

BACKWARD IN PENNSYLVANIA

E. F. HORN BEGINS TO FEEL
THE NEED OF NORTH DAKOTA
OZONE.

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Editor Gazette—I arrived here four weeks ago last Saturday night. The weather was quite pleasant on my arrival and remained so the following week. Farmers commenced their spring work and by watching between rains got some sod plowed and since that time they have got some cornstalk ground plowed. Very little oat sowing has been done as yet and the weather is cold and raw. Last Tuesday and Wednesday mornings the ground was covered with snow and a number of times we have had snow flurries when it did not show much on the ground. Today it is cold and raw and snowing part of the time. It has rained and snowed on an average of about one-half the days since my arrival. Gardens are not made and the trees are not out in leaf yet. Some varieties will show leaves however in a few days with warm weather. It certainly can't stay cold here much longer. The roads outside of McAdamized roads are very bad. On account of bad weather and roads I have not ventured out much to visit outside my old home. Homer Postlewaite has spent two weeks with me and Lillian (his wife) four weeks. Homer says it makes him homesick to get back to North Dakota seeing me here. They left yesterday morning for Pittsburg and from there to Detroit, Michigan, last night, at which place they expect to make their home, at least for a time.

Dull times is the cry here, yet there are immense sums of money lying idle in the banks. People of a speculative turn of mind put their money in all classes of stocks, principally gas here, as that kind of stocks seem popular. There is some oil and gas development being done in this neighborhood and that helps the interested parties.

I have done considerable work. I mean manual labor, since my arrival. Some of my Courtenay friends will be skeptical no doubt of this information but nevertheless it is true. If any doubting "Thomas" makes it worth while I will forward the proper certified affidavits in proof of my information. I hope to reach Courtenay in about two weeks as my system begins to need some new ozone.

Very respectfully,

E. F. Horn.