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Groceries, Tobaccos, Cigars  
&c., &c.

**BAKERY AND RESTAURANT**  
Is run in connection with the store, where a  
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**FRESH OYSTERS**  
Our facilities for handling this class of goods  
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**THE CHIEF.**  
LOCAL MATTERS.  
R. V. E. R. Time Table.

Train effect Sunday, Oct. 17, 1886.  
Eastward Passenger leave 6:30 a. m.  
Freight leave 7:30 p. m.  
Westward Passenger arrive 9:40 a. m.  
Freight arrive 8:30 p. m.

**M. E. CHURCH,**  
S. J. at 10 a. m., and presiding by the Pastor  
every Sabbath morning and evening.  
Prayer meeting every Thursday evening.  
All are cordially invited.

Live hogs are worth \$4.60 in this  
market.  
Shipping tags can be had at the  
CHIEF office.

Farms for sale or rent, inquire at the  
CHIEF office.  
Remember that Mrs. McBride's is the  
place to buy hats and bonnets.

Dr. Kendall's "horse books" for sale  
at the CHIEF office at 25 cents  
apiece.  
Call and examine our Norwegian  
Cultivator. Can't be beat, at  
SPARGO & FUNK'S.

Hats, Bonnets, Veils, Flowers, Ribbons,  
Laces, Ties, Fichu's are in great  
variety at  
Mrs. McBride's.

Squire Haney, of Elm Creek left at  
our office last Friday a bunch of sheep;  
the first we have seen this season.

Rev. Geo. Little, State Supt. Presby-  
terian church, will preach at the  
Methodist church in Red Cloud, next  
Sabbath at 11 o'clock, a. m.

Mrs. McBride wishes to inform the  
ladies residing, that she has received  
her stock of goods, and is prepared to  
fill orders for all kinds of Millinery.

Rev. Geo. O. Yeiser will preach next  
Sabbath at the Congregational church,  
morning and evening. Covenant and  
meeting Saturday at 3 p. m. previous.

People must discuss something; it  
is the great preventive of insanity.  
All persons are invited to discuss a  
trial bottle of Dr. Marshall's Bromine  
for biliousness and the dyspepsia.

A rich man's son lives on his pap,  
while a poor man's son takes Dr. Mar-  
shall's Bromine for his blood and  
liver and earns his bread by the  
sweat of his brow. Big bottles, are  
fifty cents.

MARRIED.—At the residence of the  
bride's father, Mr. Joseph Graves,  
near Wells, April 9th 1886, by Rev.  
J. T. Milner, Mr. Charles Rollison,  
and Miss Jennie Graves, all of Web-  
ster Co. Neb.

THE LADIES OF THE CONGREGATIONAL  
church will give a social, Tuesday  
evening, May 10th, at the residence of  
Mr. E. B. Warner. As Mr. and Mrs.  
Warner are strangers among us, it is  
especially desired that the occasion be  
made a pleasant one by a large at-  
tendance. Refreshments served at  
nine o'clock.

The Johnson Perry & Co., patent  
flour manufactured at the Millford  
Mills, and for sale by Miner Bros. and  
W. B. Roby, is the best flour and  
makes the nicest, lightest and best  
bread that we have seen for a long  
while. We know whereof we speak,  
for our "better half" has tested it to  
our entire satisfaction and with the  
best results.

We would suggest to our esteemed  
contemporary of the lower end of  
town, be of the lop ears, that in view  
of the fact that his paper is almost  
entirely devoted to us, with the excep-  
tion of the space that is occupied by  
advertisements, he should issue a sup-  
plement each week that the few  
readers of that sweet-scented concern  
might have the pleasure of reading a  
little local news once in a while.

Any person making the statement  
that I was hired to not present the peti-  
tion I had in my hand for to get  
signed in favor of having our county  
books investigated, states a base false-  
hood.  
JOHN HARVEY.

In explanation of the above we will  
say that a prominent man from Inva-  
lavale informed us that Mr. Harvey was  
paid to stay away with his petition  
when the county board met the first  
time to take steps in the matter of an  
investigation. Our informant also  
said that the petition contained about  
60 names and that he thought it could  
be proved that Mr. Harvey was paid  
to "fail to appear." The first time we  
met Mr. Harvey after the conversa-  
tion between himself and the gentle-  
man from Invalavale, we asked him if  
it was a fact that he had sold out. He  
denied the charge, and stated to us  
that the petition which he circulated  
and which he intended to present to  
the commissioners at the time the  
others was presented, was stolen from  
him by friends of the county officers.

So much in explanation of the above  
from Mr. Harvey. We decline to  
make comments, as we think the  
people are able to draw their own con-  
clusions.

Headquarters for stylish Millinery,  
at  
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**Letter From Guide Rock.**  
Ed. CHIEF—Since the bridges over  
the Republican river have been  
washed out, the subject of rebuilding  
has become a matter of thought, and  
a discussion of vital importance among  
the people and the press of this  
county. Truly a worthy one indeed,  
and a great one, considering the  
times and especially the financial con-  
dition of the county and this district  
as well as the prospect of the future.  
I think it ought to be one such to  
every one who feels, or has a home in  
the county. Prompted by these im-  
pressions and the reception of a peti-  
tion of Guide Rock precinct for an  
election to vote bonds for a bridge at  
this place to the board of county com-  
missioners to call, or order an election  
on the 16th day of May for the pur-  
pose of voting on the proposition to  
empower the board to issue bonds on  
Guide Rock precinct to the amount  
of \$5,000; also to levy a tax in addi-  
tion to other taxes on the taxable  
property of said Guide Rock precinct,  
sufficient to pay the interest accruing  
annually on said bonds, also an ad-  
ditional amount of tax annually, after  
the expiration of five years sufficient  
to pay an equal portion of the prin-  
cipal of the same until they are paid  
—in a specified time.

This course appears to be a risky  
piece of business, because taxes now  
are 7 per cent and will be for a con-  
siderable time to come, owing to the  
indebtedness of the county. The  
question, if the precinct or district  
could not pay the interest on a one  
thousand dollar school bond for over  
three years, are they better able to  
pay said back interest together with  
the principal in addition to five thou-  
sand dollar bonds, and interest to-  
gether with all other taxes the next  
two years to come?

But why the mum and silence ever  
since the petition was presented, wait-  
ing only to be voted on in the affirma-  
tive, at the time mentioned. Is there  
nothing more to say about it, or has  
the project been made plain enough for  
the people to understand all about the  
matter? Several weeks have already  
passed and the election will be at  
hand and not a word is seen in the  
press in explanation, either for or  
against it. You will therefore ex-  
pect the frankness of one of the tax-  
payer readers of so valuable a journal  
as yours in laying these lines before  
the people, wishing rather some one  
else had done it, better able than  
this writer is, who has an equal inter-  
est in the bridge concerned and ac-  
knowledge its necessity. But how to  
get it otherwise without bonds? say  
some. Before answering this, I  
would like to hear this question sol-  
ved, why was the relinquishment of the  
press and government of the Bridge  
Company's bond? And the district is  
to be bonded for a bridge, for which  
no bonds will be given? I think it  
would be well to be a little careful  
about voting such responsibility.

The county has a guarantee for a  
bridge. There is also a surplus fund  
in the treasury of several thousand  
dollars voted for and in taxes paid for  
the purpose to build bridges at Inva-  
lavale and Guide Rock. The former  
stands, the latter is no more. No doubt  
the Invalavale people will be grateful  
if you will leave their part of said fund  
to help in aiding the reconstruction  
of one thoroughfare. Now, by apply-  
ing these two sources to the assistance  
of the R. R. Co., who own an interest  
in the bridge and county, as well as a  
depot in the bridge and county, to the  
generous help by subscrip-  
tion in labor and money of those  
immediately interested, as well as  
others, no doubt we could have the  
missing link again in a safer and not  
so risky a way.

Let those enterprising petitioners  
stop a moment to consider the im-  
portance of their action before voting.  
According to past experience  
there is no prospect for building the  
bridge until next winter, as the re-  
mains must be gathered, a large por-  
tion shipped for repairing; there is no  
doubt the majority of the voters would  
have time and rather labor or assist  
best they can, than plunging them-  
selves heedlessly in debt. Another  
question for the county commission-  
ers to look at the signatures of those  
enterprising petitioners as whether the  
signers are of the producing, or of the  
speculative class of voters, and tax-  
payers, who, instead of calling a pub-  
lic meeting for the purpose of arguing  
the measure properly, used personal  
influence.

The location of a bridge is also a  
matter of the highest importance and  
should be well considered before  
building. What natural advantages  
gave impulse to build the  
structure now gone?  
Nature furnished just one section  
below, rock bottom and an island for  
foundation and protection, why was  
it not chosen.

A READER AND TAX-PAYER.  
Guide Rock Neb. May 23, 1886.

Roby is agent for the celebrated  
Milford flour, he has a large supply of  
both grades on hand. The poorest  
grade of this flour is superior to the  
best grade of flour sent out by other  
manufacturers. Call at Roby's and  
get a sack, and have some nice, light,  
sweet, and white bread.

"Wait for the wagon," and go to  
Mrs. McBride's for a new hat.

**MONEY TO LOAN!**  
Money to prove up with on final  
receipt, or on decided land at 8 per cent,  
and 1-62 per cent commission, or at  
straight 10 per cent, no commission.

**CROWN!**  
Not the Crown of Kings, nor the  
Crown of Glory, but the Crown Sewing  
Machine, the latest and best machine  
in the market, it will pay you to call at  
the Post-Office and see it before you  
purchase. For sale by M. B. McNair.

**NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given, that the  
partnership heretofore existing be-  
tween the undersigned, under the firm  
name of Smith Bros. & Thompson, is  
this day dissolved on account of the  
expiration of time for which said  
partnership was effected, and that  
Smith Bros. who are to succeed to the  
business of said firm, will assume all  
liabilities of the same. Witness my hand  
and seal at Red Cloud Neb. May 23, 1886.

SMITH BROS.  
M. B. THOMPSON.

Continuing the business at the  
old stand we leg to assure all of our  
customers and friends that the same  
liberal policy will be observed in the  
future as in the past, we shall be pre-  
pared at all times to extend our com-  
modations to the legitimate wants of  
all branches of business and feel  
justified in soliciting continuance of  
our patronage. SMITH BROS.  
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**Money To Loan**  
On Real Estate in Webster and ad-  
joining counties at the very best rates.  
It will pay every farmer who thinks of  
borrowing money, to see me before  
making arrangements with any other  
party.  
No expense to the borrower—no  
delay—no dealing with eastern  
parties—no application fee, bonus or  
commission—no fee for making or  
recording papers or taking acknowl-  
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nual interest, and no interest until  
money is actually in hand.  
Call upon or address  
R. A. SIMPSON,  
325 1/2 Loan Broker, Blue Hill, Neb.

**CRESCENT!**  
Crescent was foaled May 14th 1875,  
Dane, first imported, sired by a Thor-  
oughbred stallion, owned by J. H. Smith,  
1450 pounds. Will stand at the pre-  
mises of the owner, on section 16 town  
2 range 9 near Thomasville, four days  
each week, and Fridays of each  
week six miles north of owner's place  
at Dixon's blacksmith shop, and at  
Blue Hill on Saturdays.

TERMS.—\$8.00 to insure single  
mare. Two mares, \$15. Single ser-  
vice \$4. Parties requesting to be  
prompt in attendance on stand. No  
responsibility for accidents, but care  
will be taken to avoid them.  
3245 E. W. SHREVEY.

**Final Proof Notices.**  
Land Office at Bloomington Neb. April 23, 1886.  
Notice is hereby given that the following  
named settler has filed notice of his intention  
to make final proof in support of his claim, and  
secure final entry thereof before the clerk of  
the District Court in Webster county, at his  
office in Red Cloud Neb., on Saturday July 23,  
1886, viz:  
M. J. entry No. 231 for the north west quarter  
of section 22 town 4 north range 9 west, and  
names the following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: David Anderson, George Fredrick, John  
mei and Walter C. Wade, all of Red Cloud Neb.  
and  
J. H. entry No. 232 for the north west quarter  
of section 22 town 4 north range 9 west, and  
names the following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: George DeLong, Adolph Smith,  
Charles A. Allen, Albert Allen, all of Blue Hill  
town Neb.  
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office in Red Cloud Neb., on Saturday July 23,  
1886, viz:  
Presumption D. Jones  
J. H. entry No. 233 for the lot No. 7  
and 8, in sec. 2 and lot No. 8, in town 1 range  
9 west, and names the following as his witnesses  
to prove residence upon and cultivation of said  
tract, viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery,  
Charles Deery, John Deery, all of Blue Hill  
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1886, viz:  
William H. Sprague  
J. H. entry No. 234 for the S. E. 1/4 of section 22  
town 4 north range 9 west, and names the  
following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery, Charles  
Deery, John Deery, all of Blue Hill  
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1886, viz:  
James S. Terrell  
J. H. entry No. 235 for the S. W. 1/4 of section 22  
town 4 north range 9 west, and names the  
following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery, Charles  
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1886, viz:  
John S. Terrell  
J. H. entry No. 236 for the S. W. 1/4 of section 22  
town 4 north range 9 west, and names the  
following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery, Charles  
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1886, viz:  
John S. Terrell  
J. H. entry No. 237 for the S. W. 1/4 of section 22  
town 4 north range 9 west, and names the  
following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery, Charles  
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1886, viz:  
John S. Terrell  
J. H. entry No. 238 for the S. W. 1/4 of section 22  
town 4 north range 9 west, and names the  
following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery, Charles  
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1886, viz:  
John S. Terrell  
J. H. entry No. 239 for the S. W. 1/4 of section 22  
town 4 north range 9 west, and names the  
following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery, Charles  
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1886, viz:  
John S. Terrell  
J. H. entry No. 240 for the S. W. 1/4 of section 22  
town 4 north range 9 west, and names the  
following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery, Charles  
Deery, John Deery, all of Blue Hill  
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1886, viz:  
John S. Terrell  
J. H. entry No. 241 for the S. W. 1/4 of section 22  
town 4 north range 9 west, and names the  
following as his witnesses to prove contin-  
uous residence upon and cultivation of said tract,  
viz: Edward J. Deery, William Deery, Charles  
Deery, John Deery, all of Blue Hill