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Dakota in Winter.

[Mandan Pioneer.] There is no need for the residents of North Dakota to guard themselves against drafts of moist and chilly air, simply because there is no such drafts. Winter time has just this advantage over the summer; in the summer time a man cannot help being hot. When the thermometer records ninety in the shade there is no cool place that he can get into. But in the winter the thermometer may be at zero or as much below as it likes and a man can disport himself in an atmosphere of 70, or can clothe himself and exercise in the open air so vigorously that normal heat can be maintained. The provision made by the dry goods and clothing men of this region for keeping people warm is so complete that the winter time is getting to be the most delightful season of the year. The cold and bracing air that now comes to us over our northern bluffs contains more oxygen and vitality than the warm air that is to be met in such states as Florida or Georgia. We are all stronger and have better appetites and are better able to digest our food now than in summer time. It is only the good nature of our hotel and restaurant men that keeps them from putting up the price of board. Truly North Dakota is a delightful winter resort.

The Successful "Rustler."

[Jamestown Capital.] An Englishman writes as follows of the prospects of success in the great Northwest: "What are the prospects out there of a useful dog not afraid of work?" do you ask? I answer that, if the said "useful dog" is, in the language of the Northwest, a "rustler," implies the highest characteristics that can eulogistically be predicated of man or beast. A "rustler" will not stand still in the snow and be frozen to death; he will not let others pass him and pick the choicest grass; he does not make much noise, but he is always alive to his own interest, and subject to this he is always willing to give a helping hand to any one who will try to help himself. Yes, sir, if the applicant is a person of quickness and energy; has a good temper and no prejudices; can break a horse and ride it when broken; can help to make a hut; make butter and bake bread; knows something about cattle and horses; can improve and amuse his mind on a winter's evening with a good book or novel; and is not too much addicted to euchre or poker; if he is a "rustler," and warranted sound in wind and limb, he can earn good wages and his grub till he has found something in which to invest any capital he may have at his disposal; and, anyhow, such a one will get on first-rate in the Northwest, and don't you forget it.

Credited by Michigan.

A spy paper edited by a Methodist minister at the Courier's old home in Michigan gives the following items concerning a colony of prominent ex-citizens who deserted the place for Dakota: Bro. Fred Beebe writes a good letter under date of Oct. 31st. It was received too late for our last number. He says "all the colony are well," and then speaks of the bountiful crops which they have harvested in their new western home. Morris Fuller, 182 bushels of wheat from thirty acres; Deacon Blair, 478 bushels from 18 acres; James Blair, 427 bushels from 14 acres; D. J. Briggs, 410 bushels. Fred, enumerates among other things which has kept him and his men busy this summer, raising 502 bushels of wheat from 184 acres, of which one piece of ten acres averaged 31 bushels to the acre. He had 10 acres of oats, that were injured by the hail, from which he harvested 417 bushels. He raised 150 bushels of turnips from three acres, 350 bushels of potatoes, for which all he had to do was to plow in the seed and plow out the crop. He also raised 27 bushels of buckwheat, and 16 bushels of beans. Besides building 500 rods of sod fence, and putting up 125 tons of hay.

A FEMALE FRIEND.

Men are Not the Only Ones who Love Fair and Famous Dakota.

[From the Courier of Dec. 14.] Undoubtedly no being on earth is as unhappy, as restless, or as wretched as that one who, after living in Dakota a full twelve-months or more, goes east to remain for a given length of time. No matter where he may be he misses woefully that predominant air of thrift, of cheerfulness, of success, of anticipation and of good feeling he has learned to love so well in Dakota. If perchance he has returned to Michigan his friends have to suffer deriding remarks about ague swamps, chills, fevers, fickle weather, etc. If he happens to be an old-time denizen of Wisconsin or Minnesota he finds his best former neighbors have all pulled out for Dakota's shore, leaving only the sluggish. If Massachusetts chances to be his visiting ground he finds people painfully contracted in their knowledge of western affairs and style. If his lot calls him back to any other New England state his heart sores within him to find how stingy and foggy people are. Ohio and New York folks are too conceited for him. The southern states are unendurably slow and Pennsylvania goes in the same category. Iowa and Illinois are too muddy and the weather dreadfully uncertain. In short he pines for the exhilarating breezes of his new found Eldorado and cannot rest. Women are just as fond as their sterner brothers of the land of boom, as the following extract from a letter received by Dr. Newell from a lady friend attests:

BOSTON, MASS., Nov. 23, 1883. MY DEAR FRIEND:—Ruth has just finished reading your letter in the Waterford Post, to which I heartily responded, Amen! Feeling that you are one of us, am aroused to drop you a line in assurance of the fact. You may wonder how a person writing from the "Hub" can claim any sort of kinship with a loyal Dakotian, but listen while I rise to explain. I left Neenah some five weeks ago, my objective point being Washington, D. C., there to attend the general convention of universalists. "See Boston and die," is a saying which has always impressed me with the idea that a sight of the historic city was an absolute necessity within this life or the one to come. I preferred to make the pilgrimage when I had the matter somewhat under my own control and could regulate the length of the visit. And now, hurrah for Dakota! of which grand and glorious territory I claim to be a citizen. (Hasn't that the true Dakota flavor?) I left Dakota after a continued residence there of eighteen months last August and expect to return in the spring. Sister Mate and family are there "for life." Went two years ago and looked upon the change as the worst calamity that could have befallen her, but now feels quite reconciled and likes it pretty well. Her husband is, like all the men—inflated with the country, and his faith in it is unbounded—no exceeded even by yours. Am going to send him your letter. Nothing so delights him as words of praise for the land of his adoption. With all their boasted "cultah" the Bostonians have very crude ideas on some subjects and they are really ignorant of many things quite familiar to ordinary mortals. I have not yet met a person who knows how many acres in a quarter section. I am continually being asked what kind of timber we have on our tree claims, and their surprise is amusing when I answer that we have whatever we prefer—by planting it. I do wish some of these eastern old fogies would go west and get their eyes opened. Olive is utterly disgusted with the whole Dakota project because it has broken up and scattered the family. I too regret that, but I think the move has been a good one for us. \* \* \* I wish you would write me and set out the country fine, for Olive's benefit. She will be disgusted to hear that your wife likes it there, for she is firmly persuaded that no one does but the men. With love to Mrs. Newell, and three cheers for Dakota, I remain your old-time friend, DOLLIE B. LEWIS.

There have been three hundred miles of railroad built in Dakota this year.

All the citizens of Falk county except ten have petitioned that no liquor licenses be granted in the county.

Juda (Wis.) News: "We thought we had heard large stories about Dakota, but we give it up. Our friend Bowell, who lives up in that country, sent us the biggest one yet. He claims to have had a dream the other night in which he dreamt that he had gone to Heaven. When he got there everybody was packing up and starting for Dakota."

Very correctly exclaims the Jamestown Alert: Dakota has had her boom age and next year her railroad age will commence. The time of projecting and mapping out railroads for boom purposes is past and genuine enterprises are taking their place. Railroad companies have heretofore been offered large bonuses, right of way and grounds to extend their lines to different parts of the territory, but now they are seeking the right of way and buying their grounds. Undaunted by the season of the year when storms and cold are to be expected their surveying parties are pushing forward in every direction and arrangements are being made for grading as early in the spring as the thawing of the ground will permit.

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This house, which has but recently been opened to the public, is all that can be desired by the Tourist The Prospector or the Commercial Man, to whom it especially caters. No expense has been spared in equipping this veritable Palace of the prairie, which now offers the fat of the land in its dining room, and the comforts of a luxurious home in its apartments.

Game abounds in the vicinity, affording special attraction for Sportsmen or men desiring a brief respite. ROOMS SINGLY OR ENSUITE.

HAVE YOU SEEN that immense display of FALL & WINTER GOODS

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Our stock in the various lines of Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Clothing, Underwear, Boots & Shoes, Hats & Caps, Fancy Goods, Groceries, Canned Goods, Provisions, Etc., Etc., Is complete, and if prices and quality of goods are an object to the buyer they will find it an advantage to call. Our goods were purchased at unusual bargains through a personal visit to the wholesale markets and our customers can receive the advantage of these bargains.

BOYUM & HOILAND, DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF Farm Machinery, RELIANCE TWINE BINDERS, Monitor Seeders, Norwegian Plows. COOPERSTOWN AND ANETA.

The "Household" Sewing Machine is now the leading machine in the market. Buchheit Bros. have the EXCLUSIVE SALE! of this machine for Cooperstown and Griggs County. Ladies should give it a trial before purchasing a Sewing Machine. Needles, Oils & Attachments kept in stock. Old Machines Repaired. DEALERS IN General Farm Machinery, Etc., COOPERSTOWN, NORTH DAKOTA.

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NOTICE.—U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D. T., Dec. 6, 1883. Complaint having been entered at this office by Ole C. Erickson, against Edman A. Rydells for abandoning his homestead entry No. 11014 dated July 7th, 1882, upon the s e c quarter section 4, township 148, range 58, in Griggs county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 23rd day of January, 1884, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said abandoned entry. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Brown Bros. & Co., Attys. d1731.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., November 14, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim and secure final entry thereof on the 10th day of January, 1884, viz: Florence Frazier, D. S. No. 14138 for the s e c of section 18, township 144 n, range 58 w, and names the following as her witnesses, viz: Charles K. Johnson, J. M. Freer, Ella Freer and W. A. Baker, all of Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. d1732.

NOTICE.—Timber Cultivator. Complaint having been entered at this office by Herjus Omsundson against Mark Shepard, for failure to comply with law as to Timber Cultivator Entry No. 5268, dated March 13, 1882, upon the s w 1/4 of section 18, township 148, range 58, in Griggs county, D. T., with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 4th day of January, 1884, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure. E. C. GEAREY, Receiver. JAS2291P.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., December 14, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof on the 23rd day of January, 1884, viz: Andreas P. Rusten, D. S. No. 10592 for the w 1/2 s e 1/4 and n e 1/4 of s w 1/4 of section 26, township 148 n, range 59 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Andrew H. Berg, Ole Eliason, Peter Eliason, Edward Kolosen, all of Ottawa, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of claimant and witnesses to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 22d day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Serungard, d2125.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., November 16, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof on the 10th day of January, 1884, viz: Tosten N. Gledhill, H. E. No. 10592 for the s w 1/4 of section 5, township 148 n, range 58 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Gunder Nave, Ole O. Nave, Andrew Iverson, Elias Moan, all of Lee, P. and Grand Forks county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Serungard, d2125.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., December 7, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim and secure final entry thereof on the 21st day of January, 1884, viz: Grace Barnum, D. S. No. 10592 for the s w 1/4 of section 18, township 144 n, range 61 w, and names the following as her witnesses, viz: John I. Rolly, Iver Syverson, Lauren Syverson, Robert L. Johnson, all of Helena, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 18th day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. d1518.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Nov. 2, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof on the 27th day of Dec. 1883, viz: Knud Knudson, D. S. No. 1236 for the s e 1/4 of n e 1/4 of section 16, township 146 d, range 58 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Nels E. Nelson, Ole Halvorsen, Elling Olson Sever Halvorsen, all of Marshall, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 24th day of December, A. D. 1883 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Serungard, d1511.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Nov. 16, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and secure final entry thereof on the 10th day of January, 1884, viz: Thore S. Lee, D. S. No. 12794 for the s e 1/4 of section 2, township 146 n, range 59 w, and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Omund Nelson, Knudson Knudson, John Hansen, John Amosson, all of Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before John N. Jorgensen, clerk of the district court, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Serungard, d1525.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., November 13, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim and secure final entry thereof on the 16th day of January, 1884, viz: Ingebor Gunderson, one of the heirs of Abraham Gunderson, D. S. No. 10269 for the s 1/2 s w 1/4 and s 1/2 s e 1/4 of section 34, township 144 n, range 60 w, and names the following as her witnesses, viz: Alsak Gunderson, Peter H. Molstad, Erick Anstad, Knud Stee all of Dazy, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony to be taken before Register and Receiver, U. S. Land Office at Fargo, Cass county, D. T., on the 16th day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office. And you, Gustav Gunderson, who filed D. S. No. 11828 on the 15th day of November, 1883, are hereby notified to be and appear before the U. S. Land Office at Fargo, D. T., on the 16th day of January, 1884, and show cause if any you have, why said Ingebor Gunderson should not be allowed to make final proof and payment for said land. And you, Wm. W. Fitzsimmons, who filed H. E. No. 13468 on the 20th day of September, 1883, are hereby notified to be and appear before the U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D. T., on the 16th day of January, 1884, and show cause if any you have, why said Ingebor Gunderson should not be allowed to make final proof and payment for said land. F. B. Morrill, Atty. n1628.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., November 23, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim and secure final entry thereof on the 20th day of January, 1884, viz: Emma Erickson, D. S. No. 10725 for the northeast quarter of section 34, township 146 n, range 57 w, and names the following as her witnesses, viz: Carl Gustafson, Alfred Johnson, Andrew G. Anderson, G. L. Peterson, all of Marshall, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of witnesses and claimant to be taken before W. P. Miller, clerk of district court, at Big Griggs county, D. T., on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office. HORACE AUSTIN, Register. Jacobson & Serungard, d1731.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS. Notice is hereby given that the tax lists for Griggs county are now in my hands for collection. According to territorial law all taxes not paid before the first Monday in February become delinquent and are subject to a penalty of 5 per cent collection fees and 1 per cent a month interest until paid, providing they are paid before the 1st day of September next. ANTON JENGER, 46-48. Treas. Griggs Co.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In the matter of the estate of Frank L. Axtell, deceased. All persons having claims against Frank L. Axtell, deceased, are required to exhibit the same with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned administrator of said estate, at his office in Cooperstown, in the County of Griggs, Territory of Dakota, and that four months have been limited as the time for creditors to present their claims against said estate. Dated the 30th day of November, 1883. THEODORE F. KERR, 130. Administrator.