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AND

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Office at the County Seat.

Franklin County Guard.

Vol. II.

BLOOMINGTON, FRANKLIN CO., NEB., Thursday, Aug. 6, 1874.

No. 47

LOCAL MATTERS.

- Metropolitan like.
- Weather still in the cremation business.
- Mrs. Huffman in town for the first time.
- It takes a northwest wind to frost the grasshoppers.
- Gid Pugsley feels happy. No wonder, and if you only knew why, you wouldn't blame him.
- Groceries at Granger's prices a Vancil's new store.

DELINQUENT TAX LIST.

NOTICE is hereby given that I will offer for sale at the office of the County Treasurer of Franklin co, Neb. in the manner described by law the following described lands for the tax levied for the year 1873, and have not been paid. Sale commencing September 1st at 9

The game of croquet receives full attention since its introduction in Bloomington. The play has all along been open for a free pitch in for all those wishing to participate.

We couldn't for the life of us imagine why Charley Pugsley looked so pleased and smiling the other day he came in the office; but we were not long left in suspense, as the secret was too good to be kept, and told us of a new girl at his house—a 7 pounder. The GUARD office enjoyed a number of excellent cigars shortly after Charley said he couldn't be long away and must go.

Peters' Musical Monthly for August has been received, and contains ten excellent pieces—six songs and four instrumental. Three dollars worth of music for 30 cents. Address J. L. Peters, 599 Broadway New York, or for \$3.50 we will send both the GUARD and the MONTHLY for one

G. N. Sheppard is in town.

The proceedings of the county seat convention received too late for this issue.

The land-office building is rapidly nearing completion.

Mr. Cook, of Plattsmouth, arrived yesterday, and will survey a portion of the town site.

Come and see me when in town, it shan't cost you a cent.

F. M. Vancil.

Owing to the publication of the delinquent tax-list, we are unable to publish as early as was agreed upon on account of the convention, but are not behind our usual time.

Where did you get that nice flavored cigar? Why at Vancil's of course.

We suppose Elverton will have her babies in due time at last. The contract

RELIEF FOR THE SUFFERING.

Preliminary Organization of a County Aid Society.

After the adjournment of the county-seat convention at Macon, Saturday, Aug. 1st, the assembly was called to order, and Rev. J. R. Shanafelt suggested the advisability of devising some means to prevent the threatened suffering in consequence of the ravages of the grasshoppers. And further to take that action with sufficient system and promptness as to retain our people at home—rendering it unnecessary for any one to leave the country.

It was moved and carried that the chair appoint a committee of three in each precinct, whose duty it shall be to make careful inquiry in their respective communities and ascertain, so far as they are able, the names and number of persons likely to need assistance, and the extent to which aid will be necessary.

After an intermission of ten minutes, the chair appointed the following committees:
North Franklin—Madison Kinney, Geo. Currant, S. M. Brown.

Buffalo—Louis Everley, Chas. Cameron, Aaron Stedman.

Grant—A. J. Weston, A. K. Kinnear, J. R. McDonald.

Franklin—W. S. Phipps, R. W. Patterson, John Chinamon.

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 BLOOMINGTON, FRANKLIN CO., NEB.

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and have not been paid. Some commencing on the First Monday in September, at 9 o'clock A. M., and continue from day to day till all have been offered.
 Dated at Franklin, this 1st day of August, A. D. 1874.
JOHN E. SIMMONS,
 Per J. L. TINKHAM, dept. Co. Treas.

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Twenty cents is added to each description for advertising.

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"Pioneers" awake! There is to be a series of 3 matched games to be played between the Pioneers of Bloomington and the Nameless of Republican City. The first game to be played on the grounds of the Pioneers in Bloomington, on the 10th day of August, inst., at 2 p. m.

A party of fishers from Cedar creek in Kansas, while fishing in the Republican near the mouth of Rebecca creek recently, caught a catfish that weighed a little over forty pounds.

The grasshoppers have pretty much all disappeared, and there is a much better spirit among the citizens of this county than we had the least hopes of seeing. There will be considerable corn after all. Some that is already past roast-ears and hard, we are certain of, and some, very few places, however, that have escaped entire, some a part, while a large area of late corn not in tassel at the time, though badly eaten, it is thought will make something. A few, but only a few, will leave the county, and there will be no general exodus, for, in fact, there is no occasion. At least the show is very poor for bettering their condition elsewhere.

It is said that little bugs in myriads follow the grasshoppers, and are their deadly enemy. They travel by night while the grasshoppers are at rest. We have ourselves noted the peculiar humming noise of these insects but have been unable to capture any, therefore we are unable to give any description of them. Some of our exchanges speak of them as being armed with long sword-like bills, which they plunge into their prey, and thus causing sure and instant death. We have advised of another and quite different theory, which we believe most probable: that they deposite their eggs upon the wings and body of the grasshoppers, which in due time hatch out numerous parasites that consume them.

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do	35	"	"	64	28
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Subscriber

bridge in due time at last. The contract was let to Messrs. H. T. Clark & Co., of Omaha, the other day. They find, on examination, that what was supposed to be stone four feet below, the bottom of the river, is only hardpan—the rock being several feet below, making a very substantial foundation for piling. The bridge is to be on the truss plan, two spans, and the piers of stone built upon piling ripped, leaving all the woodwork below the surface of the water. Those who have examined the plans and specifications, agree in pronouncing it a fine and substantial structure.

NOTICE.

There will be a meeting of the Republican Central Committee, at Franklin, on Tuesday the 18th day of August, 1874, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of choosing three delegates to attend the Republican State Convention to be held at Lincoln, Sept. 2d, to nominate a State Ticket, to be voted for at the next October election; and, also, to make arrangements for holding the Republican County Convention.

DANIEL BROWN, Chair.

NOTE—The following named persons are members of the Central Committee of the several precincts: Grant—W McBridge, M O'Sullivan; Franklin—L D Haber, Geo Buck Jr; North Franklin—M S Budlong, Mr Lee; Macon—D K Calkins, E S Willis; Sheridan—J D Gage, J F Zediker; Ash Grove—P B Haslett, A Beach.

As I am unable to learn the names of any of the Republican voters in Buffalo precinct, I would recommend that the Republican voters of that precinct hold a caucus and choose two of their number to represent them. A full attendance of the members is earnestly requested. B.

Messrs. Presson, Dorsey, Chadwick, Barnum, and other gentlemen of Gage county, arrived in Bloomington Monday evening. They all contemplate a permanent location, and are the pioneers of a steady stream of capital and enterprise that will flow into our county for years to come. We have not learned the plans of any of the party further than that Messrs. Dorsey and Barnum bring with them a full and complete livery outfit, first-class in both stock and vehicles, and intend to start in that business at once. These new settlers have been known to some of our citizens for years, and we can assure the people of Franklin county that we have received a valuable accession. Mr Dorsey and Judge Chadwick

son, John Chiamphon.
 Macon—C. C. Dake, W. Calkins, Amos Borker.
 Ash Grove—Willard Weston, A. M. De Clercq, — Thomas.
 Sheridan—L. M. Moulton, J. W. Deary, W. Hildreth.

It was moved and carried that the committee be urged to use all possible diligence, and be prepared to report to a mass meeting of the citizens of the county at Macon on Monday, August 10th.

The secretary was directed to furnish the proceedings of the meeting to the GUARD for publication.

A. M. DECLERCQ, Chn.

J. R. McDONALD, Sec.

COURAGE.

Courage, eye, tact and an earnest practical effort on their own part, in the face of the calamity upon us, will enable the people of this county to live on their own resources without any outside aid until crops grow again, if they only go the right way to work. If our crops are destroyed, our county has a credit and our roads want working. Our road fund is one of the heaviest funds we have, which if accumulated for ten or fifteen years would amount to several thousand dollars. Under the present system as the taxes are collected for this fund they are exhausted, and the amount of improvements done on the roads thereby signifies nothing. Whereas if a sum to work those roads, at once were borrowed, now when people most need employment, they could live, and our roads in less than one year would be in good passable condition.

Let us not beg but rather borrow and what we borrow let us put it to use, in such a shape that the county will be improved and the people benefited thereby. Let \$50,000 or \$60,000 be borrowed on the bonds of this county payable in ten or fifteen years, and to meet this at the end of the term let the county road fund be created a sinking fund, or at least such a portion of it as may be necessary, and our people will have no need to leave or beg as long as they have employment at home in their own several localities, and improving their roads where they have an interest. I would not advise high wages, say one dollar

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CLARK'S Grammar.

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Notice IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I will examine all persons who may desire to offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the primary or common schools of this (Franklin) county, on the 1st Saturday of February, May, August, and November at Franklin; at my office in Riverton on 1st Saturday of all other months, or such other times and places as necessity may require. Regular examinations commencing at 9 o'clock a. m.

Dated this 8th day of January, 1874.

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can assure the people of Franklin county that we have received a valuable accession. Mr. Dorsey and Judge Chadwick are accompanied by their families, and all are highly pleased with the country. Col. S. M. Rich, of Republican City, was in Bloomington one day last week.

The county seat convention at Macon last Saturday was attended by delegates from all the precincts in the county except Sheridan. The absence of the gentlemen expected to attend from this precinct was the most noticeable feature of the gathering. Little interest was manifested in the proceeding and the selection of Macon as the point on which the opposition to Bloomington should concentrate was simply a foregone conclusion before the conventions met. Not a single delegate to that body hopes that Macon will receive the necessary majority, and it is a matter of great doubt whether it will have as many votes as Bloomington.

The meeting was composed of excellent citizens, and the only objectional feature in the whole proceeding is the manner in which the delegates were apportioned—for instance, Sheridan precinct, with 140 voters, was limited to the same number of delegates as Ash Grove or Buffalo, with only twelve or fifteen voters. But the result of the election will be to put the question finally at rest, and county seat agitation will die out and leave not a ripple upon the surface of the community.

Proposals for holding the Franklin county fair for 1874, will be received by Col. J. D. Gage, John Hutchinson, and A. K. Kinnear. Said proposals must be in full, and delivered sealed to either of the above named persons on or before the 8th day of August, 1874, at 9 o'clock A. M. COL. J. D. GAGE. JOHN HUTCHINSON. A. K. KINNEAR.

Are you going to the dance at Vining's to-night?

localities, and improving their roads where they have an interest. I would not advise high wages, say one dollar per per day, to each adult laborer, one dollar for teams and fifty cents for boys who can work, while none but actual settlers of this county should be employed, with the preference given to the heads of large families in destitute circumstances, of which justices of the peace who by law are constituted overseers of the poor, should be the judges in their several precincts whose ticket or letter to the road supervisors of the precinct wherein they live, should be sufficient guarantee that the person seeking employment is a resident of Franklin county and is in need of work. To this I would add other suggestions which should be laid before a committee on by laws, whose duty it would be to draw up such rules regarding the matter as would meet the approval of the board of county commissioners.

Let no man leave the county, there is no need of it. Nor let Franklin county send for aid outside of itself. In this as in everything else let us show enterprise and pluck and by doing so we will turn what to some may appear a calamity in a blessing. Let us not sit down like children and cry over the matter. Let petitions be got up in every precinct calling on the commissioners to submit to the people at an early day, the question of voting bonds to the full extent allowed by law, for the purpose of working the roads of the county, and also that all road taxes collected be constituted a sinking fund to meet the indebtedness at the end of a given term as well as pay the interest on those bonds as it become due, the result of which will be, the roads will be worked at once, the people will have employment and can stay at home. BRUTUS,

Any one having a good pre-emption claim for sale or trade, go and see Vaucil.