

# NORTH PLATTE.

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## Nebraska Irrigation Fair.

Last season there were twenty-thousand people in attendance at the Annual Fair held by this society, of which association W. L. Park is president, E. F. Schoelger, secretary and J. B. McDonald, treasurer. The grounds are very tastefully arranged and contain a floral hall, amphitheatre, half mile track, ample stalls and stable room, and a ten acre lake, or reservoir. Several ditches, supplied from the lake, rapidly the grounds, and assist in exemplifying the manner of irrigation.

## County Court House.

Lincoln county is the proud possessor of a fine two-story brick capital building costing \$50,000, in which the various county officials have comfortable and pleasant quarters. The building is located in one of the most picturesque spots of the Platte Valley. The county is in excellent financial condition, being practically out of debt and her warrants have been at a par for a number of years. Lincoln county may justly feel a considerable pride in her county buildings. R. D. Thomson, Geo. E. Hardin and E. L. Garrison form the board of county commissioners.

## County Treasurer.

Butler Buchanan, who, since his arrival in the county in 1882, has served two years as county clerk and is now about to retire from the second term as county treasurer, was born amid the coal-laden hills of Pennsylvania, but was raised in Henry county, Iowa. Mr. Buchanan has a real estate office over the First National Bank building, and has listed for sale a large amount of land in Lincoln and adjoining counties. The set of abstract books that have been in his care since 1880 are complete and absolutely correct; so that no one need have any doubts but that the title furnished by him for lands in the county is reliable. A cosy cottage in the city is the place he calls home. Mr. Buchanan solicits correspondence in regard to the country, land, etc., and will cheerfully reply to all queries propounded.

## County Clerk.

Four years ago Newell Burritt was preparing to enter the office whose duties he has faithfully discharged during two terms. As he is retiring from an official capacity he carries with him the commendation of all for the acceptable manner in which he has fulfilled the obligations imposed. We are not informed as to the avocation that will occupy his attention in the future, but possibly it may be to return to his former occupation of ranchman. He will be succeeded as a county official by W. M. Haltree.

## Clerk of the Courts.

When still a mere boy W. C. Elder removed with his parents from his birthplace in Pennsylvania, to Greene county, Iowa. In 1881 he came to this section of Nebraska and eight years later was appointed to fill the office of Clerk of the Courts where his services proved so satisfactory they have ever since been retained, and he is just now beginning on another two year's period. Mr. Elder has a 710 acre farm thirty miles north of this city which is well stocked. He pays a high tribute to the country when he states that during the sixteen years of his residence in Nebraska he has never experienced a total failure of crops, although twice they have not been up to the average.

## Sheriff.

With the ushering in of the new year Jacob Miller will step down and out of the county sheriff's office, where for two years he has been a source of annoyance to criminals, and resume the management of his well improved 320 acre farm. Having been reared on a farm and followed the plow most of his life, it is with a sigh of relief that he relinquishes the onerous duties of the last four years and retires to the quiet and freedom of his beautiful country home. Although the citizens are loth to lose so prominent a member, they yet rejoice in the fact that he will still remain a resident of the county.

## Judge H. M. Grimes.

After residing in Lincoln county a fifteen years Judge Grimes' popularity had become so great that nothing would appease his constituency save to elevate him to the district judgeship. Although the number of the district is thirteen it failed to prove a "hoo-doo," and Mr. Grimes was handsomely elected to an office wherein he is daily winning for himself new laurels.

## Judge W. H. Neville.

Twenty years ago when the foot of W. H. Neville first trod Nebraska's soil, the marks of civilization were not quite so plainly visible as at present, nor was his legal clientele quite so large as that he enjoys today. His title of "Judge" was obtained while serving the thirteenth district for four years in a judicial capacity. To him is now awarded the additional honor of being Nebraska president of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Whose official report we append, was established in 1886, and has been a source of great benefit to the city's financial interests.

STATEMENT OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NORTH PLATTE, NEB., At the close of business Wednesday, December 15, 1897.	
(Condensed from report to Comptroller.)	
RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$190,000.00
Overdrafts	25.18
U. S. Bonds	12,269.00
Premium on Bonds	1,425.00
Real Est., Furniture and Fixtures	47,877.31
Five Per Cent Fund	502.50
Cash in Banks	\$31,960.34
Cash on hand	12,630.25
Total cash	\$7,470.02
	\$526,029.09
LIABILITIES:	
Capital	\$250,000.00
Surplus and Profits	16,397.25
Circulation	14,259.40
Deposits	148,482.44
	\$529,139.09

I, Arthur McNamara, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ARTHUR McNAMARA, Cashier.  
ANNIE S. KIRKMAN, Notary Public.  
Correct: H. S. WATTS, Director.  
E. A. WHITE, Director.  
E. F. SEEBERGER, Director.

## DRUG STORE OF DR. R. McCABE.

Seven years ago Dr. McCabe purchased the oldest drug store in this city which now enjoys the leading patronage. When entering this establishment there is a brightness about the place that puts one in a good humor at once. We notice the clean floor, with a chair here and there for weary patrons to rest in while making purchases. The line of stationery includes paper for all business from the largest tablets of commerce to dainty scented note paper in all the new shades; also ink, pens, school supplies and paper weights, toilet articles in the most beautiful cases conceivable and cut glass bottles filled with the latest perfumes, all kinds of toilet waters, pomades and paints, brushes



DR. CHAS. V. BEVELL.

for the teeth, hair, clothes and flesh. He also carries a full line of patent medicines, wall paper, mixed paints, oils, cigars and holiday goods. Under the doctor's efficient management the store has grown until it is today without doubt the most thoroughly equipped retail pharmacy in North Platte. Indeed, in the tastefulness and beauty of its arrangement it is not one whit behind the foremost drug stores of our Omaha metropolis. The secret of his success, Dr. McCabe attributes to his determination at whatever sacrifice to use only pure and fresh drugs in making up prescriptions, and to have them compounded only by a pharmacist of known skill and ability—such as is Mr. J. E. Bush, the gentleman who has charge of the department. By this means he easily won the confidence of the general public.

The magnificent drug stock carried by Dr. McCabe shows to excellent advantage in the handsome, two story brick building in which it is placed.

N. McCABE, M. D.

Dr. McCabe was born in Ireland, and was yet a mere boy when brought by his parents to America where they had determined to make their future home. Arriving at the age of maturity he began the study of medicine, and fifteen years ago graduated at the University of Buffalo, New York. Twelve years ago he located at North Platte, where he rapidly secured a lucrative practice that has continued to steadily increase in volume and extent as the years rolled by. Around the walls of his office over the drug store are arranged cases filled with all the lead-



COL. W. F. CODY.

ing and reliable medical journals; while the reading table occupying the room's center is strewn with the latest professional periodicals. Of this accumulation of medical literature Dr. McCabe is a careful student, and when not professionally engaged will be found pondering over its volumes. The county's appreciation of the doctor's skill has been made manifest by electing him for ten consecutive years to the position of county physician. He is also surgeon for the Union Pacific; is coroner-elect and was pension examiner under Cleveland's last administration. We feel proud to have made the acquaintance of so thorough a physician and gentleman, and earnestly solicit for his professional and business interests, a continuance of this city and community's most liberal patronage.

A. F. STREITZ.  
Would we do justice to the community in thus making public record the names of the live, progressive and enterprising business men of North Platte were we to omit from this write up one whose history is inseparably linked with that of the city whose growth and onward progress has been contemporaneous with that gentleman whose name heads this paragraph? Who of our citizens, old and young, do not know, respect and esteem A. F. Streit, the genial, social and pioneer druggist of North Platte?

Mr. Streit came from Michigan to Omaha in 1860, and learned the drug business with C. F. Goodman, of that

city. Sixteen years ago he came here and bought out a large drug firm. His place of business—a handsome two story brick—stands at the corner of Spruce and 6th streets. Fred Grant, who assists with its duties, is a druggist of five years' experience. The stock includes everything usually found in a first class apothecary store, patent medicines of the most reliable kind, paints, oils, wall paper, toilet articles, and his store has always been headquarters for holiday goods. Everything about this establishment is kept in the best of order, presenting a neat and clean appearance and the goods are all arranged in the most attractive manner. By close application to business and by fair and honest dealing with his patrons Mr. Streit has built for himself a reputation and a business which he may be proud. As a pharmacist he stands at the head of the list, for as a physician once said of him, "Streit never makes a mistake."

Does North Platte ever need a good word spoken in her behalf and spoken emphatically and ably? Does any movement tending toward the upbuilding or advancement of the city require a supporter and a staunch one? Do the citizens of North Platte ever hold serious consultations and desire advice that may be followed as one can follow that which comes from a rich store of experience? When such occasions arise no one is called upon oftener or given a more respected attention than the subject of this sketch, E. B. WARNER.

Mr. Warner was born and raised in New York state, and in early life demonstrated his fitness and ability to successfully conduct any business he might be called upon to engage in. Eighteen years ago he came to this city and began as a dentist, which profession he still follows. In 1886 he fitted up an undertaking establishment, and two years ago enlarged the field of operations by placing in a room of the Odd Fellows' block, 22x100 feet with a 22x30-foot addition, the largest and best selected stock of

## FURNITURE

in the county. The front room is well filled with fine rockers, parlor chairs, cupboards, commodes, beds, bedsteads, folding beds, whatnots and anything needed in a house in the furniture line. He has a fine line of plush goods and antique oak parlor and bedroom sets which must be seen to be appreciated. This room also contains chairs, matting, baby carriages and surplus goods. While the undertaking business is not very rushing, the country being so healthful that there is not a great deal of illness nor deaths, except from old age, yet he is fully prepared to meet any demand for this work and carries an exceptionally large stock of undertaking goods of all kinds, and makes a specialty of embalming and preparing bodies for burial and shipment. This is the only place in the city where embalming can be done or a funeral car hired. The undertaking department is in charge of Fred R. Ginn, a graduate of a college of embalming. But in the furniture business Mr. Warner has an immense trade for people will get married and must have something to furnish their new homes. Those who enjoy looking at a first-class stock of furniture should certainly visit this store. Upholstering of all kinds and picture framing form a feature of the establishment. Artists materials are kept on sale and the "Household" and "Monarch" sewing machine agencies are located here.

During his long residence here Mr. Warner has held many public offices, having been mayor, city clerk and coroner. In 1892 he was a delegate to the republican national convention. He is a very prominent secret society man having held all the offices in the North Platte local lodges of the K. P. S., I. O. O. F. and Maccabees. Mr. Warner is Past Great Sachem of the Nebraska I. O. R. M. and is now the Great Representative from this order in Nebraska to the United States Great Council. In all respects Mr. Warner is a public-spirited, liberal-minded citizen who has at heart the best interests of the community in which he expects to continue a residence.

## LUMBER INTERESTS.

Like all other business interests the subject above mentioned is worthy of a most liberal notice as no city of equal population in Nebraska can boast of better or larger lumber yards than North Platte. This is no idle statement, but a statement of facts as the writer found them, after a visit to the different yards and especially that of

W. W. BIRGE.

Which was established here seventeen years ago, and its stock of building material of all kinds is as large and as complete as that of any other yard in the Platte valley. This extensive lumber dealer is too well known all over the county to need an introduction from our pen, suffice to say that the head manager has been raised in every way for carrying on such a mammoth undertaking as that in which he is now engaged.

## THE YARD.

Situated at the corner of Front and Locust streets, has three large dry sheds—one 16x160 feet, one 20x100 and one 20x36 feet—more than any other firm in the county.

If any one contemplates building a house during the season, let us give him a gentle hint where he can buy the lumber cheapest, and also a little information as to what is kept in this yard.

In commencing a building, whether it be a house, barn or any other building, the first thing to be looked after is the frame work, and a faulty lot of lumber in that important place may eventually rack the building, no matter how well the carpenter work may be done. Then, when one has a good

solid frame, it is equally as important that the siding be of good quality, and people do not consider that siding and plastering a house is all that is necessary as they want a house that will keep out the cold, and therefore side it, then cover it with building paper and then weather board it, making a completed house instead of a shell.

The roof is also an important part of the structure, and we will insure that a first class roof will be obtained if the red cedar shingles sold at this yard are used.

Mr. Birge has a complete stock of lime, cement, building paper, stucco, and has a full line of hard and soft pine. Of these things he makes a specialty, of lime and cement, buying direct from the manufacturers in car load lots. Bridge timber is also found here, and also all kinds of fencing, and as good prices on a large bill of building material will be made at this yard as any lumber firm will give west of the Mississippi river.

## HARD AND SOFT COAL.

Hard and soft coal are also handled and he has a large number of coal sheds. He is prepared to give the very lowest prices on either ton or car load lots and handle nothing but the best grades.

Mr. Birge is a progressive, enterprising citizen, a heavy taxpayer and an enthusiastic fruit grower. His beautiful city home is handsomely furnished, and is the scene of many brilliant social events.

## THE NEVILLE HOUSE.

Just a block from the Union Pacific depot stands a two-story brick building that cost the builder, Chas. A. Crate, \$12,000. It is divided into an office, sample room, parlor, dining room and twenty five sleeping rooms, and is operated as a hotel by the manager, Jas. H. Smith. The Neville house helps to sustain the reputation North Platte now has as a town having good hotel facilities, and its accommodations throughout are declared by its many patrons to be first class.

## VON GOETZ.

This gentleman has been a resident of the city seventeen years, although his experience as a photographer dates back nearly a quarter of a century. As science discovers new methods for transferring the likeness of his subjects to the card, he adopts them, and thus keeps thoroughly up with the times. His gallery is located over the Keith block, and contains a display of some of the finest samples of photography the writer has ever had the pleasure of gazing upon. Mr. Von Goetz makes a specialty of crayon work, and enlarging of all kinds. No man could possibly be more devoted to his art than Mr. Von Goetz, who is determined to succeed and finds his greatest pleasure in giving his patrons satisfaction.

## W. H. BROACH.

Our next professional call was made at the photographic studio of W. H. Broach, where we found the proprietor busily engaged touching up some recently taken photos. This studio, just opposite the Presbyterian church, consists of a handsomely furnished reception room and a large, well lighted operating room. The reception room is decorated with elegant specimens of Mr. Broach's handiwork in the way of life sized portraits in crayon, India ink, pastel and oil, and with photos of all descriptions. The collection certainly reflects great credit upon his ability as an artist. Fifteen years of experience have given Mr. Broach such confidence in his ability to please that he unhesitatingly warrants all work to be satisfactory or it need not be removed from the gallery.

## MERCANTILE ESTABLISHMENTS.

North Platte certainly has just reason to feel proud of her many well stocked mercantile houses for they would be a credit to a city many times her size. The buildings occupied by this particular branch of trade are all large and commodious, having been erected with a view of being utilized for the purpose they are filling. Chief among this class we find the general merchandise store of

## HARRINGTON & TOBIN.

The mercantile establishment of North Platte that is conceded by all commercial men to be the largest and most successful institution in western Nebraska is the firm of Harrington & Tobin whose name is known all over Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and in several of the eastern states as far east as Chicago; and to this firm we give the position of honor at the head of a long list of business houses in this city. This house was established in 1885, by M. C. Harrington, a native of New York state, who resided a few years in Wyoming territory. He was appointed by the president of the United States to West Point, resigned in the fall of 1883, took a thorough commercial course of business instruction at Eastman's college at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., graduating at the head of his class in 1884. He came direct to North Platte and settled down. His subsequent marriage to the beautiful and talented Fannie Lamplugh is remembered by our citizens as one of the celebrated events of this city. With this brief biographical sketch of Mr. Harrington, whose portrait we here present, we pass on to the other member of the firm—M. F. Tobin—a young man well and favorably known in this state who came to this city in 1889 and purchased a half interest in the business associating himself with Mr. Harrington and thence the name Harrington & Tobin. During the succeeding five years Mr. Tobin was in charge of the firm's affairs while Mr. Harrington acted as assistant cashier of the First National Bank. Mr. Tobin was a man who was honored and loved by every man, woman and child who happened to have the pleasure of his acquaintance and his untimely death in February, 1894, cast a gloom over the entire community. Mrs. Tobin succeeded to his interest and has retained it ever since,

being satisfied with and having confidence in the ability of her late husband's partner. The operations of this firm are mostly in groceries, grain, lard and farm produce. Their main store is centrally located on the principal street of the city opposite the First National Bank, where they employ six clerks and two delivery men and their shipping points are from Maxwell, Gammut, North Platte, Hashley and other small stations. The largest number of cars shipped by them was in 1885 when they placed over 400 cars of hay on the Chicago market. It is estimated that \$90,000 of outside money passes through this house into the pockets of the farmers of Lincoln county each year. The volume of business of this establishment is about \$100,000 a year, and there are very few commercial establishments between Omaha and Denver that handle this amount yearly.

In addition to the store Mr. Harrington and Mrs. Tobin own a large herd of cattle which consists of Short Horn and Hereford grades that are now kept on their ranch on the White



W. V. HOAGLAND.

Horse Creek, directly north of Buffalo Bill's celebrated Scout's Rest ranch. Their lands consist of 2,400 acres of which they own one-half interest—the other half being owned by relatives in the family. It is their intention to let their herds increase until they have 500 head which is all that their lands will accommodate.

## WILCOX BROS., DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING.

The leading dry goods, dress goods and clothing firm of the city, is that owned and managed by J. G. and D. P. Wilcox. If a firm makes a phenomenal success in business during a period of extensive general depression, we naturally ask: "What would they have done had the times been normal or prosperous?" Honest business methods, and an extra fine quality of goods, have enabled them to successfully tide over the period of financial distress, and the dawn of coming prosperity finds them still at the old stand selling more goods than any other store in the city. The building, a mammoth double store 46x120 feet, is filled to repletion, and the eleven clerks therein are kept busy in meeting all demands of both wholesale and retail departments. A picture of Wilcox Bros.' store will appear elsewhere in these columns.

## C. H. STAMP.

Why expend money for a poor grade of foot wear when it is possible to get a good quality for the same price. Ladies and gentlemen in need of neat, well fitting foot wear should call on C. H. Stamp at his

## BOOT AND SHOE STORE.

The first door south of Streit's drug store, Mr. Stamp is a dealer of four years' experience and understands selecting the very best quality of goods made. It is a well known fact that boots and shoes purchased at this store



M. C. HARRINGTON.

wear longer and give better satisfaction than those obtained anywhere else in the city. Here may be found represented all the latest styles in the market to day, and the articles sold are warranted to give satisfaction or the money will be refunded. We noticed in the selection shoes from the size required to fit the infant's foot, down to the comfortable, roomy kind such as grandmother takes so much comfort in; and in men's foot coverings there was all kinds, from the dainty patent leather required by the young man of fashion, down to the heavier, more substantial ones required by him who must follow the plow. Mr. Stamp wishes it distinctly understood that although his goods are of superior quality, he will not be undersold by those handling cheaper grades.

Twenty-nine years ago C. H. Stamp came to this city where he at once secured employment in the Union Pacific machine shops, and there for a quarter of a century he was found at his post of duty every day in the year—Sundays and holidays excepted. This faithfulness won for him the highest esteem of the company for whom he labored, and caused them to regard him as their most trusted standby. In 1893, however, he determined to turn his attention to something for himself and accordingly opened up a boot and shoe store. Mr. Stamp is ticket seller for the opera house and treasurer for the same. It is with pleasure we bring before the public a reputable boot and shoe house

such as the one conducted by C. H. Stamp.

## DECATUR & BEEGLE.

The store of Deatur and Beegle established here last May, recognized by many as the leading boot and shoe store of the city, is presided over by George M. Graham. Mr. Graham's experience in the boot and shoe business covers a period of twelve years, and the people in and around North Platte will know that when he recommends an article it is just as good as the markets afford and they know if by some chance it is not as represented or refunding the purchase price. When making a sale, he always states that, if the article rips it will be repaired free of charge.

Deatur and Beegle also have a shoe store at Grand Island about the same size as the one here—which fills a room 22x70—and can, by ordering as extensively as necessary for both places, give their patrons the benefit of reduction in wholesale prices gained thereby.

Mr. Graham is one of the public-spirited men who by every means in his power has during his residence here contributed liberally toward the advancement of city and community.

Ever since the time when Cleopatra, the voluptuous queen of Egypt placed upon her bare arms the most gorgeous jewels of the world, down to the present day when the sweet-faced mistress of the white house—Mrs. McKinley—adorns herself with the simple gold pendant or the unassuming ring, jewelry has always been a present most desirable in feminine minds. As a gift to sweetheart, wife, mother or daughter what would prove more agreeable or acceptable than some token of jewelry selected from the large and varied stock to be found in the establishment owned by

## C. S. CLINTON, THE JEWELER.

The stock is one of the largest in the county and consists of watches and clocks of the very best manufacture; rings, watch chains and charms of every description; silver fads of all kinds and silver plated table ware of the latest designs—in fact everything usually found in a first class jewelry store. The display in his windows always attracts attention from both old and young. Mr. Clinton is a skilled and competent workman, and all the articles left for repair at his hands will receive prompt attention. He has the only engraving machine in the county and does beautiful work of this kind. That he is considered proficient in watch mechanism is evidenced by the fact of his being the licensed watch examiner for the Union Pacific railway company.

They say "It's an ill wind that blows no one good," a statement we are more than half inclined to believe since our visit to the

## OPTICAL DEPARTMENT.

Of Mr. Clinton's store. For, although the wind be ill that causes our eye sight to fail, it is followed by good in the opportunity for relief afforded by Mr. Clinton, who is a graduate of the Chicago Ophthalmic college, that all work guaranteed is a fact eminently in his favor, since none but those most thoroughly competent dare perform work on a guarantee.

Integrity, honesty and ability has won C. S. Clinton the plaudits of the people of this section and we see in him a rising young man with a promising future.

## NORTH PLATTE FLOURING MILL.

This manufacturing enterprise of great importance to the city and surrounding country. This is one of the largest and best equipped flouring mills in western Nebraska and was established here at a cost of \$15,000. It is of the full roller process, having six sets of rolls, and a capacity of grinding 125 barrels of flour per day. The favorite brands of the mill's output are the "North Platte Best" and "Gold Cream." Much of the flour manufactured here is shipped to eastern states, and even across the water. During the fifteen years Mr. Iddings has been in this city besides operating the flouring mill he has bought

## GRAIN.

having received more than his share of the great product marketed in this city. His elevator is one of the largest along the Union Pacific road, having a capacity for storing 40,000 bushels of grain and is equipped with all the latest and most improved machinery. This firm alone pay out from \$10,000 to \$15,000 per month for stock and grain, and by keeping careful watch on the market quotations are able to give the farmers the very highest prices consistent with a conservative grain and stock buying business.

## COAL.

Mr. Iddings is also the "coal king" of the city and he annually sells large quantities of both hard and soft coal all over Lincoln county for he purchases in large quantities and gets liberal discounts and can therefore furnish fuel very cheap.

## LUMBER.

Added to Mr. Iddings other business enterprises is a large and well stocked lumber yard, where the best of bargains in all kinds of lumber are obtainable.

A fine home and a well improved farm are among the possessions on which Mr. Iddings pays taxes.

He is a gentleman who always has the best interests of the community at heart, and may always be found on the side of right and morality.

## O. E. HUGHES.

Every town, great or small, must have its accommodations for satisfying the "inner man," and we now take pleasure in calling attention to the restaurant and bakery owned by the gentleman whose name heads this sketch.

As in making up a program the best feature is usually reserved until the last, so in this issue the business of Mr.

Hughes must not be considered neglected because it appears in the latter part of the write up. The cafe conducted by Mr. Hughes is known as the Vienna restaurant and bakery and short order house, and is kept open day and night. The room is elegantly equipped with marble top tables and all other necessary conveniences. The meals and lunches obtained at Hughes' are praised for their excellence, and the basket lunches prepared by him are especially fine. As Mr. Hughes was for eight years an employee of the Union Pacific railroad company, he is very popular with all who are engaged in operating its lines. The bakery of which Mr. Hughes is proprietor turns out fine bread, cakes and pastry.

Mr. Hughes is a very liberal man and one always found willing to assist the public welfare by every means in power.

## R. D. THOMSON.

We have a great respect for one who was a pioneer, and deem it always a pleasant task to give a description of such in our special edition. Mr. Thomson was born in Jefferson county, Wisconsin, and has been a settler of Nebraska since 1867. His first occupation after arriving was that of architect and builder, but he is now associated with Mr. Swarthout under the firm name of

## THOMSON & SWARTHOUT.

and their exclusive grocery store on the corner of 6th and Vine streets is recipient of a large patronage. Their line is complete and their stock always fresh.

Mr. Thomson is now president of the city council and chairman of the county commissioners, both of which official positions attest the esteem in which he is held by fellow townsmen.

## FRANKLIN PEALE.

The broad fields that now surround North Platte were unutilized tracts of wild land with deer and buffalo herds wandering over their unlimited expanse, when, in 1868, Franklin Peale came to assist in the paint decorating department of the Union Pacific machine shops at North Platte, in which occupation he continued twelve years. He is now the proprietor of a store 22x180 feet in which he keeps for sale a large stock of

## PAINTS, OILS AND WALL PAPER.

In this he is assisted by his son R. R. Peale, a young man of excellent habits.

Adjoining North Platte on the north lies a 190 acre tract of land belonging to Mr. Peale. Immediately to the west of this is situated the famous Scout's Rest ranch belonging to Col. W. E. Cody, "Buffalo Bill." Along the north-river boundary the Platte river winds its sinuous length, and on the east the acres are owned by Isaac Dillon. This land is in an excellent location to be platted in town lots or in from one to five acre tracts. The land lying near it that is held at \$120 per acre is no more valuable than this piece owned by Mr. Peale. This is certainly a bargain for the man who is whole or a half interest in the ownership. Further particulars in regard to the sale of the entire tract or a half interest in the same will be furnished by Mr. Peale, who will cheerfully furnish all required information. His reputation for veracity is of the best, and any statement made by him may be regarded as reliable.

## FRED MARTI.

This gentleman was born in Omaha, Nebraska and came here in 1882, when he began learning the baker's trade. The bakery and confectionery store that Mr. Marti now owns and operates is the largest establishment of the kind in North Platte. He has a room 25x75 feet in size and has it well filled with groceries, canned goods, fruits, smoking and chewing tobacco and has the largest and best selected stock of cigars in the city. The stock throughout is all new and fresh and the store is kept in a neat and clean condition. Temperance drinks of all kinds are also handled and a fine ice cream parlor is also operated in connection and fresh oysters are handled in season.

## BAKERY.

Mr. Marti also has a fine bakery which he conducts in connection with the restaurant, and he bakes 500 loaves of bread daily, besides pies, cakes and all kinds of pastry stuff. The output finds a ready home sale, and all orders from neighboring towns will be promptly filled. Mr. Marti has established a first class restaurant and bakery and is worthy the hearty patronage of the entire community. He has a host of friends in Lincoln county, all of whom desire to see him prosper in his new business venture.

## J. F. BRAZELTON.

Born in Nebraska, and educated at Grand Island, Mr. Brazelton is therefore entitled to be called a home production. His first commercial relations were those of a clerkship in Grand Island; but four years ago he came to this city and purchasing the stock formerly the property of C. L. Williams continued to conduct this popular

## CONFECTIONERY STORE AND NEWS STAND.

The room is a well appointed one, 23x60 feet in size and contains a fine assortment of fruits, candies, temperance drinks, cigars and tobacco, beside a well supplied news stand at which may be found all the leading periodicals and the Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and Denver dailies. Subscription for any of the papers or magazines handled will receive prompt attention.

Although a very youthful business man, Mr. Brazelton is no less industrious and prosperous, and is certainly deserving the large share of patronage received.

A cafe and short order house that receives much of the railway trade and is also very popular with home people is that known as the