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Editor and Proprietor.

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Y. W. WASHINGTON

### Mail Schedule.

Mail arrives from the east (Lowell) daily at 4:30 p. m., and departs at 9:20, a. m.  
Mail arrives daily from the west at 9 a. m. and departs at 5 p. m.  
Office hours from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.  
SOL. MALES, POSTMASTER.

### Religious Services.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Preaching every third Sabbath, at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7 o'clock P. M.  
E. N. LORD,  
Stated Supply.

I. O., O. F.—Riverton Lodge No. meets every Saturday evening. Visiting brethren cordially invited to attend.  
A. J. WESTON, C. B. CHILDS,  
Sec'y. N. G.

### LOCAL MATTERS.

Rev. E. N. Lord will preach at the school house in this place to-morrow, morning and evening.

As we go to press we learn that the Turkey Creek mill was badly damaged Thursday night, by water undermining it, but to just what extent we do not know.

We are unable to learn anything further than what appears elsewhere, regarding the shipment of seed west.

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D. L. Ashby bought the lumber for his office this week and will soon have

F. A. Harman, has added another new glass show case to his drug store which makes a very pleasant view greet his customers upon entering his nicely fitted up establishment.

Wm. Gaslin, Jr., of this place, returned Wednesday from a visit of about three months in the State of Maine, the land of his boy-hood. He reports a pleasant visit and looks refreshed and invigorated by his leave of absence from business. He will now give his entire attention to his legal business in Southern Nebraska, where he has a large practice.

F. M. Vandl received a large lot of seeds from the Department for distribution, this week.

L. J. Thompson, J. C. Murrin, N. P. Cook, W. C. Holden, Joseph McCreary, S. F. David, and R. H. Porson, are named as candidates for Constitutional honors in the Dist. west of us. The News favors Dr. McPherson, as its choice.

Geo. Buck, Jr., J. F. Zediker, Geo. W. Dorsey, and D. L. Ashby are the subjects to be politically slaughtered at the County Convention for this Co. on the 20th, so far as we have heard. Trot them out.

We notice a new show case on the counter at Males' well filled with fancy articles, which adds materially to appearances of his store.

We are to have of Mr. C. F. Shedd,

Heavy snow storms are reported during the last few days, in the east, which in a measure accounts for the irregularity of our eastern mail.

1111 newspapers are trying to persuade winter that it is immodest to linger so long in the lap of spring without any apparent effect, and yet they are not happy.

The assessors are making their rounds in this county, and it behooves our grasshoppered friends to provide good hiding places for their cures.

Mud and slush have been the order of the day most of this week, but we may soon expect to see the prairies dry and green again.

The "boys" at Lincoln comprising the Variety Publishing Company, have decided to style their paper the "Evening Star." We notice they acknowledge the receipt of a club from this place. Their paper continues to be witty and lively and as it is the only evening publication there, we hope they may build up a good business.

Read the call by A. J. Weston, Ch'n Co. Central Com., to be found elsewhere in this paper. It will be seen that the precinct caucus are called for the 18th, the county Convention on the 20th at Bloomington, and the District Convention on the 27th. Now let the people of this county wake up to their interests and give this matter their attention. Men should be selected be-

We should judge the Lowell Register man was slightly inebriated when he made up his last letter from "Eos," dated at this place, for he came near getting the drift of it, if there was any, located in Kearney, but then all allowance must be made for he can't find anything to write about in that defunct town and as it is some satisfaction to have the ill will of such curs as the editor of that sheet is, we think Bloomington or any of the men he is trying to squelch out of existence, can survive a few weeks longer, at any rate. He says we've got a dozen buildings out on the bare prairie, which is true, and even admitting that that is all, its more than Lowell has, and what is there is half buried in the sand, and the other half is being sold under the hammer, but his articles are so sound(?) and have so much weight, at home, say nothing what they do abroad, that we cannot find time or space to answer them, but shall only let him squirm over there in the said hills as he will soon work himself down out of site, and be heard no more. It is no trouble for a man of his mental calibre, to hide himself in a tea-cup full of mother earth any time.

The grasshoppered region is not the only place that needs aid. Advices from Asia Minor say that in one district alone out of a population of 52,000, 20,000 have died since the beginning of the famine there.

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A SERIES OF SUITS ENDED.

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Attorney at Law. Notary Public  
AND  
Probate Judge of Franklin County.

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Real Estate and Patent Office Agent,  
Civil Engineer and Draughtsman,  
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Perspective, Bridge and Patent Office  
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**Att'y at Law,**  
Offices at Republican City, Harlan co.  
and Culbertson, Hitchcock co.  
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The Soldier's Bounty Bill was dropped in the U. S. Senate last week, consequently did not become a law.

R. L. Downing has just opened a new Flour & Feed Store at Lowell. Best Flour in the market. 21

The Black Hills excitement is beginning to gain credulence and different places are making preparations to establish "fitting out posts." Kearney has a company formed to establish a ferry across the Niobrara river and will do something to keep the ball rolling.

Immigration is beginning to move and we notice the familiar white cover on our streets daily. A great many of those who left last fall are now wending their way back.

A quantity of Relief clothing (we mean relief to the ones that got rid of it.) was distributed here last week, but it went.

Drag Teeth one cent per pound less, than can be bought elsewhere, at Downing's, Lowell. 21

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We are to give of Mr. C. F. Shedd, Fairfield Neb., about 30 bushels of flax seed to loan in this county, which will be taken and tried this year that our farmers can tell something of its yield, and the profit of raising it in this county.

Work still progresses on the Mechanics & Builder's cellar, the dirt from which is helping several low places in our streets.

Superintendent C. B. Childs, held an examination of teachers at this place Saturday last, at the Clerk's office.

The assessors of the county should bear in mind that the law requires them to make an accurate census return every spring.

Hon. F. J. Hendershot has returned to Hebron again, but we suppose it is only for a short time as we understand from his friends there, he has a slice laid up for him, but we presume it has got too high up by this time.

The new Senate convened on the 5th of the month and admitted the Senators elect to their seats.

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**Out in the Country.**

Tuesday morning, in company with Dr. Maynard, of this place, we started for a drive across the river to Mr. Peter Phillipps, for the purpose of "taking-in" the country on the south side of the river, and to learn more of the fossils in that vicinity, of which we have heretofore made mention. The day was pleasant, and as the doctor is an agreeable conversationalist, we enjoyed the ride hugely, and before we were aware of it our destination was reached. Af-

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**A SERIES OF SUITS ENDED.**

We are happy to chronicle the ending of a long series of suits concerning Olive May Sweany, a minor—who during the temporary absence of its father, its mother being dead, was placed under the guardianship of its grandmother against its father's will, the 1st day of November 1873. Upon its father returned, Judge Lucas as his counsel, issued a writ of habeas corpus from the Probate Court. D. Van Etten acting as attorney for the grandmother and gained the suit. This ended that suit. Mr. Van Etten afterward was employed as attorney for the father and secured the return of the infant to him in October last. However the grandmother put in a claim for support of the child etc., to the amount of \$253. This was brought to a hearing before the Probate Court last week and the claim entirely defeated. H. S. Kaley of Red Cloud acting as attorney for the prosecution, and D. Van Etten of this place for the defence. Mr. Van Etten has been unusually successful, as attorney, in all of his suits and is building up a very promising practice.

Judge Moulton appears steadily at his desk this week. Those having legal business or causes pending in the next District Court in this county will do well to employ the services of the Judge. Af-

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**Notice**  
 Is hereby given that I will examine all persons who may desire to offer themselves as candidates for teachers in this (Franklin) county, on the 1st Saturday of each month, at Bloomington, in said county and such other times and places as necessity may require. Examination to commence at 9 o'clock a. m.

**CYRUS B. CHILDS,**  
 Co. Supt. Pub. Inst.  
 Dated this 1st day of Sept. 1874.

**Notice.**  
 I would respectfully notify the public that I am now prepared to do all kinds of **BLACKSMITHING.** Axes and other edged tools repaired, and warranted. Give me a call.  
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**T. M. HALL,**  
 Proprietor.

Koelmel & Andra, at the saloon, have just received a fresh supply of wines and liquors, and invite their customers to call and try them.

We would like two or three loads of wood on subscription, to last us through the spring.

Mr. Thomas Roberts, traveling agent for the J. M. Brunswick & Balke Co's Celebrated Billiard tables, was in town on Sunday. He is a gentlemanly young man and expects to supply our town with some of those fine tables this spring.

Only about one month in which to hold the precinct, county and district conventions, to put in nomination a candidate for member of the Constitutional Convention. A call from the Central Committee is in order and will probably appear in this paper although it has not been received at this writing.

Downing will sell stoves two dollars cheaper than any other man in the county. 18

We are under obligations for a pass over the B. & M. railroad, recently received from the president, Hon. W. Irving. The Co's liberality, and generosity manifested during this winter and spring to the people of the Republican valley, will not soon be forgotten we hope, as it has been almost without limit or solicitation.

We are placed under many obligations to Capt. Zediker, for his making us the recipient of a Legislative manual, of the 11th session, which we prize very highly, as it contains valuable statistics for reference.

Dr. Maynard returned last Saturday from his visit to Blue Springs, looking as smiling and "bland-like" as usual. He is now ready to attend to all professional calls he may receive, promptly.

Read the Proclamation of the County Commissioners relative to the town lots.

The new Senate convened on the 5th of the month and admitted the Senators elect to their seats.

Read the minutes of the agricultural meeting in another column. A fair attendance was had and several new members were added, and it is hoped a good fair may be had this fall. All should feel an interest in this matter.

Gov. Garber has not yet given his decision in the Penitentiary affairs, but it is expected that he will do something ere long.

The warm spring-like days of this week, have set things to moving on all sides, and people appear like birds let loose from a cage. The snow has all disappeared, and evidences of spring are visible on all sides. Let it come, for the time never was when an honest and industrious people looked forward to the coming season with a greater degree of anxiety than at present, and it is hoped that they may be liberally rewarded for their labors the coming season.

The Hon. M. V. Moudy has gone to Washington, to secure an appointment for supporting Thayer, we suppose. Probably the next telegram will take the Lowell map man then for a fat take, of some kind, or to explain the proposed amendments to the Statutes of Neb., by the Constitutional Convention, which meets in May next.

We have just received one of Webster's Unabridged Dictionaries, from the publishers, Messrs. G. & C. Merram, Springfield Mass., which is one of the new editions, and is the most complete work of the kind we know of. Every family should have one and especially should school boards see that each school district is provided with one.

... pleasant, and as the doctor is an agreeable conversationalist, we enjoyed the ride hugely, and before we were aware of it, our destination was reached. After arriving at Mr. Phillipps' we put out the team and examined the specimens Mr. P. has collected which consists of the crown, or that part above the jaw, of an animal's tooth measuring 7 1/2 by 3 1/2 inches, a joint measuring 2 1/2 inches in circumference, and a piece of the jaw bone, from which the tooth came, measuring about 17 inches, besides other petrified bones of smaller proportions. None of the fossil peices are perfect enough to give evidence of what they belonged to, or to the location of them except the tooth which is as perfect as ever, and bears evidence of great wear from use. After examining these, our curiosity being somewhat aroused, we followed Mr. P. to the place where a portion of these specimens came from and saw the remaining peices of a bone which he dug up, which measured 9 feet without a joint. In our rambling we came across other specimens of petrified bones of different sizes, but as the ground was frozen we could not try our skill in digging them up; however we intend to make a second trip. After returning to the house, lank and hungry, we sat down to a bountiful supply of the substantial of life Mrs. P. had prepared during our tramp, and if we didn't do them justice, the Dr. did, for a certainty. After dinner Mr. P. showed us some of his fine stock, and pointed out to us the advantages of his place for stock raising, which we could readily see at a glance as he has plenty of good water, timber and wind brakes. Some of the finest springs in the county are to be found near his house. After taking a few of the specimens with us, which can now be seen at this office, we then turned our faces homeward, feeling that the trip had been a pleasant one and hoping to take similar ones in other parts of the county during the coming spring.

desk this week. Those having legal business or causes pending in the next District Court in this county will do well to employ the services of the Judge. Although he never counsels a man into a law suit, still he is like unto a Lion when it comes to fighting through one.

**Land Office Abstract.**  
**List of Entries made at the Bloomington Land Office to the week ending Mar. 13. 1875.**

| Homestead Entries.      |              |  |          |
|-------------------------|--------------|--|----------|
| S. M. Thomas            | sw 1/4       |  | 32 3 10  |
| C. Christenson          | nw 1/4       |  | 4 3 21   |
| A. G. Brown             | sw 1/4       |  | 34 4 25  |
| S. W. Case              | nw 1/4       |  | 35 1 23  |
| C. C. Dake              | nw 1/4       |  | 24 3 15  |
| J. McDermont            | sw 1/4       |  | 20 5 28  |
| Timber Culture Entries. |              |  |          |
| L. M. Jentman           | w 1/2 sw 1/4 |  | 24 7 9   |
| C. Smith                | nw 1/4       |  | 2 7 9    |
| J. F. Read              | sw 1/4       |  | 28 5 10. |
| P. Hornbeck             | ne 1/4       |  | 20 4 11  |

| Pre-emption.   |                                |  |         |
|----------------|--------------------------------|--|---------|
| Mary Jones     | se 1/4 nw 1/4 & lot 1 2 3      |  | 8 1 22  |
| J. L. Cook     | se 1/4 nw 1/4 & ne 1/4 sw 1/4  |  | 34 1 1  |
| A. Close       | e 1/4 nw 1/4 & nw 1/4 & sw 1/4 |  | 28 1 27 |
| N. Hunt        | ne 1/4                         |  | 8 2 10  |
| F. Donner      | ne 1/4                         |  | 6 8 11  |
| M. Dobberstein | e 1/4 sw 1/4 & n 1/4 nw 1/4    |  | 34 3 17 |
| J. L. Lewis    | e 1/4 sw 1/4 & w 1/4 ne 1/4    |  | 27 1 22 |

| Homestead Declarations. |        |  |         |
|-------------------------|--------|--|---------|
| A. J. Thompson          | nw 1/4 |  | 22 8 12 |
| L. Chas                 | ne 1/4 |  | 8 8 12  |

| Entered Lands. |        |  |         |
|----------------|--------|--|---------|
| J. W. Colter   | se 1/4 |  | 4 7 9   |
| J. Sluyter     | se 1/4 |  | 2 7 9   |
| A. Parkhurst   | sw 1/4 |  | 14 7 6  |
| J. Worcester   | se 1/4 |  | 28 8 12 |
| E. Kapp        | se 1/4 |  | 22 8 11 |
| Geo. Wheat     | se 1/4 |  | 15 4 12 |

**Notice.**  
**U. S. LAND OFFICE,**  
 Bloomington, Neb., Feb. 27. 1875.  
 Complaint having been entered at this Office by Geo. W. Rise against Oscar Kim, bail for abandoning his Homestead Entry, No. 1850, dated Feb. 4th 1874, upon the ne 1/4 section 24, township 2, range 13 west, in Franklin county, Neb., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this Office on the 5th day of March 1875, at 10 o'clock p. m., to testify concerning said entry.

**C. H. W.**  
**EVAN W.**