Nebraska Advertiser.

J. S. CHURCH, Editor.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 12, 1869.

Senator Tipton and family left this city last Monday for San Francisco.

The *Herald* says that stone coal will be sold in Omaha next winter at $10 per ton.

This office is truly indebted to Mrs. T. N. Sanders for one of the most tastefully arranged bouquets of the season.

Hon. G. R. Shook was in town this week. He says that a heavy rain fell in the South part of Nemaha county on last Monday evening.

John Quincy Adams is out in favor of Jno. T. Hoffman for the next President, and himself for the next Democratic Governor of Massachusetts.

The *Tribune* says that many of the farmers in the vicinity of Fremont are clubbing together for the purpose of shipping their own grain to Chicago.

Mr. C. Woodley of Tecumseh, Johnson county, was in our office this week. He is one of the active members of the Agricultural Society of Johnson county.

The Trunk Railroad men have been in consultation in Nebraska City, and the *Chronicle* informs us that they have concluded to go to work now. Good; there is work to do.

Late dispatches informs us that the Hon. Nathan Blakely, of Beatrice, has been appointed Receiver of the U. S. Land Office at that place, vice J. L. Carson resigned. Good for Uncle Sam and friend Blakely as well.

The new town of Craig, on the St. Joe & C. B. Railroad was first laid out about a year ago, since which time a very important village has been built up, and by a vote of its citizens recently taken, it is now an incorporated town.

J. E. Lamaster, U. S. Revenue Collector, residing at Nebraska City, gave us a call last week. He speaks very encouragingly of the future prospects of Nebraska, and of the great improvements now in progress in various portions of the State.

Andy Johnson and Emerson Etheridge are the two copperhead candidates for U. S. Senator in Tennessee. The probabilities are that Andy will not live to enjoy such honor long, should they be conferred. He is suffering from the effects of a cancer.

A. R. McCandless, living near Omaha, bought a farm near Aspinwall in this county, and is now engaged in erecting thereon a large frame dwelling house. He has the appearance of a thorough going man, and will be a valuable acquisition to that part of our county.

Wm. H. Miller of the *Press*, Nebraska City, was in the office yesterday. Mr. Miller is one of the pioneers of the press in Nebraska, and at one time was the proprietor of the *Advertiser* office. He is down on a short visit to his parents living three miles west of Brownville.

The latest telegrams say that the immense amount of whisky burnt recently in Philadelphia, the account of which is given in this issue, has proven to be nothing but water. The insurance companies will investigate the matter thoroughly before paying over the insurance money, for which the building was supposed to be set on fire by interested parties.

We learn that the vote on last Saturday resulted in favor of subscribing $500,000 to the capital stock of the road from Quincy to Brownville, the majority being 1,773 votes. The M. & M. R. A. L., and the Q. M. & P. roads will unite their interests this side the North Missouri; and the word is that the road will undoubtedly be completed to Brownville next year.

The Eclipsed Sun was observed but five minutes on last Saturday. At 4:15 the sun reached a clear sky. At this time it was about three-fourths darkened. When first seen it was in the shape of a new moon. The moon covered the lower three-fourths. In fifteen minutes more it appeared as though the sun had set half an hour. Soon after it became light. The cloudy weather was quite a disappointment to the people of Brownville.

The *North Western Journal of Commerce* is a new paper published at Omaha, devoted to everything except Politics and Religion. In No. 4 (its last) we find a very severe personal attack upon the Proprietor and Editor of the Omaha, *Republican*. Whether this is an indication of its political tendencies or not we are unable to determine, but surmise it is from the fact that it glories over the defeat of the Republican ticket in Omaha last spring.

We had hoped this week to give our readers some definite information as to the commencement of work on the road west from Brownville. It now seems that the capitalists who were expected to take hold of the matter are now stumbling over the report of Chief Engineer Moulton of the North Missouri and Trunk Railroads. The said engineer passed up along the west bank of the Missouri River last winter on horseback, and from observations then taken reports the survey of the Trunk railroad, and adds that the only arable lands in Nebraska are within fifty miles of the river, and consequently the State lands which are all west of this line, are comparatively worthless, being within that bug bear of years ago known as the Great American Desert.

The capitalists aforesaid will first send a man to inspect the State lands before they proceed further. We hope he will come without delay, as the more they see of our country the more anxious they will be to invest their means in Nebraska.

During the last Presidential canvas the Democracy resolved and re-resolvived, that there should be more economy practiced in the expenditure of the public funds. And by economy we supposed, and the country supposed, that they did not mean to use the word in any legitimate sense, but as a modernized Democratic figure of speech, so as to include the doings of the Common Council of the City of New York, Nebraska City, and the last Democratic Administration under Floyd, Davis & Co., as proper examples in explanation of the resolutions so pompously adopted.

As a further illustration of the meaning of this word in the Democratic vocabulary, we refer our readers to the recent developments of the action of the Democratic Council of Nebraska City of about that period of time when Democratic conventions were so prolific in resolutions of this character. It is now ascertained that the people of Nebraska City, not liking the route of Midland Pacific voted authorizing the Mayor to issue $25,000 in City Bonds, and donated them to said company on condition that they adopt another route in lieu of the one decided upon.

The arrangement was made, but instead of the $25,000 voted, it is now found that $36,500 were issued—the excess being consumed in paying attorney fees, commission to city officers, and such like Democratic delinquencies.

The matter coming to light, much ado is now made over the matter by leading Democrats of that place; not that they condemn the over-issue, for many of them say they knew it months ago, but *Spartan* like they depricate the notoriety which the case is bound to assume. Stealing with them is not a crime, unless it be found out. Not the act itself, but its discoverable qualities, calls for punishment.

BROWNVILLE, August 10, 1869.

Editor Nebraska Advertiser:

DEAR FRIEND—Permit me to say to the readers of your most excellent paper, and the public generally, that the Blue River Association of United Baptists of the State of Nebraska, will meet with the Mt. Zion United Baptist Church of Nemaha County, on Friday before the third Lord's day in September, 1869.

This will be the first annual meeting of the Association since its organization in August 1868. We hope the Ministers of the Missionary Baptist and the brethren will meet with us, and with us labor for the upbuilding of our Master's Kingdom. Come and help us.

The Introductory Sermon will be preached by Elder P. Bolinger, of Pawnee County, Nebraska.

A general attendance is solicited. We have a whole hearted people, and ample arrangements will be made for the accommodation of all who may come.

IRA MOORE, Pastor.

[Nebraska papers please copy.

In a hurried visit to Peru this week, we noted many valuable improvements on the way.

Dr. Mathews has opened a large farm about two miles this side of Honey creek, the fencing in of which has changed the road for four or five miles to Peru.

Mr. W. W. Smith has built a large house on his farm which corners on Dr. Mathew's farm.

We noticed three other new buildings on the road but did not learn to whom they belonged.

Many new houses have been built in Peru since last January. The Normal School building has been materially changed. The roof has been raised and a cupola and bell has been added, and the grounds fenced.

We were pleased to note these improvements as evidences of the prosperity of the town and its citizens.

Peru is backed by one of the finest, richest and best settled portions of our county, and when the Trank Road is completed to this point it will infuse new life and quicker blood into the arteries of its growing commerce.

On our return home by the way of London, the most prominent features noticable was the big cornfields of heavy lop-eared corn; many large ricks of wheat and oats, and some few fields of grain in the shock; and last, though not least, the large new dwelling of Mr. Winter's, near London. This, when completed, will make one of the best dwelling houses in the county; it is already inclosed.

Although our object in going to Peru was to attend the Funeral of a departed friend, we return to our sanctum much refreshed and exhilerated by the few friendly greetings from our hospitable farmers and the friends at Peru.

The Tecumseh *Gazette* favors an extra Session of the Legislature; it also reports the following offices installed in Tecumseh Lodge of I. O. of G. T.:

H. P. Bickford, W. C. T.; Julia Rhodes, W. V. T.; B. F. Perkins, P. W. C. T.; S. S. Eanlove, Sec'y; F. R. Bivens, F. Sec'y; Mary Paddock, Treas.; W. M. Buck, I. G.; Mary Lawrence, O. G.; B. Snodgrass, R. H. S.; Celia Wadsworth, L. H. S.; Angie McKee, Sec'y; Louisa Lawrence, M.; A. Folden, W. C.

We take the following items from the Falls City *Journal*:

We were favored with a call on Monday by Prof. J. M. McKenzie, of the State Normal School at Peru, and Rev. Burge, of Nemaha City.

The bridge across the Muddy at Ewing's ford has been completed and is ready for use.

Judge Mason, at the solicitation of the members of the bar of this county, has adjourned the Fall Term of Court from the first Monday in September to the first Tuesday in November.

Judge Reavis started for Arizona last Monday, to enter upon his duties as U. S. Associate Justice. He leaves his family here, and will probably return some time during the winter on a visit.

The following is the amount of lands entered at the Beatrice land office for the month of July, 1869:

Cash entries, 7,762 acres; homested, 6,200 acres; land warrants, 5,729 acres; final homestead, 1,160 acres; pre emption, 3,209 acres, making a total of 23,062 acres for the dullest business month of the year.

Written for the Advertiser.

SPIRITUALISM.

A Discourse Upon the Subject of Ancient and Modern Spiritualism.

The discourse delivered upon the above mentioned subject, at the Presbyterian Church, on last Sunday morning, by the Rev. Mr. Baird, was not only remarkable because of the ability which characterized it, but also remarkable because of its adaptability to the times.

It is not the present plan to report the above mentioned discourse, but briefly to allude thereto with the addition of a few thoughts concerning the belief in Modern Spiritualism, and the result that such a belief must necessarily have upon the mind.

The discussion was, in the first place, a resume of the extensive literature—both sacred and proper—concerning the question, from the earliest down. The manifestations and phenomena of ancient spiritualism were most clearly shown to be identical with the spiritualism of to-day.

The effects and consequences resulting from a belief therein were clearly and unmistakably set forth, and the dangerous tendencies of such a belief were very forcibly illustrated.

If facts and reasons were sufficient to convict a man of error, and convince him of truth, there could be but little, if anything, added to the discourse alluded to. But men are not convinced of the fallacy of their theories by the lights and truths of reason, unless, indeed, they are ready and willing to renounce them, should they fail to stand the test; because, as Dr. Johnson remarked, "Men willingly believe what they wish to be true."

It does not suit the purpose of the believer in spiritualism to renounce his faith therein. He imagines he sees in this direction the method by which he can altogether avoid human accountability to a Supreme Ruler.

His reasons for escaping such an accountability being of the utmost consequences to himself, he eagerly grasps whatever comes within his reach, though it be nothing more than the straw of spiritualism.

Then, the most trivial statements are magnified into the most remarkable coincidents and revelations.

When the spirit of a certain deceased person announces, through the medium, that in the worldly estate of said deceased person, there had been appointed two administrators, the circle is electrified with the astounding relation and remarkable coincident; for, that two administrators had been appointed is a notorious fact, and is, moreover, a matter of public record. When a medium, by the aid of darkness, can execute these tricks of legerdemain, which a more accomplished trickster can perform in the light without detection, it is altogether astonishing and convincing.

It is, no doubt, true enough that there are manifestations and phenomena connected with spiritualism which may not be explained or accounted for, but such inexplicable manifestations are not, necessarily, proofs of the truth of the doctrine; no more than the fact, that because we cannot comprehend space, there is no such thing.

I cannot comprehend the thought that matter always existed, therefore it was created. I cannot comprehend the thought that matter was created out of nothing, therefore it always existed. Here one proposition seems as impossible to human understanding as the other, yet one must be true, otherwise the universe is a myth, and man has no physical existence; and such a doctrine as this is not worthy of a moments serious consideration.

Therefore how absurd to give credence to a doctrine because of the incomprehensibility of some phenomena—especially absurd, when we remember with what profanity the manifestations are characterized, and when we take into account the questionable motives by which some are said to be governed who patronize the circle.

What, indeed, could be more repulsive to the purest and noblest sympathies and sentiments of the heart, than the thought that the spirits of departed friends were subject to the calls of mediums, and at whose command they discoursed the most absurd and ludicrous twaddle.

Were I to believe that the spirits of the beloved dead, being free to communicate with us in this life, instead of watching over our welfare, and causing their gentle and healing presence to be felt within my own stricken heart, should be subject, alone, to the class of spiritual mediums, then the most bitter hour of existence would be the hour of such a belief.

The terrible anguish with which the heart is convulsed at the final parting upon earth—the last embrace; the whispered farewell; the fading vision; the death shudder—and what we prized beyond all other earthly gifts is gone, forever gone, would be insupportable had we not the cheering and sustaining consolation that the spirit has gone to a brighter and happier world beyond, where sorrow is unknown and joy and gladness ever reign.

Oh, blind devotee! to avoid one responsibility wouldst thou create many! Is it the blind leading the blind? or the blind leading those who have eyes but see not? A. L. R.

For the benefit of those purposing to attend the Nebraska State Teachers' Association, appointed at Omaha on the 24th inst., we publish the following:

OMAHA, August 5, 1869.

JUDGE HEWETT—*Dear Sir:* As requested, I send you the result of our application for reduction of fare on the Railroads in favor of attendants at the State Teachers' Association.

The St. Joe. & Council Bluffs Road will charge coming, and return free.

The U. P. R. Road will charge coming, and one-fifth fare returning, to such as present certificates of attendance as members.

Arrangements for entertainment of friends attending from a distance will receive due attention.

Respectfully,

L. A. WALKER.

Union of the Q. M. & P. and M. & M. A. L. Railroads.

The Canthn (Mo.) *Gazette*, in an article devoted to the Railroad question propose a union of the Quincy, Missouri & Pacific and Mississippi & Missouri River Air-Line interests are as follows.

Owing to the adoption of the lower, or most "feasible and practicable route" by the Q. M. & P. Road, it will not in any way, interfere with the M. & M. R. A. L. until both roads cross the North Missouri Rroad, from thence to the Missouri river, the lines are so close to each other, that two roads running in parallel in such close proximity will be found unnecessary and almost superfluous. We would therefore suggest that when both roads are completed to the North Missouri Road, that the two roads unite upon one route to the Missouri river, thus saving millions of dollars, and accomplishing every object and subserving every purpose that both lines could do. We commend a consideration of this plan to our Quincy friends, knowing positively as we do that where now, they seem to be expecting millions of dollars for the Q. M. & P. Road they will only receive a few hundred thousand.

PAWNEE CITY, August 7, 1869.

The Nebraska State Meeting of the Christian Church, for 1869, will be held in Nebraska City, beginning Tuesday, September 14th. Opening address at 8 o'clock P. M. Arrangements had been made to commence on the 7th, but learning that the State Meeting of the deciples of Christ in the State of Missouri will convene at that time, and knowing that many brethren desire to attend both meetings, we put our meeting on the 14th instead of the 7th, as before appointed.

Many able speakers will be present from other States, and deliver addresses during the meeting.

Ample provisions will be made for the entertainment of strangers, who, on arriving in the city, will please report at the office of B. M. Davenport, 123 Main street, up stairs, where a committee will be found to provide for them during the meeting.

We hope that all the congregations of the Christian Church in the State will be represented, and report to the Meeting:

1st. Number of members.

2d. Officers—Elders and Deacons; their names.

3d. How often they have preaching, and who preaches for them.

4th. Their prayer meetings, social meeting, etc.

5th. Sunday School, number of scholars, teachers, name of superintendent, papers circulated in the school, general plan of managing the school.

6th. The general wants of the church.

If any church cannot be represented at the meeting, let them report by letter to B. M. Davenport, Nebraska City, in the above particulars. If written reports are sent in, they should be in by the 7th of September, so as to give time for a Secretary's report.

We hope for a full attendance and a glorious meeting.

R. C. BARROW,
D. R. DUNGAN.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Singman and Chay Chew, our Chinese visitors, were entertained with a private banquet at the Sherman House last evening, which was attended by our leading citizens. G. M. Richards, President of the Board of Trade presided, and speeches were made by Mr. Richards, Alderman Wicker, Hon. N. B. Judd, S. S. Gould of San Francisco, J. Medill of the *Tribune*, and Chay Chew. The speech of the latter was a gem, as follows:

Eleven years ago I came from my home in China to seek my fortune in your great republic. I landed on the golden shores of California utterly ignorant of your language, utterly unknown to any of your people, a stranger to any of your customs and laws, and in the minds of some an intruder—one of that race whose presence was deemed a positive injury to the public prosperity; but, gentlemen, I found both kindness and justice! I found that above the prejudice which had been formed against us there flowed a deep broad stream of popular equality, that the hand of friendship was extended to the people of all nations and even Chinamen might live and be happy, successful and respected in free america. [Applause] I gathered knowledge in home and public schools I learned to speak as you do, to read as you do, to act and think as you do. And, gentlemen I rejoice that it is so, that I have been able to cross the vast continent without an interpreter, [applause] that here in the heart of the United States I can speak to you in your own familiar speech, and tell you how much how very much I appreciate your hospitality, [applause] how gratified I feel for the privileges and advantages I have enjoyed in your glorious country, and how earnestly I hope that your example of enterprise, energy, vitality and national generosity may be seen and understood as I see and understand it by our government. [Applause.] Mr Burlingame had done much to promote a good feeling in China towards the American nation, made himself acquainted with the authorities at Pekin, and he won their confidence to a remarkable degree. He is an excellent man, and I believe if his advice is taken and acted on, China will soon be a cordial friend of all the commercial powers of the earth. Already we are doing something in the way of progress and modern improvements—steamboat lines have been established on our rivers, and now we want the railroad and telegraph, This wonderful sovereignty of the Western Hemisphere; where the people rule, and where there is ever proclaiming peace and good will to all who has taken the lead, and China now must away the dust of her antiquity, and looking across the Pacific, behold and profit by the new lessons of the New World. [Applause] We trust our visit, gentlemen, may be productive of good results to all of us, that the two great countries of the East and West—China and America—may be found forever together in friendship, and Chinamen in America may find a like protection and like consideration in search for happiness and wealth.

We take the following items from the Beatrice *Clarion*:

Mr. Artemus Baker is building a considerable two-story aedition to one of his tenements.

The second floor of Reynolds', Griggs' & Webb's new brick block is being fitted up and handsomely furnished for a court room.

The stone work on Judge McDowell's bank building is completed, and the wood-work and finishing up will be pressed forward.

CAMP MEETING.—There will be, Providence permitting, a Union camp meeting of the following stations and circuits, to-wit: Nebraka City station, Peru station, Peru circuit, London circuit and Brownville station, held on the old camp ground four miles south-west from Peru, to begin on the 19th of this month. Friends from the adjoining works, both Nebraska and Iowa, are invited to attend. There is a good shed and abundance of water. The committee will meet on Tuesday morning the 17th at 9 o'clock, to arrange and seat the ground.

T. B. LEMON, P. E.
Nebraska City Dist. M. E. Church,

The *News* of August 6th contains the following local items:

The Superintendent of Public Schools for the State of Nebraska is in the city.

NEBRASKA APPLES.—At Reeds drug store may be seen a cluster of three apples, raised on the Morton farm, which for diliciousness of flavor, size and beauty cannot be beat in any State in the Union.

One hundred and fifty young beef cattle passed down Main street yesterday morning bound for Chicago. They are owned by our rural friend Joe. Shelenbarget.

We learn from Mr. Albright, who visited the Mason farm last week that his Honor has one of the finest vineyards in the country. The Alderman informs us that thirty-two grapes will make a pound. This is no fish story.

The citizens of the county will be called upon at the next general election, to vote for or against a tax of $20,000 to put good and durable bridges in different parts of the county.

We understand that Capt. Labon received the contract for carrying the U. S. mails to and from the depot on the opposite side of the river. He receives $1,000 per annum.

Armstrong raises successfully in his orchard an apple called the "Carolina Red." The tree is heardy and a great bearer. We have seen no fruit in Nebraska to excel it, for summer use. It is now ripe and almost out of season. This item is for the benefit of new beginners of orchards.

The Eclipse at Springfield Ill.

CHICAGO, August 8.—The eclipse at Springfield Illinois, was a startling and sublime phenomena. The sky was perfectly clear, not a cloud visible.

Professer Pierce, of Harvard, had charge of the observations, which were made near the city resorvoir. A hundred photographs were taken of the eclipse by Mr. Black, of Boston. When the total obscursion took place, the heavens and earth presented a scene of awful sublimity.

A brilliant amber colored corona appeared around the sun and moon, shooting rays of light outward in all directons, when the whole horizon was illuminated with a light of the same color. The planets Mercury and Venus and a number of fixed stars were distinctly visible, but no planets between Mercury and the sun were discovered.

A brilliant rose colored flame or protuberance was noticed in the western limb of the sun during the period of total obscuration. The phenomenon known as "Bailey's Beads" was also distinctly witnessed. The phenomenon, Prof. Pierce thinks is occasioned by the refraction of light. He is also satisfied that the corona, or halo, at the time of the total abscuration was occasioned by the sun's atmosphere. Prof. Chas. Schott, of the Coast Survey had charge of the general arrangements, and, with a powerful telescope observed particularly the form of the protuberances, and made special observations, in connection of the photographer. W. P. Montague, a graduate of the Harvard College this year, was detailed to note the time by the chronometer, and during the entire eclipse, from its commencement until its final close, never for a moment allowed his eye to wander from the dial plate—thus not losing sight the eclipse in any of its phases.

During the total obscuration of the sun a silence like death rested over the city; birds flew to their nests; fowls to their roosts, and chickens to their friendly wings of shelter. A drove of cows feeding near the reservoir with heads and tails erect and with a startled and frightened look started for the city and did not cease running until Old Sol once more shone forth. Many other incidents, some laughable and some grave, transpired during the eclipse. Dogs were seen to gaze in wonder at the terrible appearance of the sky and remain during the total obscuration in an attitude of alarm and wonderment, but just at the moment of the first ray of the sun appeared again expressed the joy they felt in a way dogs only can. The observations made by the scientific gentlemen have been all that could be desired. The photographs taken by Mr. Black have never been equaled in perfectness of execution.

Iron for the Denver Pacific Railroad Released from Attachment.

OMAHA, Aug. 9.—The attachment suit of Davis and associates against the contractors of the Union Pacific Railroad, has been dissolved by Judge Lake. The Iron attached by the Sheriff is ordered released. It is intended for the Denver Pacific Railroad.

MADRID, Aug. 4.—It is stated positively that Spain has refused to part with Cuba, on any terms, to the United States.

The Des Moins Valley Railroad is completed to its junction with the Chicago, and North-western, 25 miles west of Montana. This important Iowa road will probably reach the City of Fort Dodge during the month of September.

Mr Putman of Lincoln called on us last evening. He speaks in flattering terms of the prospects of that locality and the abundance of crops. He is making arrangements to start a grain depot at Lincoln and giving the farmers an opportunity of a market at home. It is truly encouraging to see such men taking hold and working to the interest of the farmer. We wish them abundant success and a good margin in their undertaking.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The President during his recent visit here, stated that it was his intention to make changes in all offices where the present incumbents had been in eight years or more, no matter how capable the incumbents may be, and especially would the preferences be given to those who suffered during the war, as successors to those to be removed.

LONDON, August 7.—The British government have refuse to grant an exequatur to James Haggarty, appointed Consul of the United States at Glasgow. The government base their refusal on the ground that Haggarty was connected with the fenian movement.

LEAVENWORTH, Aug. 7.—Thieves entered St. Pauls church, (Episcopal) corner of Senca and Seventh streets, last night and stole the silver communion service, the vestments of the church, a large bible and other articles about the alter.

MONTPELIER, August 10.—The Vermont Council of Censors voted to-day to recommend the Constitutional Convention, to convene in February next, the incorporation in the State constitution of the article permitting women to vote.

It is understood that the Empress Eugenie is coming to this country the Navy Department will be advised by the commanding officer of the U. S. Squadron in Europe in time to make preperations for her reception. The French Fleet to convey the Empress across the Atlantic, will in that event probably be escorted by Rear Admiral Radford in his flag ship Franklin.

WILMINGTON, Aug. 6.—Eagles, (colored), was elected to the Legislature yesterday by 400 majority.

SARATOGA, Aug. 6.—A proposition introduced in the national Dental Assocciations yesterday in favor of admitting women to full membership in subordinate Associations and that in consultations the consideration of sex should be avoided and only ability and moral character be the standard, was tabled.

BOSTON, Aug. 9.—Chas L. Little, founder and senior partner of the firm of Little Brown & Co., well known law publishers, died this morning, in his 71st year.

Marrying women for their beauty is like eating a bird for its sweet singing.

OBITUARY.

WILLIAM REED died at his residence in Glen Rock Precinct, Nemaha County, on the 8th inst., and on Monday his funeral, which was conducted by the Masonic Order, of which he was a member, was attended by a large concourse of relatives and friends.

Mr. Reed came to this Territory in 1856 from the State of Indiana. Shortly afterwards, having married a daughter of Aquarla Dood, he settled on a farm in Glen Rock Precinct, where he continued to reside until the time of his death. From the time of his settlement in our county he took an active and prominent part in all public matters and was always liberal in his views and in favor of progress and improvement. In an earlier day was an Old Line Whig, but was among the first to act in the formation of the Republican party in this county, in which he took a leading position. He was often a delegate from his precinct to the County Conventions, and in 1861 he was elected to the Territorial Legislature and did good service, being placed on the Committee of Banks and Federal Relations, and in 1868 he was delegate to the State Convention and assisted in nominating the present State officers.

Mr. Reed was a prompt, energetic, thorough and somewhat excentric man, honored and respected by all his acquaintances. Coming, as he did, among the first settlers of the county, he knew by experience what were the hardships the pioneers endured, and took great interest in his latest years in every enterprise that looked towards the development of the county. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss, who have the sympathy of the whole community in their bereavement.

JOHNNY SIOUX died at the residence of Rob't Teare, in Brownville, on last Sunday of Consumption, aged about 15 years. He was an Ogallalla Sioux Indian brought to this city by Col. Furnas, and by his close attention to the day and sabbath schools and unusally good conduct and lively disposition had endeared himself to the children of Brownville and was a pet with the older people.

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NEW BUSINESS OF THE YEAR:

Number of Policies Issued	17,334
Amount Issued thereon	$53,442,235

CASH RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR:

Amount to	$13,129,531 06
Of which the interest on investments was	1,701,402 72

AMOUNT PAID FOR CLAIMS BY DEATH

Was	$1,143,689 09

INTEREST RECEIVED

Was more than $300,000 in excess of the Claims.

CASH DIVIDENDS TO POLICIES

Amounted to the large sum of	$3,265,091 17

This is more than twice as much as was paid by any other Life Company in the World, as appears by the official returns. The advantages enjoyed by the policy-holders in this Company over those in any other, could not be better exemplified.

THE SECURITY

Offered to policy-holders is manifest from the *character* no less than from the amount of the Company's Assets. These include Investments on Bond and Mortgage upon property worth in every case not less than double the amount loaned

	$21,458,357 43
Government Stocks	5,003,108 75
Real Estate	951,807 08
Cash deposited with Banks and Trust Co's	1,889,689 63

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Include no Premium Notes, as the business of the Company is conducted upon an exclusively cash basis.

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Office hours from 7 a. m. to 8 p. m. Sundays from 2 to 5 in the afternoon. 42-y

Proposals for Bridges.

CLERK'S OFFICE, NEMAHA COUNTY NEB., August 3rd, 1869.

BY ORDER of the County Commisioners of the County of Nemaha, State of Nebraska, sealed proposals for erecting entire the following Bridges, in said Nemaha County, will be received at my office, in the city of Brownville, up to 12 o'clock M., on Saturday, August 21st, to-wit:

One over Long Branch, in Section 36, Town 4 Range 12. The same to be a 40 foot span, with abutments 12 feet in hight.

One over Hughe's Branch, on the Township line between Towns 4 and 5, in Range 13. The same to be a 20 foot span, and with abutments 13 feet high.

One over Buck Creek, west of the town of Peru, at the edge of the bottom, near the range line between Ranges 14 and 15. The same to be a 20 foot span, with abutments 9 feet high.

Bridges to be erected this fall, and to be of good, sound material.

Good and sufficient bonds will be required for the completion of the work.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

JAMES M. HACKER, County Clerk. [42-3t]

Proposals for Grain.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE PLATTE, CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, OMAHA, NEB., July 20, 1869.

SEALED Bids, in duplicate, with guarante signed by two responsible parties, not bidders, will be received at this office, until 10 o'clock a. m., on Thursday, August 19, 1869, for the delivery of

Twenty thousand (20,000) bushels of Corn,
Twenty thousand (20,000) bushels of Oats,

at Omaha, Nebraska.

Delivery to commence upon the award of contract, and to be completed within thirty days thereafter.

Bids will be received for any quantity not less than three thousand bushels.

Full conditions of crontract made known on application at this office.

By order of Bv't Maj-Gen. Augur.

WM. MYERS, [40-3t.] Bv't Brig-Genl, C. Q. M.

Proposals for Subsistence Stores.

OFFICE PURCHASING AND DEPOT C. S. OMAHA, NEB., July 20, 1869.

SEALED Proposals, in depliicate, will be received by the undersigned, until 12 o'clock M., until Thursday the 19th prox., for furnishing the following subsistence stores, viz:

250 barrels of Mess Pork;
250 barrels of Flour, winter wheat, double extra;
250 barrels of Flour, spring wheat, double extra;
4,000 pounds of Rice, in barrels;
5,000 pounds of Rio Coffee, green, in double sacks;
10,000 pounds of Sugar, equal in quality to Stuart's "C," in barrels;
1,200 gallons of Whisky Vinegar, pure, of uniform quality and strength, requiring 26 grains of bicarbonate of potassa to neutralize one fluid ounce; in new full-hooped barrels with one iron hoop on each end, heads and iron hoops painted, and bungs capped with tin;
2,000 pounds of Adamantine Candles, in boxes;
4,000 pounds of Soap, German Mottled, in boxes;
4,000 pounds of Salt, clean and dry, fine grain, in barrels;
100 pounds of pure ground Black Pepper, in full weight 4 oz. papers packed in boxes containing 25 lbs. net.

The above stores to be of the best quality, and to be delivered at the U. S. Commission store-house, in Omaha, within ten days from date of award.

Samples of all articles (except meats) must accompany proposals and be referred to therein.

Proposals will be received subject to the usual conditions heretofore published.

Blank forms for proposals can be obtained at this office.

J. W. BARRIGER, [41-3t] Brt. Brig. Gen. & C. S.

SALE OF

STATE LOTS AND LANDS

AT

LINCOLN,

THE

Capitol of Nebraska,

ON

Thursday, September 23, 1869,

At Ten O'clock, A. M.

THE Undersigned Commissioners, appointed by An Act of the Legislature of the State of Nebraska, entitled An Act "To Provide for the sale of Unsold Lots and Blocks, on the Town Site of Lincoln, and for the Location and Erection of a

State University, Agricultural College, and State Lunatic Asylum,"

Approved February 15th, 1869, will on that day, offer for Sale at Auction,

TWELVE HUNDRED LOTS,

in the Town Site of Lincoln, said Lots being the odd numbered Block (the even numbered having previously been sold) of the Town, and comprising the most eligible lots in the place. The said lots will be appraised by the Commissioners and sold to the highest bidder over the appraisement.

TERMS CASH.

There will also be offered for Sale at the same time, about

30,000 Acres of State Lands,

known as Saline Lands, situated within an area of ten miles of the Capital, said lands being the most valuable farming lands of the State.

TERMS CASH.

The object in offering the above named State property at that time, is to enable the Commissioners to complete the State University, Agricultural College and Lunatic Asylum at Lincoln. The money thus raising having been built from the proceeds of the previous sale of lots. This sale of State property offers to the Farmers, Mechanics and Laborers, a chance for a cheap home at the Capital, situated in the richest Agricultural district of the State, and at the

GREAT SALT BASINS,

where Salt is being manufactured from the surface Water.

Lincoln, being the Capital of the State, and the objective point of some five different Railroads, reaching out into the interior, and tapping the Salt Deposits at this place, will soon make it the interior town of the State.

The Capital was located at Lincoln in September 1867, by an act of the Legislature, and contains sixteen hundred inhabitants, with good Hotels, Stores, Churches and Schools. The Legislature held its first Session in the New Capitol the past winter.

The Burlington & Missouri River Railroad is being rapidly pushed forward to Lincoln, and will by contract be completed early next season. This line will give direct communication with Chicago, and will be pushed out to Ft. Kearney, uniting with and becoming a branch of the Union Pacific R. R.

The Midland Pacific Rail Road has also the whole of its line under contract from Nebraska City to Lincoln, and will be according to the terms of its contract, fully equipped, and in running order by the 15th of May next. This line is one of the links by which the Pennsylvania Central R. R. will reach across the continent, completing it will in a short time its connection with Nebraska City, and from Lincoln west to the Union Pacific. Thus Lincoln will be for a time the terminal point of two great thoroughfares, and eventually occupying a central position upon two trans continental routes, shorter, by from one to two hundred miles, than any other yet contructed.

The work upon the State University, Agricultural College and Lunatic Asylum is now being rapidly pushed forward.

DAVID BUTLER, Governor,
THOS. P. KENNARD, Sec. of State,
JOHN GILLESPIE, Auditor,
Commissioners.

[30-3t]

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BRANSON & HULBERT, General Agents, 38 Washington St., Chicago. [41-3m.]

IN BANKRUPTCY.

NOTICE IN BANKRUPTCY.

THIS is to give notice that on the 21 day of August, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of Wilcoll R. Field of Salina City in the County of Lancaster and State of Nebraska, who has been adjudged bankrupt on his own petition; that the payments of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer for of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the Court House in Brownville, in said District, before E. M. Hitch, Register, on the 21st day of August, A. D. 1869, at ten o'clock a.m. of said day.

J. T. HOLLE, U. S. Marshal for said District as Messenger.
By H. L. SEWARD, Deputy U. S. Marshal. 42

LEGAL NOTICES.

LEGAL NOTICE.

Samuel Wagstaff, Plaintiff,
vs.
Richard Clair, Defendant.
In the District Court of Nemaha County, State of Nebraska.

NOTICE OF HEARING BY REFEREE.—*To the said Parties and their Attorneys:* You will take notice that by virtue of an order of reference of said Court, made on the 8th day of March, A. D