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LOCAL LACONICS.

—The mud is drying up fast.
—The publisher ate his Easter eggs in Fargo.

—How could spring weather be grander than it is to-day?

—Fred Buchheit says the machine business is humming good.

—Charley Cooper has returned from his three months' sojourn in Chicago, looking hale and hearty.

—The postoffice will soon occupy its new quarters in William Glass' building which is nearly completed.

—A. M. Pease has sold his Burrell avenue lot and building to Mr. McDermott, the present occupant.

—The McDonald brothers, five in number, have arrived from St. Clair and gone to work on the Cooper farm.

—Chas. Husel and Andrew Husel and bride are among the late arrivals who have come to stay and prosper.

—Odegard & Thompson have consolidated their two stores and will now rent the one formerly occupied by Nelson & Langlie.

—Horace Hance, of the extensive St. Paul loan agency of D. S. B. Johnson, Son & Hance, was in town Wednesday and Thursday.

—The Hope Pioneer claims to have discovered an omission (a typographical error) in the Courier and jealously whines like a stuck calf.

—It is said that more settlers and emigrant movables are weekly received at Cooperstown than at Valley City and Sanborn combined.

—F. B. Edwards, the civil engineer, is in Cooperstown again after a four-months' exile to Massachusetts and other far away places.

—Joseph Buchheit will devote his entire attention to the production of No. 1 Hard, now that he has unyoked himself from business care.

—Mr. L. S. Lenham, the progressive and sociable postmaster of Sanborn, visited Cooperstown Monday and Tuesday, the guest of his brother at the Palace.

—Jas. Rankin is back from St. Clair, Mich., and looks as though he had spent the winter comfortably, notwithstanding the miserable climate of that state.

—Fargo papers now reach Cooperstown at 3 o'clock p. m. on the day of publication, which fact will probably increase the circulation of those journals in this place.

—Mrs. E. C. Barlow, Mrs. A. C. Root and Miss Birdie Ruth came up from Fargo a few days since and are now domiciled on their section in the Willow lake neighborhood.

—A million-dollar warm rain descended from the clouds yesterday, and it is just what our farmers have been wishing for. The ground will soon be settled and in first-class working condition.

—The advertisement of proposals for bids to erect the new Griggs county court house has very wisely been sent to the leading newspapers of the Northwest for publication by the commissioners.

—New settlers are arriving by every train, and their unanimous regret is that they did not come two or three years ago when their friends, who are here and well started, struck out for the land of golden grain.

—Mr. Swanson, the gentleman who is about to start a brick yard in this place, has the contract for erecting the new seminary at Jamestown and he will very likely ship the brick therefor from Cooperstown.

—P. L. Hoiland came down from Aneta, Nelson county, Tuesday, and he reports things as on the move in that embryo of a town. The Sheyenne Boomerang will make its bow to the public to-day.

—Carrington is to have another paper to be called the Gazette, by Appleby & Fanning. The enterprise is a trifle premature, as Foster county seems well supplied with newspapers at the present time.

—Mr. J. T. Odegard has spent a couple days in Cooperstown since the last Courier went forth to its patrons. Mr. Odegard hopes to take up his permanent residence here ere many months, and the citizens will be glad to have him.

—Seeding was commenced on the Cooper farm last Wednesday, one of those new-fangled broadcast one-hundred-acres-per-day seeders being employed in the work. Mr. R. C. Cooper says the new machines are going to prove a success.

—Emigration from every part of the globe is headed for Dakota. Two farmers with stock arrived from Colorado last Monday and will take up land in Griggs county. Jack Brown says they are under obligations to the Courier for directing their steps this way.

—Mr. Whidden has been re-arranging his store this week and great improvements have resulted. The front part is now devoted to dry goods, clothing, boots, hats, etc., while the grocery department has been transferred to the quarters formerly occupied by furniture and feed.

—H. G. Pickett, of banking, feed store and livery fame, is off on a two-weeks' business cruise in Wisconsin and Illinois. He will visit Chicago and Milwaukee during his absence, but being a good young man Harry will not be expected to bring either of those wicked towns back with him.

—If you come to Dakota you must not expect to have wealth heaped into your lap at once, for instances of that kind are rare, but by honest, diligent toil you can earn more, be far more independent, and be able to enjoy the world's luxuries sooner than in any other portion of the globe.—Sargent Item.

—Mr. T. J. Cooper and family are expected to arrive here during the next thirty days from Chicago, and the best part of it is that they will probably make Cooperstown their permanent abiding place. They will be an acquisition to our social and business forces that Cooperstown may well be congratulated upon.

—Prompted by the true Dakota spirit of progressiveness, Dr. G. F. Newell has been making some marked changes in the interior of his drug establishment, until it is now without doubt one of the neatest and best arranged pill shops in North Dakota. The Doctor enjoys a good trade, the result of square dealing, pure drugs and popular prices.

—Mr. R. C. Cooper met with a very painful accident yesterday afternoon that may incapacitate him for some time. While handling a harrow it dropped from his grasp and one of the teeth struck his foot, making an ugly puncture from the instep downward. Dr. Newell dressed the wound and left the patient much easier than he found him.

—Z. A. Clough is one of the late arrivals at Dawson. Mr. Clough has had charge of the Sanborn and Cooperstown schools for over a year. About one and one-half years since Mr. Clough located a fine tree claim near this place, and in conjunction with his father-in-law, purchased section 7, township 140, range 72. Mr. Clough's family, accompanied by his wife's father, Mr. Johns, is expected to-day. We are pleased to welcome such men as Mr. C. into our midst.—Globe.

—The report of Siver Serumgard, teacher of School No. 1 in Nelson township, for the term just closed makes a good showing. The number of scholars enrolled was eleven, and their scholarship is as follows, 100 representing perfect: Annie Robinson, 97; Fanny Robinson, 98; John Serumgard, 96; Nels Nelson, 89; Oscar Nelson, 95; Carl Enger, 88; Oscar Carlson, 98; Charley Gunderson, 97; Carl G. Carlson, 97; Samuel Norgard, 89; Dewitt Pinkerton, 97. The term consisted of 100 days of school, which was held in the Park Ave. Hotel, Mardell.

—In conversation with a Valley City Times scribe, Mr. Peter Fiero, one of Griggs county's bonanza farmers who recently returned from his winter's sojourn in New York, said: "The weather has been most disagreeable, and of a marrow-chilling nature. I have not seen a half dozen clear days during the entire winter. All during the last preceding winter our teams were engaged in hauling wheat from the farm to the elevator, and lumber and other goods on the return, and that over an unbroken, unprotected prairie, and during all these trips I never suffered so much from the cold as I have during the past winter in walking on the streets of New York. I am glad to get to Dakota again."

—Jack N. Brown arrived home from Colorado Monday evening with several head of blooded equine stock for Meadow Brook Farm, after being on the road eleven tedious days. Everyone is glad to see the genial "J. N." but don't thank him for permitting Mrs. Brown to prolong her visit another month or so.

—A deal of considerable importance was the one made yesterday, whereby Buchheit Bros. transferred their machinery business and town property to Messrs. Hoiland & Rukke. The purchasers are well-known rustlers, and in making this addition to their already large business they but display characteristic enterprise. The indefatigable Fred Buchheit will work for Messrs. H. & R. this summer.

—Fargo Sunday Argus: E. D. Stair, the publisher of the Courier at Cooperstown, spent yesterday at Fargo. He says that the commissioners have just settled upon the plans for a courthouse and jail to be built at Cooperstown, and have negotiated the bonds with which to pay for the structure. Cooperstown is the present terminus of the Sanborn, Cooperstown & Turtle Mountain railroad, and is as live and growing a town as would be expected when the character of the early settlers is known. The Courier has also been a power in building up the county seat.

—Young man, stop and think when you are about to speak lightly of a young woman or girl, how you would like to have some other young man speak as you were about to, of your sister; and if you are the kind of a chap we give you credit for, you will change your mind and say something else. A girl's character is a very precious jewel to her, and its brilliancy is easily bedimmed and sometimes through no fault of her own. And one thing more, young man, because a young girl "works out" it is no sign she is not as good and just as honest as any lady-finger-fingers who look on honest toil as a mark of disgrace. Just put this in your hat young man, and think of it occasionally.—Ex.

County Convention.

The republican county convention to elect delegates to attend the territorial convention at Huron was called to order Wednesday, at 2 p. m. by committee chairman, Iver Jacobson, who was made chairman of the meeting. Ole Serumgard was elected secretary, and a committee appointed to offer a list of names of delegates.

The following gentlemen were chosen to represent the county: R. C. Cooper, Ole Serumgard, E. D. Stair and N. C. Rukke.

When the Farmer Will Rise Up.

When foreign competition in grain-growing has lessened the export demand in the United States to a point where our products can be sold abroad only as they may be offered cheaper than the products of other countries, then the American farmer will have occasion to inform himself on the tariff question. If he is to compete with the wheat-growers of India and Russia it will be necessary for him to throw off some of the tax shackles which have been placed upon him and strip for a race in which it will be necessary for him to have the fullest freedom of action. To produce cheap wheat he must be able to buy cheap lumber, cheap farm implements, cheap clothing, cheap blankets, and cheap kitchen supplies. With all these things taxed for the benefit of monopolies from 20 to 100 per cent, he will make a poor showing in competition with farmers in other lands who have no such tribute to pay. With the fiat laid on American agriculture that its products must be cheap in order to sell in foreign markets there will be no division of sentiment in the farming districts on the tariff question. Falsehood, chicane and deceit will then avail the defenders of the protection delusion nothing. Every drop in the price of wheat in this country, and every new wheat district that is developed in the other hemisphere hastens the day when American agriculture will rise in its might and throw off the yoke which a small percentage of the people have placed upon it: There are evidences on every hand that the crisis cannot be long averted.—Chicago Herald.

BEST BOOK FOR EVERYBODY.—The new illustrated edition of Webster's Dictionary, containing three thousand engravings, is the best book for everybody that the press has produced in the present century, and should be regarded as indispensable to the well-regulated home, reading-room, library and place of business.—Golden Era.

Proceedings County Commissioners.

Met April 11th, 1884, at 10 a. m.
Full board present.

Rollin C. Cooper in the chair.
On motion ordered that Isaac E. Mills Mark Sutherland and Rollef Johnson be appointed as road viewers to view the following proposed highway, viz: Commencing at or near n e corner sec. 1-148-59, thence running south in a straight line along the side hill of the bluffs east of the Sheyenne river to n e cor. section 36 in said township; thence to follow the most practicable and feasible route across the Sheyenne river in a southeasterly direction to s e corner post of said section 36; thence running in a straight line south on west boundary line of sections 1-12-13-24-25 and 36 in town 147 and continuing in the same direction along the west boundary line of sections 1-12-13 and 24 in town 146 to s w corner post of said section in said town 146.

On motion ordered that S. Goldthrite, Seth E. Mills and Rollef Johnson be appointed as road viewers to view the following proposed highway, viz: Commencing at n w corner post of sec. 3, town 148 range 59 and running south on west line of sections 3-10-15-22-27 and 34 to south boundary line of said town 148, range 59; thence in the most direct and practicable route to intersect the proposed county road leading from Sheyenne river to Cooperstown.

On motion ordered that the last named be appointed viewers of the following proposed highway, viz: Commencing at n e cor. post of section 3, town 148, range 59, and running south along section line between sections 2-3-10-11-14-15-22 and 23, following said section line as near as possible; thence running in a southeasterly direction across sections 26 and 25 to s e corner post of said section 35 of the aforesaid township.

On motion ordered that the above named road viewers be instructed to secure services of the county surveyor to assist them in locating and platting all roads not on section or quarter section lines.

Ordered the road viewers herein appointed be notified to meet at the county clerk's office, April 19th, 1884, at 2 p. m.

On motion ordered that the following public road be laid out, viz: Commencing at the n w corner of section 30, and s w corner of section 19, town 145, range 24; thence east to corner of section 23-58-25 and 26, town 145, range 58; thence south on the section line to the quarter stake between sections 35 and 36; thence east on the quarter line to range line between ranges 57 and 58.

On motion ordered that the following road supervisors be appointed for the ensuing year, viz:

Ole O. Groff, supervisor District No. 3	"	"	"
E. W. Haggarty " " " 4	"	"	"
F. D. Fenner " " " 5	"	"	"
Allen Pinkerton " " " 6	"	"	"
S. K. Norgard " " " 7	"	"	"
J. H. Atchison " " " 10	"	"	"
Chas. Nelson " " " 11	"	"	"
J. W. Fiero " " " 12	"	"	"

On motion ordered that a refunding order be issued to Lars Johnson for township school tax \$6.01 having been assessed in wrong township.

On motion adjourned till May 10th, 1884, at 10 a. m.

ROLLIN C. COOPER, Chairman.

HERBERT P. SMART, Clerk.

Wm. Glass loans money for final proof, and on titled land. 50¢.

Old newspapers for sale at the Courier office.

We have for sale a few good farm work horses. Davis & Pickett.

Seed wheat for sale for cash or on time against good security. JACOBSON & SERUMGARD.

Whidden Bros. have just received twenty-five cases boots and shoes ranging in price from 40¢ to \$5.00 per pair.

100 suits Ready-made clothing ranging in price from \$5 to \$30 per suit. Whidden Bros.

25 barrels and 15 boxes Crackers received at Whidden Bros. this week.

Grand display of Prints, Ginghams and notions at Whidden Bros.

Fresh line of Confectionery at Whidden Bros.

Wall Paper, Carpets and floor oil cloth at Whidden Bros.

For Sale.

500 bushels white seed oats; 150 bushels choice select Early Rose potatoes. M. ROBINSON, Mardell.

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Plants of all kinds, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, egg plant, pepper, tomato pie plant, asparagus, horse radish, etc. Currants, gooseberries, raspberries, strawberries, apple, plum, and other fruit trees. Liberal discount to the trade. Orders by mail promptly filled. Send for price list.

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Twenty-five acres on section 20, town 147, range 59, to let on shares. Apply at the Courier office.

We have a few yoke of oxen, mules and horses for sale. Odegard & Thompson.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received until 12 o'clock, noon; May 10th, 1884, to build and construct a Court House and jail for the county of Griggs, according to the plans and specifications to be found after April 21, 1884, at the office of the County Clerk, in Cooperstown, Griggs county, D.T. Building to be completed January 1, 1885. All bids must be sealed and addressed to the Chairman County Commissioners, and indorsed bids for building and constructing court house and jail. Contractors must furnish all materials and give bonds to complete the building according to the specifications. The Commissioners of said Griggs county reserve the right to reject any and all bids. A preliminary bond of twenty-five per cent of the amount of the bids must accompany each bid, which said bond shall be endorsed "approved as to form" by the county adviser, Iver Jacobson, and must be signed by the bidder and at least two good and sufficient sureties, who shall justify pursuant to law.

ROLLIN C. COOPER,
CHAIRMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
Griggs County, D. T.

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