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Official Paper of Griggs County

Mrs. Bliss, of Fargo, returned home Thursday.

Iver Jacobson made a professional visit to Fargo last week.

Four car loads of wheat left yesterday morning—the first shipment.

The new store of Bowden & Buck is an ornament to the terminal city.

Attention is called to a report of the plowing match in another column.

Attorney John D. Ferrand made a flying trip to Cooperstown Thursday.

O. H. Havill, formerly book-keeper on the Kindred farm, was in town Thursday.

W. G. Collins and wife, of Mayville, visited Mrs. H. C. Ruth, at Willow, last week.

J. L. Stross, the popular traveling man for Kohn & Adler, was in town Wednesday.

H. G. Pickett, the banker, is making occasional predatory trips into the wild, wild suburbs.

Peterson's Magazine for October has something from Josiah Allen's wife, which is immense.

The Mayville Tribune gives us a lift for the legislature. Thanks, Brother Smith, we are not running.

Wm. Williams, of Valley City, the irrepressible horse dealer, visited the terminal city Thursday.

N. L. Lenham made a tour of the L. E. & L. Co. elevators this week, making Cooperstown Tuesday night.

Receipts on incoming freight at Cooperstown for August, \$1,257. Receipts for passenger travel, \$1,238.80.

P. C. Chrysler, representing the Mosler Safe and Lock company, Cincinnati, was in town Tuesday, in the interests of his firm.

We have bid good bye to the town-ship and the township subscription; but we believe there is a trifle of 250 acres of town lots left about here yet.

C. Bound has gone to Plainfield, Wis., in response to a message that his mother is seriously ill. His thrasher is running and he expects to return in a week.

Edre Me'gard went to T. S. Serungard's last night and made Mr. Serungard and Miss Johanna Monson happy, by joining them in the bonds of matrimony.

The machine men at Cooperstown have sold 130 binders this season. Last season 30 were sold. You relies of the past, in the effete East, what do you think of such an evidence of production as this?

John N. Jorgensen wants it understood that he is a candidate for the clerkship of the court at the November election, and wants the support of his friends and the people generally. That's business.

A. Coleman has a grand raffle at Gillespie & Blow's Saturday, September 27, at 8 p. m.—prize, a fine Elgin watch and a gold chain. The boys are all after that watch; catch on. Some body will win a good time-keeper.

We have received a copy of the Livingston Republican of Howell, Mich., by Stair Bros., E. D. Stair, formerly of the COURIER, editor. The Republican is a live paper, and we wish E. D. success in his new venture. He couldn't keep out of the business.

J. d. LaMoire and Geo. Walsh are the old war horses that time does not seem to use up. Raymond, Allen, Bentley, LaMoire and Walsh are our North Dakota candidates, with only one of the number genuine. It is Raymond or nobody from the north.

Threshing is progressing on the Cooper farm, 20,000 bushels being the result so far, with 100,000 more to thresh. Enough wheat is raised this year on the Cooper farm to furnish a barrel of flour to each one of an army of thirty thousand men.

The pay car came up Friday evening. Superintendent Graham in charge. Mr. Graham employed a few hours before breakfast to hunting chickens, in company with a number of our "crack-shots." The party secured 40 chickens.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

Republican county convention held at Cooperstown, Griggs county, Dak., September 6, 1884, was called to order at 2 p. m. by Iver Jacobson.

R. C. Cooper was elected chairman and John N. Jorgensen secretary.

Moved and seconded that the chair appoint a committee of three to present six names as delegates to the Republican Congressional convention at Pierre to be held September 17, 1884.

The chair appointed H. G. Pickett, T. F. Kerr and Iver Jacobson.

The committee reported the following names: Knud Thompson, F. H. Adams, H. G. Pickett, H. P. Smart, John N. Jorgensen and Roloff Berg.

Report was accepted and delegates elected.

Moved and seconded that the delegates go uninstruced, further than to be requested to use all honorable means for supporting John B. Raymond, adopted.

Moved and seconded that delegates not attending the convention in person be empowered to give their proxies to delegates from this county who do attend.

Adopted.

Moved and seconded that convention adjourn. ROLLIN C. COOPER, Chair'm.

JOHN N. JORGENSEN, Sec'y.

In order to give our readers some idea of the growth of Griggs county, its importance as an agricultural district, and how it compares in the matter of taxation with other counties in North Dakota, we append the following taken from the recent report of the Territorial Board of equalization for 1884:

Value'n.	Gen'l.	Bond int.
Barnes.....	\$2,209,914 50	3 1-10 3-10
Billings.....	1,100,000 00	3 5-10 3-10
Burdleigh.....	3,063,818 00	2 5-10 3-10
Butte.....	1,100,000 00	2 5-10 3-10
Benson.....	323,065 00	2 3-10 3-10
Cass.....	6,726,882 00	3 2-10 4-10
Campbell.....	1,100,000 00	3 3-10 3-10
Dickey.....	581,394 00	3 1-10 3-10
Emmons.....	226,590 00	2 5-10 3-10
Foster.....	452,250 00	3 2-10 4-10
Grand Forks.....	3,866,637 00	3 3-10 4-10
Groesbeck.....	1,506,505 00	2 5-10 3-10
Kidder.....	748,018 00	3 3-10 3-10
LaMoire.....	1,288,075 00	3 3-10 3-10
McLean.....	373,321 00	3 3-10 3-10
Morton.....	1,356,101 00	2 6-10 3-10
Mercer.....	1,100,000 00	3 5-10 4-10
Nelson.....	1,100,000 00	3 5-10 4-10
Potter.....	1,100,000 00	3 5-10 4-10
Pembina.....	2,819,020 66	3 2-10 3-10
Pennington.....	1,100,000 00	3 5-10 4-10
Ramsey.....	306,015 00	3 4-10 4-10
Ransom.....	1,238,678 00	3 2-10 3-10
Richland.....	3,650,350 00	4 3-10 4-10
Sanborn.....	1,100,000 00	3 5-10 4-10
Sargent.....	719,371 00	2 8-10 3-10
Stark.....	361,326 46	3 3-10 3-10
Steele.....	516,330 00	3 2-10 4-10
Stutsman.....	2,222,181 00	3 4-10 4-10
Traill.....	2,401,213 00	3 3-10 3-10
Walsh.....	3,067,985 00	2 7-10 3-10
Towner.....	14,870 00	2 3-10 3-10

Sunday morning Hans Ruud went to sleep near the river at Valley City, it is supposed, pleasantly full. Monday morning the good people of the town were horrified to learn that Hans was not lying in the same place. A1 that was left of Hans was a box of collars, a pocket book and some other trifles. Probably it was supposed that Hans would continue to repose by the side of the deep, rolling river for a week or more, but Hans was not that kind of a man. Did he drown himself? Did somebody murder him? Did he go and get a drink? There is a mystery here. Probable he might as well show up, as the people have had the river business played on them before. Is it a chattel mortgage, Hans? or a board bill? or two wives? Do you see Ed. Smith any where down there among the bull frogs and pickered weeds?

"Has he gone, dear?" "Yes, grandma," and what was that sound in the hall, Jessie?" "Why, it must have been the door shutting, grandma."

"Your grandma may be old and deaf, Jessie, but doors did not shut with a sound like that when she was a girl."

"Did the men wear mustaches then, grandma?" "No, my dear." "Well, that makes the difference, probably."

Exchange.

At a meeting of the Griggs county delegation for Pierre, held September 10, the preference of all delegates, save M. Thompson, who was absent, but who is supposed to agree with the other delegates, was declared for John B. Raymond. F. H. Adams was elected chairman of the delegation.

Mormans in Dakota.—Perhaps but few of our people know that Mormonism has a foothold in our county, but whether these people in 133-63 practices or believe polygamy, they are under the direction of an elder and observe the Mormon creed.—LaMoire Progress.

Hughes county sends uninstructed delegates to Pierre.

The Black Hills will be divided against McMasters.

A BANKER'S SUICIDE.

President Runyon of the New Brunswick National Bank Cuts His Throat in His Office.

Maine Heard from to the Tune of 17,000—Cholera Continuing to Rage Abroad.

Cannibalism on the High Seas—France Not Yet at War, But Massacring in a Friendly Spirit.

PRESIDENT FOLLOWS CASHIER.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Sept. 11.—Mahlon Runyon, president of the national bank, cut his throat in the bank to-day. He was implicated in the thievery of Cashier Hill. Bank Examiner Shelly has discovered a deficiency of over one million dollars in the surplus cash and securities. The town is wild. Men rushed frantically to the doors of the national bank, only to be told that the business of this institution had been suspended for the present. At 9:45 President Runyon drove up to the bank in his carriage and was accompanied by his two young daughters. After sending them home, he sent Chief Fitzgerald, who was in charge of the bank, for a copy of the morning paper in which the story was told of his complicity in the bank's downfall. Securing the paper, he went into the room occupied by the directors and began to read. A deathly

pallor spread over his face, and he exclaimed: "My God, what will my children do?" Passing a handkerchief over his brow, he threw the paper into the lap of Director Stoddard; and excusing himself went into the toilet room of the bank. A minute later the sound of fall was heard, the directors rushed to the closet and discovered the body of Runyon on the floor. He had cut his wrists deep, blood spurting against the wall and ceiling. The thousands of people outside were horrified. "Shall we raid the bank?" was the question which agitated the agonized depositors. Farmers from the country joined in the throng and shouted for their money. Police flanked the street with difficulty.

Friends of Cashier Hill, who was found dead Friday morning, predicted that if he was short in his accounts the deficit would be near a million, as he loved to live too well to kill himself for less. Hill was married and very popular. He was found dead in his bed Friday morning, with gas escaping from two burners in his room, and the windows tightly closed.

THE CANNIBALS ARE COMING.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—The crew of the yacht Mignonette, rescued after being many days in open boats, captured a turtle on the fourth day after sinking of the yacht, on the 18th of June. They were then seven days without food, and five without water. They discussed the question of casting lots for which should die that the others might live, but were unable to agree. The next day they determined to kill the boy Parker. Capt. Dudley opened his jugular vein with a penknife and the boy died instantly. The survivors, the captain and two seamen drank the boy's blood and sustained life by eating his flesh until rescued by the ship Montezuma on the 5th of July. The reason assigned for deciding on the boy's death is that he suffered most from thirst and was unmarried. When rescued the men looked like skeletons.

GRIM DEATH.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—The official bulletin showing the ravages of cholera at various points in Italy during the past twenty-four hours is 625 fresh cases and 275 deaths. In Naples the condition is most harrowing. Owing to want of medical comforts and stretchers, the sick are left abandoned in the streets and no measures can be taken to remove the dead.

NAPLES, Sept. 10.—During the past twenty-four hours nearly 300 fresh cases of cholera are reported, but the mortality is only 30 per cent.

WORK OF A CYCLONE.

HUDSON, Sept. 10.—Advices from Clear Lake, Polk county, forty miles from here, state that late yesterday afternoon a cyclone struck that place and devastation was the result. The greater portion of the town is in ruins, and three lives were lost. The scene after the storm passed over was horrible in the extreme. Men, women and chil-

dren were running about in a perfect frenzy of excitement and fear. Here and there people could be seen coming out of their cellars, almost paralyzed with fear. A large barn was blown away, leaving the floors and mangers with horses peacefully eating supper. A little child was taken in the arms of the tempest and landed in the branches of a tree, and but slightly injured. One large frame house was blown completely out of sight. The family had taken refuge in the cellar.

MAINE'S MAJORITY.

AUGUSTA, Sept. 9.—The Republicans have carried the state by from 17,000 to 20,000 majority. The vote was the heaviest ever polled, and the majority the largest since 1868.

HELENA, MONT., Sept. 10.—Great excitement exists at Benton over the confirmation of an important gold (?) discovery in Little Rocky mountains, 100 miles northeast of that place.

PARIS, Sept. 9.—Admiral Courbet insists upon an instant declaration of war by France against China. The admiral declares it impossible for him to carry on effective operations while ships of other nations are permitted to carry munitions of war to the Chinese under the eyes of the French squadron.

Attention.

Geo. W. Greenleese & Co. have just received another car of flour which they will be able to accommodate their customers with, at the following prices for cash only: Diamond brand, \$2.50; Straight, \$2.75; A Patent, \$3. and Occident \$3.25. Please give us a call previous to purchasing elsewhere.

For sale.

Young pigs, thoroughbred Greendale, for sale. Anybody who intends to raise hogs can now secure a first class start. S. B. LANGFORD.

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The best brands of flour at Geo. W. Greenleese & Co's.

Geo. W. Greenleese & Co. have a fresh stock of the best brands of flour and feed, and are selling at popular prices.

New lot of furniture at Whidden Bros. consisting of chairs, tables, bedsteads, lounges, etc.

If you want flour and feed call on Geo. W. Greenleese & Co. The finest brands made by roller patent from No. 1 hard wheat always in stock. Buy no other. Popular prices.

Flour and feed at Greenleese & Co.

Another lot of ready made clothing just opened, at Whidden Bros.

WE WILL PAY 20 cents a dozen for Eggs. John Syverson & Co.

Fall hats, trimmed and untrimmed, also feathers and plumes, at Whidden Bros.

Farmers clean your seed wheat. The Lenham E. & L. Co. will sell you a machine for \$25.00 that will take out all foul seed.

If you want the finest grades of Flour, Feed and Oats, go to the store with the crazy sign.

All those knowing themselves indebted to us on note or book account will please call and settle soon.

If you want a perfect sewing machine, buy the White of John Syverson & Co.

Do you want a Davies or Household sewing machine cheap? Call at Whidden Bros.

We have some good oats we will sell on time if you call soon.

We are all ready for the harvest trade. Come and see us.

DAVIS & PICKETT.

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

Odegard & Thompson have some thin but healthy town lots, adapted for building purposes and general farming, which they will exchange for fine fat cows or steers.

Flour from Fargo.

Feed from Minneapolis, Fargo, Valley City and Sanborn.

DAVIS & PICKETT.

MACHINE OILS at the Drug Store.

Harvester whips at McDermott's, the only line in town—only a few left, and every man with a harvest needs one.

Go read the new sign of Davis & Pickett; then take your neighbor with you and ask him if he has any idea what it is and he will say "no"—only way to find out is through Rube Belden. Go and ask him with a three dollar bill.

We do not give 13 pounds of sugar for \$1; neither do we charge two prices for articles you do not know the value of. But we will at all times sell you honest goods for honest prices.

John Syverson & Co.

HOLLAND & RUKKE,

Call the attention of the Farmers of Griggs County to the most complete line of Farm Machinery handled by any firm in North Dakota, including the well known and thoroughly reliable

RELIANCE

Harvester and Twine Binder,

WITH ALL THE LATE IMPROVEMENTS

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Harvester and Binder,

ESTERLY

Harvester and Binder,

AND

MARSH-WHITNEY

Platform Binder.

With these four substantial machines to choose from we can and will suit all Farmers desiring a first-class machine. We also handle the

MEADOW KING MOWER

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PLANO WARRIOR MOWER,

One of which machines no Farmer can afford to be without. In Hay Rakes we offer the Farming Public the

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SULKY HAY RAKES

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Manufactured by Fuller & Johnson, Madison, Wisconsin.

In steam and horse power Threshers we represent the two best machines in point of working power, simplicity, economy and durability which have ever been manufactured. The

Buffalo Pitts Thresher

AND THE

Minnesota Chief.

We sell these machines with either STEAM or HORSE power, and the steam power with either Wood, Coal or Straw Burners; so that we can suit the purse and requirements of any man who purposes to purchase this season.

Our sulky and walking breaking and stubble plows are the

J. I. CASE.

DUBUQUE NORWEGIAN, AND HAPGOOD.

We have on hand at all times the well known

MONITOR SEEDER.

In order to meet the wants of the farmer for a first-class light and durable farm wagon, we have secured the agency of the

LAKE CITY WAGONS.

Our customers will be supplied promptly with

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Of the very best material.

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