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LOCAL LACONICS.

—R. C. Cooper paid Fargo a flying visit this week.

—More perfect harvest weather would be difficult to conceive.

—David Bartlett has been appointed deputy district clerk by Mr. Jorgensen.

—Judge Wm. Glass returned last evening from a visit to Fargo in the interest of his clients.

—The invincible machine man, Fred Buchheit, is down at Fargo enjoying a little quietude.

—The ever-smiling Allen B. Kent is up from La Moure, where he and his partners now "hang out."

—This season's No. 1 Hard is held at \$1, on board cars, by those who have thrashed around Casselton.

—Mrs. Jas. McNeal, of Jackson, Mich., has arrived in Griggs county, and is now enjoying its salubrious climate.

—General Manager Roberts and Vice-President Lenham were passengers on the first train into Cooperstown.

—We notice three new residences going up on the north side of town, and we shall look for three more every week, now.

—A twenty-foot steamer now floats from the elevator staff. It is the handiwork of Misses May Crane and Lulu Lenham.

—Track Master Hanley is rushing down sidetracks and pushing general improvements in the Cooperstown railroad yard.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Pickett passed last Sunday with friends in Sanborn, returning on the first train to Cooperstown, Monday.

—A party of our city Nimrods spent last Sunday at Willow lake, but it is hardly probable they shot any game on the day mentioned.

—Peter Nelson returned on Tuesday from his sad trip to Decorah, Iowa. His brother, Samuel, stopped for a brief visit at Lanesboro, Minn.

—The big Villard excursion party will stop five minutes at Sanborn next Tuesday and let the people see what effect good beer will produce on "bloods."

—Miss May Crane and Miss Lulu Lenham rode to Cooperstown on our initial train from Sanborn, Monday. They are guests of Mrs. Pickett at the Palace.

—"Uncle Bill" Lenham, it is said, gives the boys wholesome "spreads" at his restaurant. He proposes to keep his boarders fat, if good viands will do it.

—N. P. Martin, auditor of the N. P. railroad, enjoyed the comforts afforded by the Palace, Wednesday and Thursday, as did also W. G. Paine, of St. Paul.

—Among Wednesday's arrivals at the Palace were D. K. Grant, St. Louis, Mo., T. O. Rodell, Salina, Kansas, A. D. Murrell and Wm. Moon, of Annetta, D. T.

—Chas. Scott, Esq., of the Fargo Headquarters, came up to Cooperstown Wednesday and took a few pointers on hotel keeping by putting up at the Palace.

—W. B. Phelps, a rising attorney of Fargo, dined and supped at the Palace Tuesday. He took in a harvest scene on the Cooper farm and was highly entertained.

—The Lisbon Star, under guidance of its new director, C. E. Johnson, promises to shine brighter than ever before. There is no discount on the Star, when you want a paper of enterprise.

—Mrs. A. S. Richardson, accompanied by her daughter and niece arrived from Jackson, Mich., Monday, and joined Mr. Richardson, who is opening a fine farm near lake Jessie, next day.

—Mr. H. C. Fitch is demonstrating his proficiency as a hotel man to the great satisfaction of his patrons. The Palace is fast gaining reputation as the best kept hostelry in North Dakota.

—Conductor McClarion informs us that until further notice trains on the S. C. & T. M. railway will leave Cooperstown at 8 a. m., daily (except Sundays) returning leaves Sanborn at 4 p. m.

Call and examine the Fall Clothing opening to-day at Whidden Bros.

—Waldorf Bros., tenants on the Cooper farm, are cutting their grain with a Plano binder at the rate of 22 acres per day. Pretty good work for one machine.

—Business at the Bank of Cooperstown is on the boom, and that solid institution seems to enjoy complacently the increasing volume of its transactions.

—The heart of the Dakota farmer is glad, and well it may be with this clear, cool, unprecedented harvest period, and their upwards of twenty bushels of No. 1 Hard per acre half secured.

—Miss Barnard has received notice from the department that on and after Sept. 20 this office will be supplied daily by mail over the S. C. & T. M. railway, which road has been designated route No. 35,018.

—Wallace E. Humphrey, of Ellsburg, well known in this county from his connection with the Red River Land Co. and the county seat fight of last fall, fell dead from paralysis of the heart on the 18th inst.

—The wedding presents of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pickett have arrived, and if one is to judge from variety, utility and beauty of the list, he must conclude that friends of the happy pair are legion down in Wisconsin.

—The New York Commercial Advertiser wisely remarks: "Dakota claims to be the only country where a girl without a dollar to her name is fully appreciated. Higher education girls without dollars should go to Dakota and marry for love."

—That informal literary meeting didn't meet Wednesday evening, and all on account of the committees not preparing therefor. The committee was composed of Messrs. _____, but perhaps it's best not to mention them this time.

—In a contest between the Plano and Champion harvesters a few days ago the former came out one lap ahead, according to the decision of Mr. Mills, on whose farm the trial occurred. Fred Buchheit operated the Plano and Holliday Bros. the Champion.

—That game abounds in these regions is not only evidenced by the big "strings" the hunters bring in, but is also affirmed by the ammunition sales of our dealers. Stevens & Enger alone have sold 225 pounds of powder since the sporting season commenced.

—The L. E. & L. Co. are bringing in a full assortment of lumber, etc., as rapidly as cars can be handled on temporary sidings. They will carry a heavy stock of timber and building material and calculate that their prices will not be lowered in North Dakota.

—Some of our citizens kindly—or unkindly—furnished a few cases of beer for the railroaders to get gloriously "chuck" on, Tuesday, and staggering men were numerous on the streets. Be it said to the credit of Cooperstown saloonists that they promptly closed their doors and averted what might have proved a general jamboree.

—Big line of fall clothing on the way to Whidden Bros.

—A. M. Pease, of Sanborn, has become interested in Cooperstown by the purchase of M. Hunter's harness shop and business. Mr. Pease took possession of the establishment Monday, and it is his intention to keep a full stock of everything pertaining to the trade. Mr. Hunter will probably remain a citizen of this place.

—The towns of Harvard, Odell and Hannaford are now platted and on the market, and each place promises to be quite a burg. The Lenham E. & L. Co. will erect elevators or warehouses at each point, and the railroad company will lend its influence to the development of these embryo towns by putting in sidetracks, depots, etc.

—Young ladies in Cooperstown are scarce, therefore they cannot be too particular with their hearts. They should guard against "spondees." A prominent physician announces the startling intelligence that the "normal beat of a healthy heart is iambic, and that when it is trochaic, pyrrhic, or like a spondee there is something wrong."

—A party of the Palace's transient guests consisting of N. L. Lenham, W. H. Kiser, H. A. Maynard, N. P. Martin and son, C. A. Roberts, M. Kiser and J. M. Burrell accompanied by R. C. Cooper, launched upon the wide prairie last Wednesday, and game suffered fearfully. In fact their success was so marked that a large portion of the party sallied forth early yesterday morning and again to-day.

—Paints and Oils of all kinds at Odegard & Thompson's.

—Supt. Davis, of the L. E. & L. Co. thinks that by doing some "tall" work the elevator at this place will be in readiness for the reception of grain by the 15th of September. Very little will be threshed before that time.

—The Hope House has been leased by H. O. Nieman, of Wisconsin, and the Hope Pioneer passes to the ownership of W. F. Warner, the worthy and capable young man who has had charge of it from its inception. "W. F." here's hoping that golden ducats may plentifully pour into your printer pockets and your purse become plethoric with greenbacks.

—The Lenham Elevator and Lumber Company offer \$50 in premiums to farmers of Griggs and Barnes. They will give \$10 for the best sheaf of wheat; \$10 for the best sheaf of oats; \$10 for the best sheaf of barley; \$10 for the best samples of prairie grass, and \$10 for the best samples of vegetables. Three competent men have been selected as judges, and the samples have to be delivered at the company's office to-morrow.

—Mr. H. Crofoot, one of the wealthiest farmers of St. Joseph county, Indiana, visited the Buchheit Bros. last week and became so infatuated with our soil that he declared his intention to straightway induce his sons to locate in Griggs county. He says if no more work was put on the land down in his region than the farmers allot to their fields here they wouldn't be able to raise white beans.

—A Peoria girl planted a lot of feathers with the hope that they would bring forth an early crop of spring chickens. She is closely related to the young lady who wouldn't eat veal because she thought she never afterward could look a cow in the face. The latter young lady is a sister to the Cooperstown gent who told Dr. Newell he could not look a hog in the back because he had been eating so much ham at Merrill's.

—T. A. Olmstead, chief inspector of wheat at Duluth, having heard rumors of a light crop in Dakota feared his business of inspecting at 25 cts. per car load might suffer this fall and therefore came out to see about it. He gazed upon the fields of grain that surround Cooperstown and went home rejoicing, feeling sanguine that the inspection of Griggs county wheat alone would keep the traditional wolf from his door. It might be added that the Board of Grain Inspectors of Dakota have adopted his rules verbatim to govern the inspection and grading of grain in Dakota Territory for the year ending August 1st, 1884.

—Dakota girls are the universal newspaper topic, not only of western papers but of journals throughout the width and breadth of the land. There are many distinct traits possessed by the Dakota girl that entitles her to all the attention she is receiving. These modern feminines are not afraid to sleep alone once or twice a month on their claims, notwithstanding the wolves may howl around the door and the gophers play hide and seek about the shanty like so many mice. Then again the Dakota girl isn't backward about admitting her age to be at least 21, and even swearing that she is, for that is the price of 100 acres of good land, to her. The Dakota girl takes the ball of wax, and no mistake.

Average Crops.

100 per cent. of wheat means thirteen bushels per acre.

100 per cent. of corn means thirty-two bushels per acre.

100 per cent. of oats means thirty-six bushels per acre.

100 per cent. of rye means eighteen bushels per acre.

100 per cent. of barley means twenty-four bushels to the acre.

100 per cent. of potatoes means one hundred bushels per acre.

Several pieces and remnants, dress goods marked away down to make room for fall stock at Whidden Bros.

We will not be undersold in North Dakota. Lenham Elevator & Lumber Co.

A large lot Grain Sacks for sale low at Whidden Bros.

Look out for the engine when the bell rings. 10 lbs. Brown Sugar for \$1 at Whidden Bros.

We are receiving lumber of every description daily. Lenham Elevator & Lumber Co.

Come and examine the new stock of Hats & Caps at Whidden Bros.

People are hereby warned to look out for the largest stock of clothing and furnishing goods ever brought to Cooperstown at Odegard & Thompson's.

Harvesters can find the best glove made by calling for Lippitt, Leak & Co's genuine California buckskin.

THE IRON HORSE AT LAST

Echoes its Shrill Voice in the Sacred Precincts of Coopers-town, the Hub of Griggs County.

Our Condition Considered from a Clear, Cool, Candid Stand-point is Real and Assuring.

Why Griggs County has and Must Continue to Catch the Cream of Immigration.

The Capital City in Her New Relation.

All is now excitement, joy, enthusiasm and push in Griggs' capital. Men hurrying hither and thither with their elastic tread; mechanics busy with their pressing duties; merchants waiting upon their customers with exultant mien; the throngs of strangers in our streets and the sighs of the great steam civilization itself tell the story. The many who had grown impatient and those who had become despondent watching and longing for the engine of civilization, now pulsate and sparkle with the germs of a new life. Last Monday will be recorded as the most important epoch in the history of Cooperstown, for at two o'clock on that day the iron horse came gliding as smoothly into our place as though it had always been accustomed to so doing. Already farmers and others are pouring into our city seeking information in regard to transportation of freight and supplies. In a few days the streets of Cooperstown will be thronged with hundreds of teams freighted with golden cereal, and a new era will thus be touched by the conversion of No. 1 Hard into shining ducats that will serve to satisfy obligations and procure comforts.

The advent of the Sauborn, Cooperstown and Turtle Mountain railroad will be fraught with far different and more satisfactory results than those usually experienced by frontier towns. The headlight flashes upon and the iron steed echoes its first voice to a town already well developed—a place thrifty, solid, and established by a class of sturdy pioneers who of themselves form a powerful nucleus as the magnet gathers particles of steel. With her educational institute, her bank, her immense elevator, her extensive mercantile houses, her elaborate hotels, her liveries, her unexcelled society, her mechanics, her artisans, and with her liberal portion of professional men of eminent attainments, the initial train touches Cooperstown—the heart of a glorious county—with her magic wand of civilization, and as Minerva sprang forth armed from the brain of Jupiter, so does Cooperstown arise fully clothed with all these evidences of its reality and with a wealth of magnificent natural advantages in the background. The visitor from the outer world will here behold no solitary electric light shedding from the top of a hotel its lonesome rays over an unpeopled townsite, but instead he will look upon a live, bustling mart, built upon the faith of men to whose untiring zeal and energy it stands a monument more enduring than bronze or marble.

A few years ago the waters of the Sheyenne rippled idly along through what is now our fertile county, singing its tuneful notes to an untutored race; a few seasons since the antelope grazed and the wild ox wallowed undisturbed where now stand the imposing business houses, the public and private edifices of Griggs county's capital. Less than twelve months ago the townsite of Cooperstown stood unenvisioned with naught save the horizon and the majestic landscape of its surroundings. Why this metamorphosis of to-day exists is easily accounted for by the three words: "March of Immigration." The productive soil of Griggs, its pure waters, its noble streams lined with sturdy timber, its beautiful inland lakes abounding with fish and affording grand sites for elegant homes, combined with the striking natural advantages of the townsite form the magnet that has drawn so largely upon the over-populated eastern and middle states.

Consider the fact that what there is of Cooperstown has been materialized and developed in the brief period of eight months and in the absence of railway facilities, three-fourths of the lumber, material, etc., having been freighted by wagon forty miles. Reader, when you conceive the difficulties, the heavy tax of expense and endurance that was required to lay the foundation for this prosperous little city the conclusion must be reached that Cooperstown is built upon the solid

rock of natural resources. Towns in great numbers spring up constantly in the Northwest after that great essential of development, the railroad, has been put within their reach, but the instances are scarce where towns have buffeted on the start adverse conditions such as Cooperstown has overcome. She emerges trimly from a tempestuous sea into clear sailing and in due time will register in port with a cargo of five thousand souls.

The importance, the value and the influence that will be exerted upon our county and town by this iron highway that touches us to-day is inestimable. That Griggs will in the future enjoy an enviable place in the sisterhood of North Dakota counties, and that Cooperstown will rank among the foremost of Northwestern cities is not extravagant to expect, if the combined advantages of soil, water, fuel, climate, society and railway facilities count anything. Yes, an epoch has been marked, a new era has dawned upon Cooperstown and Griggs county seldom experienced in even this glorious land of the blest.

Casady Sulkies at Holliday Bros.

Prices that compete with Fargo, Lenham Elevator & Lumber Co.

Before purchasing call and price the Pork, Beef, Hams and Bacon just received in large quantities at Whidden Bros.

Buy the California Buck Glove, manufactured by Lippitt, Leak & Co., at Whidden Bros.

Go to Nelson & Langlie's for your harvest supplies and get good fresh goods at the lowest bottom prices.

One case Ladies' Felt and Straw Hats, Turbans, etc., trimmed ready for wearing just opened at Whidden Bros.

Best 5 cent smoke; the "Nestor" at Odegard & Thompson's.

Those famous California Buck Gloves can be found at Odegard & Thompson's. Harvester don't forget it.

Machine oils of all kinds at Nelson & Langlie's.

It will surprise the smoking community to smoke that "University" at Odegard & Thompson's.

Look out for a car load of salt at Odegard & Thompson's.

Kerosene and Machine oil for sale at Whidden Bros.

A full line of Dry Goods just opened at Whidden Bros.

Ask your merchant for a pair of Lippitt, Leak & Co's harvest gloves. The best made.

Casady Sulkies at Holliday Bros.

A carload of Valley City Flour just received and for sale low at Whidden Bros.

Casady Sulkies at Holliday Bros.

Campbell & Sabin make loans on FINAL PROOF.

Lippitt, Leak & Co. are manufacturers of Genuine California Buck Gloves and Mittens, hand made and warranted not to rip, at San Francisco, Cal.

The Cars Have Arrived,

and Whidden Bros. are selling Salt at \$3 per bbl. Ground Feed \$20 to \$35, per ton, and all heavy goods at lower rates than formerly.

CARD.

Park Ave. Hotel, Mandell, is a neat and commodious two-story house; complete and furnished luxuriously; is one of the best kept hotels in the Territory, is home-like and strictly first-class in every particular, capable of accommodating fifty guests. Situated in the picturesque valley of the Sheyenne, amidst forest and hill, in a climate where summers are absolutely perfect and where tourists can find rest and recreation, with boating, fishing, hunting of every kind of game known to the Northwest, berry and plum picking. Easy of access by two railroads it is destined to become a favorite resort. Terms of the House as low as any of like accommodations. Farmer's rates made to suit.

MARTIN ROBINSON, Prop.

THEO. F. KERR, M. D.

Physician and Surgeon!

Cooperstown, Dakota.

Office in Newell's Drug Store.

A. F. GROVES, M. D.

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON,

Official Surgeon for N. P. R. R. Co. Office over

Business Co. Bank, SANBORN, D. T.

JOSEPH HOGGARTH

HAS OPENED A

Wagon, Repair & General Jobbing

Shop. All work promptly executed. A call solicited.

COOPERSTOWN, - DAK.

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.

B. B. BROWN & CO.