Our foreign subscribers will bear in mind that all subscriptions are cut off at the expiration of the time paid for. We should be pleased to have all renew at once.

B. & M. Time Table.

No.		Arrive	Leave
7	Red Cloud to Crete, mail		6 45am
3	Chicago mail	7 00am	
9	Oxford and Hastings exp	9 00am	9 25am
5	Omaha mail to Denver	9 00am	9 25am
79	Hastings to Oxford exp	2 00pm	2 30pm
8	Crete to Red Cloud mail	7 00pm	
6	"Omaha mail" to Kansas C.	10 00pm	10 15pm
4	Chicago mail		11 30pm

No. 9 Oxford and Hastings express and Crete passenger connections at Hastings, and Crete with Denver, Chicago through trains.

No. 79 Oxford and Hastings train brings passengers from Chicago to Heaver express.

A. J. Welch, Ticket Agent.

A. H. KALEY.

Has concluded to discount the clothing business and now offers his entire stock at cost to close them out.

THE RED CLOUD CHIEF

A. C. HOSMER, - - Proprietor

FRIDAY, FEB. 20, 1885

CITY NEWS.

An early spring is anticipated.

Will the cold weather ever let up?

THE CHIEF and *Argus* took a flying trip to the capital on Saturday.

Miss COOK, niece of Mrs. Ormsby, has arrived in the city from New York.

Mrs E. C. BALLOW is visiting in Princeton, Mo. She will be absent some six weeks.

THERE will be another new restaurant started in Red Cloud in the near future.

Mr. HIRAM HICKS and wife will celebrate their 25th anniversary on next Monday.

C. W. LA RUE and family, of Roggen, Colorado, are the guests of I. A. Morse, this week.

WM. GATES, the Red Cloud meat market man has put a fine marble counter in his market.

Mrs. D. B. SPANGLE and Mrs. Geo. Dodd who have been visiting in the east for three months past, have returned home.

S. O. BAKER is now having his handsome new buildings. He reports having 40 jobs to wrestle with in the next few days.

S. P. SPOKESFIELD has sold his restaurant and will embark in some other business, but of what character he has not as yet selected.

Mr. BARTHOLD, working in J. L. Miller's harness shop, has some fine specimens of ore and precious metals on display in the front window of Mr. Miller's store. They are beauties.

D. M. TOMLIN, of Arapahoe, was in Red Cloud Friday night. He was here for the purpose of becoming acquainted with Royal Arch Masonry. He rode the goat with great dignity.

Messrs. ANDERSON & Co. have started a restaurant and lunch stand one door east of Henry Cooke's drug store. We hope the gentlemen will meet with success. They certainly have good prospects.

WE respectfully call attention to the advertisement of Dr. Smith's public sale. The doctor has some valuable property which he offers on easy terms. The sale will take place on the 23rd instant.

THE managers of the rink have decided to hold another masquerade at the rink on the 25th. These entertainments are greatly enjoyed by the young folks and are participated in by a great many people.

REV. Mr. MEEKIN, of Iowa, has been called to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church in this city. Mr. Meekin is an able divine and will build the church up. He will be here in a few weeks in all probability.

F. E. GURR and wife, and Charley Romsberg left Saturday night for the Sunny South where they will take in the Centennial Exposition and other sights of the Crescent City, and numerous other points of interest.

SPECIAL meeting A. F. & A. M. On Friday evening Feb. 20, 1885. Grand Master J. J. Wemple will be present and there will be work in the 3d degree. All Master Masons in good standing cordially invited to attend.

JOHN T. MARTIN, living nine miles south-east of Red Cloud, will sell his stock, farm implements, etc. at public auction on February 25. He has a number of horses, cows, etc., that are bargains. Terms, six months, at ten per cent., with approved security.

WE learn that the masqueraders and lookers on had a good time at the Guide Rock rink Saturday evening. Very few were recognized in their quaint and curious costumes. Laughable incidents occurred. One gentleman paid his wager to his wife cash, and never said a word. He did not recognize her, you see, in her charming peasant costume.

Mrs. S. F. SPOKESFIELD has purchased the millinery business of Mrs. J. A. Fowler. Mrs. Spokesfield has the best wishes of THE CHIEF for success and prosperity in the millinery business, and we believe she will receive a large patronage from the ladies of Red Cloud and adjacent territory. Mrs. J. A. Fowler who has been in the business for some years past will go south we understand in the near future, for her health.

OUR friend M. T. Coval, who for the last few months has been engaged as baker at Spokesfield's bakery, has purchased the bakery and contents of his employer and will henceforth run the business himself. Mr. Coval will assume control March 1. THE CHIEF wishes Mr. Coval success and prosperity and can, with confidence recommend him to the public as a thoroughgoing and enterprising business man, and worthy of their patronage.

A. A. POPE was on the sick list one day last week.

THE B. & M. pay car made the railroad boys hearts palpitate with gladness on Monday.

DRAYMAN BERKLEY wishes to announce that he is prepared to furnish sand of best quality on short notice.

ON March 4, which is nearly at hand President-elect Cleveland will be duly inaugurated. Big preparations are being made for the event.

ON Sunday last quarterly meeting was held at the M. E. Church. Presiding Elder Gallaher delivered two able sermons on that occasion.

ON Friday, Feb. 27, Elder A. J. Cudney, of Fremont, and Elder Newcomb will debate on the question of whether Sunday or Saturday is the Lord's day, at the Martin school house.

DR. DENNEY who is now in China reports an extensive practice in Peking. The heathen Chinee is a peculiar fellow and has already been after the doctor to heal his sick mule.

L. H. BECK, formerly of this city and at present a student in the Keokuk medical college, has been elected president of his class. He is an apt scholar. Mr Beck is a brother of Mrs. W. D. Forrester.

AN effort is being made by some of the citizens of Inavale to move the post office, at that place and also to remove the postmaster, we do not know upon what ground the complaints are made as Brother Knight is certainly a good officer.

Mr. VAN HORN, the Webster street tonsorial artist has refitted his barber shop, opposite the First National Bank and would be pleased to see all who want a first-class shave, hair cut, hot or cold bath, etc. Call and see him when in need. 29-2

W. J. ORCHARD wife and baby, of Dorchester, Nebraska, is visiting his father Mr. R. K. Orchard, one of our prosperous farmers, living near Inavale. Mr. Orchard is a prominent stock dealer in Dorchester. He paid THE CHIEF a pleasant call on Monday.

POSTMASTER McNITT has been instructed by the post office department to prohibit loafing around the post-office. This order he will be bound to enforce, and consequently boys and others will take notice and loaf on the streets instead of the post-office.

A. WELLS and family of Cowles have decided to move to Fairfield Clay county for the purpose of educating his children at the college in that burg. Mr. Wells is among the first subscribers of THE CHIEF in the early days and we shall be sorry to loose him from Webster county.

OUR democratic friend A. Cure says he finds Jim Miner of Red Cloud to be an honest man, and says he may be next president, at least thinks he is just as capable as Cleveland or any other man to fill the office. Mr. Cure was a good war democrat and believes in good men filling responsible offices.

OUR delinquent subscribers will take notice that we want money and can not afford to carry them longer than one year. Newspaper subscription is strictly payable in advance, as a general rule in every instance. If you can not pay all, pay part. On or about March 1st we shall mail a statement to each delinquent subscriber and shall expect a prompt answer.

DIED, at Catherton, Feb. 11, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cowley. Just at dawn of morn our little boy was called from our parental care, that binds by kindred blood so near. While we weep for our boy we know that what is our loss is heaven's joy, but all the pangs we bear are absorbed in this one comfort, that Jesus will care for our baby in heaven above, where all is love. A FRIEND.

ONE old time co-laborer in the printing business in Illinois, Lyman H. Henry, lately of the Coon Rapids (Ia.) *Enterprise* has purchased the Storm Lake (Ia) *Tribune*, and has assumed control of the same. We notice that under his guidance the paper has already assumed a sprightly appearance. The people of Storm Lake are to be congratulated in securing our worthy friend as editor and proprietor of the *Tribune* as he is wide-awake and enterprising with the necessary newspaper ability to make a good paper.

ALONZO CURE living near Catherton who has resided in Webster county for some five years, came to Nebraska from Worth county, Missouri, a poor man with scarcely any means with which to expect to make a living. However by hard work and careful management he has succeeded in getting well fixed having a good farm worth over $3,000 and fairly stocked and improved. He has also 300 bushles of corn and 800 bushles of wheat, and other products, besides a new house, barn, cribs, &c. He has the pluck necessary to make a success of life and will therefore get rich in the near future.

AN appreciative congregation attended the Baptist church last Sunday evening to take in the Sunday school concert exercises and they were not taken in, for the concert was a grand success in every particular. Where all do well it is hard to discriminate, but special mention is certainly due the choir for their part, both in singing and instrumental music. The recitations by the Misses Brewer, Emigh, Owen, Reigle were very fine and nicely rendered. Mrs. Arthur Mitchell's class did themselves great credit in the part they performed. Mrs. Dodd sang a solo with good effect, and Master Freddie Brown captured the audience with the solo, "If papa was only ready." The little fellow sang in a rich, clear voice, and the attribute and expression could not be better.

THE FAIR.—The Webster county agricultural society met at Kaley Bros. law office on last Saturday for the purpose of deciding the matter of the location of the fair grounds. The meeting was called to order by President Warner who occupied the chair, after which the object of the meeting was stated, whereupon the committee appointed at the previous meeting to look up a location and secure propositions reported that they had secured three. One from Ed. Parkes, another from John Kellogg, and still another from Mr. Mellors all living on Fourth avenue west of the city. The society thereupon proceeded to act on the matter and after considerable discussion concluded to accept the proposition of Mellors which called for 29½ acres of land which he proposed to let the society have at $50 per acre, payable $40 down and balance in one year. The location in the mind of the committee and others is a good one and much easier fitted up and put in condition for a suitable fair grounds than the present site, which the committee now proposes to sell, and take the proceeds to improve the new grounds. The following committee was appointed to secure bids from parties for the purchase of the old grounds, the names which are, W. N. Richardson, J. L. Miner, R. B. Fulton, B. T. Reed and Eli Smith. The proceeds of this track of land will certainly pay for the new grounds and put them in good shape for the coming fair which will be the most important exhibition ever held in the county. A. J. Pulleys, O. C. Case, and James Gilham, were appointed a committee on legal organizations, while E. H. Jones, W. A. McKeighan, and O. McCall were appointed a committee on revision of the premium list after which the meeting adjourned to assemble at the call of the president. In revising premium list the committee should see that every useful or ornamental article has a place in the list. There are many things that should appear in the pamphlet that have heretofore been omitted. There should be a good premium on fine cattle, thorough-bred cattle, horses &c. of Webster county, so that it will be an inducement for our farmers to exhibit their stock and also to improve it. THE CHIEF wants to see the next fair A No 1 in every respect.

THAT HATCHET.—From the Blue Hill *Times*, of last Saturday, we learn that the hatchet which was the instrument with which Leonard Rahl was literally butchered on the night of November 1, 1884, has been found. The *Times* says "The hatchet with which Joe Cook murdered Leonard Rahl, was found Friday of last week, by Mrs Rahl, lying about eighteen rods north of where the body was found. It was left lying where found until Monday, when it was picked up and brought to this city, and has been viewed by hundreds of people. After laying there ever since the wretch committed the horrible deed, exposed to all kinds of weather, hair and clotted blood is plainly visible all over the blade of the hatchet. If this had been found before the trial the verdict of the jury would probably have been rendered different.

THE legislature will adjourn in about ten days. The prospect is that there will be but little railroad legislation enacted although several good bills have been introduced. In all probability the railway commission will be passed. This is one step in the right direction. As far as the three cent passenger rate is concerned the bill has been literally set down on in the senate. The house passed a clean cut three-cent bill with hardly a dissenting vote and sent it into the senate. That body have changed the complexion of the bill which undoubtedly will fail to receive the concurrence of the house. The people are entitled to some wholesome railway legislation this term. THE CHIEF is pleased to know that Representatives Kaley and Newcomer are found on the side of the people in this contest and are working hard for beneficial railway legislation.

MRS. BETSY WILSON the aged mother of Mr. W. J. and Thos. Wilson living on Hull creek, reached her eighty-fifth milestone in life's journey on last Tuesday. Her sons in order to commemorate the event agreeably surprised the old lady by getting up a party for the occassion. She was indeed very much surprised. Mrs. Wilson was born in Cataraugus county, New York in the year 1800, and consequently was one year and fifteen days old when Thomas Jefferson, the third president of the United States was inaugurated for his first term and has lived through several prominent wars in which the United States took part besides seeing the country grow from a small nation to one of the most important on the the face of the globe. her life has indeed been an eventful one. The event was a very pleasant one and enjoyed by the guests.

DOUBLE WEDDING.—Married at the residence of Mr and Mrs Joseph Graves Sunday, February 1, 1885, by Rev. N. R. Brown, their daughter, Miss Alice Graves to Mr John Riggins, and Walker Graves to Miss Lora Nichols. The ceremonies were performed in the presence of many relatives and a few friends of the contracting parties. The grooms are two of Wells' most exemplary young men, and may well feel proud of winning two of Wells' fairest daughters. At the conclusion of the ceremonies and congratulations an elegant wedding banquet was spread. A more enjoyable feast and social gathering undoubtedly was never had at that place.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS.

[From our own Correspondent.]

LINCOLN, NEB., Feb 17, 1885.

Legislative news of a very startling character is scarce this week. On Saturday both houses adjourned until this morning. Most of the members took advantage of the recess and went home. Several remained in the city over Sunday, and might be seen at almost any time in the state house gathered together in groups of two or three earnestly discussing the weighty affairs of state. Nearly all are now present and the fur may be expected to fly lively during the balance of the session. Representative Henry, of Tecumseh, was absent last week by reason of sickness, but returned yesterday.

NEW OFFICES.

A bill was introduced for the purpose of establishing the office of recorder of deeds whose duties will greatly lessen those of the county clerks.

FRATS.

The "much adoo about nothin" school land fraud investigation, is practically over, and has ended as it commenced—in lots of buncombe. The committee have not as yet submitted their report, but it is safe to say that nothing of an alarming nature against the welfare of the state has been proven. The valiant Dennis had best load up and fire again at some other target, having missed the bull's eye this time.

Representative Taylor, of Hitchcock county has introduced a bill to establish a bureau of immigration, having for its object the securing of large immigration to the state. The bill asks for the appointment of two commissioners and an appropriation of $12,000 to pay the necessary expenses, such as printing, advertising, etc. If anything is of interest it is certainly the matter of securing purchasers for the immense tracts of land now lying idle and unproductive within its borders.

VISITORS.

Among the visitors to the capital during the past few days we noticed the following gentlemen from Red Cloud: Sheriff Warren, M. S. Marsh, and the gentlemanly editors of the *Argus* and CHIEF.

REFORM SCHOOL.

The house have passed an appropriation bill granting $30,000 for the erection of new buildings and repairing the old ones now in use by the reform school at Kearney. This ought to be sufficient to enable the officials of that institution ample facilities for the reformation of the incorrigible kids of the state.

There is some talk of an extra session, but it is hardly probable that one will be held. Senator Skinner, of Nuckolls, is not at all ostentatious, but in debate usually manages to hit the nail upon the head. Considerable fun has been had over the railroad bills, and still there's more to follow.

DEW DROP.

Real Estate Transfers.

For the week ending February 41 furnished by L. C. Graham, abstracter.

Juda Helton to J W Hudson, s hf ne 26, 4, 9, wd, $500.

C H Potter and wife to H Gandreault, ne qr 32, 4, 12, wd, $1600.

M W Busch to W A Watkins, pt nw qr se qr 4, 4, 10, wd, $100.

W A Watkins to J D Pearson, pt nw qr se qr 4, 4, 10, wd, $100.

J Q Potter and wife to W Street, nw qr ne qr 10, 1, 11, wd, $100.

John Beauchamp and wife to C F & J H Romsberg se qr 20, 1, 10, wd, $3000.

Pezaro Norton and wife to W H Kortz, sw qr, 11, 3, 11, wd, $2000.

T W Crary and wife to E J & P E Fairfield, se qr 10, 1, 9, wd, $1600.

Van Buren Haws and wife to Alonzo Tolin, sw qr 18, 4, 9, wd, con $1300.

W H Hoffman and wife to Peter Jensen w hf ne qr 15, 4, 12, wd, con $800.

C W Kaley and wife to R C McCann n hf ne qr 27, 2, 11, wd, con $640.

Harriet E Stedman to J E Smith, w hf nw qr 35, 3, 9, wd, con $1400.

W A Stedman et al to H E Stedman w hf, nw qr 35, 3, 9, qcd, $200.

U S to Andrew Ericksen, se qr 2, 2, 12, fr, con $4.

U S to Joseph Graves sw qr, 20, 4, 11, fr, con $4.

A T Ormsby and wife to E Welsh, ls 12 and 13, b 19, R R add, wd, con $500.

E Welsh and wife to A T Ormsby, ls 8 and 9, b 7, Kaley & Jackson's add, wd, con $120.

Silas Garber and wife to J B Brown, l 15, b 25, Red Cloud, wd, $60.

C G Dargin and wife to W H Steffner, lots 4, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, b 2, Guide Rock, wd, con $900.

REPORT of Blue Hill school for the month ending Feb. 13.

First Department—No. enrolled, 49, whole number of days attendance, 820, average daily attendance, 41, number tardiness, 79, number visitors 2. Roll of Honor: Jacob Mandelbaum, Mamie Hopka, Maud Wilson, Herb Probasco, Samuel Miller, Beatrice Atland, Gracie Weld, Mildred Smith, Freddie Hopka, Joseph Now, Chas Atland, Willie Hopka, Nannie Smith teacher.

Second Department—Annette Parsons teacher. No. enrolled, 64, whole number of days attendance, 972½ average daily attendance, 49, tardinesses, 44, visitors, 1. Roll of Honor, Henry Kick, Ira Garrison, Maud Koons, Nonie Walker, Freddie Altland, Thomas McClure, Alice Wilson, Maggie Sproul, John Sproul.

SMOKE the "Cuckadoo" the only good 10 cent cigar in town. The "Cuckado" is at the post-office.

THE best 5c cigars in town are at the post office.

MILLET seed at Hacker's.

WALL PAPER.—C. L. Cotting has purchased a large stock of wall paper, window shades and fixtures which will be open about March 1st.

IN a few days we will have a complete set of machinery for boring and fitting tubular wells.

SPANGLE & SON.

$55. We are selling a No. 1 ten hoe grain drill for fifty five dollars. Just what you need. Spangle & Son.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

SEEDS at HACKER'S.

CLOVER seed at Hacker's.

GARDEN seeds at Hacker's.

SEWING machines of all kinds at A. L. Funk's.

ORGANS, stools and books at Perkins & Mitchell's.

GOSPEL HYMNS both word and note edition at Cotting's.

A LARGE lot of overcoats sold at Kaley's store at cost.

SEEDS, seeds, seeds, seeds, seeds, every kind, at Hacker's.

Mr. BROWN who has been sick for some time past is still in a critical condition.

SEE boots and shoes for men, women and children at the Golden Eagle clothing house.

THE comrades of Wells Post G. A. R. will hold a camp fire on the 23d at their armory in Wells.

TURNIP, parsnip, carrot, lettuce, peas, beans, radish, and the very best of seeds at Hacker's.

THERE will be a conundrum social at Mr. Cotting's Friday evening, Feb. 20. All are cordially invited.

THE cheapest suit of clothes ever sold in Red Cloud was bought at Kaley's store the other day.

BROWN stalk cutters and planters at A. L. Funk's.

Mr. J. P. BYSHA was the recipient of a handsome Knight Templar's charm from his wife the other day.

THE Golden Eagle is receiving new styles of percale and other fancy shirts.

SEVERAL of our business men went to Lincoln this week in the interest of the State Normal School bill which was before the legislature.

IF you want a suit of clothes for less than the cost of making them, go to Kaley's store, Red Cloud.

CURT EVANS is now prepared to furnish the very best sand for plastering, brick work, etc., in any quantity, and on short notice. See him.

DR. HESS Hog Powders are for sale at Cotting's drug store, on great quantities.

COMPARE my prices with those of other firms. I will save you from ten to twenty five per cent. on anything in my line. O. H. MARVATT.

THE members of Red Cloud lodge I. O. O. F. will attend a meeting of their brethren at Blue Hill on the first Monday in March. They anticipate a grand time.

FOR good goods and bargains in groceries go to Perkins & Mitchell.

SERVICES in the Baptist church next Sunday. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12. M. temperance school at 3:30. Young folks invited to pastor's Bible class.

ALL kinds of garden seeds at Hacker's.

HAVE you lost your potatoes? Jack Frost entered the cellars around town and played havoc with vegetables stored away for use. As he is no respecter of persons we presume he went for your potato piles in the country.

CASTORS, cake dishes, silver cups and all kinds of silverware at a great reduction for next 30 days in order to make room for finest assortment of new goods ever brought in Red Cloud. Wright & Wallace.

THEY are coming. *The Tennessean*, Donavin's Original, and will be at Red Cloud on March 10, on their twelfth annual tour.

DON'T fail to call at A. H. Kaley's store for bargains on clothing as he is closing out his entire stock of clothing and overcoats at cost. They must be sold out.

TUBULAR wells, tubular wells, at Spangle & Sons.

THE clans of Aladdin Council G. O. O. gathered at their grand council chambers last Tuesday evening and introduced four pilgrims, viz. T. C. Hacker, M. Birney, Ed Becker, and John Young into the mysterious influence of the 45th degree.

SEEDS, seeds, seeds. Headquarters for seeds at Perkins & Mitchell's.

SPECIAL. Everybody come and trip the light fantastic toe next Monday evening, February 23, at the rink. Remember, two fine cakes are to be given away, one to the most graceful couple in the waltz, another to be voted to the handsomest lady in the hall. Allen & Cook.

ORGANS cleaned, repaired and polished. A. L. MITCHELL.

Mr. JOSEPH GRAVES has bought Harry Feight's residence and will move to Red Cloud. Mr Graves sold his farm near Catherton recently for $6000. He paid $2300 for the same farm when he located near Catherton four years ago. This is certainly making money easy.

IF you want the cheapest suits of clothes ever bought in Red Cloud go to Kaley's store.

OUR tree man, I. H. Rust, has been on the sick list for the last ten days, not being out of the house. A little fever and lots of cough. But he expects to go to the nursery the first of April to get good stock for all who are in want, at reasonable prices. If you want evergreens, shade or ornamental, osage 1000 or 10,000 Russian mulberry or small forest trees for timber claims, nursery grown, send in your order for stock and prices.

A. L. FUNK next door north of *Argus* office, keeps the very best line of machinery in the market. Farmers call and see him before buying.

ON last Tuesday night "Lo, the poor Indian" gave the pale faces of Red Cloud a grand war dance at the rink. The affair reminded the early settlers of the times when the Red man held almost undisputed sway in the valley. "Them were the times" when the boys took to the stockade at sight, for fear that if they remained out side of its protection their scalps would ornament the belt of some brave before the next day. It was reported to be very thrilling.

A. H. KALEY is closing out his entire stock of clothing at slaughtering prices.

THE farmers should get good poultry for their farms, as the old saying is, "the best is the cheapest" applies in this case same as with horses and cattle. The Plymouth Rocks fowls of Hosford & Young are of the finest strain of this popular breed. They combine the several good qualities which no other chickens do, hardiness, early maturity, good layers, fine appearing, nicely flavored meat, good setters, but not hard to break up and good size. Anybody wishing to see some fine chickens should see theirs.

WE have the goods you need. Call and be convinced. Spangle & Son.

ELM HILL

Still cold.

Ella Beal was in this neighborhood spending a few days.

Rev. Walker is holding revival meetings here. Rev. Wm Britton came up to attend the meetings but took sick and went home.

Joseph Hidy has been on the sick list.

H. Crawford has been trading horses.

Will Thomas expects to go west to get 80 acres of land. EXAT DRIXER.

HIGHLAND TP.

Snow, snow, plenty of snow.

Two of Mr. Sloan's children are sick with pneumonia.

Mr. Redmond is dangerously sick with erysipelas.

During those bright sunny days last week the farmers discussed everything in the line of spring work from cutting stalks down to sowing oats, but we have not heard much about farming since the last snow storm.

John Merrill has a new stock well.

The dance at Jonas Campbell's last Friday night was a grand success and largely attended music furnished by C. and W. Fuller. JAY HAWKER.

PRAIRIE HOME

Mr. Pitney's youngest child has been sick with the diphtheria but is recovering.

Miss L. A. Hale, of Nelson, is visiting her brother I. Hale.

O. Cather bought some hogs of H. Foore last week.

What fun at the valentine drawing at I. Fryant's. All had a good time.

The protracted meeting at Mt. Hope is to be resumed in New Virginia.

Mr. Walker lost some cattle last week.

The singing school at New Virginia is out.

Miss Lizzie McIntosh is to teach at Mt. Hope another term.

H. M. Foore played bachelor this week as his wife was sojourning in Red Cloud. O ye hungry editor, if ye could have dined with him. BIX.

BATIN

When, O when will the spring come Gentle Annie?

Mrs. E. A. Beal's school closed on the 6th.

Miss Nellie Arnold has recovered from her sickness, and has resumed her school at Cowles.

Fremont Arnold, of Rawlins county, Kans., is visiting his father on Elm Creek. He says Rawlins is a good county but thinks Webster better.

Rev. J. G. Walker, of Blue Hill, has been carrying on a series of meetings at the Elm Creek school house, and has been blessed beyond his expectations. Some twenty five or thirty conversions, and quite a number of them have united with the church.

Miss Ella Beal, of Blue Hill, is visiting friends on Elm Creek.

Isaac Gray lost a valuable horse on Friday night. PROBLEM.

COWLES

Mr. Waller sold his farm last week to Mrs. Sherman, a sister of Douglas Terry for which he received $3000 and also $500 for stock and grain. We are glad to learn that we are not to lose Mr. W. from our midst, he having purchased some lots in Cowles on which he will build soon.

Mrs. Busick has returned from her visit in the east.

Miss Paul is almost recovered from her recent illness.

Mr. Sheldon is the happy man. It is a girl, usual weight.

Mr. Lindbarger's family have recovered.

Miss Arnold took her place in the school room again last Monday, and school is in progress.

Mr. Woolner the cattle man, is in Juniata this week buying grain.

We have heard rumors of a wedding. What about it, Horace?

Rev. Martin's preached his farewell discourse here last Sunday. We have not learned where he will labor next, but wish him success wherever it may be. LITTLE HATCHET.

CATHERTON.

The sleigh bells are again heard after our short spring like spell of weather.

The Plainview Enquirer has changed hands. It is now edited by W. B. Householder and Miss Ida Britton, and as they both labor earnestly for the benefit of the society we feel that the proper course will be pursued by them for the good of the society.

Miss Bowen of Wells, often led the literary Friday evening, and was chosen by Miss Britton and Miss Tuttle to settle the question that whisky has killed more men than war.

Catherton wants a first-class store and physician.

Mrs. G. P. Cather was at Mr. Isaac Connely's Saturday.

Elias Lockheart gave the young folks a hop Thursday night. A good time was reported by all. Elias has not forgotten the boys.

Some of our speakers are plain spoken in their special pleading to judges Burt Cure says it is a girl. We smoke Burt.

Jim comes after his own mail now. Wonder why.

Ella Cure is stopping a short time at the post-office. WILD JAKE.

JUDSON.

The snow is about all gone and left us the roads in bad shape.

William Ryan goes around singing "Johny Comes Marching Home Again" well it is a boy and weighs about ten pounds.

Married, by the Rev. J. G. Armstead on Thursday the 15th Albert Kelley to Miss Carrie Ford both of Pawnee Tp. We wish them a happy voyage through life.

The meetings at Fairview are still attended with interest and profit. One noticable feature is the bold religious truth is getting on the young as in revival efforts, so with this meeting a certain class of thoughtless persons rise up to laugh at their companions who are choosing God rather than the world; but against jeers those who feel they have souls to save are nobly standing by the right.

Mr. Rose of Illinois is out here looking over his farm he bought from S. Gurt.

Election is over. J. Armstead is the assessor for the coming year in Pawnee Township.

Wm. Hospers family is on the sick list.

Mr. Rees's family has had the lung fever.

Mrs. Hamer has been on the sick list, also C. Staffen.

Lots of wolves in this neighborhood. SIX.

Go to Hacker's for timothy seed.

BLUE HILL

Miss Garber of Red Cloud was visiting in this city last week.

Our banker, R. A. Simpson, has returned from the World's Exposition at New Orleans, and reports the exhibit of Nebraska exhibit grand.

We now have a first class milk wagon owned by Mr. McNitt, and in early morn the music of his bell can be heard in all parts of our city.

D. P. Newcomer returned from Lincoln Saturday evening.

The ladies skating match at the rink Saturday night was a success. Miss Emma Miller won the prize.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Clark returned from Bassett, Iowa, Thursday where they have been visiting relatives.

Rev. Cornet has been holding a series of revival meetings in the Presbyterian church for the past two weeks. There has been a good attendance.

We now have another doctor, Mr. Reed, of Liberty.

The Central Hotel has again changed hands, Mr. Adams of Minden, being the new proprietor. He comes to our town well recommended.

Some of the young men of our city took it upon themselves to serenade the new proprietor of the Central House. This they did in good shape, and were invited in and were treated in good style. Then they proceeded to the residence of Mr. Bateman to welcome Dr. Reed and his new bride to our midst. The doctor was absent and the boys had to "set 'em up" to Mr. Bateman. Try it again, boys. C. U. E.

WALNUT CREEK.

In December a flying visit was made to Sumner County, Kansas by Thomas Kennedy, etc. his return Jas. Vaughn accompanied him, and visited his friends on Walnut.

W. D. McKinney, with his family have moved to the same county. All of the above named persons were among the first homesteaders in this county, and underwent many hardships. May their future be better and more comfortable.

J. P. Claugh and Ben. Prine each recently shipped a car load of fat cattle to Chicago. We understand they received $1.80 per head, after paying freight.

C. F. Barker has rented his farm to Andy Fenmintre, and is going west.

Mr. Blankenbaker's lambs are dying of rash.

Married at the residence of the officiating clergyman near Cora, on the 5th of February, by Rev. J. H. H. Armstead, Mr. Jas. A. P. Kelley, and Miss Carrie N. Ford both of Smith county Kansas. This is a first rate time to get married, for if they can make a living now, they can any time.

A literary is held every Saturday evening, at the Weaner school house. The last question was Resolved that the law exempting from taxation, in Kansas, property worth $200, ought to be repealed. Decided in the negative. The next question is Resolved that tobacco does more injury than strong drink.

The school has just had a vacation of two weeks. Some improvements have been added to the house, so that it is now among the best in the country. The school has just ordered a new set of complete books.

Upper Walnut is looking up. Better stock, better farming, better buildings, better schools, and more intelligence are the order of the day.

What is the matter with the school in district 9? For pugilism as well as whispering a good prescription is sending right from Mr. And give a little chamomile too. S. W. CORNER.

RED CLOUD PULPIT

Synopsis of sermon preached by Rev. Geo. H. Brown, in the Baptist church at Guide Rock, Feb 15.

TEXT. "Quench not the thirst."

These words stand alone though in the midst of a group of admonitions necessary to Christian life. "Quench not why? 1st. Because the spirit testifies of Christ. 2. Because the spirit guides into all truth. 3. He is the agent by which we must be saved. 4th. Because the spirit dwelling in the hearts of believers is their director, comforter, spiritual light. Christ is the light of the world. The spirit keeps this light bright. The world without Christ is in spiritual darkness. The spirit translates from the darkness of the world to light. The spirit comes to different people in different ways. Sometimes like a mighty rushing wind, sometimes with the gentleness of an evening zephyr. When the wooing is soft, low and sweet, the text applies with peculiar force, quench it not, for it is to the whispering of the spirit that the call is most personal, and perhaps the most easily dismissed. To Elijah God was not in the thunder, the lightning nor the whirlwind that shattered the rocks of Sinai, but the still small voice in the entrance of the cave for him alone. The spirit is represented as fire. Fire warms, so by the spirit our hearts are warmed in love to God and to each other. Fire consumes so the spirit burns up much naughtyness rubbish—at least when there is a blaze of zeal for holiness of heart. Four ways to put out fire. Flood out, smother out, whip out, neglect. Four ways to quench the spirit. Let not worldliness flood it out, let not the promises of the world in profits and spoils smother it out, nor the taunts and jeers of others, or pride of heart in self whip it out. Neglect a fire and it will go out itself, neglect your Bibles, neglect your church worship, neglect to contribute of your means to support the gospel, neglect the ministry in your means, neglect any means of grace, or any means to growth in grace and the spirit goes out.

LAUNDRY

Mr. P. Hansen, of Omaha, has decided to start a laundry in Red Cloud. His laundry is located first door north of Stille's lumber yard. Washing warranted to be first-class and prices reasonable.

Public Sale.

Undersigned will offer at public sale on his farm three miles north of Catherton, and three miles north east of Wells, on Thursday, Feb. 26, the following property: 12 horses, 17 head of cattle, some extra good milch cows, 80 hogs, one fine boar, a lot of farm utensils, household and kitchen furniture. Terms of sale: A credit of 12 months will be given on sums over $5, by the purchaser giving note with approved security. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock. JOSEPH GRAVES.

W. & W. for bargains of all kinds. BICYCLES accurately fitted at Wright & Wallace's.