

The Red Cloud Chief.

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CURRENT EVENTS.

LEAP year. WRITE it 1884. POP the question. THE new year is here. GIRLS, you have a chance. READ our foreign market reports. SPANOGLE & FUNK have dissolved partnership. MAKE your application to the State Bank for farm loans. THE old bachelors now stand some chance of getting married. THE State Bank will give you the best loans on real estate. MRS. Gov. GARRER is regaining her health rapidly in Colorado. CLOSING out. Six horses and a set of harness. GET married while you can. LEAP year is only twelve months long. A YOUNG folks' concert at the Congregational Church last Sunday. WATCH meeting at the M. E. Church last Monday night was a success. WE are glad that our friends appreciate the new size of THE CHIEF. WE understand that a new grocery store will be started in this city. NEFF'S Chicago comedy company gave us two good entertainments this week. READ our county correspondence from "Betsy," "Taw," "A. T. Raveler" "W." CLOSING out, organs, sewing machines, etc., must be sold. A SEVERE change in the weather took place last Monday, and snow was the effect. CLOSING out, closing out. NOW is the time to buy your farming implements. OUR public schools took a two weeks vacation, and the little and big children put in two weeks of fun. JOHN A. LOGAN would probably carry more Republican votes than any other man in America, and Bob Lincoln next. WE've had a spell of weather in the last few days. The thermometer was two degrees below zero on New Year's morning. HON. SILAS GARBNER was in Lincoln last week. The Governor will go to Denver during the next month for a short visit. J. C. CRAIG, of Fort Wayne, Ind., a railway conductor, is visiting in Red Cloud. He is an old friend of F. R. Gump, J. P. S. DYER has bought a wagon and team, and is now fully installed as driver for the Wells, Fargo, & Co. express in Red Cloud. AFTER January 1, Messrs. Potter & Frisbie take control of the Red Cloud Mills, the firm of Frisbie & Jones having been dissolved. DONAVINS original Tennesseans held forth at the court-house Wednesday night. The house was crowded and the entertainment appreciated. THERE will be services at Grace church on next Sunday, at the usual hours. At morning services there will be a sermon preached for the Masons. NEARLY every town in Nebraska is starting or trying to start a creamery. They are a good thing and should be encouraged. Red Cloud has one of the best in the State. JOHN HAY formerly of the People's clothing store, has sold to Messrs. C. Wiener & Co., and has gone to Chicago. The store will hereafter be known as the Golden Eagle Clothing House. THIS is the time of year when the general roll is called, and every fellow has to walk up to the captain's office and pay. This is one of the important features of Red Cloud at present. IN the last few weeks a number of our farmers have lost cattle from various causes. H. C. Scott had five die recently with the dry murrain. He thinks the disease was brought on by over feeding. SKATING has been all the rage for the past two weeks. Kaley's pond is the scene of all the amusement. The ice is very hard and occasionally flies up and hits the skater on the head, and some have been able to see stars thereby. JOHN F. MOORE and W. W. Gardiner two Iowa men, have leased 1700 acres of school lands near Cowles and have started a cattle ranch. The gentlemen have the best wishes of THE CHIEF and a cordial welcome to Webster county. Success to you. THE new and handsome residence of R. D. Jones, came near being cremated on last Thursday evening, through a defect in the flue. It was discovered however in time to save the building. Happily the damage was small and our good brother is to be congratulated that the loss was no greater.

READ the continued story, entitled "Made or Marred," now being run in THE CHIEF. CLOSING out. Buggies, spring wagons, road wagons, etc., must be sold. Spanogle & Funk. Do not miss reading the advertisements of the Golden Eagle clothing store in our columns. CLOSING out. Cultivators, plows, harrows, road scrapers, etc. Call at once. Spanogle & Funk. THE firm of Kaley & Edinger will be dissolved February 1. Mr. A. Kaley will continue the business. It will pay any one to look at the reductions made by the successors of John Hay, now called the Golden Eagle. CLOSING out. We have leased our office and warehouse, and must sell our stock. Call at once and get bargains. Spanogle & Funk. ALONZO CRE raised 1000 bushels of wheat, 250 bushels of oats, 165 bushels of rye, and 2500 bushels of corn during the last year. He came to Red Cloud a few years ago a poor man but is now doing well. GEO. HOLLAND, of the Holland house Red Cloud, has purchased the large hotel in the same town, known as the Boys' Home. He is one of the most popular landlords in the state. HON. SILAS GARBNER, ex-governor of Nebraska, came in from Red Cloud, yesterday, and was welcomed to his old home by many admiring friends. The governor has regained his health and informs us that he tips the beam at 230 pounds. Good enough for an invalid. If anyone is in need of clothing, hats, caps, or furnishing goods, it will be to their advantage to call on the Golden Eagle, whose advertisements appear in our paper, and who state they have come to stay, and will see if honest treatment and low prices can build up a trade. THE annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the Congregational Church, on Wednesday, January 9, at two o'clock p. m., at which time officers will be elected for the coming year. All the ladies who feel interested in the work of this society are invited to be present at this meeting. MR. C. S. PALMER has commenced to manufacture at this place the Rotary Washing Machine, which has received so much favorable comment on our streets during the past week. Quite a number of our prominent citizens have tried them, and in every case pronounced them the best in use. It is the only machine that imitates hand work by rubbing the clothes on a wash board, and must be seen to be appreciated. A NEW CHEESE FACTORY—An effort is now being made to establish a cheese factory on the farm of Mr. Henry C. Scott, near this city. The necessary arrangements have been made and 200 cows secured. When another hundred cows are procured, the factory will be started. Mr. Chamberlin of the Inavale factory will manage it. It is calculated that it will be in working order in March. A new store is to be started in that neighborhood soon. LOST—J. L. Davis, of Smith county, Kansas, came to Red Cloud on last Wednesday to do some trading, and brought his pocket-book well laden with filthy lucre. While in a store he took the money out to pay a bill, and in returning it to his pocket he carelessly misplaced it between his coats and went out on the streets where it dropped out as supposed, and he is now out \$160 or thereabouts. He offers a liberal reward to the finder, on leaving the same at McFarland's grocery, or to him. A FEROCIOUS SWINE.—On last Tuesday, the little daughter of Mark Warner, living across the river, went out to see a litter of little pigs, not thinking that the old sow would harm her. However, when in the vicinity of her hogship, the animal started for the girl, and before she could escape, attacked her viciously, and would no doubt have killed her had it not been for timely aid. Our informant said that as it was the child had one arm crushed, her side injured, and otherwise badly used up. It was a narrow escape. By reference to our Wheatland correspondence we learn of a fearful accident which befell a young man named Eck, living near Wells. It seems that Eck and a man named Furnen were out hunting and that they had scared up a jack rabbit. Eck raised his gun and fired at the animal, and was about to fire the second barrel when he stopped for fear of shooting the dog. He then lowered his gun to the ground and threw his foot over the stock and suddenly the loaded barrel exploded, the contents entering his head under the chin, killing him instantly. It was a very distressing accident. It is supposed that he discharged the gun with his foot accidentally when he put his leg across the stock. He was buried on the 25th.

TERMS OF COURT.—In the Eighth Judicial district of Nebraska, for the year 1884. I hereby fix the time of holding the regular terms of District Court, in and for the organized counties comprising the Eighth Judicial District of Nebraska, for the year 1884, as follows: Gosper, March 4; Webster, March 25 and October 21; Franklin, April 23 and October 28; Frontier, May 13; Red Willow, May 15 and November 5; Hitchcock, May 19, and Nov. 7; Furnas, May 21, and Nov. 10; Harlan, May 26, and Nov. 13; Kearney, June 10, and Nov. 20; Phelps, June 17, and Nov. 26. WILLIAM GASLEN, Jr., Judge, ALMA, NEB., January 1, 1884. In accordance with a resolution adopted at the last annual meeting of the State Alliance a special meeting will be held at Kearney, on Wednesday and Thursday, January 16 and 17, 1884. The following gentlemen will address the meeting: Judge A. W. McKeighian, of Webster county; Hons. John Brand, of Buffalo county; R. S. Maloney, Sr., Richardson county; Allen Root, Douglas county; E. Rosewater, Douglas county. Other gentlemen of note from different states have been invited to be present. Delegates on the B. & M. railway will, by sending to J. W. Burrows, Filley, Neb., receive certificates that will entitle them to round trip tickets at regular excursion rates, viz: one and one-fourth fare. A BUSINESS CHANGE.—Messrs. C. Wiener & Co., of Chicago, have purchased the clothing house, in the State Bank block, owned by John Hay. Messrs. Wiener & Co., are experienced business men, and propose to establish a business here in Red Cloud that will be a credit to our city. They contemplate at no late date opening a large dry goods store in connection with their present business, as soon as they can procure suitable rooms. They will increase their present stock of goods, and also add a large and varied stock of boots and shoes. The new firm are wide awake business men and will make trade lively in their line of business. THE CHIEF welcomes the new firm to Red Cloud and hopes that their investment will pay them abundantly. We call the attention of our readers to their advertisement on the fourth page of to-day's CHIEF. REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS. The following are the real estate transfers for the past week: Emma C. Grusel and Frank to M. W. Hamberger wd lot 3 b 14 b h and lot 10-21 blk 8 R's add to Blue Hill. Consideration, 2225. Ed Engler and Laura to A. E. Becker wd sq 34-1-12. \$900 F W Kuger Julius Meyer and L. Schumann trustees E L church Blue Hill to L Warmuth wd lots 1-2 b 2. J W Davis and Belle Davis to Lavina Weld wd lot 15 blk 14 Blue Hill. Riley Thornburg to E C Grusk lot 10-11 blk 6 R's add Blue Hill. United States to Robert Rownd sq 6-2-11. \$4 C E Barney and Mary to Gideon N M Kinsee and Chas A Andrews e hf 35-2-10 waive hd rights. \$4000 Ira O Martin and Mattie A to D P Newcomer lot 28 b 9 Blue Hill. Lincoln Land Company to Wm Sabin lots 5-6 b 1 V's 1st add to Guide Rock. \$100 C B & Q Ry Co to Christie Fassler nwr 15-4-11. \$327.03 SCHOOL REPORT. The following is the record of the spelling classes in district No. 9, for the month ending December 21, 1883. C Class.—Bertie Motter, 2 head marks; Vinnie McCall, 1; Alvin McCall, 4; Lawrence J. McCall, 9. B Class.—Jesse D. Osben, 5; Willie H. Norris, 2; Mattie L. McCall, 4; Millie A. McCall. A Class.—The following are the average percentages of written lessons. George W. Higby, 81; Roy McCall and Henry C. Richmond, each 83. Samuel A. Downs, 90; Nora R. McCall, 91; Alma Downs, 97. Jessie D. Osben and Ralph Richmond were present every day during the month. We were much pleased a short time ago to see the familiar face of our worthy superintendent in our school. May his services become more and more appreciated, and "his shadow never grow less." If thought worthy, please give the above a place in some shady nook in your excellent news paper, and very much oblige a teacher. MARK NOBLE. DISSOLUTION NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that on and after February 1, 1884, the co-partnership heretofore existing between Kaley & Edinger, doing business in the town of Red Cloud, Webster county, Nebraska, will be dissolved, M. D. Edinger retiring from the firm, A. Kaley continuing in the business at the old stand. All parties knowing themselves to be indebted to the firm will please call and settle their accounts before that time. KALEY & EDINGER.

MASONIC DEDICATION. On last Thursday evening, December 27, occurred the dedication ceremonies of the new Masonic hall in the State bank block, in this city. Charity lodge A. F. and A. M., is made up of good material, and its membership embraces many of our most prominent business men, and when they start out to give the people an entertainment, it is always sure to be done in the best and most approved manner, and truly the dedication of their new hall was no exception to the usual rule. Everything being in readiness, promptly at eight o'clock the grand lodge opened the exercises by forming in the council chamber, and with the beautiful and impressive Masonic ceremonies, which we give below, proceeded to dedicate the hall to Masonry after the following manner: As the grand body filed in and marched around the room to the center of the hall, the master of the lodge addressed the grand master in the appended words: The brethren of Charity lodge, being animated with a desire to promote the honor and interest of the craft, have erected a Masonic hall for their convenience and accommodation. They are desirous that the same should be examined by the Most Worshipful Grand lodge, and if they meet their approbation, that it should be solemnly dedicated to Masonic purposes agreeably to ancient form and usages. Next followed the architect's address to the grand master, presenting to him the square, level and plumb, to which the grand master made the following reply: Brother Architect, the skill and fidelity displayed in the execution of the trust reposed in you, at the commencement of this undertaking, have secured the entire approbation of the grand lodge; and they sincerely pray that this edifice may continue a lasting monument of the taste, spirit, and liberality of its founders. The deputy grand master then arose and said: Most worshipful, the hall in which we are now assembled, and the plan upon which it has been constructed, having met with your approbation it is the desire of the fraternity that it should now be dedicated, according to ancient form and usage. The lodge was then uncovered and the procession marched around the room to solemn music. On the arrival at the east the procession halted and the grand chaplain delivered the consecration prayer. After which the hall was dedicated by the grand master to Freemasonry, Virtue and Universal Benevolence, by corn, wine and oil. The public grand honors and invocation followed. The grand chaplain then pronounced the benediction, and with the final grand honors the grand master uncovered the lodge and retired to his chair. Some excellent and appropriate music and singing ensued, after which the following officers of Red Cloud Chapter No. 19, R. A. M. were publicly installed by Grand High Priest J. A. Tulleys: J. L. Miller H. P. R. B. Fulton, king. R. D. Jones, scribe. C. W. Kaley, C. of H. R. V. Shurey, P. S. J. P. Bayha, secretary. Wm. Richardson, treasurer. G. W. Ball, R. A. C. James Potter, G. M. 3d V. D. M. Platt, G. M. 2d V. J. B. Hampton, G. M. 1st V. Wm. Parks, sentinel. This done, and the guests about 200 strong fell too, and partook of the royal banquet prepared for the occasion and which was among the finest ever spread in Red Cloud. Justice having been done to the banquet tables the balance of the evening was spent in social enjoyment. Arrangements had been previously made to have the court prepared for dancing, and to this temple of justice a number who wished to "trip the light fantastic" wended their way, and were soon lost in the excitement of the mazy dance. It was certainly one of the most pleasant social events that ever took place in our city. The following ladies and gentlemen furnished the music: Ladies, Mrs. Dodd, Mrs. C. W. Kaley, Miss Freddie Richardson. Gentlemen, A. L. Mitchell, C. P. Tinker, R. B. Fulton, Wm. Mitchell. Miss Carrie Spangole, organist. The new lodge rooms are among the finest in the state. TO the housekeeper, insist on getting DeLand's Soda, and don't let your grocer argue you out of it. It will pay you in the end, and you will use no other. RED CLOUD MARKETS. Winter wheat..... 65¢ 80 Oats..... 18¢ 20 Rye..... 30 Barley..... 25¢ 30 Corn shelled..... 28 Corn in ear..... 25 Hogs..... 4.50@4.50 Cattle..... 3.25@3.50

OUR STATE. Nebraska lies almost in the center of the United States, being between 40° and 43° north latitude, and 95° 25' longitude west from Greenwich. She is 420 miles long and 210 miles wide. The Missouri River forms a portion of the northern, and the entire eastern boundary line of the State. She was organized as a territory, May 30, 1854, and was admitted into the union as a state on the first day of May, 1867. She is the 24th state admitted to the Union under the constitution, and has increased in population and wealth faster than any other state. In 1860 she had a population of 28,841; in 1870, 122,993, an increase of 94,152 in ten years. In 1880 her population numbered 452,402 an increase of 329,429 in ten years, and an average of over 30,000 per year. This is a larger per cent. of increase than can be shown by any other state in the Union. Illinois and Kansas probably come next, but both fall far short of the percentage above given. Illinois was organized as a territory in 1809, and in 1810 she had a population of 12,282; in 1820 her population was 55,162, and in 1830, 154,445. Kansas was organized as a territory May 30, 1854, and in 1860 had a population of 107,296. In 1870 her population reached 364,338, and in 1880, 996,996. The increase in the wealth of Nebraska has kept pace with the increase of her population. The total number of farms in Nebraska in 1860 was 2789; in 1870, 12301, and in 1880, 63,387; and the total value of these farms was, in 1860, \$3,878,126; in 1870 the were valued at \$105,932,541. The value of all farming implements in the State in 1860 was \$205,664; in 1870, \$1,549,716, and in 1880, \$7,229,917. The total value of all stock in the State in 1860, was \$1,128,771; in 1870, \$6,531,185, and in 1880, \$33,440,265. What state can make a better showing? (To be continued.) INAUALE. According to arrangements made with the railroads, the people of this vicinity have graded a new sidetrack just south of the cheese factory. They expect the rails will be laid soon and a depot built. As soon as that is completed several new buildings will be put up. One man is going into the hardware business; another intends to put up a livery stable, and still another is going into the commission business. No one has yet appeared to build a hotel, which business would be the best paying of any. We never expect to achieve much of a town here, but we have a good, well settled farming country north and south of us. The most of the people are obliged to travel from ten to twenty miles to get to Red Cloud or Riverton to do their trading. It would be a convenience to all concerned to have a few stores here. A man who would bome in here with a large stock of merchandise, and take in exchange everything the farmers raise, would soon build up a large trade and do well. Our new justice of the peace, R. R. Pitney, is a fortunate man. His birthday is always celebrated. It occurs on Christmas day. This year Mrs. Pitney thought she would surprise him. Christmas morning he wanted to go to visit his son, who lives five miles from here but his wife prevailed upon him to wait an hour or two, and while he was waiting the son and family put in an appearance. That was nothing unusual, but about noon when the neighbors began to come in the old gentleman received them as though he knew all about it, but he owned up afterward that he did not know what it all meant till we told him we came to celebrate his birthday, and we did celebrate it with a delicious dinner to which we did full justice. Rumors have been afloat for some time that our bachelor neighbor was intending to go east to become a benedict, some time about the holidays. We always thought it was too good to be true, and now it seems that he delays until some time next month. Delays are dangerous. A number of our people attended the Masonic dedication at Red Cloud, and some of them did not get back till the middle of the next day. The report a good time and an excellent supper, but they were almost starved before they could get it. They they think the Masonic dining room is not capacious enough for so large a family. Charles Hunter occupies his new house. It is comfortable, convenient and beautiful. Betsy. DON'T SPILL THE MILK. "There is no use crying over spilled milk," says the old saw. If you are not only bald, but have no life in the roots of your hair, there is no use crying over that, either. Take both time and yourself by the forelock while there is a forelock left. Apply Parker's Hair Balsam to your hair before matters get worse. It will arrest the falling off of your hair and restore its original color, gloss and softness. It is a perfect dressing withal, clean, richly perfumed, cools and heals the scalp. A BLESSING TO ALL MANKIND. In these times when our newspapers are flooded with patent medicine advertisements, it is gratifying to know what to procure that will certainly cure you. If you are bilious, blood out of order, liver inactive, or generally debilitated, there is nothing in the world that will cure you so quickly as Electric Bitters. They are a blessing to all mankind, and can be had for only fifty cents a bottle, of Henry Cook.

ELM CREEK. Hurray for THE CHIEF. It comes out with new energy. There is no doubt of Mr. Hosmer's success running a paper. The cold weather has stopped corn husking. L. D. Thomas is laid up with a catarrh on his left hand. Mr. Reed, the postmaster of Batin, has sold his farm and is going east on a visit. H. Crofford has purchased a corn sheller, and is prepared to shell corn for the farmers. Isaac and Ellsworth Thomas expect to farm between two and three hundred acres next year. Oliver Dice has leased his farm, and moved to Blue Hill. His neighbors regret the loss, but what is their loss is Blue Hill's gain. Cowles wants no more hounds to hunt for them, but blacksmiths to work for them. The Methodist would like to have some one to preach to them at Elm Creek school house. The band of hope that was organized at Elm Creek school house has died without hope. Sabbath school is still prospering. Mr. Patrick has purchased Oliver Dice's entire crop of corn. W. Thomas stacks up what he does the day before. Joseph Burr has a fine lot of hogs, and it takes most of his time to tend to them. Joseph Hidy looks down on all the rest, as he is highly elevated. Mr. Blunt walks about the farm and looks at what ought to be done, as he can't do much on account of his arm not being well yet where he had it broken. TAW. Compiled for THE CHIEF. WEBSTER COUNTY. BY ARCHD. THOMSON. Of all Nebraska's fertile lands, Our Webster county most demands, At least from us, some praise sincere, With which to greet the coming year. The name of Webster will be known, When all who live are dead and gone, Our watch-word's still our county's name, To guide to honor, wealth and fame. The volume "Unabridged" and large, A duty great will still discharge; While stamenship and law to fame, Will long consign Great Daniel's name. To him all honor be, although I know him not who did bestow The name upon our county grand, And fair as any in the land. Its wealth, in stock and crop, is great, And money too, I'm glad to state; Though truly great, yet after all, Compared with its resources small. As we increase and multiply, (With science, labor's great ally,) New powers will bear upon the field, And virgin soils their increase yield. A few more years will all uplift, And wealth will come much like a gift; The dug-outs then away will pass, With every blade of buffalo grass. Our county town now houses show'd, In number and material both Improvements vast beyond our hope, And any in the Valley's scope. The churches now are seen all o'er The growing town, yet we'll have more; The court house, and the public school, The stranger visits as a rule. Hotels, saloons, and billiard halls, For meats, and drinks, and rolling balls, And butchers, money-lenders, banks, And virtuous stables of all ranks. But grocery and dry goods stores Count by the dozen, or by scores, Then drugs, and toys, and roots, and fruits And trunks, and harness, shoes and boots. In hardware, forks, and spades, and nails, Or ev'rything from stoves to nails You'll find. And lumber, coal and lime, For cash, or otherwise, on time. Of doctors, sheriffs, lawyers plenty, Perhaps in all not less than twenty; Divines all orthodox, you bet, The other kind's not needed yet. Our barbers emulate to grace, In hirsute ways the head and face, But milliners and tailors too, With jewelers the rest will do. We've carpenters of ev'ry grade, And Smiths by name, and Smiths by trade, Velocipedes and good wheelbarrows And wagons, buggies, plows and harrows. Toothache's pain or rack controls The dentist, and his gas consoles, Or soothes so much, indeed in fact, The pincers painless will extract. But greatest yet to curse or bless, Among them all's printing press. It permeates the public mind But to enlighten or to blind. The press the lever is of knowledge Whose fulcrum's found in ev'ry college. The feat Archimedes projected, To move the world, is now perfect'ed. Now in conclusion I record, Our acts will measure our reward. May it be great, I pray in brief, For county, town, and Red Cloud CHIEF.