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We have returned the new year. Don't forget to write it 1902. We have improved farms for sale. FIRST NATIONAL BANK. Mrs. G. M. Tipton is at Valley City visiting friends during the holiday season. Mrs. George V. Selner, of Spooner, Wis., is visiting relatives in the city. She arrived last Friday. Dr. Platon was here last Friday and Saturday attending to his patients and was kept busy all the time. FOR SALE—Large sized foot warmer. Just the thing for these cold days. Will sell cheap. Inquire at this office. Well the holiday season is over now, so it would be a good idea for some of those interested to spell a little on a lighting plant for the town. 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. Several of our young ladies hung up their stockings and caught husbands at Christmas. Some of our old bachelors might hang theirs next Christmas, they may catch wives. Start the new year by investing a dollar and a half in the COURIER. It will bring you more dividends than any other investment you can make on a like amount. Banker Robert Jones and family left last Saturday for the eastern coast of Florida where they will enjoy themselves the next three months. They expect to return here about the middle of April. Assistant Postmaster Victor M. Pike is spending the week at his home at Glenwood, Minn., with his parents therefore the p. m. is doing double duty this week. He will be back again Saturday. The different churches held their Christmas tree exercises on Xmas eve, each church having appropriate programs for the occasion. The scholars in the Sunday schools were remembered substantially, while the older folks present came in for a sack of candy, oranges, etc. F. J. Stone's Christmas presents were quite numerous but the best one of the lot was the fine little daughter presented to him by his wife Christmas morning. Fred has been setting up the cigars liberally so that it will be quite an expensive present after all but then Christmas comes but once a year. T. E. Warner and C. O. Johnson rode into Sanborn the other day bare headed. They were going from car to car and the wind blew their hats off and as the train doesn't stop for such trifles they had to wait until they got to Sanborn before they could get a hat. We have heard of such things happening coming this way but going that way—never. It is reported that the Northern Pacific has decided to run trains No. 7 and 8 which now runs between St. Paul and Jamestown from St. Paul to McHenry. If this should be done we would have a daily passenger service that would be strictly all right. Station Agent Payne says he has heard nothing of the proposed service so that we cannot verify the rumor. However, let us hope there is some truth in the report and that we shall get such a service. The old pioneer would certainly get the approbation of the public. FOB SALE—The Randy Gundersen home. This must be sold at once. Call on T. E. WARNER. The Congregational church held its annual business meeting last Wednesday night. The report of the treasurer showed that the church was in fairly good shape. All outstanding bills had been paid and also \$200 on the parsonage debt. There would be a deficit of about \$100 at the close of the church year so the treasurer said, so that amount was immediately raised by subscription. The old officers were practically re-elected. A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Bartlett for giving the church her services as organist. FOUND—A pocketbook with a sum of money inside of it. Owner can get same by proving property and paying for this notice. F. O. Beschet came pretty near passing in his "chips" Christmas day. He was in the bathtub in J. H. Morris's bath rooms and was taken with severe cramps and pretty nearly drowned. He was taken to his room and medical aid given him and is all right again now. For fear that some people will think that Frank's sickness is due to the fact that he took a bath, we can prove that he is in the habit of taking baths regularly, therefore the impeachment would fall flat. We are glad that he is still on earth and will continue to carve juicy roasts and tender steaks at the old stand—and occasionally take a bath.

Walking Skirts at cost to close out at the New York Store. Hiram Burton left on Tuesday for Milverton, Ontario, Canada. Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Phipps, of McHenry, spent the latter part of last week in town. Go to First National Bank for real estate loans acceptable loans paid C. O. D. Portal is having an epidemic of diphtheria. Two or three deaths have already occurred. Western Houghton left on Monday for Port Huron, Mich., where he expects to visit friends for the next two months. James H. Wilson came down from Souris on the Soo to spend the holidays with his family. He has a farm at or near Souris. Mrs. Trubshaw has been having a hard time with the mumps the past few days and knows what it is to have a jawous time of it. Walter Allen left Monday for his home at Glencoe, Minn. He expects to take a course in optics and may return to Cooperstown later. Hugh McDaniels drove down from Aneta Christmas day to get his wife who came down a day or two previous to that time to attend the wedding of her brother. Attention is called to ad. of Oscar H. Will & Co., the Bismarck seedmen. This is the pioneer house of its kind and you will get good goods by buying from them. The barber shops have decided to close up at 7 o'clock p. m. during the winter months, Saturday excepted. Those fellows who want to get shaved should bear this in mind. Geo. R. Clark left last Thursday for his home at Marine City, Mich., where he will make an extended visit. He does not expect to return until spring time comes gentle Annie. Rev. L. B. Crosby, of Crystal, N. D., was here last week to spend Christmas with C. T. Whidden and family. He is pastor of the Baptist church at Crystal and likes the town and people very much. He returned Friday. We have been enjoying a cold spell the past few days that has made a big impression on the coal bin. The prospects for getting more hard coal are not very bright at this writing and those fellows who paid a little higher price for their coal last fall may turn the laugh on the other fellows now. S. H. Hanson, the Great Western Elevator man went away at Christmas and said when he returned he would bring a sister back with him. He returned Monday and kept his word—he brought somebody else's sister whom he had married. Mr. and Mrs. Hanson will go to housekeeping in rooms in Aunt Fannie Haskell's house. It would be a good scheme for some of the other bachelors to go away and get a sister. A very pleasant social event was that given by Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Condy at their Burrell avenue home last Monday evening in honor of Misses Helga and Emma Hammer. There were about twenty-five of the younger element of the town present and each and every one of them asserted that it was one of the finest social events ever given in Cooperstown. The guests played progressive whist and there were six tables of players. Miss Lizzie Johnson was declared the winner and was presented with a very handsome souvenir spoon. The luncheon was very fine and each guest found cut flowers and ferns at their plates at the table. Those present enjoyed Mr. and Mrs. Condy's hospitality so well that they did not leave until 2:30 a. m. Tuesday morning. DR. L. S. PLATOU, of Valley City, graduate of Christiania University, Norway, will be in Cooperstown Jan. 30th and 31st for the purpose of practicing his profession. Regular visits last Friday and Saturday of each month. Word was received from Fargo Saturday morning of the death of the little six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Summerville which occurred at 4 o'clock on Friday afternoon. For a week or ten days the little boy had been sick, first with symptoms of pneumonia, then later turning into appendicitis. Dr. Darrow, of Fargo, was called, who suggested that he be taken to Fargo and placed in the hospital where he could be operated upon and properly cared for. The poor little fellow's strength was not sufficient to undergo the operation so it was not performed and he died as stated. He was an exceptionally bright little boy and was the idol of his parents. Their loss is indeed great and the sympathy of many friends goes out to them in their bereavement. The funeral was held at the residence last Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. V. H. Ruring officiating. The remains were interred in the cemetery. This was an only son and the loss is indeed great to these grief stricken parents—and none but those who have had children and lost them can realize such a loss.

WANTED—Two girls for laundry work. Address A. F. PRINCE, Valley City, N. D. Oliver Stevens returned home from St. Paul last Thursday and will now remain here for a time. LOST—Between Ayrea's and Feirings farm, on December 13th, one grey fur robe. Finder please leave at this office. Mrs. Thomas Moffatt, of Valley City, spent most of last week in Cooperstown visiting friends. She also attended the wedding of her brother-in-law, John A. Moffatt. A fire at Wimbledon Christmas day resulting from a gasoline stove explosion, burned up a couple of buildings and probably fatally burned three men in addition to slightly burning two or three others. Posters have been hung up around town advertising a sparring match for Tuesday night between the Wylie Brothers of Valley City, the event taking place in Rier Anderson's hall. Wylie won the contest while the suckers who attended paid the freight. Cooperstown again had another fortunate escape from a disastrous fire last Saturday morning. Photographer Von Blon was getting ready to burnish some pictures and had started a fire under his burnishing machine which is heated by gasoline. He left the machine going in a small room and was in the main studio talking to some customers when black smoke was noticed pouring out of the little room. On investigation the little room was found to be in a mass of flames caught from the burnisher and the outlook for a big fire was good. Mr. Von Blon hastily snatched up a small hand extinguisher and succeeded in controlling the fire and with a few pails of water the fire was extinguished but not until the walls of one room were badly charred up. It was a lucky escape and great credit is due Mr. Von Blon for his quick action in the matter. 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 Twp., Steele Co. Tried to Conceal It. It's the old story "murder will out" only in this case there's no crime. A woman feels run down, has backache or dyspepsia and thinks it's nothing and tries to hide it until she finally breaks down. Don't deceive yourself. Take Electric Bitters at once. It has a reputation for curing Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and will revivify your whole system. The worst forms of those maladies will quickly yield to the curative power of Electric Bitters. Only 50c, and guaranteed by H. H. Bateman, Druggist. 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. CORN SEEDS AND TREES. NEW CATALOGUE. Full of all the choicest ACCLIMATED things in SEED CORN, Grain, Potatoes, Vegetable and Flower Seeds. Forest, Fruit and Ornamental Trees and Plants FREE TO ALL. Free packets each order OSCAR H. HILL & CO., BISMARCK, N. DAK. DR. FENNER'S KIDNEY and Backache CURE. All diseases of Kidneys, Bladder, Urinary Organs. Also Rheumatism, Gravel, Dropsy, Female Troubles. Don't become discouraged. There is a cure for you. If necessary write Dr. Fenner. He has spent a life time curing just such cases as yours. All consultations free. "For years I had backache, severe pains across kidneys and scalding urine. I could not get out of bed without help. The use of Dr. Fenner's Kidney and Backache Cure restored me. G. WAGONER, Knobville, Pa." Druggists 50c. Ask for Cook Book—Free. ST. VITUS DANCE. Sure Cure. Circular. Dr. Fenner, Fredonia, N. D. For sale by S. ALMKLOV

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