Bypaths of Kansas History

AN EARLY DAY BEATNIK

From The Kansas News, Emporia, January 8, 1859.

Cool.—A gentleman entered our office a few days since, and stated that he would like to subscribe for the paper for forty days, provided we would change the day of publication and “prent his’n on Monday,” and also provided he could pay his subscription in instalments of ten cents at a time, as he did not wish to risk a large amount of cash in our hands. We thought that “rather cool.”

P. S. Since writing the above, we found out that the individual alluded to, wanted to pay his subscription in frozen pumpkins.

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“HOME, SWEET HOME”

From the Topeka Tribune, quoted in the Emporia News, August 20, 1859.

Mr. Ingham, of Topeka, and several others returned from a trip to the Gold Mines on Saturday evening last. Mr. Ingham brought a few specimens of the metal back, but is of [the] opinion that the mines will not pay as well as staying at home with one’s wife, when the sweets and comforts of home are necessary to the enjoyment of married men, and we dare say, the returned husband will be duly appreciated by an anxious and affectionate wife.

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TOO MUCH FREEDOM WITH RELIGION

From The Weekly Free Press, Atchison, February 15, 1868.

A man was expelled from the Methodist church at Junction City the other day for having obtained admission on forged papers.

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FROZEN RIVERS

From the Wyandott Herald, February 29, 1872.

On the 5th day of November the Kansas river froze over at this point [present Kansas City], and on the 22d of the same month the Missouri was closed. Both rivers remained in this condition until Friday last, the 23d day of February. The former river remaining closed for the period of 110 days, and the latter for the period of 93 days; being a much longer period of time for the Ice King to hold his sway than ever before since the settlement of the country by the whites.

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EXIT THE BUFFALO

From the Wabaunsee County News, Alma, November 20, 1872.

South of the Arkansas river 2,000 men are engaged in shooting buffalo for their hides alone.

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