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LOCAL LAONICS.

—Wild raspberries are ripe.
—Farmers busy preparing for harvest work.
—The crop prospect continues unimpairedly favorable.
—The watermelon harvest is on the way. Let us all rejoice.
—J. W. Christie returned Wednesday from a week's visit at Fargo.
—Ladies' and childrens' shampooing a specialty at Cash's barber shop.
—Geo. McCormick is now right hand man at H. P. Merrill's popular restaurant.
—A heavy shower Tuesday night was an exceedingly acceptable dose to ripening grain.
—Messrs. Knud Thompson and J. Stevens do some pretty good driving on the Avenue these cool evenings.
—Mrs. Marquardt, the German woman, has increased Cooperstown's population by the birth of a hearty boy.
—Odegard & Thompson are packing their store full of fresh goods, and want the public to bear the same in mind.
—As harvest time draws near it comes in order that farmers consider thoroughly the vital importance of well stacking their grain.
—Charley Merriell was over from Hope Tuesday, meeting with cordiality his numerous friends and customers on this side of the Shyenne.
—E. B. Paxson, secretary of the Fargo Electric Light Co., has been gazing with pride upon his Griggs county possessions this week.
—Mardell is now without an M. D. or a drug store, Dr. Virgo having removed his stock to Page City, a lively little burg on the Hope branch.
—Be sure that the gloves you buy are branded "Lippitt, Leak & Co." None others are genuine California Buck.
—Base ball has superseded foot ball among the village athletes, but as yet there are no broken bones to chronicle and the arena market remains normal.
—The Palace is already for opening, the only delay now being the want of a cook, who is expected daily, as Mr. Fitch is in Jamestown for the purpose of securing one.
—Mr. F. C. Holmes, lately of Connecticut, has associated himself with Campbell & Sabin, the rustling real estate and land men, and thus lends additional force to an already strong firm.
—Postmaster Barnard has a field of wheat that competent judges book for 40 bushels per acre. This sounds big for an "off" season, but the thresher's bill will show up not far from that figure.
—A large force of men are at work on the elevator foundation, which is an amazingly formidable piece of masonry, and in shape represents an immense wheel, with stone hub, spokes and felly.
—As will be seen by their announcement in another column, B. B. Brown & Co. are prepared to do threshing in the best manner. Leave your orders early, and thus ensure expeditiousness.
—Ex-Senator Conkling, of New York, while passing through Fargo with a party of friends, chatted pleasantly with an Argus reporter, and commented freely upon the future greatness of this great northwest.
—Dr. Newell has supplied an urgent want of the public by putting in a nice line of writing paper and stationer's sundries at his drug store. You can now get anything in that line from a pen to a ledger.
—Our good natured citizen, J. B. Whidden, was made unusually happy, on Wednesday, by the arrival from San Francisco, California, of Mrs. J. B. Whidden, his little son, and Mrs. Lever, his mother-in-law.
—Supt. of Schools T. F. Kerr will divide among the twelve school townships of the county, according to the number of school children in each town, the liquor license money now in the county treasury, which amounts to \$1,875.

—Vennor predicts that August will be a dry month. Inasmuch as we have had about all the rain we need perhaps it will be well to let the prediction go on record.
—Charley Ferguson has sent to C. A. Moore a portrait as he appears in the representation of a well known Cooperstownite. It's a hit, and the boys all want one. Chas. is a great mimic.
—The Minnesota State Agricultural Society hold their annual fair at Owatonna on Sept. 3 to 8, and expect an unusually successful exposition. The Courier is obliged for complimentary.
—Mr. Andrew Husel, of St. Clair, Mich., displays his faith in Dakota and Griggs county by the purchase of a rich half section of railroad land in town 147, range 59. Price paid, only \$5.75 per acre.
—Fred Buchheit started one of his Plano binders in a field of barley on the farm of Gid. Sheldon, at Willow, Monday. This is the first harvesting in Griggs this year, and Fred says the little Plano got there without missing a bundle.
—Mrs. T. F. Kerr departed for Detroit and Washtenaw county, Mich., last Sunday, going by the way of Duluth and the lakes. Mrs. Kerr expects to be absent several months visiting the scene of her youth and home previous to coming to Dakota.
—Farmers make a great mistake in neglecting to raise garden "truck." Vegetables of every description will thrive amazingly, and every farmer could realize a comparative snug sum from the products of an acre of well tilled ground.
—The energetic contractor, Geo. Foley, came up to Cooperstown Monday to settle up his business on the Cooperstown railroad. Mr. Foley is working his large force on the Fargo Southern, and already has nine miles graded, which is pretty good work for one week.
—Ladies love Dakota. As an example Mrs. Newell stated this week that she had spent a part of two years in California at San Jose and Oakland, and she thought them the most beautiful places in the world, but she would not exchange Dakota for them.
—Work on the Sanborn, Cooperstown & Turtle Mountain railway has been suspended this week, owing to the fact that the iron rail straps sent were not correctly punched and had to be returned. It is expected the track laying will be resumed within a very few days.
—Mr. H. Borchsenius, who owns valuable lands in the southwest part of this county, came up to the capital Wednesday and enjoyed a visit with his old war comrade, Dr. Newell. Let two old warriors meet after a long separation and it means business—in the yarn line.
—Next Thursday morning our happy young townsman, H. G. Pickett, will pass into the matrimonial state through a ceremony that will be performed at his lady's home in Ft. Atkinson, Wis. Harry is worthy of the fairest of the fair, and undoubtedly he will gain the prize he merits.
—The Hope Pioneer has opened its batteries on the poor gopher, and insists that the animal must go. The extermination of this great pest would not be a bad thing, and we believe that it could be accomplished by the offering of a small bounty for each scalp by our county commissioners.
—Everyone is astonished at the continued favorable crop prospects. The way wheat has improved and headed out the past three weeks beats the annuals of all previous ages. Fields that a few weeks since promised not more than fifteen bushels per acre now indicate twenty to thirty.
—J. Murray Burrell, of the Bank of Cooperstown, and Teller Siegfried, of the Barnes Co. Bank, exchanged places again this week. Mr. Burrell's attention is way above par at both of these solid institutions, hence he divides his time about equally during the absence of Cashier Pickett.
—Lippitt, Leak & Co. are manufacturers of Genuine California Buck Gloves and Mittens, hand made and warranted not to rip, at San Francisco, Cal.
—That big pickeral head that has hung in front of the Courier shop the past few days is evidence of Mr. J. B. Cooper's piscatorial skill. The fish it came from weighed about 25 pounds and was pulled in by Mr. Cooper at Spiritwood lake. It takes considerable diplomatic skill to capture such monarchs of the deep with a line, but he "got there" all the same.
—Casady Sulkies at Holliday Bros.

—The bridal chamber of the Palace has already been engaged for expected arrivals. Somehow that suite of rooms seems to have particular charm for all our bachelors, but who cannot occupy it during their celibacy. The rule is tough on the bachelors, though it may rebound to their benefit.
—A North Dakota press association would result beneficially to the fraternity in more ways than one, and the Courier would like to see such an organization. Let the press vote upon the matter, and if a majority of North Dakota pencil pushers favor such a move then let a meeting be called at some central point.
—In Cass county careful estimates put the yield of wheat this year at 25 per cent greater than last, and the acreage as 50 per cent more. That is a good report and will equal the estimates of Griggs county so far as the crop is concerned, but we can double discount old Cass when it comes to increased acreage.
—Mrs. L. A. McCullough and Miss Annie Glass took a ramble along the Shyenne, Tuesday, in search of adventure and wild fruit. They returned with a very luscious mess of raspberries. That all kinds of small fruit will thrive in Dakota is amply evidenced by the immense yield of wild strawberries, buffalo berries, plums, raspberries, hops, grapes, etc.
—A base ball club was organized last evening at the Palace Hotel, the following officers being selected: David Bartlett, president; E. D. Stair, vice-president; Beecher Cox, secretary and treasurer; Maynard Crane, corresponding secretary. The club starts off with about thirty members and two nines will be selected after a practice game this evening.
—Judge Wm. Glass returned, this morning, from an inspection tour in town 147, range 58, and with him he brings a fine sample of oats grown from sod ground. The oats were taken from the claim of Joseph Allen and will easily go 65 bushels to the acre. He also reports an exceedingly fine vegetable garden on Mr. Allen's place, with peas, beans, new potatoes, etc., all ready for use.
—The chief mason employed on the elevator foundation declares that the very best of clay for the manufacture of perfect brick lies in abundance just beneath the surface soil west of the track. Let some move be made toward the establishment of a brick yard in our midst at an early day. Only great benefit to our town and a bonanza to the projectors could result from such an enterprise.
—Distant subscribers who received their last week's Courier two or three days late will please charge the delay to the postoffice department, the mail carrier, or some one else, as it was not the fault of this office. The paper is issued Friday afternoons as regular as the day comes and the delays that are frequently complained of are unavoidable, owing to incomplete mail facilities. It is expected these little things will all be harmoniously arranged when the cars get to running.
—The Fargo Republican last fall told very hard tales concerning the record of Major Edwards, in order to defeat him as a legislative candidate. That his defeat was a sad mistake for Fargo has been painfully illustrated, and that the blasphemy hurled at him was a pack of malicious lies now seems evident from the course the Republican takes, when it has a chance to prove the grave charges it so freely made against Major Edwards' character. The libel suit of the Argus vs. the Republican has been evaded and put off by the defendant, and in such a manner as to indicate the weakness of their case.
—A very happy party, consisting of Messrs. R. C. and J. B. Cooper, Chas. Cooper, Ben. McCormick, Rubie Moore, and Mrs. R. C. Cooper, Miss Julia Cooper, Miss Caro Smith and Miss Laura Husel, on Friday last hied themselves away to Spiritwood lake, where they pitched camp and went in for a four days siege of fishing and frolic. They report great success in both the fun and fishing line, having captured about 200 pounds of the finny tribe. All seem unanimous in voting Grey Bros. the bonanza farmers of that section, and to whom they feel under obligations for courtesies extended, as exceedingly generous and affable gentlemen. If located nearer Cooperstown Spiritwood would undoubtedly become a famous resort.
—Ask your merchant for a pair of Lippitt, Leak & Co's harvest gloves. The best made.

A Sad Case.
A young lady, Miss Sophia Gunderson, over whose head nineteen summers have passed, came down from her home, eight miles north of this place, Saturday last and lodged a complaint of seduction against Sorn H. Berg, a store keeper at Ottawa. The girl is prepossessing, though in every "interesting" condition, and our local court worshippers began to congratulate themselves on rich developments as the case proceeded. However, they were disappointed, for the defendant promptly agreed to pay the price set by the irate father upon his daughter's ruin, namely, \$500.
It seems that Berg had been keeping company for some time with the young lady, and accomplished her down-fall through promises of marriage, and now goes back on his plight, alleging as his reason that the girl's character is tainted. Cases of this same nature are too painfully numerous in this great home of the free, and it always makes us shudder with shame at the laxity of our laws every time we hear of a seducer, upon whom guilt can be fastened, getting off free. It's a poor law that will deprive a community of justice because the parties directly injured can find solace in a greenback salve, and thus allow a high crime against decency and morality to go unpunished.

Meeting of School Boards.
In response to a call issued several weeks ago by Superintendent T. F. Kerr, a goodly representation of the township school boards throughout the county assembled at his office, in this place, to discuss educational matters, Tuesday. Helena was the only township in Griggs county not represented.
The first subject considered was that of introducing text books. After looking over the samples of several publishers, and considering the merits of each work, it was finally decided unanimously to use Appleton's readers, arithmetics, geographies and copy books.
They next weighed the advisability of allowing school officers remuneration for actual time spent in the cause of good schools. On this question there were differences of opinion, but \$2 per day was finally considered about proper per diem. The assembled officials discussed numerous topics concerning schools, and every man there felt better for the free interchange of opinions regarding their duties and the best methods to meet the requirements of their respective townships.
Before closing their meeting they informally resolved to do all in their power to have a school tax levied this fall, which will be the first tax of that kind in Griggs county.

Secretary's Report.
Moneys received from collections during the month of July for the purchase of new books and other incidental expenses of the Cooperstown Church Union are as follows:

July 1 Collection	\$ 2 65
" 8 "	2 85
" 15 "	2 92
" 22 "	5 47
" 29 "	5 78
Total	17 69

EXPENSE ACCOUNT:
Paid J. Kennedy for care of room..... \$ 1 00
" D. C. Cook balance due on former order for books..... 1 02
Total..... 2 02
Books not yet received; are expected daily.

ORGAN FUND DEPOSITS:
June 30 from entertainment..... \$ 52 06
July 11 proceeds from 4th of July picnic 18 75
Total..... 70 81

MRS. J. N. BROWN,
Secretary.

—Capt. Webb, the famous swimmer, lost his life last week in a foolhardy attempt to swim the whirlpool rapids in the Niagara river.
—Numerous patrons who subscribed for a six months term of the Courier are informed that upon expiration of their time the paper will be stopped unless we have orders to the other effect.

—Casady Sulkies at Holliday Bros.
—Money to loan on chattels by Jacobson & Serumgard. 15
—Threshers, if you want harvest gloves, enquire for Lippitt, Leak & Co. California Buck.
—Salt for sale by the barrel at Whidden Bros., and one car load in transit will be sold low at depot on arrival.
—I am now prepared to furnish money on final proofs at the most reasonable rates obtainable. WM. GLASS, Attorney and Loan Agent. 25
—Call and see the celebrated Household Sewing Machines at Buchheit Bros.
—On arrival of the cars Whidden Bros. will offer a car load of Flour at lower rates than any ever sold in Cooperstown, quality considered.

Michigan farmers cannot run their reapers owing to the soft condition of the ground, and have resorted to the old reliable cradle.
George Inkstin, while herding cattle near the Turtle Mountains got into a row with other herders and was completely riddled with bullets a few days since.
The wheat crop of Cass, Richland and Traill counties, in the Red River Valley, will be as heavy, if not heavier than ever before known. This statement is made by the best informed men conversant with wheat raising in Dakota.—Argus.
The telegraphers' strike still continues. The operators display commendable pluck and the Western Union Company remarkable stubbornness. The sympathy of the entire country is with the strikers, and that they may win is as devout a wish as it is general.
Paints and Oils of all kinds at Odegard & Thompson's.
The Herald learns from a reliable source that a relentless war of extermination is to be inaugurated by the clergy of Grand Forks against the demimonde and the sporting fraternity who now luxuriate in that city. The subject has been agitated for some time, and as no steps have been taken in the matter, it was generally believed that the frail dames had retained every lawyer in the city. It is now learned that an attorney has been secured by the aggressors, and he intends to bring out the sensation, supported by the full strength of the company.
—Harvesters can find the best glove made by calling for Lippitt, Leak & Co's genuine California buckskin.
—Wall Paper and House Lining for sale at Whidden Bros.
—I have a large quantity of lime for sale. S. A. WOOD, Willow, D. T.
—"Casady" Sulkies at Holliday Bros.
—Campbell & Sabin make loans on FINAL PROOF. 26
—Ladies' and Gents' fine dress shoes in great array at Odegard & Thompson's. Call and inspect.
Best brand of canned goods just opening at Whidden Bros.
—Chew and smoke the celebrated "Golden Seal" tobacco for sale by Whidden Bros.
—The office of Byron Andrus will remain at the old stand where he will be pleased to see his old customers. 21
—Raw and boiled Linseed Oil at Odegard & Thompson's.
—Have you found out who Lippitt, Leak & Co. are?
—A few Baby Carriages for sale at Whidden Bros.
—Look out for a car load of salt at Odegard & Thompson's.
—Anything in the line of Farm Machinery at Buchheit Bros.
—That Vermont Maple Syrup at Odegard & Thompson's is fine.
—Everybody buys those juicy Lemons from Whidden Bros.
—Oxen bought and sold at Odegard & Thompson's.
—The Bank of Cooperstown is offering some No. 1 Land in the immediate vicinity of Cooperstown at big bargains.
—Holliday Bros. have the finest line of Machinery handled by any one firm in the golden Northwest.
—Soda Water and Ice Cream at Odegard & Thompson's.

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.

Good Span of Horses,
In good flesh and weighing 2600, for sale. Enquire at this office. 26-2

Celebrated Fargo Flour.
A car load just received at Odegard & Thompson's.

FARMERS ATTENTION!
Having purchased a new
STEAM THRESHER!
We are prepared to thresh grain on short notice in the best manner, and at reasonable charges. A call solicited.
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