

AS OUR NEIGHBORS SEE US.

The Many Advantages Possessed by Cooperstown in a Measure Recognized.

The Jamestown Capital under the caption of "Cooperstown," gave editorial utterance to the following a few weeks since, and emanating from so disinterested a source we consider it entitled to full weight:

"Situating at almost the geographical center of Griggs county, lying 36 miles north of the N. P. R. R., and surrounded by some of the finest farming land in the world, is the new and thriving village of Cooperstown. Although platted out but a few weeks ago, Cooperstown has already achieved a reputation and a name which would be enviable in a town whose age was numbered by years rather than weeks. The reasons for this, however, are obvious: the location of the town, the quality of the soil, the character of the people who have settled in and around Cooperstown, and last, but by no means least, the standing of the men who have the town in charge and who are spending time and money that its future may be all that is now promised. The Cooperstown Townsite company is composed of R. C. Cooper, T. J. Cooper, J. M. Burrell, C. A. Roberts and N. R. Lenham, Chicago and Sanborn capitalists. All these gentlemen are men of character, ability and practical experience. The Coopers own large tracts of land in Griggs county, near the new town, 7,000 acres of which are under cultivation. This year 150,000 bushels of wheat, which is awaiting shipment over the Cooperstown & Turtle Mountain railroad and in every way are doing practical work for the good of the town and the country.

The Cooperstown & Turtle Mountain railway is owned and controlled by this company, and no better evidence could be wished for of the entire confidence these gentlemen have in the future of their project than the fact that they are spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in building and equipping this line. The road bed is now made to within a few miles of Cooperstown, the track is laid twelve miles north from Sanborn, and is now being put down at the rate of a mile a day. The road will be completed into Cooperstown the earliest possible moment in the spring. It traverses a beautiful country, rich black soil, with a surface just undulating enough to afford good drainage, and along its route are destined to be some of the famous farms of the world.

The county seat has just been moved to Cooperstown by a majority of 267 of the voters of the county, and now it is the established seat of government for Griggs county.

Cooperstown is destined to be the "future great" of Griggs county, and its superior advantages promise it a future even greater than this—that it may become the metropolis and commercial center of a large scope of territory extending far beyond the limits of the county.

Its enterprising owners, with the characteristic push and enterprise of North Dakota business men are already making arrangements for all modern institutions necessary to the future good of the town: churches, schoolhouse, the press, all will soon become a part of this new bustling city of the prairie, and next year will witness a wonderful transformation. Its future success is assured.

Rational Remarks.

The following, from an unknown exchange, so tersely portrays a few ideas of our own that we just transplant the paragraph to the COURIER columns with a long and loud amen:

"As a rule people reading boom editions of Dakota papers generally make allowances for the imagination of the editor. In our case no such calculation need be made. We give but FACTS. Our imagination, if given full sway, with the wonderful advantages we possess over ordinary communities, would give readers the impression that this is indeed the dreamed of garden of Eden—the promised land of old. And to be honest, we have half a mind that it is. But we will not inflict readers with the bright, beautiful pictures in our mind—what to us is becoming ordinary though daily contact—but only give plain, unvarnished statements of fact. That such facts, palpable enough to us, may seem incredulous to readers in the far east we have no doubt. The wonderful growth and advancement of this section, but a very few years since totally unknown and comparatively unknown still, is not—cannot be appreciated by the down-easters. And this is the reason why our earnest statements of fact are often taken as far-fetched hearsays, if not as downright lies altogether. But let these skeptics but once view our beautiful country, then they want no more of the Green mountains, no more of stump-accursed and half worn out states of the favored east. There is room here for all the poor people of America—free homes—good schools—pure water and bracing, health giving air. Come, and welcome.

Trains on all roads in Northern Dakota have been greatly delayed the past week, but are again getting regular.

The effort to divide Cass county seems to be cooling, the divisionists evidently not feeling greatly encouraged.

Bills have been introduced in the territorial legislature to create the counties of Ordway, Becker and Raymond; Ordway to be formed from portions of Grand Forks, Ramsey and Walsh counties; Becker from portions of Dickey, Brown and Ransom; Raymond from portions of Cass and Barnes.

It must indeed be disagreeable to live in a city like Chicago, subject to blockades of snow that paralyze all business. The street cars in that city were compelled to stop running yesterday. The inhabitants of that hyperborean region should emigrate to Dakota, where they can be assured of pleasant weather all the year round, without excess of cold, snow, heat or rain.—Exchange.

SCISSORED SUNBEAMS.

When a man says "cold as blazes" he means hot as ice. Take him as he means.

Speckled Moon, a Pawnee Indian chief, has seventeen wives. They ought to be able to keep his wigwam.

A fifty-day fast has been undertaken by a St. Louis crank, in whose eyes Dr. Tanner's exhibition found favor.

The latest and favorite piano recitation for society young ladies is: "Oh, Won't She Ever Stop?" It is markedly popular among the young gentlemen.

According to Beecher a man can become "redolent with piety," but such cases are very rare. About the time a man begins to feel redolent he meets a policeman.

They are having fun in Vermont by digging out frozen snakes and placing them near a hot stove to thaw out and imagine that this winter is next spring.

It has been remarked as singular that, although the war has ended eighteen years ago, the number of inmates in the homes for disabled soldiers is steadily increasing.

A twelve-year-old boy in Michigan was so shocked by a fatal saw mill accident of which he had been an eye-witness, that he was seized with convulsions that ended his life.

The recent sinking in port of a vessel laden with Limberger cheese caused great mortality among the fish, but the fatal influence did not extend more than 200 miles from the disaster.

Seventeen years ago an Atlanta man was given a letter to mail. Last Thursday he took the Confederate stamp from the envelope, replaced it with a more modern stamp, and dropped the letter in a post box. Further, deponent saith not.

A young man, arrested in Washington for beating his father, excused himself on the plea that he was following scripture. "How is that?" asked the judge. "Why, whom the Lord loveth he chastiseth," replied the youth. "I love my father, and so when he came home drunk I chastised him, and I think it's done him good." He was fined some \$10 for misquoting.

John Day found a stretch of fifty miles on a Colorado trail without a bar. He set one up in a tent forthwith, and few travelers were able to get past without yielding to the unexpected temptation. He made money fast, and kept it in a tin box, which was under the counter when he was awake and his pillow when he slept. The other day he was found with half a dozen bullet holes in his head, and all the profits gone.

County Commissioners Proceedings.

COOPERSTOWN, Nov. 29, 1882.—2 P. M. Neither of the county commissioners being present the clerk adjourned meeting till Nov. 30, at 2 P. M., and has been adjourned by the clerk from day to day to Jan. 1, 1883, at 9 A. M.

Present—Rollin C. Cooper, George W. Bathey and Allen Breed.

Allen Breed in the chair. Record of last meeting read.

Moved and ordered that order No. 58 and 59 be recalled and canceled.

Moved and ordered that the following bills be allowed, and that orders be drawn upon the treasurer for the several amounts to-wit:

Red River Land Co.	\$ 62 00
Fargo Republican Co.	448 06
Wm. Glass	23 30
Byron Andrus	88 30
H. P. Smart	79 90
H. B. Horsford	6 10
Cooper Bros.	676 40
C. A. Renwick	220 00
Geo. W. Bathey	21 70
Allen Breed	8 50
R. C. Cooper	12 40
H. P. Smart	125 00
G. A. Luce	106 20
Geo. W. Barnard	20 00

Moved and ordered that the report of George W. Barnard, treasurer, be accepted.

Moved and ordered that the new seal be adopted, and that all instruments which have required the impression of the county seal on and after Nov. 28, 1882, be legal only when impressed with the new seal, and the old seal is herewith cancelled from and after Nov. 27, 1882.

Notice is hereby given that the following school districts have been formed, to-wit:

No. 2—Comprising sections 31 and 32, 33 and that part of 34 lying west of the Shesenne river in township 146, range 58; sections 35 and 36 in township 146, range 59; sections 1, 2, 11 and 12 in township 145, range 59, and sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 in township 145, range 58.

No. 4—Comprising all of township 146, range 58, except sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 14, 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and all of township 146, range 59, except sections 25 and 36; sections 31, 32, 33 and 34 in township 147, range 58, and sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36 in township 147, range 59.

No. 5—Comprising sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29 and 30 in township 147, range 58.

No. 6—Comprising sections 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, in township 145, range 58.

Adjourned. HERBERT P. SMART, County Clerk.

REGULAR MEETING. COOPERSTOWN, D. T., Jan. 1, 1883, 5 o'clock, p. m. Rollin C. Cooper and Allen Breed having been elected county commissioners, appeared, qualified and organized by electing Rollin C. Cooper chairman.

Adjourned to meet January 2, 1883, at 9 a. m. ROLLIN C. COOPER, HERBERT P. SMART, County Clerk.

Met at Cooperstown, D. T., Jan. 2, 1883, 9 a. m. Pursuant to adjournment. Present—Rollin C. Cooper and Allen Breed.

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