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Just now Buffalo county is interested in canals, and subsidies for the same.

Senator Paddock delivered an able eulogy on Andrew Johnson, in the Senate on the 12th.

Major Balcombe, late of the Omaha Republican, has been appointed Deputy U. S. Marshal for Wyoming Ter.

Senator-elect Kirkwood, of Iowa, will have to be re-elected owing to the fact that the legislature of that state held the election one week in advance of the time provided by law.

Senator Hitchcock introduced into the Senate on the 17th, a bill providing for the confirmation of the title of the State to certain school indemnity of public lands.

The Richardson county coal mines are being operated by Omaha capitalists, and the Lincoln Journal says that considerable of the coal is being used in that city, and is pronounced of a superior quality.

The New Mill.

At Naponee, Franklin County.

Messrs. Gillard & Walters are entitled to great credit for their perseverance, for they have at last, against a vast amount of discouragement, succeeded in getting their fine flouring mill, at the mouth of Turkey creek, in full operation. They started up with about six hundred bushels of wheat in the mill, and a dozen or more sturdy Nebraska farmers awaiting their turn; some from a great distance. This is one of the most thorough constructed mills of its capacity, in the valley.

The machinery is of the thorough class and latest improvements, and has been put in place by men who thoroughly understand their business, and there is real satisfaction in watching its movements and listening to its smooth, steady purr. They have two run of large burrs going, and are preparing for the third. This mill is situated at one of the most natural centers for a business point in the valley. Three creeks, settled their entire length, all putting into the Republican within one and a half miles from each other, which with the rich valley land that is settled with an energetic class of people, makes it a desirable point for the building up of a town of no minor dimensions.—There is already a blacksmith shop started and a great call from the people

and Hildreth were appointed a committee to prepare the programme for each day's session.

EVENING SESSION.

House called to order at 6 p. m. The subject of Bee Culture was taken up and actively discussed by Messrs. Cook, Loyd, Presson, Pugsley and others. Mr. Cook was going into their culture, and limited experience and observation had proved that bees could be profitably raised in the Valley.

The next subject was the Culture of Tobacco, which was talked over by Messrs. Yocum, Loyd, Walker, Cook and Vancil. Its cultivation was not looked upon as very profitable, but instances were given where it had been grown successfully.

Franklin County Products at Centennial was taken up and the propriety of making an effort to be represented was discussed by Messrs. Walker, Cook, DeClercq, Pugsley and others. Mr. Walker said he had been commissioned to superintend the matter, but as the legislature refused to assist, he did not see how much could be done. It was finally agreed to collect specimens, and the following gentlemen were named to assist Mr. W. in the work: J. T. Carroll, Alex. McDonald, Elias Haynes, J. L. Cook, Gilmore Miller, W. Phillips, N. L. Whitney, T. G. Thomas and A. Wells.

TUESDAY MORNING, JAN. 18.

The subject of the best means of destroying injurious wild animals, was next taken up and argued by Messrs. Walker, Hildreth, Vancil, Loyd and Presson. Some advised bounties to extirpate rabbits, others wrapping trees or rubbing them with fresh meat as very effective.

Birds, Their Usefulness, and The Necessity of Their Protection, was urged in a well written essay by F. M. Vancil, and by remarks from Messrs. Weston, Hildreth and Walker.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Fences. Cheapest and Best for Farmers, was called up and dwelt upon at considerable length by Messrs. Vancil, Hildreth, Yocum, Weston and Stinson. A diversity of opinions existed as to the more profitable hedge,—Osage, Honey-Locust and Willow each having its advocates and friends.

The subject of constructing Pools and Cisterns for stock was examined and their utility and advantages advanced by Messrs. DeClercq and Cook.

Culture of the Castor Bean next came up, and Mr. Samuel Peery gave his experience and success last year in its cultivation. He thought it the crop for the Valley, being perfectly hardy and of certain growth, and not subject to the ravages of the grasshoppers.

The Culture of the Peppermint was discussed by Weston, Peery, Cook and Loyd, and it was thought that its cultivation could be made profitable.

EVENING SESSION.

The subject of Cheap Fuel came up and was talked over by the members of the

adding the department of flowers and beautifying homes, etc., advising husbandman to give more attention to this department. Messrs. Lake and Peery gave some good practical illustrations of the large yield of vegetables and best mode of cultivating the same.

The Report of the Committee of the House upon the Feed Cooking and Steaming Apparatus of C. H. Walker, the showing of stock, etc., was received, the length of which prevents publication. Suffice, the house was unanimous in the opinion of the merit of the Apparatus—its cheapness and availability, and in the excellency of the fine blooded stock shown. It was resolved that farmers generally be requested to use every effort to furnish material for the next Institute at Bloomington. Adjourned.

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with the rich valley land that is situated with an energetic class of people, makes it a desirable point for the building up of a town of no minor dimensions.— There is already a blacksmith shop started and a great call from the people for a store and saw mill.

This is by no means all there is of Naponee and its vicinity, that invites the attention of business men and capitalists. There is at least six quarter sections of land lying on Turkey Creek, within five miles of its mouth, with a good water power on each, that are offered for sale for mill purposes, at from eight to eighteen hundred dollars each, deeded. Some of these powers are splendid, with a constant supply of water sufficient to drive a circular saw day and night the year round. This stream is made from springs of clear, pure water, that makes it one of the most constant streams in the west. The stream has been measured by experienced men and said to be sufficient to run six pair of burrs. When these are all utilized, we have the old Republican river with a magnificent water privilege close by, with an inexhaustible and unlimited amount of power running to waste. The river can be tapped and the water taken along the bluff on good ground nearly to the mouth of this stream, to a height that will give any desired amount of head and fall. We invite a proposition from some manufacturing company that we may concentrate upon some of the many valuable productions of our soil to supply a factory. Our soil and climate is adapted to the production of wool, flax, sugar-beet, castor bean, hemp and many other articles for supplying factories. There is forty acres of oak timber on the school section at this place, that is waiting to be used in the construction of mills and factories. The organization of Farmers' Clubs and other means of co-operation, shows that the farmers are alive to their interests in the advancement of their vocation.

Inquiries are already made about a cheese factory, or some one to take hold of that business. It is estimated that one hundred cows could be easily obtained. W. HILDRETH.

Farmers' Institute.

House called to order at 1 o'clock p.m., and Mr. A. M. DeClercq was elected chairman and R. K. Hill secretary.

After considerable discussion, it was agreed to hold a four day's session and longer if the public interest demanded it.

Mr. Hildreth presented a series of resolutions relative to a more thorough organization of the county and its repre-

discussed by Weston, Peery, Cook and Loyd, and it was thought that its cultivation could be made profitable.

EVENING SESSION.

The subject of Cheap Fuel came up and was talked over by the members collectively, and the general opinion was that there could be no good substitute for wood. All urged immediate planting of groves for fuel.

Our copious and magnificent Water Power was noticed by Messrs. Hildreth and DeClercq, and its prospective value in manufactures.

Farm Buildings, Best Modes of Constructing, etc., was discussed by Walker, Vancil, Pugsley and Hildreth, Weston, and Haynes.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, Jan. 19.

Books and Papers for Farmers, was a theme which elicited a good deal of discussion, most of the members were enthusiastic in their advocacy, a few dissenting.

Exhibition of Products at the Co. and State Fair, was thoroughly discussed by Pugsley, Hildreth, Weston, Walker and others, and a vigorous effort urged to retain the title of the Banner County last season achieved. The committee on Centennial Specimens was made a committee to perfect a more thorough organization and representation assisted by the masters of the several granges,

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Stock, Kind Best Adapted For Farmers, came up, the house being well filled. The discussion was varied and pretty exhaustive, especially as regards sheep. Mr. Hildreth opened with a short composition, and Mr. Walker followed with a well timed address. The discussion was engaged in by Phillips, Thomas, Reed, Zediker, Young and Stinson. Mr. Phillips spoke quite interestingly of the dairy business, its profit and management, Messrs. Reed, Thomas and Young brought out some pertinent facts relative to sheep husbandry in the Valley

EVENING SESSION.

Flax and Broom corn came in for a lively little chat of experiences and observations by several of the members. The subject of stock was again reverted to, and sheep raising was again discussed. Mr. Lake spoke of the various breeds, his experiences with them in the east, ect. The subject was continued by Walker, Cook and Stinson to some length.

Prof. A. D. Williams, of the State Journal, being present, was called out and entertained the audience with an interesting address on horticulture and forestry in western Nebraska.

THURSDAY MORNING, Jan. 20.

The subject of Forestry and Fruit Culture was called up and opened by Mr. Vancil in a practical, entertaining address upon the utility and necessity of tree planting and propagation of fruits. Urged farmers, everywhere, to look after the immediate comforts of home, and put out a good assortment of large and small fruits. Followed by Messrs. Walker, Preston, Carroll and Erson, who also advocated the greatest industry in this direction.

Small Grain and Corn received considerable attention, and modes of culture, etc

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in Bloomington, 2d and 4th Sundays of each
month. In the morning of the 2d Sabbath
at 11, and the evening of the 4th Sunday.
Also on Rebecca Creek at alternate times
on said days, THOS. MUXLOW.

I. O. O. F.—Pioneer Lodge No. 45, meets
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Hall, in Riverton Neb. Brethren in good
standing cordially invited to meet with us.
J. R. McDONALD, W. M.
J. D. GAGE, Secretary.

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Saturday, Jan. 29th, 1876.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Watch your flues these dry, windy
days. It may save a burn out.

The weather turned perceptibly
cooler Friday evening.

Thos. Kirtley is teaching school in
Kansas, near Germantown, P. O.

Full proceedings of the last sitting of
the board will be published in our next
issue.

Mr. E. Miller has the credit of bring-
ing the best cord of wood to the GUARD
up to the present.

Mr. Buster killed a wild cat last Fri-
day night, near his place, that measured
over four feet from tip to tip.

Martin set a most excellent supper to
the granger dancers Wednesday night,
for the small sum of 50 cts a couple.

Mr. Geo. Buck, jr., has moved his
family to town, for convenience of his
business here.

Judge Chadwick issued his first mar-
riage license Friday last. It was for
parties in the eastern part of the county.

Bring in your butter to Sol. Males, at
the postoffice, where you will find ready
sale for it.

Copeland and Roach, the Texas herd-
ers who were up for trial in Buffalo Co.
last week in the district court, were ac-
quitted.

Buck & Greenwood, invite you in to
examine their goods and prices, as they
are prepared to suit you in both.

A bumper and a dog were among the
arrivals in town last week. Dry water
haul for claim agents,

Have you seen the centennial picture
with the Family Journal. Mrs Males
is the agent.

(Zeb Crummet) says man occupies
nine-tenths of his time in pursuit of
ambition, love and wealth.

Mr. John Sweany, who has been ab-
sent in the Hawkeye State for several
months, has returned.

The Baptist church society of this is
holding a series of evening meetings
this week.

Jimmy Barris, a "priat." from the
Red Chief office, was in to see us this
week. He reports the Chief all o. k.

Thos. Muxlow dropped into our

to town and occupies residence for the present. He will re-
move his buildings to Bloomington in a
few days.

Mr. Walker has been corresponding
with parties in California, concerning
Alfalfa seed, with a view of introducing
it into this county the present season.
Should anyone else wish to try their luck
with this new hay, they can obtain seed
through him.

FARMERS' CLUB.—The citizens of
Franklin county have organized a club
for the promotion and advancement of
agricultural interests, to be known as
The Franklin County Farmers' Club,
called to meet at Bloomington, on Sat-
urday, Feb. 5th.

We are pained to learn of the death
of James B. Smith, Hebron Neb., who
for the past 5 years has been closely iden-
tified with the interests of that town and
county. He was very highly respected,
and in his death that place loses a most
exemplary and valued citizen. His fu-
neral, last Sunday, was largely attended.

Thirty teams passed through Kear-
ney last week enroute to the Black
Hills, carrying from five to seven per-
sons. Three teams came in from the
Hills after supplies. The Press says
the hotels have been crowded all the
week, and the prospects for establishing
a transportation line between that city
and the hills immediately, are very good.

Buck & Greenwood have their goods
nicely arranged at the store room opposite
the U. S. Land Office. They start out
with a full line of general merchandise,
and intend to fully supply the demand
lot that be what it may. That's what
we like to hear—let them come—Bloom-
ington commands a good trade for all
the stores we have, and it's bound to be
increased with the coming of spring.

We do not solict poetical contributions
for publication, except they be appro-
priate to some occasion, or of superior
merit, allowing us to be the judge, hence
those who send in such contributions
will not take offense if they fail to ap-
pear.

Sheriff Deary was on the streets
Tuesday for the first time in six or seven
weeks. He has been having a tedi-
ous time of it with Inflammatory rheu-
matism, and we are glad to see him get-
ting the best of it.

The executive committee of the State
Grange find things in rather bad shape
at the Secretary's office, and there is
talk of commencing action against Wm.
McCaig, for embezzlement. The Journal
says his bonds cover the full amount
of his defalcation.

In another column will be found no-
tice of seed grain for sale, by Mr. John
Thomas, of Ash Grove. He is one of
the most thorough and enterprising
farmers in the county, and has a choice
lot of seed grain for sale.

ANOTHER CHANGE.—Mess. Barnum
& Dorsey, of the Pioneer livery at this
place, have dissolved partnership, Mr.
Barnum continuing at the old stand,
with a full stock of good buggies and
horses, which as heretofore, will be fur-
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week. He reports the Chief all o. k.

Rev. Thos. Muxlow dropped into our
office for a chat Monday while in town.
He will preach here once in two weeks,
according to notice elsewhere.

Business good at the U. S. Land Of-
fice, the first of the week, and conse-
quently there was lots of strangers in
town.

Macmillian, the News-man of Rep.
City, rested himself in the downy beds
of the Stevens house, Wednesday night

The commissioners will meet all of
the assessors in Bloomington on the 1st
Monday in February, and furnish them
with their blanks and instructions.

Remember the Farmers' Institute, at
Riverton, on the 9th, and also that all
are invited to be present and take part.

The Superior Enterprise fluttered
and died, gentle as a dove. Its nice to
be an editor in Neb., and so easy too.

Drop into Way's and get you a corn
popper. They are just the thing to
make your corn pop nicely in.

Prof. McKenzie holds that all schools
directors who do not apply for the ap-
portionments, are held responsible for
the amount.

One Dr. Mienhart of Tecumseh, re-
cently "lit out," with the daughter of
a respectable family of that place, leav-
ing his wife and children behind.

Franklin county would give a nice
business to an enterprising cabinet maker
such an one would find a good location
in Bloomington.

Hon. Thos. W. Vallintine, of River-
ton, was in town this week a couple of
days and shipped the billiard tables re-
cently used by Whitney & Co., which
he had purchased, to Utah.

Sheriff Dower, of Nuckolls county,
was brutally maltreated the other day
by wood thieves, and was found the in
a senseless condition the next morning,
with an axe lying on his breast and his
cocked revolver only a few feet distant.

Mrs. John Boss presented her hus-
band with a centennial gift last Friday
night, in the shape of an 11 1/2
How easy is it as was fore-
President's message.

Committee appointed to consider the
withowsky and Sagg Fort claims find, in their

fair rates. H. S., knows how to do it
if anyone does, and is very prompt with
his business. Rumor says Mr. Dorsey will
take his portion of the stock to Riverton,
for a livery at that place, but we are not
authorized to make statement.

Strawberries, blackberries, raspber-
ries, grapes, etc., grow well here, and
Vancil has the best varieties for sale
cheap. Invest a dollar or two and have
something nice for your table in a short
time.

The Grangers' Feast at this place
Wednesday, was the biggest day we have
seen in Bloomington. About 250 peo-
ple took dinner at the tables, and the
exercises at the hall were very interest-
ing. We shall publish the programme
with comments next week.

The House Committee on Judiciary
have agreed to report a constitutional
amendment fixing the term of the Presi-
dential office at four years, and making
the incumbent forever ineligible for re-
election.

A very important bill has been intro-
duced in the United States Senate by Sen-
ator Booth, of California. It proposes
to compel railroad companies which have
received land grant subsidies from the
national government to take out their pat-
ents immediately, and thus subject these
railroad lands to taxation. If this bill
shall become a law, the settlement of
Nebraska and Wyoming will be very
much accelerated.—Bee.

[For the Bloomington Guard.]

Correspondence.

AMAZON, NEB., Jan. 25th.

EDR. GUARD:—As many scarcely know
where North Franklin precinct is, please
allow me to give a brief description with
a few other items. Some people seem to
know that Budlong and Phillips, live on
the Little Blue, which we also seem to
know. North Franklin is the N. E. pre-
cinct in Franklin county, and is 8 miles
long E. and W., and 6 N and S. In the
precinct we have nearly one thousand
acres of improved land; upwards of 25
settlers, including bachelors of course;
about 20 dwelling houses, the average
cost of which is very small; One road
district with the bridge commenced ac-
cross the Blue, which has already cost
about \$10,000. The district and county
summoned to St. Louis to be finished
by the time it is finished.
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