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EXTRA ISSUE.

No more enterprising firm ever struck North Dakota than Geo. L. Lenham & Co., or, as the firm is now known, the Lenham Elevator & Lumber company. Business men by education as well as natural inclination, they seem to have a faculty of making money on narrow margins. In the early history of Barnes county it was well known that wheat brought a higher price, and lumber was to be obtained at a lower figure in Sanborn than any other point in the county. This was due to the sharp competition of Lenham & Co. among the wheat buyers and lumber merchants, and they are to-day offering better terms to the farmers on sale of wheat or purchase of lumber than can be had elsewhere between the main line and the lake.

It is rumored that trains will stop on the Cooperstown branch about January 1st. We hope this is not true. We have, very sensibly, acquiesced in the economical management of the road, and not a kick has gone up from the terminal town, in the hope that the expenses would be so light that the company could accommodate the people without bankrupting itself. Mr. Bryant, the conductor, has run his train with less expense and greater profit to the road than nine conductors out of ten; and in view of the fact that the country is yet full of wheat, and the farmers so prosperous as to make an active winter's trade and travel certain, we hardly credit the snow bound report.

Hon. M. D. Hills, the Valley City capitalist, when in Cooperstown last week was amazed at the size and importance of the terminal town. He thinks it extremely probable that he will open a bank here in the spring for accommodation of the farmers. Mr. Hills thought the COURIER rather too tame to meet the requirements of the people this year. The Oriska Benefit was the most interesting paper that came to his office. While here Mr. Hills inquiries regarding a house would imply that, if he comes, he will come double.

An interesting thing in connection with the court house has leaked out. A sharp contractor from Valley City, seeing the formidable competition of the Lenham Elevator & Lumber company, made overtures to N. L. Lenham to bid together, and add \$4,000 to the anticipated bid of the L. E. & L. Co., whacking up on that amount as clean profit. The offer was promptly rejected, and today our court house is as economically constructed a building as their is in Dakota.

You get nearly as much more lumber for 100 bushels of wheat at Cooperstown.

Sheriff Haggert, of Cass, is re-elected. Anton Enger retains the treasury portfolio.

Mr. J. W. Fiero is the assessor elect. No opposition.

Iver Jacobson is district attorney, without opposition.

Our constables are Johnson, Michaels, Khuns and Jamison.

R. C. Cooper was re-elected commissioner, without opposition.

Pattison's Dazey hotel is completed and is in fine running shape.

Sheriff McKenzie lifted the scalp of Col. Lounsbury at Bismarck.

Our justices are Messrs. Melgard, Davidson, Songy and Harry Clark.

John Flittie is elected councilman in his district; Geo. Walsh, doubtful.

Herbert P. Smart retains the office of register of deeds by a large majority.

Sheriff Johnson of Griggs, was beaten by a small majority by Allen Pinkerton.

Allen Pinkerton takes the cake as an independent, and will be sheriff in January.

The official vote of Griggs county will be published in tabulated form next week.

Major Strait laid out Donnelly in great shape, while Merryman scooped in Gillfillin.

Harry Blow says, (alluding to Judge Andrus' cheerfulness under defeat), "Byron knows how to take a joke."

A special from Hoosic Falls says the Butler votes there were all counted for Cleveland. The tickets were of the same size and thickness.

Dr. Newell still continues to sit on corpses, when any are forced on him; nevertheless, he takes good care to shirk official duties by healing the sick.

As some doubt has been expressed as to Wm. McCulloch's sample turnip weighing thirty-six pounds, we reiterate the item, and assure our readers that it is true.

No strife cropped out regarding the clerkship of court, surveyorship, and superintendent of schools; and Messrs. Korr, Jorgensen and Ueland were re-elected.

Either Steele or Goodrich is beaten for the house. The presumption is that Steele is elected. Mr. Stevens, of Griggs, will have about 400 more votes than either of them.

G. N. Stork s perhaps as accurate a grader of wheat as there is in the territory. His shipping returns show this. He takes pride in his business, and a farmer can rely upon getting the grade due him, without argument.

Griggs county's total vote is 478. On the legislative ticket Bellows and Goodrich have a majority of 210 above Richardson and Steele. Mr. Stevens seems to have had little opposition. Mr. O. S. Gifford polls about 470 votes out of 478.

Gilbert Johnson, of section 24, township 145, range 59, died November 3, at 2 p. m., of consumption. He was formerly of Houston county, Minn., and 26 years of age. He was a single man, and had the consumption when he came to Dakota.

Mrs. E. A. Cooper has a crazy quilt made of silk, of beautiful design, and evidence of superior needlework. It is intended to send the quilt to the New Orleans exposition. It is now on exhibition at the residence of Joseph Allen.

The Jackson & Knudson building is to become the Congregational church—it having been exchanged for the Cooper building on Burrell avenue.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold a chicken supper and social in the Cooper building on Burrell avenue, on Thursday evening, Nov. 13. Supper from 6 to 8 o'clock. Admission free. Tickets to supper, 50 cents. All are cordially invited.

Robert Bonner says his groom sleeps without covers, so that if it grows colder in the night, he will be awakened, and blanket Maud S. That is nothing. Old Jo, our side wheeler, when he felt the mercury tumbling, invariably used to slip his halter, take off his blanket, and rush around to the saloon and hand it to Coroner Cummings.

The editor is highly flattered at the large vote given him for district attorney. In justice to himself he will say that he was never a candidate, never consented to the use of his name on a ticket, never allowed a ticket to be printed in the COURIER office with his name on, in any way, shape or manner—never knew his name was on the independent ticket till November 3d.

LET HER ROLL!

The Empire Sphinx Continues to Stare Strictly at the Howling Populace; While the Bismarck

Ticket Wins, and a Panic in Lumber Prevalis in Cooperstown With the Prospects of a

DEMOCRATIC VICTORY.

Special Telegram to the Courier,

Fargo, Nov. 10, 4 p. m.—New York is still claimed by both parties. Nothing definite can be ascertained until the official returns come in from the county clerks. In the Bismarck district, Nickens, Richardson, Stevens, Coe, Williams and Steele are all elected. The regular ticket in the Grand Forks district, with the exception of Miller, of Hope, is elected. Geo. Walsh goes to council. In the Fargo district, Twomey, Austin, Pugh, Oliver, Stebbins and McCumber are elected. Jud LaMoure is defeated in Pembina district.

ALLEGED KNAVERY.

Valley City, Nov. 8.—A bold election outrage came to light here to-day, when Commissioner James Daily discovered that two poll boxes, containing election returns and uncounted votes, had been stolen from the commissioners' room last night. The perpetrators gained entrance through a window. As a contest has been threatened it is thought some one of the defeated candidates are mixed up in the matter. The community is greatly excited over the affair, and the person or persons engaged in the outrage will be handled roughly if detected. Another election will probably be necessary.

[People who make contests do not generally run into crime by the bold larceny of the entire ballot; the boxes were probably stolen to cover up crime the contest would have unveiled. A rather desperate game.]

New York, Nov. 7, 1 a. m.—The Sun's midnight bulletin is as follows:—Our special complete returns from every precinct in the state, thrice revised, give Cleveland a plurality of 1,477.

St. Paul, Nov. 10.—The New York Sun issues an extra bulletin, giving Grover Cleveland a plurality of 1296. Large amounts in bets are offered by the democrats on the result, with few takers.

New York, Nov. 10, 4 p. m.—The greatest excitement prevails in this city. The police are making every exertion to prevent a riot, and thus far with success. The democrats will consider every effort to do Blaine justice in a fair count, as a counting-out of Cleveland. The opinion is gaining ground that Blaine has a small plurality in the state, although nothing positive can be known.

VERY THREATENING.

The Albany Argus says: No fraudulent commission will be allowed to put James G. Blaine in the White House. The men who attempt it will be killed, and the legal consequences of killing them will be taken care of afterwards.

Gov. Cleveland said: "I believe I have been elected president, and nothing but the grossest fraud can keep me out of the office, and that we will not permit."

Gen. Carr, secretary of state, and a republican, says: "There is no chance of stealing the state, not as long as I am in charge of the affair. I don't propose that anybody shall steal the state. If Mr. Cleveland has a plurality, large or small, he will get it. The same is true of the other candidate. I don't propose to play any Southern game. No matter whether he is a friend or foe, with me he has to have justice."

BARNES COUNTY.

In Barnes county, Evans walks away from Irmins, as to the county clerkship, by a majority of several hundred.

Simons downs McFadgen for the shrievalty by such a majority as was never heard of before.

Andrus and Sager made a hard fight for the superintendency of schools; and Sager won.

The "Old Reliable," for the treasury, made a good single-handed run, but McDonald and Benson had too much backing for him. A very close vote between the latter gentlemen was the result, and a contest is supposed to be pending, consequent upon irregularities at Dailey, which, if proven, will eventually seat McDonald.

Ed. Wylie will still assess. He did not know that he had opposition.

C. A. Miller defeated Charles Pierson as district attorney, Seth Mills, the bolting candidate, making a poor showing.

Alex. McConnell triumphs over Mr. Wing, of Oriska, as probate judge.

Van Steenberg and Chandler were elected commissioners.

New York, Nov. 7.—Blaine carries New York by a majority of 725.

New York, Nov. 7.—Cleveland's plurality is 327.

New York, Nov. 7.—The national republican committee have issued an address claiming New York state for Blaine and Logan.

Richmond, Nov. 7.—The democrats claim the state by 8,000, with 26 counties to hear from.

Wheeling, Nov. 7.—The latest returns very meager. The secretary of state republican committee estimates the state to the democrats by 1,000 majority, a republican gain of 4,000.

Indianapolis, Nov. 6.—Returns by precincts continue to show republican gains sufficient to give them the state by a small majority, but the democratic committee has advised showing large democratic gains in districts not reported.

Virginia City, Nov. 6.—The total vote of Storey county gives 1,400 for Blaine; Cleveland 1,141, a republican loss of 19, and a democratic loss of 345.

Steele, Dak., Nov. 5.—Kidder county gives Gifford, republican, for congress, 321; Wilson, dem., 64. For the council, Nickens, rep., 416; Richardson, rep., Bellows, dem., 192; For the house, Coe, rep., 417; Steele, rep., 201; Stevens, rep., 213; Goodrich, dem., 180; Smith, dem., 193. The entire county ticket supported by the Herald is elected.

Jamestown, Nov. 5.—The county seat contest in Foster county resulted in a victory for New Rockford as against Carrington. Nickens and Richardson, republicans, and Smith and Goodrich, democrats, carry Foster by fair majorities. Nickens, Steele, Williams and Goodrich (democrat), carry Stutsman county by from 200 to 300 majority.

Bismarck, Nov. 5.—Returns from the district indicate the election of the entire republican ticket. Bellows, democrat, in Morton county, has cut Richardson, of Barnes county, down in this district, and Stevens for the house is also cut considerably, but neither enough to be beaten.

Bismarck, Nov. 5.—Burling county casts 1,450 votes; 1200 going for Gifford, 1300 for Williams and Nickens, 1,400 for Richardson, 1200 for Steele, 1150 for Stevens, and 1200 for Coe. McKenzie gets the shrievalty, there being less than 300 votes cast against him.

Bismarck, Nov. 5.—A special from McLean county shows Washburn won in the county seat fight. On the legislative ticket Gifford gets the full vote of 290. For the council, Nickens and Richardson 270. Balance of the ticket a full vote.

Grand Forks, Nov. 5.—This city gives Walsh and Flittie 30, the regular ticket about 300 majority. Northwood gives 3 to 1 for Walsh; Larimore will be carried by the regular ticket.

Lakota, Nov. 5.—The county seat fight centered all the interest, but the regular ticket headed by Walsh and Flittie will receive a majority.

Bismarck, Nov. 5.—Morton county, Gifford, 550; Wilson, 350; Nickens carries the county, and so does Bellows, Steele, Coe, Williams and Goodrich, the latter democrat.

Bring in your wheat and get \$1 per bushel for it, in lumber of the Lenham Elevator & Lumber company.

The following is the vote of Griggs county. Scattering ballots not counted: Delegate to congress—O. S. Gifford, 463; Wilson, 13.

Council—Nickens, 468; Bellows, 334; Richardson, 122; Jones, 14.

Assembly—Coe, 468; Stevens, 468; Goodrich, 344; Williams, 462; Steele, 127.

Treasurer—Enger, 441.

Surveyor, Ueland, 475.

Sheriff—Pinkerton, 254; Johnson, 219.

Register—Smart, 361; Andrus, 106.

Clerk of court—J. N. Jorgensen, 475.

District attorney—Iver Jacobson, 355.

Supt. of schools—T. F. Kerr, 476.

Assessor—J. W. Fiero, 475.

Judge of probate—Geo. B. Clark, 336.

Coroner—F. F. Newell.

Justices—Melgard, Davidson, Clark, and Songie.

Constables—Michaels, Pinkerton, Johnson and Kuhns.

Knut Nelson went fishing last week, and when he came back found he had been re-elected to congress. A man named Baxter thought he was a candidate, but he wasn't so considered.

In Steele county, Humle is county attorney; H. Smith, judge of probate; S. E. Seymour, register; Jacobson, treasurer; Waldon, sheriff; commissioners, Gopherud, Nelson, and Grey; Winchell is superintendent of schools.

Barnes county seems to have had it in its grip to have carried the district for Bellows and Goodrich; yet Richardson, single handed, with his little jobber, scooped the majority in great shape, and the Bismarck ticket carries.

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Wm. Glass, a former St. Clair boy, is reported as raising five pound potatoes at Cooperstown, Dak., this season.—St. Clair Republican.

Really, it's only a girl; but Hen nervy wears a prairie-like smile and is convalescing. Mrs. Pickett and daughter rejoice at the prospect of Cleveland's election, and Theo. F. takes "Hennessy" at 4 a. m.

The Steele county-seat contest resulted, according to the Argus, in a victory for Hope. Hope receive 108 votes; Sherbrooke, 356; Pickett, 184, which seems to leave Sherbrooke about seven votes minus a majority, and consequently Hope retains the county seat.

The biggest joke of the election in Griggs—don't give it away—was in the editor of the COURIER running, in spite of himself, for district attorney on the Bismarck ticket, printed by the Argus. The result was, he helped snow himself under in great shape.

Ed. D. Stair, the handsome and ever-obliging editor, formerly of Davenport and Cooperstown, arrived here yesterday to pay the taxes on his Dakota property. He is now editor and proprietor of the Livingston Republican, at Howell Michigan, one of the oldest and best papers in Central Michigan.—Argus.