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Bloomington Guard,

RALPH K. HILL,
Editor and Proprietor.

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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.

Contains full abstracts from the U. S. Land Office.
Address as above.

FRANK M. VANCIL, ATTORNEY AT LAW

—AND—
REAL ESTATE AGENT,
Bloomington, - - Nebraska.

Will practice in the several courts of the Republican Valley, buy and sell real estate, pay taxes, etc., etc.

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Gov. R. W. Furnas, Lincoln, Neb.
First National Bank, Brownville, Neb.
Judge O. P. Mason, Nebraska City, Neb.
Ex-Gov. John M. Palmer, Springfield, Ill.
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D. L. ASHEY, ATTORNEY AT LAW

—AND—
REAL ESTATE AGENT.
Particular attention given to collections
Office at the county seat, Franklin Co.,
Neb. 45.1y

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 once in three weeks on Sabbath evening regularly. E. N. LORD.
Stated Supply.

Pioneer Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Riverton 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.

No Paper Last Week.

For some unknown cause we did not receive any paper for last week, consequently no GUARD was printed. As questions of importance were up we were more than usually put out, yet it must be remembered that our facilities for getting paper are by no means perfect, still we live in hopes.

A few loads of relief goods came in last week, and was eagerly sought by the needy of the county.

More Cranberries at Tinkham's.

Mr. Childs, our efficient County Superintendent, visited us last week. He is a pleasant conversationalist and makes a good officer, we judge.

Another bill is before the legislature providing for a constitutional conven-

A correspondent writing from Grant precinct, asks why it is that farmers are taxed for their dogs, in answer to which we refer him to the general statutes of the state, page 928, where he will find sufficient information.

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

About 18 couples of the merry makers of the western portion of this county, gathered in at Esquire Chalfants and "chased the glowing hours with flying feet," to the soul-inspiring music of the violin, the most of the night Friday last week. "On with the dance, let joy be unconfined."

Elsewhere we publish a communication from Mr. Zediker, relative to distributing the GUARD in the county. All those who wish to avail themselves of his very liberal offer should hand us their names soon.

Every voter in the county, should go to the polls to-day, and cast his vote on the bond question, that it may be settled by a majority of the people. Each one should lay aside all prejudices and consider all the benefits to be derived and voted in accordance with their honest convictions, and we think the bridge will be built.

R. L. Downing has just opened a new Flour & Feed Store, at Lowell. Best Flour in the market. 18

Messrs. Darby & Hisey generously

and we are confident that if our people hold their grip a little longer, things will brighten up. The Railroad companies will not transport grain in bulk, until after the first of February, when we may expect to see something done. The different committees should be prompt in furnishing information relative to this matter, as required by the Society, that we may receive the full benefits to be derived from this source.

U. S. Senator Elected.

Gov. A. S. PADDOCK, of Beatrice,
Elected by a Large Majority.

Governor A. S. Paddock, was elected United States Senator to take the seat in that body, soon to be vacated by T. W. Tipton, from Nebraska, by a large majority of the legislative vote, at Lincoln last Friday. The Governor is one of the oldest citizens in the State, having served as Territorial Governor, and identified with its interests since which time. His political record is among the very best, hence his election to the most worthy and highest office at the hands of the people of this State, is a compliment and a token of their appreciation of his past record. He is a man of the people and will not let the honors of his office exclude their interests from his sight. The final vote stood Paddock, 38; Thayer, 10, the balance scattering.

The Co. Seat Question Settled.

Assessors Take Notice.

Notice is hereby given that all the Assessors of this county are requested to meet the Board of County Commissioners, at the office of the County Clerk, on the first Monday in February, 1875, to receive their instructions; books, blanks, &c. By order of the Board of Co. Commissioners.
18 J. R. McDONALD, Clerk.

NOTICE.

U. S. Land Office,
Bloomington, Jan. 19th 1875.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Chas. D. Roberts, against Emile M. Leising for failing to cultivate his Timber Culture Entry, No. 130, dated October 1st, 1873, upon the southwest quarter of section 30, township 9, north of range 21 west, in Dawson County Neb., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 23d day of February 1875, at 1 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged Failure.
CHAS. H. WALKER, Register.
18 EVAN WORTHING, Receiver

E. W. TINKHAM. J. L. TINKHAM

TINKHAM BROS

Everybody's
Store.

Bloomington Nebraska

Returning our thanks for past favors, we respectfully solicit a continuance of the same.

Particular attention given to collections
Office at the county seat. Franklin co.,
Neb. 45.1y

L. M. MOULTON,
Attorney at Law. Notary Public
AND
Probate Judge of Franklin County.

Will attend to legal business in this and
adjoining counties.
Office at the County Seat.

ARCHIBALD K. KINNEAR,
NOTARY PUBLIC.
Real Estate Agent,
AND AUCTIONEER.

All business strictly attended to and all
correspondence promptly answered. Special
attention given to payment of taxes. Col-
lection and real estate practice. Riverton,
Franklin county, Neb. 34y1.

J. J. SCHAFFER,
Justice of the Peace and
COLLECTION AGENT.
Bloomington, Neb.
Blank Deeds, Mortgages and all other
legal blanks on hand. All legal papers cor-
rectly filed out. 18-6m.*

D. VAN ETEN,
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. LUCAN,

Another bill is before the legislature
providing for a constitutional conven-
tion with 69 members.

The Railroads pay four-fifths of the
tax in this county! Figures won't lie!
The bridge comes then at a nominal
cost, think of it!

Rev. Muxlow came in for a chat, in
company with Mr. Fennimore, of Web-
ster county, Tuesday last.

Go to Downing's for seed corn, wheat,
oats and barley. 18

We are under obligations to Hon. F.
J. Hendershot, member of the House
from the 12th district, and Hon. Jas. F.
Zediker, Assistant Clerk, of the same
body, for favors received during the last
week.

Bloomington was full the first of the
week of people from various parts of the
county, as witnesses, etc., in the im-
peachment trial, which has been in pro-
gress here.

A fresh lot of choice groceries just
opened at Tinkham Bros.

Tinkham Bros., have a few diplomas
that were awarded by the Franklin Co.
Agricultural Society in 1873, to parties
in this county, but have never been cal-
led for. Those who are entitled to them
had better call at their store soon.

Flour in the market.

Messrs. Darby & Hisey generously
donated their room to young folks of
Bloomington and vicinity for social hop,
Thursday night, which was enjoyed by
about a dozen couple.

We have received a new map of Ne-
braska, from the renowned J. H. Note-
ware, State Immigration agent. We
find it accurate and complete, which is
in keeping with all of that officers work.
Last week we received from him "a his-
tory of the grass-hopper," which would
be valuable matter, had we the room to
publish it.

E. W. Tinkham, has resigned his po-
sition as chairman of the County Relief
Committee, and Chas. H. Walker, has
been appointed in his stead, but we
learn from Mr. Walker, that he cannot
serve. Thus the matter stands and who
will act we cannot say.

Cream Mustard at Tinkham's. Have
you tried it?

NEW RESTAURANT.—Darby & Hi-
sey, have opened a Restaurant in their
new room one door south of the store,
where they are prepared to serve meals
at all hours, in first-class shape. This
is an improvement we are glad to see,
and hope they may receive a liberal pa-
tronage.

The weather for the past few days has

Upon the dismissal of the application
in the District Court of this county, at
the last June term, to restrain the
removal of the county records
from Franklin to Bloomington, no-
tice was given by plaintiffs, that an ap-
peal would be taken to the Supreme
Court. It has been generally under-
stood that an appeal had been made in
the manner provided by law. It ap-
pears, however, by the proceedings of
the last term of the Supreme court, held
this month at Lincoln, that the case has
gone by default. This finally ends the
question as the definite location of the
County Seat. Though there may be
some that desired a different result, we
cannot but think that a majority of the
people of this county are glad at heart
that this question is determined.

The Bloomington Town Company
have just made a deed to the county of
the public square, and fifty additional
lots. This is under an agreement made
by them some time since, to "donate to
the county, upon the permanent location
of the county seat at Bloomington," the
number of lots above-mentioned, to aid
in erecting county buildings. We have
heard complaints made that the Com-
pany did not propose to act in good
faith with the county, because it did not
make deed to the lots upon the dismissal
in the district court. The

Returning our thanks for past patronage,
respectfully solicit a continuance of the
patronage we have received while here,
and shall strive to have at all times a full as-
ortment of

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

Give us a call before purchasing, and we
will do our best by you 12

GRANGER'S STORE.
NEW GOODS

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.
Will attend to Legal Business in Frank-
lin county. 18

PROCTOR HOUSE,
HEBRON, NEBRASKA.
GEORGE D. PROCTOR, Prop'r.
Accommodations first class in every re-
spect. 10

EVAN WORTHING. C. H. WALKER.
G. W. SHEPPARD.
WORTHING, SHEPPARD, & Co.

BANKERS,
Bloomington, Nebraska,
Office on First Floor U. S. Land Office
Building.

Buy and sell Home and Foreign Drafts,
Receiving Deposits, and do a General
Banking business.
County and School Bonds
Bought or Negotiated at the Highest Market
Rates.
Blank Bonds on hand for the use
of County and School District Officers. 44.

Notice
It is hereby given that I will examine all
persons who may desire to offer themselves
as candidates for teachers in this (Frank-
lin) county, on the 1st Saturday of each
month, at Bloomington, in said county
and such other times and places as neces-
sity may require. Examination to com-
mence 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.
M. V. WORTHINGTON,
Bloomington, Neb.

STEVENS HOUSE
SIMON S. DOW, Proprietor,
BLOOMINGTON, NEBRASKA

Very accommodation afforded by a first
class house. Stage leaves this house daily
for all points north, east and west. 10

Agricultural Society in 1873, to parties
in this county, but have never been called
for. Those who are entitled to them
had better call at their store soon.

✓ We acknowledge a pleasant call from
Messrs. Wm. McBride, Daniel Fuller,
D. C. Holdridge and M. O'Sullivan, of
Riverton. These gentlemen are interest-
ed in the "McBride Addition," to the
sprightly town of Riverton, and appear
to be of the right metal, to make a suc-
cess of it.

✓ **DIED**—In Grant precinct on the 15th
of the present month, of consumption,
Mrs. Julia Wells, aged about 30 years.
She leaves a husband and two children
to mourn her departure.

Drag Teeth one cent per pound less
than can be bought elsewhere, at Down-
ing's, Lowell. 18

✓ A meeting will be held at this place
Saturday night, (the 30th,) for
the purpose of considering the feasibil-
ity of organizing an Odd Fellows lodge.
All members in good standing are re-
quested to attend.

AID COM. NOTICE—Notice is hereby
given that a meeting of the County Aid
Committee will be held at Bloomington,
on Thursday, Feb. 4th, 1875. By or-
der of the chairman.

E. W. TINKHAM.

Let it be remembered by the voters
of this county on the 30th when they
go to the polls, that they will not be re-
quired to pay one cent of the bridge tax
until the levy of 1876, and that over
four thousand dollars will be paid out
in the county for work, alone.

We understand that Mr. George A.
Durand starts this week for Benton &
Linn counties Iowa, to obtain seed and
feed for a number of citizens in his neigh-
borhood, for the coming spring. They
propose to get the grain and pay freight
on it, that it may come direct to them.
These people do not ask the Aid Society
for feed but must have seed and take
this means of getting it, in which we
hope they may be abundantly successful.

at all hours, in season, is an improvement we are glad to see,
and hope they may receive a liberal pat-
ronage.

The weather for the past few days has
been milder, and bids fair to continue
an improvement on the "first of the
month.

✓ We understand that Mr. John Far-
son lost one of his horses last week, a
loss that will fall heavily on him, as he
had only the span and is no better able
to meet such a loss than many others.

From proceedings of a Precinct Rel-
ief Meeting, elsewhere, it will be seen
that the citizens of Oak Grove, propose
to send Esq. Chalfant east to solicit seed
and feed for use the coming spring. We
hope he may meet with abundant suc-
cess in his efforts.

IMPEACHMENT TRIAL—The Impeach-
ment Trial which has been in progress
at this place for the past two weeks, has
at last come to a halt. The case was,
on Thursday, submitted to the Commis-
sioners for their verdict, after a long and
tedious procedure. They have taken
the matter under advisement until the
15th of next month, at which time they
will render a decision. It is of more
magnitude than any anticipated and in-
volves a great cost, either to the county
or the individuals who brought it, which
we hope may fall where it belongs.

We know but very little of evidence
in the case and shall not attempt to form
an idea of the result, but so far we have
heard nothing that is justifiable, in our
opinion, for the expense already incurred,
which appears to be the conclusion ar-
rived at by the general public. We be-
lieve it is claimed by the defence that
this court has no jurisdiction in the case,
and accordingly withdrew from the trial.

SEED—From what we can learn, the
State Aid Society are making prepara-
tions, and appear to have at their com-
mand the wherewith, to furnish the re-
quisite amount of grain to seed the de-
vastated district this spring. Several bills
have been before the legislature provid-
ing for appropriations to furnish seed

in erecting county buildings. We have
heard complaints made that the Com-
pany did not propose to act in good
faith with the county, because it did not
make deed to the lots upon the dismissal
of the case in the district court. The
late action of the Company, however,
is conclusive evidence that it never was
the intention to do anything but protect
its own interests same as any individ-
ual would. When a question is in liti-
gation it is certain that it is not settled
until the final adjustment is made, and
consequently the Company only exer-
cised that right to which it is justly en-
titled, and now that the question is fi-
nally disposed of we hope to see a suitable
building erected for the use of the county

Some little inquiry has been made
lately concerning the shipment of relief
goods to this county. Of the 117 sacks
of meal shipped from Iowa about forty
were not received at this place. Last
week Mr. Tinkham wrote a letter of in-
quiry to Mr. Munhall, the Aid Agent
at Lowell, asking for an explanation, to
which he received the following: It is
this way. "They shipped that number
of sacks. My instructions from Gen'l.
Reimick, are to divide the supplies 3-
10 to Kearney, 3-10 to Franklin and
4-10 to Harlan counties. I did this, and
on your order sent 1-5 to North Frank-
lin, of the 3-10 allowed your county."
This explains the matter, and takes the
responsibility from the agent at Lowell,
and the county society.

GOVERNOR'S INAUGURAL—The Inaug-
ural address delivered to the Senate and
House of representatives, by the new
Governor of Nebraska, is a straight for-
ward sensible document, which reflects
credit upon its author, and which gives
evidence that Silas Garber, in assuming
the responsible and arduous duties of the
office of Chief executive of this state,
does so with an honest purpose to so ad-
minister affairs that the highest and best
interests of the Commonwealth will be sub-
served.—Hastings Journal.

NEW GOODS

—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 cus-
tomers and the public generally, to the fact
that I am bound to sell more goods for
less money than any other store in Frank-
lin county.

My stock consists of

**Dry Goods, Groceries,
Clothing, Hats, Caps,
Boots, Shoes, Mit-
tens, Gloves,
&c. &c.**

and have a splendid lot of Dress Goods, such

**ALPACAS, POPLINS, MERENOS,
SCOTCH PLAIDS,**
And many other new and fashionable
patterns.

A very large lot of

**BOOTS &
SHOES.**

For men women and children.

Have the best stock of
GLOVES and MITTENS in the Re-
publican Valley,

From the finest Kid to the heaviest Buck
and Sheep.

Call and examine my goods and prices
before purchasing 12

Bloomington Neb
SOL. MALES.

Bond Proposition.

EDITOR GUARD—

As a citizen and tax payer of Franklin county, I wish to say a few words relative to the proposition submitted by the commissioners to vote bonds to bridge the Republican river in this county.

I shall proceed upon the hypothesis that every intelligent citizen is in favor of suitable bridges across said stream, as I know of none who oppose the present proposition except from motives of economy, propriety and selfish aggrandizement. That we need bridges, very few people, if any, will deny; but is it proper, good policy, and for the general welfare of the county to commence their construction now? Can we afford to contract an expenditure at this time for even much needed internal improvements? This is the question for consideration. I say yes, if they can be secured at reasonable costs and on easy terms. Is this proposition of this nature? I think so. But, let us lay aside all prejudice and examine a few facts and figures.

The amount asked for in bonds, running ten years from May 1st 1875, is \$18,000; ten per cent interest of five mills on the dollar, upon which only is paid for five years; one tenth of the principal in 1882, two tenths in 1883, three tenths in 1884 and four tenths in 1885. The chief and main objection to the expense of the contemplated outlay, and in fact to the whole project, is respecting the immediate draw upon the present embarrassed condition of the country. "We are too poor to invest now," says the opposition. "We can't pay the tax at present, Wait till we get a good crop, etc." Now, sir, do you know the additional amount of taxes this five mill tax will demand of you? I guess not! let us see.

The total amount of taxes levied in Franklin county for 1874, as shown by the Treasury's books, both real and personal, and inclusive of dog and poll tax, is \$18,020'61. Of this sum the railroad companies pay \$14,234,03: leaving but \$3,786,58 as individual resident and non resident taxes, or about one fifth of the tax falling upon the citizen. Now, let us see what your cry of "can't pay" is founded upon, and how untenable the grounds of your objection.

There are in the neighborhood of 450 tax payers in the county, which will give something near \$8.40 as the average amount of taxes from each individual. The amount of taxable property in the county exclusive of railroad, is \$73,835, 81, giving \$165. as average assessment.

The first thing I will notice will be the reference, by certain prominent citizens of this county, who seem to be very much interested in behalf of the bridge proposition now before the voters of this county. They make the statement that the citizens in the vicinity of Riverton are in a better condition by reason of the pecuniary aid received from the erection of a bridge at that point, during the past winter to live over the winter than in the western portion of the county. This of course is done to influence votes in favor of the bridge proposition. Now fellow citizens this may all be very true, but from the following, which we clip from the Guard of Jan. 2d, there seems to be a slight discrepancy between the statement of these interested individuals and the official statement of the secretary of the aid society for Grant precinct. We quote as follows:

MR. TINKHAM.—Dear Sir. We have made a close canvass of this precinct and find there are forty-four(44) families entirely destitute, consisting of two hundred and forty-five (245) persons. Twenty families that have from 20 to 30 day's supplies.

Yours. &c., A. J. WESTON, Sec.
Now Mr. Editor the reader will go by the above that according to the vote cast in Oct. 1874, that there are 65 families out of eighty-two (82) votes cast at that election, are and will be destitute before we are to be permitted to vote on this benevolent(?) proposition. It seems to me that there are a few interested individuals who would like to shove the expense of building that bridge on the tax payers of Franklin Co., generally; while I am creditably informed by some of the citizens of Riverton, the merchants and business men are opposed to any such thing

They having voted the bonds and tax on themselves, propose to pay it themselves, like honorable men. Now if three-fourths of the inhabitants of Grant precinct are destitute it is a worse state of affairs than exist in the western portion of the county, where there has been no bridge building. If over three-fourths of the people must live of charity how are we to pay our taxes that are now due. I think from what I know of the case, there will not be one out of every ten of the tax-payers that can pay their taxes, now. Then shall we, fellow-citizens of Franklin Co., burden ourselves with further bonds and taxation while living, off the charity of our kind friends east, who are contributing so liberally to our wants. I trust not. Then let every voter be at the polls on that day—Jan. 30—and manifest his disapproval of all such propositions under existing circumstances.

Respectfully,
DANIEL BROWN.

Milage Franklin 1.00
M. O'Sullivan for services &c. 2.50
On motion the Board adjourned until Dec. 21st at 8 a. m.

J. Pugsley ch'n.
Attest, J. R. McDonald Clerk.

NOTICE.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, }
Bloomington Neb., Dec 31st 1874. }
Complaint having been entered at this office by Wilbur B. Warner against Annus Dew for abandoning his *Home-stead Entry*, No. 596, dated December 26 1872; upon the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of S $\frac{1}{2}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{2}$ Sec. 22 Town 2 Range 17 West, in Harlan County, Neb., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 8th day of April, 1875, at 1 o'clock p. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

CH WALKER, Register.
EVAN WORTHING, Receiver

Take Notice.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, }
Bloomington, Neb. }
Frederick Winch having on this 6th day of January, A D 1875, made application to enter the north half of the southwest quarter of section No. seven (7) in township No. two, (2) north of range sixteen (16) west, under the provisions of the Homestead Act of 1872, as amended March 3d 1873; and finding upon the records of this office that Clarence Dimmick has also filed a Pre-emption claim on the same tract, I do hereby notify the said parties that I have appointed the 8th day of February 1875, at 10 o'clock, a. m., as a day of hearing in the premises. On that day all parties in interest will appear at this office and show cause why the said Frederick Winch should not be allowed to perfect an entry of said land.

C. H. WALKER,
Register.

Probate Notice.

In the Probate Court, held within and for the county of Franklin. Hon, L M Moulton, presiding.

In the matter of the estate of Joseph A Peery, deceased.

Notice is hereby giving, that all persons having claims against the estate of Joseph A Peery, deceased, are required to present the same to the Judge of the above named court, at his office in Bloomington, Franklin County, Nebraska, for examination and allowance, on or before the 5th day of April A D 1875: The last named day being the time limited for the presentation of claims by creditors.

L. M. MOULTON, Probate Judge,
Franklin Co., Neb.
Jan 6th 1875. 16-4

NEW MEAT MARKET,

BY
A. MARTIN,
BLOOMINGTON, - - NEBRASKA,

Fresh Meats of all kinds constantly on hand, of the best quality, and furnished as cheap as the cheapest. The public are invited to give me a trial before purchasing elsewhere.

Shop one door west of the U. S. land office.

L. S. BARNUM. G. W. DORSEY

The amount of taxable property in the county exclusive of railroad, is \$73,835, 81, giving \$165. as average assessment. Of course, many will pay more but as many will pay less; from this basis then, which certainly a fair one, the individual tax for five years, to meet the interest on bonds, and all that is asked for until 1880, will just be eighty-two cents per annum! This estimate is made upon present assessment; with our prospective increase in wealth, the sum will be much less.

Eighty-two cents per capita! This is a small consideration to pay surely for an improvement so badly needed, and of so much benefit to the whole county. Who is not able? Who will vote no on the ground of present misfortune or inability to pay? But, says the objector, we won't be able to pay the principal without embarrassing us. Here is another lamentable ignorance of facts. Take the present valuation of property and add the probable increase for the next five years and the approximate sum of the then assessments; take the \$1,800 of principal demanded, and tell me how many more cents you will be required to pay. The interest is comparatively nothing; the principal in manner and time of payment, will cost us but a little more. The advantages will be immediate, and largely overbalance the trivial expense. Vote for the bridge. CITIZEN.

From Zediker.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL,
LINCOLN Neb., Jan. 15 1876.

ED. GUARD,

Dear Sir: The eighteen copies per week of your paper which the Secretary of State has ordered for my use, under direction of the Legislature, you will please send to eighteen different parties in Franklin County who are too poor to pay for, but would like to read the GUARD, and at the end of the Session send or present your account to me, and I will certify to it, that is to the reception of the papers, upon which you can draw your money. I send you to day copies of certain Bills of vital interest to us. Note them carefully and keep our people posted. Send me an extra copy of the GUARD regularly and charge to my account.

Yours truly,
J. F. ZEDIKER.

Correspondent.

Crow's CREEK, Jan. 18th

EDITOR GUARD—As I see by a recent issue of the GUARD that you seem to be willing to give both sides a hearing on the bridge question, I will say my say.

RESPECTFULLY,
DANIEL BROWN.

Land Office Abstract.

List of Entries made at the Bloomington Land Office for the week Ending Jan. 23, 1875.

NAMES	DESC'PN	SEC. T. R.
Homestead Entries.		
Chas D Roberts	nw ne & lot 4	20 9 21
Moses Van Buskirk		sw 21 7 12
John Hounfelt	lot 2 & n½ sec 2 & se sec 2	2 2 20
Simeon Bailey		ne 32 1 19
Timber Culture Entries.		
Joseph S Basye		s½ sw½ 30 6 11
Pre-emption.		
William Willoughby		w½ sec 32 6 9
Joseph A Sober		sec 27 4 21
Albert Brown		sw 34 4 25
Homestead Declarations.		
John B Fox	sw sec 2 & sw sec 2 & nw sec 2 & ne sec 2	28 2 17
Entered Lands.		
John F Corless		se 2 8 18
August Jasse	lot 10 & sw sw & lot 6 &	
		nw nw 35 3 20
Francis Burdick	n½ sw & w½ se	18 2 18
George H Beck	n½ sw & s½ nw	13 5 23

Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners.

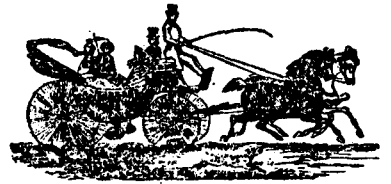
BLOOMINGTON Neb. Dec. 19th 1874, Board met pursuant to adjournment Dec. 19th 1874. 1 p. m. Present J. F. Pugsley, S. Ashburn, and C. C. Dake, Com., and J. R. McDonald Clerk. On motion the report of the local bridge committee of Grant precinct to the county was received and said wagon bridge was accepted as complete by the commissioners. On motion the report of S. H. Buster, road supervisor of dist. no. 2, was received and accounts allowed upon the same to wit:

For warning out hands, \$6.70
" 8 days work at \$2.50 per day, \$20.00

On motion the commissioners accepted the proposition of W. F. Keller for building court house on the plan and specifications drawn and submitted by the said W. F. Keller to said county commissioners to be paid for as herein after mentioned to wit: Forty nine town lots appropriated by the Bloomington town co. for the erection of a court house situated in the town of Bloomington Franklin Co., Neb. Also twelve hundred dollars to be paid in two certificates of indebtedness—one for \$600, to be drawn on levy of 1875 and one for \$600 drawn on the levy of 1876. On motion the clerk was instructed to notify G. W. Thompson, Justice of the peace in Grant precinct, to procure new bonds—men as John Mitchell and Christ. Micheal have handed in their resignation. On motion the following bills was allowed to the local bridge committee of Grant precinct to be paid out of the proper funds belonging to said precinct to wit:

J Mitchell 8 days attending to bridge \$18.00
" Postage and stationary, 2.00
" Milage to Franklin, 1.00
T. L. Cross 2 dys. attending bridge, 4.00
D. Fuller, 4 " " " 12.00
W. McBride 28 " " " 84.00
" " milage to Franklin 1.00
I. Shepardson 8 days 24.00

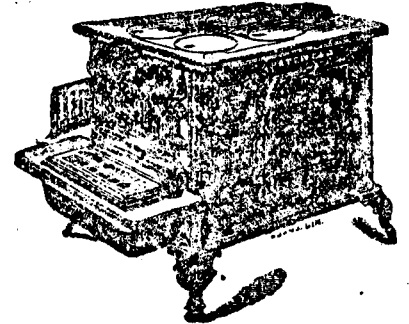
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