There will be a Delegate Convention held in Hastings, on Tuesday, March 30th, at 1 o'clock P. M. for the surpose of nominating two candidates as delegates to the Constitutional Convention, to be voted for at the special election on April 6th, 1875.

Counties will be entitled to the following number of delegates: Adams, 12; Webster, 10; Kearney. 5.

A. L. WIGTON. Ch'm Cen. Com. Adams Co L L HOLBROOK. Ch'm Cen. Com. Kearney Co.

ATTENTION.

The citizens of Webster County are requested to meet in Mass Convention at Red Clould, on Saturday March 20th, for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the District Convention to place in nomination two candidates for the Constitutional Convention. A large attendance is respect-J. E. SMITH.

Chairman Central Com.

Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given that on Tues day the sixth day of April, 1875, an election will be held in Webster county Nebraska, at the places hereinafter mentioned, for the purpose of electing two delegates to the Constitutional Convention; being the number apportioned to the District composed of Webster, Adams, and Kearney counties, which election shall open at 8 in the morning and close at six in the evening. The place of holding the election in each precinct will be as fol-

Red Cloud precinct-At the Court House.

Guide Rock House in District No. 1. Walnut Creek precinct-At th

School House in District No. 6. Batin precinct-At the school house in District No. 22.

Harmony precinct-At Wells Post Office.

Oak Creek precinct-At the School House in District No. 5.

sioners, this 10th day of March. A. D. J. A. TULLEYS, County Clerk.

The District Convention for the purpose of nominating two candidates for the Constitutional Convention call d to meet at Hasting on the 30th inst. Inasmuch as no one from this county could or would attend the meeting that fixed the apportionment, and time and place of holding the convention it may not be in good taste for us to offer any criticisms on the subject. But in one or two spects the thing has a bad look.

In the first place, the apportionment is anything but just. Either of the counties of Adams or Webster has four times the population of Kearney, and yet the latter county is given five delegates to Webster ten and Adams twelve. But as the aspirants from Kearney county, as we understand the matter, are well worthy of that or any other position we will waive the question of appor tionment for the present.

In the second place, the time appointed is open to a very serious objection. From the 30th of March to April 6th is altogether too short a time for a caudidate to be before the people. This has a bad look about it. It certainly would appear to an outsider that the candidates would have little or no time to give their views to go fortune-hunting as soon as the upon the various "points," and the people will have no time to discuss dians or government interference will the fitness of those asking their suf- have any terrors to the frontiersman frages. This is not, or should not be, if gold or other valuable minerals a partisan matter, nor should anyone should be found in any considerable seek to obtain a nomination through quantities. In the meantime, it the strategy usual in political conven- best not to place too much faith in the tions. A fair deal is all that is asked.

Withe the prospect of a good season ahead, in our humble opinion, the County Agricultural Society should be minister left these aboves for the Canrecusitated and put into good working order. In the first number of thi paper, issued almost two years we arged the propriety and necessity home by the next book, and it now the of an organization of the kind, and as most of our readers are aware, a society was formed, a fair held, and everything brought into good chape for the future. But the failure of crops last year virtually broke up the society, and it will be necessary to be-

gip anew. If our farmers will begin early and make the proper effort a great amount of good can be accomplished even the prorent season by the formation of a

lively, working agricultural society. We hope that that granges and all un interested will join in together and form a majety that will be a credit

THE time is rapidly approaching when our citizens will be called upon to select those who are to represent them in the Constitutional Convention which meets in May. A column might be written advising that none but the best and most able men be chosen for a position which involves so great responsibility, but this our people already know. No doubt, some of the best lawyers of the State will be members of that body, as well as intelligent men of other avocations. The tearing out of an old, and substituting therefor, a new constitution is, from the nature of things, something that should be done in the most careful manner, without undue haste, and with only the object in view of secur ing the greatest possible amount of

good from the change proposed.

The necessity of a new State Constitution is to apparent too need argument. But a great difference of opinion exists as to the best course to pursue in the matter. It is urged by some, with a show of plausibility, that the only changes needed are increased representation and a larger number of Judicial Districts, while others insist that our whole system should be wiped out root and branch, and a new start taken. We are inclined to believe in the latter plan. If there is anything good in the present constitution, anything suited to our wants as a great and growing State, that cannot be bettered by a change, adopt it, not because it a part of our present law, but upon its intrinsic merits. Let us, however, begin anew, and endeavor to take the right start. This lopping off a branch here and there may improve the quality of the fruit, but it will be the same fruit. Grafting new fruit into old branches, may do for a season, but eventually, the vigorous growth of the "graft" will be out of propor-

will be short-lived. With the experiences of the past to guide our Convention, that body need not consume a great amount of time By order of the County Commis- in preparing a constitution acceptable to the people and suitable to their necessities. The constitution rejected four years ago was a very good, and with a few changes, would, we believe,

tion to the old stock, and therefore it

Our platform is a new Constitution, not a tinkered-up concern, with our present Constitution as the basis.

In answer to the many inquires con erning the bill to equalize the soldier's bounties, we will state that it failed to become a law. The reports have been various and conflicting, but the true circumstances seem to have been something like these: The bill passed the House and was sent to the Senate, where it was amended. The House refused to concur and asked a committee of conference. The House receded from its refusal and the bill but was sent to the President without the signature of the Vice President, which informality, of course, was fatal to the bill. It is reported that the President would have vetoed the bill on account of the vast amount it would have taken to pay the claims that would come up for payment if it became a law.

The excitement resulting from the reports of rich gold deposits in the Black Hills has spread over the country, and thousands are preparing season will permit. Neither the Inreports put into circulation by parties interested in getting up a "rush."

Several years ago a hopeful young the proper civil action. nibal Island as a missioners. On asriving at the end of his former the natives weighed his and out a sliver To good against accidents in the use traveling agent of a circus.

ously ill. Attracted by a fee of boots in the room of the invalid. the visitor tried them on, when turning to the sick man with much sympathy, he remarked: "supposing the ed or secured while running.

Brief colloquy in Texas between a tourist and a native :- "My friend. thinks it necessary to carry one or two.
revolvers?" "Well, etranger," raid
the Texan, "you mought travel along
there a good long time and not want a
pistol in this country you want it bad."

which may be sustained by such person by reason of such negicet. And
no action shall be maintained, nor
shall any legal liability exist for services, rendered by or with any such
matchine, when it shall be made to appear that the first section of this act
has not been complied with.

GUIDE ROCK, why is it everybody in this country which may be sustained by such

STATE NEWS.

The State Teacher's Association, will meet at Omaha, on the 30th of present month. The railroads offer reduced rates of fare to all wish-

During a snow storm some three weeks since, a dwelling house in Seward county was struck by lightning and almost destroyed. A little girl was so severely shocked that she died the next day.

From the Fairbury Gazette we learn that a Mr. Tanner, "pitched into' Mr. Scott, editor of the Hebron Jour nal and gave him a complete tanning. The trouble grew out of some remarks made by the latter, concerning the aid

Hon. J. B. McDowell, late member of the Legislature, from Gage Co., has been appointed by the President, and confirmed by the Senate, to the position of Register of the Lincoln Land Office. This comes from being on the winning side.

From the Crete Post we learn that Doane College, located at that place has sixty-three students, and that the institution is in a presperous condition. The State penitentiary lost eight of

its boarders a week or two since, by "honorable discharge," but the spring terms of the District courts will more than make up for that trifling loss. The most prominent candidates for the Constitutional Convention from

Gage county, seem to be Messrs Colby and Murdock, both of whom are good and able men. Where's Griggs? Beatrice has got the spelling school mania, and offered a calico dress to the best lady speller, and a Webster's

school dictionary to the best gentle

man speller. The new steam flouring mill at Beatrice is completed and has begun business, to the delight of the citizens of that place.

Mr. Coleman, of the Beatrice Express has disposed of his interest in his paper to Mr. Brown. We judge from the announcement that he has secured an appointment at Washing-

Another simpleton lost his money in Omaha, at the three-card monte busi-

Gen. Ord. who for a long time past has commanded the Department of MCTARY PUBLIC, REAL ESTATE, the Platte, with headquarters at Omaha, has been transferred to another command and Gen. Crook takes his place. Probably no man in the State has done more for the State during the present crisis than Gen. Ord. and he will be followed by the blessings of thousands of our citizens.

The Lowell Register has got out another issue with the inevitable map. It is very incorrect, inasmuch as it does'nt make Red Cloud the future great railroad center of the west,

Mr. Merchant, late proprietor of the Clifton House, Lincoln, "went on a visit east" some weeks since, and some of his fellow-citizens of that village mourn his absence to the extent of various amounts long since due.

The Omaha and Lincoln papers are warning everybody against going to the Black Hills, and at the same time publish everything that will serve to incite enthusiasm in that matter.

AN ACT. Prescribing additional duties of Road

Supervisors. SEC. 1. That the Road Supervisors of each district in the several counties of this State, shall cause fire guards to be along the line of the roads in their Smith & Calvert district, whenever the same are prac ticable, by plowing on each side of the read, and on the outer edge thereof. and burning off the grass between the lines so plowed. Such plowing and burning to be done in the fall of each

Approved February 25, 1875.

AN ACT. To restrain Sheep and Swine from running at large in the State of Ne

braska. SEC. 1. That from and after the first day of March, 1875, sheep and swine shall be restrained from running at large in the State of Nebraska.

SEC. 2. That all damages to proper ty committed by such stock so running at large shall be paid by the owner of said stock, and the person whose prop erty is damaged thereby may bave a lien upon said trespassing animal for the full amount of damages and costs. and enforce and collect the same by

Suc 1 That all persons in this tate who may or may hereafter own or run any threshing machine, corn sheller, or other machine which is connected to a horse power, by means of tumbling rods or line of shafting, DRY GOODS, shall cause each and every length or section of such tumbling rod, (except the one next to the horse-power), to-

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