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JOHN MUIR, superintendent of traffic of the Northern Pacific railroad, is reported to have resigned to take the management of the Oregon Improvement Company, for a protracted term. He will make his headquarters at Portland, and have entire charge of the interests of the company on the coast, including the steamboat lines.—Argus.

SEVERAL of the oldest settlers in this portion of Dakota call our late storm a "blizzard." If that is what you call a blizzard, we were wonderfully disappointed. At no time during the day was vision restrained to less than a mile, and traffic through Onida remained uninterrupted. We thought a blizzard was so thick you could slice it off with a case knife, and that you could scarcely see your hand before your face.—Onida Journal.

If any one imagines Dakota to be a prairie country such as Illinois was before it was settled, he has a wrong conception of it. It differs in this: The air is purer; the sunshine is brighter, more abundant and healthier; the land is fairer, richer, more beautiful, and there is none of it that can be designated as swamp or waste land; the crops are more sure and abundant. A man who has any man in him—a man who is not a chronic grumbler—will endure with patience and good nature all the pains and penalties which nature inflicts upon him here, because of the lavish hand with which she bestows her favors. That's what ails Dakota!

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THE eastern dude is continually crying, "Oh, I wouldn't live in Dakota in the winter for anything." We hope not, for their presence might spoil the pleasure of our now happy communities. The easterner has an idea that Dakota is so deep under snow that a person cannot visit his neighbor unless that visit is liable to end in his freezing to death. Yet how very different. Winter is the most glorious time in Dakota. Hardly an evening passes but that from four to a dozen families visit a neighbor and play whist until 12 or 1 o'clock. Refreshments are served and the evenings are pleasantly spent. Then we have our sleighing and coasting parties, literary societies, etc., and eat cooked food just the same as they do in the east. We do not kill and eat each other as the eastern pencil pushers have so often informed their readers, some of whom are not gifted with enough common sense to disbelieve such outrageous lies. We have lived in the east and undergone what they term enjoyment, but it is mockery compared with enjoyment in Dakota during the winter.—Ex.

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NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., January 16, 1884. 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 5th day of March, 1884, viz: Ole Serungard, D. S. No. 12370 for the n. e. 1/4 and s. e. 1/4 of n. w. 1/4 section 18, township 146 n., range 57 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Andrew Carlson, Emil Carlson, Edmund Nelson and Carl Anderson, all of Marcel, Griggs county, D. T. The testimony of witnesses to be taken before Herbert P. Smart, Notary Public, at Cooperstown, Griggs county, D. T., on the 1st day of March, A. D. 1884 at his office.
HORACE AUSTIN, Register.
Jacobson & Serungard, 225725.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., January 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 7th day of March, 1884, viz: Henry Hiller, D. S. No. 12370 for the southwest quarter of section 22, township 146 n., range 57 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Jacob Hanson, John Rosler, John Paulson, Gilbert Olson, all of Cooperstown, 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 1st day of March, A. D. 1884 at his office.
HORACE AUSTIN, Register.
Jacobson & Serungard, 225726.

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 29th day of January, 1884, viz: Andrew P. Ruster, D. S. No. 12370 for the w. 1/2 of n. e. 1/4 and n. e. 1/4 of w. 1/2 of section 26, township 146 n., range 57 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Andrew H. Berg, Ole Ellison, Peter Guderson, Ed. Ward Kolson, 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 22nd day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office.
HORACE AUSTIN, Register.
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NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF.—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., December 10, 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 25th day of Jan. 1884, viz: Peter A. Nelson, D. S. No. 14888 for the n. w. 1/4 of section 22, township 147 n., range 58 w. and names the following as his witnesses, viz: Lewis T. Soland, Benjamin B. Brown, John Ole and Henry Hongen, 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 23rd day of January, A. D. 1884 at his office.
HORACE AUSTIN, Register.

NOTICE.—U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D. T., Dec. 15, 1883. Complaint having been entered at this office by Elias J. Moss against Thomas W. Kere, for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 9823, dated March 24, 1882, upon the s. 1/2 of n. w. 1/4 and s. 1/2 of n. e. 1/4 section 4, township 146 n., range 58, in Griggs county, Dakota, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 7th day of February, 1884, at 2 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.
d22525.
E. C. GEAREY, Receiver.

Summons.
TERRITORY OF DAKOTA,
County of Burien and Griggs,
District Court, Third Judicial District.
Martha M. Olson
Plaintiff,
against
Gustave A. Olson
Defendant.

The Territory of Dakota to the Above Named Defendant:
You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action, which was filed in the office of the Clerk of the district court of the Third Judicial District at Valley City, in and for the County of Burien, and Territory of Dakota, on the 19th day of January, 1884, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint, on the subscriber, at his office in Cooperstown, in Griggs county, within thirty days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer to said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.
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