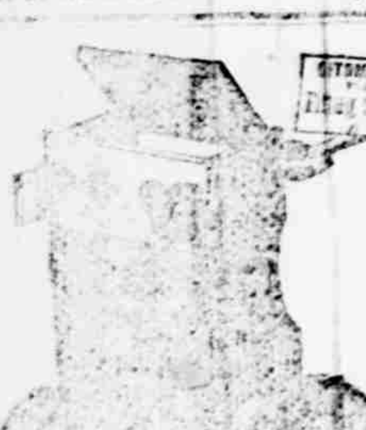
THE RED CLOUD CHIEF

FRIDAY, JAN. 2, 1885.

A. C. HOSMER - - Proprietor



Don't Read This

But if you do, don't forget that O. H. ... the Red Cloud jeweler, has the best assortment of ladies and gents ... west of Lincoln, and in fact everything kept in a first-class jewelry establishment. And that is not all; he sells goods cheaper than anyone west ... place, and he has the people of Red Cloud and vicinity to back in this statement. There are many cases in ... where he has sold goods cheaper than other dealers can buy them. He intends to keep this up, and by so doing ... and take less profits. ... going or old. The ... goods in his establishment is simply immense. Everything that the most could wish and money can buy ... He makes a specialty of ... accurately and every ... perfect. Having secured the services of ... R. F. Jeffords, a practical watchmaker lately from the ... watch factory, he is prepared to do the finest and most difficult watch repairing, and all work warranted. A fine line of musical instruments is now added to this stock. He gives everyone a cordial invitation to call and see whether they purchase or no.

B. & M. Time Table.

	Arrive.	Leave.
Red Cloud to Crete, mail...		6:45am
... mail...	7:40am	
... and Hastings exp...	9:30am	9:25am
"Cannon ball" to Denver...	9:30am	9:35am
... to Oxford exp...	7:30am	7:50pm
... to Red Cloud mail...	7:40am	
"Cannon ball" to Kansas C.	10:40am	10:15pm
... mail		11:30pm

... and Hastings express and Crete ... connections at Hastings and Crete ... through train ... Oxford train brings passengers from Chicago to Denver express.

A. J. WILSON, Ticket Agent.

To Farmers

We offer as an extra inducement for ... gathered fresh kept warm and brought to Red Cloud not over four ... old delivered by Tuesday Jan. ... extra two cents over cash market price. These eggs to be used in incubator. HOSFORD & YOUNG

CITY NEWS.

Write it '85.

Swear off for 1885.

G. S. ALBRIGHT is on the sick list.

"We have much to be thankful for."

Buy your school supplies at Cotting's.

A slight sleet storm occurred on Sunday.

Money ought to be more plentiful after this.

A happy New Year to all our friends and patrons.

Fenton Skates for sale at the rink $1 per pair.

Mr. Sleeper and wife have returned from Michigan.

There is not very much sickness at present in this vicinity.

County Clerk Bayha is yet having his hands full of business.

... O. Yeiser & Co sold 320 acres of land during the year 1884.

There will be a special meeting of the W. R. C. Monday, Jan. 5th.

Treasurer Buschow will make his semi-annual report in a few days.

The public schools will commence Monday, after a two week's vacation.

Farmers are still holding their corn for a higher market, which must come sooner or later.

L. C. Nick, of Salem, was in the city this week, attending the funeral of Wm. T. McBride.

John A. Barber lost a valuable horse the other night from colic. The animal was worth $125.

C. H. Dunkirk is supremely happy, all from the fact that it is a boy and weighs the usual number of pounds.

The funeral of Wm T McBride occurred Monday afternoon from his late residence, Revs. Brown and Lenfest officiating.

The new year starts in under favorable circumstances. Let us have a change for the better in the condition of affairs.

A. ... our new lumber dealer, has just finished fencing in his yards. Mr. ... has come here to stay and proposes to build up a good trade.

Some of the heavy tax payers talk of contesting the five per cent. penalty law. They seem to think that it ought to be enough to have to pay the taxes.

J. W. Harris left Tuesday last for the east on business. He will visit New York and Massachusetts before returning. The Chief keeps him company.

There will be a meeting of the ladies aid society at the residence of Mrs. C. W. Dow, this Friday afternoon. All members are invited to be present.

John Kellogg says if the fellow who took his saddle from near the M. E. Church will return it there will be no questions asked. If not, he will have to proceed to get it by law.

Treasurer Buschow and assistant had a busy time of it Saturday taking in taxes. They failed to get time to take dinner. Something ... thousand dollars were taken in.

The Guide Rock *Signal* comes to us this week considerably enlarged and otherwise improved. The paper will hereafter be known as the "Guide Rock Signal and Republican Valley Farmer." We wish the *Signal* success and prosperity.

John Parkes has a very sore hand. Bring home that spade and pay for this item. D. Fritz.

C. M. Zerwekh a brother to Deputy Treasurer Zerwekh is in the city.

Trains were all behind time in consequence of the snow blockade.

There will be a special meeting of the W. R. C. Monday Jan. 5th.

E. McFerran, Secretary.

Don't forget that you can buy a good overcoat for a very small sum at the Golden Eagle. C. Wiener, Proprietor.

C. W. Marvin, the justly popular and obliging freight clerk at the depot has returned with his family from their holiday trip east.

The B & M Ry. paid about $10,000 taxes to Webster county on Monday. The B & M is one of the most substantial roads in America.

On last Tuesday evening Anson Higby was introduced into the pale ... of the Orient, and in due form became an Oriental prince.

A petition of 165 names was forwarded to the U S Congress on Monday from this city asking that body to grant a pension to Mexican soldiers.

There was a very interesting festival at the Presbyterian Chapel on last Thursday evening for the sunday-school. A very pleasant time was the result.

Next week we will designate who has won the prize on premium corn which is now on exhibition at this office. There are eleven contestants.

Hosford & Young have received their incubator and will set it going about the first of the week. They propose to hatch chickens for the spring market.

A number of marriages are on the tapis. The Chief's prophet has discovered cupids victims and will chronicle the nuptials as soon as they are solemnized. Look out for them.

County Treasurer Buschow took in over $12,000 taxes on Monday. The treasurer and his assistant have worked both night and day for the last ten days taking in taxes.

Services in the Baptist church are as follows: Preaching at 11 a. m., discourse adapted to beginning of New Year. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. adapted to young people. Sunday-school 12 a. m.

There seems to be an abundance of fine ice in the Republican this winter. Our citizens have availed themselves of the opportunity and have put up large quantities. Nearly every ice house is full.

The beautiful snow with blizzard trimmings paid its compliments to this section on Tuesday. It is one of the hardest storms that we have had for some time. It was very severe on stock, but we have not heard of any losses yet.

In another column of to-day's paper will be found the advertisement of W H Mosher's meat market. Will takes advantage of The Chief's large circulation to let the people know that he is still there and bound to sell the best meats at the most reasonable prices.

The first National Bank's new building will soon be finished for occupancy. It is certainly among the finest banking houses in the west. It is being fitted up with all the latest improvements, and will present a very neat appearance when completed.

Augustus had a New Year's card,
Bevel edged and gaudy;
And everywhere Augustus went
He swapped it off for toddy.
Augustus gave the cards around,
Until he used the stock up,
And woke a sadder, wiser man,
Next morning in the lock up.—*Ex.*

E. C. Balew, who has been assisting Geo Dodd in the abstract business, has accepted a position as deputy clerk of Red Willow county and will go to Indianola in a few days. Mr. B. will make an efficient officer, and the county clerk of Red Willow county is certainly fortunate in securing his services.

The county offices should be salaried. The legislature would do well to make a change in the present law. The fees of the officials should all be turned in to the county treasury and the officials should have good salaries for doing the work for the county. It would be better we should think for all concerned if this was the case.

The east bound rail roads ought to reduce the prices of freight still further so that they would compare with the present prices of corn. The railroads have been helped by the people and in turn they should now help the people by making their freight rate to correspond with the times. If the vast amount of corn could be got to moving times would be much better.

Mr. R. was seated beside his inamorata at the rink the other evening engaged in earnest conversation. Mr S across the hall becoming jealous thereat, requested a friend to call Mr R aside. Friend did as requested and Mr R complied. Mr S flew at once to Miss Inamorato's side. Miss Inamorato arose and waltzed majestically away, and Mr S sat alone. Now the boys are wondering who got left.

Nearly $85,000 is the amount of the tax levy in Webster county for 1884. This amount is something over $8 a head for every man, woman and child in the county. Not so very bad after all. If this amount could be kept in the county how much better it would be. The county commissioners should ... everything that is possible to buy in the county, and thus keep the money at home. We do not see what advantage it is to the people to send their money out of the county. The Chief believes in "Home first and the world afterwards" every time. If you cannot get what is needed in the county, then, of necessity, go elsewhere.

Miss Mattie Frische will attend college at York, Nebr., during the next term. She will leave the first of the week.

A Golden (Eagle) opportunity now offered people in want of heavy clothing at the Golden Eagle. Must reduce stock and will sell cheap.

The other night five wild dogs which have been inhabiting Indian creek for some years killed a 200 pound hog of D Hefflebower's and the following night tackeled his cows. Dave heard the rumpus and dispatched two of the beasts with his gun.

The installation ceremonies of the officers of Garfield Post No 80 and the Ladies' Relief Corps was postponed until January 12, at which time the ceremonies will be performed and the supper given for the benefit of both institutions. There will be invitations issued for the event, and those lucky enough to be invited will miss a treat if they do not attend. There will be speech making, singing, &c. A grand time is anticipated.

Counterfeit Money.—It has come to light that considerable spurious money has been put in circulation in this vicinity, of the denominations of fifty, twenty-five, and ten cent silver pieces. The "coney" is almost alike in general appearance to the genuine article and it is only on close observation it can be detected. Several dollars of the "stuff" has been captured and is in the possession of parties, the names of whom we are not at liberty to divulge at this time. It is reported that "shovers of the queer" have been quite numerous in the city during the last few weeks.

Overcoats at prices so much reduced in prices that all can buy at present figures at the Golden Eagle clothing store.

An attempt was made last week to wreck the cannon ball train between Red Cloud and Wymore, by placing a large stone on the track, but fortunately no damage was done. It will be remembered that a serious wreck and robbery occurred on this branch some months ago, and the company will no doubt have a number of spotters along the line in that neighborhood.—*Arapahoe Pioneer.*

We understand that as far as the intended wrecking above referred to is concerned, that it originated in the fertile mind of some overzealous correspondent.

All interested in buying school books or miscellaneous books should remember that Cotting, the new druggist keeps a full line of both.

The following delightful little love epistle was found in a buiscuit at a festival recently.

Dear ——: Knowing that our parents forbid our corresponding, I take this means of conversing with you. Poor way of conversing did you say, I know it. Dear ——, but it is better than none. Say —— Pap sold his brindle cow, and the old gray nag got loose and I could not get to town to get you a Christmas present and I am so sorry for I intended to get you a candy heart. Many thanks for the jumping jack you sent me, I think it is the cutest thing I ever saw. Return answer by same message boy.

Lovingly Yours.

Why shiver with cold when you can buy overcoats at such reduced prices at the square dealing Golden Eagle.

The County Papers.—You may be able to get a large city weekly filled with accounts of murders, scandle cases, hen-wrestling, prize-fights, etc., for the same money that you pay for your local papers, but those city weeklies do not advertise your country and make your property valuable. They do not help along your schools and churches; they do not publish your county news; they say nothing of you and your town and have no interest in you. A good newsy paper is as much advantage to a town or country as are good schools. If one of our farmer friends should happen in one of those city offices he would find out in two minutes that he had no cordial welcome there, such as he would receive in a printing office at home. Stand by our home papers, for they always stand by you, and are ever on the lookout for your interests.—Ex.

Found.—Something of value on Saturday, Dec. 27, near Red Cloud. The owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. Inquire at my residence or address me at Red Cloud, Neb. Warren E. Kent.

Our friend C. Wiener, the Golden Eagle clothing man, is one of the most enterprising merchants in the Republican Valley and consequently is successful. During the last few months he has been offering great bargains in clothing, furnishing goods, etc, and giving each customer a chance to guess the number of beans in a jar in his store and win $20, $10, or $5 in prizes. His sales were greatly increased thereby, and on last Friday the beans were counted by Roy Kenney and Harry Coble, and the number of beans in the jar found to be 9951. Kyd Chaney, a youth, guessed the closest on the $20 tickets, his number being 9925, being within 26 of the real number. He was awarded the $20 prize. Jeff ... came first on the $10 tickets, his guess being 9945, being only six out of the way. Next came C C Coon, whose number on the $5 tickets was 99.. and he was awarded the prize of $5.

Take Notice.

The members of the Webster county agricultural society are requested to meet at Kaley Bros'. law office on Monday, January 12, 1885, at one o'clock. Every member should make it a point to be present, as business of importance is to be transacted. Paste this in your hat and don't forget it.

22-2t J. C. Warner, President.

For Sale.

Six or seven more of those ... cows at Mrs. S N Richardson's on ... Creek.

WM. T. McBRIDE.

One of the First Settlers of Webster County, Dies by Taking Laudanum.

The people of Red Cloud were startled on Saturday evening by a report that gained general currency that Wm. T. McBride, one of the very early settlers of Webster county had committed suicide by taking laudanum. Upon investigation it was found to be literally true and our reporter gleaned the following in relation to the deceased and the causes which led him to take his own life.

THIRTEEN YEARS AGO

Mr. McBride and family located at Guide Rock, where he homesteaded a quarter section of land and resided there until he engaged in the harness business in Red Cloud, which town he has seen grow from its earliest day to its present proportions. Later on he sold out to J. L. Miller, who was then working for him, and in turn commenced working for his successor where he remained to the time of his death, with the exception of one year that he spent in the west. He was a first-class workman and a hard and industrious worker at whatever business he turned his attention to, and only for his love of drink would have been in good circumstances financially. He seems to have contemplated self destruction and deliberately swallowed the death-dealing drug that ended his earthly career. After it was too late to receive aid he informed his family of what he had done. At once medical aid was sought and a few minutes afterwards Drs. Tulleys, McKeeby, and Damerell were beside the dying man, doing all that science and medical skill could to bring back the life that was fast fleeting away, but too late, their efforts were in vain, and a short time afterwards all that was mortal of Wm. T. McBride lay cold in death, his spirit having winged its flight to the land beyond. The causes which led him to take his life are somewhat shrouded in mystery, yet enough is known to show that the principal one was this inordinate desire for drink. Being unable to overcome the temptation he sought relief in death. He was a wholesouled man, and of moderate ability and in his better moments ranked with the average of men. Several days prior to his death he had indulged excessively in drink and becoming despondent over his apparent trials determined to end his life and be done with earth, preferring to face the mysteries of the future than endure existing circumstances. Mr. McBride was about thirty-nine years old. At an early age he enlisted in the late war going out as a member of the 30th Iowa Infantry, serving his country well for over two years when he was honorably discharged at the close of the rebellion. The funeral services occurred Monday afternoon at his late residence, Revs. Brown and Lenfest officiating. The distressed family have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement. He leaves a wife and six children to mourn his premature death.

CORONER'S VERDICT.

State of Nebraska, Webster county, ss:

At an inquisition holden at Red Cloud in Webster county on the 28th day of December, 1884, before me, Jos. Warren, sheriff and acting coroner of said county upon the body of William T. McBride, lying dead by the jurors whose names are hereunto subscribed. The said jurors upon their oath do say William T. McBride came to his death at his own hands by taking an overdose of laudanum on the 27th day of December, between the hours of four and nine o'clock in the afternoon.

J. L. Miller,	Thos. Brakefield,
Sidney Perkins,	Wm Letson,
T J Mosher,	D B Spanogle.

Jos. Warren, Sheriff and acting coroner.

1885.

Fade, with thy freight of memories fond,
O Year! to seek the land beyond.

Rise from thy newer realms of bliss,
O Year! and bring fresh hopes to this.

With this issue of The Chief we step forth into the beginning of a new year. As to what the next twelve months will bring forth is only known to an All-wise Providence who governs the destiny of man and events at will. At this opportune period let us all vow to do better and live better during the year before us; strive to do our best and thus make the world better by our having lived in it. We can see the errors made during the old year, and we are therefore able to correct them as similar circumstances present themselves to us for our disposal. May we all have an abundance of prosperity and success in the future. In fact we can see no reason why the people of Red Cloud and Webster county should not reap great advantages during the year, 1885, and at the close of the year that, all when looking over the past can say, "well done." With these few words The Chief wishes its many readers a happy New Year.

Organs cleaned, repaired, and put in good shape by A. L. Mitchell. Prices reasonable.

The following is the report of the Red Cloud schools for the month of November:

Teachers.	Department.	No. Enrolled.	No. belonging.	Av. Daily attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. of ...	Visitors.
Bertha Owen	Depot	54	45	41	.90	50	3
Ella Putnam	1st Pr.	75	75	61	.81	45	0
Myra Brown	2d Pr.	44	40	37	.93	29	0
Miss Woodley	1st Int.	62	55	50	.94	0	0
May Lindley	2d Int.	58	55	57	.91	22	[illegible]
Mrs J. King	H. S.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.92	[illegible]	[illegible]

ROLL OF HONOR.

On this roll will be found the names of those pupils who have been neither absent nor tardy, and whose scholarship in department are 95 or above in a scale of 100.

Depot School.—Blanche Sherman, Della Lindley, Mary Kidd, Fannie Palmer.

First Primary.—Arthur Downs, Andrew Klett, Myrtle Kaley, Josie Ruthrock, Mary Proskovec, Otto Klett, Willie Roats, Charlie Dickerson, Max Miser, John Peng.

Second Primary.—Arthur Hollibaugh, Bert Hollibaugh, Ernest Brown, Fred Sterner, Roy Thomas, Lizzie Roats, Lydia Fisher, Bertha Brown, Alice Remsberg, Anna Proskovec.

First Intermediate.—Louise Moore, Ray Letson, Pearl Skeen, Blanche Gates, Beatrix Miser, Lottie Reigle, Jessie Reigle.

... they ediate.—Kittie Laughlin ... from ... Lottie Sherman, ... paper ... man, ... Fisher, Clyde Crawford, ... Hugh Miner, Eva ... Bertha Ebaugh ... C. L. ...

Coal at Cawker City.

At Cawker City, week before last the Cawker City Coal and Mining Company struck a 22 inch vein of good coal at a depth of 310 feet, and five feet deeper they struck a 24 inch vein. The Journal says: The fuel question of this portion of Kansas is settled. No longer will we be subject to merciless monopolies which compel us to pay $7.50 per ton for inferior bituminous coal or freeze to death. As soon as possible the Coal and Mining Company will arrange to sink a shaft and put the mining of coal in operation.—*Ex.*

If the above facts are true, as they undoubtedly are, then there is no reason why we should not have coal in Webster county by simply making the effort to drill for it. There is no doubt but what there is coal to to be had in this vicinity at no remarkable depth, and we hope some one who has the means will undertake to discover it. A good coalmine in Red Cloud would be a paying investment.

C. Wiener will hereafter put buttons on all shoes sold with the button fasteners just purchased.

TERMS OF COURT

In the Eighth Judicial District of Nebraska for the year 1885. I hereby fix the time for holding the regular terms of District Court, in and for a portion of the counties comprising the eighth judicial district of Nebraska for the year 1885, as follows:

Kearney county, March 31st and October 12th.

Phelps county, April 15th and October 26th.

Hitchcock county, May 11th and November 2nd.

Red Willow county, May 13 and November 4th.

Frontier county, May 15 and November 6th.

Webster county, May 26th and November 17th.

Furnace county June 1st and November 25th.

Gosper county, June 8th and December 7th.

Franklin county, June 11th and December 9th.

Harlan county, June 15 and September 29th.

WILLIAM GAZLIN, Jr., Judge.

Alma, Neb., Jan. 1, 1885.

Itch and scratches of every kind cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Use no other. This never fails. Sold by R R Shirer Druggist, Red Cloud. 22-1y

Real Estate Transfers

For the week ending December 27, 1884, furnished by J. G Dodd, abstracter.

C B & Q R R Co to D Carpenter, ne qr, 27, 4, 12, deed, $818.

C B & Q R R Co to Clarence Wilson se hf 35, 3, 12 deed, $350.

U S to Stephen L Grubb, ne qr 22, 3, 10, final receipt, $200.

Charles Merchant to A Smith, n hf se qr 18, 4, 9, wd, $1050.

Geo Conrads and wife to A J Kerr, ne qr, 14, 3, 10, wd, $1800.

Catherine McKenny and hus to M A Myers, w hf sw qr 22, 1, 12, wd, $1000.

J Rosencrans and wife to Cleghorn & Carter, ne qr, 18, 1, 12, wd, $1000.

C W Corwin and wife to Clara E Leber, s hf l 9, b 5, Guide Rock, wd, $326.

Clara E Leber to J W Schwaner, s hf l 9, b 5, Guide Rock, wd, $500.

Samuel Fox and wife to Martha Robinson, ll 7 and 8, b 5, Guide Rock, wd, $200.

Evan James to Martha Robinson, l 2 b 15, Vance's 1st add Guide Rock, wd, $75.

Emma C Grusel and hus to John P Simpson, l 1, 2, b 5, Grusel's add Blue Hill, wd, $100.

D E Deibler to W A Watkins l 5, b 3 Buschow's add B. H., wd, $400.

F Kick and wife to Emma C Grusel, l 4, b 14, Blue Hill, wd, $1300.

S B Rohrer to Philip Everhart, l 5, b 17, Blue Hill, wd, $100.

S B Rohrer to E Eliza Burnham, l 2, b 3, Blue Hill, wd, $25.

Callender & Moon and wives to David Paul l 1, b 10, Cowles, wd, $30.

W H Howe and wife to Martha V Paul, l 4, b 10, Cowles, wd, $45.

W J Vance to J O Chamberlin, lots 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, b 11, Inavale, wd, $175.

E A Young and wife to Wm Richardson, l 12, b 3, Garber's first add to Red Cloud, wd, $255.

Why do you buy your organs from travelling men when you can buy of J. S. Noll the music man of Red Cloud better instruments for the same or less money and have them guaranteed to give satisfaction? Always see him before you buy. 22-2w

List of letters remaining uncalled for in the post-office at Red Cloud, Nebraska, for the week ending Dec. 29, 1884: Harry Bennett, Jas Bond, Mrs. Margaret A Culley, Jno A Dixon, Asa T Grant, R B Lloyd, Gottfried Lauppe, Miss Cora M Lincoln, J McNair, Geo McCallum, A F Swenb, Harriet Stevens. These letters will be sent to the dead letter office January 26, if not delivered.

M. B. McNitt.

By applying to J. S. Noll the music man of Red Cloud you can get pianos or organs on ... No home is complete without a musical instrument of some kind. 22-2w

Having retired from the jewelry business in Red Cloud I would say to my friends and customers that the business will be carried on at the same place and I can assure you all that you will have a larger stock to select from, and if you wish square dealing and honest goods would advise you to call on Messrs. Wright & Wallace.

G. S. Albright.

Sheep for Sale.

I have for sale about five hundred high grade Spanish Merino ewes, which I will sell on four years time to any responsible party. Notes to bear ten per cent. interest and to be well secured. These sheep are all young and in good condition.

18tf D. M. Platt.

A good two seated family carriage for sale by Spanogle & Son.

Cartoon crackers and coal oil at Hacker's.

All kinds of sheet music at the Red Cloud Music Store. 22-2w

Maple syrup and sauer kraut at Hacker's. tf

"Man, the Mission, His Destiny."

The following suggestive thoughts are taken from two sermons recently preached in the Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. Geo. H. Brown, on the above theme.

Text.—"The outward man ... and ..."

We live in a house, the house can not be us. That is one thing, we are another. Our outward man shall perish, it is therefore less important than that which remains. That which remains must be more than the breath, for the breath, as well as the body is commanded. An inward man is spoken of in connection with the text; this inward being is the man, as we are separated into three parts, body, life, and spirit. God requires us to take good care of the body, hence the injunction not to be overburdened with cares, and the invitation to cast all on Christ. Sin attaches to self destruction through excess of manual or physical labor as well as through quick suicide, for results are considered rather than means producing them. Sin attaches to the use of intoxicants, because destructive. "Defile not the body" is a scriptural command, hence it is sin to use tobacco as well as alcohol, for its use is an open violation of God's law. As pertaining to mental, moral and physical life all laws are established by a divine law giver, and endowed with reason, we are to know the force of these laws, and the penalties of their violation. Reason establishes duty in obedience—duty to God and to self, reason and conscience both violated the Divine will is dishonored. As we are sacredly to care for the body, we are to use no violence to another, except in self defense. Risk is obligatory to save life, so we must strive to save the unfortunate in danger. Sacrifice is not required, hence in the certainty of losing life, rather let the unfortunate perish. Under no provocation are we to take life except in self defense. The virtue of self defense is a higher principle than the vice of voluntary murder, hence one is justified in taking life to save life, even against the command "Thou shalt not kill." In the practice of capital punishment we are upholding a great wrong. "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, saith the Lord." We have a criminal in chains secure, why go about to kill him? Who has God commissioned to do this. The destiny of the immortal man, even in the criminal, might be changed in a longer lease of life, therefore, when we interfere with human life we interfere with the immortal destiny of a fellow mortal. If we execute for an example, the criminal dies to save others from murderous hands. Death then is a virtue, a sacrifice, and not to expiate crime. If we execute, fearing under a life sentence, the criminal may be pardoned out, the object must be to get the condemned beyond the reach of mercy. Pass a law that no criminal sentenced to life imprisonment shall receive a pardon. Let us recognize that our bodies are buildings holding immortal destinies, and that all things must be secondary to human existence. Save human life, let everything else go, but save the body alive.

Second discourse. Text: "Our inward man."

Evolution points with an air of triumph to the lowest form of life, and the brightest intellect and says "Behold the progress of development." In the comparisons of intellect we might with equal reason and more argument point to the highest and brightest of the race and to the degraded and say behold how man, once noble in bearing has been brought down by sin and disobedience. We have animal life like the beast, and upon this platform rise but little above the beast. Beasts have faculties for reasoning; they think, plan to protect themselves, store up in summer for winter's use, obey commands, etc. Horses, dogs and cats are kind to many persons and ugly to others, which speaks of likes and dislikes. These faculties and powers belonging to beasts, birds, fishes and insects, constitute the animal soul. The Bible speaks of this spirit or principle in the beast which is a similar intelligence to that of man. But aside from this animal soul man has a group of immortal qualities, higher reason, memory, imagination, longing, desires, etc., which constitutes his spiritual soul—the "inner man." We stand by the open grave always with the thought there will be a resurrection, and in the expectations and hopes of the future we seek to derive guiding principles for the present. It is through this linking the present to the future that we desire a revelation; it is through this spiritual soul that the Bible is accepted as the inspired word where a knowledge of it can be secured. A noted infidel lecturer says "An honest god is the noblest work of man." This is true, for unenlightened reason can produce a Deity only embodying principle existing in the thought. It must always be that reason can produce or develop a Deity possessing attributes of the nature or mind qualities, for mind can produce nothing of which it has no conception. If a man makes a god possessing good qualities, integrity, honesty, kindness, etc., it must be a noble work, for it reflects nobility in the man. With the Asiatic and African tribes gods are groveling, degraded. With the Turks, Arabs, and Egyptians, sensual Greeks admired beauty, their deities represent perfections, arts, etc. Romans have gods of vengeance, war, conquering heroes. So we see in the demonstration of the ideas, the tribes of Africa doing penance in Asia begging, all filled with the grossest superstition. The religion of the Turks and Egyptians is preservation, hence the art of embalming. To pleasure, they practice polygamy. The religion of Greece was fanciful. Poets and philosophers were all filled with the wildest theories of religious creeds. Romans had gods of vengeance, hence we find among the Romans the greatest cruelties practiced upon those who differed with them in worship. How different from any of these is the Christian's God. He is not a Deity evolved from the mind, but one revealed to him embodying all truths and manifesting attributes beyond the conception of mind. A God which the soul life of intellectual power can not limit to the narrow confines of finite reason, nor subject to the transformation of theories within the scope of man's moral attributes. A Deity all-wise, above the wisdom of earth, for He will bring the wisdom of men to naught; a Deity controlling the visible and invisible, who set in motion the universe, material, animated and spiritual, and Who will work as He has ever worked, according to the counsel of His own will, and allot to mankind individually the destiny each chooses in the light of reason and revelation. A man's imagination may carry him beyond the plain teaching of scripture. He may think God too merciful to cast away, but remember all of God's attributes are immutable, and He is ... His ... God is Sovereign, the abode ... His decree. Our imaginations are nothing. To inherit a glorious future the ... of Grace in Christ must be acknowledged. The inner man must be renewed through faith.

Commissioners' Proceedings.

Red Cloud, Neb., Dec. 24, 1884.

Board met pursuant to adjournment J. E. Smith, J. L. Miller, commissioners. J F Bayha clerk.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On motion board of county commissioners ordered that the record of October 6th, 1884, in commissioners' record, on Page 485, relative to the establishment of that part of the road running south east from the north end of the Guide Rock bridge across the Republican river, to the section line between sections 10 and 15, town 1, range 9 west, be amended to read after the words in the last line, "and the road ordered established as per prayer of said last petition," as follows, and that part of the road as surveyed, platted and reported by C. P. Ranker, county surveyor, August 15, 1884, as per county commissioners record, commencing at the north end of said Guide Rock bridge and running in a southeasterly direction to the section line between sections 10 and 15, town 1, range 9, west, except so much thereof as is covered by the said deed of dedication, is hereby ordered to be vacated.

Report and claims presented by Samuel West, J. P. was referred to J. L. Miller county commissioner to report at next meeting.

Reports of Frank S. Gump, J. P., E. O. Parker, J. P., and S VanDusen, J. P., approved and claims audited and allowed and others rejected as hereinafter shown.

Official bonds presented, filed and approved as follows, to-wit:

James Ferman, assessor Red Cloud precinct.

Elmer W. Tuttle, assessor Glenwood precinct.

Thomas J. Ward, assessor Pleasant Hill precinct.

W. C. Laird, assessor Oak Creek precinct.

Geo E. Coon, assessor Garfield precinct.

David Carpenter, assessor Harmony precinct.

Philip Bock, Jr., assessor Potsdam precinct.

Thomas Dudina, assessor Guide Rock precinct.

W C Lathrop, J. P., Potsdam precinct.

J W McClellan, O H R D No 27.

Andrew Hadden O H R D No 26.

M S Ballard O H R D No 20.

David Hefflebower O H R D No 30.

Geo Heaton O H R D No 25.

Joe Fashby O H R D No 32.

C C Cox O H R D No 2.

E J Fairfield O H R D No 1.

The following claims were audited and allowed and warrants to be drawn on the county general fund for the same:

F S Gump, services J P	$ 10 00
...	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
... services as ...	[illegible]
Amanda Young, services as nurse to ...	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
... McKeeby, M D, services to poor	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
P Barkley, ...	[illegible]
G R McKeeby, M D, medical services to ...	[illegible]
Joseph W Warren, sheriff, general bill for ...	[illegible]
Jos W Warren, sheriff's fees, ...	[illegible]
Jos W Warren, " " ...	[illegible]
Philip Zimmerman, guarding body of L Hall	[illegible]
Ernst Kirste, guarding body of L Hall	[illegible]
W W Gardner, boarding and lodging Jos Cook	[illegible]
C C Cox, special services	[illegible]
A M Hardy, boarding Catherine Holden	[illegible]
... Garber, poor bill	[illegible]
... poor bill	[illegible]
A Garber, poor bill	[illegible]
... poor bill	[illegible]
... poor bill	[illegible]
... poor bill	[illegible]
... poor bill	[illegible]
... poor bill	[illegible]

The following claims were examined and duly rejected, the first two claims not ordered by a J. P.

A Garber, poor bill ...	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
... services ... Jos Cook	[illegible]
F C Buschow, services J P	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
...	[illegible]
... M D, medical services J Cook	[illegible]
... M D, medical services Jos Cook	[illegible]
... M D, medical services J Cook	[illegible]

Claim of Nebraska Lumber Co. for $40.47 ordered returned for certificate of O H R D to show that bridge with approaches was completed.

Board now adjourned sine die.

J. E. Smith, Chairman.

J. P. Bayha, Clerk.

GUIDE ROCK.

Our sick folks are somewhat improved in their condition.

A strong force of bridge builders are replacing the span that was hurled into the river south of town last summer.

R S Proudfit and C C Bradford have formed a partnership in the hardware business. Most of the readers of The Chief are acquainted with the name of Mr. Proudfit, many know him personally and esteem him highly. It will be a pleasure therefore to learn that in Mr. Bradford as an acquisition both to the firm and to the business circle of Guide Rock, great satisfaction is felt.

The old year unrolls the coil that has held her in in its embrace for the appointed time, and ere this shall appear in print the new year shall have been ushered in. Many, doubtless, shall have hailed its advent with joy, and a fixed purpose to make others happier, little dreaming that thereby they shall add to their own happiness through the reflex influence upon their own hearts and lives. Your correspondent writes you from the old and new years. As touching the old he would acknowledge the courtesies of the past and touching the future express hope that grand old Chief may at the commencement of the new year enter upon hunting grounds superior even to those over which he has held dominion during the past year. The nearing midnight, and but a few fleeting moments remain until the grave old year shall have gracefully let fall her mantle upon the young scion of eternal progression who comes to bless the world in his illustrious predecessor's name. The critical moment comes and with ... sword in hand the ... Angel who cuts the golden cord in twain—the cord that binds the two. The old year passes out, all hail the happy new. Locke.

For Sale.—25 thoroughbred Merino Bucks.—3 miles north of Cowles. Address, H. J. ..., Cowles, Neb.