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THE COURIER.

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Attorney Blackwell, of LaMoure, is a candidate for a place on the state ticket and wants the delegation from that county. We don't know anything about the gentleman, but we do know that LaMoure county will make a grave mistake if they turn down J. M. Devine, the efficient superintendent of public instruction.

Senator Hansbrough won out in Ramsey county over his opponent, Judge Cowan, and his many friends all over the state will rejoice with the Senator. It was a bitter fight and the outcome will undoubtedly put a different color on the political complexion in the second district. Senator Hansbrough has been doing some good work for the state and should be re-elected.

On October 26, 1882, the townsite of Cooperstown was platted, and at this time one of the most progressive, up-to-date little cities in this state was started. Starting up as it did before even a railroad was running into the town, and only a few settlers in the county, Cooperstown has indeed grown marvelously and substantially. It has not enjoyed a mushroom growth like many of the boom towns started in the early days, but it has steadily grown until today it is not only one of the most beautiful towns of our state, but also one of the most prosperous. Its business men have advanced with the town and all have done well. As fast as they could they have built substantial business houses and residences, their homes are surrounded by beautiful trees, and today there is not a more thrifty and prosperous little city of its size in this United States. Next October then will be the 20th anniversary of the town. Why would it not be a fitting time to have a blow-out of some kind to commemorate the occasion? An old settlers meeting at the courthouse—a sort of experience meeting would not be a bad plan.

In its current number the ever-popular Northwest Magazine of St. Paul, now in its twentieth year, has an interesting article on "The Northern Region of Wisconsin" by R. A. Haste. This article is in accord with the fixed aim of the magazine to make known the resources of the Northwest for the benefit of homeseekers and of the country at large. "The Mantle of Heredity," by H. Knapp Harris, is a graphic story of Western life, suggestive of Bret Harte's personations. In "Seattle the Great World Port of the Pacific," G. S. Castello tells of the maritime growth of the Puget Sound metropolis, and incidentally of the steamship traffic with Alaska. The article gives up-to-date information that every business man should know. "The Argonauts of 1902 Sail for Alaska," by Frank B. Lazier of Seattle, is an article of like character, referring to the opening of the season's traffic with Nome and other gold fields. Alice Harriman contributes "The Decoration of Captain Floyd," an appropriate Memorial Day story. All these articles are profusely illustrated in the highest style of art. This May number contains also a heretofore unpublished portrait of James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway, as well as a mass of valuable, practical information concerning progress in the Northwest and Canada. The view of "Mount Rainer, Overlooking Puget Sound," is admirable. The element of Western humor is continued in this excellent number, which should be found in all the homes, reading rooms and counting houses of the Northwest, from Michigan to Puget Sound.

Accidental Shooting.

Andrew Mickletham, an unmarried man of 38, living in Dover township this county, met with his death last Thursday from the accidental discharge of a 44 caliber Stevens rifle. It appears that the deceased was out in the field disc harrowing. He had the rifle lying, it is thought, on a beam in front of the harrow. In some manner the rifle was dislodged and discharged the ball entering the man's body between the 10th and 11th rib, touching the lower part of the heart and embedding itself in the shoulder blade. He fell down and wallowed in the dirt then got up and walked about 50 feet and wallowed around, and then got up again and went about 75 to 100 feet more where he was found dead. The inquest was held Friday by

Coroner Bergstrom, who summoned Tom Hanson, Christ Sabby and Henry Wilson as jurors who brought in a verdict to the effect that deceased came to his death by the accidental discharge of firearms.

The Insurance Trust.

Mandan Pioneer: Some day the legislature of the different states will get after the insurance trust of this country, and prevents it from arbitrarily putting up its prices. It is getting to be a serious question if the Insurance Commissioner should not have a great power over the insurance companies as the Inter State commerce commission has over the railroads. The publishers of the state are being especially hit just at this time by the insurance companies. When the legislature meets every other year, these same companies through their agents, urge the newspapers to do their best to oppose the passage of anti-insurance laws, and then the papers get their reward for their gratuitous services by having the prices charged for insuring their printing offices, raised beyond all reason. It is about the right time for the press of the state to expose the robbery of the insurance trust, and to encourage such state companies as will run honestly, and take the cream of the business for themselves.

Temperance Notes.

The Bismarck Tribune remarks as follows: "The cause of temperance is receiving very substantial encouragement in the business world to-day."

The time is not far distant when the drinking man, especially the one who drinks to excess, will find it impossible to secure a situation.

The railroad and transportation companies have already issued edicts against the drinking of spirituous liquors on the part of their employes, either on duty or off duty, and the Chicago & Northwestern and some other roads have even placed the use of tobacco under the ban. The young men who will obtain and hold the best positions in the business world hereafter will be those who deny the cup—those who shun the saloon and the companionship of dissolute characters." It also says: "The employer of labor is doing more in the way of true reform—is performing a greater service for mankind—than the prohibition theorist."

To make drunkenness a disgrace rather than a crime. * * * is a more practical means of reform than enforcement of all the laws punishing the sale of liquors."

All honor to the business concerns who have closed their doors against the use and sale of intoxicants. They exert a potent power in this conflict with the casks. But still more honor to the prohibition theorists who have heroically blazed the way and have labored unceasingly for long years, for the triumph of those principles of justice and temperance which the business world now recognizes and is putting into practice today. This is one of the objects for which the said "theorist" have so valiantly withstood the scorn and opposition of an unbelieving world for so these many years. It is the legitimate result of the sentiment created by the toil of the so-called temperance "theorist." Every great movement has for its foundation a theory. When the agitation of these "theorists" began there was no temperance sentiment whatever, as regards the use of intoxicants. Nowhere was it restricted even the pulp employed its agency in giving the Gospel message. The business world and the social world and the moral world were alike oblivious to its degrading and demoralizing effects.

It would seem that prohibition is no less effective embodied in the law than to have it made an active principle in business life. The two are correlative. They have the same object in view. To banish the destructive effects of intoxicants, the "prohibition theorist" has always held that drunkenness was both a "disgrace" and a crime, against society.

With a part of this temperance sermonette, the writer is in full accord, with the other part we beg leave to differ with due respect for the Tribune's opinion.

Another striking proof of the progress of the temperance cause is given in the announcement that "Secretary of War Root directed that Captain Harry E. Smith of the Coast Artillery, on duty at Fort McHenry, Md., be tried by court martial for drunkenness. Secretary Root also administered a

sharp rebuke to officers whose standard of discipline and personal habits, sought to transfer the captain from the active list instead of administering the severer punishment. It seems like a strong endorsement of the "theorists" when the highest military authority of our great nation classes drunkenness as a "crime" rather than a mere offence or "disgrace."

Mrs. Ellis, National W. C. T. U., National Supt. of Legislation and Petitions, at Washington, D. C., has this to say of Senator Hansbrough: "There is a great work to be done here in temperance lines, every temperance man is needed, and where one has been tested again and again, as has Senator Hansbrough, always standing four-square for the cause of temperance, we cannot too strongly hope that his friends in North Dakota will see to it, that he is returned to so ably and wisely represent the brave new state of North Dakota." She further says: "Senator Hansbrough has also been the originator and has urged the passage of bills to protect the dear old flag, in the 53d, 54th, 55th, and 56th congress."

Press Supt.

A Close Game.

The Cooperstown ball team went over to Hope last Saturday, to play a return game and succeeded in snatching a victory in the ninth inning. The game was close and exciting from start to finish. Hoar pitched for Cooperstown and a gentleman by the name of Isabel pitched for Hope. The Hope management and people generally tried their utmost to make the game pleasant, and while some of the "kid" rooters got a little over enthusiastic that was to be expected and is no more than Hope would get over here. The town is not to blame if a few of the rough element get too boisterous. Charley Murray umpired the game and while one or two decisions were questionable his work generally was satisfactory. The score was 6 to 5 in favor of Cooperstown. These same teams expect to play at Page June 20th for \$100. There will undoubtedly be a lively contest for supremacy as Hope with three defeats to her credit will try and redeem past misfortunes, and everybody knows that when that town goes after anything it goes hard.

BUNTS.

David Bartlett was presented the Hope mascot—a nigger doll, by Col. Jacobson.

Jake Lem, who plays the game for all he is worth, and never lets 'em steal second, was hit in the neck with a lemon. This is termed a sour mash and hereafter Jake will go away back and sit down when he is out.

Billy Anderson, who is playing a fast game at first and hit the ball all the time, claims to have been struck on the head with a flying meteor. It is to be taken as a joke.

Billy Sinclair is playing a fast game at short. There are none better up in this country.

That old dog, Chet Hoar, makes even his worst enemies love him for the good work he does in the box. Many pet names were handed out to him for which he gratefully acknowledges thanks. Chet is a peer in his line.

"Dick" Leizer, the handsome young man who holds down the third sack, was a favorite with the ladies, and several wads of gum lodged in his hair. Dick is playing a hot game.

Center fielder Bert Phipps is playing a star game this season, and has made some sensational catches lately. They all move back when Bert picks up his willow.

When it comes to playing second base there is no one like "Jimmy" Sinclair. When he unwinds his hands and spreads them out it is time for the batter to go and sit down. Jimmy is eating them up all the time.

It makes the opposition groan when anything is knocked out into left field because Frank Kelly hikes around there and—the batter generally retires. Frank is a hot one with the stick, too.

Andrew Sinclair has been playing right field. Comments are unnecessary. As a ball player "Bowser" is par excellence.

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