

# THE DEMOCRAT.



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## Cattle.

The Peru Republican of May 21st, in commenting on an item of ours, published two weeks since, in relation to the result of the late elections, undertakes to prove that the foreigners who vote the Democratic ticket, are, as some of the would-be prominent republicans of this place call them, mere cattle. The Republican, by mistake or otherwise, confounds the word "cattle" with "chattel," and then says that "It is in vain to deny that gangs of Irish are thus used (driven to the polls,) at points convenient to the public thoroughfares at every election. By suffering themselves to be used thus they lose their manhood; being treated as mere chattels, they need not look for any other classification."

In the opinion of the republicans generally—and we presume the Peru man does not wish to be considered an exception—it is horrible and inhuman for the slaves of the south to be called chattel property, but all right for free white men to be called such, who are as unfortunate as to have their nativity dated in a foreign country—they "need effect no other classification."

The Republican, in the fullness of its dislike of all foreigners who vote with the Democracy, concluded that the Irish belong to that class known as floating population—who have no interest in the enactment or enforcement of our laws, pay no taxes, and are therefore entitled to the appellation of cattle, or chattels, as he calls them. If the prompt payment of taxes is the necessary qualification for voters, we think the republicans of this place would have been in a more pitiable condition than the one in which they now find themselves, for but one out of eight of their candidates at the last corporation election had paid his taxes for the past year; and if but one-eighth of the acknowledged leaders of the republican party pay their taxes, what proportion of the party might we expect to do likewise. It does us good to hear men of that party talk about the "floating population" not paying taxes, when these would-be guardians of the public interests, who live here, own property, do business, and receive the benefit of the laws—fail to do the thing they condemn so strongly in cattle.

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We are a disgraced city, controlled by mobs, and have become the by-word and jargon of the world. Shall such things be continued? Are the laws to remain dead letter? Shall the "hue and cry" of an incensed multitude control the city and set the action of our courts at defiance? Is Louisville given over to perdition and hopelessly lost? The proceedings of last night are but the legitimate fruits of mob government. Let us unite in restoring the laws of the land, or cease to be a municipality.

*Louisville Democrat.*

A BRICK-HORN CHAIR FOR THE PRESIDENT.

On Saturday we saw a great curiosity in the shape of a chair, made entirely of elk antlers, and designed as a present to James Buchanan, President of the United States.

It arrived here on Saturday afternoon on the steamer Goliath. It was made in the northern part of Humboldt county, by Seab Kinman, a hunter, who has arrived with it in this city, en route for Washington.

The Legislature of North Carolina have imposed a tax on Bowie knives. Every person who keeps a Bowie knife, must pay a tax for the privilege. The tax is likely to yield a large revenue.

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The Sydney Morning Herald states that a nugget of Gold was recently found at Louis Creek, New South Wales, the value of which is estimated at £20,000. It weighs about 5 cwt., but there is very little gold visible on the surface. This is the largest nugget of gold yet discovered in the world. Its discovery produced quite a sensation.

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The Free State men of Leavenworth city, Kansas, have elected their Mayor. Good.

Hiram Botsford, from Oakland county, Michigan, was robbed on Thursday of last week, at N. Y., of \$2,000—mostly in drafts.

The whole number of the militia in the United States, in 1856 is given as 2,421,190.

The report in regard to Fort Dodge being surrounded by the Indians is said to be a false alarm.

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The mob rallied on several occasions, but were still repulsed by the guard at the jail. At length a fiercer demand was made for the negroes, and some ten or twelve shots were fired from either side. Still the jail was secure in the hands of the officers, and the crowd fell back for a few minutes. It was only, however, to procure a cannon, which was taken and placed in front of the jail; and being filled, it was ready for heavy execution. Another demand was made for the negroes—hundreds swelled their voices in the general cry, and thus overpowered, the jailor opened the doors, when the negroes were immediately seized, and three of them taken to the Court House yard and hung—one upon a tree in the southwest end of the yard, and the other two on the east side, or fifth street, in front of the Court House square. The other one of the four cut his throat, it is supposed, as he left the jail door, and fell dead on the spot.

Thus ends the tragedy of the Joyce murder trial. It was a terrible murder committed, and terrible were the consequences visited upon these negro criminals.

These are the circumstances as nearly as we could learn; it was another damning joke, which was perpetrated between Utica and that city, upon one of the conductors of the Central Road: "A lad about twelve years of age got on board the train at Utica, and, being in something of a quandary as to how he should pay his fare, he was kindly offered the protection of the lady passengers. The offer was accepted, and, in a very short space of time, the youngster was duly seated on the bottom of the car, between two seats, completely covered with skirts. The conductor passed through the car without observing the "free passenger," and the little fellow has since become a thorough convert to hoofs, and believes in the right of women to protect poor travelers.

A certain antidote to poison, which is successfully practiced by Doctor Shipman, of Syracuse N. Y., is to administer the whites of eggs. These absorb the poison, when they are afterwards ejected by the stomach. Let every one resolve this simple remedy in cases where poison has entered the stomach. The instance cited, was where a little girl swallowed corrosive sublimate by mistake. The eggs saved her life.

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The Goshen Democrat of Wednesday, says: "We learn that the finishing rail will be laid on the Air Line Railroad, to-day. This is an important item to Goshen. The through trains between Toledo and Chicago will commence running on the road in about two weeks."

In the course of the last quarter, there were sold by the New York Post Office, postage stamps to the value of \$114,55. At the comparatively small office in Indianapolis, similar sales were made in the quarter to the extent of \$5,000.

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## Nibbles of News.

—Lively and gossipy, Storied with the treasures of a tattling world, And with a spice of Mirth, too."

There has been paid in gold, for Postage, \$2,809.06. Of this \$1,471.81 was for the House, and \$1,137.26 for the Senate. About \$250 was paid for Hack Hire, and large amounts for articles that appear entirely useless and unnecessary to outsiders, that don't know the hidden mysteries of Legislation. The entire cost of the last session of 61 days, was in round numbers \$90,000. We would take the contract to place double the amount of good and necessary laws on the Statute Book that were passed at the last session, for less than half the people had to pay last winter.—Locomotive.

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