

Local

E. M. Jackson, of Winford, was doing business in the metropolis last Sunday.

Go to First National Bank for real estate loans acceptable loans said C. O. D.

FOR SALE—The Randy Gundersen house. This must be sold at once. Call on T. E. WARNER.

George V. Belgar remits his check from Spooner, Wis., to pay for his COURTIER to Jan. 1, 1904, for which we return thanks.

FOUND—A pocketbook with a sum of money inside of it. Owner can get same by proving property and paying for this notice.

C. W. Sayles, of Hartford, Wis., father of Mrs. F. J. Stone, arrived last Thursday and will make an extended visit here.

J. E. Laffan, the democratic sachem from the future county seat—Jessie, was purchasing holiday goods in the metropolis last Friday.

Miss Myrtle Bemis came home last Saturday to spend the holidays. She is teaching in the schools at Williston and likes her position very much.

Dr. Rose, resident dentist, Cooperstown, N. D., can be found in his office from now on until further notice. Office in Syverson's new building, upstairs.

W. C. Phipps came down from McHenry last Friday to attend to some business matters. Bert has not been down since he was married—nothing to come for, now, says he.

If you enjoy a good laugh go to see the Sherrys' who come highly endorsed by both press and opera house managers as a first class attraction. Opera House, Wednesday, December 31. Reserved seats 50c.

Before another paper is printed the old year will have passed into history and a new year, opening up with bright opportunities will have arrived. The COURIER wishes one and all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

It is said that a Western editor recently announced that for just one issue he would tell the truth, the whole truth, naked and unvarnished. That is, the truth was to be naked and unvarnished. Here is one item from that issue.

Dr. L. S. PLATOU, of Valley City, graduate of Christiania University, Norway, will be in Cooperstown Dec. 26th and 27th for the purpose of practicing his profession. Regular visits last Friday and Saturday of each month.

President C. F. Nelson, of the Iowa-North Dakota Land Co., returned last Thursday from a six weeks trip into South Dakota and Iowa. He is so pleased to return to this state that he has gained a pound a day ever since he returned. Charles knows when he is well off and you couldn't drive him away from North Dakota now.

Knud Thompson recently returned from another trip into the eastern states where he had been using his seductive language in trying to convert the masses down east to coming to North Dakota. He says times are hard down east and that North Dakota is the peer of any state in the union. Knud is getting to be quite an orator and the democratic national committee have its eye on him as a speaker for the presidential campaign. He is the coming Knute Nelson of this state and while he may not go to the United States Senate he is fast getting rich selling farm lands.

Married—Miss Sylvia Smith to Mr. James Carnahan, last Saturday, by the Baptist parsonage. The bride is a very ordinary girl about town, who doesn't know any more than a rabbit about cooking, and never helped her poor old mother three days in her life. She is not a beauty, by a long shot, and has a gait like a fat duck. The groom is known as an up-to-date loafer, and has been living off his mother all his life, and don't amount to anything, anyhow. They will have a tough time of it, and we withhold congratulations, for we don't believe any good can come from such a marriage.

We have improved farms for sale. FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

The COURIER has been asked to agitate the matter of having a law passed by the coming legislature taxing old bachelors after they have reached a certain age. A bill or a draft of a bill will probably be handed to Senator Crane before he leaves for Bismarck. It is claimed that the bachelor has outlived his usefulness after he reaches a certain age and ought to be taxed for being allowed to exist. The bill will contain a proviso that the funds so raised by taxation shall be put into a fund to found a home for the old maids. Cooperstown is lucky in not having very many old maids or bachelors and the few we now have would undoubtedly get a hustle on themselves in order to escape taxation or the old maid's home.

Try our Pancake Flour.

Miss Julia Feiring, of the Minto schools, is spending the holidays at home.

Mrs. Dr. Kerr was a southbound passenger Monday, enroute to the twin cities.

Prof. W. D. Hartman came up from Valley City last week to spend the holidays at home.

A social dance after the play. Opera House. New Year's eve., Wednesday, December 31st. A—1—music.

John Ebertler and family left Monday afternoon for Dodge county, Wisconsin, to visit friends for about six weeks.

Miss Kathleen Crane came home from Minneapolis last Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Carl Scott left on Tuesday for Minneapolis where she will spend the next two weeks visiting friends and relatives.

LOST—Between Ayrea's and Feiring's farm, on December 13th, one grey fur robe. Finder please leave at this office.

Dick Howden, the McHenry merchant Sunday in Cooperstown. Dick is always a welcome visitor at this end of the line.

The school children are enjoying a couple of weeks vacation. This will relieve the old coal bin quite a little at the same time.

Attorney Baldwin boarded the southbound limited last Saturday bound for the windy city—commonly known as Chicago.

MARRIED—On Saturday last, by Rev. O. K. Quamme, Peter Vanberg and Andrea Christiansen, both of Broadview, this county.

Rev. T. J. Giblett left on Monday for Oseola, Wis., to spend Christmas with his family. He will bring his wife and boy back with him.

The Sherry high class entertainers, vocalists, dancers, character impersonators, sketch and specialty artists at Opera House, Wed., Dec. 31st.

C. M. Kribbs, of Wimbledon, was a substantial caller at this office Tuesday. He is a first class auctioneer and will cry your sales at any time.

The shortest days of the year have come and gone and the old saying goes "now the days begin to lengthen and the cold begins to strengthen."

Sheriff Thingstad has been very sick with pneumonia for the past ten days, but his many friends will be pleased to hear that he is getting better.

Miss Rachel Williams left for Sparta, Wis., Friday, to spend the holidays. Miss Beulah McGinck left the same day for Minto, N. D., to spend the holidays.

Robt. Starr has recently added a very fine milk wagon to his Hillside Dairy equipment and now delivers the lactical fluid in regular city style. Bob is getting there with both feet.

The following took the pupils examination at the courthouse last Friday: Mable Mills, Howard Hyde, Martha Law, Jessie Lindgren, Delbert Ruggles, Axel Simonsen and Melvin Feiring.

Don't miss the laughable comedy skitchee, "A Pair of Kickerbokers" every line a laugh. Beautiful costumes, quick changes, no waits. Two hours solid fun, refined and up-to-date. Opera House, Wednesday evening, Dec. 31st.

Misses Helga and Josie Hammer returned home from Hudson, Wis., last Saturday. Miss Josie has been very sick for some time but is now greatly improved in health. Miss Emma returned the same day from the University to spend Xmas at home.

There was special Christmas music at the Congregational church last Sunday morning. The choir sang an anthem and Prof. W. D. Hartman nicely executed a bass solo. The pastor, Rev. V. H. Ruring, preached a fine sermon, his subject being in line with the Christmas season.

Quite a number of our settlers on the west side of the county are buying up land in the Canadian northwest. They sell their farms here at from \$20 to \$25 per acre and then go over and buy for \$6, which is not a bad speculation. Andrew and Otto Fenner, Dave Nichols and several others in that section are investing in Canadian land.

Try Wheat Grits for breakfast. CUSSONS MILLING CO.

Miss Annie Rothwell Stewart, of Maryland, one of the officers of the Y. branch of the W. C. T. U. addressed a large union meeting in the Baptist church last Sunday evening along temperance lines. Miss Stewart is not a gilded orator but she has a very pointed and forceful way of presenting her arguments that cannot help but appeal to the better nature of all her hearers regardless of their individual opinion.

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S. ALMKLOV.

WANTED—Two girls for laundry work. Address A. F. PIERCE, Valley City, N. D.

Theo. Marquardt went down to the twin cities Tuesday to spend a few days in recreation and business. It has been a long time since Theo. went on a vacation.

Cadet Theo. Syverson is at home spending the holidays. He will return to Faribault, Minn., where he is in the Shattuck military school, right after New Year's.

Dick Leiser came up from Hannaford last Friday to look around a little. Dick has been laid up for the past two months, having blood poisoning in his arm. He will soon be all right and is anxious to get to work again.

L. M. Summerville's little son has been having a tussle with pneumonia but is improving under Dr. Brimi's care. Mr. Summerville returned from Iowa Sunday, driving up from Sanborn.

Later—The case developed into appendicitis and the little fellow was taken to Fargo Tuesday to be operated upon by Dr. Darrow.

Taken Up.

Came to my enclosure Dec. 1st 1902, one red yearling heifer, star in face. Owner please call and get same, pay charges, etc.

W. H. BUTLER, Sec. 17-145-57, Riverside 1 wp., Steele Co.

Legislative Proceedings.

The coming session of the legislature promises to be an exceedingly interesting one and beyond the election of a United States senator the voters will desire to keep posted regarding all proposed laws or changes in present laws and how the members stand on all questions. The Daily Tribune, of Bismarck, will have special reporters in each house and in the lobby and readers of that paper will get all the news. The paper will be sent from now until the end of the session for \$1—costs no more to begin now than later on. Send orders to the Tribune, Bismarck, N. D.

Notice to Banks.

Sealed proposals for the deposit of the funds of Griggs County, State of North Dakota, will be received at the office of the County Auditor up to January 5th, A. D. 1902, at 2 o'clock p. m. at which time said proposals will be opened and laid before the Board of County Commissioners.

Such proposals shall state in writing what rate of interest will be paid on the average daily balances during the month, interest to be paid monthly, on condition that such funds with accrued interest shall be held subject to draft at all times.

Such proposals shall be enclosed in sealed envelopes addressed to the County Auditor and marked "Proposal for deposit of County Funds." Dated at Cooperstown this 15th day of December, A. D. 1902. P. A. MELGARD, County Auditor.

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