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LOCAL LAONICS.

—Magnificent weather for wheat.
—W. R. Whidden is away on business.
—The prairies are donning their suits of green.
—Seeding finished and breaking under full head.
—Good Iowa shelled corn for sale by Nelson & Langlie.
—The roads in Griggs county are now in fine condition.
—A nice little vegetation starter shower visited this vicinity yesterday.
—Thos. Chapman will now proceed with his force to plaster the school house.
—The store of Whidden Bros. is now adorned with a very tasty gilt lettered sign.
—Attorney Bartlett paid Sanborn a business visit the first of the present week.
—Maynard Crane is growing a luxuriant mosquito protector on his physiognomy.
—Supt. Fernald, of the S. C. & T. M. R'y, paid his respects to Cooperstown Wednesday.
—Lewis Hootop, recently of Fargo, but now a Griggs county granger, was in town Tuesday.
—Contractor Muir is putting a very nobly front on the drug store and post-office building.
—The county capital now has a native born citizen, and Knud Thompson steps lighter than ever.
—The hard finish is all on the walls of the "Palace," and the painters now hold sway in the building.
—Those iron hitching posts in front of the Pioneer Store are pronounced just the thing by farmers.
—Mrs. J. G. Myers announces her readiness to do all kinds of laundry work in the most approved manner.
—J. G. Myers has returned from a week's seeding siege upon his farm on the other side of the Sheyenne.
—Our general merchants are smiling under the pressure of good trade; likewise the machine and livery men.
—A couple more residences have been erected this week. One on Court House Hill and the other on the Boulevard.
—Little Victor Whidden was quite badly scalded a few days since by an overturned coffee pot, but is now doing nicely.
—Water is only three feet deep in the Sheyenne at Nelson's ford, and travelers can now cross the river with perfect safety.
—Song service was held at W. R. Whidden's home Tuesday evening, and prayer meeting will be conducted at the same place to-night.
—Assessor E. W. McCrae is busy invoicing up the county's back-bone, preparatory to the first annual tax gathering in Griggs.
—The county officials have all been stocked with printed stationery from the COURIER office, and are now doing lots of corresponding.
Fargo feels quite certain of a direct line of railway to Chicago. "T'would be a big thing for Fargo as well as the village at the other end.
—Men are at work mounding the stakes in township 147, range 59, and settlers are anxiously waiting to hear of the land being "shot" into market.
—The man who borrows his neighbor's COURIER, when he can get the same for \$2 per annum, it strikes us is not what might be called a good citizen.
—Messrs. E. H. Steele and D. P. Baldwin, of Hope, were in Cooperstown Tuesday, and dropped a few glowing words of praise for our bristling burg.
—The way new goods have been hauled into Cooperstown this week is a very indicative "straw," for it shows which way the county's commerce blows.
—Messrs. Armstrong & Stewart, the new and energetic firm of plasterers, have taken orders for considerable work in their line, and are putting in long days.
—Our reading space is somewhat encroached upon this week by the increasing advertising patronage of the paper. This matter will be remedied by another week.

—Mr. Wm. Venable, one of Hope's heartiest looking and best natured citizens, smiled upon Cooperstownites Tuesday. Also a Mr. Wright of the same burg.
—Some fiend, whose soul shudders not at thought of the furnace kept in the lower realm for his ilk, has stolen or shot Mrs. Myers' domesticated wild geese.
—A train of emigrants destined for Devil's Lake bought their supplies in Cooperstown, Tuesday. Our merchants will have a large outfitting trade all summer.
—A frolicsome mosquito fearlessly wandered into the village Monday evening, and was quickly dispatched by Addy Moore to that bourne where all good mosquitos go.
—H. G. Pickett, Cashier of the Bank of Cooperstown, is in town getting things in readiness to commence business on arrival of the safe, which is on the way from St. Paul.
—There is no getting around the stubborn little fact that division means higher taxation, and the arguments of the Hope Pioneer favoring the scheme are so transparently thin they won't wash.
—Mr. and Mrs. J. Stevens arrived from Lanesboro Wednesday evening. While preparing for the solution of the mysteries that surround domestic felicity their temporal wants will be supplied by Mrs. Adams.
—Messrs. Read & Hyde, lately of Boston, have established a freight line between Cooperstown and the track. People entrusting business to them can rest assured of the faithful and prompt execution thereof.
—A gentleman in Duluth, Mr. Farrell tells, ordered a Mosler safe of him to be shipped to Cooperstown. The man has never seen our fair city, but has decided to come here and embark in business quite extensively.
—The COURIER job department has been crowded the past few weeks to its utmost capacity, and our job book is still full. Good work tells on an office every time, and that's the kind the COURIER sends out.
—As Major Edwards, of the Fargo Argus, not only prints the biggest and "boomiest" newspaper in the territory, but also kicks the scale beam at the highest notch, he might be termed the Jumbo of the Dakota Press.
—Commissioner N. C. Rukke has been in the "Hub" a day or so this week. He says that Boyum & Hoiland, the big machinery dealers, will soon be on hand and erect a commodious warehouse for the accommodation of their Griggs county trade.
—The Mayville Eagle is a paper of the square-toed kind—a journal that fearlessly advocates the best interests of the public—and fully merits the prosperity its columns indicate. It has just been enlarged and improved from a 40 to a 48 column paper.
—J. B. Whidden has the scribe's thanks for late San Francisco papers, California, though very remote from this haven of prosperity, is sending delegations to become permanent Dakotans. On completion of the Northern Pacific Oregon will also contribute to the population of North Dakota.
—The postmaster of Cooperstown is informed by the second assistant postmaster general that after June 30 the present mail system from Sanborn is to be discontinued and a new route established running from Sanborn to Mardell via this place. A. A. Cole has been awarded the contract.
—Monday's Fargo Argus had this item: Arlington Roberts, superintendent of construction of the Sanborn, Cooperstown and Northern railroad, was in the city yesterday. He reports a large force of graders at work, and tracklaying begins to-morrow. Forty graders went west yesterday with Mr. Roberts.
—The new Red River Valley sectional map, compiled by Chas. Groenendyke, A. M., is at hand. To say that it is complete and accurate in every detail up to date would be superfluous, as the publisher's name is sufficient guarantee of that fact. It can be obtained, in plain sheet, for 50 cents, or in colored pocket edition for \$1, by addressing Chas. Groenendyke, Fargo.
—The genial Kent, with "A. B." still prefixed to his cognomen, is smiling on old Cooperstown friends again. He doesn't report very eloquently of the boom in Hope. In fact he intimates that the kind of boom they have over there creates a "heap greater" demand for forty-rod whiskey than for carpenters. They have another election on hand, you know.

—Cooperstown citizens saw fit to keep their bid to the Capital Commission secret until its publicity could work no good for rival towns, hence the Pioneer has the brazen effrontery to charge imitation. If a bid of \$210,000 imitates one of a paltry \$100,000 then we are guilty, and proud to be at that. Hope is one of those towns that always blabs, but never makes a point.
—There has been fault found by some because of the tariff on lumber in Cooperstown. Just let those who think lumber too high pay for the teaming of one or two loads from the track to this place and their tune will change, we opine. Paying \$10 to \$12 a load for drayage quite naturally forces the company to charge more for material than it can be had for in Sanborn. However, people should exercise patience, for with the advent of the iron horse next month prices in general will enjoy a revolution.
—Mr. "Dick" Farrell, representing the great Mosler Safe & Lock Co., of Cincinnati, "Sundayed" over in Cooperstown. By coincidence he met our worthy farmer friend, Jack N. Brown, whom he had known well some seventeen years ago, while both were residents of the Pennsylvania oil regions. A pleasant visit and renewal of old time topics resulted from the meeting. Mr. F. took the measure for the hotel safe, and expects to send several more to Cooperstown within the next few months.
—That Cooperstown is favorably known in all quarters of the globe, and particularly to the most remote ends of this continent, is illustrated by the combination of one of our new mercantile firms. The senior member thereof started from eastern Nova Scotia, with Cooperstown in his eye, while at about the same time the gentleman now junior partner embarked from western California for this same haven. Thus it is, they come from every direction to mingle in the grand harmony and prosperity so characteristic of this sunny clime.
—Knud Thompson is happy, the mother is happy, the boys who puffed the fragrant Havanas are happy, and the little lady is well, tipping the balance at nine pounds. The fair Miss arrived Monday, and in a language, comprehensible only to babies and doting mothers, expressed her intentions of remaining and her pleasure with Cooperstown as a place of residence. She commented especially upon her pretty and proud papa, who has to wear a dish cloth bandage over his mouth to keep him from screaming for joy.
—H. H. Windsor, of the passenger department of the Northern Pacific, is the publisher of a widely circulated time table of the N. P. road, and a St. Paul firm titled Bacon & Monroe with a view to profiting by the excellent reputation of Mr. Windsor's publication as an advertising medium are soliciting patronage for a folder they intend issuing. Mr. W. in a neat circular warns the public against the misrepresentations of Bacon & Monroe, as their publication is not allowed distribution on trains or through local agents of the road.
—Tuesday evening at the end of the track what might have proven a fatal casualty was averted by the heroic action of the construction train fireman. A team attached to a lumber wagon in which were a woman and a boy came tearing toward the track from Chris. Nelson's house, and in crossing it at the high rate of speed would have torn everything to splinters and probably killed the occupants, had not the fireman bravely thrown himself before the rampant team and clung to their bridles. He slackened their speed enough so that a severe shaking up was all the injury sustained by the frightened passengers.
—A woman may revel in silks and satins; she may make her beauty resplendent with diamonds and opals; she may attire herself in the most delicate colors until she looks sweeter than the burst of dawn on paradise; she may brush, she may primp, or she may paint, but until she sees fair Dakota she cannot be happy or contented. Here, and here only, can she take 100 acres of virgin soil in her own name and be as independent as a butterfly in a clover patch; here she can snap her fingers at the foppish fools who fawned before her in the east and accept the attentions of men with brains and money. The sound-headed young men are coming to Dakota and the cream of the gentler sex will follow.

Just Received.

Two cases Sicily Oranges and Lemons. Buy them before they are all gone, at Whidden Bros.
If you want a lock, a hinge, one nail or a keg, call at the lumber yard.

SALES OF SOIL. List of Recent Griggs County Real Estate Transfers.

Albert C. Wandulick to Thos J. Cooper n 4 of n w 4 and n 4 of n e 4 of sec. 28, twp. 146, range 58, cons. \$1000.
John Walker to George H. Johnson, s w 4 of sec 2, twp. 148, range 56, cons. \$1000.
Cooper Bros. to H. P. Merrill, lot 20, blk. 74, Cooperstown, cons. \$225.
Cooper Bros. to Jacob Brucker, lot 10, blk. 74, Cooperstown, cons. \$225.
Cooper Bros. to J. M. Burrell, lots 11 and 12 blk. 72, Cooperstown, cons. \$500.
Cooper Bros. to B. A. Upton, 4 lot 9, blk. 59, Cooperstown, cons. \$250.
Nathan A. Kellum to Luthal Kellum, n w 4 sec. 24, twp. 144, range 60, cons. \$1200.
Esther S. Humphrey to Charles A. Renwick, lot 13, blk. 18, Hope, cons. \$250.
Cooper Bros. to John D. Batson, lots 5 and 6, blk. 79, Cooperstown, cons. \$450.
Wm. Herman to J. M. Waldorf, lot 16, blk. 47, Cooperstown, cons. \$175.
S. D. Humphrey to C. W. Casler, lot 3, blk. 23, Hope, cons. \$1000.
C. F. Kindred to Wesley W. Newell, sec. 11, twp. 145, range 58, cons. \$5120.
Harry J. Lyons to Sam'l A. Nelson, lot 20, blk. 73, Cooperstown, cons. \$300.
Cooper Bros. to Charles G. Merrill, lots 13 and 14, blk. 37, Cooperstown, cons. \$300.

—Davis & Co. have a nice new sign.
—Magnanimity—a man who values his time at \$100 per day and offers another man \$1.50 to take him 14 miles during a rain storm.
—The house of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Brown narrowly escaped being devoured by flames yesterday forenoon. The fire took from a spark, but was opportunely discovered by one of the family and extinguished by prompt action, though not without quite a loss of wearing apparel, and some damage to the house.
Carrington News: Cooperstown, the Griggs county "daisy," just east of us, offers, through a card in the Courier, \$210,000 in cash and 100 acres of land for the permanent location of the territorial capital. That is downright audacity, in a town only a few hours older than Carrington. Cooperstown may get the territorial capital, for we do not want it up here on the Northern; but we should like to compare our new caravanary—that is to be—with the "Burrell Avenue Hotel," of which the Courier boasts.

Ex-Congressman Burrows thinks Dakota will be divided by a Democratic congress about as easily as it could be set over in Canada.
It is estimated that 20 per cent. of the settlers of southern Manitoba will cross over into Dakota this summer.
Belle Clinton, an Iowa girl who took a claim near Mitchell, Dak., has a life pass from an Iowa road because her grit in taking and keeping a claim has proved a profitable advertisement for the road.

—Fresh Groceries coming this week for Whidden Bros.
—Ladies' and Gents' fine dress shoes in great array at Odegard & Thompson's. Call and inspect.
—A lot of that famous Valley City Flour has just arrived, and will be sold cheap, at Whidden Bros.
—Oranges and Apples, juicy and fresh at Odegard & Thompson's.
—That Vermont Maple Syrup at Odegard & Thompson's is fine.
—Three cars of lumber, etc., at end of track; will be hauled in this week—so says Crane—to "patch up."
—Fresh invoices of California canned goods at the Pioneer Store of Odegard & Thompson.
—What's the use of coughing so when for the magnificent sum of 50 cts. you can buy a bottle of American Cough Balsam at ODEGARD & THOMPSON'S.

—Kendall's Condition Powders are acknowledged the very best made. Sold only by Odegard & Thompson in Cooperstown.
—Crockery and Glassware at WHIDDEN BROS.
—Dry Goods just arrived and opening at WHIDDEN BROS.
—The "West Point" now mourns the loss of Lowry. Why did he not wait to see the hardware?
—If you want a set of good work harness call at Odegard & Thompson's and you can "catch on" to a few big bargains in that line.
—New goods until you can't rest at Odegard & Thompson's, and more coming.
—The Kalamazoo Spring Tooth Harrows acknowledged to be the very best-manufactured. It can be had in Griggs county only of MANLY J. DAVIS, Agent, Cooperstown.
—I am now prepared to furnish money on final proofs at the most reasonable rates obtainable. WM. GLASS, Attorney and Loan Agent.

Garden Seeds
Fresh and good. Call before your neighbors take them all from WHIDDEN BROS.

Fresh Groceries.
We have just opened up a full and complete line of first-class Groceries too numerous to mention in this brief space of time. Please call and inspect stock for yourselves and get anything wanted in this line. WHIDDEN BROS.

Good Team Wanted.
I have desirable town property which I will exchange for a top-top good farm team. C. C. PHILLIPPE.

New Stage Line.
We are running a first-class covered stage between Cooperstown and the track, and invite the public to ride with us, if comfort and speed are desired. DAVIS & CO.

Yoke of Oxen Wanted.
To be happy we must dicker, and some man with a yoke of good work cattle can just come and pluck us for a ripe trade. ODEGARD & THOMPSON.

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