

Local.

We have improved farms for sale. **FIRST NATIONAL BANK.** Walking Skirts at cost to close out at the New York Store.

WANTED—Hungarian and Siberian Millet at the New York Store. W. C. JAMESON, Prop.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hanson have gone to house keeping in Aunt Fannie Haskell's house in the twenty-fourth ward.

The county treasurer has been quite busy of late raking in the shekels for taxes before the penalty of 5 per cent. attaches February 1st.

FOUND—A large gauntlet driving mitt, color brown. Owner can get same at this office by paying for this notice.

Otto Bruns, who has been employed as bookkeeper for Thompson Bros. for some time past, left on Thursday last for his home at Westgate, Ia.

Buy your shoes at the New York Store. You will be pleased with both quality and price.

Miss Althea Haggerty had to dismiss school last week because she was afflicted with mumps. This disease tackles schoolmarmas as well as other people.

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

Knud Thompson has rented the Fiero house and will move into the same right away. We are pleased to have the old pioneer family move back to Cooperstown.

Try a can of our "Home Brand" peaches. They're it! **THOMPSON BROS.**

The Jolly Twenty Club enjoyed another very pleasant dance at K. P. hall last Friday evening about twenty-five couples being in attendance. It is said by those present to be the best dance the club has had for a long time.

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.

Rowe & Barr, of Mayville, have been installing a hot water plant in the editor's home this week. These gentlemen have put in several plants in Cooperstown and their work gives satisfaction every time.

Get into line and get an early chance on our Clothing Sale. **THOMPSON BROS.**

Mr. Will Fritschler, of Amenia, N. Dak., has accepted a position with Strandness & Furaas. He speaks German and Norwegian in addition to English and is recommended as a first class man. He was formerly with the Amenia Mercantile Co.

The Little Gem restaurant has been moved to the Sells Bengsen confectionary stand. Meals can be obtained at all hours day and night in first-class style.

C. DAHL. I take this opportunity of thanking all who assisted me during the sickness and funeral of my beloved wife Torene Lea, who at the age of 67 years, 2 months and 17 days died on the 14th day of January 1903. **CHRISTIAN A. LEA.**

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

G. E. Macconnell left last Friday for Minneapolis where he goes to visit his girl for a few days. We have an idea that Mac may bring a girl back with him—if he does not this time it will not be very long as he was seen staking out a house foundation a few nights ago, which is a pretty good sign.

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

Mrs. W. J. Payne entertained twenty of her friends at progressive finch on Thursday afternoon. The invitations were in the form of a R. B. pass, and took the party from Cooperstown to Chicago and return. The rooms presented quite a depot like appearance, with the usual cards posted up. Some read "Don't spit on the floor," "Baggage room," "Not over six trunks each allowed," "Purchase tickets before entering the cars," etc. During the excursion little boxes of salted peanuts were sold which seemed real train like. The expiration of the passes found the party rather scattered, some in Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Fargo and Sanborn. Several ladies having traveled the same number of miles a game was played to decide to whom the prize should be awarded, Mrs. Spicer being the lucky one. Lunch was served on small tables, doughnuts and sandwiches were brought to the tables in paper bags. The trip was enjoyed by all present.

How about that lightning plant?

Rev. W. H. Gimblett was a city caller the first of the week.

Miss Nan Cain arrived Tuesday on a visit to friends and relatives here.

Mrs. O. P. Feiring returned home Tuesday. She has been away since September. Her health is not very good but it is hoped she will soon improve.

Chas. Dahl has taken a partner in the person of Chris Olson, of McHenry. The clutter of the dishes at the Little Gem Restaurant will be louder than ever now.

Aaker's Business College, Fargo, N. D., is making a fine showing. School opened Oct. 27th. Two months later 80 students has already enrolled, and the attendance now is 90. New students are added every week.

On account of the stormy weather a rather small house greeted the Midland Concert Co. last evening at the Opera House. It is said by those in attendance to be one of the best musical entertainments of the season.

FOR SALE—The hotel at Hannaford together with the livery barn operated in connection. For particulars apply to **KOLDBERG & NORDENG,** Hannaford, N. D.

The editor has been confined to the house the past few days by injuries received last week as a result of a stone wall falling on him, consequently the paper lacks local news this week. However if the public will forgive us this time we will try and steer clear of stone walls hereafter.

Good canned Peas 10c per can, 3 cans for 25 cents, at **BENO BROS. & Co.,** The One Price Dept. Store.

Gilbert Hammer arrived from Sumner, Ia., Saturday last to visit friends and relatives here. Gilbert has been in charge of a clothing store ever since he left here and has made a success of the business which is pleasing news to his friends. He left for Sumner Tuesday.

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.

One of the most hilarious events of the season so far was a coasting party at the river last Saturday afternoon. Coasting on the west hill is the best now it has been for years and there is a few opportunities to have a good time. King's bobs were used. Those participating were Misses Haley, Schell, Zimmerman, Corey and McGillich and Messrs. King, Bateman, Nelson and Baldwin. When they returned all went to the Palace Hotel for supper and after supper they enjoyed a game of progressive finch in the teachers' rooms at the hotel. Fred King says he is not accustomed to the little attentions received from the lady next to him when the bobs struck a rock.

Wedding Bells.

Another very pretty home wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Moffatt last Monday afternoon January 26, when Mr. Chesley A. Hoar was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth M. Moffatt, Rev. V. H. Buring, pastor of the Congregational church officiating. The ceremony was witnessed by relatives of the family and a few intimate friends. At 2 o'clock, preceded by little Phyllis Fellows, maid of honor, and Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Marquardt, the contracting parties took their position under a trio of wedding bells which had been prepared for the occasion and were soon pronounced man and wife. Following the ceremony the happy couple received the hearty congratulations of friends after which the company sat down to a very fine wedding luncheon. The bride was very prettily gowned in grey zebeline trimmed with pink panne velvet and embroidered poppies in pink, while the groom was dressed in conventional black. The contracting parties are too well known here for the COURIER to introduce them, the bride being the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moffatt, and has been a resident of Cooperstown for a number of years. During her residence here she has won for herself many friends who will join in extending best wishes for a long and happy life. The groom "Chet" as he is familiarly called, is known all over the state and is the boy who made the Cooperstown base ball club famous, being the crack pitcher of this part of the country. He is a steady and popular young gentleman and his friends all over the state wish him all the happiness it is possible to get. The newly wedded couple left on the afternoon train for Crow River, Minn., (stopping at Minneapolis for a few days,) where they will settle down on the farm. The COURIER joins in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Hoar a long and happy wedded life.

Advice to Farmers.

When coming to town go to the Little Gem restaurant and get a hot bowl of soup and a good meal at a reasonable price. All meals up-to-date and served in first-class style. Short orders from parties and lodges filled at reasonable rates. Give me a call, you will come again. **C. DAHL.**

Strayed.

Three head horses, one white mare, about 8 years old, branded Z on left shoulder, weight about 1100 lbs; One bay horse, star in forehead, about 4 years old, branded Z on left shoulder, weight about 1100 lbs; one grey gelding, weight 1100 lbs, branded Z on left shoulder, about 4 years old. Anyone taking up said horses please notify me at Cooperstown.

HERMAN FESKE, Sec. 4-145-00.

ED. BUCKMASTER.

Charged With Attempting To Burn an Elevator at Kragnes.

And Who Suddenly Disappears. Ed. is Arrested by Chief Regan.

Readers of the Call will recall an account of the disappearance on Jan. 3 of Ed. Buckmaster, who was suspected of setting fire to the Independent elevator at Kragnes, Clay county, where he had been agent. Superintendent Blewitt had just finished checking Buckmaster up and had paid him off and notified him he was no longer needed. The grain in the elevator was to be weighed in the morning; fire was discovered in the cupola of the elevator that night, but put out. When the grain was weighed out it was found that there was a shortage. But Buckmaster had disappeared. Chief of Police Regan learned he was at Wolverton, on the G. N. Road, and went down after him yesterday, returning with his man. Buckmaster consented to go over to Moorhead last evening, and was taken in charge by Sheriff Bayer. He seems to think he will be able to clear up the matter.—Fargo Call.

Buckmaster was formerly stationed at Cooperstown and we are not at all surprised to hear this news of him.

Habits of Seals.

The habits of seals are very interesting. The very young seal is helpless in the water until he is taught by his mother to swim. She takes him into the water daily on her fin and dumps him in, and when he gets tired of floundering about places him on her fin again and returns to her camp. When the young seals are well grown, they suddenly disappear with their mothers and the bull seals. No one knows where they go, and their return is equally as sudden as their departure. The bulls are the first to put in an appearance at the camping ground. When they arrive, they commence at once to prepare a camp for their mates, which they stake off, and for which they fight until they die. In the meantime the female seals remain quite a distance from land, floating lazily on the water and seemingly having a good time.

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.

CORN SEEDS TREES Full of all the choicest ACCLIMATED seeds 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, Backache, Heart Disease, 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. "Dr. Fenner's Kidney and Backache Cure is the cause of my being alive to-day. I had suffered greatly of kidney disease for years and reduced in weight to 120 pounds. I now weigh 165 pounds." **W. H. MCGUGIN, Olive Furnace, O.** Druggists, 50c. **Ask for Cook Book—Free.** **ST. VITUS' DANCE** Sure Cure. Circular, 1c. **Fenner, Fredonia, N.Y.** For sale by **S. ALMKLOV**

Notice of Dissolution.

The partnership heretofore existing between C. T. Whidden and G. C. Koyl, under the firm name of Whidden & Koyl, is on this 8th day of January, 1903, dissolved by mutual consent. All accounts due the late firm to be paid to C. T. Whidden and all bills contracted by the firm of Whidden & Koyl to be paid by C. T. Whidden.

C. T. WHIDDEN, G. C. KOYL.

In connection with the above the undersigned most respectfully asks that all amounts due the late firm be paid at once as the affairs in connection with the old business must be settled quick.

C. T. WHIDDEN.

The Butcher Bird's Larder.

It is possible that the butcher bird's "curious and cruel habit" of impaling various creatures upon hedge thorn is his way of supporting his wife during her period of seclusion. Of many species the female is fed by the male on the nest, but the butcher bird's prey consists often of creatures which are too large to be eaten at a mouthful. Even if the male could always drag these carcasses to the nest it is obvious that the female could not eat them there; so the "larder" may have been hit upon as a happy device to get over the difficulty, the female flitting thither to help herself whenever she is hungry.—Country Life.

Easy Sailing.

Visitor—I would like to get you to teach me to sail a boat. Boatman—Sail a boat? Why, it's easy as swimming. Jest grasp the main sheet with one hand and the tiller with the other, and if a snag strikes ease up or bring'er to an' loose the halyards, but look out fer the gaff an' boom or the hull thim'll be in the water an' ye'll be upset; but if the wind is steady ye'll all right, unless ye'r too slow in luffin', 'cause then ye'll be upset sure. Jump right in an' try it; but, remember, whatever ye do, don't jibe!"

The Word "Joss."

"It's a mistake to suppose that 'joss' is a Chinese word," says a retired ship's carpenter. "I've traveled a good bit in the orient in my time, and among the odds and ends of interesting information I picked up was a knockout of the genuineness of 'joss' as a Chinese word. Chinamen only know 'joss' when they come in contact with Europeans. A Chinese priest that I became chummy with in Hankow told me that there was no such word in Chinese. He explained that the word was a corruption of the Spanish word 'Dios' and had come into use through the missionaries. Many early missionaries, he said, were Spanish priests, and their pronunciation of 'Dios' was speedily corrupted into 'joss' by native tongues and applied to the Chinese deities. It's only on the Chinese seaboard that the word is understood by Chinamen. In the interior, the priest told me, the Celestials had no knowledge of it."—Philadelphia Record

THE COOKBOOK.

In making any sauce put the flour and butter in together, and your sauce will not be lumpy.

A heavy salad is always out of place in an elaborate dinner. Mayonnaise is permissible, but French dressing is better.

If corned beef is very red, which means it is very salt, put it to cook in cold water. This draws out a portion of the salt.

When croquette mixtures are too wet to mold and shape, put in more chopped meat or fish or in a desperate case finely pounded breadcrumbs.

In making custard for lemon pies it is better to partly bake the crust before adding the mixture so that it may not be absorbed by the paste.

Gingerbread is improved by adding to it, when mixing, a cupful of chopped prunes. Use the juice of the prunes instead of water and mix the dough a little stiffer.

Fried breakfast bacon is much improved if cooked in some of the bacon fat saved from the previous day. There should be just enough for the bacon to float in, and it must be hot before the rashers are added. Cook three minutes.

Waste of Postage.

The lawyers were discussing the merits and demerits of a well known member of the New Orleans bar who had been gathered to his fathers, and one of the party, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat, recalled the time when he studied in the old man's office.

We had a copying clerk whose inefficiency continually worked the judge up to the point of explosion. One day a wire basket fell off the top of his desk and scratched his cheek. Not having any courtplaster, he slapped on three postage stamps and went on with his work.

A little later he had some papers to take to the United States court, and, forgetting all about the stamps, he put on his hat and went out.

As he entered the office the judge raised his head and fixed him with an astonished stare. The clerk stopped and looked frightened and finally asked:

"Anything—er—wrong, sir?" "Yes, sir!" thundered the old gentleman. "You are carrying too much postage for second class matter."

FLAX FIBRE MILL.

Finley Secures a Flax Fibre Mill and Flax Straw is Now Being Bought at \$2 Per Ton.

The efforts of the Finley Improvement Association have at last borne fruit, and Finley is to have a flax fibre mill. Manager Atkinson of Fargo was here last week, looked over the situation, and immediately decided that Finley was a good point for a mill, and leased ground of H. A. Long just north of the town site for a mill. The mill will be erected just as soon as the weather will permit, and in the meantime the company will purchase all the straw that is offered at \$2 per ton. This will be of vast benefit to the farmers of this vicinity, as they can now turn material which they have been burning up into money. The straw will be reduced to a fibre here and then shipped to the main mill at Fargo where it will be still further reduced, when it will be shipped to Niagara Falls, where it is manufactured into paper and other products. The company will also put in a mill at Aneta.

William Patterson will have charge of the buying of flax straw, and wants to be kept busy weighing straw and making out checks, so bring all the straw in that you can rake up.—Finley Beacon.

A Marvelous Invention.

Wonders never cease. A machine has been invented that will cut, paste and hang wall paper. The field of inventions and discoveries seems to be unlimited. Notable among great discoveries is Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. It has done a world of good for weak lungs and saved many a life. Thousands have used it and conquered Grip, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Consumption. Their general verdict is: It's the best and most reliable medicine for throat and lung troubles. Every 50c and \$1.00 bottle is guaranteed by H. H. Bateman, Druggist. Trial bottle free.