

fancied wrong; seems to be possessed of the idea the country publisher is a blotch on the face of the earth—that he has no business to live nor any right to hope for reward. We do not say this is the state of affairs in Northwood, but we have known of just such communities. Every community possessing business men who recognize the value of a good newspaper, take a pardonable pride in giving it a hearty support. Without a good newspaper in a town large enough to give it support a town generally progresses backward—goes bump, as it were—and the better the paper is patronized the more pride the editor takes in booming the town, its citizens and its institutions. If his patronage is indifferent and gingerly, his efforts for the upbuilding of the town are very liable to be the same. Some people get the idea that the local paper doesn't amount to much as an advertising medium, but let some of these people get into some devilment or become connected with some scandal and how quick they will scurry around to the local paper and plead with the editor not to say anything about it—that it was all a mistake and there is nothing in it. You see, it makes a great difference which feet the shoes are on if the shoes are not mates. Consistency is a jewel, and if we were all more consistent there would undoubtedly be more jewels.

### State Crop Report by Counties.

**Burleigh—Bismarck—Frost** has not done much damage except to gardens. Rain is very much needed as except for scattered showers there has been none for over six weeks.

**Barnes—Fingal—Crops** looking pretty well but rain is needed badly. Sanborn—Frost cut down all late sown wheat; crops have made poor progress on account of want of rain and high winds.

**Bottineau—Willow City—High winds** and frosty nights have damaged the crops considerably; rain needed pretty bad; grass doing well.

**Cass—Argusville—Some corn** to be planted yet; rain needed badly; some damage by high winds. Wild Rice—High winds have prevailed, doing some damage; heavy frosts done much damage to all late crops and garden truck.—**Hickson—Oats** and wheat are frozen and it is very dry, so that prospects are very poor now. **Watson—Frost** has injured some fields of oats, wheat and barley; weather very dry and rain is needed.

**Cavalier—Milton—Whether excellent** for crops but rain is needed.

**Dickey—Silver Leaf—The frost** cut early sown grain to the ground and killed gardens; late sown grain not sprouted yet. Ellendale—It still keeps very dry and rain is needed badly; the frost hurt the gardens and injured corn and oats; the weather has been cool.

**Grand Forks—Arvilla—Heavy frost** and high winds during the week; no improvement in the grain, rain is needed. **Holmes—Weather** dry and windy; some fields are blown very badly. **Northwood—Cool** with some high winds; rain needed. **Thompson—Cold** with high winds; wheat looking well; three rains during the week.

**Griggs—Hannaford—Weather** dry; rain needed; some damage by wind.

**Kidder—Dawson—Grain**, with the exception of some flax, is up and looking well; weather windy, cloudy and frosty with some rain during the week.

**LaMoure—Adrian—Frost** dampened grain considerable and unless there is rain soon the crop will be very light. **Grand Rapids—The freeze** did damage to all vegetation and the dry, windy weather is fully as bay as the freeze; rain is needed very much.

**McIntosh—Ashley—The heavy frost** did some damage; rain is badly needed. **Jewell—Cool**, frosty, windy and dry; no change since last report except it is too dry for late wheat to come up.

**McLean—Falconer—Ground** very dry and the grain is not coming up fast; rain is very much needed. **Coal Harbor—No** damage by frost; weather very dry and grain growing slowly.

**Morton—Glen Ullin—Crops** are in need of rain; the weather has been frosty with high winds.

**Nelson—Bue—Frost** retarded grain to some extent; rain is needed to wet the surface and sprout the wheat.

**Pembina—Pembina—There** seems to be plenty of moisture for fall plowing but high winds have dried out spring plowing, making the growth very slow; seeding of oats, barley and flax still in progress.

**Ramsey—Devils Lake—The frost** froze the grain down even with the ground; a heavy rain at this time would do good; weather dry and windy. **Benzon—The** frost has done a great deal of damage to the crop and if we do not get rain soon it will be a failure. **Penn—We** are in need of a good soaking rain, as high winds have been of daily occurrence; nearly all vegetation at a standstill.

**Richland—Lidgerwood—Early** sown grain doing well but late sown needs rain; frost did some damage to garden stuff and grain in low places. **Hankinson—Quite** heavy frost but no particular damage to growing grain; rain wanted badly to start late sown grain. **Mooreton—Severe** frost done considerable damage to oats, barley and garden stuff; rain needed; grain on spring plowing stands thin.

**Rolette—Donseith—Frost** killed garden truck; high winds during the week and no rain.

**Sargent—Geneseo—No** rain and heavy frost have about destroyed late crops; much grain has not sprouted yet. **Forman—Late** sown grain damaged by frost; weather continues dry; rain is needed to sprout late sown grain.

**Stark—Dickinson—Week** cold, frosty and windy; crops have suffered from frost; late sown grain not coming up well; rain needed. **Belfield—Early** sown grain looks well; weather warm and dry with but one light shower during the week. **Gladstone—Frost** did considerable damage to oats and some fields are froze out; some wheat injured but not bad; all tender garden truck killed; a good rain fell the first of the week.

**Steele—Finley—Frost** killed tender garden truck and currants; week has been dry and windy; rain needed badly. **Hope—Frost** damaged early sown oats and garden truck; some of the fruit was badly nipped.

**Stutsman—Kensal—Some** flax yet to be sown; grain at a standstill on account of no rain. **Jamestown—Week** unfavorable for crops, cold and dry; many fields more or less injured by frost.

**Traill—Galesburg—This** week will see everything planted; grass growing slowly; high winds have damaged grain some; corn and gardens frosted and had to be replanted; rain would be welcome. **Buxton—Frost** cut down all garden truck; weather not favorable; it has been windy with dust storms; cloudy and cold. **Hillsboro—Frost** hurt garden truck and small fruit; crops doing well but rain will be welcome at any time; timothy doing well but wild grass is very backward; weather changeable and windy. **Weible—Frost** did no damage except to gardens and small fruits; high winds caused considerable damage to grain; considerable seed sown a month ago not sprouted yet owing to lack of

moisture; rain never more badly needed.

**Ward—McKinney—Frost** done considerable damage to grain; corn that was up was frozen down; weather dry and windy.

**Walsh—Pisek—Frost** done considerable damage to growing crops; weather cold and dry and windy; rain is badly needed. **Hoople—Grain** is not doing well with great extremes in temperature and high winds nearly every day; rain is needed. **Norton—Weather** dry and windy but crops don't seem to suffer much; some flax being seeded yet. **Minot—Nine** degrees below freezing is just a little cool for cucumbers; but it may be all right for wheat if it don't last too long; wheat seems to be doing well.

**Wells—Sykeston—Some** damage by heavy frost; no rain since seeding began; early sown wheat with drills not suffering much but that on spring plowing will not amount to much.

## AT GRAY GABLES.

### President Cleveland Makes Many Improvements at His Home.

#### Kindness Extended to a Lone Oysterman Squatting Upon His Domains—Sent of Government to Be Cape Cod This Summer.

When Mrs. Cleveland arrived at Gray Gables with her children to spend the summer there she found that in the winter many changes and improvements had been made about the extensive property. A heavy storm last winter tore a great hole in the sea wall that protects the house and its immediate grounds, and this has been replaced by a stronger and more handsome embankment of stone.

The big lily pond had been emptied and cleaned and then refilled. There are now growing aquatic plants of the rarest and most beautiful kinds. Mrs. Cleveland is especially fond of the water lilies, and the president had this pond made a year or two ago for her benefit.

On the shore of the Monument river side of the estate there is an oysterman's cabin, the only building on the 100-acre tract that the president does not own. The oysterman built his cabin before Mr. Cleveland bought the property, and it is said that the president did not know it was there for two or three years. One day he was walking along the river bank and saw the cabin and the oysterman. Mr. Cleveland asked him what he was doing there, and the humble oysterman explained that he had been allowed to build his cabin on the spot where it stood by the former owner of the land. He had no lease or other legal right on the premises, but he modestly explained that it was a good location for his business, and asked that he might be allowed to remain, promising that he would never make his presence known to the occupants of the great house, some distance away.

The president told the oysterman he might remain there as long as he wished, and there would be no rent to pay. This man is the only one allowed to trespass on the place.

"Daddy" Brunn has caught the first bluefish of the season. He is the local fish prophet, and he says the season is going to be an extraordinary one for large catches. The bass in the inland ponds are biting well, and on the sea ledges there is already some good sport.

It is said in Marion that Secretary Carlisle has taken a cottage in that place for the summer. This seems quite probable, as the president will want his financial adviser handy. With Secretary Olney in Falmouth, Private Secretary Thurber in Marion, and probably Secretary Lamont near by, the seat of government will be Cape Cod instead of Washington this summer.

### Salesmen Wanted.

To sell the largest stock of Northern Grown Fruits, Shrubs, Ornamental trees, etc., in the west. Steady work. Three plans. Write at once for terms. THE JEWELL NURSERY CO., Lake City, Minnesota.

### Notice For Publication.

LAND OFFICE at Fargo, N. D., May 4, 1897. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before register and receiver, U. S. land office at Fargo, N. D., on June 29, 1897, viz:

ADEN S. PRATT,  
H. E. No. 18811 for the N. W. 1/4 sec. 32, twp. 144 n., R. 54 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Gilbert Hood, William Young, L. B. Hanna, E. M. Green, of Page, Cass Co., N. D.

A. E. SUNDERHAUF,  
Register.

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### Notice of Timber Culture Final Proof.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Fargo, N. Dakota, May 18, 1897.

Notice is hereby given, that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof, in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before W. I. Warner, county judge, of Steele county, North Dakota, at Sherbrooke, Steele county, North Dakota, on the 8th day of July, 1897, viz:

CHARLES MITCHELL,  
under his timber culture entry number 12326, for the northeast quarter of section twenty-two, in township one hundred forty-five, of range fifty-six west, in Steele county, North Dakota.

He names the following witnesses to prove his cultivation of said land:

W. J. Skitner, James M. Ellsbury, Walter Swanson, Milton B. Whitlo, of Hope postoffice, Steele Co., N. D.

A. E. SUNDERHAUF,  
Register.

McMAHON BROS., Attorneys, Hope, N. Dak.  
[1st pub May 20.]

### Notice of Mortgage Sale by Advertisement.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THAT certain mortgage, executed and delivered by Herbert B. Thomas and Aileen G. Thomas, his wife, mortgagors, to Hiram D. Upton mortgagee, dated the 25th day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and filed for record in the office of the register of deeds of the county of Steele and territory of Dakota now the state of North Dakota, on the 4th day of May A. D. 1897, at 5 o'clock p. m., and recorded in book "J" of mortgages, at pages 422, 423 and 424, and assigned by said mortgagee to Elijah M. Topliff, by an instrument in writing, dated the 1st day of June A. D. 1894, and filed for record in said office of the register of deeds on the 17th day of May A. D. 1897, at 5 o'clock p. m., and recorded in book "T" of mortgages, on page 48, will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises in such mortgage and hereinafter described, at the front door of the courthouse, in the village of Sherbrooke, in the county of Steele, and state of North Dakota, at the hour of two o'clock p. m., on the 17th day of July A. D. 1897, to satisfy the amount due upon said mortgage on the day of sale, together with the costs and disbursements in these foreclosure proceedings and the further sum of \$75.00 attorney's fees as provided by law.

The premises described in said mortgage and which will be sold to satisfy the same, are those certain premises situated in the county of Steele, and state of North Dakota, and described as follows, to-wit:

The south half (81 1/2) of section thirty-four, (33) in township one hundred forty-four, (144) north of range fifty-seven, (57) west of the fifth principal meridian.

There will be due on such mortgage at the date of sale the sum of Nine Hundred Sixty-Seven and 80/100 Dollars, (\$967.80) exclusive of the costs and disbursements and attorney's fees allowed by law.

Dated at Fargo, North Dakota, this 22nd day of May A. D. 1897.

ELIJAH M. TOPLIFF,  
Assignee of Mortgage.

W. A. SCOTT, Attorney for Assignee of Mortgage,  
Fargo, North Dakota.  
[1st pub June 3.]