

# Spring Goods! Arriving!

Throw off the heavy Winter Shoes and  
Buy Something Suitable.

We can truthfully say that a better line  
of desirable footwear has never been  
offered the people of Red Cloud than is  
now to be found in our store and

At prices lower than you have been obliged to  
pay heretofore.

Working shoes, Oxford Slippers, Fine  
Heavy, coarse. See them, buy them.

**BLAKESLEE & KALEY.**

### BRIEF MENTION.

The revival meetings have closed.  
H. B. Simons is going to put in city  
water.  
Bert Gries is "feeling rather tough"  
this week.  
A fine biscuit flour at McNitt's, 70  
cents a sack.  
P. J. Dalton of Bronson was in the  
city Wednesday.  
Mrs. Rich has an elegant new sign in  
front of her store.  
Mrs. P. Hansen was visiting friends in  
Beloit, Kan., this week.  
See the Fuller & Johnson gang and  
sulky plows at Peterson's.  
The pork and bean social at Mrs. Huff-  
man's was a grand success.  
Farmers are sowing oats, and prepar-  
ing for spring's work generally.  
Go to Peterson's for the Eagle lister.  
Everyone knows them to be the best.  
The Misses Hattie and Flossie Ran-  
ney are visiting in Blue Hill this week.  
Mr. C. H. Smith has moved to Guide  
Rock and will farm in the coming season.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hayes of Guide  
Rock were visiting in Red Cloud this  
week.  
Mrs. Miller and Miss Maud Mock were  
visiting at L. A. Haskin's in the country  
Sunday.  
Frank Durlinger, E. W. Kimberly and  
B. L. Edwards of Hubbard were in Red  
Cloud this week.  
We are pleased to note that Mrs. Geo.  
Winton, who has been very sick, is again  
able to be around.  
Dick Gray has had more severe hem-  
orrhages of the lungs this week, and is  
confined to his room.  
Go and see N. E. Robinson if you want  
paper hanging or painting. He guaran-  
tees satisfaction. He is located with W.  
F. Hull just south of THE CHIEF office.  
For window shades, wall paper, car-  
pets, furniture, etc., see F. V. Taylor.  
His goods are all new and of the latest  
patterns.  
F. V. Taylor keeps a fine line of window  
shades, wall paper and carpets. All  
new designs and at the lowest prices.  
No old goods.  
A number of high school scholars,  
along with their teacher, Mrs. O. C.  
Case, went to the river Wednesday for  
educational purposes.  
Wm. Klee writes from Franklin, say-  
ing he has changed his address and wants  
THE CHIEF sent promptly to Franklin.  
He has leased a livery barn there and is  
doing well.  
When you get ready to buy children  
clothing come and see us look at our  
combination suits extra pair of pants  
and cap given with every suit.—Chicago  
Clothing Co.  
N. B. McNitt is advertising his garden  
seeds in a very novel and attractive man-  
ner. He has arranged boxes spelling his  
name, and filled them with a variety of  
colors. The display is very pretty, and  
includes every garden seed ever used.  
W. G. Wolf, known as the "boss car-  
penter" of Cowles, dropped in on us the  
other day with a few shekels and says  
send her on and on she goes. Mr. Wolf  
is an excellent carpenter and has his  
hands full of work.  
Report of school district No. 41 for the  
month ending March 2, 1894. Number  
of scholars enrolled 18. Average attend-  
ance 15. Names of those neither tardy  
nor absent: Ida and Jennie Lewis and  
Mabel Merrill. Tardy but not absent,  
Bert Lewis.—CARRIE ELDRED, Teacher.  
Our reporter stepped into the office of  
W. F. Hill recently, and found that  
gentleman with a huge hammer literally  
breaking the old machines received in  
trade all to pieces. Upon inquiry it was  
learned that the Singer Sewing Machine  
Co. had all the old machines secured by  
their agents, entirely destroyed.  
The last dance given by Geo. McCall  
for this past season off very pleasantly  
last Saturday night. Geo. stops down  
with honor from the chairmanship of  
the dance committee and is succeeded by  
Dick Gray, which action signifies a con-  
tinuance of a series of successful dances  
the young people have enjoyed at the  
Fireman's hall so many times. George  
has been eminently successful with his  
dances and has realized for the company  
\$407.15.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Window curtains at Cotting's.  
Peterson handles all the leading im-  
plements.  
Use Cotting's Sarsaparilla to cleanse  
your blood.  
Miss Lora McBride was visiting at  
home last Sunday.  
White Russian seed oats at the Red  
Cloud Produce Co.  
The great and only Little Duke stalk  
cutter at Peterson's.  
Hon. Bolliver Hedge was doing busi-  
ness in Bloomington this week.  
Prof. Geo. Hendricks was visiting with  
relatives near Cora, Kan., this week.  
F. P. Hadley is now better prepared  
than ever to do any thing in his line.  
Miss Mary Hathaway of Guide Rock  
was visiting friends in this city this week.  
Mrs. McBride and Mrs. H. Sotter,  
were visiting friends in Tubley this week.  
Bill Reeves the popular hotel man of  
Guide Rock was a pleasant caller yester-  
day.  
A good dwelling house and grounds  
in Red Cloud to trade for land.—C. W.  
Kaley.  
You can get the celebrated Norwegian  
plows, harrows and cultivators at Pe-  
tersen's.  
Kearney poultry raisers ship chickens  
and turkeys to the Pacific coast by the  
carload.  
I have a full line of the celebrated  
Studebaker buggies and wagons.—Jas.  
Peterson.  
Mrs. Rich and Miss Bertha Talbot at-  
tended the reception at Guide Rock  
Wednesday.  
Arthur Chaney and family moved to  
Superior Wednesday where they will re-  
side in the future.  
Miss Blanche Sherman and Miss Em-  
ma Graves were rusticating with friends  
in the country this week.  
Wiener is ready to take your measure  
for a spring suit. Piece goods and sam-  
ples are all in. Please call.  
Mrs. Sheppardson and Mrs. Hopkins,  
two estimable ladies of Riverton, were  
shopping in this city Thursday.  
Miner Bros. are having a substantial  
walk laid on the east and south side of  
their store. Let the good work progress.  
We will pay you 27 cents for corn and  
sell you goods cheaper than any mer-  
chant dare sell you.—Chicago Clothing  
Co.  
D. B. Spanogle has sold the John Fox  
farm to Nasby P. Campbell. He also  
sold the Brubaker farm to S. B. Carpen-  
ter.  
Sheriff Runchey has made the follow-  
ing appointments as his deputies: S. E.  
Cozad of Red Cloud and C. E. Conrad of  
Blue Hill.  
Maud Chase and Frank Hutchinson  
have been unable to attend school this  
week, being confined to the house with  
the mumps.  
Everything in hats just received all  
the new styles and colors; elegant line of  
childrens caps; all the new novelties at  
the Chicago Store.  
E. P. Bolton returned Monday from  
Oskaloosa, Iowa, whither he has been  
for a couple of weeks. He reports two  
feet of mud in that vicinity.  
If you want fruit trees, or anything  
in the nursery line, L. H. Rust can fix  
you up with better goods for the  
money than any man in the country.  
Hart, Schaffer and Marx are known as  
makers of the best clothing in America.  
Wiener has put in his line this spring  
and requests you to examine the same.  
We regret to say that in an attempt to  
use a very nice word last week, and say  
that "the young people were to cultivate  
their histrionic talent soon," the devil  
devised around and got it "histrionic"  
talent.  
The wind played havoc Sunday night  
south of the river. Geo. Heaton's house  
was badly shaken and several window  
lights destroyed while Mr. Sibert's house  
in that neighborhood, was turned com-  
pletely around.  
The best fitting clothing on earth go  
to the Chicago Store; elegant stock of  
square cut coats, padded shoulders, vests,  
stiff breasts, correct in every particular.  
No one except us can show you such  
goods.—Chicago Store.  
The story about Jim Strange's killing  
his wife and afterwards being hung is  
all a foolish mistake. Judge Porter Jr.  
has in his possession several letters from  
Mr. Strange and wife, saying they are  
both surprised at such reports and think  
they were maliciously distributed. They  
are located in Joplin, Mo., in the mining  
district there, are both enjoying good  
health and doing well.  
There has been much harangue con-  
cerning the silver question lately, but  
that matter was forever settled at the  
Louisa Creek school house Saturday  
night. Joe Garber, Oliver McCall, J. R.  
Hoover, C. E. Chance, Mr. Byron from  
near Baden and others took part in the  
discussion which lasted till one o'clock  
a. m. Mrs. Truman of the nation was  
also in attendance. It is said that the  
speakers became very impetuous, and  
sometimes five or six tried to speak at  
once. Yet they maintained equally as  
good order as the last Kansas legisla-  
ture.

### CITY NEWS.

There was a good rain Sunday.  
District court will be in session next  
Monday.  
Mrs. M. W. Dickerson was on the sick  
list this week.  
W. O. Dimmick was down from Blue  
Hill Wednesday.  
Wallace Wright was doing business in  
Hastings this week.  
The firemen will give a St. Patrick  
day dance on the 17th.  
Frank Huffer is installed as electrician  
of the electric light plant.  
W. W. Wright and Miss Furer are  
visiting in Fairfield this week.  
I handle no shoddy or penitentiary  
made goods.—JAMES PETERSON.  
Go to Calmes for fresh bread and pies,  
confectionary, cigars, tobaccos, &c.  
Rev. J. D. Pulis, a former pastor of this  
city, was on our streets this week.  
Two pair of pants with each suit and  
cap to match, they are bargains.—Chicago  
Store.  
Harry Goble was waylaid Wednesday  
night and "touched" for \$1.66, 2 cob pipes  
and a jack knife.  
Plow shoes at 75 cents, \$1.00, \$1.25,  
\$1.35. All excellent bargains at these  
prices, at Wiener's.  
I have a few articles of furniture I  
would like to sell at private sale at my  
residence.—Geo. W. BARBER.  
John Tulley completed his term of  
school in Harmony precinct last Friday  
and returned home for a time.  
More goods are being sold for a dol-  
lar at the Chicago Clothing Store than  
anywhere else in this country.  
Alva Sellars the gallant foreman in the  
Nation office, in company with Ansel  
Scotels visited Naponee Sunday.  
Don't buy a cornplanter or check row  
until you have seen the Fuller and John-  
son "Force Drop" at Peterson's.  
Go and see J. B. Wright for all kinds  
of bargains in new and second hand  
goods. Just north of Moon block.  
Miss Mabel Truman came home to  
visit her mother and sisters Saturday.  
She is teaching school in district 41.  
R. M. Martin & Son have recently had  
their capacious store beautifully papered.  
Messrs. Robinson & Myers did the work.  
When a young man takes a new girl (?)  
to church, and goes to the amen corner,  
he may expect about as much attention as  
the preacher.  
Eld. Powers returned to his home in  
Lincoln Wednesday. He expressed him-  
self as being highly pleased with the  
people of Red Cloud.  
J. H. Smith, had a little dog, and pat-  
ted him on his head, the other day a  
wagon run over him, now he is dead.  
Too "dog-goned" bud.  
Mr. Zetterman and wife of Fillmore  
county are visiting in the city with A.  
Berg and family. Mrs. Berg and Mrs.  
Zetterman were schoolmates together.  
Remember our childrens clothing is  
cheaper and better made than ever. Re-  
inforced seats and knees, elegant patterns  
and low prices.—Chicago Clothing Com-  
pany.  
A deadly tarantular was discovered in  
a bunch of bananas in Charley Calmes'  
store the other day. Charley attacked the  
insect with the broom, doing him up in  
short order.  
To-morrow afternoon at 2:30 S. E. Co-  
zad the veteran sewing machine and  
music man will give a free musical con-  
cert in front of the "fair" store. Every-  
body come.  
Cheapest suits ever shown new ready  
for you every suit at lowest prices, work-  
manship best in the country and best  
fitting goods ever brought to the city.  
—Chicago Clothing Store.  
Miss Minnie Hedges a niece of Mrs.  
E. J. Overing returned to her home in  
Trenton, N. J. after visiting in this city  
over a year. She was well liked here by  
everyone with whom she was acquainted.  
Mrs. Sapp is fast attaining an enviable  
reputation as a first class entertainer,  
and hotel keeper. Her meals are most  
excellent and everything is very inviting.  
As a consequence her trade is increasing.  
County Treasurer White purchased a  
120 acre farm the other day lying adja-  
cent to his Blue Hill farm known as the  
Cutter property, paying therefor \$2900.  
He now has one of the finest farms in  
the county.  
Attention—Joe Fogle the new harness  
man, will do repairing as cheap as any-  
one, and sell you anything you want in  
the harness line. Any one wishing  
something in the fast horse line should  
give him a call.  
In a recent letter from Thomas Wat-  
son of Salem, Kan., he says: "I am very  
much pleased with your valuable paper  
and "hope it may grow and flourish like  
the green bay tree" is my sincere desire.  
Yours respectfully,—THOMAS WATSON.  
Jake Miller, thinks that the Demo-  
cratic mail service is the stuff. On the  
13th, of February, his brother wrote  
him from Oberlin, that he would pass  
through Red Cloud, the next day. The  
letter arrived in Red Cloud, March, 3rd,  
17 days after it was mailed.  
We received word from Lew Soder-  
burg this week to the effect that he had  
been quite seriously ill and for a time  
was not expected to live. He had lung  
fever and heart trouble. He is better at  
this writing. THE CHIEF is pleased to  
note that even the Wyoming climate  
cannot kill Lew.  
There seems to be certain characters  
who attend public literary societies in the  
country, who saunter around outside of  
the house during the entertainment and  
cut people's harness in pieces. Willie  
Haskins, living south of the river was so  
unfortunate as to have his harness ruined  
in this manner while attending the de-  
bate at the Hummel school house last  
Saturday night. Such devilish sneak-  
ing tricks as this should be severely at-  
tended to by the law.  
Mr. H. B. Muser and family are nicely  
located near Edison. Furnas county,  
Nebr., and seem to be well pleased with  
that part of the country. In a re-  
cent letter from Mr. Muser he says: "Don't  
neglect to send the Great Family Weekly  
as I want to know what is going on in  
that end of the world and I can't do with-  
out it. We like our new home very  
much and my 600 acres of wheat is start-  
ing nicely." THE CHIEF gladly notes  
their prosperity and will see that this  
great paper never fails to reach their  
home.

### A BIG FIRE.

#### The Palatial Residence of B. F. Mizer Ruined by Flames.

While the denizens of this quiet city  
were tranquilly reposed in the quietude  
of Morpheus, last Monday night, the soft  
balmy atmosphere vibrated with the  
wicked sounds of the fire bell and the de-  
sultory shouts of excited citizens. In  
the north-west part of town the  
heavens shown with a lurid glare, and  
it was soon ascertained that the palatial  
residence of B. F. Mizer was ablaze.  
About one o'clock the smoke became  
so dense in a room upstairs, occupied by  
Miss Trix and her little sister, as to set  
the little one to coughing severely. Miss  
Trix arose hastily and calling her broth-  
ers in an adjoining room hastened down  
stairs to call her parents. Immediately  
the family were all aroused, and Mr.  
Mizer after visiting every room in the  
house to discover the origin of the fire,  
went out side and after a slight investiga-  
tion discovered fire in the cornice. He  
immediately set up ladders and dashed  
water on the burning portion with seem-  
ingly good effect but he soon discovered  
that other portions of the building were  
on fire and that it would be perfectly  
useless to attempt to extinguish the  
flames alone. The flames had evidently  
gained much headway now were yet  
well concealed. Mr. Mizer's eldest son  
Max dashed away to ring the fire-bell,  
while the other members of the family  
remained, and attempted to remove  
some of the furniture. The fire com-  
pany arrived in good time and the most  
strenuous efforts were made to quench  
the fire. But the house was an extreme-  
ly high one and hard to reach, yet the  
flames were subdued before the building  
was entirely consumed. The majority  
of the furniture contained in the sitting  
room and parlor was saved, but most of  
the furniture was burned. Much of the  
ladies' clothing was saved but this was  
thoroughly drenched by the city water.  
Some of the household articles which  
Mr. Mizer prized most highly were de-  
stroyed. The insurance on the house  
was \$4500, and about \$250 on contents.  
Mr. Mizer will rebuild, but it is just yet  
undecided when or where. It is needless  
to say they have the sympathy of all, and  
all people acquainted in Red Cloud do  
not hesitate to say that Mr. Mizer's  
house was the most elaborate in the city,  
and when Red Cloud, which only has a  
few fine dwellings, loses the most stately  
and expensive one of all and one in  
which our citizens have always taken  
pride in pointing out to strangers, it is  
naturally a source of sore regret to every-  
one. Mr. Mizer however surveys his  
loss calmly, and while he says that \$8000  
would not more than replace the building,  
he fortunately escaped the loss of their  
little girl "Habe." She was left upstairs  
in a room alone and in the excitement  
of the moment was entirely forgotten. Miss  
Trix heard her cry and rushing up  
stairs rescued her just as the flames were  
about to enter the room. As to the real  
cause, very little was known, but from  
the style of a threatening letter some  
days previous to the fire, there is a slight  
suggestion of incendiarism. The letter  
stated to Mr. Mizer, that unless he con-  
formed to a certain measure relating to  
business affairs he might have the mis-  
fortune to find his house in ashes. It  
was signed simply "committee."

#### DEATH OF WM. McAVOY.—Wm. Mc- Avoy, or "Mac" as he was familiarly known in business circles; after a sick- ness of long and painful duration, de- parted this life last Tuesday night. He was a sufferer from some terrible stomach disease for a long time, and only a few months since he became unable to walk around and went to bed in his room over Henry Cook's old drug store. There for many days he would remain alone, car- ing nothing for company, and declining but very little to eat. When friends would suggest a physician, he would say solemnly, "It's no use, it's no use, I can't last long; it's only a matter of time with me." But he had medical attendance, and Mrs. L. D. Oatman with whom he boarded said that he had plenty to eat, and warm clothes, etc. On Tuesday night Mrs. Oatman prepared for him some nice delicacies she thought he would eat, and sent them by Sammy Spray to his room about his usual supper time. He ate very little however, and still seemed strong as usual. The next morning R. B. Fulton went to Mr. McAvoy's room with some dainties and after repeatedly knock- ing at the door with no response, he stepped into the Gardner house and ap- prised Mr. Oatman of the fact. Both then went to the room, and failing to ef- fect an entrance, they called carpenter Jack Reid who was working close by, and with his chisel pried open the door. On entering the room they could plainly see that Mac was dead, and lying covered up in bed as though asleep. Wm. Mc- Avoy was born in Canada in July 1836. He has had a varied experience during his entire term of life. Personally in good health he was genial and good natured, and had an amiable frank dis- position. He possessed a kind and gen- erous heart, a naturally bright intellect, and for these traits was respected gener- ally. He was sanguine in any cause he advocated, but never contentious in any thing; he belonged to the Masonic order, and that lodge showed their fraternal es- teem by tenderly caring for the re- mains, and conducting the interment which will take place on Saturday. While at one time Mac was very wealthy, he died in very moderate cir- cumstances, and as the solemn funeral cortege wends its way to the city of the dead, there will be light hearts burdened with sadness, and many a heart shed by those who know the true nature of the dead man. There will be no ostenta- tious funeral band, with muffled drums, and opulent costumes; the chill spring air will sigh through the lead- ing trees; the winter birds will fill noise- ly through the air; the body will be low- ered in the grave, and with appropriate services the heavy clouds will be replaced by the excavation from which they came, and all that was mortal of Wm. McAvoy interred in its last resting place to await the great judgment day. Like all men he had his faults, but let them be buried under the clouds which cover his breast, and if from his career, we can gain an idea of how to better our own life, it is our place to do so.

## Do You.. .. Want to See

SOME OF THE FINEST,  
SOME OF THE BEST MADE,  
SOME OF THE BEST TRIMMED,

# Men's Boy's and Child- ren's Cloth- ing.



If so we respectfully ask you to inspect our line this spring,  
and if we do not offer you these BEST MADE GOODS  
as cheap as you can buy poorer made goods, we will not  
ask you to buy them:

We have all the Latest Novelties in Men's Furnishing Goods.

You will also find at our store the latest styles of spring  
hats and caps.

We offer Special Inducements this season in our shoe stock.

## C. WIENER,

Originator of Honest Prices. Established 1853.

## THE "RO" FLOURING MILLS' FLOURS

RETAIL AT

- MONOGRAM, 90c Per Sack.
- ROYAL PATENT, 80c Per Sack
- B. OF B. S., 65c Per Sack.

All Grades guaranteed by the Mills.

OUR FIREMEN.—At a meeting of the  
Red Cloud Fire department Monday  
night, there was much enthusiasm dis-  
played in the discussion of past services  
and the following gentlemen were elected  
for the ensuing year. Chief A. J. Tom-  
linson; Assistant E. J. Pulsipher; Secre-  
tary George McCall; Treasurer J. O.  
Butler; Trustees A. H. Gray, Al Aultz,  
Henry Vincent; Chairman committee on  
dances Dick Gray; Foreman Hose com-  
pany No. 1 Jim Butler; Assistant R. V.  
Ferris; Nozzelman Al Aultz, Harry Sot-  
ter; Plugman Lew Vance; Assistant Al  
Groat; Hose company No. 2 Foreman  
Henry Diehrich; Assistant T. Hatfield;  
2nd assistant Len Aultz; Plugman H.  
Vincent; Hook and ladder foreman Dick  
Gray; the services of our Fire department have  
been very useful, and highly satisfactory  
there is no dispute. It is composed of a  
large number of respected citizens, most-  
ly young men and they have never failed  
to respond with a vigor in the most  
alarming exigencies and have proved  
themselves heroic, and under all circum-  
stances entirely willing. The fire com-  
pany of any town of this size should re-  
ceive the hearty co-operation of all the  
citizens, and no trivial amount of money  
should be withheld to promote their  
welfare,—should such be solicited.  
When some beautiful home with all its  
precious valuables is enveloped in flames  
the fire-boys come to the rescue prompt-  
ly, and rarely fail to save at least a share  
of the articles which are prized so dearly.  
This is a matter which involves  
nothing of a frivolous nature, and we re-  
gret to say that few who have not been  
threatened with destitution by the burn-  
ing of their homes, fully realize the  
painstaking, alertness and efficiency of  
a voluntary fire department. Fire in its  
destructive state is a hated element  
which may come at any time; and those  
who do not belong to the fire department  
do not realize how very unpleasant it  
must be to be called in the dead hour of  
night possibly raining, snowing or both  
and freezing cold, and run to a fire no  
telling how far away. Then the hose  
must be cared for, and everything at-  
tended to. We think our people do ap-  
preciate this organization, as well as any  
place, and we will venture to assert that  
we have as genial, useful and valiant  
crew of fire boys as can be found in the  
state.

WONDERFUL.—There are many strange  
things in this world for the imagination  
to feast upon, and for the eye to behold,  
yet man is always prepared to meet with  
greater curiosities and greater feats day  
by day, and this is why we have made  
our caption "wonderful." Well, to make  
a long story short, J. H. Davis was bor-  
ing a well on his place the other week,  
or that is to say, he was digging it by  
proxy. Hour by hour the auger forced  
its way through the earth's surface; lit-  
tles by little, coming, as it did, in contact  
with many strange and surprising ob-  
jects. Finally, the instrument of tor-  
ture had pierced Mother Earth to a  
depth of 108 feet, and there the profes-  
sor of wellology suspended operations  
until the roly morn should come again,  
little dreaming that he would find a pre-  
historic race of "Rab-Bits," and that his  
name would go thundering down the  
ages as a great discoverer. Well, in the  
morning the auger began to revolve,  
and when it discharged its first burden  
there came with it the remains of "John  
Rab-Bit," raised from a depth of 109  
feet. Now that we have carried our  
readers to the bowels of the earth, we  
must get them out, so we shall call their  
attention to the fact that one Jack rab-  
bit, while roaming at large, fell into the  
well with a sickening thud and there  
perished, and his remains were brought  
to the surface and decently interred.  
THAT BRIDGE.—The board of supervi-  
sors are certainly open to a vast amount  
of criticism for their willful neglect in  
repairing the Red Cloud bridge across  
the river. The bridge is in a dangerous  
condition, and is liable actually to cost  
the city many hundred dollars if not  
fixed at once. Suppose, by willful neg-  
lect, that a span should drop into the  
river during some good sized wind-  
storm, which would not be improbable  
in its weakened condition; and again,  
suppose that some one should cross it  
and it should fall in and kill a man and  
team, who would be responsible? Sure-  
ly, it will be the board. \$100 would re-  
pair the bridge and make it compar-  
atively safe until money would be avail-  
able to repair it properly. It is a shame  
and disgrace to jeopardize such valuable  
property by such dire neglect on the  
part of the proper officers.