

THE RED CLOUD CHIEF.

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CURRENT EVENTS.

A Good Templars lodge is talked of in Red Cloud.

MAKE your application to the State Bank for farm loans. 11-14

THE B. & M. have adopted the standard time. It took effect last Sunday at noon.

W. H. GOODALL has ordered a new safe for his abstract records. It will cost \$300.

WHAT has become of our Burr Oak railroad scheme? Has it died, or is it sleeping?

THE hardtimes social at Mrs. Mitchell's last Friday night was a very pleasant affair.

A. L. FUNK, who has been visiting in Ohio for the past few weeks, has returned to Red Cloud.

MISS LILLIAN AMES, of Grand Rapids, Mich., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Bently this week.

BURN'S hog cholera and quinsy cure. Warranted. For sale by Henry Cook, Red Cloud. n23-m3

THE Red Cloud CHIEF has recently made fine improvements in its change of form.—Nuckolls County Herald.

O. H. MARYATT was in Republican City this week attending the third anniversary of his daughter's marriage.

THE Red Cloud CHIEF has changed from a folio to a quarto, much improved in appearance.—Burr Oak (Ks.) Herald.

WE hope the school teachers will send in the important events transpiring in their schools during the winter months.

ON last Sunday, Rev. Stuart Crockett delivered a sermon to the Masonic fraternity of Red Cloud, at Grace Church.

THE Rev. Dresser, of Franklin College, discoursed at the Congregational Church on Sunday, both morning and evening.

WILL MITCHELL, while working on Judge Yeiser's court house last week, slipped and came near taking a tumble from the roof. He caught himself just in time.

THE week of prayer commenced last Sunday, and a union meeting has been in progress during this week at the Congregational Church.

OS last Tuesday night a number of young ladies and gentlemen surprised Mr. John Yeiser at his home. All enjoyed themselves heartily.

THE Red Cloud CHIEF has been enlarged to a six column quarto. It was a good paper before, it is still better now. Long may it boom.—Beattie, (Ks.) Boomerang.

WHY do you shiver and freeze when you can buy a good overcoat cheaper at the Golden Eagle clothing store, State Bank block, than it can be bought at wholesale?

WE wish some telephone company had the enterprise to put up an exchange in this city. It would pay, and Red Cloud would support an exchange in good shape.

THE Republican Valley Echo came out last week with a new head, and otherwise greatly improved. It is a good paper and a credit to the town in which it is published.

THROUGH the courtesy of Supt. Chas. W. Springer we are enabled this week to give our readers the apportionment of public school funds belonging to the different school districts in the county.

MR. C. WIENER, has concluded to run the Golden Eagle clothing house alone, and henceforth he will be sole proprietor, and the "Co." will be dropped. He is an energetic business man.

THE Golden Eagle clothing store can now satisfy all buyers of clothing, having received an immense new line in addition to their old stock. They offer them at as low prices as will astonish all.

A NUMBER of gentlemen of Red Cloud, who are Knight Templars, have petitioned the grand body of that order for a dispensation to organize a commandry in this city. We hope that they will succeed.

OUR new county officers have been duly installed in their respective offices. They are all old hands at the business however, having each served in the capacity to which they were elected for the past two years.

THE hydraulic ram recently put on Codman & Whitney's sheep ranch is a big concern and throws water to all parts of the ranch. It is very convenient and saves much trouble in driving stock back and forth to water.

JOHN MURRAY has finished building the sheds for Codman & Whitney's ranch. The buildings were in the neighborhood of 380 feet in length. Mr. Murray is now engaged in fitting up George Holland's new hotel.

WHY pay high prices for poor clothing when you can buy at the Golden Eagle good goods as cheap as others ask for inferior quality. Remember, they are located in the little store around the corner of State Bank block.

THE board of commissioners have been in session nearly all this week.

J. C. BILLINGS of Smith county, Kansas, is going to California. He holds a public sale on February 1, at his farm.

MR. H. STEVENSON, ex-county commissioner will take a trip to Michigan and Wisconsin on business in a few days.

THE Red Cloud CHIEF has been forced to enlarge to accommodate its large advertising patronage and is now the same size as the Echo. This certainly speaks well for the town.—Republican Valley Echo.

THE Red Cloud CHIEF comes to us this week much improved. It is enlarged from a four page folio to a six column quarto. Proper times and live towns like Red Cloud show through such improvements.—Superior Guide.

MR. JOHN McCALLUM our new county commissioner has been duly qualified and will make a careful and competent officer. The new board is now composed of the following gentlemen: J. E. Smith, chairman, J. L. Miller and John McCallum.

WE take pleasure this week in calling the attention of our readers to the financial statement of the condition of the State bank of Red Cloud, which appears in another column of this paper. That institution is in a flourishing condition.

THE Philomathian Society met at the Red Cloud high school on Monday afternoon, and held an interesting meeting. All friends are invited. The next meeting will be held January 21. The program for the next meeting will be unusually interesting.

LO, THE POOR INDIAN, etc., was in the city this week, and the wicked boys put in the time snow balling the noble red man, whose untutored mind didn't keep him from begging the pale-face's wealth. Whoop-la, big Injun! like white man's money muchee.

THEY straddled the liberty pole—that is Mr. Gurney's team did, while taking a quiet run down Webster street on Saturday. One Arm Jake [the town pump] was the only fellow that was injured, and we will not get any more water till the pump is repaired.

THE business prospects for the New Year are good and trade is opening up briskly. The merchants are all doing a fair business. A few weeks more and spring will be upon us. We predict that '84 will be one of great advantage to our merchants and Red Cloud. Every indication points in that direction.

E. JAMES, of Guide Rock, was in Red Cloud last week. Mr. James is an extensive dealer in live stock, corn, etc. During the last six weeks he has purchased nearly 40,000 bushels of corn. He pays good prices and consequently gets lots of corn. The good brother wanted to keep posted on Red Cloud affairs, and consequently subscribed for THE CHIEF.

THE ferocious wolf is infesting this county, and is evidently on the war path. One night during the last week two large gray wolves followed Mr. G. W. Hummel for two or three miles, and could not be frightened away. They struck his trail at Mr. Wickwire's and followed him nearly home. It would not be a bad idea for the farmers to organize and go wolf hunting. They should by all means be exterminated.

THE CHIEF, commencing with last issue, will each week in the future give some valuable statistics in regard to Nebraska. If you have friends that wish to come West, it would be a good idea to send them an extra copy containing these statements, which will be authentic and can be relied upon in every case, setting forth clear and concise facts in regard to the great advantages of the State, the caption of which will be "Our State."

GARFIELD Post, No. 80, G. A. R., Red Cloud, Neb., met January 7, 1884. The following officers were installed for the coming year:

J. L. Miller, P. C. N. Sanford, S. V. A. N. Patmore, J. V. J. A. Tulleys, Q. M. Thomas Hatfield, O. D. S. West, Surgeon.

Abel Kaley, Chaplain. M. B. McNitt, S. M. J. H. Ferman, Adj.

THE annual meeting of the State board of agriculture will take place at Lincoln, Nebraska, on January 15th, in the Capitol building at three o'clock P. M., when the annual reports will be made, and the places of the expiring members of the board will be filled by election. The officers for the ensuing year will be elected and a premium list adopted and such other business as may come before the board, in the interest of agriculture in Nebraska, be transacted.

THE following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for in the post-office at Red Cloud, Webster county, Nebraska, for the week ending January 7, 1884. A. J. Cameron, Mrs. S. W. Freeman, S. C. Harvey, Frank Harrington, Wm. Irvin, James Knight, Joseph Marshall, L. W. Ormsby, Miss Lina Riggins, W. H. Hartman, G. D. Rigger, John L. Rankin, Gus Shaw 3, W. H. Thomas, G. Walloby, David Watson. In calling for above, please say advertised, giving date of list.

DID HE? OH, NO.—Bravery has been defined for ages as one of the cardinal qualities of man's make-up, but occasionally we find men who are brave on field of battle and in the common walks of life, but lack that necessary element when entering an unlighted store after twilight has faded into darkness. Only a few nights since, an occurrence of this character took place in our city, and fully illustrates the weakness of man, and the imperfection of vision. If we had the power of sight that has been given to the owl, it would be a boon oftentimes to the belated traveler that could be fully appreciated, and no doubt fill a long felt want. It would save street lamps and other artificial luminaries, and would guide "the wayfarer, though a fool" to the haven he might be in search of, without causing him to stumble on the road. But returning to our story. One night recently a very well known young man living not more than 1000 miles from THE CHIEF office, in company with others, was about entering an unlighted store when his eyes rested on what he supposed to be a burglar, but which on investigation turned out to be only a dummy. Thinking that he had "treed a coon," our hero prepared to capture the culprit, and struck a pugilistic attitude, in which position he was in the act of sending his right fist to first base, but was informed that his burglar was only a wooden man. A hearty laugh ensued, and over a number of Havana cigars the boys pledged themselves to secrecy as to the principal actor in the serocomic drama, and therefore our reporter could only get the facts without the name. He didn't hit the burglar though. Oh, no!

THE B. and M. is now running an extra freight train Mondays and Thursdays on its Republican Valley line. A special stock train will run between Red Cloud and Nebraska City, in order to supply the new pork packing house at the latter place.—Huron Journal.

IT is very kind in the railroad company to put an extra on for the benefit of our shippers, but why should Red Cloud ship hogs to Nebraska City when she could just as well have a pork-packing establishment at home and a good hog market? Who will start the ball to rolling? Now is the time to act.

ATTENTION, SHEEP BREEDERS.—There will be a meeting of the sheep breeders of Nebraska and neighboring states, at the Commercial Hotel, Bloomington, Neb., January 30, 1884, at ten o'clock a. m., for the purpose of organizing an American Merino sheep register. All breeders interested in the improvement of Merino sheep are cordially invited to attend. JOHN HOBBS, Pres. C. H. WATTS, Sec. BLOOMINGTON, NEB.

CATTLE AND HORSES FOR SALE. About 50 head of cattle, some of them thorough-bred and some high grades. Also six horses. n23c H. STEVENSON, Inavale, Neb.

SCHOOL MONEY. Below we give the apportionment of school moneys to the various school districts in the county.

OFFICE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT, WEBSTER COUNTY, RED CLOUD, NEB., Jan. 4, 1884. I hereby certify that there is now in country treasury school moneys subject to apportionment and derived as follows:

Amount certified by state superintendent.....\$2689 81

Amount from fines and licenses..... 26 00

Fractional rem. from last apportionment..... 28

Total amt't to be apportioned.....\$2716 09

No. of districts entitled to share in apportionment..... 69

No. of children in districts entitled to share..... 2652

"One-fourth" divided equally among 69 districts gives to each district.....\$ 9 84

"Three-fourths" divided equally among 2652 children gives to each..... .76 81

The amount apportioned to each district is as follows:

District 1.....\$ 74 36

do 2..... 317 85

do 3..... 39 03

do 4..... 31 35

do 5..... 41 33

do 6..... 25 20

do 7..... 26 74

do 8..... 29 94

do 9..... 49 01

do 10..... 29 81

do 11..... 19 06

do 12..... 40 56

do 13..... 32 88

do 14..... 31 35

do 15..... 47 48

do 16..... 29 04

do 17..... 48 25

do 18..... 38 26

do 19..... 35 96

do 20..... 31 35

do 21..... 31 35

do 22..... 25 20

do 23..... 33 65

do 24..... 32 12

do 25..... 30 58

do 26..... 42 10

do 27..... 49 01

do 28..... 27 51

do 29..... 42 10

do 30..... 45 94

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do 32..... 35 96

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do 34..... 36 72

do 35..... 39 04

do 36..... 22 90

do 37..... 26 74

do 38..... 23 67

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do 57..... 52 09

do 58..... 29 81

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do 60..... 23 67

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do 62..... 24 43

do 63..... 39 81

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do 65..... 18 29

do 66..... 28 27

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do 68..... 31 35

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do 70..... 27 16

do 71..... 27 16

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do 75..... 27 16

do 76..... 27 16

do 77..... 27 16

do 78..... 27 16

Total.....\$2716 09

CHAS. W. SPRINGER, Co. Supt.

SCHOOL REPORT.—Report of Pleasant Hill school, district No. 15, for the month ending January 4th, 1884. Whole number of pupils enrolled, 35; whole number days attendance, 447; average daily attendance, 23; number pupils whose rank in scholarship entitles them to 90 per cent: Anna Cockrall, Florella Jackson, Jessie Cockrall, Ella Cox, Alvin Zackary. IDA B. ALLBERT, Teacher.

RED CLOUD MARKETS. Winter wheat..... 65@ 70

Oats..... 18@ 20

Rye..... 30

Barley..... 25@ 35

Corn shelled..... 28

Corn in ear..... 25

Hogs..... 4.60@4.75

Cattle..... 3.00@3.50

FARM FOR SALE. 160 acres of fine farming land for sale at a bargain. 80 acres good plow land, stone and log house combined, ten acres good timber, plenty of good water, etc. Good bank stable. Located 6 miles south-west of Red Cloud. For terms call on or address, W. M. VISSCHER, Red Cloud.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

CHAR. W. SPRINGER.

We have received from the State Superintendent a new school register which is a decided improvement over the registers we have been using. It contains blanks for school record, designed to last two years; there is a blank for inserting the names of pupils in each grade (not every individual class), and recording their advancement. There is also a blank term summary, a duplicate of which is sent with the register. The teacher is to fill out this term summary at the close of each term and mail a copy to the county superintendent. Directors and teachers are referred to the school law section 2, subdivision 9, and any teacher failing to comply with the request as made on the term summary is liable to have his certificate revoked. The director will take charge of the register at the close of the term. This will save the director and also the teacher much work. The register should be open to inspection at all times during the term of school. Districts that already have school records may use their old ones until filled if they choose, but the term summary must be mailed by the teacher to this office immediately at the close of the term. We have on hand teacher contracts and district teachers' bonds for free distribution where needed.

It was a pleasure on Thursday and Friday of last week to attend the examination of two class in the Red Cloud schools. The class in physiology was examined through Steele's fourteen weeks course. The scholars acquitted themselves very creditably, and showed their study had been thorough. The B class in grammar, Mrs. Judson's, was examined on Friday. This class did unusually well. It was reviewed over the first sixty lessons of Reed and Kellogg's Higher Lessons. For a class so young the pupils did their work far above the average. If this class can remain in school and take the full course it will be a credit to our town and county.

Query. If an irresistible force strike an immovable body what will be the result?

OUR STATE. In our last week's issue there is an error in giving the value of the farms in the State for the years 1870 and 1880. By mistake the value for 1880 was left out, and the value for 1880 put in its place. The article should have read, "the total value of these farms was, in 1860, \$3,878,126; in 1870, \$30,242,186; and in 1880 they were valued at \$105,932,541." The total number of acres farmed in the State in 1860 were 631,214; in 1870, 2,073,781; and in 1880, 9,994,826. Corn, they say, is king in Nebraska, and so it seems. In 1860 there were raised in the State 1,482,080 bushels; in 1870, 4,736,710 bushels; and in 1880, 65,450,136 bushels. Of our wheat crops we have nothing to be ashamed. In 1860 we raised 147,867 bushels; 1870, 2,125,086 bushels; and 1880, 13,847,007. The increase in our wool-growing interests has been so rapid as to attract the attention of every wool grower in the country. In 1860 there were clipped in the State 3302 pounds; in 1870, 74,655 pounds; and in 1880, 1,282,656 pounds. The increase in live stock has been in equal proportions. In 1860 there were in the State 6995 milch cows; in 1870, 28,940; and in 1880, 161,187. The increase in sheep and swine is almost incredible. In 1860 there were 2355 sheep in the state; in 1870, 22725; and in 1880, 1,994,453. 1860 there were 25,369 head of swine in the State; in 1870, 59,449; and in 1880, 1,241,725. In 1880 we raised 2,150,893 bushels of Irish potatoes, and 13628 bushels of sweet potatoes. We also produced in the same year 9,513,835 pounds of butter and 230,819 of cheese. In the year 1879 there was expended in building and repairing fences in the State \$1,240,975, and the value of our farm products for the same year was \$31,708,914. We could also give the figures showing the increase in many other industries, but deem this sufficient to show the growth of the State for 20 years. If any other state can make a better showing we should like to see the figures. Nebraska is the coming State. With the same ratio of increase in her population and wealth, in 1890 she will have a population of 1,600,000 people and \$1,168,000,000 worth of property. (To be continued.)

WHEATLAND. Mr. Jeanneau, is building a new house that will cost \$600. We have been having cold weather in this locality. There has been a great deal of improvement in the way of new buildings in and around Wheatland. Royal Wicks has built a new house that will cost \$1000 when finished. W. H. Patterson has also erected a fine thousand dollar dwelling. W. M. Gibson has bought 100 cattle and a large lot of corn. Mr. Doyle's new barn will cost him about \$300. B. C. Burt has built a new \$200 granary. JUMBO.

WALNUT CREEK.

Webster county is bounded on the south by Kansas, and is about 200 miles west of the Missouri river. Walnut Creek rises in the north part of Smith county, Kansas, and flows a northerly course, and empties into the Republican about five miles north of the Kansas line, and ten miles above Red Cloud, the county seat of Webster county, Nebraska. On this creek, are thousands of cords of wood. Cotton wood, boxelder, and several kinds of elm predominate, with considerable walnut ash and blackberry, plums, grapes and wild gooseberries are abundant in their season. Agriculture is carried on to a considerable extent, but the principal wealth consists in horses, cattle, hogs and sheep. This is emphatically a grazing section. Perhaps cattle are more profitable with the present facilities for fattening, and making butter and cheese, and the excellent markets near, than any other stock. Sheep, however, are very profitable and do not require so much capital. They are the poor man's stock as well as the rich one's. They can be kept here with very little expense, as land is cheap and there is much open land which can be pastured without cost. One person can take care of 1000 or more. They can be wintered with very little hay or grain. They can live on the dry wild grass, whenever it is not covered with snow, which is but a short time. Our winters are mild and dry, with very little snow and no rain. But sheep like all other stock pay well for good care, as if they are well fed they produce much better lambs and heavier fleeces than ill-fed ones; or the man who keeps his sheep at the least expense does not make the most money. Stalk pasture is sometimes bought for ten cents per acre; and an abundance of good hay can be had, merely for cutting and stacking. Millet, if sowed early thrives very well. Sorghum planted thickly in rows and plowed once or twice, will produce an abundant crop of excellent feed. Sheep that have plenty of millet hay do not need any grain. The farmers here know by happy experiments that sheep husbandry pays, as the following figures will clearly prove: S. B. Keiser keeps 600; B. Pierce 400; Mr. Blankenbaker about 200; J. D. Allbaugh 500; Beely and Souper 1000; H. Cleveland 200 amounting to nearly 3000. All these gentlemen are beginners in the business and their herds are rapidly increasing every year. S. W. CORNER.

ADVISE TO YOUNG LADIES. [Communicated.] Say, girls, do you not know that this is the year for which you have been so patiently waiting? Some of you have been waiting for four years, and some for eight years. The reason for those who waited so long is because they missed their chance. Now, for pity's sake don't do as I did. Eight years ago I looked so long before I made the attempt, that I lost my footing, and four years ago I said to myself, "I'll bet I don't get left this year," and in my anxiety to jump the broom stick I stumbled, lost my grip and all my expectations, and oh horrors! when at last I saw the year had slipped through my fingers, and I had not won the matrimonial victory for which I had so fondly aspired. I sat down and wept bitter tears over my sad disappointment, for I knew that before the next four years came around, and long before I should get another chance, I would be twenty-five, and you know every girl's horror when she says to herself, "today I'm twenty-five," and you know full well what she expects to see before the year ends, and which all girls will surely see before they are twenty-five if they are not married, and that sight will be the D—, for I can assure you I have seen him. Saints protect me. I never wish to see him again. Now, girls, as you all know this is leap year, and you have a right to be the one who makes the offer, the one who makes the advances, the one who has the right to propose, the one who, according to an old established rule, has the right to pop the question without any comment from anybody. I beseech you do not let this long sought for chance slip past you and miss what I have missed. As the year has just commenced for which all us girls are so anxious, we must not fail to catch the glorious golden opportunity; to obtain that which our heart most desires—a loving husband. Bet your sweet life I will not miss this year for I shall ask every eligible gentleman that I am acquainted with, until one accepts me. Now girls, I know you all agree with me, and say I am right, for you all know there is nothing half so nice in the world as to have a home of your own, with a dear darling of a husband, and as long as we remain single we will miss that happiness. Hoping that some other young lady will write, and in her way express her feelings and also show the follies of letting the orange blossoms pass without an effort to have them crown our brow. With love, I remain, Yours, etc., MISS INEZ COURTRIGHT, Age 27.