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It is perhaps needless to attempt anything like a general description of the soil, climate etc., of this country, they have already been dilated upon to such an extent by the correspondents of the different newspapers of the west and east; suffice to say that they are everything that can be desired by those seeking a healthy and prosperous locality. Our remarks and descriptions in this article must necessarily be of a local nature, and if we, in this article, succeed in showing up the natural advantages, to those seeking homes in the west, of the town of Cowles and the country immediately surrounding it, we shall have accomplished all that we started out to do. The town of Cowles was named for Mr. W. D. Cowles, who for years, and up to the time of his death in Omaha in 1876, was General Freight agent of the B. & M. in Nebraska. The name of Cowles is pronounced as though spelled, co-w-l-s. The town was surveyed and platted by A. B. Smith, town surveyor of the B. & M. and C. E. & Q. railroads, in the month of September, 1878. It is located on Sec. 4 Town 2 Range ten, in Webster Co. Neb., on the line of the Republican Valley Railroad, two miles by rail from Red Cloud, and eleven miles from Blue Hill on the north, and is just two miles and a half east of the geographical center of the county and composed of the south 1/2 of the north-east quarter of said section 4. The eighty acres is divided into 22 blocks three hundred feet square. Business lots twenty-five feet front and one hundred and forty feet deep. The residence lots are fifty feet front and one hundred and forty feet deep. The town site is situated on the high bottom land of Elm Creek and is as beautiful and pleasant a sight for a town as can be found, the creek is well timbered for this State and the surrounding country cannot be surpassed as an agricultural and stock raising district. Some of the best farms in the county may be found on the wide bottoms of Elm Creek, at this point. Good water is obtained at a depth of from ten to thirty feet, and while the farmers on higher or table lands have to go some depth for water, their land, for agricultural purposes, is equally as good as the bottom land.

The town site of Cowles is owned by Mr. John Poyer and the E. & M. R. R. Co., Mr. Poyer owning the largest tract. He is giving away lots to all who will erect good buildings on the same. Business lots are selling for from 20 to 50 dollars a piece.

THE B. & M. COMPANY have erected a good and substantial depot building which was opened for business the 24th of last December, they also have erected a good large station house, which is occupied by Mr. O'Brien the section boss, who is working a large force of men, at present, fixing up the track and improving the depot grounds.

THOMAS & WARD opened up a stock of general merchandise in Cowles about the 26th of last February, and shortly thereafter Mr. Thomas bought the interest of Mr. Ward and now conducts the business alone.

MR. CRANTREE erected the first building in town, it was a small frame house which he now occupies as a residence.

L. D. THOMAS erected a residence about the last of December 78, which he now occupies.

J. T. WARD erected a two story building 16x24, which is now used by Taylor Thomas as a store room.

J. S. BROWN completed his building 20x32 the first day of April of the present year. It is now occupied by T. E. Moon, who carries a large stock of general merchandise.

T. J. WARD is erecting a two story building 20x24 feet, the lower part of which will be used for a store room, while the upper story will be used as a town hall, and place for public gatherings of all kinds.

Building is now progressing rapidly, and by the coming fall the town will make a good showing. Below we give a list of the names of the business men of Cowles, together with a short notice of their respective callings.

D. T. THOMAS deals in Groceries etc., and makes a specialty of selling farm machinery, keeping a good supply on hand and sells as cheap as can be bought in the valley.

T. E. MOON formerly of Grafton, carries a large and complete stock of general merchandise, dry goods, groceries, hardware, etc., which he can and does sell as cheap as can be bought elsewhere in the Republican Valley.

Mr. Moon has purchased lots and will soon commence the erection of a neat and comfortable residence, which will be occupied by his family as soon as completed.

J. H. HILL Machinist and Blacksmith, has a shop in full blast and is prepared to do a general blacksmithing business, horseshoeing, plow work, and in fact everything else in his line done with neatness and dispatch.

G. W. BROWN from Michigan is a practical carpenter and painter and will attend to all work in his line.

JOHN N. BROWN Mason and plasterer, gives attention to this class of work, and also gives general satisfaction.

JOHN CLARK Shoemaker, has a shop in town and is doing a good business. He will erect a good building the coming fall.

R. W. WRINGER Restaurant and boarding house, Mr. Wringer will erect a business and dwelling house soon, which will give him greater facilities for carrying on his business.

L. D. THOMAS Real estate and general collection agent, will sell real estate on commission. Collections made and proceeds promptly remitted.

F. M. WARREN Is the gentlemanly station agent and post-master. Mr. Warren is also an Attorney at law.

W. M. WILLIAMS of Grafton will erect a blacksmith shop and engage in blacksmithing as soon as he can make the necessary arrangements.

H. W. CRANTREE Carpenter and builder, has located at Cowles and will dispose of all work entrusted to his care, with dispatch.

D. T. THOMAS is Notary Public and will attend to anything in that line that may be required.

MR. J. W. SMOOK of New York has purchased lots in town and will proceed to build a large store building at once. He is the pioneer, or leader of a party of fifteen or twenty families who will arrive directly after harvest and settle in the town and vicinity.

C. E. CALKINS of Pennsylvania is completing arrangements to embark in the mercantile business at Cowles. Several other parties whose names we do not recollect are making arrangements to locate there and engage in business.

NEEDS OF THE TOWN There is a number of branches of business which are as yet unrepresented in Cowles, and there is an opening for five energetic men with some capital to engage in business here and by growing up with the country, grow into a lucrative business. The crop of small grain in the country surrounding Cowles will be immense this season, and a grain elevator is much needed. There are already several parties looking over the ground with a view to engaging in the grain and stock trade at this point, and it is safe to say that by the time the present season's crop is ready to market, an elevator of sufficient capacity to handle the grain of this section, will be erected. We might write a lengthy article on the future prospect and wants of the place, but think that this would be superfluous, suffice to say that all who wish to engage in business in a thriving town and persons of ability, they cannot do better than to locate at Cowles, Webster Co., Nebraska.

We will give a partial list of the most prominent farmers in the immediate vicinity of Cowles, but as we have no means of knowing the full extent of their farming operations the present season,

we can only say that they are all successful. The only mark of the old stockade, left, is a stubby willow tree in front of Mr. Edson's house, which can be seen from the car window as you glide over the rails. This tree was one of the logs that formed the stockade, which being stood in the trench on end, took roots and lived, a monument to its departed usefulness.

JOHN WALLER is one of the old settlers, and owns his old homestead, which is now a good farm. John was for a long time an old back, but saw the error of his ways and took unto himself an helmsman and settled down to be a good citizen.

JOHN FOYER owns the next farm on the north, one half of which is laid out in town lots. John was also an old back, but is now a respected citizen.

NEISON HURD lives over in the "draw" west of town, he has been there a number of years, and while he does not "put on much style" in the way of dwelling house etc., he has a good well tilled farm which he is improving each year.

MR. STEARN owns the farm north, on the "ridge." Mr. Stearn was formerly in the clothing business, and "what he knows about farming" has been learned in the last few years. He makes a very good farmer considering the chance he has had to learn, for farming is a trade, like anything else.

WM. H. THOMAS is farming the 160 just north of town. It is one of the oldest farms on the creek, and is owned by the CHRY editor.

E. W. EDSON owns the farm north of this, and has made considerable improvements in the way of fencing, buildings etc., we believe he has also a thrifty young orchard growing. We must not forget COL. WM. CLAPP who owns the best timbered farm on the creek. The Col. has "hatched it" ever since the country was first settled (rarely, the way of the transgressor is hard) and in all human probability will continue to back it until the end of his days. He is a good hearted man and deserves a better fate.

DEACON FOX on the "bluff" is a good farmer and owns a good farm. He is prospering remarkably well for a man who does not take his county paper.

Among the number of thrifty farmers in the vicinity of Cowles, we find WM. WALLER and his father, who each own a farm near town and have, for the time they have been to work on them, made good progress. As our space is nearly taken up, we will only mention one more of the "grangers," and this one is TIMOTHY LAWLER who owns as good a farm as there is in the whole country; he also has a "timber claim" on which he has planted several acres of trees. Mr. Lawler was one of the "Pioneers." He has demonstrated the fact that Oage Orange will grow in this country, and make a fence.

We will now close our article by remarking that the farmers in the vicinity of Cowles are, on the whole, a thrifty and intelligent class of men, (as indeed they are in every part of Webster county and other portions of Nebraska, wherever we have been, and we have traveled over the state a good deal) they are men who welcome the new comer, with hospitable hearts to a comfortable home in their midst, if he will but make an effort to succeed.

There is no one day so sacred, but the laugh of a child will make it better still. O' verdant meadows, thy lyra is string with Apollo's golden hair. Blow hedges, blow until your silver notes do tinkle and fill the meadow's waves, and oh! the lovers wandering on the vine clad shores, but know your sweetest strains are discord all compared with childhood's merry laugh that fills the eyes with light, O' rippling river of laughter, show art thou the bluest boundary line between the heart and man, and every shipboard crew of these death driven seas find food of care. Longships could make signals of joy enough for the cheeks of the world to catch bold and glorify the tears of grief.—Hesperus!!

ED. KIRNEY comes first on the list, he owns 160 acres of land which he homesteaded in the spring of '71. He has a good farm under cultivation and raises a good crop each year.

L. N. EDSON owns the farm just north of Mr. Kinney's, it was also homesteaded at the same time, by Ed. Edson, who subsequently traded it to his brother, the present owner. It was on this farm that the stockade was built, in the spring of '71, in which five pioneers, among which was the present editor of the Chief, spent the summer, kept a lookout for the "red man" and hunted buffalo.

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