

Suffered 20 Years.



MRS. MARY LEWIS, wife of a prominent farmer, and well known by all old residents near Belmont, N. Y., writes: "For twenty-seven years I had been a constant sufferer from nervous prostration, and paid large sums of money for doctors and advertised remedies without benefit. Three years ago my condition was alarming; the least noise would startle and unnerve me. I was unable to sleep, had a number of sinking spells and slowly grew worse. I began using Dr. Miles' Restorative Nerve and Nerve and Liver Pills. At first the medicine seemed to have no effect, but after taking a few bottles I began to notice a change; I rested better at night, my appetite began to improve and I rapidly grew better, until now I am as nearly restored to health as one of my age may expect. God bless Dr. Miles' Nerve."



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JUDSON.

Miss Wilkinson our popular teacher was called to Smith Center last Tuesday to attend the funeral of her grandmother.

There will be an oyster supper at the Star of Hope school house on Friday evening, December 16th. Everybody invited to attend.

We still hear the hum of the threshing machine in our neighborhood notwithstanding the fact that the roads are bad and the snow has beaten into the stacks.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Star of Hope school house in District 90. Judging from the committee appointed there will be a good program arranged for the occasion.

Our old neighbor, Elder J. T. Stone is very sick and not expected to live but a short time. Elder Stone has lived with us and preached for us more or less for the past 22 years. He organized the first Methodist church at Mt. Hope, known as the Mt. Hope charge and it extended south twenty miles to what was known as Porter's ranch. He used to go on Saturday, preach twice on Sunday, get back on Monday and work on the farm the rest of the week. Elder Stone is well and favorably known in Smith county, in which he lives, and also in Jewell county, Kansas, and Webster county Nebraska. He has preached a large number of funeral sermons, and has also united quite a large number in marriage, and now we expect he will lay his armor down and receive that glorious crown.

WILLOW CREEK.

Miss Nellie Hon returned from Pawnee county Monday.

We have been getting our share of snow so far this winter.

Miss Lou Vance will teach the school which she taught in the fall.

Mr. Geo. Latta was visiting on the creek the fore part of the week.

Mr. Hardy expects to move on the farm he bought of Henry Brubaker.

Roy Wolf has been kept in the house lately. Erysipelas of the face did it.

Miss Flora Godwin will teach the winter term of school where she taught last fall.

Mrs. Middleton can only talk in a whisper, all on account of taking cold during the recent blizzard.

Miss Garber is giving the best of satisfaction in teaching the Willow creek school. She boards with Mrs. Jake Lacy.

HONOLULU.

PAWNEE.

Rosenhaus is building a new school house.

Mr. G. Rohrer marketed at Red Cloud Tuesday.

Mr. Conkey is teaching singing nature to eject the winter school house.

Mr. Kizer will soon have his new house completed. Mr. Kizer is doing the work.

Mrs. Williams returned last Tuesday from Kearney where she had gone to attend her mother's funeral.

Corn husking has been on a standstill for two weeks on account of the snow, and the boys have been putting in the time killing rabbits.

There will be an oyster supper at the Johnson school house on next Friday evening for the purpose of adding to the organ fund. They also expect to have a Christmas tree at the same place.

Reliable Salesman Wanted.

We do not promise great riches but can make it an object to the right man to sell our lubricating oils and greases. Address us at once.

The Euclid Oil Co., Cleveland, O.

To do exact one day. Take a dose of Quinine Tablets. And if you feel any better, it fails to regulate her system. L. B. O'Brien, wife of J. B. O'Brien, died of cholera. Her husband was a prominent politician. He died, only after the fact had been published.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Sarah C. Francis, wife of Gen. W. Francis, died at her home on Seward street in this city on last Saturday, December 3d, her demise resulting from paralysis.

Sarah C. Hobson was born in Durham, Green county, New York, on October 7, 1837, and was married to Gen. W. Francis on September 25, 1854. Herself and husband located in Webster county in spring of 1876 near Cowles, moving to Red Cloud about one year ago.

Mrs. Francis was a devout member of the Congregational church of Cowles and the funeral services were conducted by Rev. Deacon of that place assisted by Rev. Darby and Edson from the Congregational church in this city on Sunday at 2 o'clock p.m. The remains were followed to their last resting place by many neighbors and friends. She leaves a husband and five children four boys and one girl, Mrs. E. S. Reed to mourn her loss.

School Board.

School board met Monday evening, December 5th at the office of the clerk. Present T. C. Hacker, Henry Cook, C. B. Crone, F. G. Turnure, and L. H. Fort.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The following claims were allowed and clerk ordered to draw warrants for same.

Platt & Free Co., lumber and coal..... \$276 07
W. J. Perry, plastering..... 1 15
Miner Bros. merchandise..... 1 15
Turnure Bros. merchandise..... 1 15
H. C. Crone, merchandise..... 1 15
Wm. Foster, brooms..... 1 08
American Book Co., books..... 25 50

Moved by Cook, seconded by Crone that the chairman appoint a committee of three to make changes necessary in the rules and regulations. Chair appointed Kelly, Cook and Crone.

The purchasing committee was instructed to investigate the request for purchasing of singing books for the first ward as requested by the principal of said ward and they were authorized to purchase such books as they see fit.

Two Pointed questions Answered. What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you cannot get a better price for it?

Ans.—As there is no difference in the price the public will buy only the better, so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will be much greater in the aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best?

If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly pass judgment on them and use only the better one.

This explains the large sales on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that it can always be depended upon. They may occasionally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs, colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's cough remedy. For sale by H. E. Grice.

\$500 for Letters About Nebraska. The Burlington Route (B. & M. R. R.) offers thirteen prizes ranging from \$5 to \$25 and aggregating one hundred dollars for the thirteen letters, which in the opinion of a competent committee, are best calculated to encourage immigration to Nebraska.

Every contestant, whether or not his contribution is awarded a prize, will receive the "Corn Belt" (a handsome sixteen page monthly publication) for six months free of charge. The contest is open to all. Details can be had by addressing J. Francis, G. P. A., Burlington Route, Omaha, Neb.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF RED CLOUD

CHARTER NO. 345, at Red Cloud, in the State of Nebraska, at the close of business Dec. 1, 1898.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$43,134 99
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	415 14
City warrants	485 44
Revenue stamps	130 00
Furniture and fixtures	944 36
Cash on hand and in banks	14,898 00
Due from National, State banks and bankers, cash	\$46,284 26
Bills of other banks	827 00
Stocks and bonds	35 46
Specie	2,969 50
Legal tender notes	1,000 00
Total cash on hand	51,086 22
TOTAL	\$97,633 85

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	\$15,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$62,344 31
Demand certificates of deposit	14,146 23
Time certificates of deposit	1,675 00
TOTAL	\$97,633 85

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss: County of Webster, I, W. A. Sherwood, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. A. SHERWOOD, Cashier.
J. L. MINER, Director.
C. H. MINER, Director.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of Dec. 1898.
D. J. MYERS, Notary Public.
Commission expires July 5th, 1901.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE STATE BANK OF RED CLOUD

CHARTER NO. 345, at Red Cloud, in the State of Nebraska, at the close of business December 1st, 1898.

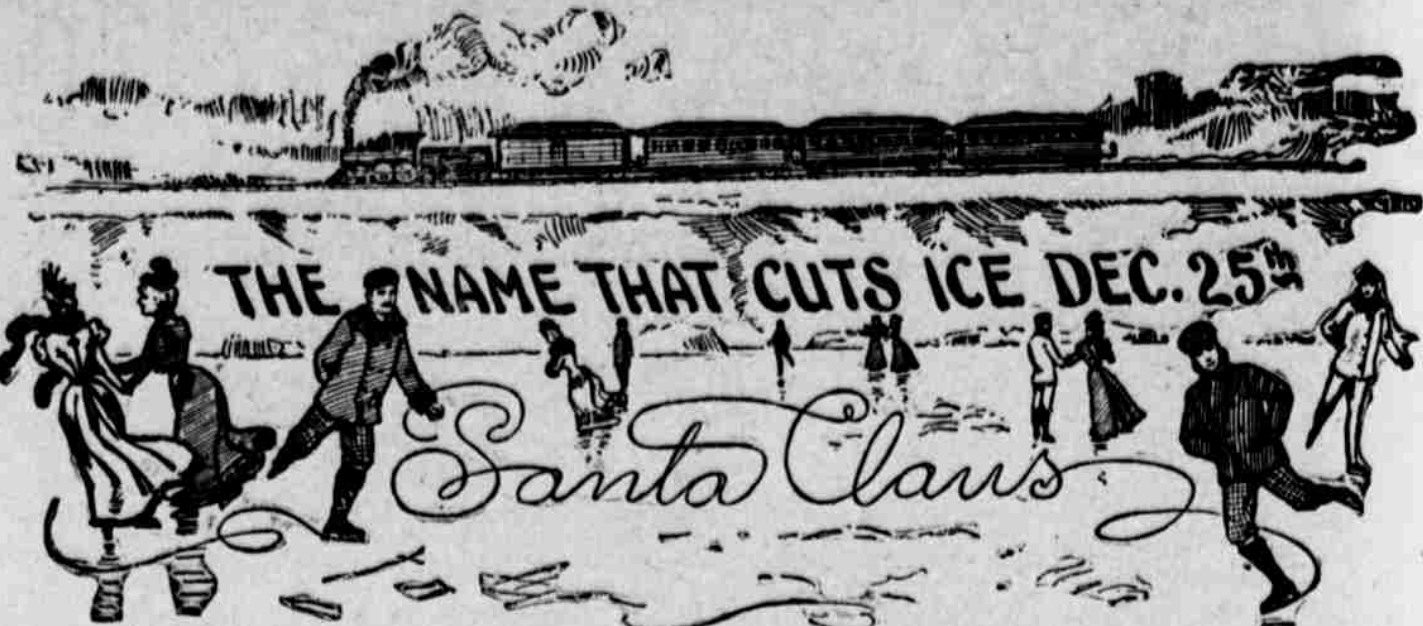
RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$58,928 03
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	121 02
Current expenses and taxes paid	1,381 92
United States bonds	\$ 8,500 00
Due from National and State banks	16,231 46
Cash Currency	4,090 00
Stocks and bonds	40 23
Gold coin	2,125 00
Silver coin	1,217 50
Total	\$92,548 76

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$15,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$61,084 59
Demand certificates of deposit	825 00
Time certificates of deposit	2,114 85
Total Deposits	\$82,844 40
TOTAL	\$92,548 76

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss: County of Webster, I, W. T. Auld, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. T. AULD, Cashier.
W. T. AULD, Director.
N. FINCH, Director.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of Dec. 1898.
C. W. KALEY, Notary Public.

Christmas Will Soon be Here.



Come and see us when you get ready to buy your Christmas gifts. We can do you good. Special - Christmas - Sale - in - Each - and - Every - Department.

Special Cloak Sale.
We want to tell you in this ad. about the good things we have in our Cloak Department. Ladiesman, Hirschheimer Co's. and A. & W. Sanpinner and Co's line of pattern or sample garments placed on sale at WHOLESALE COST. Come and see them. Ladies' or Misses \$5 Jackets or capes placed on sale at \$3.50. Ladies' \$7 Jackets or Capes placed on sale at \$5. Ladies' cloth capes at 50c and upwards.

In our Dress Goods Department.
If you are going to buy a new dress we can please you.
In our Clothing Department.
For Men: You will serve your own interests best by seeing our special bargains on Overcoats, Suits, Shirts, Neckwear and Underwear. Men's \$2.50, buckskin mittens placed on sale at 75c.

Dolls! Dolls!
Do not forget to see our dolls. We have the best 25c, 50c, and 75c dolls ever shown in Red Cloud.
Each and every department in the store is being arranged to do a bigger business than ever which means that we will place on sale extra bargain values in all of them.
COME TO OUR XMAS SALE.

ALFRED HADELL, Manager. NEBRASKA MERCANTILE CO.

How to Make Dollars Easy!

Buy your Christmas presents at wholesale.

GRAND SPECIAL SALE, Saturday, December 10, 1898. AND DON'T FORGET THE DATE.

SILVERWARE, CROCKERYWARE and BEAUTIFUL PICTURES.

A full line of Rogers Brothers celebrated tableware, everything in the line of Hollowware for table use, all guaranteed triple or quadruple plate warranted to wear for fifteen years.

A choice line of fine China and Crockery including the renowned Haviland Carlsbad, German and Wedgwood ware.

COME EVERYBODY AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10TH, AT

Miss Hadell's Millinery Store

MOON BGOCK.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss: LUCAS COUNTY.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 6th day of December, 1896.
A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

For Sale.
One hundred and sixty acres of unimproved land four miles northwest of Red Cloud, consisting of the west half of the northeast quarter, and the east half of the northwest quarter of section fifteen in township two north, range eleven west. The land is leased at present, but subject to sale. Price \$2,000. For further information apply to MRS. JAMES KIRKWOOD, Fairfax, Mo.

The sooner a cough or cold is cured without harm to the sufferer the better. Lingering colds are dangerous. Hacking cough is distressing. One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures it. Why suffer when such a cough cure is within reach? It is pleasant to the taste. C. L. Cotting.

Overcome evil with good. Overcome your coughs and colds with One Minute Cough Cure. It is so good children cry for it. It cures croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, gripe, and all throat and lung diseases. C. L. Cotting.

When you ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. C. L. Cotting.

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A Surprise Party

We are having a surprise party at our store this month. Those come are surprised at the prices for such a high grade of goods as we sell. We advertise only the absolute facts and when we say that we give you

THE BEST GOODS for THE LOWEST PRICES.

You may depend on it. Our guarantee is every thing as we say or your money back or goods replaced with new. We sell high grade goods at the low grade price of others.

OUR LINE OF CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

will be largely added to this month.

We are the Only Graduate Opticians in This County who have ever attended an Optical College.

NEWHOUSE BROS., Jewelers and Opticians.

OUR GREETING IS Christmas - Bargains!

They are many. They are reliable. They are desirable.

Our choice selection of holiday goods are now ready for the inspection and approval of all who know a good thing when they see it.

ALBUMS, TOILET CASES, COLLAR AND CUFF SETS, TOYS, DOLLS, BUGGIES AND NOVELTIES OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS FROM ONE CENT TO TEN DOLLARS.

BOOKS: OF: ALL: KINDS: A: SPECIALTY. DON'T BUY A LAMP WITHOUT SEEING OURS. OUR PRICES SELL THEM.

Don't take our word for it but come and see. No trouble to show goods.

C. L. COTTING, The Druggist.

Don't take our word for it but come and see. No trouble to show goods.

THE OPPORTUNITY.

Of consulting one of the leading physicians and surgeons (in the treatment of chronic and nervous diseases in this country.

DR. REA.

He is well known in Nebraska, and is reliable as well as eminent in his profession, and has but few superiors in his line of diseases, and from reports of the press, his rooms are crowded wherever he stops. By the request of many friends and patients who have usually gone a long distance to see him, he has decided and arranged to VISIT RED CLOUD and will be at the HOLLAND HOUSE.

Thursday, January 5th

ONE DAY ONLY. Returning every four weeks for six months. Consultation and examination free to all.

B. REA, M. D.

His treatment and examinations we understand are based upon new methods, and are similar as are given in the eastern and southern hospitals in which he has learned his business.

He treats chronic and nervous diseases, chronic catarrh, diseases of the eye, ear, nose, throat, and lungs, dyspepsia, Bright's disease, diabetes, liver, stomach, constipation, rheumatism, chronic female and sexual diseases, neuritis, sciatica, dizziness, nervousness, slow growth in children and all wasting diseases in adults, deformities, club feet, curvature of the spine, diseases of the brain, paralysis, heart diseases, eczema, varicella, and hydrocele, cancers, tumors, warts and blemishes removed.

Young, middle-aged and old, married or single men, and all who suffer with lost manhood, nervy debility, spermatorrhea, seminal loss, decay, falling memory, weak eyes, stunted development, lack of energy, impoverished blood, pimples, also blood and skin diseases. Eruptions, hair falling, long pain swellings, sore throat, ulcers. Feet of mercury, kidney and bladder troubles, weak back, burning urine, incontinence, gleet, stricture, rectal veining, treatment, prompt relief.

Both sexes treated confidentially and privately. Piles, fistula, fissure and rupture cured by our new method.

The Phenomal Success

Can only be attributed to the Superior Quality and Very Low Prices.



A FEW ITEMS for COMPARISON.

Ladies Welts at \$2.75, equal to any sold in the city at \$3.50.

Mem's Boots at \$2 to \$3, sold by others at \$2.50 to \$3.50.

Boys' Felt Boots and Rubbers at \$1.00.

BERG & SMITH.

REPAIRING NEATLY DONE.