

THE RED CLOUD CHIEF

"Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Liberty," and One Dollar a year is the Price of The Chief.

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Nothing to Fear From Leprosy.

The close commercial relations between California and China have introduced quite a number of lepers into the former from the latter country. A leper hospital in San Francisco has tained as many as fifty-two unfortunate, all of whom were Chinese. No cases, however, have developed from these among the inhabitants of any of the Pacific States. In New York city there have been half a dozen isolated cases during the past ten years, and at the present time the writer knows of five cases of leprosy within the city limits. Leprosy is a relic of the barbarous ages, and it is, I think, slowly disappearing from the earth. Civilization and progress will in time complete its effacement. It is but another instance of the "Belated Crab" of Mr. Jackson, and we may join with him in praying heaven to soon remove it. We must not neglect certain safeguards against it, however, for it is an insidious disease. Half a century is often necessary to effect its development in a community, and it may gain a foothold without attracting attention. The action of the government in rigidly quarantining against it is commendable. Lepers, to say the least, are not desirable citizens, and such as reach our shores should be sent back to the places whence they came. The establishment of a national quarantine has been advocated for such cases as have developed among us. I believe it should be done and hope to see it in the near future, as it will undoubtedly prevent some cases from occurring that would otherwise occur. As a nation we have nothing to fear from leprosy. The conditions do not exist here to cause or even permit the spread of the disease, and it is not conceivable that they will exist until civilization proves a failure.—North American Review.

Meeting of German Baptists Hagers town, Md., May 28 to June 5. For this occasion a rate of fare and a third on certificate plan has been made from points in Kansas and Nebraska up to Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis. Tickets sold to these points May 20-27 inclusive and certificates will be honored for return at one-third fare if presented at our depots in Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis, June 5-30 inclusive when signed by W. S. Richards, Secretary Hagerstown, Md. Beyond Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis, rate of one lowest first class fare for the round trip has been made. Tickets to be sold May 20 to June 1 inclusive good to return until June 30. Below I give you rates to Hagerstown from Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis. From Chicago, \$17.20; from Peoria, \$20.10; from St. Louis, \$20.

Tenth International Convention, Y. P. S. C. E., Minneapolis, Minn., July 9-12, 1891. For this occasion a rate of one fare for the round trip has been made. Dates of sale from Dakota, Kansas and Nebraska, July 7 and 8. Further information regarding this convention will be furnished later. J. FRANCIS, G. T. & P. A.

Bank Failure.

The closing up of the First National bank of this city by order of the comptroller of the currency, is much to be deplored just at this time. Our people have just passed through a very hard and trying year and have lost heavily financially and otherwise, and now to have one of the oldest banks go to the wall is certainly a deplorable disaster to our city and people, as a failure of that kind always takes others with it. As to the cause of the closing of the doors of the First National bank, we are unable to say, unless it might have been caused by the stringency of the times and an inability to collect outstanding paper. It is much to be wished that the institution will soon open its doors and we have heard it rumored that such would be the case in a few days. Examiner McKnight is in charge at present and we believe that the stockholders will be able to put the bank on its feet again.

A Second Great Commerce Destroyed.

Only one large war ship will be contracted for by the Navy Department during the present year. This is the new cruiser No. 13, a sister ship to cruiser No. 12, popularly known as "The Pirate." Cruiser No. 12 is now being built in the yard of Cramp & Sons at Philadelphia. When finished she will be the speediest and most powerful protected cruiser afloat. She has triple screws and engines of unusual power, is of 7,400 tons displacement, is designed to achieve a speed for short distances of twenty-two knots, and will carry coal enough to enable her to steam around the world without stopping. Her plans have aroused intense interest abroad among naval experts. Neither England nor any other power has a cruiser that can compare with her in destructive efficiency. Bids for the construction of cruiser No. 13 will be opened at Washington June 1.

An Old Soldier of the Late War. About to be Rewarded.

Our fellow townsman I. S. Beal, is one of the oldest serving soldiers in Nebraska. Early in the sixties he enlisted in the Union army, and went south where he served his country valiantly for several years, receiving promotions for gallantry, until he reached the promotion of First Lieutenant at about which time he was wounded and resigned his office, but up to the time he has never been discharged, and has technically been a member of the army for more than thirty three years, and therefore entitled to his wages of \$110 per month from the time he was wounded until now, which amounts to upwards of \$40,000. He recently made application for discharge, and filed his claim for the amount of his salary for 33 years, with a fair prospect of getting it. The Chief hopes he will get the amount as he richly deserves the amount.

LOCAL DRIFT.

Mr. Henry Clarke of New York state is in the city on business. There will be a temperance mass meeting at the M. E. church next Sunday evening. Go to Wm. Zeluff, for a good haircut, shave, shampoo, or sea-foam on east side Webster Street. Remember that Cozad & Co., will not be undersold on furniture, carpets, wall paper &c. at Taylor's old stand. Prices reduced on my entire stock of ladies dress goods, notions, hosiery, lace, handkerchiefs, etc., at Mrs. F. Newhouse's. Frank Taylor got his finger badly injured last Friday night while turning an ice cream freezer at the Methodist festival. F. V. Taylor has greatly increased his stock of furniture, carpets, curtains &c., and won't be under sold, call and see him. Buy your paint of Cotting. He sells the strictly Southern and Globe leads and the Lincoln mixed paint that cannot be beat. Just received the latest styles in ladies summer wraps, black satteens, Challies black brillantines and gloves at Mrs. F. Newhouse's. There seems to be a tendency of some children to destroy gardens over the city. It is a piece of business that the Little Americas should stop. Owing to the hard times and scarcity of money I will sell goods at cost and some below cost. Please call and be convinced.—Mrs. F. NEWHOUSE. See Cozad & Co., for general supplies, hats, coats, robes, etc., who are fully prepared to serve you in the city or country, at Taylor's old stand. The ladies of the M. E. church gave a very pleasant ice cream social at Perkins & Potter's old stand last Friday night. The receipts were about \$40. If it keeps on raining in Nebraska the city water works will be "innocuous desuetude" as the Great Cleland would say, at least as far as the laws are concerned. After years of experience we make the intelligent care of the dead a specialty, and are prepared to attend all calls in the city or country.—F. V. Taylor, funeral director. Undertaking by F. V. Taylor who has had years of practical experience in the scientific care of the dead and is better prepared than ever to conduct the business in all its branches. The wettest season ever known in Nebraska has occurred during the last fortnight. Almost an unceasing rainfall has taken place of that period and it has had the effect of making the farmers happy at least.

Confederate Money an Object Lesson.

Legal tender notes wanted, according to the new people's party platform, "in sufficient volume to transact the business of the country on a cash basis." Experience has shown that no matter how great the volume the relation of property to money would remain where they are today. At

Foreigners are Anxious to Know.

How widespread through the world is the interest taken in the World's Columbian Exposition is well shown by the daily mail received at headquarters. For illustration, the mails of a single day brought letters from Havana, San Domingo, Panama, Lima, Liverpool, London, Marseille, Lyons,

Notice.

To the patrons of the city water system. On Tuesday, June 2, 1891, I will be engaged in blowing out the mains and cleaning the standpipes. You will please supply yourselves with water early on the morning of above date. THOMAS J. WARD, Water Commissioner.



WIENER BLOCK FACING EAST.

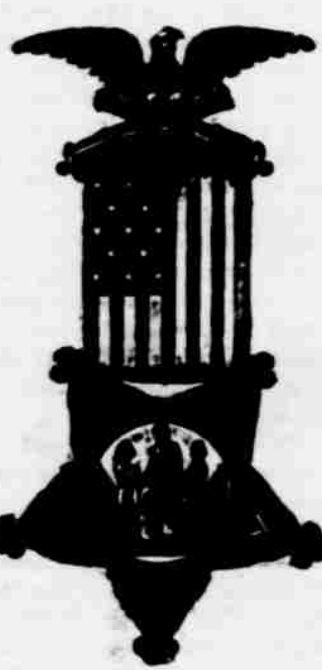
THE CHIEF wishes to state that it thinks that the board of education should reemploy most of the present corps of school teachers, if not all. The work during last year has been very perfect as far as we can learn and satisfactorily to the patrons of the school. Then again our city can afford young ladies who are just as competent as any that can be produced from any other portion of the country, and it is no more than right that they should have the first opportunity for the positions if desired by them. We always have believed that it is only right to give our own people a chance as long as they are the equals of any who may apply. The aim of the school board should be to employ home teachers and pay them well for their work, and they will be wonderfully surprised at the good work that will result. If you pay cheap salaries you can't expect anything but cheap work. That is one good thing we can say of our board, that they have paid fair salaries, but they should increase them we believe.

These two vessels are the especial pets of Secretary Tracy. They will be more effective than battle ships in teaching other nations a wholesome respect for the United States. Either of them could make havoc of the commerce of a hostile power. Acting in co-operation they could almost sweep the sea clear of an enemy's merchant marine. The superiority of these two great commerce destroyers is recognized as fully by European governments as it is in the Navy Department of the United States. This recognition amounts to an acknowledgment that Americans again lead the world in the science of maritime construction.

A large number of our young folks took the "Salem" hand wagon route for Smith's lake for a picnic party on last Wednesday, with Oscar Patmor as conductor, and Will Yeiser as head brakeman. They report a very pleasant time.

"It's nice to fish, but oh, how better, To look a fish and then not 'git' 'er."

Memorial Services.



Last Sabbath morning the opera house was crowded to its utmost, with our people for the purpose of taking part in the memorial services. The churches all closed and each congregation invited with their pastors to take part in the ceremony. The meeting was opened by prayer and singing, after which the Rev. J. D. Puls, delivered the memorial sermon, and right here THE CHIEF wishes to be put on record as saying that it was a master piece and one of the best sermons for the occasion, that we have ever had the pleasure of listening to, and it was fully appreciated by every person present. The singing was especially beautiful, and went to make the exercises grand. One thing is certain Red Cloud has some excellent singers, and they can always be depended upon for all such occasions.

The Grand Army folks, the W. R. C. and G. A. R. circle, were all well represented at the services.

Red Cloud people are always patriotic, and turn out to memorial services with a becoming spirit of doing honor to those who laid down their lives for the perpetuity of the Union. May the memory of the old soldiers, both here and those who have passed the portals to the world beyond, be ever kept fresh and green. It is a duty that we, as a people owe them, for the part they took in overthrow of the great rebellion.

Attorney Porter, of this city has lately procured pensions for Stephen Bayles and Dennis Lindsey, of Red Cloud and for Harrison Saunders of Garfield township.

Notice.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the late firm of Blakeslee & Hatch, will please call and settle accounts. F. G. BLAKESLEE.



RED CLOUD NATIONAL BANK BLOCK.

the beginning of the Confederate war \$5 would buy a pair of shoes anywhere in the south. As the volume of money increase the shoes rose in proportion, until about the close of the war a pair such as had cost \$5 was cheap at \$150, and a barrel of flour that would have cost \$10 brought \$200, not because flour was scarce but because money was too voluminous. The Confederate war showed another thing, that the value of such things as those who toil for wages. The pay of labor did not go up in proportion to the increase in value of goods, so that the man who paid \$150 for his shoes did not get as much shoe for his work as when he paid \$5. See Jones' "Diary of a Rebel War Clerk."

Vote of Thanks.

At a joint special meeting of Garfield Post No. 80, and W. R. C. No. 14, held at their hall after the close of the memorial services held at the opera house Sunday, May 24th, a vote of thanks was unanimously given to J. D. Puls for his sermon delivered on that occasion, and Adj. of the Post was instructed to request of him to furnish a copy of the same for publication in the papers of the city. G. W. KNIGHT Post Com. C. SCHENCK, Adj. FANNIE DOW, Corps Pres. BELLE MILLER, Corp Secy

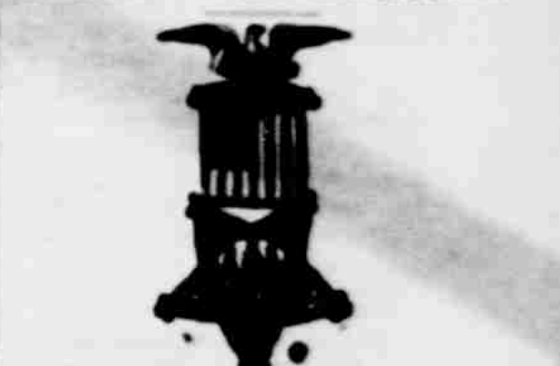
Don't fail to get your day's supply of water on Tuesday morning as Commissioner Ward is going to shut off the supply.

Rome, Frankfurt-on-Main, Berlin, Milan, Paris, Aix-la-Chapelle, Glasgow, Belfast, Perth, Manchester and Constantinople. The foreign newspapers received were more numerous and from a even more widely separated points. Some of the letters were from official sources and others from intending or possible exhibitors. Nearly all were letters of inquiry. Until the organization of the foreign committee the number of such inquiries will be attended to, if possible, by the department of publicity and promotion. Replies are sent in the language of the country from which the inquiry comes.

Confirmation of the interest abroad in the exposition is found in the reports of the consuls of our government. They report that the impression is fast growing and becoming general that the exposition will be a gigantic and successful world's fair, and that manufacturers and others, accordingly, are anxious to gain more definite information, with a view of becoming exhibitors. Such information is rapidly being supplied to them.

Bishop Graves of Kearney occupied the pulpit in Grace Episcopal church last Sunday. There was one confirmation in the evening. The church is beginning to prosper again. The Congregational people will install their new minister next Tuesday evening at their church. The program is quite extensive and several prominent members will be present.

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION



Decoration Day.

—The business men of Red Cloud, at that Saturday, May 23rd, organized a national holiday in memory of the sacrifice, upon the altar of Loyalty of our comrades, who fell defending the flag of their country.

Out of respect for that day and that it may be fittingly observed, you are hereby requested to close your respective places of business, from one to 3:30 o'clock p. m. of that day. M. B. McNIFF, Mayor.

White Peaks and Dark Canons.

Colorado is a land of sharp contrasts, of brilliant lights, of intense shadows; a land where heights and depths make obvious the meaning of the word antithesis; a land where every mood in mind can find an answering mood in nature. The high, white mountains of the mountains, from whose slender pinnacles the wind-blown banners of the snow, appeal with silent eloquence to the lofty aspirations of the soul; the sombre chasms darted by, within whose depths dark shadows throng and twirling torrents dash, speak to the heart's language that thrills, inspires and awes. It does not follow that these gleams of white peaks and these glooms of dark canons exclude the pleasant intervals, the sunny meadows or the secluded woods, wherein the tired mind or wearied body may find peaceful rest and refuge from turmoil and toil. To one making a journey in Colorado, New Mexico or Utah, or taking a transcontinental tour from East to West, or vice versa, the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad offers accommodations equal in elegance, convenience and luxury to those with any other line with the added attractions of the unrivalled scenery along its line, abounding in a magnificent splendor of white peaks and dark canons. The month of November, 1890, witnessed one of the most important improvements in railroad facilities that has yet been made in Colorado and the West. The completion of the standard gauge of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad from Denver, Colorado, over the mountains to Ogden, Utah, which five years ago was deemed an impossibility, is certainly a triumph of daring and engineering skill. The new line is by the way of Leadville, tunneling Tennessee Pass, threading the canons of Eagle and Grand Rivers, giving a view of the Mount of the Holy Cross, enroute, taking its route through Glenwood Springs and down the Grand River to Grand Junction, thence to Salt Lake City, Oregon and San Francisco. By this route one is given an opportunity to behold the magnificent Eagle River Canon and the marvellous beauty and grandeur of the Canon of the Grand. The overland train is a model in every respect. From the engine to the last first-class coach everything is bright and new, and of the most elegant style of workmanship and finish. If any reader desires to know more about these magnificent routes of main, write to H. K. Sawyer, General Passenger Agent, Denver, Colorado, and he will send you free of cost, elegantly illustrated book, giving a full description of the marvels of the "Home Line." Stanley Wood in the "Great Divide."



I. O. F. HALL AND FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.

Andy Cummins, a resident of the South End, has a hen that has a monopoly on eggs. The other day when the family went out to gather the hen fruit, they were somewhat surprised to find an egg that in size beat the largest Saratoga trunk. It was brought forth and into the pantry, and there the ancient hatchet was produced and as the keen edge went plunging through the shell, behold there came to view two perfectly formed eggs, shell and all on the inside of the other shell. As a prolific country Nebraska takes the prize.

One of the most beautiful sights ever witnessed in this country, was observed last Sunday afternoon, at about four o'clock, in the shape of a genuine water spout, just south of Red Cloud, but too high up to do any damage. It could be plainly seen as it formed, and the motion of it was visible to the naked eye, and finally after it had travelled many miles it broke, and a huge volume of water was seen to fall from the funnel shaped affair. The whole picture being one not easily described, but very beautiful. Hundreds of our people watched it with a curious eye. If it had come down to the earth, it would have certainly created great havoc as it was very large and appeared to be going at a tremendous speed.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Blakeslee & Hatch is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Frank Hatch withdrawing from the concern. The business will be conducted by F. G. Blakeslee who assumes all indebtedness of the firm and to whom all accounts are due. F. G. BLAKESLEE FRANK HATCH. May 22d, 1891.

The Misses Hettie and Nettie Keadley of Beatrice, were the guests of Mrs. J. W. Smith this week.

D. F. Scott of Ashby, received the sad intelligence this week of the death of his older brother, Henry Scott, of Quincy, Ill., at the age of 65 years.



WEBSTER STREET LOOKING NORTH.

The Knights of Labor entertained their friends last Saturday night in fine style at the K. P. hall. They served ice cream and berries until a late hour. During the evening the rain commenced pouring down, and it lasted until Sunday, but the people went home with a feeling that they had been well entertained. Hon. W. A. McKeighan, gave them a very pleasant talk during the evening, which was highly appreciated by all.

Mr. L. Soderberg of Cheyenne, Wyo., sold his farm in this county the other day for a good round sum. He was quite fortunate in his sale and will now invest it in Cheyenne town lots, where he expects to make a fortune soon.

Our public schools, will close in about two weeks. Then our Young Americas will have plenty of time to angle in the rippling waters of the republican for the festive ca.

F. E. Goble and Attorney McNeely were in Bloomington this week.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a temperance mass meeting at the Methodist church next Sunday evening, May 31. All are cordially invited to attend. Rev. Ely will deliver the address. Copies of the "World's Petition" will be circulated through the audience.

Lew Soderberg of Cheyenne, Wyoming, gave this office a fine piece of crystallized lime stone that he found at the foot of a hill near Cheyenne.

Service at Grace church Tuesday evening, June 2d, at 8 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Myers will officiate.