

poor, and the strings of fish, too small to eat that are caught prove that the large fish have about all been fished out. North Dakota has so few lakes in which fishing is possible, it is to be regretted that local appreciation of them does not protect the fish. Winter fishing has done much at Spiritwood to exhaust the supply, holes having been cut in the ice and fish removed by the wagon-loads for hog feed. When the lake becomes fishless, the necessity of preserving and caring for these natural blessings will be more apparent than it has been during the past.—
Bismarck Tribune.

Bad Brand of Stuff Sold

Around Velva

Velva, N. D., August 17. One evening this week while Ole Neisham and Ernest Jeglum were trolling fishhooks in the wake of their boat on Mouse River about a mile above Velva, they observed, about three rods from their boat, a huge body mostly concealed in the water that resembled more than anything a floating log, but appeared to be moving faster than the current, but in order to be sure as to what it was Mr. Neisham with his oar made some violent splashes in the water, when to their frantic astonishment, a portion of its huge body raised above five feet in the air, opening its huge mouth wide enough to swallow an ordinary sized man. Mr. Neisham stoically looked at the monster, while Mr. Jeglum paddled for the opposite shore. The boys gave the

alarm and searching parties went out, but to no effect. It is supposed that whatever it was it had a den in the precipitous bank somewhere near where the boys saw it. The oldest residents on the river never saw anything like it before.—Forum.

TRY IT

The stationery printed at this office last month is giving the best of satisfaction. Last week we printed a thousand statements for a man and by their aid he collected a small fortune. Two months ago a man bought of us some fine paper and envelopes to use when writing to his sweetheart and now he is married. Another young man forged a name on a check printed at this office and is now in the penitentiary. Another young man stole some of our paper to make cigarettes with—he is dead. A young lady bought some of our paper to curl her hair on, now she has a beau. (We have only a few packages of this kind in stock.) By using our stationery a person can collect old accounts, tell fortunes, make rain, change the color of hair, have teeth extracted without pain, find out the name of future wife or husband, be successful in business, triumph over enemies and get elected to office. Give us a call. Office hours from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.—Ex.

AUMOND ERLANDSON DEAD

After having been afflicted for several weeks with a complication of ailments, Aumond Erland