

**THE COURIER.**

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According to the published estimates of the census bureau the amount of wood consumed in Dakota, during the year 1880, was 422,948 cords, valued at \$3,028,300.

**Norman County Alert:** People who are growling about cold weather in the Red River Valley, will probably be thankful next summer that it was so, when our wheat fields shall groan under their heavy burdens of grain.

"What the west needs is more workers, more bone and muscle and less kid-glove gentry. The young man who thinks he can succeed in the west by growing sunflowers and a sentimental mustache had better remain at home."—Ojata Optic.

Mr. Walsh has introduced in the council an elaborate bill for the removal of the capital of Dakota. It provides that one day after the final adjournment of the present legislature the capital of Dakota shall be located at Huron, and that within sixty days thereafter the various territorial officers shall remove all records to that place, the location to be at or within two miles of Huron.

The Sanborn Enterprise has published the statement of affairs of the Barnes County Bank, paying Cashier Burrell a handsome compliment that must make the citizens of that county feel very proud of this young institution, which is a general favorite with them. The Enterprise wisely adds that with so many solid banking houses in the Northwest, the present high rate of interest will necessarily be short lived.—Fargo Argus.

Senator Windom, of Minnesota, seems to be out of luck, having been relegated to private life by the joint legislature last Saturday. After a long and tedious senatorial struggle, and on the twenty-ninth joint ballot, Dwight M. Sabin, of Stillwater, a member of the lower house, was elected as United States Senator to succeed Windom. Mr. Sabin is a native of Illinois, is thirty-eight years of age, and has lived in Minnesota since 1868.

The Detroit Evening News is an unwilling observer to the vast emigration making ready to pour from Michigan into Dakota the coming spring, and thus satirizes the first to start: "A little Dakota fever is taking about 25 residents of Ludington out to the warm and wood-covered prairies of Dakota. Meantime their places are more than being filled by Canadians and others, who seem to think that Ludington is near enough the setting sun for all practical purposes, especially when good farming lands are to be had there for \$5 to \$10 an acre."

Fargo Argus: Eastern exchanges, the mails, and every person arriving from the east, tell a narrative of hundreds and thousands who have their faces set as a flint Dakotaward. Couriers are already arriving telling of the many who have their arrangements all made to come to North Dakota and secure a trifle of the rich, black soil of which they have heard so much. It is probable that there has never been such a rush into any country simply to secure agricultural results, as North Dakota will witness the coming spring.

From Major Edwards' Washington letter to the Argus we glean the following:

"Dr. Jorgensen, now a member of congress from Virginia, is booked for the receivership of the Fargo land office, vice Pugh, who has been so long there that it will seem strange not to behold his genial face when visiting the office. Governor Austin is conceded the right to remain.

"I saw Mr. Grout to-day. He is a member of the committee on territories and a staunch friend of Dakota. Monday is individual member day, and he has the promise of recognition. He will put Mr. Pettigrew's division bill upon its passage and it is expected the same will go through without opposition. There will be no trouble in the senate if it gets through the house. Mr. Burrows is anxious to have the division pass, and as chairman of the committee of the whole has a trading influence, which, if properly brought to bear, will, it is believed, carry the measure. Mr. Pettigrew is laboring earnestly and hard to make a success of the scheme, and in this he is seconded by Delegate-elect Raymond, who is doing all he can.

"The impression I gather from conversations overheard is, that no amount of enthusiasm in North Dakota will effect the division measure, and the time spent in holding public meetings is useless. Delegates coming here only create dissensions and worry Pettigrew and Raymond."

The Jamestown board of trade has voted \$3,000 toward advertising the city in the east.

The county of Ramsey has been organized and Devil's Lake City chosen as the county seat.

A man named Shorey, who was living on a ranch in Ransom county, committed suicide recently because of unrequited love.

Two Valley City nimrods, Chapman and Wylie, went out twenty-five miles on Saturday, and were absent until last Thursday, when they returned with seven deer.

The Capital says that two steamboats and two wheat barges will be ready to ply in the James river between LaMoure and Columbia as soon as navigation opens.

Major Edwards, of the Great Fargo Argus, is doing the east and taking a rest from his multifarious duties as editor and general reception committee to capitalists daily arriving in the wonderland.

I. W. Barnum, the indefatigable boomer of Sanborn, is doing valiant labor for North Dakota at his winter home, Brooklyn. In a letter to the Fargo Republican, he predicts a big emigration and blesses the dry cold weather of the Northwest.

A tramp forced his way into Jerry Church's house, near Ardoch, the other day, filled his stomach from the best in the house, donned some good clothes, borrowed a watch and left. He was soon overtaken and divested of the clothes and watch but was allowed to retain his dinner.

Elder W. C. Plummer, the versatile editor of the Fargo Republican, was sent by the managers of that enterprising paper to do missionary work for Dakota throughout the east. Mr. Plummer is assisted by J. E. Hall, of the same paper and the report comes back that they are doing some telling work in the oil regions of Pennsylvania.

A gentleman just arrived from Michigan states that forty families in a single neighborhood recently left for Dakota, and that on the trains and everywhere else everybody says, "I'm going to Dakota in the spring if I live." The forty families referred to were all well-to-do people, having from \$1,000 to 10,000 each.—Ex.

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