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THE GUARD is the oldest paper in the Republican Valley; the only paper in Franklin County, and is located at the U. S. Land Office town in the southwestern land district; its circulation is the largest of any paper in the valley, and parties east who wish to obtain news from the valley will find it to their advantage to patronize it.

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AND

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.
L. F. FISH, Assistant.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.—Presbyterian preaching once in three weeks on Sabbath evening regularly. E. N. LORD,
Stated Supply.

Pioneer Lodge, I. O., O. F., of Hiwerton Neb., meets 2d and 4th Saturdays of each month. All visiting brethren in good standing cordially invited to attend.

R. B. FULTON, N. G.
JNO. R. MITCHELL, Sec'y.

LOCAL MATTERS.

We have heard of two or three who contemplate going east to solicit aid for this county the coming spring.

An effort is being made by some of the citizens of our county to secure seed for planting the approaching spring.

McWaters, the Nebraska City villain, was confined in the State Penitentiary the 22d, there to put in a few years in peaceful labor.

The little boys about town celebrated Christmas eve. very appropriately (?) with fire-crackers.

A few more loads of wood will be acceptable at this office just now.

Henry L. Stevens made a trip to the Junction the first of the week, of a day or two.

Mr. Dow has a few more of those fine cigars left, they are just the thing these long evenings after supper.

Hugh A. Patterson will open a boot and shoe shop in Bloomington, second door east of the Illinois Store, next Monday, where all in need of his services can be accommodated, call around and see him.

Rev. E. N. Lord, of the Presbyterian church, now residing at Melrose, Harlan county, contemplates locating in Bloomington soon for the purpose of more materially aiding in the organization of a church in this county.

The school house narrowly escaped being consumed by fire Tuesday evening last. The fire originated beneath the stove, and but for the fortunate arrival of parties to church. the building would doubtless have been consumed.

In last week's Co. Commissioners' Court proceedings the following accounts were unavoidably left out. Mr. G. W. Thompson was allowed \$10.00 for keeping Martin Connolly. Alex. McDonald for making ballot box \$2.65. Buffalo Precinct—E. Bond \$1.70.

NEW YEARS BALL—We are authorized to give notice that a nice little New Years party will be given next Friday night, at this place, by Mr. Vining. Good music will be furnished and refreshments served, and the dancing public are invited to be present and participate. Bill \$1.00.

On Monday last, while the family were away from home, a sneak thief broke into the house of Mrs. S. D. Swaney, on the river bottom, by removing a window, and stole a sack of flour therefrom, the only article missed as yet. He

J. H. Peak, of the North Platte Nebraska, has associated himself with B. M. Brake of the Lincoln Spy. Mr. Peak is a man of ability and an experienced editor and will doubtless pull strong on the democratic "ribbons" of the slate, but the old "hos" has had his day, and we are afraid he won't win the race.

We are informed that our item in regard to Mr. D. H. Delano, being sent back to Iowa by those formerly from that State, but now living in the eastern portion of this County, was in error. Mr. Delano went for assistance, as we are now informed, for people near Macon. We are sorry that we should make a mistake in the location, but, trust, no great harm will result from it.

NOTICE—Very excellent White Mediterranean wheat for seed, quite free from weeds, for sale by S. A. GROUT.

RELIEF RECEIVED.—MR. E. W. TINKHAM informs us that there has been received this week by him and distributed through the other members of the committee, 30 sacks of flour, 25 sacks corn meal, 24 sacks beans 25 pounds each, 30 sacks dried apples, 10 pounds each, and 2 boxes of soda, all of which was taken before the committee-men left this place. He says this amount is not near sufficient for the present demand; and unless relief supplies are brought in faster there must be a great deal of suffering. We are also informed that there are families in the county that have nothing but rabbits to live on at the present time, with no prospects of getting anything but from the

as not get along without them;—but as a general rule, I believe our settlers have sufficient honor not to abuse their privileges in this matter, that when they ask for help. It is pretty good evidence that they are in need of it.

JNO. R. HUFFMAN.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by the undersigned living three miles south of Bloomington, 1 Texas steer, supposed to be 10 years old, light brindle color; branded on the left with W S; a crop on the left ear and upper bit in the same place. Also one Red Heifer, three years old; a white spot in the face, also white in each flank, but no other marks perceptible. Taken up on the 30th day of Nov.

J. W. STINSON

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J. J. SCHAFFER,
Justice of the Peace and
COLLECTION AGENT,

Bloomington, Neb.
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D. VAN ETTEN,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,
Real Estate and Patent Office Agent,
Civil Engineer and Draughtsman,
Plano, Topographical, Architectural,
Perspective, Bridge and Patent Office
Plans Drawn. Estimates made.
BLOOMINGTON, FRANKLIN, CO., NEB.

J. N. LUCAS,
Att'y at Law,
Offices at Republican City, Harlan co.
and Culbertson, Hitchcock co.

Calhoun made quite an extensive trip to Lowell last week, but returned all right Sunday morning.

When you want a nice roast, splendid sausage or anything in the meat line, call around and see Mr. Martin, west of the land office, he will accommodate you in first class shape.

Messrs. W. M. Davis & Co. intend to open up anew in the Nursery business in the spring.

A resolution was offered in the State Grange last week to solicit aid from the National Grange for the Nebraska Patrons.

A gold sleeve button has been left at this office. The owner can have it by calling and describing it.

Vanell is making arrangements to erect another store building.

Mr. Way proposes to put up a tin shop in the rear of his store and have it in running order soon after the first of January.

The mother of Mrs. S. S. Dow, came over from Hastings Wednesday, and will stop a while with our good natured landlord.

was tracked as far as the river, which he crossed on the ice.

Thomas H. Smith, for the past few weeks, stopping with Harmon, the druggist of this place, left Monday morning for Blue Springs in Gage County, and from there he will probably go to Illinois. Tommy is not only a good druggist but one of the best boys we know of, and we wish him success wherever he may go.

We were pleased to meet at the Stevens' House last Tuesday, Rev. I. N. Martin of Riverton, Presiding Elder of the United Brethren Church, for this this district, which extends from Red Willow to the Missouri River. The Elder is just recovering from a severe illness, and is as yet hardly able to be away from home, but was called here on business and only remained over night.

NEW YEAR'S EVE.—We are requested to give notice that there will be another dance in this place next Thursday night, at Darby & Hisey's new store room. The supper will be served at Mr. Harrise's, the same as Christmas. All are invited to attend and as the other

aid society. We hope these destitute cases will be looked up, and relief sent to them. While the greater portion of our people are prepared to help themselves, there are worthy people who need assistance and we hope will be able to obtain it. We believe the committee-man of this county are the right men for the position, and that what relief is received by them will reach the proper persons.

NOTICE.

All persons applying to the undersigned for goods forwarded by the Nebraska Aid Society, will present a sworn statement of their inability to support themselves, giving in detail an answer to any question relative to said inability to said inability that the Agent may propound; also the number in the family. **DANIEL BROWN,**
Agent Co. Aid Society.

Dec 25th 1874

Relief.

ED. GUARD: I am told there are a number of persons, under the blind imputation that such announcement abroad will encourage immigration to this county, are writing letters and having some of them published, stating that Franklin county will need no further help!

To such I wish to say "not quite so fast." While we are willing to admit,

sortment of

Dry Goods,
Groceries, Hats,
Boots, shoes,
Hardware,
Queensware,
&c., &c.

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of County and School District Officers. 44.

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
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Axes and other edged tools repaired, and warranted. Give me a call.
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BLOOMINGTON, NEBRASKA

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We should like to obtain a report, if possible, of the probable number of acres of ground to be seeded the coming spring in this county. Can anyone give us any information regarding it?

That venerable old Saint, "Crist Crinkle," made glad the hearts of many of our little folks and some of the older ones yesterday, notwithstanding the grasshopper times.

Brother Mather, you are sending us two copies of the Chief, one of which we can dispense with for the present,

We understand that Mr. Kizer will open a Jeweler shop in Darby & Hisey's new building in a few days. His card will appear in the Guard.

Mr. F. A. Harman has lately been fitting up his drug store in various ways, until it will compare favorably with any west of Lincoln; and we know he has the largest stock of drugs, in any one store, in the Valley, in Nebr.

A bill has been introduced into Congress for the admission of Hon. Pat O. Hawes, Nebraska's Contingent Congressman, but with what assurance of passing we are unable to say. Be that as it may, we should like to see him gain his seat.

Mr. Dow has fitted up the office of the Stevens House in good shape. The House is first-class in all other respects and it would hardly do to have the office present any other appearance.

The dance in Darby & Hisey's new building Christmas eve, was a success, and about 47 couples were present, and "tripped the light fantastic," until a late hour. The supper was excellent and the whole affair passed off pleasantly.

Mr. M. O'Sullivan, from near River-ton, gave us a call on Tuesday. He reports Grant Precinct alive and will be stirring as soon as the bridge company pay off their help.

er was a very pleasant affair, we per-miss a good turn out will be given. Bill \$1.00.

Mr. John Brown, Plasterer, of this place, has left at this office a sample of stone brick, which eclipses anything of the kind we ever saw. It is from the magnesla stone, that is so abundant in this county, and is just as perfect as is possible to be. He informs us that they can be sawed from the stone, with but little work, and in a very short time. He says that with the aid of a circular saw and horse power, they can be manufactured for the same price as clay brick and leave a good profit.

Rev. Mr. Muxlow, Baptist, has been holding services in the school house at Bloomington, the greater part of this week, with very good satisfaction, and we understand that he and the Rev. Macintosh, will be here and conduct services jointly, the second Saturday and Sunday of January. Let it be remembered by our citizens and a good turn out be had, as it will undoubtedly be made interesting to all who attend.

OUR FIRESIDE FRIEND of Chicago, has been received at this office. This is one of the best family story papers we know of, as it is high toned in its literature, and not only contains pleasing and fascinating stories for the fireside, but furnishes a vast amount of news for the house hold, of a good character. In the number dated December 5th, commences a story entitled "Price 20,000, or the Huuchback's Gold," a story of Plot, Plan and Peril, by M. QUAD, one of that paper's best writers, which will no doubt prove to be very interesting to its readers. All who contemplate subscribing for a good family story paper, will find this among the best. Special inducements are offered to subscribers. Price \$3.00; Published by Waters & Co. Send for a sample copy.

fast." While we are willing to admit, as we have made a rule from the first, that Franklin county is a little more fortunate of her sister counties on the frontier, she still contains quite a number within her borders, who must need help from some quarter or other or else go exceedingly hungry the greater part of the time between the present and harvest. There is everything to buy, besides supporting his family; a man has his team to feed—especially if horses and uses them. Under anything like ordinary circumstances this would be a comparative easy task, but the present is rather extraordinary if it requires the hardiest of our pioneers to look "seven ways for Sunday at once," how about those who are sickly, old and feeble, who have for two successive years lost their crops?

Do you wish to crowd off some of our older settlers, who had the nerve first to face the dangers of a new country, and compel them to leave their dearly bought lands just before they are about to begin to reap the benefits of their hardships, and allow others to step in and take easy possession of their property?

I am in favor of encouraging immigration, but not at the needless expense of those already here, especially those who have borne the brunt of the "battle of the wilderness" as it may be aptly termed. There are sufficient good inducements to bring new settlers in without placing an obstacle upon the reception of supplies, and we trust there will be none of the above referred to persons, brazen faced enough to parade such belittled actions before the public or even acknowledge that they have been guilty of such uncalculated for action, as some of them will some day ask of these very same old settlers public recognition, and this will be remembered against them.

There are some, I admit, who have made hogs of themselves in obtaining relief supplies, when they could as well

—AT—
**Granger's
Prices.**

Having recently moved to new quarters and received a full invoice of new goods, I wish to call the attention of my old customers and the public generally, to the fact that I am bound to sell more goods for less money than any other store in Franklin county.

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Boots, Shoes, Mit-
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For men women and children,
Have the best stock of
GLOVES and MITTENS in the Rep-
ublican Valley,

From the finest Kid to the heaviest Buck and Sheep.
Call and examine my goods and prices before purchasing
BOL. MALES,
Bloomington Neb.