

The Great Problem For the Farmers to Solve.

The greatest affliction that the average farmer has to cope with is the extremely low prices that prevail on the productions of the farm, and especially in the west at this time, the cause of which is very difficult to divine, prices in many instances being scarcely above the cost of raising. How to remedy this growing evil is a momentous subject that has been worrying the tiller of the soil for a considerable length of time. Various societies have been organized at different periods which were calculated to promote the abuse of the farmer and unite with them in their efforts to bring about the desired results, but up to date the great panacea that is to be the harbinger of better prices has not been discovered, and from year to year, prices seem to get lower and lower, until today it is positively a fact, that after a year's labor, the farmer often comes out behind. There seems to be a general effort on the part of those who have control of the wealth of the country to oppress the agricultural world, and keep their noses to the grindstone. There are a few men who control the markets of the world, and manipulate them to fill their own pockets, to the detriment of all other classes. Why this should be so we are at loss to know. Vast monopolies have been incorporated contrary to the spirit of our republican institutions, yet our representatives in congress, and our state legislatures, do not make any attempt to alleviate the wrongs of the less fortunate class, but on the other hand seem to do all they are able to, to help the rich get richer and the poor poorer. It is high time that the farmers of the country organize thoroughly, and with the aid of laboring men generally, they would be able to dictate prices rather than be dictated to by unprincipled millionaires who desire to relieve them of all they are possessed of in order that it may line their own clothes with gold. Take the price of cattle for instance. In the last four years the raising of cattle on the average farm has resulted in loss, and in many cases absolute ruin to the farmer, prices having been controlled largely by the great beef combine, composed of extensive packing houses. Has the price of beef-steak been any lower? No, and it never will be until there is a determined effort on the part of the farmer to maintain his rights. The farmer gets from one, and a half, to two, and a half cents per pound for his cattle, but the price of beef is the same, almost identically as it was when fat cattle were at their best. Some one must be making money, but it is not the farmer, certainly. The same can be said of all kinds of products that are raised by the farmers generally. The only remedy that THE CHIEF can advance is for the farmers to thoroughly organize for their own protection, and not sell a dollar's worth of goods unless they can get a fair living price for what they raise. It is not free trade or high tariff that will help the farmer get even with the blood suckers, who are persistently endeavoring to crush him, but it is self protection by thoroughly organizing to a man for their preservation, and until this is done, the farmer and laborer will be continually robbed of what should be justly his—good prices. We hope that that time will soon be here. If the farmers do not take this stand it will not be many years before landlordism and wealth will be running as rampant in America as it is in old England, where a man is a slave to all intents and purposes, unless he is a titled lord or a wealthy nabob.

La grippe, the great Russian disease which seems to have established a firm grip on the American continent is going the rounds rapidly. Up to the hour of going to press ten or a dozen citizens of Red Cloud have been embraced in its powerful grip, but have so far been able to shake it off as good Americans always do with a foreign foe.

THE CHIEF believes that the managers of the State Fair should pass a resolution fixing the permanent residence of the association at Lincoln. The capital is easily accessible, and as it is more central than Omaha, it is the duty of the association to try and accommodate the people with the best place. Give us Lincoln, or give us death—Omaha.

SUBSCRIBED TO THE ENEMY.

A wave of indignation sweeps through the ranks of the democratic party of Webster county, like an avalanche from the rugged peaks of a Lehman mountain. A paralyzing stroke from a clear sky was experienced by the democratic party on Saturday last when it was announced that Mr. Christian Fessler the democratic treasurer elect, had appointed a republican as his deputy. A man however who has once been honored by the republican party by being elected to the office of county treasurer, but they have repeatedly and persistently refused to place him in the same position since the expiration of his term of office eight years ago; but notwithstanding the doubtful reports he has never failed upon each biennial caucus to ask the republican party to vindicate him from public suspicion, with the results as are mentioned. Mr. Fessler has scorned council of his party, and made a fatal mistake to himself. He has surrendered the outer fortifications of the democratic party of Webster county into the hands of an unsavory faction, and in using this term we apply it only to those to whom it applies as the result of this deceptive and misleading policy which is fatal to the political advancement of Mr. Fessler and detrimental to the best interests of his party who placed him in his present position. This policy was inaugurated for personal gratification and individual benefit, yet we are both to believe that Mr. Fessler treats the whole thing, or reckoned the consequences of his audacious avoidance of all council from his own party friends. We are constrained to believe that his mistake is irrevocable to a permanent yielding to an emotional appeal, that his value as a point was accurately located by weight and measure, and punctured by the scathing knife of his political enemy. We deplore the fate of an honorable, conscientious and trust-worthy man, fighting his way valiantly to fame and fortune, also by side with true and trustworthy friends who landed him in an honorable office upon the crest of a raging billow, only to be submerged by the treacherous and frowning force which gave the wave its impetus. Had not the line of policy inaugurated before the campaign been abandoned by the leader upon the first result of victory, and the council of his democratic friends been weighed in the balance against the urgent demands of a faction, the future would have unfolded a garland of roses where now through the microscope, is only discernible a barren waste, hedged in with thistles etc.

To the victors belong the spoils, but McKeoby seems to have had too long a head for the democratic victors and knocked the persimmon. The democrats could not have expected anything else but treachery from the crowd they trained with, and the result is as anticipated by some of our prominent democrats, who wanted to elect the entire democratic ticket. You could not have hoped for even a glimmer of honesty from the mugwumps, politically speaking. Look how they slaughtered Reese Thompson and the balance of the democratic ticket in order to elect Fessler. Now look how they have snubbed those life-long democrats, T. J. Ward, Ken. Skeen, John Kellogg, Sam. Temple, A. H. Lineberger, and a number of others who are fully competent to discharge the duties of deputy treasurer, by appointing a republican to that office. The Democrat and democrats have a right to kick; but then we know there was to be a sell out and that the democracy was to be only a catpaw to pull big 8 chestnuts from the fire. The scales have fallen from their eyes just a few weeks late, but the war cry has just commenced and it's no infant.

City Economy.

The council may persist in ignoring the wishes of the people in the matter of economy, but a final reckoning will come sooner or later. THE CHIEF has been interviewing a number of our business men, and nearly all of those interviewed, agree that the salary of the aldermen and mayor ought to be cut down to nothing, also that the city expenses ought to be trimmed down at least \$3,000. It is too much to ask the people of Red Cloud to pay \$8,000 per annum in taxes for the benefit of keeping up a horde of office holders. There are plenty of men in Red Cloud that could be induced to look after city business without pay, and would be glad to do it, if it would lighten the burden of taxation. The money market is too close for men to go down in their pockets for the purpose of maintaining such an expensive city government. Better by far throw up the city government and go back to a village organization if it is going to take the earth to keep it up. There should be a general move for the strictest economy all along the line, and when the city is again on the boom, and money becomes more plentiful, it will be time enough to put on city airs. Will the city council heed the demands of the people in this matter of economy.

The committee to make final settlement with Treasurer McNitt, have been engaged in that purpose this week. Mr. McNitt will go out of that office with an honorable record, such as no man need be ashamed of. M. B. McNitt is every inch a man, and as a public servant, has been true to his trusts. May he live long and prosper.

The Rock Island officials are now in the state looking up new routes for their road. If Red Cloud desires to get the branch from Lebanon to Kearney now is the time to act. Will our people get to work and try and induce the Rock Island that it is to their benefit to compete for a part of the freight business of Red Cloud. We hope they will, for we want to see Red Cloud boom this spring.

The Institute for People Minded Youth.

During Christmas the editor of this paper, and wife, were in Beatrice and while there attended the Christmas services at the above institute, which to say the least were very fine, and entertaining. The poor children whose minds have been clouded from infancy, here find a place where they have all the comforts that money and care can bestow upon them by loving hands and by people who have spent a lifetime in a work that most people would not care to follow. The very best kindergarten teachers are employed by the state to instruct the children and confer upon them all the advantages that brighter children have in our public schools, and each teacher enters upon the work assigned, with the same, or more pride than those whose pupils are of the brighter type. The Christmas exercises consisted mostly of declamations and songs, and to say that each child acquitted himself nicely would be doing an injustice. After that portion of the exercises were over, each one of the 125 children were given a present over the receipt of which all were highly pleased. On Christmas the children were marshalled into the dining rooms and there treated to as fine a Christmas dinner as was ever spread before any one. Roast turkey with cranberry sauce, oysters, mince pie, celery, bread and butter candies, fruits, oranges etc. were dished up as long as the children could eat, and was looked forward to with great eagerness by the children. The work to be accomplished is a great one, but under the careful management of Dr. Armstrong, and his corps of able assistants, we look for much good to be brought about in the work of education, and in fact, fitting the poor children to bear the trials of life as easily as possible. It is a public institution that our state should give all the encouragement that it can.

Sugar Beet Factory.

If Red Cloud really wants to do something that will enhance the value of her real estate, and take the city out of the lethargic rut that she has been allowed to get into, it could do no better thing than to make a terrible effort to procure a sugar beet factory. It has been proven to the satisfaction of all that sugar beets equal to those of any country can be raised in Nebraska, in fact it is said that the soil of Nebraska is better adapted than any in the United States for raising sugar beets, and this being the case, why not Red Cloud put forth an effort to have a factory and thereby give the town a chance to boom, and the agricultural surroundings would have a chance to raise something that would be profitable. THE CHIEF is first, last, and all the time for Red Cloud, no matter whether a few chronic would like to have our scalp or not. The editor of this paper can raise above petty spite work at any or all times, when it comes to building up the city. THE CHIEF will always be found working for legitimate enterprises that are for Red Cloud's interest, no matter who are the promoters. Let our people get together and get the ball rolling for a sugar beet factory. It is within our power.

"Where did you get that Republican John?"

"Oh! I didn't subscribe for it, you may rest assured."

"Well how did you come by it."

"Oh! Simons said he'd send it to me, no matter whether I paid for it or not."

Our reporter smiled, and turning on his heel, wondered if that was the way the "Jersey Lily" was getting his large subscription list.

There is comfort for the man with a prematurely gray beard in Buckingham's Dye, because it never fails to color an even black or brown as may be desired.

Notice is hereby given that I will examine all persons who may desire to offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the public schools of this county, at Red Cloud, on the third Saturday of each month. EVA J. KING, County Sup't.

Washburn's Arsenic Salve. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, scalds, chapped hands, chilblains, corns; and all skin eruptions, and positively cures, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Henry Cook.

It was generally reported on the streets Saturday, that Chris Fessler, our new democratic treasurer, had appointed E. H. Jones, one of the prominent candidates before the republican county convention as his deputy. THE CHIEF has no particular objection to his selection, as it is none of our particular business, but then you ought to hear Rome (the democrat) howl. The democratic boys that tore their shirts off to help the big 8 elect Fessler are now feeling justly sore because Chris did not appoint one of their number his deputy. There are hundreds of good democrats who are fully qualified to fill the bill, but then it couldn't be, and keep faith with the big 8. There didn't appear to be any democratic soldiers around when the deputy was appointed. It is another instance of duplicity wherein the big 8 swallowed the outfit.

Our devil was laid up Thursday with the La grippe. The Czar of Russia, the President of the French Republic, and several other important gentlemen have all felt its grip and the disease being fashionable, he thought he would commence the new year in the style.

Indigestion

It is not only a distressing complaint, of itself, but, by causing the blood to become depraved and the system unbalanced, is the parent of innumerable maladies. That Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the best cure for Indigestion, even when complicated with Liver Complaint, is proved by the following testimony from Mrs. Joseph Lake, of Brooklyn Centre, Minn.:

"Liver complaint and indigestion made my life a burden and came near ending my existence. For more than four years I suffered untold agony, was reduced almost to a skeleton, and hardly could I get up to dress myself about. All kinds of food distressed me, and only the most delicate could be digested at all. Within the time mentioned several physicians treated me without giving relief. Hoping that I had reached to the end of my earthly journey, I commenced the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, which has produced wonderful results. Soon after commencing to take the Sarsaparilla, I could see an improvement in my condition. My appetite began to return, and with it came the ability to digest all the food taken, my strength improved, and my mind and after a few months of faithful attention to your medicine, I have enjoyed a new woman, able to attend to all household duties. The medicine has given me a new lease of life."

Ayer's Sarsaparilla, Sold by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Price 25 cents per bottle. Worth 50 cents.

GUIDE ROCK.

To THE EDITOR:— Those who, on account of the cold, were prevented from listening to the morning discourse of Rev. Mr. Yeiser at the Baptist church in Guide Rock, December 29th, 1889, missed a rare treat indeed. Mr. Yeiser made no attempt at the grandiloquent, but for a well studied, and well delivered discourse, the writer can say that it has never been surpassed in this city since we have lived in this place. His theme was the trial at the bar of Pilate, and the subsequent crucifixion of Christ. But the crowning and masterly manner in which the Reverend gentleman applied his subject to the lives of his hearers was something unlooked for. He dwelt upon the cry of the mob in their demands that Pilate release Barabas the murderer, and crucify Christ in whom Pilate declared there had been found no guilt. He said that many persons would stand by and hear the gospel of Christ derided by infidels and blackguards, without entering any protest, but would wink at the evils perpetrated on society by the low, the vicious, and even murderers. Just such preaching as this, is what our people need, and may we have more of it. J. M. CHAFFIN.

A Good Cough Syrup.

There is nothing parents should be so careful about as selecting a cough syrup. Huggs' Cherry Cough Syrup costs no more than the cheap and inferior nostrums thrown on the market. The best is none to good, be sure and get HUGGS' CHERRY COUGH SYRUP. We keep it on hand at all times. C. L. Cutting, Druggist.

Bullock, the Alma horse thief, who was confined in our county jail for safe keeping by the Harlan county sheriff, was tried the other day and got five years in the penitentiary.

Boggs' heavy cough Syrup.

Is giving splendid satisfaction to the trade and the sales are positive marvels, which can be accounted for in no other way except that it is without doubt, the best on the market. Ask for and be sure you get the genuine. We keep it. C. L. Cutting, Druggist.

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Dr. Keller's Jermicide the only genuine hog and chicken remedy. Every one warranted. Tank heaters all sizes. Suggies carriages and road carts for sale at first cost. Don't fail to see the wonderful tank heater for sale by C. L. Wisnfray.

Mrs. M. E. Huffman, agent for the great war book, "Hard Tack and Coffee" will call on you before long. This is, without a doubt, the best war book ever published, and has been heartily endorsed by all of the leading G. A. R. men in the country. Give her your order.

Stoves, Stoves, Stoves, at 1000 & Potter. Go to Perkins & Potter for your hardware, stoves, tinware, etc.

If you need any hardware of any kind call on Perkins & Potter. Do not fail to call on F. V. Taylor before buying your Xmas presents.

Berg & Galusha don't let prices stand in the way of a sale, small profits suits them.

Featherly & Aults are still selling vinegar and cranberry juice. Call and see them. Good older vinegar for 25 cents per gallon.

Remember we sell a melon overcoat for \$16.00 that other people ask \$20.00 for.

BERG & GALUSHA. Our universal low prices are what catch the large buyers from outer towns. The last ten weeks they have been quite numerous with us. BERG & GALUSHA.

Wiener, the clothier, is also headquarters for boots and shoes. You can find Sels's hand made goods and cheaper grades there at rock bottom prices.

Those people who have not been in to look at the immense stock of clothing, at the Golden Eagle will be astonished to find such an assortment and the low prices marked on them in plain English.

The New Discovery.

You have heard your friends and neighbors talking about it. You may yourself be one of the many who know from personal experience just how good a thing it is. If you have ever tried it, you are one of its staunch friends, because the wonderful thing about it is, that when once given a trial Dr. King's New Discovery ever after holds a place in the house. If you have never used it and should be afflicted with a cough could or any throat Lung or Chest trouble secure a bottle at once and give it a fair trial. It is guaranteed every time if money refunded. Trial bottle Free at Henry Cook's Drugstore.

Charley Hargrave, the boy horse thief from Adams county received a sentence of five years in the reform school at Kearney.

A sound Legal Opinion.

E. Bainbridge, Munday Eng. County Atty., Clay Co., Tex. says: "I have used Electric Bitters with most happy results. My brother also was very low with Malarial Fever and Jaundice, but was cured by timely use of this medicine. An entire bottle of Electric Bitters saved his life." Mr. D. I. Whitson, of Howe Cav., K. Y., adds a like testimony, saying: "He positively believes he would have died, had it not been for Electric Bitters." This great remedy will ward off, or cure all Malarial Diseases, and all Kidney, Liver and Bowel Disorders, stands unequalled. Price 50c and \$1. at Henry Cook's.