Chief Premiums.

A Silver Watch, A Castor, and A Set of Silver Forks for only $1.50.

THE CHIEF contemplates making some necessary improvments in the office and furniture soon, and proposes putting in a power press at no late date and therefore we want our friends who owe us to come forward with the money so that we may be able to make these improvements soon. Our circulation is rapidly increasing and we feel the necessity of having a faster press and better faciliteis to work with, and need all that is due us. In order to induce all to be prompt we have decided to give away a fine silver watch, a fine castor and a nice set of silver table forks, as a premium to our subscribers both new and old who pay up arrearages and one year in advance. We will give each a receipt numbered and a corresponding number will be placed in a box which will be drawn January 1st 1886. The awards to be made by three disinterested parties. This will be your chance to draw one of the three prizes. Come right along with your subcriptions. The whole business will be honestly conducted and every one will have an equal chance to secure the premiums.

PAY DAY

Don't forget that June 20 is pay day in the Red Cloud Homestead, Building and Loan Association. All parties who have subscribed to the capital stock of the association will call on C B Chrone Assistant Secratary after the 13th and receive their stock certificates which will be ready after that date. The secretary's office will be one door north of THE CHIEF office, with Mr. Cather. Don't forget the date.

M. B. MCNITT, President.
C. B. CRONE, Assistant Secretary.

THE RED CLOUD CHIEF

A. C. HOSMER, - - Proprietor

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1885.

CITY NEWS.

CIGARS at the post-office.

MRS BIRNEY goes east about the 18th.

STRAW hats at C. Wiener's Golden Eagle.

SAM GARBER has returned from New Mexico.

SEVERAL correspondences crowded out this week.

FOUR children were slightly poisoned by cheese, this week.

MR. GRIM is getting his new house on Seward street nearly completed

SOME one stole some young pigs from P Barkley the other day. Mr. B. will be glad to have them returned.

MARRIED, by Rev. Geo O Yeiser, at Red Cloud, June 8, 1885, Mr George W Smelser to Miss Maggie E. House, all of Webster county.

IF the people have any complaints to make against the railroads they will soon have a chance to present them to the commissioners.

RAILWAY COMMISSIONER BUSCHOW left Monday for Lincoln, to be present at the organization of the board of railway commissioners in that city.

MISS MATTIE HACKER, while opening a glass jar on Saturday, had the misfortune to severely cut two of her fingers, through the breaking of the jar.

AN interesting program has been prepared for the Children's Day at the M E Church, next Sabbath, commencing at 11 a. m. Concert by Sabbath school in the evening.

MR BERT KALEY, of Carey, O., is in the city the guest of Kaley Bros, and "barrin" the fear of the Injuns, which will soon wear away, is delighted with the beauties of Nebraska.

MICHAEL WALTERS, an old resident of Red Cloud, departed this life May 9, at Burr Oak, after a few days illness, of heart disease, aged 54 years, six months and eight days. He had lived in the county ten years.

GARFIELD POST, G. A. R., adjourned its meeting of June 8, to re-open on Monday night, June 15, for the transaction of important business. All the members are requested to be on hand.

W. B. ROBY, P. C.

THE assessor's returns for the year 1885, show the total valuation of real and personal property in Red Cloud precinct to be $688,860 exclusive of railroad property not yet reported for 1885. The railroad property as valued in '84 was $37,100 which, added to the above would make the valuation of all taxable property in Red Cloud precinct $705,960. A pretty good showing.

ON Tuesday night four tramps stole a ride on the B. & M. in a car load of ties on No 75, which came very near being the last earthly ride to at least one of the vagrant quarto. While the train was being switched in the Red Cloud yard, the ties became loosened and slid together, shaking up the "bums" in a promiscuous manner and severely jamming the head of one of their number between two ties, nearly severing the tie that binds him to this mundane sphere. He was probably provided with a tie pass, but like many others of his ilk, got a head put on him for not complying with the rules of the road.

STRAY SHOTS.

STATIONARY at the post-office.

B. F. WATERMAN has returned from the west.

A. S MARSH has the addition to his house completed.

WM GATES is making some improvements on his residence.

THE heated term is upon us and biled shirts are in order.

FINE cigars at the post-office news depot and stationery store.

THE carpenters are all busy in Red Cloud, building new houses.

NOAH PERRY will build a new house south of Geo Able's we understand

MR. POND slings the cleaver for Will Mosher's meat market in elegant style.

J. O. CHAMBERLIN got a rib broken the other day by a kick from a horse.

A NEW bank has just been organized at Blue Hill, with C. L Pope, cashier.

WE notice that Mr. Brakefield has his fine new residence about finished.

GEO. B. GATES, our new livery man, wears a sore hand from a scratch received.

MR. HANNA and C. B. Crone have their new and elegant residences about completed.

THE festival at the Congregational church last Friday night was a complete success.

NEW lot of paper, perfume, artists' materials, books, stationery, and dyes, at Henry Cook's.

C D PERKINS vice president of the B & M passed through Red Cloud going east Sunday for Rulo.

MRS A S MARSH, has returned home from her extended visit. Marsh has again resumed his usual cheerfullness.

JOHN MURRAY was in Kansas during the last week, where he contracted for several jobs of work. John is a good carpenter.

THE Coon washee man and family suddenly flapped their wings, and left our burg without saying bye, bye, one day last week.

J. L. MILLER, the harness man, has the largest stock of fly nets in the valley. All kinds and shapes, at the lowest prices ever known.

SOME contemptible fellow had the audarity to steal M. Birney's fine hunting dog the other day. It will not be healthy for the party who has the dog, if found out.

WE hope our subscribers will notify us at once of any failure to receive the paper promptly so that we may inquire into the matter. This will be considered a great favor to us.

ORIN MILNER has a curiosity in the the shape of a little pig that from the shoulder back has two perfect bodies, two tails and four hind feet. From the shoulders front the pig is perfect one head and two legs.

OUR friend Skeen, the Red Cloud mills man has decided to build a new dam at the mill which will take 30,000 feet of lumber. When it is completed he will have the best water powers in the state. This will be a big job.

ANDY BERG has decided to take his old time position with A. S Marsh. Andy is a No 1 clerk, and his old friends will be glad to hear that he has decided to return to his first love. THE CHIEF welcomes him back to Red Cloud.

THE CHIEF has the finest outfit for printing in the valley. All kinds of job work, pamphlets, etc., executed in the most artistic manner, and at the lowest living rates Call and see us when in need. We guarantee satisfaction.

ONE day last week Drayman Barkley got mired in the mud near the depot and was unable to pull out. Fortunately an engine was standing on the track and straightway Mr B. hied himself off for a cable, and returning hooked onto the engine, which pulled him out high and dry.

HORSE stealing seems to have become quite prevalent of late, not only in our own commonwealth, but in other states. Quite recently Mr. Polnicky, of Catherton had two valuable horses taken and has never heard from them. Now comes another man, whose name we have forgotten with the news that he has lost a valuable animal by horse thieves. Let their be anti-horse thief society organized in Webster county.

A SMALL boy with a shining pail went gaily singing down the dale, to where the cow with a brindle tail on sweet clover did regale. A bumble-bee did gaily sail over the soft and shadowy vale, to where the boy with the shining pail, was milking the cow with the brindle tail. The bee lit on the cow's left ear, her heels flew through the atmosphere—and through the leaves of the Walnut tree the boy soared into eternity.

REPORT of Batin school in District No 22, for month ending June 5, 1885. The pupils whose average standings were 95 and upwards on the scale of one hundred, are May Widdersheim, Charlie Williams, Joe Widdersheim, Freddie Knutsen, Andrew Knutsen, Chet Widdersheim, George Widdersheim, Freddie Williams and Anna Knutsen. Those who have not been absent a day are Joe and George Widdersheim. Addie F. Hayes, Teacher.

IMPORTANT POINTS.

LET us have a railroad.

MRS MIZER went to Ohio on last Thursday.

E V RUDROW was on our streets this week.

A COLD wave visited this country this week.

M. W. DICKERSON was in Denver this week.

READ Will Houghton's new advertisement.

John Parkes is now running Parkes' shoe emporium alone.

THE commissioners are in session as a board of equalization.

GUS LAUTERBACH is building a wash room to his restaurant.

O. P. BECK, of Iowa, is the guest of his sister Mrs W D Forrester.

NOAH PERRY received $1660 in pensions a few days since, from Uncle Sam.

THE fair grounds are now being put in condition for the fair and the race track graded.

SEVERAL capitalists were in the city this week looking up locations for speculations.

MR WM PARKES and wife left last Monday for Utah, where they will be gone for three months.

The subject of lecture at the Presbyterian church next Sunday evening will be "Nebuchadnezzar."

THE regular meeting of the Agricultural society will be on Saturday, June 27, at Sheriff Warren's office.

MRS W R BLACK and two children, from Ohio, and Mr Bert Kaley, are the guests of C W and J L Kaley, this week.

MR L P BREWER, of Fairfield, father of Mrs C B Lenfest, is in the city. Mrs Lenfest will return home with him.

KNIGHTS, attention! There will be a regular convention of Calanthe Lodge, K P., next Tuesday evening. Work in the first rank.

SOME boys found a skeleton of a man west of town Wednesday. Some of the parts were wired together as if it had belonged to some doctor.

The new sidewalk to the depot is being rapidly completed. This is one of the most needed improvements in the city and will be a great convenience.

WE are inbebted to Mrs. L. H. Rust for a box of lucious strawberries, raised by our friend, L. Rust, the veteran horticulturist of Red Cloud Many thanks.

The democratic paper has been located and will be launched into the newspaper world from Mrs Fowler's building, opposite the Chicago Lumber Yard.

LOST—A gossamer, at the Queen Esther entertainment, with Alice Hall, Fairmont City, marked on the neck of gossamer. Finder will please leave the same at this office.

SOME one told a CHIEF reporter that there was an election last Tuesday. We hope it won't get noised around much for it may spoil the prospect for swimming the river.

MRS M W Dickerson received intelligence on Thursday morning of the death of her father, who lived in Iowa. In her sad bereavement Mrs Dickerson has the sympathy of her many friends

ONE of the neatest residences in the city is that of Mr C B Crone's on Fourth Avenue, designed and built by Carpenter Cochrane, of this city. The rooms are all large and neatly arranged, with plenty of light and every modern improvement possible. Good, substantial residences are what are needed.

THE interesting exercises at the Baptist church Sunday evening, were appreciated by a crowded house. It was children's day with the society. The house was decorated with flowers and evergreens, and a program prepared especially for the occasion. Singing, responsive readings and recitations were all excellent. Good collection.

S W SEELEY wife, and son, who have been visiting in Iowa for six months past, returned home this week by overland route. Just before they left Iowa they came in contact with a cyclone which upset their wagon and scattered their goods far and wide. Fortunately they were not in the wagon at the time, for would, in all probability, have been severely injured.

ON last Tuesday (night) Fred Hummell and wife celebrated the tenth anniversary of their marriage in the presence of a large number of guests. The occasion was one that will be remembered by all present as a very enjoyable affair. At a proper season refreshments were duly served and as promptly dispensed with by the guests, after which the bride and groom of ten years ago were brought forth and the ceremony of marriage again performed. The numerous gifts were were then presented to the happy couple by the Rev Geo. W Hummell. THE CHIEF extends its best wishes to the happy couple for a continuation of the many blessings which have fallen upon them in times past.

THE total vote of the county last Tuesday, was as follows:

For county bonds	419
Against bonds	1284
Majority against bonds	865

The precinct bonds all received a majority but failed to receive the requisite two-thirds in order to make them valid. The vote stood as follows:

Red Cloud—For bonds	271
Against	165
Line—For bonds	30
Against	21
Garfield—For bonds	27
Against	13

D. B. SPANOGLE of Red Cloud, of our firm of Spanogle & Rinker, was in town the first of the week on business connected with the firms branch establishment at Oberlin. Mr S. went down to Oberlin with some machinery, Monday. A number of loads preceded him and more are following. These gentlemen report a flourishing business in implements, and the demand is increasing, hence the Oberlin branch.—*McCook Tribune.*

LATEST BRIDGE NEWS.—"We shall meet beyond the river." But the question is "How shall we get there Eli"?

"All quiet on the Republican," is news from the seat of war.

The bonds, "Oh! where are they?"

A cold wave visited this county last Tuesday, and the bridge bonds came in contact with an ice gorge.

"Snowed under," is what is said of the bridge bonds.

LOST—At the court house last Tuesday night one bridge bond, due in twenty years, bearing interest at 6 per cent per annum, payable when the mists shall have rolled away. A liberal reward will be paid for the return of the same to Dennis' high water pants factory.

THE Nebraska and Kansas Farm Loan Company is now in good shape to loan money to farmers of Nebraska and Kansas, R. V. Shirey the secretary and treasurer having made excellent arrangements while in the east to get all the money that will be wanted in the Valley for farm loan purposes. The eastern people are gaining confidence in western firms and now readily take hold of any enterprising institution that is founded on a solid basis, as is The Nebraska and Kansas Farm Loan Company. The company proposes to do a first-class loaning business and will be glad to see all who want to secure loans. This is bound to be one of the flourishing institutions of Red Cloud. Success to it.

Notice to Breakers.

I have 200 acres of smooth land which I will break within the next 30 days. Will let contract to any party or in small lots to several parties. Land two miles north of town.

D. M. PLATT

Pythian Knighthood.

On last Thursday Calanthe Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Red Cloud, was visited by the grand chancellor of the Jurisdiction of Nebraska, Mr. J. C Mc Naughton, a prominent bank official of Brownville. The order is fast gaining presidence over the land as one of the most benevolent and flourishing institutions in America, and from close adherence to and teachings of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence has attracted the attention of the masses, and as a consequence large numbers are seeking admission within its mystic vales, and to-day the membership in the United States and Canada alone reaches an aggregate of 300,000, picked from among our best citizens, and this, too, from a membership twenty two years ago of only five. In Nebraska there are about 3000 Knights, and it becomes the duty of the grand chancellor to visit each lodge once a year, and hence his visit to Red Cloud. After spending a few social hours with the brethren the Red Cloud Knights tendered the grand chancellor a banquet at Lauterbach's restaurant. It was a very pleasant event and will be remembered by every Knight present, who will be alpleased to meet the grand chancellor.

A WORTHY APPOINTMENT.—On last Saturday, our worthy and highly esteemed citizen and friend, Charles Buschow, treasurer of Webster county, received word from Lincoln that he had been appointed secretary by Wm. Leese, on the board of railway commissioners for the State of Nebraska, pursuant to a law enacted during the session of the last general assembly, with a salary of two thousand dollars per annum. Mr. Buschow has been treasurer of Webster county for four years and during that time has made one of the most efficient and careful officers in the state, and we believe will be found just the man to fill the position which he has been called upon to fill for the great state of Nebraska, a most important one indeed, both for the people and the corporations with which he and the other commissioners will have to deal largely. THE CHIEF takes a pride in mentioning the fact that the Republican Valley has been recognized as a prominent factor in the future of Nebraska, and believes that on no man could the appointment better have fallen than on County Treasurer Buschow, who will be alive to the interests of the people of the valley and entire state, and having a knowledge of the burdens often placed on the poor man, will use his utmost endeavors to correct them, as far as it lies in his power to do so. THE CHIEF congratulates the good brother over his appointment, and bespeaks for him success and prosperity. During Mr. Buschow's absence with his new duties Mr Frank Buschow, of Blue Hill, will be acting treasurer, having been deputized for that purpose, and has entered upon the duties of his office. Frank will make a good officer, and his selection was a wise one on the part of the county treasurer.

THE *State Journal* says of the railroad commissioners: "Mr Gere is editor-in-chief and one of the proprietors of the *State Journal*, as most of our readers know. Mr. Buschow, is one of the leading German citizens of Webster county, of which he has been treasurer for two successive terms. He was re-elected at the last county election, his name being on both the anti-monopoly and republican tickets. Mr Cowdrey is a well known citizen of Platte county, where he has been engaged in the stock and real estate business for several years. He has recently been in the office of Judge Post, collector of internal revenue. A room will be fitted up for the use of the commissioners, at the east end of the capitol on the second floor.

The Naval Cadetship, Second District.

Congressman Laird has concluded to throw the appointment of a naval cadet from the Second congressional district open to competitive examination. He desires all candidates of his district to address him personally by letter without delay, and to report in person at Hastings for examination July 14th at noon.

Let the Eagle Scream.

It is now time that Red Cloud make some effort to celebrate the 4th, if such is the intention. Only a few days now remain to get the plans made out. Every surrounding town of any note will celebrate, and the Gate City of the Valley should do likewise. Hoop up the eagle, boys!

A NEW BOOK.—"Our Famous Women" is the name of a grand new book for the ladies. It is superbly illustrated and is a first-class book in every respect, and is an authentic history of the famous women of America, written by twenty of the most distinguished authors. Mr A C Watt is now canvassing for this celebrated book and will call on you in a few days.

THE Rotary binder takes the rag of all other binders.

FROM CHINA.

[From our own correspondent.]

PEKING, China, March 28, 1885.

Dear Editor and Friends:—Perhaps it may be of interest to this side, and to know that we are still in the enjoyment of peace, that the Franco Chinese war has not yet afflicted us here in the north as it has thus far been confined to the southern border, where they have been fighting in the open ports. Thus far it has been quite enough for the French and has rendered it selfevident that with their present forces they are unable to gain entrance to China much less force her to accept any of her propositions. The power of China is in her numbers as well as in her advantages in position for defence, and not in skilied soldiery. Whilst we are free from the immediate ills of the war, we can but feel the unsettled condition of things which exists to a certain extent throughout the country. No one has yet been able to tell just where it will end. It is clearly to be seen that China is preparing for her defence, already having great armies thrown around the north, and heavy forts at the mouth of the Pei-ho will prevent the enemy gaining access to the river which would endanger the seat of government. If it were possible I would like to give you some idea in regard to a Chinese soldier and then you may imagine what a tremendous army they make. Whilst those whose duty it is to guard and protect the Emperor in and around the forbidden city are armed with bow and arrows. The men of the field of active service are armed with old fusee or matchlocks, then there is another kind I do not know what you would call it unless it is a walking cannon, it is so large and long that it takes two men to carry it and a third to apply the fuse. The cavalry are mounted either upon horses or mules. The veteran is perched up on the of a high saddle, which is prevented from slipping forward or backwards by being securely anchored to the mule. his long gun strapped to his saddle his sword and (pipe) at his side, a large whip in hand they ride pell-mell like a drove of cattle through the streets. In regard to their military tactics displayed on the field I am not prepared to say. The penalty incurred on chief commander whose army suffers defeat during any engagement is death, consequently if a battle is lost the commander is very liable to take the advantage of the opportunity and make his escape to parts unknown. Before leaving the subject I wish to do justice to the Chinese by saying that their armies on the border and southern coasts are quite different from those I have already described as the latter are well equipid both in large and small fire arms the government having purchased large supplies from foreign manufacturers. They have purchased American arms of Remington & Son Ilion, New York. The sudden and unexpected death on last Sunday night of the Hon. Sir Henry Parks the British Minister of Peking greeted our ears and served to cast a gloom over the minds of all who knew him, and for the lastquarter of a century he has lived to enjoy the honors of nations and subjects as reward to him for his honor and bravery during his prison life in this same city. Those who are familiar with English history can recall to mind, Lord Elgin's second Embassy to China in 1860 in which it was necessary for him to bring China to terms by the active measures of war, and after capturing of Taku forts made his way to Teisstain and finally to Peking. It was during their march to this city that the treachery of the Chinese were manfested and under a flag of truce they captured some dozen prisoners, one of the two survivors was the illustrious Sir Harry Parks, and just how a man could endure such brutal and cruel torture from the hands of the Chinese as he did and yet maintain his courage is a question that but two have been able to answer It will be quite enough to tell you that they were after having their hands lashed behind them, thrown into two wheeled carts which were driven at full speed over a rough road for twelve miles when they were brought to the Hall of punishment here in this city where they one after another perished in agony. Parks being the only one able to speak the language stoutly refused any conciliation in his own favor other than that offered to his fellow prisoners, but finally he and Loch were released by a Mandarin just two hours before their death sentance came from the Emperor, and they by that time had been gladly welcomed into their comrads quarters, who by the 23 days that had elapsed since their capture had succeeded in taking possession of the emperors summer palace. Soon negotiations were entered into the treaty signed, peace restored Parks appointed as England's Minister to this place where he discharged his duty to the entire satisfaction of all who knew him. Thus ended the life of a great and glorious man.

Yours Respectfully,

L. D DENNEY.

INAVALE

Inavale is on the boom, a new lumber yard by Messrs Platt & Frees of Red Cloud. Two lumber yards make a very good show for a village of this age.

J O Chamberlin who has been on the road for several days selling cheese returned last week by an untamed bronco, and the result was a broken rib. He is conciderable better at present and will soon be around again he thinks.

We hope the lady correspondent of THE CHIEF from the tobacco fumed regions of the south will awaken to to the fact that, her, is a pronoun not usually applied to ye scribe

Mr Armstrong a gentleman from Des Moines was with us last Sunday with a view to buy a farm near here.

A marriage between parties residing near Inavale is now on the tapis. Probably it will take place before this appears.

Schaeffer & Busey are building a fine new house just east of the village These gentlemen are the city gardeners and already have twenty acres of the finest garden sass to be seen anywhere.

Mr E H Palmer and ye correspondent will start this week for the wild untamed west, where the rank thistle nods with the breeze and the antelope skipeth over the plains. If we are rattlesnake proof and the cowboys are kind enough to let us live you may may hear from me again GAD

Memorial Services Completed.

Yes we hold in grateful remembrance those who bore arms honorably in the conflict to save our country, but especially now the fallen. Some fell where

"Cannon to right of them,
Cannon to left of them,
Cannon in front of them
Volleyed and thundered."

Some fell asleep in prison walls, some of wounds or sickness incident to camp life; some on the lonely picket line by shot or exposure, while thousands have passed on and over since the close of the conflict, from wounds received. But whether in hospital, where tender hands sought to alleviate suffering, and kind hearts received messages to bear away to loved ones in distant homes, or alone in solitude, where naught but the cold silent stars could meet the imploring gaze of dying eyes, and the moaning winds alone could catch the last message of love that lingered in the soldier's heart for those who must weep with a double sorrow because of the unknown grave. we affirm they are not dead, though fallen in the battle, nor will they die so long as the love of country and the sentiment of freedom moves a people to sustain the right In the death roll the historian preserves their names—honored names—for the general public But comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, fathers, mothers, wives, children, sisters, brothers, you who suffered in the sacrifice, memory more vividly keeps the page, for to you death meant more than a seal to principle. It meant self denials and hardships; it meant empty chairs and sorrowing hearts; it meant lonely hours, not for a day, but five, ten, twenty years; but it meant a seal of love to country that can only be broken when earth's course is run and the godly greet the new heavens and the new earth. Sacrifice will live when other words and works are forgotten. And now we turn from the white board to extend sympatny where the wail of sorrow wrung from the heart of a wife or mother who gave the treasure. I have stood on the field of strife, amid the groans of the dying and the imploring cries of the suffering, and thought of the lonely homes and hearts, the wails and tears of anguish when the record of the day's doings should be made up and the column should be read under this title, "List of the Killed," in mountain cottage, valley home or city mansion. But sacrifice was not all on the side of loyalty. Our misguided citzens of the south made heroic sacrifices, and southern homes like northern homes were shrouded in the gloom of the deepest sorrow, because of the loss of loved ones that should no more treurn. I will mention a sad incident at the battle of Franklin in Tennessee. It was my lot to be in command of the skirmish line, both before and after the battle. Among the general officers killed in the front of my command was Brigadier General Adams. I did what I could for him till death relieved him from suffering, and then I secured his personal effects, among which I found a letter of recent date from his wife. . . . . He never returned from the cruel war.

SOLDIER TIES.

We remember our loyal dead because they were comrades. This topic is for you alone, my fellow soldiers and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. This vast concourse of people can close their ears for five minutes if they like. We remember them through two decades of years with an affection far deeper than can be expressed in a sentiment. We kept the step with them on the march, through the dark and stormy night we shared the one poncho, which was barely large enough to cover one. When the supply train failed us, and the chickens gave out, the only remaining hard tack scarcely thicker than a shingle was split into, that two weary hungry men might have a ration before we pillowed our heads on our brogans, and tucked ourselves away in the capes of our overcoats for a night's rest to be lulled to sleep by the music of the minnies. We exchanged words of hope or despair as we met charge after charge of the enemy, while more of these minnie messengers of death were busy with comrades in other parts of the line. We stood side by side and shouted together, when the advance was ordered and the sentiment was Shakespearan whatever the conclusion might be. "Sound trumpets! let our loyal colors wave; And on to victory, or else the grave." We loved the flag together, the flag that you and I love to-day. On the march or battle field; in hospital or prison pen, we wept and cheered, sang and suffered together, and there these ties were knit that time cannot sever. In associations of the past and present our comrades live, although slain in the battle, and as the years roll away whatever be the eventful history of our country, God will give the flowers and loyal hearts will dedicate them to the honored dead, and their graves will be annually decorated with these emblems of peace and purity, while tears of gratitude will proclaim a mission as they are borne away by spirit wings of affection to a world immortal, there to be whispered to the disembodied spirits death mustered out. Remembered loved and honored still. And when the sickle of time shall have gathered the last veteran to his eternity the sons and daughters of veterans will strew flowers on the graves of the nation's dead; and the babes of to-morrow, in future manhood and womanhood of loyal citizenship, will not forget to pay this tribute of praise in recognition of the sacrifices and inheritance of their ancestry.

VALUES RECEIVED.

Many thousands had to die if the reach and authority of our government were to be sustained. Fate decreed the blow to those for whom these services are held, so in their fall was the life of the Union preserved. While we have been full of life, activity, pleasures and hopes, they have been sleeping away the years of their physical manhood. Twenty years of silence, but from their graves there comes a voice to the people—a voice the value of which can be estimated only as we traverse the land from ocean to ocean, from northern lake to southern gulf, marking the ten thousand institutions of growing greatness, in art industries, education, progressive developments in mining interests, advancement in moral and social life, Christianity and the rights of man. Their eyes are closed, their voices are not heard, their bodies are mouldering in the earth that surrounds them, and yet they are not dead. In the school houses and new orange groves of Florida; in the harmonious rivalry of products from all parts of the country at the great exposition in New Orleans; in the growing prosperity of the border and central southern states as well as the north; in the blessings and benefactions to individual hearts and homes; in the stars and stripes, assuring again the sun beams at old Fort Sumpter, with no menacing gun to dispute its authority; in the freedom of 4,000,000 human beings, from whose ankles the galling chain of bondage was stricken; in the future cemented strength of sectional and National Union; in the respect we command from other nations of the world; in the welcome we give to freedom's loving sons of earth, in all the grand possibilities within our reach recognizing God as the Lord, with the government watchword, "All men created free, entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Our country's defenders live, and through the cycles of time they will live, when commemorating towers and temples in monarchies of oppression and wrong are in the dust, forgotten save to the curious student of history. We believe that the national ensign, the red, white and blue, will wave over all the present and future American states, united in one federal head, so long as grass grows and flowers bloom, on hilltop and plain, in valley and lawn, and as we rejoice in its bright colors, emblematic of the principles underlying the the foundation, and woven into the fabric of our government, royalty, purity and truth with the increasing stars of honorable destiny, we will never forget for one moment that its glory lives in its fallen defenders. Truly our slain men are not dead in the battle, but alive in the vigorous onward march of this Republic. Peace to their ashes.

An Old Soldiers Inspiration at the grave of a fallen Comrade.

The following sentiments came to the mind of an old soldier after hearing the late memorial address, depicting the heavenly, holy, heroes of human war, and was read by Comrade Lotz at the decoration of the solitary grave of the late Dr T B Williams.

Comrades, time's tread around the circle of another year brings some of you and me to stand again beside the grave of one who with us truly bore the trials, fatigues and dangers of the camp, the march and battle, lest the vista of treason might not be pierced with final, fatal force, upon the land our fathers loved, and dying gave to us their sons to have, and hold, and shield 'gainst each and every foe at home or from abroad. Comrades, defenders of our sovereign sacred stripes and stars though war may "cap the climax" of all the horrors of the world when waged for fame or other foul effect, yet glory gilds the face and crowns the brow of him who bares his breast to the bristling steel, or bravely stems the storm of iron hail. That principles of justice, truth and right may reign, and such we deem were most of those whose sacred mouldered hundred clay we decorate with wreaths of fresh and fragrant flowers this hallowed day.

CATHERTON.

Cultivating is the order of the day. Crops of all kinds are looking splendid including weeds. Never was there more promising prospects.

While passing A. Tuttle's last Sunday night we were greeted with sweet strains of music. On inquiring found it was the Catherton singers practicing for the Fourth.

Mrs Walker Graves left for Morrisville a few days ago, where she will visit friends and relatives.

Charley Spaur leaves for Iowa in a few days where the girls think something of him, he says.

Wanted—To know where J.D Trivelpiece is. Have not seen him for some time. He does not visit our little part of Paradise lately. We wonder why.

E W Tuttle is seen every day in his new buggy, and sits in the wagon shed when it rains, so Jim says.

George Dodd and Charles Randall, both of Red Cloud, were shaking hands with the Cathertonians. Glad to see you, boys. Call again.

We heard a certain young lady say there was only one thing she cared for and that was a Kenesaw shoe.

Mr Lincoln Burkholder is visiting in Kenesaw for a few days.

We had the pleasure of a call from Charley Smith, last Monday.

Strawberries and cream at C. H. Rust's.

Wm. Britton and Jake Cure have gone west looking for land, to be gone four or five weeks.

We are all wondering what J D Trivelpiece means buying new furniture, putting in a windmill, raising chickens, talking of a buggy, etc., etc. Mrs M—— says she knows. (We ask what?)

Miss Ida Britton has returned home on account of her mother's accidentally slipping and spraining her back.

It does seem strange that that the Lord could not look down on Pickleville last Friday night, as we do. He visited them at midnight, tore Mosier's machine house down, broke a number of buggies, among which were Dr Kohler's, George Boyd's and John Orndorff's. The city was a sad looking sight on Saturday night.

The dance at Simpson's was a grand success. Everybody was there with his girl.

Dixie, Dixie, where art thou? Taking care of the baby. J. M.

C E Wead was among us last week securing the farmers from danger by leaving a policy for the old Continental.

J S Noll sold Oscar Ramey an organ last week.

We were visited by a cyclone on Friday night.

Joseph Lockhart is learning the mechanic's art under Mr Burnett.

Mr. Cox, the long expected friend of John Edwards, has put in his appearance. Now John has an assistant in the farming line. John will make a success if anybody will.

L D Mosier pas here selling farming implements. L. D. is one of the boys.

The Bland nursery is selling a large amount of trees in this part of Webster county.

Frank Beato is sick with heart disease.

L H Rust is among us.

Charley Rust had his boy out.

Plainview has an organized Sunday school. J B Sisco, superintendent.

RAMBL.

WEBB.

O G Rebuck has not returned from his trip to Kansas yet.

A good dance at the B hall last Thursday evening.

It is not yet decided where the celebration will be held at Wheatland or Webb.

This place was visited by a cyclone last Friday night. Several buildings were blown down, but fortunately no one hurt.

John Sutton was bitten by a rattlesnake last Monday morning. Dr C F Richter was called and reports him considerable but thinks he will get along all right.

The Bluo is up Minor. Can you walk a log. BEAVER

West Wanted.

The highest market price in cash paid for wool by D. M. Platt