounds a very important question in this connection; and as he did not undertake to answer it, I will do so. He says : " Possessed of all the elements necessary to make a county prosperous and respected, why should

voters as conveniently situated to Knight's Landing as they are to Woodland-and about four hundred of these voters, at some seasons of the year, cannot get to Woodland without first coming to Knight's Landing. Hence, I cannot see that the central position of Woodland will avail much, especially when we consider that the center of all communities is to be found wherever the center of trade and travel is.

I have extended this article now at too great length to allow me to speak of the commercial advantages of Knight's Landing over any other place in the county, farther than to say, that during the past year it afforded a market for about 2,500 tons of wheat and barley, besides what was taken at the Eagle Mills; and as much more could and would have been bought had it been offered. Knight's Landing is accessible at all seasons of the year, when no other point on the west bank of the river, from Benicia to Red Bluff is-thereby offering great facilities for shipping produce from the interior, as well as receiving supplies of merchandise for all parts of the county.

Mr. Editor, I have hastily thrown together the foregoing remarks, without much regard to order, and if they will have the effect to enlist a candid investigation of the subject, I shall be content. Yours.

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Effects of the Weather.

The favorable change in the weather during the past week has stimulated all kinds of industry in this our agricultural section. Everybody is busy; every team employed from early morn till dark. Our busy farmers are plowing, sowing and harrowing, to get their grain in and growing to have it derive the advantage even, we have examined into the matter, tice and wisdom in investigating this of the fine weather to sprout and start to and from a carefully prepared map of matter will show that the sheep intergrow. The picture is indeed cheering in this respect to our farmers who have not been overflowed; but those living on the river, and adjacent to the tule lands, are still suffering by wet. The waters are subsiding, but slowly, and the ground has been wet so long and got so thoroughly saturated and cold, that it takes a correspondingly long time to dry sufficiently to plow, or even to replace the fencing which has washed off.

One thing, however, is favorable. The feed is growing rapidly; stock has about ceased dying, and begin to show signs of increased vitality from the genial rays of the sun and a moderate share of feed. The change was needed, and is hailed with gladness by our stock raisers. The amount of stock which perished during the past month, in this county, is immense. No man can realize it unless he rides around and witnesses the number lying dead on our plains and open lands. Great numbers have been skinned, and some men have done a thriving business in this line; but probably not one half the total number will be found-a great many having died in the hills a distance from any habitation.

public documents during the past week. | value.

did when it set it at sixty miles. We feel satisfied, when a scientific survey of this canal is made, it will be found not only practical, but the only true and permanent method of reclaiming the vast tract of tule land through which it would run. And further, if the people of Sacramento could see the importance of the thing in its bearing upon that city, which could never again be inundated if this method was adopted,

FAVORS .- We return thanks to the they would exert themselves to have at Hon. I. N. Hoag, of the Assembly, for least a scientific test of its practical North Carolina until two years ago, and

An Evident Vacancy.

We are credibly informed Supervisor Board Mr. Norton came up from San Francisco and took his seat, but at the close put in his bill for mileage. If

LARGE EGG .- W. I. Frierson brought into our sanctum, on Friday last, a hen's egg measuring seven and a half inches round. It is a mammoth production for a chicken to produce. Mr. F.'s fowls must be anxious to make up for the time lost during the stormy weather, by increasing the size, if not the number of the eggs.

JOHN WILSON is exhibiting, at San Francisco a negress 55 years old and only 32 inches in hight. She was a slave in / is the mother of two children.

Yolo thus lag like a ragged urchin, at the foot, whilst her sister counties now boast their splendid public buildings ?" So far as my knowledge extends, every

county in the State bordering upon navigable waters, Yolo excepted, have, and wisely too, permanently established their county seat on those navigable waters; and to this fact would I direct the attention of your correspondent, "Center," for a solution of the question asked. It is true, the present county seat of Yolo county is on the river, and was there first located; but it is in a sparsely populated part of the county, with a broad tule immediately in the rear impassable a large part of the year, except with Marysville Railroad, we find we were not all the laws which now burden them small boats; remote from and very inconvenient to the large body of the citizens of the county, even at the dryest season of the year; and possessing no local advantages not possessed by any other place on the bank of the river, except its contiguity to Sacramento City. I am satisfied, Mr. Editor, that the and we are twenty-five miles from Ma- Norton has ceased to reside in Yolo county seat of Yolo county must, at no rysville-which would only leave fifty- county, and at the last session of the distant day, be removed; and it seems Woodland (Yolo City) and Knight's Landing are the most prominent places spoken of in that connexion. And now, on a straight line, and to enter the Bay these facts exist, the evident duty of the let us examine for a moment the relative Board is to declare his seat vacant and claims of each. It is well known to all the county, that much the largest body of the citizens reside north of the center of the county. The only advantages poscorrespondent, over Knight's Landing, are : First, it's central position, and second, it's "newness." I will leave Mr. " Center," and your other readers to discuss the latter, while I devote a few moments to the former.

> I have no table of the vote of Yolo county for last year, but the vote for 1860 shows that, including Cacheville precinct, there are, out of 1,714 votes year first above written. polled at that election, about 1,000 [L. s.]

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NOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I, Elizabeth Huber, wife of John W. Huber, of Yolo county, California, do hereby declare and make known that it is my intention to carry on business in my own name and on my own account, under the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the State of California, passed April 12, 1852, entitled "An Act to authorize married women to transact business in their own name, as sole traders ;" and I further declare the nature of said business will be that of farming, keeping cattle and raising stock and poultry, raising grain, hay, vegetables, and all farming produce, and transacting the business of ranching, farming and stock raising in all its branches; and from and after this date I will be individually responsible in my own name for all debts contracted by me on account of said business. I further declare the amount invested by me in said business does not exceed two thousand dollars.

Witness my hand at the county of Yolo, this 10th day of February, 1862. ELIZABETH HUBER.

STATE OF GALIFORNIA, County of Yole, ss. Board is to declare his seat vacant and claims of each. It is well known to all On this 10th day of February, A. D. 1862, be-order an election to fill it by a citizen of familiar with the physical character of fore me, Charles F. Reed, a Notary Public in an 1 for said Yolocourty, personally appeared Elizabeth Huber, wife of John W. Huber, personally known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the annexed instrument as party thereto, and acknowlsessed by Woodland, as urged by your edged to me that she executed the same freely and voluntarily, and for the uses and pur-poses therein mentioned. And the said Elizabeth Huber, wife of the said John W. Huber, having been by me first made acquainted with the contents of said instrument, acknowledged to me on examination, apart from and without the hearing of her husband, that she executed the same freely and voluntarily, without fear or compulsion, or undue influ-ence of her husband, and that she did not

wish to retract the execution of the same. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and

> CHARLES F. REED, Notary Public.

[Communicated.] MR. EDITOR :--- I learn that the Road Master for this district has, or is soon to commence work on the road near your town. A road capable of being traveled, by which we of the country can have access to your town, is certainly desired, JOBBING ESTABLISHMENT. and indeed very much needed; but I greatly wonder that the enterprising citing, is now prepared to do all kinds of House, Mi.l and mill-work bolt making. Heavy izens of Knight's Landing will persist in allowing the road to enter the town on work of every description. the railroad line, after the experience of Reapers and Thrashers Repaired, the last two months. It is said that "a man is not robbed at all who does not know he is robbed." And this may be so with the business men of your place; they may not know that they have lost any trade by the late water blockade; and the gentlemanly proprietor of your town may not be aware that the reputation of the village has suffered serious to the undersigned who wish to save expense damages-but we outsiders, the patrons will do well to come forward and settle imof the place, are well apprized that not mediately. only your merchants have suffered a great loss of trade in that time, but the must bring it in without further delay. surrounding country has lost all interest NO FURTHER CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN in it; and many who have felt a pride unless by special contract, in its business and its future prospects, would not turn on their heel now, if by Knight's Landing, Sept. 11th, 1861. doing so they could build the town to the dimensions of a city, and for the reason that they were needlessly and arbitrarily shut out from the place and LUMBER! LUMBER! LUMBER! compelled to leave their horses and wagons three-fourths of a mile from town, and caused to foot it across the field and carry their supplies on their backs or KNIGHT'S LANDING LUMBER YARD. hire them boated up the slough. I very well know that if I were the lucky owner of Mr. Reed's landed propa Lumber Yard at the above place, is now prepared to sell all kinds of Posts and erty, I should greatly prefer having the Lumber at the same price as furnished in road as he has got it, provided always, it Sacramento The facilities I have for furnishing Lumber at the prices, is accounted for by my having could be so without too serious inconvenience to the public; but it does seem my own steamer and barges. to me that he is, or ought to be, too Lumber or Posts, to call and examine before

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much interested in the growth and prosperity of the town to willingly and knowingly place such an obstacle in its way; and I think surely he will not be unreasonable in his demands if a proposition is made to place the road back on the ground where it originally run. So take my advice and be wise for once.

COUNTRY GENTLEMAN.

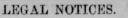
RUMORS FROM MISSOURI --- It is reported that the Legislature adjourned yesterday in honor of the surrender of Price's army, in Missouri, to General Sigel. The report, however, needs confirmation.

MARRIED.

In Yolo county, February 12th, by Rev. B. H. Russell, John J. Berry to Mary M. Miller. In Sacramento, January 20th, Capt. G. P. Page to Mary E. Kellogg.

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ty : Make due service and return according to law. 1862.

Witness my hand this 4th day of January, 862. S. B. HOLTON, J. P. jy25-3t W. B. SKIDMORE, Constable. jy25-3t

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cution and all costs. C. H. GRAY, Sheriff. mornings. A. REDINGTON, } Agents, W. H. TAYLOR, } Sacramento.

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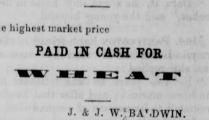
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