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A herd of fiery, untamed, bronchos have furnished an unlimited amount of fun for the boys during the past week.  
The only objection we have to raise against the present state superintendent of public instruction, is his superfluity of front make.  
Wouldn't it look funny to see Grover getting mail addressed to G. Cleveland, President, Red Cloud, Nebraska, and still stranger things than that have happened.  
A. F. BROWN, general agent for the publishers of Johnson's Universal Cyclopedia, called on Wednesday and talked an arm off. However, the work he represents seems to have considerable merit. W. D. Lane is the local representative and will criss the city in the near future.  
ADVERTISED letters for the week ending, Aug. 2, 1886. S. D. Bradshaw, Mike Kennedy, Mal Labr, Bill May, Billy Minturo, Miss Gracia Breill, F. C. Spooner, W. M. Siders, Mrs. Charley Stiffen, Miss Lillie Smith, T. W. Stuart, August Thorby, Miss Rose Whitman, Miss Ellen Woosley, J. H. Young.  
It is gratifying to learn, on the authority of a Texas congressman, that Mr. Bayard "is aroused." It will be the particular business of Texas congressmen who hope to continue in the favor of their constituents to keep the Secretary of State in that condition until the justifiable wrath of the Texans is appeased.  
EX-EDITOR King of the *Helmet*, blew in on Tuesday and touched flesh with his numerous friends and acquaintances in the gate city. Evidently the circumambient air of Omaha agrees with his ex-editorship. Notwithstanding the arduous duties performed in the interest of the *Helmet*, the gentleman is looking hale and hearty.  
A NEIGHBORING paper that is short of better subjects than soars about the weather: "It is so dry that you can scratch a match on the bottom of the cistern; the dust is getting deep, the air is parched and arid, and Nature is going around with her torgeue hanging out." Ante-grasshopper Nebraskans can appreciate the force of the above language.  
WE understand J. D. Calhoun, the iminical, "topic man" of the state *Journal*, now straddles the editorial tripod in the sanctum of the State Democrat. Calhoun is one of the ablest journalists in the west, and could easily mount to the topmost round in the journalistic ladder, could he but free himself from that infernal democratic millstone.  
THERE will probably be a game o base ball some day next week between the home team and a nine from Custer, Kans. The Custer club have the reputation of being a crack nine, and therefore the game promises to be an interesting one. With Higby behind the bat, and Platt in the pitcher's box our boys stand a fair show for a glorious victory.  
THE Lincoln State *Journal* comes to us with new clothes and many other improvements which add greatly to the appearance of that justly popular paper. It affords us so small amount of pleasure to chronicle the upward stride of Nebraska journalism, that we have been in Nebraska as well as in other states.

**CITY NEWS.**  
RAIN!  
New band.  
CORN 22 cts.  
BASE ball is the rage.  
Don't forget the water works.  
W. N. RICHARDSON is doing Denver this week.  
Mrs. A. J. WELCH is visiting in McCook and Akron.  
Mrs. R. M. Graves, of Beloit, Kan., is visiting in the city.  
Miss LAURE LADD of Chicago, is the guest of Mr. Geo. Barker.  
R. CHOXTON of Guide Rock, was a pleasant caller on Thursday.  
Mr. RICKARDS, a brother to attorney Rickards, is clerking for Mizier.  
THE premium lists for the Webster County Fair are ready for distribution. THERE will be a county prohibition mass meeting in Red Cloud on August 12.  
JOHN M. YOUNG, of the Chicago Store went to Reverton last night on business.  
Just at present the poker playing fraternity is fully represented in this diocese.  
P. A. BEACHY is visiting in the land of the "Mollie McGuire" in the solid old Keystone state.  
WHEATLAND post office has changed to St. Ann. Interested parties will please take notice.  
CLINE & STROUF is the name of the new firm, business, general hack and baggage delivery etc.  
FRANK NORFF, an Omaha newspaper man, breathed the heaven born air of the Gate City on Monday.  
STREET Commissioner Hutchison is doing a pious act on Seward street between 2nd and 4th Avenues.  
O. R. DRISON, general manager of the Fredonia Washer Company, was in this city a few days this week.  
N. G. KEINS, of Beatrice, general agent for the Chicago Boot and Shoe House, was a pleasant caller on Tuesday.  
HON. W. A. McKEIGHAN, our popular "Judge," is chuck full of humor. The latest racket is "that wooden baby."  
W. S. FOX, a member of the South Branch Lumber Co., of Chicago, envisioned our sanctum with his presence on Tuesday.  
THE Winner is entitled to that chromo, and if the *Helmet* has it and refuses to "flash up" there will be trouble in this diocese.  
THERE is luck in odd numbers, thirty one guests registered at the Holland house on Wednesday.  
OUR L. O. O. F. brethren enjoyed a pleasant converse on Tuesday with Mr. C. L. Young, a genial gentleman and a P. G. M., from Ohio.  
A. E. MAINE a limb of the law and a pleasant gentleman hailing from Iowa City, Iowa, visited our city one day this week in search of land.  
Patrons of Wright & Wallace will bear in mind that their mammoth stock of jewelry watches, clocks etc. has been moved across the street.  
The building formerly occupied by Wright & Wallace is being moved to the vacant lot owned by Mrs H. S. Kaley, opposite Ducker's dry goods store.  
Mr. L. M. PIERCE and Miss Melva Pierce of Medina, Ohio, father and sister of Mrs. J. W. Warren are enjoying the pleasure of a brief visit in the gate city.  
On Monday "Morphine Charlie" made an almost successful break on the Torrid road to eternity, by firing the county battle in which he was temporarily incarcerated.  
R. V. SHREY, A. J. Kenney, A. T. Ormsby and J. L. Miller have returned from their Wyoming trip, more than ever convinced that Red Cloud is still the finest spot on earth.  
THE Arrows drew quite a crowd at the team house on Monday and Tuesday evening. The entertainment was better than the average, and the prize of \$100.00 was won by the team of...

**GENERALITIES.**  
No RAILROAD news of any importance this week.  
C. SCHAFFNER has returned from his Kansas trip.  
TOM BRENNAN has returned from his trip to New York.  
REV. T. L. SEXTON of Seward visited Red Cloud Saturday.  
Miss MARIA DUCKER has returned from her trip to Illinois.  
Doc. BECK evidently has a dead snitch on his pre-emption.  
Mrs. J. S. SULLIVAN has returned from her visit to Pennsylvania.  
B. F. JEFFORDS, formerly an employe of O. H. Maryatt, was in the city this week.  
Mr. A. C. HOMER and family will return from their extended eastern trip Monday.  
The recent copious showers have brought joy to the hearts of many depending freemen.  
WILL HOUGHTON has returned from his trip among the "tender feet," looking fresh as a daisy.  
If you want to see a really meritorious article ask J. W. Warren to show you a Fredonia washer.  
THE Ladies Baptist H. M. Society will meet with Mrs. Scammon, Tuesday afternoon, August 10.  
S. T. Van Horne has been making some extensive improvements on his residence on South Seward street.  
A party of gentlemen hailing from New Mexico have been in town for a few days past in search of ranch property.  
THE hotels of the city are crowded with land seekers, and business men looking for locations in southern Nebraska.  
The ladies of the Congregational Society will give a lawn sociable at Mrs. Joseph Warren's Thursday evening, August 12.  
A party of B. & M. "high muck-mucks" accompanied by their ladies enjoyed the divine atmosphere of Red Cloud last Sunday.  
EX SHERIFF WARREN is now handling one of the finest washing machines in the land. To be appreciated it needs but to be seen.  
WRIGHT & WALLACE have removed to new and commodious quarters and still dispose of immense amounts of jewelry at surprisingly low prices.  
In another column will be found a very interesting letter from Stockholm, Sweden, written to Mr. W. B. Roby by his brother, who is traveling in Europe.  
THE Argus office door is ornamental with a bull dog chromo, and still we are not jealous, but we are pleased to see evidences of prosperity on every hand.  
WILLFRED HOUGHTON has moved his merchant tailoring outfit into the building on North Webster street formerly occupied by Gilham & Rickards.  
HON. C. W. KALEY is passing in California as a Nebraska editor. Barrin the regular crowd we don't know that the mantle could have fallen on better shoulders.  
LATEST advices from Maine report county superintendent, Rev. C. W. Springer as still improving in health. We have hopes of his speedy and ultimate recovery.  
THE Omaha Bee now publishes a Sunday edition, and to say the least it is a very readable paper, crisp, spicy, and in fact overflowing with just what one wants to read.  
We have the manuscript of a blood-curdling tale entitled "The still villain pursued her," which our readers will miss on account of an aching void in the waste paper basket.  
We call the attention of our readers to the very interesting and highly entertaining descriptive letters written for THE CHIEF by its editor during his wanderings in the eastern states.  
WILL N. KING, formerly editor of the *Helmet*, and now connected with the Omaha *Herald*, tarried awhile with friends in this city on Monday, while enroute for a short sojourn along the Pacific coast.  
THE instruments for the S. of V. band have arrived, and the boys have commenced practicing. They wish to return thanks to the citizens and members of the G. A. R. for their aid to the enterprise.  
CHAR. A. TRACY and Joseph Ludwig, two prominent young capitalists of St. Joseph, Mo., are in the city this week, guests of Charley Kaley. They are satisfied with the future prospects of our city. They will probably locate and go in business here.  
Miss ELLA McBRIDE, Nebraska's most gifted elocutionist, gave one of her interesting entertainments at the Congregational church on Tuesday evening, which was well attended considering the other entertainments in the city on the same evening.  
W. J. VANKE is a single man of mature years, P. O. address, Inavale, Nebraska, (this state.) His latest act was the bringing of a stalk of corn to these headquarters. Said stalk measured over thirteen feet and has a fine ear of corn located about eight feet above the root.  
WRIGHT & WALLACE don't live where they do now, i. e. they have moved and are now located in the building formerly occupied by W. H. Houghton's (merchandise) Mr. Houghton's present place of business is now on the opposite side of the street from the County office and a few doors west.

**COWLES.**  
Cowles was favored with a refreshing shower of rain on Sunday morning. E. K. Conrad went on Friday last to McCook to see one of his brothers who is sick and is not expected to recover. Mrs. Wm. Laverty is this week visiting relatives at Yuma, and taking in the scenery of eastern Colorado. Miss Alma Keeney is visiting this week with Miss Jennie Blaine, of Eckley. O. Conrad is now the happy father of a baby boy. Peter Hill's team ran away on Saturday last, but without doing any serious damage. They started from G. W. Hager's shop in Cowles, and after running around through town took the road for home, near which Mr. Hill overtook them, they having stopped against a wire fence. Dr. Johnson reports the addition of a boy to Thomas Lacey's family on Monday. S. W. Foe and family are visiting their friends in and around Cowles this week. Sam is off duty on account of a mashed finger. The Stillwater nine are coming on Saturday to scoop the Cowles nine. We hope there will be less profanity indulged in than on a former occasion. Another fine rain Monday night and Tuesday morning. L. H.

**FARMERS' CREEK.**  
Fine shower.  
Harvesting is done. Most all of the stacking is done.  
We hear the buzz of the thrasher.  
Thomas Tullison lost a fine horse last week.  
Corn looks well.  
Potatoes are a fine crop.  
Del Walker smiles all over his face. It is a boy, and doing well.  
Del Walker has harvested about seventy acres of oats.  
The school house in the Walker district is finished. Dame Rumor says it was dedicated last Sunday with a dance. It is said that it was a whopper for a country dance, about twenty ladies being there.  
N. E. Harvey is a bachelor yet, but the way he goes up the creek every Sunday people think he is in earnest. SUSANNA.

**INAVAL.**  
Nice showers, and corn is booming. Esquire Vance shows some corn 12 feet high, and over seven feet to the first ear.  
Mr. H. Holdrege and his gang are doing a good job repairing the bridge across the river here.  
Farmers have commenced haying and the crop is good.  
Mrs. Kirk, of Hastings, wife of the popular train agent, has been visiting friends in this neighborhood.  
Mrs. G. W. Knight has gone to California as a delegate to the national convention of the W. R. C., and now G. W. looks forlorn and "keeps back."  
Where, O' where are all the candidates for office. We want some cigars badly. SAKIE.

**SOLDIERS' REUNION.**  
Reunion of soldiers and old settlers of Adams and adjoining counties, under the auspices of the soldier citizens of Ayr and vicinity, and Strickland Post G. A. R., and Relief Corps, of Hastings, will be held in Phillos' grove on the Blue, at Ayr, Adams county, on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 13 and 14, 1886. The grove is a delight, full one on the banks of the Blue, splendid shade, abundance of pure water, well seated, and with all the conveniences for rest, recreation and amusement. The river is dammed at this point, and fine boating grounds are in easy reach. Ample supply of refreshments and amusements for all. Turn out and enjoy the day with the soldiers and old settlers.

**ROYAL BAKING POWDER.**  
The base ball boys met at Charley Platt's office last Tuesday evening, and organized a strong team. L. H. Wallace was chosen manager, and Dave Zerwek secretary and treasurer. C. L. Fullforth was elected captain; C. J. Platt, Al Galusha, and Anson Higby were elected as a board of directors. There is no reason why Red Cloud should not have one of the finest nines in the state. By a little practice we think the nine as chosen to represent Red Cloud in the base ball world will achieve fame equal to that of the Hastings Reds. The name of the new club will be the "Red Clouds."  
"MORPHINE CHARLEY" has created an unenviable reputation for himself during the past few days. One of his little eccentricities came very near depriving him of his liberty and sending one of our best citizens to "that undiscovered country." In all due kindness to the misguided young man we would advise him, in all candor, to shake the dust of Red Cloud from off his feet.  
The present week closes the present session of the county teachers' institute. To say that it has been a successful session would be placing it mild, and we will venture the assertion that all the school marmas are of the opinion that it