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THE CHIEF

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It has always been the custom of the Great Family Weekly on the turning of a new volume in its history to send greeting to its readers, and although we are one week late, we take commendable pride in stating that this religious Journal has through kind Providence and the financial assistance given it by its large list of subscribers and the business men of the city, ended its twenty-fourth volume and commenced its quarter century voyage.

In looking up the history of the papers of the great state of Nebraska we find that there are but thirty-six papers which have weathered the storms of adversity for twenty-five years and out of this number there are twenty-eight which have been in existence for a longer period and the greater majority of these are in the eastern and older part of the state.

We have quite a number of subscribers on our list who have stood by the paper since the first issue and who, to be without the weekly visit of THE CHIEF would miss it greatly. An old friend is generally a true friend and we wish to state that their friendship in prosperity and adversity has been appreciated.

The past three or four years have been troublous times for the newspapers and many have gone under while valiantly endeavoring to keep abreast of the storm. That THE CHIEF is not one of this number we are thankful.

While the destiny of the paper has not been in our hands for long, we hope that prosperity may still guide its footsteps and make it of a higher standard as the years roll by, and we sincerely hope that to each and every subscriber who is enrolled upon our subscription books today, we can a year hence wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The matter of money as a helping hand in the newspaper business is one of the greatest importance, and is as necessary as in any other business. We ask that all those who are in shape to do so will give us from time to time what they can spare, remembering that we never have or never will push those who are honestly unable to pay.

We have in the past aimed to give the news, and while there have been some weeks when it has been impossible to obtain much of interest to our readers, we leave it to them as to how well we have succeeded. We hope our correspondents will continue to send in all the news of their neighborhood as we believe this is one of the most important departments of the paper. We would like to have a correspondent in any portion of the county not represented.

Politically the paper has been republican, not of the order of some of our contemporaries who seek to win support from different political pie counters, but staunch and honest. If good men are named for public positions of trust on that ticket we will work for their election, if not we will not give them our support.

To our many readers and the patrons of our job printing department and advertising columns we wish to declare our thanks for past patronage and hope for a continuance.

Wishing all prosperity and good cheer during the present year we remain,

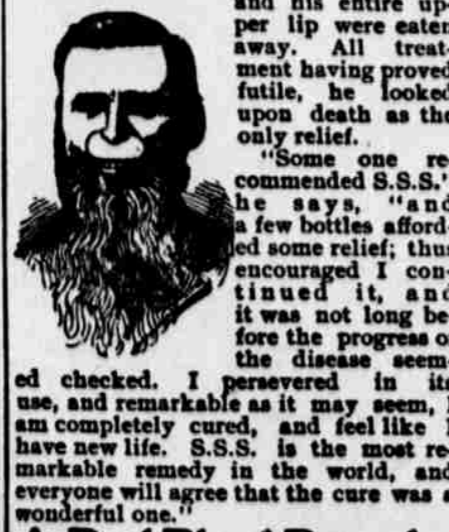
Respectfully yours,
 W. L. McMILLAN.

Soothing, and not irritating, strengthening and not weakening, small but effective—such are the qualities of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. C. L. Cotting.

Dissolution Notice.
 Notice is hereby given that the partnership term agreed upon having expired, the law partnership of Case & McNitt is dissolved. Mr. Case will continue business at his house. Mr. McNitt will remain in the firm office.
 RANDOLPH McNITT,
 O. C. CASE.

His Lip Gone.

M. M. Nicholson, who lives at the corner of Curran and Anderson Sts., Atlanta, Ga., had a cancer for years. It first appeared on his lip and resembled a fever blister, but spread rapidly and soon began to destroy the flesh. His father and uncle had died from Cancer, and he sought the best medical aid in different cities, but it seemed impossible to check the disease. Several operations were performed but the cancer always returned. This continued for years until the partition in his nose and his entire upper lip were eaten away. All treatment having proved futile, he looked upon death as the only relief.



"Some one recommended S.S.S.," he says, "and a few bottles afforded some relief; thus encouraged I continued it, and it was not long before the progress of the disease seemed checked. I persevered in its use, and remarkable as it may seem, I am completely cured, and feel like I have new life. S.S.S. is the most remarkable remedy in the world, and everyone will agree that the cure was a wonderful one."
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 Writes of the Good Done by
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THERE ARE a great many unselfish men and women who wish others to know what has restored them to health and happiness. Mr. C. F. Davis, publisher of one of the best newspapers in Iowa, writes from Bloomfield Ia., Aug. 18 1896. "My desire to benefit others prompts me to write this. We have used Dr. Miles' Remedies in my family for nearly two years with most gratifying results. We would not now do without them. My wife had been weakly and down nearly every summer for the past fifteen years. Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is exactly what its name implies; a sure cure for a weak, fluttering, palpitating heart, and Dr. Miles' Nerve and Liver Pills are most excellent."
 Dr. Miles' Remedies are sold by all druggists under a positive guarantee, first bottle benefits or money refunded. Book on Heart and Nerves sent free to all applicants.
DR. MILES MEDICAL CO., Elkhart, Ind.

CHURCH NOTES.

BAPTIST
 Preaching at 10:30, followed by observance of the Lord's supper.
 Sunday at 11:30.
 Young People's Society 6:30.
 Preaching at 7:30. At the evening service the pastor will present the cause of foreign missions. This is in response to the general request of the mission boards of all denominations of the U. S. that the cause of world wide missions be presented from every pulpit throughout the country on January 18th.

The B. Y. P. U. social held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Fulton, on New Years eve was a very pleasant affair.
 The annual business meeting of the church will be held Saturday evening at 7:30. Every member of the church should be present at this important meeting.

We cordially invite the public to all of our services.
REV. C. R. WELDEN, Pastor.

METHODIST.
 Preaching at 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday school at 11:30. Subject, "The Holy Spirit Given."
 Junior League at 4 p.m. Subject, "Childhood of John the Baptist."
 Senior League at 6:30. Subject, "The Sure Word of Promise."
 Preaching by the pastor at 7:30, Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.
 Chapel Sunday school at 3 p.m. each Sunday.
 The public is invited to all these services.

REV. J. M. DARBY, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL.
 Morning service 10:30.
 Evening service 7:30.
 Sunday school 11:45 a.m.
 Junior Society of C. E. 4 p.m.
 Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p.m.
 Song service 7:30 p.m.
 Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
 Young men especially invited to the Sunday evening service.

EPISCOPAL.
 Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.
 Sunday school at 10 o'clock.
 Services in the evening at 7:30.

Sunday School Attention!
 The Sunday schools of Red Cloud township will hold the first rally of the campaign Sunday afternoon, January 10th, at 2 o'clock at the Congregational Church, Red Cloud. All Sunday schools in the township are respectfully invited.—J. S. White, Twp. Pres.

Notice to Teachers.
 Notice is hereby given that I will examine all persons who may desire to offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the public schools of this county, at Red Cloud on the third Saturday of each month.
 Special examinations will be held on the Friday preceding the 3d Saturday of each month.
 The standing desired for 2d and 3d grade certificate is the same—no grade below 70 per cent., average 80 per cent; for first grade certificate—no grade below 80 per cent., average 90 per cent in all branches required by law.
D. M. HUNTER, County Supt.

For Sale.
 One hundred and sixty acres of unimproved land, four miles northwest of Red Cloud, Neb. Terms cash. Apply to Mrs. JAMES KIRKWOOD, Fairview, Atkinson Co., Mo.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder
 A Pure Trade Brand of Tarter Powder

Wedding Bells.

Married, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. West at Blue Hill, Nebraska, January 1st, 1897, at high noon Mr. Joseph C. McGowan and Miss J. Estella West, Rev. G. W. Hummel officiating.
 Mr. and Mrs. West, the parents of the bride, are among the first settlers of Webster county and are well known and much respected citizens of Blue Hill.
 The bride is the only daughter and is esteemed for her sterling worth. She is highly respected and much loved by all who know her.
 The groom, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. McGowan of Blue Hill, is one of Webster county's enterprising young farmers. He is a young man of temperate habits and well respected by the community.
 The wedding was a very quiet one, only a few of the relatives being present. After the ceremony and congratulations they were served with a bountiful repast. The afternoon was spent in a very enjoyable manner and they go forth on the journey of life with the best wishes and hearty congratulations of their many friends.

Notice.
 I wish to announce to my friends that I again have the control of the Moon block gallery and will be pleased to meet my old customers and as many new ones as will favor me with their patronage. I will do my best to please by turning out good work in the High Gloss and the late and popular Platino photos at the lowest possible prices.
F. BRADBROOK,
 Photographer.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE STATE BANK OF RED CLOUD,
 CHARTER No. 345,
 at Red Cloud, in the State of Nebraska, at the close of business December 31st, 1896.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts.....	\$44,145 97
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....	92 15
Due from National and State banks.....	\$4,556 72
Cash on hand, Currency.....	4,137 00
Specie.....	2,957 75
Nickles and cents.....	20 97
Total cash.....	21,875 44
TOTAL.....	\$65,913 56

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock.....	\$18,000 00
Surplus.....	7,500 00
Undivided profits.....	558 00
Individual Deposits subject to check.....	\$37,633 29
Demand Certificates of deposit.....	4,012 25
Time Certificates of deposit.....	309 83
Total Deposits.....	51,855 47
TOTAL.....	\$65,913 56

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss
 County of Webster,
 I, W. T. Auld, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. T. AULD, Cashier.
M. M. DOUDRA, Director.
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1897.
ROBT. T. POTTER, Notary Public.
 Commission expires September 1st, 1897.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF RED CLOUD

CHARTER NO. 346,
 at Red Cloud, in the State of Nebraska, at the close of business December 31st, 1896.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts.....	\$31,026 94
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....	15 30
County and city warrants.....	1591 65
Banking house furniture and fixtures.....	944 36
Checks and other cash items.....	109 89
Due from other national, state and private banks and bankers.....	\$12,706 41
Specie.....	2,272 50
Nickles and cents.....	13 60
Bills of other banks.....	1,810 00
Legal tender notes.....	1,000 00
Total cash on hand.....	18,902 44
Total.....	\$52,491 82

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$15,000 00
Undivided profits.....	6,637 82
Individual deposits subject to check.....	20,884 67
Demand certificates of deposit.....	3,644 09
Time certificates of deposit.....	6,325 00—30,853 70
Total.....	\$52,491 82

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss
 County of Webster,
 I, W. A. Sherwood, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. A. SHERWOOD, Cashier.
J. L. MINER, Director.
C. H. MINER, Director.
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1897.
RANDOLPH McNITT, Notary Public.
 My commission expires May 5, 1897.

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 The finest line of
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 At the New Photograph gallery opposite Fourth Avenue Hotel.
 We will remain in Red Cloud until January 20th, and will make the popular cabinet picture at the above price. Old pictures copied and enlarged to any size.
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 As to our integrity as business men we refer you to First National Bank of Holdrege; or First National Bank, McCook, BAILLIE & RODSTROM, Red Cloud, Neb.