

# GETS DRUNK AND LANDS IN JAIL

Familiar Character In Binford  
"Sponges" and Ends Up  
in Calaboose.

Richard Preston, more familiar here under the name of "Dad" has been getting in his work at Devils Lake. Binford people are well acquainted with "Dad" as he has been here every fall for a number of years to take in the threshing. The following account from the Devils Lake World tells of a "stunt" that he worked in the Sainly city:

"Captain Richard Preston was the distinguished personage in the city yesterday soliciting alms. A neat little card, bearing all the saintly words to be found to lead prestige to alm taking was handed to the various individuals with whom "Cap" Preston came in contact. Few could refuse the man, because of his age and his crippled condition, and many a penny was placed in his tin cup to help him along the road.

"It was a different story last night, however, when those who gazed upon the old gentleman realized that they had contributed during the day. Captain Preston had spent his alms for the amber fluid and was in a severe state of intoxication, when he and his guardian, a young man accompanying him were put in the toils. The sum of \$3.61 in nickles and dimes, say nothing of what was spent for booze was found on the old gent's person and it would not be going far wrong to say from what the old fellow had in his system that he had spent considerable for stimulant. The old fellow is making a fair living and betraying the confidence that people have in old folks."